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MARRIED.

GILMOUR-FIELD—In Westminster, at the residence of Mr. Richard Whetter, on Wednesday Feb. 17th, David Gilmour, Dorchester, to Miss May W. Field.

Amusements and Lectures

Advertisements under this heading, two cents per word, or ten cents per line each insertion.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE—Friday, matinee and night, Feb. 19.

"BLACK PATTI'S"

Fifty Troubadours. The greatest colored show on earth. Matinee prices, 15c and 25c; night, 25c, 50c and 75c. Seats now on sale. Next attraction—Saturday matinee and night "Jim the Penman." Prices the same. 44z

LONDON HUNT AND COUNTRY CLUB—The sixth annual Hunt Club Ball will be held on Friday evening, Feb. 26, in the City Hall. Members or citizens, tickets, $5. Non-residents of the city, $2. Invitations can be had from any member or by applying or writing to the secretary, ORMSBY GRAYDON, honorary secretary. 39n eod

WESTMINSTER RINK—BENEFIT night (Charities Organization society), Friday, Feb. 19. Band in attendance. Admission 10 cents. 44k

CITY CHAMPIONSHIP RACE AND championship backward race to be held at Springbank Monday evening, Feb. 22. Band in attendance. Fare 15 cents. b

PRINCESS ICE PALACE—RINK OPEN Saturday; band afternoon and evening. Ice in grand condition. 47u

LONDON VOCAL SOCIETY—CONCERT Tuesday, Feb. 23, assisted by Miss Beverly Robinson, Miss Beatrice Langley, Mr. Lepriere Pringle, Mr. Braxton Smith, and Signor Seppili. Reserved seats 50c and 75c. Open to public tomorrow (Saturday), at Bell Piano Warerooms. b

DAISY RINK—SKATING TONIGHT. Band Saturday afternoon. b

GOOD SKATING TONIGHT AT WESTminster Rink. Ice in splendid condition. Go and help the Charity Organization's benefit night. Will be money well spent. b

WE HAVE THE BEST AND CHEAPEST entertainer in the country. For particulars address MCMURRAY BROS., St. James Park, London. 42n

11,600 TONS THE AMERICAN Line steamship St. Paul sails from New York to Southampton Wednesday, Feb. 24. Call for rates and further information. B. FRANK CLARKE'S Steamship Agency, Richmond street, next Advertiser.

PALACE DANCING ACADEMY—476 Richmond street. Classes meet: Gentlemen Monday evening; ladies, Tuesday evening, Ladies and gentlemen (advanced class), Wednesday evening. Ladies and children, Saturday afternoon, 3 o'clock. DAYTON & MCCORMICK.

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING BY Mr. R. B. Millard, at his residence, 315 Princess avenue. Special attention given to the waltz, two-step, court waltz, two-step Jersey and the cycle. Satisfaction guaranteed. Lessons any hour.

Meetings.

One cent per word each insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

I. O. O. F.—INITIATORY DEGREE TEAM—Dominion Lodge, No. 48, this (Friday) evening. Every member requested to attend. Important business. JOHN BROWN, N. G.; THOS. D. HASTINGS, R. S.

THE QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE McAll Auxiliary will be held in Somerset Hall, Monday, Feb. 22, at 3.30 p.m. b

UNIVERSITY EXTENSION LECTURE in Y. M. C. A. Auditorium, by Prof. Rigby, of Trinity University, Toronto, Friday evening, Feb. 19. Subject, "Early History of Cambridge University." 45o

Domestics Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

WANTED—A GOOD GENERAL SERvant, with references. Apply at once, Mrs. SIMPSON, 491 King street. 47o

WANTED—HOUSEMAID FOR UPstair work—One accustomed to sewing. Mrs. H. CARLING, 677 Talbot street. 46tf

WANTED—GOOD GENERAL SERVANT —March 1st; references required. 422 King street. 42eod

LADIES—IF YOU REQUIRE HELP OF any description send in your order to the Osborne Intelligence Agency, only reliable and oldest established in the city. Osborne Intelligence Agency, 56 Dundas street.

RING UP THE OLD RELIABLE—1121 —For general servants, cooks chambermaids, housemaids and girls for all kinds of work always on hand. Also nurses and good housekeepers, and always wanting reliable help. Dwyer's Employment Agency, 691 Richmond street.

Male Help Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

WANTED—AT ONCE, EXPERIENCED man to take charge of circular saw. Steady job for good man. Apply S. GILLIES & SON, 673 Bathurst street, London. 47o

WANTED—EXPERIENCED HOSTLER —Apply Ontario House. 47o

WANTED — MAN TO MANAGE branch at Toronto; salary $1,500 year; $1,000 cash and best references required. Address KEELER & KIRKPATRICK, 56 North 8th street, Philadelphia, Pa 45o

WANTED—A GOOD PENMAN TO write at home; either sex; steady easy work. Send your own handwriting, and inclose 5c silver for our reply, and full illustrated particulars. A. W. KINNEY, L. A., Yarmouth, N. S. 45n

WANTED—AN IDEA—WHO CAN think of some simple thing to patent? Protect your ideas; they may bring you wealth. Write JOHN WEDDERBURN & Co., patent attorneys, Washington, D. C., for their $1,800 prize offer and list of two hundred inventions wanted.

Female Help Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

WANTED—YOUNG LADY TO LEARN business. Apply MADAM IRELAND'S parlors, 211½ Dundas street, between 7 and 8 p.m.

Veterinary Surgeons.

J. H. TENNANT—VETERINARY SURGEON—Office, King street, opposite Market House; residence, corner King and Wellington. Telephone.

J. H. WILSON & SON—OFFICE 993 KING street, London; residence, 846 Richmond street. Telephone.

Pawnbrokers.

T. FOX, ORIGINAL PAWNBROKER, lends money on diamonds, watches and jewelry; business strictly confidential; highest price paid for cast-off clothing. 383 Clarence street.

WANTED—300 SECOND-HAND OVERcoats—Highest cash prices paid. A. P. SAINSBURY, 99 King street. Mail orders attended to.

Agents Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

AGENTS NOT MAKING $10 PER WEEK and not asking $50 (no idlers wanted), write for particulars. J. L. NICHOLS & Co., 23 Richmond west, Toronto. 38tf-d&w

WANTED—EXPERIENCED CANvasser to call on private families, or lady or gentleman well acquainted in the city. State salary expected. Apply drawer 546 city.

Houses, Etc., To Let.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

TO LET—BRICK COTTAGE—380 ADELAIDE street; 8 rooms, stable and large lot. Apply GEORGE TAYLOR, opposite. 47c

TO LET—A COTTAGE ON QUEEN'S avenue (No. 639). It has been newly whitewashed and papered. Rent moderate. Apply at 621 Dundas street. 43tf

TO LET—BRICK COTTAGE—SUITABLE for small family; in good order; rent moderate; good locality. Apply 394 Richmond street. 28tf

Lost and Found.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

LOST—SMALL GOLD WATCH AND chain. Reward at 1,045 Mabel street, East London. 46c

DOG LOST—BLACK AND WHITE setter pup, strayed last Thursday. Reward by returning to BELTZ'S hat store. 46c

LOST—BETWEEN PETER STREET AND Dundas Center Methodist Church, lady's red purse, containing $6 25. Reward; 521 Dufferin avenue. 45c

Wanted.

WANTED—ONE THOUSAND LOADS fresh stable manure. J. GAMMAGE & SONS. 42n

WANTED TO RENT—MODERN HOUSE —Central. Address, stating particulars, box 1, Advertiser office. 45n

BOARD WANTED—IN A PRIVATE family where no other boarders kept), by a gentleman for himself, wife and daughter Address Boarder, Advertiser office. 44tf

WANTED—25 BICYCLE RIDERS TO get their low frames made high at HUTCHINSON'S, 651 Dundas street.

Business Chances.

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HOTEL FOR SALE—SAXSON HOUSE, Port Huron Tunnel; doing good business. Reason for selling; wife in poor health. Apply H. L. JACKSON, proprietor. 451 bw

Real Estate.

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S. CHADWICK & SON—REAL ESTATE Agents. Homes, Investments, Speculation. Call Room 2 Albion Building.

Situations Wanted.

MAN AND WIFE WANT WORK ON farm; woman first-class dairy hand. Or would rent on shares. Address A. B., this office. 46u

Articles For Sale.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

ROUGH-COATED ST. BERNARD PUP, four weeks old, with pedigree. JERRY MCDONALD. 47c

IRON AND LEAD PIPE, STEAM AND water fittings of all kinds. SMITH BROS., 165 Dundas street. y

A FEW GOOD RANGES, TWO ORGANS and general assortment of furniture at the Ark, Market Square.

FOR SALE—ONE 30 HORSEPOWER automatic "Brown" engine, built by Goldie, McCulloch & Co., Galt. Cylinder 10 inches, stroke 24 inches; can be run at 60 revolutions, or as high as 90 revolutions; also one tubular exhaust feed water heater. The engine can be seen at H. PORTER & Co.'s storage warehouse, Carling street, London, Ont. 6tf-3tf

FOR SALE—A VERY GOOD PIANO—Of excellent tone. Can be seen by calling at J. W. Jones' Auction Rooms, Dundas street. Can be had at a bargain. 43tf

TWO MANUAL PEDAL ORGAN CHEAP —Also Decker Bros. (New York) upright piano. Heintzman & Co., warerooms, 236 Dundas street. H. W. BURNETT, Manager.

A FEW SECOND-HAND STOVES—MUST be sold. At Keen's, Masonic Temple, Market Square.

PIANOS, PIANOS—NEW AND SECOND HAND. Also a beautiful assortment of music and musical merchandise, and two good organs cheap. Anderson's Book Store, Nordheimer's Piano Agency, 182 Dundas street.

RUBBER STAMPS, SEALS—RAZORS sharpened; guns, rifles revolvers and locks repaired. D. MCKENZIE & Co., 388 Richmond street.

Storage.

STORAGE—MERCHANDISE, PIANOS, furniture; reasonable rates; most convenient. Western Storage and Commission Company, 420-422 Ridout street.

Livery Stables.

STAR LIVERY—OPEN DAY AND NIGHT —Hacks, coupes, etc. Light livery a specialty. THOS. TREBILCOCK, 633 Richmond street. Phone 423.

LILLEY'S LIVERY—NO. DUNDAS street, East London, Ont. Telephone No. 666.

Jewelers.

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO REPAIRING—J. T. WESTLAND, Engraver and Manufacturing Jeweler, 240 Richmond street (up stairs), London, Ont.

Educational.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

MR. J. W. G. ANDRAS PREPARES pupils separately for all university and professional examinations, 808 Waterloo street. 20tf

Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AT a public meeting of citizens interested in procuring relief for the sufferers from famine in India Mr. John Pope, the city treasurer, was appointed to receive subscriptions for the India Famine Fund. All sums received by him will be gratefully acknowledged and forwarded to his Excellency the Governor-General, who is acting as chairman for the Canadian Relief Fund for India.

C. A. KINGSTON, City Clerk. J. W. LITTLE, Mayor. 39n eod

Greece Going On

Just as Though She Owned the Isle of Crete.

The Cabinet Persists in Its Present Policy.

Large Turkish Reinforcements Leaving for the Scene.

Two Thousand Moslems Said to Have Been Massacred at Sitia, Eastern Crete.

Athens, Feb. 19.—The non-concurrence of the powers in Greece's action in Crete does not appear to have had the deterrent effect that was anticipated, and Greece is going ahead as though she had the full consent of the powers to her annexation of the island. Col. Vassos, aide-de-camp of the king, who is in command of the Greek troops in Crete, is already forming a local administration in the name of the King of the Hellenes. He is making preparations for the holding of municipal elections, and he will install mayors in all the towns and villages that are not occupied by the forces of the foreign powers. All the Greek consulates in the island have lowered their flags, it being considered by the consuls that as Crete is now Greek territory, their duties have ended.

London, Feb. 19.—The Athens correspondent of the Standard telegraphs that the Greek Cabinet held a meeting today, and after a full discussion of the Cretan question, decided to persist in the policy recently in the island that it had before agreed on.

A special says: At present everything is going in favor of Greece, though the powers may show their teeth at any moment. The powers occupy actually or virtually all the chief ports of Crete, and could at any time land 10,000 men, or in 48 hours 30,000. As long as the powers remain united they are not likely to calmly relinquish their pretensions, but if once mutual distrust arises, then Greece will have matters all her own way. Everything points to a blockade by the united squadrons of both Crete and Greece.

Something will have to be done promptly, since every hour strengthens the hold Greece already has on the island.

Several Greek officers have been sent to Crete to organize companies of volunteers under the orders of Col. Vassos. Another battalion has been ordered to hold itself in readiness to proceed to Crete.

NO BLOCKADE.

London, Feb. 19.—All the reports received here concur in the opinion that the proposal made by Germany that the great powers blockade the Piraeus in order to compel Greece to heed the representations made to her concerning her action in Crete is not likely to be adopted owing to the opposition of Great Britain and Italy.

THE TURKS MOVING.

Athens, Feb. 19.—It is asserted that a Turkish force embarked at Constantinople yesterday and sailed for Crete. They will not be permitted to land, for Crete is firmly determined to enforce her decree, ordering the torpedo flotilla to prevent the debarkation of Turkish reinfrocements on the island.

The foreign squadrons in Cretan waters, it is said, have induced Col. Vassos not to bombard the town of Halepa, which he was preparing to do, they promising that a solution of the whole question favorable to Greece would soon be arrived at by the powers.

The situation on the frontier of Greece is very threatening, and it would not be surprising to hear of actual hostilities there at any time. All the available Turkish troops are being concentrated on the frontier, whither they have dispatched strong Greek forces. In the present temper of the troops a very slight incident might bring about a serious collision. The advices received here show that the situation is daily becoming more critical.

ALLEGED MASSACRE OF MOSLEMS.

Vienna, Feb. 19.—The Neue Freie Press says that 2,000 Moslems have been massacred at Sitia, a town in the eastern extremity of Crete. Of all the Mohammedan residents of the place only 28 escaped. The paper adds that the Greek forces are surrounding eight Moslem villages on the island. The foregoing is officially announced in Constantinople, where the intelligence has created much excitement.

It was announced here tonight that Greek troops had occupied the town of Sitia.

The fort at Voucoulis, which is garrisoned by 500 Turkish troops, has been besieged for several days by a large force of well-armed insurgents. Yesterday the commander of the besieging force called upon the Turkish commander to surrender, and promised safe conduct to any of the garrison who chose to accept it. The Turks refused to surrender on any terms. It is stated that the garrison has provisions enough to last twenty days, and a plentiful supply of ammunition.

REFUGEES' STORIES.

Canea, Feb. 19.—Many refugees are arriving here from all parts of the island. Most of them are Moslems, who have fled from their homes, fearing the vengeance of the Cretan Christians or their allies, the Greek soldiery. A large number of Mussulmans arrived on board a Turkish transport. They affirm that the Christians have killed 100 Moslems at Serakimos and 100 more in the villages adjacent to that place.

Tenders for Brick and Tile Sewers.

TENDERS will be received at the undersigned office up to 5 o'clock, on Tuesday, Feb. 25, for the construction of 2,180 feet of 15-inch tile sewer on the Wharncliffe highway, and for 2,982 feet of brick sewer on King, Ridout and other streets. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

ALD. E. PARNELL, Chairman Board of Works.
A. O. GRAYDON, City Engineer, London. 31bb zxv

Valuable City Property FOR SALE.

TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED UP TO MARCH 1 for the purchase of that very desirable property, 531 Dundas street, having a frontage of 65 feet and a depth of 250 feet, with 10-foot lane in rear to William street. The present buildings will bring an immediate revenue, and the site is one of the most valuable in the residential portion of the city.

W. H. BARTRAM, Solicitor. 45tf 99 Dundas street, London.

John Burns' Compliments

To the American Proprietor of the Pall Mall Gazette.

The Transvaal Asking Over $8,000,000 Indemnity.

Russia Getting Ready to Meet Any Crisis.

England Led Shipping Through Suez Canal Last Year—The Sultan's Precautions to Avoid the Populace.

ANOTHER ARBITRATION.

Paris, Feb. 19.—France and Brazil have signed a protocol referring their dispute regarding territorial boundaries to arbitration, the President of the Swiss Confederation to be the referee.

LADY GRANTLEY DEAD.

London, Feb. 19.—Katharine, Lady Grantley, wife of Baron Grantley, and daughter of Wm. H. McVicar, of New York, is dead. The funeral will take place on Saturday from Grantley Hall, Ripon, Yorkshire.

TROUBLE IN THE CONGO.

London, Feb. 19.—A dispatch to the Times from Brussels says it is reported a rebellion has broken out in the equatorial district of the Congo. Gov. Wehis personally commands an armed force, which has marched on Lubaberg.

A GEOLOGIST'S DOWNFALL.

London, Feb. 19.—Osman Wuffer Jeffs, the old employe of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company, who disappeared with $10,000 belonging to the company, while en route to Mexico, and who was arrested at Liverpool on Monday last, was sentenced to five months' imprisonment at hard labor. He was a geologist and a member of the British Association.

SIX CRUSHED TO DEATH.

Cadiz, Feb. 19.—While a force of workmen were engaged in lowering a boiler into the new Spanish cruiser Princess of the Asturias, which is being fitted out at the navy yards here, the tackling gave way and the boiler fell into a gathering of men below, killing six of them and seriously injuring ten others.

RUSSIA GETTING READY.

London, Feb. 19.—A dispatch to the Times from St. Petersburg says: There is no longer the least doubt that Russia is preparing for war—not necessarily to declare war, but to meet any necessity in connection with the eastern crisis. Even the Red Cross Society in Crimea is taking active steps in the same direction. Another infantry battalion with guns, volunteers, and stores has started for Crete.

THE SULTAN SCARED.

Constantinople, Feb. 19.—To show that the Sultan has taken warning from the placards posted in the mosques demanding his death, it is only necessary to say that he went and returned by sea from the Palace Topcapon during the ceremony of kissing the prophet's mantle, which is a feature of the rites of the great annual Mohammedan feast at Ramadam. Fifty thousand naval reserves, including the men on furlough, were called out.

BRITAIN LEADS.

London, Feb. 19.—The business of the year just closed was the most remunerative ever experienced by the Suez Canal, and the traffic aggregated almost $16,000,000 in value. The number of vessels using the waterway was 27 less than in the preceding year, but the tonnage was greater. British ships fell off in number, but still made up two-thirds of the traffic, while the German shipping in the canal increased. Not a single ship bearing the United States flag passed through the canal last year.

BOERS WANT $8,000,000 INDEMNITY

London, Feb. 19.—Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, in the course of a discussion in the House of Commons, of the claim made by the South African Republic for indemnity for damage sustained by the raid of Dr. Jameson and his followers into the Transvaal, said the Boer Government claimed for material damage £678,938, and for moral and intellectual damage £1,000,000. This remark of the Colonial Secretary provoked great laughter.

A LIVELY SCENE.

London, Feb. 19.—Quite a scene was created in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. John Burns, Socialist member for Battersea division of Battersea and Clapham. The occasion was the debate of a proposal to erect a new hall for use of London County Council. In course of the discussion, Mr. Burns, himself a member of the County Council, made an attack on the Pall Mall Gazette, which paper is owned by Mr. Waldorf Astor, because of its opposition to the proposal. The opposition of the paper to the erection of a new building on the site, the present one, he said, was purely in the interests of Mr. Astor, whose house adjoined the council building. In concluding his remarks, Mr. Burns said he could stand a decent duke or a militant marquis, but he could not endure the miserly and ungentlemanly conduct of the new millionaire.

CABLE NOTES.

Sir Edmund J. Monson, British ambassador to France, will preside at the dinner of the American Universe Club, to be given on Washington's birthday at Paris.

A dispatch to the Madrid Imparcial from Havana says that the opinion is generally prevalent in Cuba that the proposed reforms in the islands will have absolutely no influence upon the Cuban war.

A dispatch received at Madrid from Havana says it is reported there that Dr. Zertucha, who was Maceo's physician, and accompanied him at the time the insurgent leader met his death, has been assassinated.

The German tank steamer Diament (Captain Wischausen), from Bremerhaven, Jan. 23, for New York, or Philadelphia, before reported with the loss of her propeller, was spoken Feb. 11 in latitude 43 north, longitude 46 west, in tow of the British steamer Galilee, Capt. Fort, from London, Jan. 23, for Boston.

Sparks from the Wire.

United States Rear Admiral E. S. Colhoun (retired) died Wednesday evening.

Toronto has a scarlet fever epidemic, and the attendance at the city schools has greatly diminished.

George Haslam, one of the oldest G. T. R. engineers in Brantford district, died yesterday from apoplexy.

Coal has been discovered on the shores of the Petewawa, on the Upper Ottawa, and it is said to be in paying quantities.

Thos. Raymond, owner of the famous trotter Klamath, and one of the best known horsemen of California, died Wednesday.

At yesterday's session of the Grand Council of Ontario Royal Templars of Temperance, held at Oshawa, it was decided to meet next year at St. Thomas.

Rev. Frank Dumoulin, formerly of Toronto, and at present assistant rector of Trinity Church, Chicago, has been appointed rector of Emmanuel Church, Cleveland, Ohio.

Buffalo lumbermen are looking for a restoration of the old tariff on lumber as early as July 1, and when this is accomplished, they say the manufacturers will be enabled to restore former wages.

The Bagley & Sewall Machine Company, Watertown, N. Y., have shipped to Sittingbourne, England, a machine for the manufacture of news paper. It will make paper 130 inches wide. It is the largest machine ever built by the company, and it is the first machine shipped by them to England.

A writ has been issued against the College of Physicians and Surgeons for $10,000 damages for the death of Mrs. Thomas Wasson, who was killed on Jan. 28 by falling down the elevator shaft in the college building at Toronto. The writ is issued on behalf of the husband and children of the deceased.

The Canadian Typograph Company, of Windsor, among the largest employers of skilled mechanics in Western Ontario, have notified their employes that as soon as the Corliss bill becomes law in the United States, they will discharge every man who is not a Canadian. Most of their employes live in Detroit.

Senator Martin introduced a resolution in the New York Senate on Thursday, calling for an inquiry into the working of the large department stores in the cities in the state, which are gradually crushing out the smaller stores by uniting in one establishment nearly every kind of business, and are ruining the smaller dealers.

JOY TURNED TO GRIEF.

Two Young Ladies Meet With a Dreadful Accident While Preparing for a Ball.

Moncton, N. B., Feb. 18.—A dreadful accident occurred Tuesday night to three members of the family of ex-Ald. James Flanagan, a well-known drygoods merchant. His two eldest daughters, Mary and Zeph Flanagan, were dressing for a ball. A large lamp had been placed on a small shelf alongside a mirror. The lamp by some means slipped and fell to the bureau, breaking. Instantly there was an explosion, the burning oil flying over Miss Mary, and setting not only her clothing, but the room, on fire. Miss Zeph at that time escaped.

Mrs. Flanagan, hearing screams, rushed into the room, and threw a rug over her daughter, Zepa, seeing the exposed portion of her sister's clothing on fire, threw herself on her sister, and instantly was wrapped in flames herself. Not a man was in the house, and their mother and a young woman had to master the fire. Miss Zeph took up a pail of water by a wire handle, the wire cutting into the bones. Then she realized how dreadful the burns were. By this time help came, and Miss Mary Flanagan was found unconscious and dreadfully burned.

The two daughters and their mother are all confined to their beds through their injuries, and grave fears are entertained as to Miss Flanagan's condition.

MISS HISCOTT DYING.

Toronto, Feb. 19.—At 2 o'clock this morning the life of Miss Mary Hiscott, who with her sister was asphyxiated by escaping gas at the Grosvenor House, was despaired of. She is not expected to live through the night. The younger sister may recover. Neither has recovered consciousness since the discovery of their condition yesterday morning.

KILLED INSTANTLY.

Sterling, Ont., Feb. 19.—A very serious accident occurred at the iron mines near Marmora village yesterday. Nealon, a resident of Campbellford, went there and commenced work. About 5 p.m., having a blast already to set off, the men went back a short distance, and Mr. Nealon went in another direction. As the shot went off, a stone came down, striking Nealon on the head, killing him instantly.

It is reported that the Yellowstone geysers are gradually lessening in activity.

Ontario Legislature

Budget Speech of the Provincial Treasurer.

The Province in Good Financial Condition.

Toronto, Feb. 19.—There was a large attendance of members and many visitors in the gallery when, amid Government applause, Hon. Mr. Harcourt, Provincial Treasurer, rose to make his financial statement yesterday afternoon. He pointed out that the expense had been well kept within bounds of the amounts indicated by the House for the conduct of the affairs of the province. A statement laid on the members' desks showed the following figures:

Assets, $4,816,224 92, made up of direct investments, $389,386 14; capital bill and debts due by the Dominion, $2,755,135 15; common school fund, $1,991,882 90; bank balances, $226,820 53.

Liabilities at present payable, $33,644 28, made up as follows: Balance due municipalities, $1,291 20; land improvement fund, $9,625 21; Queen's share, collections on account of common school lands, $26,324 47. Surplus of assets over liabilities, $4,782,580 84.

Receipts for 1896: Subsidy, $1,196,872 80; interest, $260,804 75; Crown lands, $925,262 93; law stamps, $63,866 32; Algoma taxes, $3,370 11; licenses, $286,172 73; Education Department, $69,322 59; sale of lands at Toronto, $3,000; public institutions, $146,430 15, of which $23,238 69 was revenue from the London asylum; casual revenue, $109,189 43; succession duties, $165,383 40; capital account refunds, $10,192 76; drainage works assessments, $22,610 91; drainage debentures, $40,916 33; do. tile, $9,595; sale of annuities, $177,730 70; total, $3,490,671 45.

Expenditure, 1896, $3,703,379 73, made up as follows: Civil government, $250,032 05; legislation, $141,754 17; administration of justice, $441,055 97; education, $742,845 04; public institutions, maintenance, $796,567 62; immigration, $7,266 47; agriculture, $192,041 98; hospitals and charities, $194,615 64; repairs and maintenance, $75,227 47; public buildings, $208,374; public works, $38,077 06; colonization roads, $102,119 24; charges, Crown lands, $120,336 86; refunds, $19,584 37; statutes consolidated, $5,192 23; miscellaneous, $119,665 87.

Estimated receipts for 1897 are as follows: Subsidy, $1,196,872 80; interest on capital held and debts due by the Dominion to Ontario, $214,000; interest on investments, $40,000.

Crown Lands Department—Crown lands, $130,000; clergy lands, $5,000; common school lanas, $13,000; grammar school lands, $2,000; woods and forests, $750,000.

Public Institutions—Toronto Lunatic Asylum, $42,000; London Lunatic Asylum, $18,000; Kingston Lunatic Asylum, $10,000; Hamilton Lunatic Asylum, $18,000; Mimico Lunatic Asylum, $5,000; Brockville Lunatic Asylum, $2,000; Orillia Lunatic Asylum, $3,500; reformatory for females, $2,400; reformatory for boys, $900; Central Prison, $26,000; Education Department, $65,000; casual revenue, $105,000; succession duties, $175,000; tavern and brewers' licenses, $290,000; law stamps, $70,000; Algoma taxes, $3,000; assessments, drainage works, $20,000; assessments, insurance companies, $3,000; assessments, removal of patients, $6,000; total, $3,215,372 80.

In the course of his address, Mr. Harcourt ably analyzed the resources and the items making up the receipts of the Administration. He showed that liquor licenses are being decreased in the municipalities at the rate of about 100 a year. Local option is in force in seventeen municipalities and one municipality, that of Carnarvon, on Manitoulin Island, repealed its bylaw since the last session. These local option townships remove from the Government its share of the revenue produced by 36 tavern and 3 shop licenses. Succession duties, said Mr. Harcourt, have contributed $648,000 to the revenue in the five years since we have had in force a succession duty act. The Provincial Treasurer showed that the finances of the province are well managed. Among other things, he showed that the asylum patients cost $135 a year in Canada, while in United States institutions, where they have not nearly the same comfort, the cost is, in many cases, $100 a year greater.

At the evening session, Mr. Mathieson (Lanark) assailed the Government for not printing more details of the public expenditures. As has been usual for many years, the Opposition critic charged there was no surplus, but if there was it was being drawn on to pay current expenses. Mr. Mathieson said he was opposed to keeping Central Prison convicts at work, and he wanted a smaller sum to be collected by the Government as succession duties from the estates of very rich persons who die. He was opposed to the Government having charge of the Provincial University.

Mr. Stratton (Peterboro) made a spirited reply to Col. Mathieson's criticism of the Treasurer's report, asserting that it consisted of vague and extravagant charges. This was the only Government in Canada which had built a public building out of the current revenue, and we still had a surplus of $4,782,582. Other provinces are piling up their debts, while we pay as we go. In the past ten years the city of Toronto had almost doubled their expenditure. The Province of Quebec, with a small population, spent more than Ontario. Mr. Stratton took up a number of departments of administration and showed that Ontario spent in them much less than Quebec. Mr. Matheson attacked the Minister of Education, said Mr. Stratton. Our educational institutions were a credit to the capable Minister; but the system was not the system of this Government, it was the recommendation of the late superintendent, Dr. Ryerson, who recommended that a responsible Minister should be placed in control of the system. We might have in this country a surplus of dudes and dandies, but we could never have a surplus of men of pluck and brains. Notwithstanding the improvements, the cost of management of the schools of this province had been reduced during the term of office of the Minister.

Dr. Ryerson moved the adjournment of the debate.

A deputation, headed by Rev. Mr. Kettlewell, representative of the Royal Templars of Temperance, waited upon the Government today and urged the introduction of a bill prohibiting the sale of liquor in hotels except to bona fide guests at their meals, thus abolishing the bar and destroying the treating system.

FIRE AND PANIC.

Thirteen Pupils Injured as the Result of a School-Room Blaze.

Boston, Feb. 19.—Fire which broke out in the Everet school building in this city this morning caused a panic among the pupils, and it has been reported to the police that several were injured. Police ambulances were quickly at the scene, and within a few moments thirteen injured victims were on their way to the City Hospital. The fire was only a slight one, and was extinguished without any considerable damage having been done.

Gloucester, Mass., Feb. 19.—A fire which threatened to be one of the most disastrous ever known in this city, broke out today in Webster's new block, near the corner of Pleasant and Main streets. Only two of the stores on the street floor were occupied by Mrs. Carrie M. Livingstone, millinery, and the other by the Business University, E. L. Glyck, proprietor. Loss, $65,000.

STRONG LITTLE BOY.

Quebec, Feb. 19.—A little boy at Chicoutimi, aged 5 years, son of Mr. P. Legare, already weighs 80 pounds, and is reported to be as strong and muscular as a lad of 15.

FOR MEN ONLY.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 19.—In the House this afternoon the proposition to amend the constitution to strike out the word "male" from the qualifications for voters was defeated by a vote of 53 to 86.

MARY HISCOTT DEAD.

Toronto, Feb. 19.—By telephone from the Grosvenor House.—Mary Hiscott died at 3:10 this morning (Friday). Her father and Dr. Preston were present when the unfortunate girl breathed her last. Harriet is still unconscious.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE VETOED.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 19.—After four hours of sharp, and sometimes bitter, debate, the Woman Suffrage Bill was killed in the Lower House of the local territorial Legislature by a vote of 11 to 13.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Iron River, Mich., Feb. 18.—The residence of Thomas Brosnowsky, in this village, was gutted by fire yesterday. Two children were burned to death. The mother had left the children locked in the house.

VALUABLE DISCOVERY.

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 19.—A Battersea farmer has found on his farm a fine deposit of kaolin, used in the manufacture of chinaware. The deposit, if in any quantity, will be very valuable. The mineral hitherto has not been found in any quantity in this part of the country.

THE ENGLISH TONGUE AND THE NEW WEST.

One of the mightiest factors in human life today is the language we use. Three centuries ago there were about 6,000,000 using it; today 125,000,000 speak the English tongue. The Duke of Argyle was once asked what was the best language. He said: "If I want to be polite, I use the French; if I want to be understood, I take the English; if I want to praise my Maker, I take the Gaelic, my mother-tongue. Foreigners coming here think in their own language, even though they may be able to speak ours; gradually they come to think in English, but still they dream in their mother-tongue; at last they dream, think and speak in the language of the land, and become homogeneous with the nation."—Pudefoot's "Minute Man."

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Our Neighbors.

Middlesex and Elgin County Councilors Settle the Coyne Bridge Difficulty — Oil Struck Near Wardsville.

A good flow of oil has been struck on the farm of John Fleming, some four miles west of Wardsville.

John Currie, of the 3rd concession, Westminster, has bought 50 acres off Miss Hall, situated on the town line, a mile south of Belmont.

The evangelistic services which have been in progress for the last six weeks in the Wardsville Methodist Church were brought to a close on Sunday night. The meetings were successful.

At Belmont, Wm. White's two-months'-old baby was accidentally upset out of the cradle on the stove and burned on the hands and on one side of the face. Medical aid was summoned, and the little sufferer is now doing as well as can be expected.

John Harlton, of the Sauble line, Biddulph, was taken to the London asylum the other day. No immediate cause is known for his unfortunate condition. Of late his mania had taken a religious turn, and within the last few days he became so violent that he had to be constantly guarded.

The residence of Richard Ellworthy, town line of Caradoc and Lobo, was the scene of festivity on Tuesday evening, when 120 of his friends and neighbors assembled to bid farewell to the family, who are shortly to leave for their new home in Exeter. The occasion took the form of an oyster supper, and a most enjoyable time was spent by friends from Metcalfe, Williams, Westminster, Strathroy, Lobo and Caradoc. Duncan McGugan, the popular auctioneer, was chairman, and choice music was given by Miss Harten, of Metcalfe, and Miss Fraser, of Nairn. The feature of the occasion was the presentation of a handsome chair and complimentary address to Mr. and Mrs. Ellworthy.

A committee from the County Council of Middlesex went to St. Thomas on Wednesday to confer with a committee of the County Council of Elgin on the matter of maintaining the Coyne road bridge, on the north boundary of this country. A suit was begun by Elgin county some weeks ago to compel the county to the north to maintain the approach to the bridge. The bridge has a long trestle work approach, and it is a mooted question how much is bridge and how much is approach. County Solicitor Purdom, of London, says his clients are willing to maintain 100 feet from the high bank on the Middlesex side, but no more. The Middlesex delegation consists of the warden, Dugald Leitch, of Caradoc; Simon McLeod, Parkhill; C. C. Hodgins, Lucan; John Morgan, Adelaide; Geo. Campbell, Appin; F. B. Talbot, London, county solicitor. Elgin is represented by Councilors Moore, Ford, Locker, Jackson, McKellar, J. M. Glenn, solicitor, and J. Bell, county engineer. The matter was settled by each party agreeing to pay half the cost of the bridge, $104 each, and each to pay their own costs.

ARKONA.

A Misapprehension Corrected — Stamping Out Hog Cholera—A Great Entertainment.

Advertiser Business Agent, A. Barnes

Arkona, Feb. 18.—T. K. Poole, agent for the Economical Fire Insurance Co., of Thedford, paid a visit to town one day this week.

Mr. Menhinic, who has been suffering from a very severe attack of inflammation on the lungs, is now slowly recovering.

One day this week the inspector gave a call on Mr. Wm. Smith, who resides on the 18th side line of Warwick, and inspected some pigs, and found six of them suffering from hog cholera, and had them quickly dispatched and burned. It is feared there may be other cases in the neighborhood, and a close watch will be kept.

Mr. A. E. White, traveling agent and representative of the Western Advertiser Company, paid us a visit on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. Mr. White reports favorably of his work in other places, but our own agent, Mr. A. Barnes, has rather got the start of him here.

The annual social in connection with the Presbyterian Church, given in Showers' hall on Tuesday evening, was one of the most successful entertainments of the season, the proceeds amounting to $80. After all had satisfied their appetites with the sumptuous repast that was spread in the basement of the hall, the guests moved to the concert room above, and were there treated to a grand programme, including speeches, music and recitations. The entertainment opened with an anthem from the Forest choir, followed with prayer by Rev. Mr. Baldwin. Rev. H. Currie, of Thedford, occupied the chair, and proved himself well fitted to perform its duties. After addressing a few words of advice to the pastor of the Arkona circuit (Rev. Mr. Hannahson, who is a single man), the chairman called on Miss Ross, who gave a very good solo. During the evening Miss McLeay, of Watford, who is fresh from an elocutionary college, gave four recitations, and also the Delsarteam exercises. Miss McLeay shows much talent, and has a delivery that would please the most critical observer. We hope to have her with us again in the near future. Another fine feature of the evening was the violin solos given by Miss Eacrett, who did justice to the instrument, and delighted the audience, who madly encored her performance. The addresses by Rev. Mr. Budge, of Mandaumin, and Revs. Bristol Baldwin and Hannahson, our locals, were all on good subjects, and were very interesting. The local male quartet, consisting of Rev. Mr. Hannahson, Dr. Watson and Messrs. A. and R. Chester, gave some very fine selections. We must also mention the Forest choir, for the excellent manner in which they gave their selections. Although most of those present would gladly have listened to more, others were pleased when the programme ended, owing to the very cramped positions they were in, caused by the crowd. The hall was packed to the door, and all the standing room was taken. All joined in singing "God Save the Queen," and went to their homes feeling better for the enjoyable evening thus spent.

Mrs. G. M. Everest paid a visit to Forest on Wednesday.

Mrs. Turner, who has been in Petrolea for the past week, attending her daughter, Mrs. C. I. Lumby, has returned. The many friends of Mrs. Lumby will be pleased to hear that she is somewhat better at present.

Mr. H. and Miss M. Atkin, of Inwood, paid a visit to their brother, Mr. J. Atkin, on Tuesday and Wednesday, this week.

It was stated in these columns recently that Mr. Robert Hooper and Miss L. Poole were visiting Mr. Frank Hooper, Arkona. It should have read Mr. Harry Poole and Miss L. Poole. Mr. Robert Hooper was not in Arkona.

BELMONT

Lawsuit Dismissed—Peculiar and Serious Accident to a Young Horse.

Belmont, Feb. 18.—In the suit of Calvin Lowe vs. James Mote, the case was dismissed this morning. Owing to a provision in the statute regarding title in disputed claims, W. T. Nugent, J. P., dismissed the case.

John Pettit, of South Dorchester, had a young horse badly hurt this week. Mr. Moore's hired man was asked to lead the animal by the halter. Pettit, cracking the whip, frightened the horse, causing him to rear and fall backwards, striking his head in such a manner as to stun him. The animal, on regaining consciousness, was found to be blind. Next day the horse was let out with the others and ran into a barbed wire fence, cutting himself badly; so, if he lives, he will be almost useless.

Barber Cunningham, who had his handsleigh loaded with stovewood for his shop, has lost both sleigh and load in an unaccountable manner.

STRATHROY.

Liberal Meeting Next Tuesday—Coming and Going Guests.

Advertiser Agent, J. D. Meekison.

Strathroy, Feb. 19.—Mr. G. W. Tomlinson is in Toronto attending the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of the A. O. U. W.

The regular monthly meeting of the Collegiate Institute board will be held on Monday evening next.

The English Church people of Adelaide will hold an "old folks'" concert in the town hall this evening in aid of repairs lately put on the rectory. The programme will be carried out entirely by home talent, and will be of a very interesting character.

Miss Grace Wilkinson is visiting friends in Melbourne.

Mr. D. W. Vary was in Chatham yesterday attending the funeral of his sister.

On Tuesday evening next at 8 o'clock a meeting of the Liberals of the town will be held in the Age office, for the purpose of electing delegates to attend the convention held in Mount Brydges next Thursday.

Miss Graham, of Brampton, is the guest of Mrs. Harry Brittain, Front street.

Miss Nellie Ferguson, who has been visiting at her home for the past few months, has returned to Grand Rapids.

Mrs. K. Franks, of Toronto, is in town for a few days interviewing the dressmakers of the town in regard to a French system of cutting.

LAMBETH.

Wedding at Mr. Burrows' Residence — An Interesting Occasion.

Lambeth, Feb. 18.—A very pretty and quiet wedding was celebrated at the residence of Mr. James Burrows Wednesday afternoon, the occasion being the marriage of Miss Emma Burrows to Mr. J. W. Hunt, of North Street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Quance, of Lambeth, in the presence of a few immediate friends. The bride was tastefully and handsomely attired, as was also her cousin, Miss Orr, of Hamilton, who acted as maid of honor. The popular couple were the recipients of many handsome and valuable presents, among them a marble clock, presented to the bride by choir and congregation of Lambeth Methodist Church, of which she has long been an active and efficient member. The happy couple have left for eastern points, carrying with them the hearty good wishes of a large circle of friends. On their return they will settle in Dorchester Station, where Mr. Hunt will engage in business.

COURTRIGHT.

Courtright, Feb. 18.—Mr. E. Coplend has returned home from spending a few days with friends in Aylmer and London.

A card party was held at Mr. Fetherstone's residence on Wednesday evening, at which a number of our people attended, and all report having had a good time.

Mr. L. C. Johnstone, of London, visited our town on Wednesday last.

Mr. J. Foster has moved to Mr. W. Clark's property, on Milton street.

Mrs. C. Howes is recovering from her illness. Dr. Armstrong has been in attendance.

East Williams Township Council.

The municipal council of East Williams met at Nairn on Monday, Feb. 8, 1897, all the members present. A communication from the W. T. U. of Toronto, requesting a contribution for a women's home in Toronto, was ordered to be filed. The auditors' report was read and examined and adopted. It was voted that the assessor's salary for 1897 be $30, and that Joseph Singular be assessor. The township engineer will be called to run a correct line between lots 8 and 9, and 7 and 10, con. 10, for the purpose of determining with certainty the boundaries of the sideroad between those lots. From and after this date, overseers of gravel pits are to be paid at the rate of $1 per day while employed at the pits. Bylaw No. 82, for the appointment of assessor and pathmaster, was read three times and passed. The following accounts were paid: Phippen & Simpson, and other expenses of burial of George Leppard, killed on the G. T. R. track, East Williams, $17 61; A. J. Ross and D. Moore, auditors, $5 each; Evans Bros., printing financial statement, $8; township treasurer, making out financial statement, $10; Hugh Wyatt, 168 loads of gravel, $10 08; George Morton, half cost of 94 loads of gravel, $8 76; John D. Ross, repairing approach to McKenzie's bridge, $25 71; Wm. Barnes, two new culverts on Wyllie's sideroad, $6 40; John C. McKenzie, plank on culvert at Fortune's, $1; John McLeish, West Williams, 46 loads gravel, $3 22; G. Fraser, collector, salary, $45. The council adjourned to the second Monday in March, to meet at Nairn at 10 o'clock a.m. D. Wyllie, clerk.

NOBLE LADIES IN PRISON.

A Surprising List of Aristocrats in the Old Country Who Are "Doing Time"—Troubles Come Through Idle Habits.

The sentencing of Lady Scott to prison for libeling her son-in-law, Earl Russell, recalls the fact that the noble lady is not without the company of many of her own rank. She is not the only pebble on the beach. Wealth and social position are not so potent in England to protect evildoers as they are in this country, where chivalry is spelled with a big C.

Not only have there been many precedents for sending aristocratic ladies of noble birth to prison, but many such are actually in durance vile at this very time.

There is Lady Gunning, for instance. She is the widow of Sir Henry Gunning, and a granddaughter of Lord Churchill, but her birth and title and aristocratic connections did not save her from a sentence of several years for forging her father's name to several notes on which she raised money from confiding tradesmen. Lady Gunning was a high flyer, and the money mostly went on the horses which "also ran."

Then there was the wife of Capt. Osborne of the Scots Greys, the crack cavalry regiment. Mrs. Osborne is doing time for larceny. She comes from the bluest blooded ancestors, and had an income of £3,000 a year. She stole a pearl necklace belonging to her friend, Miss Hargreave, and sold it to raise money to pay some pressing creditors. The plea of kleptomania did not go with the court, and hard labor accompanies her imprisonment.

Gwynneth Maude, the granddaughter of the Earl of Montalt, is doing two years, with hard labor, for obtaining goods under false pretenses. She got about the same treatment as any common crook in spite of her high lineage.

The Dowager Duchess of Sutherland—one of the highest titles in the land—destroyed in the presence of the court a certain document which had been impounded by the court, and which would, if offered in evidence, have inevitably defeated her in a suit pending against her son-in-law, the present Duke. Her high rank did not prevent the judges from punishing her for this flagrant act of contempt. She got six months and served it, but without hard labor, and the severity of confinement was tempered by her being allowed to have many little luxuries denied ordinary prisoners. Still the humiliation of being a jail bird remained.

A daughter of Lord Robert Montague is serving two years for cruelty to her children. The inhuman mother treated her offspring so unmercifully that one died from injuries inflicted by her. Public opinion demanded capital punishment, but tremendous influence was brought to bear by the family of the Duke of Manchester, to which she is related. This did not serve to insure her escape from punishment, but it lightened it and saved her neck. The insanity plea was of no avail.

The Marchioness of Donegal is fond of her cups. When she is on a spree she has frequently been picked up by the police, and arraigned next morning in the police court on a charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct. On most occasions she is committed for a few days like any other disreputable old woman.

But more startling is the fact that at the present time there are actually two relatives of the Queen herself in prison. They are the Count and Countess Lehningen, to which princely house the first husband of Queen Victoria's mother belonged. The Count is in an English prison, and his wife is behind the bars in Vienna for various crimes, including swindling, forgery and blackmailing.

So much for noble prisoners in England. The continent of Europe has its aristocratic felons, too. Baroness Von Gleissenberg and her daughter, who were all the rage, socially, in Baden-Baden, are both in prison serving a sentence of four years for larceny. While they were social stars they were living off the proceeds of crime.

Countess Waldeck is in a German prison for perjury and forgery. She is a member of the princely house of Waldeck, and the first cousin of Princess Waldeck, who married the youngest son of Queen Victoria. The influence of her noble house was exerted to save her, but it failed utterly.

Italy has two convict dukes of the house of Vallarosa. They are serving a long term for the murder of a young infantry lieutenant who was engaged to be married to their sister, Princess Catarina.

In the same prison with them is Prince Caracciolo, who murdered his wife. He is serving ten years, with hard labor.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

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For cunning and ferocity the pirai completely eclipses the shark. Fancy a fish only sixteen inches long with teeth as large as a shark's. This fish, although its eye is rather sinister, presents an appearance so sleek and respectable that the suspicions of even the most wary are not roused. The pirai thinks nothing of attacking fish ten times its size. Woe betide the laundress who attempts to wash her linen in any South American river patronized by the pirai. Its favorite food, strange to say, are the extremities, and it will dine with infinite relish off a few fingers or a toe, the feet of a baby or a duck being much esteemed. When pushed it will regale itself on the tail of an alligator.

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Is This "Sport?"

Benjamin Coleman Killed in a Prize Fight,

But That Did Not Prevent the Show Going On.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 19.—William Wright, who killed Benny Coleman in the prize fight at the Manhattan Athletic Club, seven miles below this city, last night, also went by the name of Wm. Rogers. He and Coleman quarreled, and had a street fight two weeks ago. They were parted, and advised to fight it out in the ring, to which they agreed, and accordingly applied for the privilege last night.

The coroner will hold an inquest today. He said very late last night that the boy must have been dead in five minutes after he was carried out of the ring, yet the subsequent fights were going on for two hours, with the victim of the first bout a corpse in an adjoining room.

THE KENNEL.

Liverpool, Feb. 19.—The final round in the coursing for the Waterloon cup, today was won by Gallant.

WHEEL.

LONG DISTANCE RIDERS.

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 19.—Waller, Gimm and Shock, the long distance bicycle riders, and Conn Baker, and Tom Eddy of this city, started last night on a six hours' race, to be run in three days. Baker finished first in the two hours' racing last night, covering 42 miles and 2 laps.

Rudyard Kipling's sister, Mrs. Fleming has written a novel of Simla life called "A Pinchbeck Goddess," which will soon be published in London.

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	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Leave London	6:25	10:05	.....	7:00
		p.m.		
Arrive London	8:45	2:05	.....	10:35

Note—Trains leaving London at 10:05 and 7:00 run to St. Thomas only.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RY.

Going East.

Depart—	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
London	4:15	8:00	4:35
Woodstock	5:03	8:54	5:29
Galt	6:00	9:58	6:32
Guelph	.....	.....	7:45
Toronto	8:15	12 m	8:35
Peterboro	11:22	.....	11:35
	p.m.		a.m.
Kingston	4:30	.....	.....
Ottawa	8:55	.....	5:50
Montreal	7:20	.....	7:40
	a.m.	.....	p.m.
Quebec	6:30	.....	3:00
Portland, Me	8:25	.....	8:10
Boston	8:02	.....	8:30
Halifax	10:10	.....	.....

Trains arrive from the east at 11:18 a.m., 8:00 p.m., 11:20 p.m.

Going West.

Depart—	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
London	8:15	11:25	8:10
Arrive—	m.	p.m.	
Chatham	12:30	1:02	10:15
Detroit	.....	1:50	11:15
Chicago	.....	9:45	7:55
		a.m.	
St. Louis	.....	7:52	7:52
		p.m.	a.m.
Kansas City	.....	6:20	7:00

Trains arrive from the west at 4:10 a.m., 2:40 p.m., 4:25 p.m.

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MAIN LINE—Going East.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART.
*Lehigh Express (B)	3:30 a.m.	3:35 a.m.
Wabash Express	4:15 a.m.	4:20 a.m.
Accommodation	.....	8:20 a.m.
Atlantic Express (A)	12:25 p.m.	12:40 p.m.
Day Express	10:25 a.m.	2:25 p.m.
*Wabash Express (A)	4:20 p.m.	4:25 p.m.
Mixed (c)	7:10 p.m.	7:55 p.m.
Detroit Express	11:20 p.m.	.....

MAIN LINE—Going West.

	ARRIVE	DEPART.
†Chicago Express (A)	3:03 a.m.	.....
Accommodation	.....	7:00 a.m.
†Lehigh Express	11:07 a.m.	.....
Wabash Express (A)	11:20 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Accommodation	12:40 p.m.	2:20 p.m.
†Pacific Express (A)	6:25 p.m.	6:45 p.m.
Mail	9:50 p.m.	.....

Sarnia Branch.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART
Lehigh Express (B)	3:30 a.m.	.....
Accommodation	8:05 a.m.	.....
Atlantic Express (B)	11:30 a.m.	.....
Accommodation	2:20 p.m.	.....
Mixed	5:35 p.m.	.....
Accommodation	7:50 p.m.	.....

Sarnia Branch.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART.
Chicago Express (B)	.....	3:10 a.m.
Accommodation	.....	7:40 a.m.
Lehigh Express (B)	.....	11:12 a.m.
Accommodation	.....	2:30 p.m.
Pacific Express (B)	.....	6:35 p.m.

London, Huron and Bruce.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART
Express	10:00 a.m.	8:15 a.m.
Mail	6:30 p.m.	4:45 p.m.

St. Marys and Stratford Branch.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART
Express	9:45 a.m.	7:15 a.m.
(D) Passenger	.....	11:10 a.m.
Express	1:10 p.m.	.....
Express	3:40 p.m.	2:40 p.m.
Express	10:35 p.m.	5:55 p.m.
(D) Mixed	.....	8:30 a.m.

Toronto Branch.

Hamilton—Depart—							
a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	---.	p.m.	p.m.
*7:00	9:10	11:20	12:30	3:40	---.	h*7:00	♣38
Hamilton—Arrive—							
.... a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m
.... 18:10	9:05	10:10	B 3:20	5:35	6:30	8:15	11:5

* These trains for Montreal.
† These trains from Montreal.
(A) Runs daily, Sundays included.
(B) Runs daily, Sundays included, but makes no intermediate stops on Sundays.
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LONDON TIME.

Canada Southern Division—Going East

	Leave London.	Leave St. Thomas.
American Express (daily except Monday)	9:20 a.m.	11:05 a.m.
Atlantic Express (daily)	9:30 a.m.	2:30 p.m.
Mail and Accommodation (daily except Sunday)	2:50 p.m.	3:45 p.m.
New York and Boston Special (daily)	7:40 p.m.	10:05 p.m.
Fast Eastern Express (daily)	7:40 p.m.	3:30 a.m.

Canada Southern Division—Going West

North Shore Limited (daily)	.....	6:25 a.m.
Fast Western Express (daily)	9:30 a.m.	10:35 a.m.
Detroit Accommodation, except Sunday	.....	7:35 a.m.
American Express (daily except Monday)	9:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Mail and Accommodation (daily except Sunday)	2:50 p.m.	3:40 p.m.
Pacific Express (daily)	7:40 p.m.	8:35 p.m.
Boston, New York and Chicago special (daily)	7:40 p.m.	4:10 a.m.

Trains arrive at London 7:55 a.m., 1:10 and 6:05 p.m.; depart 9:30 a.m., 2:55 and 7:40 p.m.

[NOTE.—No trains to or from London on Sundays.]

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Our Neighbors.

Middlesex and Elgin County Councilors Settle the Coyne Bridge Difficulty — Oil Struck Near Wardsville.

A good flow of oil has been struck on the farm of John Fleming, some four miles west of Wardsville.

John Currie, of the 3rd concession, Westminster, has bought 50 acres off Miss Hall, situated on the town line, a mile south of Belmont.

The evangelistic services which have been in progress for the last six weeks in the Wardsville Methodist Church were brought to a close on Sunday night. The meetings were successful.

At Belmont, Wm. White's two-months'-old baby was accidentally upset out of the cradle on the stove and burned on the hands and on one side of the face. Medical aid was summoned, and the little sufferer is now doing as well as can be expected.

John Harlton, of the Sauble line, Biddulph, was taken to the London asylum the other day. No immediate cause is known for his unfortunate condition. Of late his mania had taken a religious turn, and within the last few days he became so violent that he had to be constantly guarded.

The residence of Richard Ellworthy, town line of Caradoc and Lobo, was the scene of festivity on Tuesday evening, when 120 of his friends and neighbors assembled to bid farewell to the family, who are shortly to leave for their new home in Exeter. The occasion took the form of an oyster supper, and a most enjoyable time was spent by friends from Metcalfe, Williams, Westminster, Strathroy, Lobo and Caradoc. Duncan McGugan, the popular auctioneer, was chairman, and choice music was given by Miss Harten, of Metcalfe, and Miss Fraser, of Nairn. The feature of the occasion was the presentation of a handsome chair and complimentary address to Mr. and Mrs. Ellworthy.

A committee from the County Council of Middlesex went to St. Thomas on Wednesday to confer with a committee of the County Council of Elgin on the matter of maintaining the Coyne road bridge, on the north boundary of this country. A suit was begun by Elgin county some weeks ago to compel the county to the north to maintain the approach to the bridge. The bridge has a long trestle work approach, and it is a mooted question how much is bridge and how much is approach. County Solicitor Purdom, of London, says his clients are willing to maintain 100 feet from the high bank on the Middlesex side, but no more. The Middlesex delegation consists of the warden, Dugald Leitch, of Caradoc; Simon McLeod, Parkhill; C. C. Hodgins, Lucan; John Morgan, Adelaide; Geo. Campbell, Appin; F. B. Talbot, London, county solicitor. Elgin is represented by Councilors Moore, Ford, Locker, Jackson, McKellar, J. M. Glean, solicitor, and J. Bell, county engineer. The matter was settled by each party agreeing to pay half the cost of the bridge, $104 each, and each to pay their own costs.

ARKONA.

A Misapprehension Corrected — Stamping Out Hog Cholera—A Great Entertainment.

Advertiser Business Agent, A. Barnes

Arkona, Feb. 18.—T. K. Poole, agent for the Economical Fire Insurance Co., of Thedford, paid a visit to town one day this week.

Mr. Menhinic, who has been suffering from a very severe attack of inflammation on the lungs, is now slowly recovering.

One day this week the inspector gave a call on Mr. Wm. Smith, who resides on the 18th side line of Warwick, and inspected some pigs, and found six of them suffering from hog cholera, and had them quickly dispatched and burned. It is feared there may be other cases in the neighborhood, and a close watch will be kept.

Mr. A. E. White, traveling agent and representative of the Western Advertiser Company, paid us a visit on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. Mr. White reports favorably of his work in other places, but our own agent, Mr. A. Barnes, has rather got the start of him here.

The annual social in connection with the Presbyterian Church, given in Showers' hall on Tuesday evening, was one of the most successful entertainments of the season, the proceeds amounting to $80. After all had satisfied their appetites with the sumptuous repast that was spread in the basement of the hall, the guests moved to the concert room above, and were there treated to a grand programme, including speeches, music and recitations. The entertainment opened with an anthem from the Forest choir, followed with prayer by Rev. Mr. Baldwin. Rev. H. Currie, of Thedford, occupied the chair, and proved himself well fitted to perform its duties. After addressing a few words of advice to the pastor of the Arkona circuit (Rev. Mr. Hannahson, who is a single man), the chairman called on Miss Ross, who gave a very good solo. During the evening Miss McLeay, of Watford, who is fresh from an elocutionary college, gave four recitations, and also the Delsarteam exercises. Miss McLeay shows much talent, and has a delivery that would please the most critical observer. We hope to have her with us again in the near future. Another fine feature of the evening was the violin solos given by Miss Eacrett, who did justice to the instrument, and delighted the audience, who madly encored her performance. The addresses by Rev. Mr. Budge, of Mandaumin, and Revs. Bristol Baldwin and Hannahson, our locals, were all on good subjects, and were very interesting. The local male quartet, consisting of Rev. Mr. Hannahson, Dr. Watson and Messrs. A. and R. Chester, gave some very fine selections. We must also mention the Forest choir, for the excellent manner in which they gave their selections. Although most of those present would gladly have listened to more, others were pleased when the programme ended, owing to the very cramped positions they were in, caused by the crowd. The hall was packed to the door, and all the standing room was taken. All joined in singing "God Save the Queen," and went to their homes feeling better for the enjoyable evening thus spent.

Mrs. G. M. Everest paid a visit to Forest on Wednesday.

Mrs. Turner, who has been in Petrolea for the past week, attending her daughter, Mrs. C. I. Lumby, has returned. The many friends of Mrs. Lumby will be pleased to hear that she is somewhat better at present.

Mr. H. and Miss M. Atkin, of Inwood, paid a visit to their brother, Mr. J. Atkin, on Tuesday and Wednesday, this week.

It was stated in these columns recently that Mr. Robert Hooper and Miss L. Poole were visiting Mr. Frank Hooper, Arkona. It should have read Mr. Harry Poole and Miss L. Poole. Mr. Robert Hooper was not in Arkona.

BELMONT

Lawsuit Dismissed—Peculiar and Serious Accident to a Young Horse.

Belmont, Feb. 18.—In the suit of Calvin Lowe vs. James Mote, the case was dismissed this morning. Owing to a provision in the statute regarding title in disputed claims, W. T. Nugent, J. P., dismissed the case.

John Pettit, of South Dorchester, had a young horse badly hurt this week. Mr. Moore's hired man was asked to lead the animal by the halter. Pettit, cracking the whip, frightened the horse, causing him to rear and fall backwards, striking his head in such a manner as to stun him. The animal, on regaining consciousness, was found to be blind. Next day the horse was let out with the others and ran into a barbed wire fence, cutting himself badly; so, if he lives, he will be almost useless.

Barber Cunningham, who had his handsleigh loaded with stovewood for his shop, has lost both sleigh and load in an unaccountable manner.

STRATHROY.

Liberal Meeting Next Tuesday—Coming and Going Guests.

Advertiser Agent, J. D. Meekison.

Strathroy, Feb. 19.—Mr. G. W. Tomlinson is in Toronto attending the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of the A. O. U. W.

The regular monthly meeting of the Collegiate Institute board will be held on Monday evening next.

The English Church people of Adelaide will hold an "old folks'" concert in the town hall this evening in aid of repairs lately put on the rectory. The programme will be carried out entirely by home talent, and will be of a very interesting character.

Miss Grace Wilkinson is visiting friends in Melbourne.

Mr. D. W. Vary was in Chatham yesterday attending the funeral of his sister.

On Tuesday evening next at 8 o'clock a meeting of the Liberals of the town will be held in the Age office, for the purpose of electing delegates to attend the convention held in Mount Brydges next Thursday.

Miss Graham, of Brampton, is the guest of Mrs. Harry Brittain, Front street.

Miss Nellie Ferguson, who has been visiting at her home for the past few months, has returned to Grand Rapids.

Mrs. K. Franks, of Toronto, is in town for a few days interviewing the dressmakers of the town in regard to a French system of cutting.

LAMBETH.

Wedding at Mr. Burrows' Residence — An Interesting Occasion.

Lambeth, Feb. 18.—A very pretty and quiet wedding was celebrated at the residence of Mr. James Burrows Wednesday afternoon, the occasion being the marriage of Miss Emma Burrows to Mr. J. W. Hunt, of North Street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Quance, of Lambeth, in the presence of a few immediate friends. The bride was tastefully and handsomely attired, as was also her cousin, Miss Orr, of Hamilton, who acted as maid of honor. The popular couple were the recipients of many handsome and valuable presents, among them a marble clock, presented to the bride by choir and congregation of Lambeth Methodist Church, of which she has long been an active and efficient member. The happy couple have left for eastern points, carrying with them the hearty good wishes of a large circle of friends. On their return they will settle in Dorchester Station, where Mr. Hunt will engage in business.

COURTRIGHT.

Courtright, Feb. 18.—Mr. E. Coplend has returned home from spending a few days with friends in Aylmer and London.

A card party was held at Mr. Fetherstone's residence on Wednesday evening, at which a number of our people attended, and all report having had a good time.

Mr. L. C. Johnstone, of London, visited our town on Wednesday last.

Mr. J. Foster has moved to Mr. W. Clark's property, on Milton street.

Mrs. C. Howes is recovering from her illness. Dr. Armstrong has been in attendance.

East Williams Township Council.

The municipal council of East Williams met at Nairn on Monday, Feb. 8, 1897, all the members present. A communication from the W. T. U. of Toronto, requesting a contribution for a women's home in Toronto, was ordered to be filed. The auditors' report was read and examined and adopted. It was voted that the assessor's salary for 1897 be $30, and that Joseph Singular be assessor. The township engineer will be called to run a correct line between lots 8 and 9, and 7 and 10, con. 10, for the purpose of determining with certainty the boundaries of the sideroad between those lots. From and after this date, overseers of gravel pits are to be paid at the rate of $1 per day while employed at the pits. Bylaw No. 82, for the appointment of assessor and pathmaster, was read three times and passed. The following accounts were paid: Phippen & Simpson, and other expenses of burial of George Leppard, killed on the G. T. R. track, East Williams, $17 61; A. J. Ross and D. Moore, auditors, $5 each; Evans Bros., printing financial statement, $8; township treasurer, making out financial statement, $10; Hugh Wyatt, 168 loads of gravel, $10 08; George Morton, half cost of 94 loads of gravel, $3 76; John D. Ross, repairing approach to McKenzie's bridge, $25 71; Wm. Barnes, two new culverts on Wyllie's sideroad, $6 40; John C. McKenzie, plank on culvert at Fortune's, $1; John McLeish, West Williams, 46 loads gravel, $3 22; G. Fraser, collector, salary, $45. The council adjourned to the second Monday in March, to meet at Nairn at 10 o'clock a.m. D. Wyllie, clerk.

NOBLE LADIES IN PRISON.

A Surprising List of Aristocrats in the Old Country Who Are "Doing Time"—Troubles Come Through Idle Habits.

The sentencing of Lady Scott to prison for libeling her son-in-law, Earl Russell, recalls the fact that the noble lady is not without the company of many of her own rank. She is not the only pebble on the beach. Wealth and social position are not so potent in England to protect evildoers as they are in this country, where chivalry is spelled with a big C.

Not only have there been many precedents for sending aristocratic ladies of noble birth to prison, but many such are actually in durance vile at this very time.

There is Lady Gunning, for instance. She is the widow of Sir Henry Gunning, and a granddaughter of Lord Churchill, but her birth and title and aristocratic connections did not save her from a sentence of several years for forging her father's name to several notes on which she raised money from confiding tradesmen. Lady Gunning was a high flyer, and the money mostly went on the horses which "also ran."

Then there was the wife of Capt. Osborne of the Scots Greys, the crack cavalry regiment. Mrs. Osborne is doing time for larceny. She comes from the bluest blooded ancestors, and had an income of £8,000 a year. She stole a pearl necklace belonging to her friend, Miss Hargreave, and sold it to raise money to pay some pressing creditors. The plea of kleptomania did not go with the court, and hard labor accompanies her imprisonment.

Gwynneth Maude, the granddaughter of the Earl of Montait, is doing two years, with hard labor, for obtaining goods under false pretenses. She got about the same treatment as any common crook in spite of her high lineage.

The Dowager Duchess of Sutherland—one of the highest titles in the land—destroyed in the presence of the court a certain document which had been impounded by the court, and which would, if offered in evidence, have inevitably defeated her in a suit pending against her son-in-law, the present Duke. Her high rank did not prevent the judges from punishing her for this flagrant act of contempt. She got six months and served it, but without hard labor, and the severity of confinement was tempered by her being allowed to have many little luxuries denied ordinary prisoners. Still the humiliation of being a jail bird remained.

A daughter of Lord Robert Montague is serving two years for cruelty to her children. The inhuman mother treated her offspring so unmercifully that one died from injuries inflicted by her. Public opinion demanded capital punishment, but tremendous influence was brought to bear by the family of the Duke of Manchester, to which she is related. This did not serve to insure her escape from punishment, but it lightened it and saved her neck. The insanity plea was of no avail.

The Marchioness of Donegal is fond of her cups. When she is on a spree she has frequently been picked up by the police, and arraigned next morning in the police court on a charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct. On most occasions she is committed for a few days like any other disreputable old woman.

But more startling is the fact that at the present time there are actually two relatives of the Queen herself in prison. They are the Count and Countess Lehningen, to which princely house the first husband of Queen Victoria's mother belonged. The Count is in an English prison, and his wife is behind the bars in Vienna for various crimes, including swindling, forgery and blackmailing.

So much for noble prisoners in England. The continent of Europe has its aristocratic felons, too. Baroness Von Gleissenberg and her daughter, who were all the rage, socially, in Baden-Baden, are both in prison serving a sentence of four years for larceny. While they were social stars they were living off the proceeds of crime.

Countess Waldeck is in a German prison for perjury and forgery. She is a member of the princely house of Waldeck, and the first cousin of Princess Waldeck, who married the youngest son of Queen Victoria. The influence of her noble house was exerted to save her, but it failed utterly.

Italy has two convict dukes of the house of Vallarosa. They are serving a long term for the murder of a young infantry lieutenant who was engaged to be married to their sister, Princess Catarina.

In the same prison with them is Prince Caracciolo, who murdered his wife. He is serving ten years, with hard labor.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

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For cunning and ferocity the pirai completely eclipses the shark. Fancy a fish only sixteen inches long with teeth as large as a shark's. This fish, although its eye is rather sinister, presents an appearance so sleek and respectable that the suspicions of even the most wary are not roused. The pirai thinks nothing of attacking fish ten times its size. Woe betide the laundress who attempts to wash her linen in any South American river patronized by the pirai. Its favorite food, strange to say, are the extremities, and it will dine with infinite relish off a few fingers or a toe, the feet of a baby or a duck being much esteemed. When pushed it will regale itself on the tail of an alligator.

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Is This "Sport?"

Benjamin Coleman Killed in a Prize Fight,

But That Did Not Prevent the Show Going On.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 19.—William Wright, who killed Benny Coleman in the prize fight at the Manhattan Athletic Club, seven miles below this city, last night, also went by the name of Wm. Rogers. He and Coleman quarreled, and had a street fight two weeks ago. They were parted, and advised to fight it out in the ring, to which they agreed, and accordingly applied for the privilege last night.

The coroner will hold an inquest today. He said very late last night that the boy must have been dead in five minutes after he was carried out of the ring, yet the subsequent fights were going on for two hours, with the victim of the first bout a corpse in an adjoining room.

THE KENNEL.

Liverpool, Feb. 19.—The final round in the coursing for the Waterloon cup, today was won by Gallant.

WHEEL.

LONG DISTANCE RIDERS.

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 19.—Waller, Gimm and Shock, the long distance bicycle riders, and Conn Baker, and Tom Eddy of this city, started last night on a six hours' race, to be run in three days. Baker finished first in the two hours' racing last night, covering 42 miles and 2 laps.

Rudyard Kipling's sister, Mrs. Fleming has written a novel of Simla life called "A Pinchbeck Goddess," which will soon be published in London.

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There's such a lot of interesting things to tell about in our Fancy Goods Department that we hardly know where to begin. Friday and Saturday we're going to have a sale of Five O'Clock Tea Cloths that every prudent purchasers should attend. The prices will be phenomenally low. New goods are arriving daily. A lovely collection of beautiful Art Draperies awaits your inspection. New Denims, both plain and figured, also demand attention.

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RAILWAY Time Tables

CORRECTED FEB. 10, 1897.

L. E. & D. R. R.

	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Leave London	6:25	10:05	.....	7:00
Arrive London	8:45	p.m. 2:05	.....	10:35

Note—Trains leaving London at 10:05 and 7:00 run to St. Thomas only.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RY.

Going East.

Depart—	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
London	4:15	8:00	4:35
Woodstock	5:03	8:54	5:29
Galt	6:00	9:58	6:32
Guelph	.....	.....	7:45
Toronto	8:15	12 m	8:35
Peterboro	11:22	.....	11:35
	p.m.		a.m.
Kingston	4:30	.....	.....
Ottawa	4:55	.....	5:50
Montreal	7:20	.....	7:40
	a.m.	.....	p.m.
Quebec	6:30	.....	3:00
Portland, Me	8:25	.....	8:10
Boston	8:02	.....	8:30
Halifax	10:10	.....	.....

Trains arrive from the east at 11:18 a.m., 8:00 p.m., 11:20 p.m.

Going West.

Depart—	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
London	8:15	11:25	8:10
Arrive—	m.	p.m.	
Chatham	12:30	1:02	10:15
Detroit	.....	1:50	11:15
Chicago	.....	9:45	7:55
		a.m.	
St. Louis	.....	7:52	7:52
		p.m.	a.m.
Kansas City	.....	6:20	7:00

Trains arrive from the west at 4:10 a.m., 2:40 p.m., 4:25 p.m.

THOS. R. PARKER, City Ticket and Passenger Agent, 161 Dundas street, southwest corner Richmond and Dundas.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY. Southern Division.

MAIN LINE—Going East.

	Arrive.	Depart.
*Lehigh Express (B)	3:30 a.m.	3:35 a.m.
Wabash Express	4:15 a.m.	4:20 a.m.
Accommodation	.....	8:20 a.m.
Atlantic Express (A)	12:25 p.m.	12:40 p.m.
Day Express	10:25 a.m.	2:25 p.m.
*Wabash Express (A)	4:20 p.m.	4:25 p.m.
Mixed (C)	7:10 p.m.	7:55 p.m.
Detroit Express	11:20 p.m.	.....

MAIN LINE—Going West.

	Arrive	Depart.
†Chicago Express (A)	3:03 a.m.	.....
Accommodation	.....	7:00 a.m.
†Lehigh Express (A)	11:07 a.m.	.....
Wabash Express (A)	11:20 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Accommodation	12:40 p.m.	2:20 p.m.
†Pacific Express (A)	6:25 p.m.	6:45 p.m.
Mail	9:50 p.m.	.....

Sarnia Branch.

	Arrive.	Depart
Lehigh Express (B)	3:30 a.m.	.....
Accommodation	8:05 a.m.	.....
Atlantic Express (B)	11:30 a.m.	.....
Accommodation	2:30 p.m.	.....
Mixed	5:35 p.m.	.....
Accommodation	7:50 p.m.	.....

Sarnia Branch.

	Arrive.	Depart.
Chicago Express (B)	.....	3:10 a.m.
Accommodation	.....	7:40 a.m.
Lehigh Express (B)	.....	11:12 a.m.
Accommodation	.....	2:30 p.m.
Pacific Express (B)	.....	6:35 p.m.

London, Huron and Bruce.

	Arrive.	Depart
Express	10:00 a.m.	8:15 a.m.
Mail	6:30 p.m.	4:45 p.m.

St. Marys and Stratford Branch.

	Arrive.	Depart
Express	9:45 a.m.	7:15 a.m.
(D) Passenger	.....	11:10 a.m.
Express	1:10 p.m.	.....
Express	5:40 p.m.	2:40 p.m.
Express	10:35 p.m.	5:55 p.m.
(E) Mixed	.....	8:30 a.m.

Toronto Branch.

Hamilton—Depart—							
a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	...	p.m.	p.m.
*7:00	9:10	11:20	12:30	3:40	...	*7:00	...
Hamilton—Arrive—							
....	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m
....	18:30	9:05	10:10	B 3:20	5:35	6:50	8:15	11:5

* These trains for Montreal.
† These trains from Montreal.
(A) Runs daily, Sundays included.
(B) Runs daily, Sundays included, but makes no intermediate stops on Sundays.
(C) Carries passengers between London and Paris only.
(D) Runs to St. Marys only, connecting for points on main line west.

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MICHIGAN CENTRAL RY.

LONDON TIME.

Canada Southern Division—Going East

	Leave London.	Leave St. Thomas.
American Express (daily except Monday)	9:30 a.m.	11:05 a.m.
Atlantic Express (daily)	9:30 a.m.	2:30 p.m.
Mail and Accommodation (daily except Sunday)	2:50 p.m.	3:45 p.m.
New York and Boston Special (daily)	7:40 p.m.	10:05 p.m.
Fast Eastern Express (daily)	7:40 p.m.	9:30 a.m.

Canada Southern Division—Going West

North Shore Limited (daily)	.....	6:25 a.m.
Fast Western Express (daily)	9:30 a.m.	10:35 a.m.
Detroit Accommodation, except Sunday	.....	7:35 a.m.
American Express (daily except Monday)	9:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Mail and Accommodation (daily except Sunday)	2:50 p.m.	3:40 p.m.
Pacific Express (daily)	7:40 p.m.	8:35 p.m.
Boston, New York and Chicago special (daily)	7:40 p.m.	4:10 a.m.

Trains arrive at London 7:55 a.m., 1:10 and 6:05 p.m.; depart 9:30 a.m., 2:55 and 7:40 p.m.

[NOTE.—No trains to or from London on Sundays.]

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Quite a number of cases of our NEW SPRING GOODS are just to hand, and will be placed on our counters at REBUILDING AND ALTERATION SALE PRICES.

Ladies' White Waists just in, starch collar and cuffs, sale price 49c.

New Fancy Dresden Patterns, worth $1, sale price 89c.

JUST IN—

Ladies' Heavy Bordered Lace Collars, worth 50c and 75c, sale price 29c and 49c each. See them in our east window.

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The fault with most beautiful things in Wash Goods, has been that their beauty was transient. Subjected to sads and elbow grease, their complexion faded away. That is why we boast of our NEW WASH PRINTS. They are beautiful as an artist's dream, and hardy as a sun-tanned maiden. You pay nothing for perfection here. Call and see them.

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SAMPLE CURTAINS.

Those two words are doubtless sufficient to awaken interest in the sale of this line of goods. The sample curtains are short lengths, measure about two yards more or less, consisting of Brussels Net, Nottingham, French Guipure, and Muslin Curtains. Prices this sale, 12½c, 15c, 17c, 19c each.

We hardly need to give the housewife a hint as to what she wants of these; they are used for sash curtains, chamber curtains. Always a place for them.

In addition to the curtains we have a lot of Muslin and Net Goods we are selling at nearly half price. See our west window.

The World of Labor.

Frank Anthony, colored, has been elected president of the Cleveland, O., Building Trades' Council.

New York has just organized a label league, to exercise jurisdiction over all the territory embraced in Greater New York.

There are in the United States nearly 20,000,000 people who live on wages, and of these, nearly 3,000,000 are women.

Otto Mergenthaler, the inventor of the typesetting machine bearing his name, has bought a gold mine in Arizona.

With a new wood-turning device, one boy can furnish material for musical instruments that used to be turned out by 25 men.

The Southwick convict goods bill is likely to be defeated by Speaker Reed not permitting it to be brought before the House.

Cleveland Jewish peddlers have formed an organization and demand protection from the attacks of boys and loafers who annoy them.

The Trades and Labor Council of Ottawa, Canada, waited on the Premier and asked that the Dominion Government pass an alien labor law.

A bill fixing the minimum rate of compensation for labor on public works at $2 per day was passed by the Assembly of the California Legislature.

There are 5,000 destitute workingmen in Dayton, O. An effort to relieve them by raising a fund to prosecute certain public works promises success.

The waitress in Boston is compelled to work from twelve to fifteen hours per day, and in some instances with no Saturdays or afternoons off, for $50 per week.

The American Federation of Labor has made all presidents of national and international bodies and their organizers duly authorized organizers of the A. F. of L.

The special organizers sent to the south by the A. F. of L., for the purpose of bringing the textile workers into line, are reported to be meeting with success.

The amalgamated clothing cutters of New York, 500 in number, have employed a doctor by the year, who attends to all sickness of every member of their families.

For the first time in several years every department of the Lackawanna Iron and Steel Company, Scranton, Pa., steel mills, furnaces, and rolling-mills are simultaneously in operation. In all, over 3,000 men have found work since the works began to resume.

The brewery employes of Erie have reduced the hours of labor from ten to eight hours per day, so that every journeyman may have enough employment to provide necessaries.

Fully two-thirds of the carpenters and men engaged in wood-working trades in New York and surrounding towns are idle, and do not expect a better state of affairs until spring.

Arizona convicts have been leased for ten years at 75 cents a day, their labor to be utilized in constructing an irrigating canal that will make productive 100,000 acres of arid land.

Weavers and winders at Bessbrook weaving and spinning mills, near Newry, Ireland, to the number of about 750, have ceased work, in consequence of the introduction of the system of fines.

Miners in Oak Park mine, Iowa, have struck, refusing a reduction of 30 cents per ton. An effort will be made to have the miners in other districts take up the matter and precipitate a general strike.

Horseless carriages are being ordered by a New York cab company because of a recent strike of its drivers. Now the cabmen are talking of a probability of a horseless carriage motormen's union.

There is a manufactory in Baden, Germany, where, when an improvement in the line of labor-saving machinery is introduced, some of the profits arising from the innovation are given to the workmen.

The new superintendent of the Ohio State labor bureau at Cleveland announces his intention of making the office "what the law of the State purposed it should be," a means of furnishing employment to union men.

There is now before the city council of Cleveland, Ohio, an ordinance providing that all contractors who submit bids for work must pay a minimum wage of $1 50 per day, eight hours to constitute a day's work.

President Mahon, of the National Street Railway Employes' Association, is authority for the statement that street railway men receive higher wages in cities where 3-cent fares prevail than in those municipalities where 5 cents is the ruling price.

W. C. Pomeroy, one of the officials of the National Alliance of Hotel and Restaurant employes, is making an effort to have union waiters chosen for the inaugural banquet at Washington, March 4, and on the special trains from Canton to the inauguration.

Governor Pingree, of Michigan, is in favor of the arbitration of all labor disputes, and asserts that a clause should be inserted in the articles of incorporation hereafter granted, to the effect that all differences between employes and employers which are found impossible of adjustment, shall be settled by that method.

The salmon-catching season on the Columbia River, Oregon, begins in April, and there are indications of similar trouble to that of last season, when the militia had to be called out. Some 1,600 men are involved. They demand 4 1-2 cents a pound and the canneries will pay but 4 cents.

Carpenters' Union, No. 19, of Detroit, is beginning to regret its recent action in withdrawing its delegates from the Trades Council. Complaints are coming in that some of the small contractors are violating the agreement for eight hours and 25 cents an hour, made with the union last spring, which went into effect Jan. 1, and the burden of enforcing the agreement now rests wholly on the carpenters themselves.

The Chicago and Northwestern Railroad employs on its entire system 21,092 people at average daily wages of $1 96; the Chicago Great Western, 2,620, at average daily wages of $1 84; the Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Northern, 3,026, at average wages of $1 85; the Rock Island, 10,519, at average wages of $1 97; the Iowa Central, 1,375 at average wages of $1 75; the Des Moines, Northern & Western, at average wages of $1 63; the Burlington, 17,986, an average wages of $1 77; the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, 20,245, at average daily wages of $1 92.

Brantford Expositor: A curious coincidence happened in connection with the late Mr. Fred B. Mellish. Just before he died, Fred sent his dues to the Typographical Union of New York, with which he was connected. The secretary of the union sat down, and wrote in reply: "Dear Sir,—I inclose receipt for money, and also your card, and find that there are no financial charges against——" when the secretary dropped dead. The unfinished letter was immediately taken up by the assistant secretary, and when it reached here, Fred Mellish had also crossed to the unknown country.



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Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

Dance of Death.

While Whirling Like a Dervish, Mrs. Simis Came to Her End.

Her Prediction That She Would Die in Gayety Fulfilled to the Letter.

New York, Feb. 19.—In a dance, twisting like a dervish, her thin little arms, heavy with bracelets, extended, Johanna, the widow of Adolph Simis, who was a hatter and left a fortune, died Monday night.

She had always said that she would die in gayety, and her gray eyes, so brilliant and so young, in her face that age had made similar to the faces of ancient tapestries, half effaced and colorless, had an assured expression when she said it. Her grandsons knew that she predicted correctly.

Mrs. Simis was as learned as a sybil or a magician King. She was 72 years old, had read and retained in her memory a pyramid of facts, and, priding herself on her heedlessness, had dissipated beauty, strength, health, like pearls of a necklace the thread of which is cut.

"I am not old," she said three days ago to the governess of her grandsons, 11 and 9 years old. "A woman is not old when she is as youthful as I feel. I may admit that I have been youthful for many years. I have a son 50 years old. But do I look like a septuagenarian?"

She did not. Her hair was iron gray, not black; her bangs, though they were false, framed her little forehead prettily, and at the Arion ball last week, when she danced in a quadrille with a man who might have been her grandson, she captivated him and the three other young men in the quadrille.

She was masked. Nothing pleased her better than to wear a mask and enchain with her eyes men who had always known her with new eyes in old features.

She lived at No. 176 Lexington avenue in a house which she owned, with her son William, his sons and their governess. William sermonized. "Mother," he would say, "you must not go to the theater to-night. Mother, late suppers are not good for your health. Mother, the night air in winter will give you pneumonia."

William, Sunday night, hid the latch key, and, quite sure that his mother would not risk the liability to return home late, went up to his room. But Mrs. Simis went out, and the governess threw the latch key to her from the second-story window at 1 o'clock Monday morning.

Mrs. Simis liked the company of actors, had always regretted that she was not an actress, and studied parts with the conviction that she might be glorious on the stage if she tried. Meanwhile she danced.

She danced at balls, at private receptions, in her drawing-room, when an organ-grinder played at her door; at the sound of her own voice, and all other music. It was at the sound of her voice that she danced Monday night, like a twirling dervish, till her heart failed. The governess, in whose arms she fell, says that her eyes were very beautiful then.

Mrs. Simis, at the Eagle Hotel in Brooklyn, in 1895, was robbed of jewelry valued at $4,000. The robber was her valet, Harry Mortimer, whom the police learned was in reality Harry Fisher, a female impersonator. He was arrested and sentenced to Sing-Sing penitentiary for six years and a half.

Mrs. Simis was a spendthrift, but she leaves a fortune, nevertheless.

A Skewer in Its Heart

Some Light on the Dunnville Infanticide.

Developments of the Inquest—Probable Clue to the Mystery.

Dunnville, Feb. 19.—The inquest into the death of the infant found with a skewer through its heart was resumed here Wednesday night.

The proprietor of the Mansion House (where the woman who is suspected of being the child's mother was employed) and his wife and daughter said they knew nothing about it; that they never even suspected the girl's condition, and that she had never been from their work.

Miss A. Clark, a former companion of the girl, whose name is Diebolt, said she had seen her from time to time, and believed that she was in a delicate condition lately, and was also about two years ago, when she went to her sister's, a Mrs. Nelson, in Moulton township, and she had never heard what had become of the child.

William Overholt, the Mansion House hostler, said Miss Diebolt had requested him to procure a powerful medicine for her.

Detective Murray and Constable Stevens drove out and interviewed a young farmer named Ross, and he made a statement to them to the effect that he was aware that the girl was in trouble, and acknowledged that he was the father of the child. When he last saw her on the Sunday before the body of the dead child was found, they were out driving, when she told him, "It is all over," meaning that she had got rid of the child. Ross was served with a subpoena to give evidence, and his mother states he left home with that intention, but all trace of him is lost. He left his watch, pocketbook, overcoat, and little valuables in his room, and the only thing missing is his razor. Some fear that he has committed suicide, but the general opinion is that he was met on the way and persuaded to leave the country. This opinion is shared by the police, and every effort is being made to locate him. The inquest stands until Wednesday, 24th.

A CASE OF DIABETES.

No Help From Medical Men — Suffered for Many Years—Cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

North Bruce, Feb. 15.—An old and well-known settler in this township, named Thos. Brooks, who lived on lots 7 and 8 in the 14th concession, is rejoicing with his neighbors over his recent recovery, and he said:

"I was cured by using 24 boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills and as nothing else ever helped me I say they saved my life."

"I had tried all the doctors of this locality and was treated for Diabetes, hoping and suffering for years."

"From reading of cures I determined to use Dodd's Kidney Pills, and I must say that after using the first box I would have considered them reasonable at $10 a box."

Western Ontario.

Dispatch in Regarding Finn's Death Denied by Mayor Lothian.

Guelph Firebugs Committed for Trial — The Kingsville Woolen Mills Will Continue to Run.

J. W. Marks, tailor, Petrolea, who assigned recently, has compromised with his creditors at 60 cents on the dollar.

Bloor & Co., general merchants, Ingersoll, have been obliged to assign. The amount involved is in the neighborhood of $3,000.

The Salvation Army at Windsor will on Sunday take up a collection for the Indian famine fund. Wheatley village has subscribed $100 to the fund.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Skinner have returned to Aylmer from their honeymoon trip. They will reside with Mr. Skinner's father and mother, north of town.

The congregation of the Ridgetown Catholic Church have decided to build a residence for the priest. Work will be proceeded with as soon as spring opens out.

Mr. George Purvis, St. Thomas, received a telegram Thursday announcing the death of his brother in Washington State. The interment will take place in Sarnia.

Charles Gregory, son of Kerby Gregory, of the Benton House, Ridgetown —long proprietor of the Idlewild Hotel, North Chatham—died at his father's residence on Tuesday morning.

Mr. Clark, of the Tilsonburg Collegiate Institute staff, has been engaged as classic master at Aylmer, to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Mesmer resigning. Mr. Mesmer leaves about March 1.

The Kingsville Woolen Mills Company has made arrangements by which its creditors will take over the stock, and the mills will continue running as before. The assets are estimated at $10,000, and the liabilities at $15,000.

At Guelph, on Wednesday, a charge was laid against John Busby, the accomplice of Quinn in the arson case. The charge is that John Busby abetted Quinn in the firing of Robert Hadden's barn. Prisoner was committed for trial.

Ainslee Brown, M. C. R. yard brakeman at Windsor, had a narrow escape Wednesday night. He slipped off the yard engine, and was struck and bruised, but fortunately did not get under the wheels. His injuries are not serious.

A telegram from Ridgetown gave particulars of the death of a lad named Finn under what were pictured as distressing circumstances. Mayor Lowthian, of Ridgetown, wishes the item contradicted, as the inferences were entirely incorrect.

Maud Haddock, the girl of 14, to whom reference was made a short time ago as having been arrested, charged with stealing some clothes from the Stratford public schools, pleaded guilty on Wednesday, and was sentenced to thirty days in jail. There are still four charges against her.

Wm. F. Chisholm, of the M. C. R., and Miss Rachel Hamilton, formerly of the St. Thomas Journal, were made man and wife on Wednesday. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride's father by Rev. H. Irvine. The bride was attended by her sister, and the groom by Mr. Wm. Chapman.

Burglars entered the Lambton Exchange, and the E. and H. depot at Port Lambton on Wednesday night. They got nothing at the E. and H. station, but they turned everything upside down. They took something over $2 in money at the Lambton Exchange, some cigars and a quantity of sealed liquors.

Mr. G. W. Bowman, G. T. R. fireman, was united in marriage to Miss Lottie Warner, youngest daughter of Mr. Wilson Warner, of Frome, on Wednesday. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Hartley, of St. Thomas. The bride was assisted by her step-sister, Miss M. Warner, and the groom by his brother, Mr. A. E. Bowman.

Sarnia Observer: Word was received here Tuesday night from Tekoa, in Washington Territory, of the death there on Tuesday morning of William, third son of Mr. and Mrs. David Purvis, London road. The deceased had been resident there for nine years, and was aged 28 years on the day of his death. The remains will be brought home for interment.

News has reached Cornwall of the sudden death at Huntingdon, Que., of Mr. Alex. McMillan, of Summerstown. The deceased gentleman was 77 years of age, and possessed in a marked degree the virtues for which the Highland Scotchmen are noted. He resided some years at Petrolea, Ont., afterwards removing to Cornwall, and thence to Summerstown.

W. H. Wbyte, most supreme grand master of the Dominion, will arrive in Windsor on the 24th, when a commandery of instruction will be held. Sarnia will confer the Red Cross degree, London the Temple, and Windsor the Malta. At 4 p.m. the grand master will cross to Detroit, accompanied by an escort of over 100 knights in uniform to attend the reception to be given Ed Wheeler, grand commander of the State of Michigan.

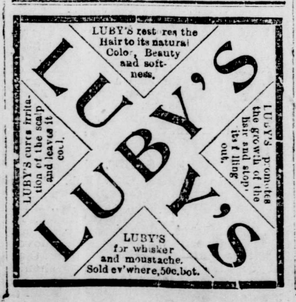
A. O. U. W. GRAND LODGE

Scale of Assessment Adopted for New Members — Toronto the Next Meeting Place.

Toronto, Feb. 19.—The A. O. U. W. Grand Lodge last evening adopted the following graded assessment scale, to come into effect July 1st, for all new members:

Age.	Rate Per $1,000.	Rate Per $2,000.
18—24	60c	$1 20
25—29	70c	1 40
30—34	75c	1 50
35—39	80c	1 60
40—44.....	90c	1 80
45 and over.... ....$1 00		2 00

The Grand Lodge will meet in Toronto again next year.



News Links.

EXHIBITIONS of fat women are called "an offensive trade" by a London landlord, who wants an injunction against their being held on premises he had let.

"SLUMMING" in the East End of London has been revived as a fashionable amusement, and the arrangements for personally conducted trips are managed by an agency.

GREAT Britain's drink bill last year was $712,074,000, which would make an annual cost of $91 for every family in the United Kingdom, counting five persons to a family.

IN FRANCE wagon tires vary from three to ten inches in width, usually from four to six, depending upon the weight of the load. Were such tires compulsory in Canada the present good roads movement would receive a tremendous impetus.

THE MOVEMENT in the Roman Catholic Church for the higher education of women has recently been greatly furthered by the opening of the Catholic University in Paris to separate women's classes in theology, philosophy, history, political economy, literature, physics and aesthetics.

ON the marble steps of a peasant's house on the Island of Salamis have been found two lines of the epitaph composed by the poet Simonides for the Corinthian soldiers who fell in the sea fight, carved in Corinthian characters. It is hoped that the burial place of the Corinthians may soon be found.

A MASSACHUSETTS soldier was the first to lose a leg in the United States civil war. He enlisted April 30, 1861, and twenty days later his leg was crushed by the fall of a stack of his own company's muskets in the capitol rotunda at Washington. The widow of this boy in blue has just received a pension of $12 a month.

MR. FAITHFUL BEGG, M. P., suggests the incorporation in the royal arms of England of "a double-headed lion passant guardant, the heads crowned, one for India, the other for the colonies," as a suitable way of marking Queen Victoria's long reign by drawing the outlying portions of the empire more closely together."

AN extraordinary operation was not long ago, according to the Medicinische Wochenschrift performed successfully in an Odessa hospital on an hysterical woman. The operation removed from her stomach 37 objects that she had swallowed, including nine needles, one key, two teaspoons, one fork two hairpins, twelve fragments of glass, etc.

AN experiment with cordite at Woolwich recently shattered a church and a number of shops in the neighborhood, and broke windows, tore down telephone wires, and alarmed the country for ten miles around. A case of cordite was fired to see what the effect would be on twelve other cases placed at some distance. They contained 1,400 pounds of the explosive and made a hole fifteen feet deep and twelve feet wide, sending the earth to a distance of a mile.

"THERE is nothing Scotch about the bagpipes, except the sheepskin of the bag and the tartan. The wood ebony or cocus comes from Africa and Jamaica; the ivory from Africa; the horn from Australia; and the cane for the reeds from Spain." So a reliable paper is quoted as saying. But where does the piper come from? The piper comes from Scotland, too, and he is the most important part of the whole instrument. We'll pit Scotland against the world for pipers.

A STORY from India tells of a man in that country who hunts tigers after dark by means of an electric light. He gets on a raised platform in a thick jungle and suspends a 50-candle power incandescent lamp over the bait, which is placed about 30 feet away. Batteries supplies current for the light, and a switch near the hunter's hand enables him to throw on the light when he is ready to shoot. The bright glare temporarily blinds the tiger, and a good shot can be had before he has time to get away.

ENGLISHMEN returning from Bombay through Italy are having a hard time of it. One was landed at Trieste recently, after the Italian authorities had refused to allow him to land at Brindisi, and was fumigated, with his baggage. The operation was repeated at Udine, on the Austro-Italian frontier, at Verona and at Milan. At Cavasso the Swiss refused to let him pass; he was sent back to Milan, where he escaped a fifth fumigation, and was permitted to disguise himself as a Cook's tourist and leave by the Mont Cenis route into France.

GERMANY'S fifteen largest landholders own between them 9,000,000 acres of German soil. Prince Wittgensteln has 3,000,000 acres; next comes the Duke of Arenberg with 800,000, then in order the Prince of Thurn and Taxis, the Duke of Brunswick, Prince Salm-Salm, the Prince of Talleyrand-Sagan, who is a French subject; the Prince of Pless, the Duke of Leuchtenberg, Prince Lentheim, Prince Lowenstein, the Prince of Wied (father of the Queen of Roumania), and Prince Fugger. Many of these have large estates outside of Germany as well.

THE municipal expenses of London in a year amount to about $70,000,000. The municipal expenses of the city of Paris, exclusive of national contributions, amount to $65,000,000, and the expenses of the Greater New York will, it is computed, be $55,000,000. The municipal expenses of New York city are about $40,000,000 a year. The Brooklyn municipal expenses amount to $12,000,000 a year; those of Long Island City to about $1,500,000, and those of Staten Island and Queen's county towns to about $750,000. The debt of London is $50 per capita; the debt of Paris is $150 per capita, and the debt of the Greater New York will be $66 per capita, or thereabouts.

WHILE the laws of Great Britain are more friendly to foreigners especially exiles, than those of any other country except the United States, the people generally act on the principle of the cockney mason who said to his mate: "Say, Bill, 'ere's a furriner. Let's 'eave a brick at 'im!" That this resentment is not confined to the lower orders is illustrated by an anecdote in Vanity Fair, with reference to the rumor that Don Carlos, the Bourbon Pretender, will abdicate in favor of his son, Don Jaime. Don Jaime was educated at an English school, and one of his older schoolfellows was one day seen vigorously kicking him. Asking what Jaime had done to provoke such treatment, the English boy answered: "He hasn't done anything; but perhaps he'll be king one of these days, and if he is I want to be able to say that I once kicked the King of Spain."

THERE are now three railways in Palestine, one from Jaffa to Jerusalem, 54 miles long, and two others centering at Damascus, one of these being just completed, and connecting Damascus with Beyrout. Two other railways are in contemplation, also to center at Damascus. When these are completed, four different railway lines will radiate from this, the oldest city in the world, connecting her with the leading points of the east. Thus, as has been well said, "Damascus promises to again become one of the greatest centers of the world." As a proof of this, the Jews are said to be buying all the land they can secure about this ancient city.

A MISSIONARY who spoke last week at the annual meting in Montreal of the British and Foreign Bible Society, said that in the last ten months the natives of Uganda had bought 13,200 Bibles, or portions of the Bible, in most instances paying for them with cowries. The books have to be carried eight hundred miles into the interior, from Zanzibar, and, for a peculiar reason, the negroes insist that each volume shall be three by six inches in size. They want this form because it will fit into an English biscuit tin, the only receptacle they have into which that most destructive insect the white ant, cannot make its way.

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Now that the Sultan is busy with Greece, the long-suffering Armenians may get a temporary rest.

Lincoln Paper Mill Company has increased the wages of its employes 10 per cent. Times are improving.

It is cold weather in Europe. That is probably the reason why Greece will not run even when the Powers blow hot.

Rumors of the Czar's ill-health are so prolonged and persistent that he bids fair to usurp the Sultan's title of the Sick Man of Europe.

An historical society has been formed in Chicago for local research. The Windy City aristocracy will not thank the society for genealogical inquiries.

Five hundred Chinese gamblers were arrested in one night at San Francisco recently. By all means let us not encourage the immigration of such men as these.

Nashville society has been palpitating over the visit of Lord and Lady Aberdeen. Compared with a real earl and countess, even a President is a very ordinary person over the border.

St. John, N. B., talks of putting up a new public library as a Queen's jubilee memorial. It is a good idea. London has a good free library, but it needs an improved general hospital, and it ought to have a good museum.

Hon. Clarke Wallace showed shrewdness in quitting the Tupper ship when it sprang a leak, and in saving himself from the wreck. That shrewdness will prevent him taking the leadership of the forlorn hope Opposition in the Legislature. Self-preservation is one of the first laws of politicians such as he.

The motto of the London Advertiser during these palmy days of the Liberal party is the same as it was in 1892, when a bye-election meant a defeat for the Liberal party. It is

"God's in his heaven
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Newspapers or Letters.

The Advertiser's contention in regard to the imposition of newspaper postage is that the reduction of the price of newspapers has been much greater in amount than the postage, and that the public has received value for the consideration extended to publishers. In any case the carrying of newspapers free or not is a simple matter of state policy. The burden or benefit is spread very evenly over the whole community.

Certain persons are advocating the reimposition of newspaper postage in order that the postage on a letter may be reduced from 3 cents to 2 cents. We would be glad to see this reduction take place. But if there is any lack of equity because certain persons do not read newspapers at all, though paying an infinitesimal sum for the carrying of them to others, is there not just as great inequality in asking the general public to submit to increased taxation for their newspapers in order that those who write many letters may be benefited by a reduction in letter postage?

It is not the general public who indulge in the writing of many letters, but the men of business, and these men, almost entirely, would be the persons benefited by a reduction in the postage.

These facts should be borne in mind by those who are busy chopping logic at a vociferous rate with regard to the proposal to add postage to the price now paid by the public for their newspapers.

Crete and Cuba.

Crete and Cuba are in strikingly parallel positions. Both are islands under the yoke of a foreign despotism. The people of both are brave, and both detest their rulers. Both are trying to break their fetters. Both have been the victims of injustice, oppression and tyrannical duplicity. Both have striven before for freedom, and both have shed their blood in vain. Both have been promised redress, and both have been cruelly betrayed. Both have the support of their nearest neighbors, and both have the sympathy of the world at large.

Let justice be done!

When a Man Becomes Insane.

Dr. Clark, medical superintendent of the Toronto Asylum for the Insane, makes an important statement with regard to insanity. He asserts that when a person's reason gives way, the chances of recovery are greatly diminished if expert treatment is not at once provided. In a long experience he has discovered that of the insane persons who are sent to an asylum as soon as they show symptoms of insanity—or at least within a year after the first evidence of a break down of the mind—90 per cent recover. But if treatment is neglected for twelve months or more, on the assumption that perhaps the patient will recover without expert attention, there is small hope for permanent recovery. Not over 5 per cent of patients entering the asylum under such conditions ever get better.

Our asylums are so well conducted that there should be no false delicacy in the matter. The afflicted one cannot too soon be placed under the care of the experienced medical men provided by the state

Canadian Book-Makers

We observe that the Canadian Magazine has been having a rather lively reunion at Webb's, Toronto, in which various persons connected with the periodical, either as writers, publishers or influential subscribers, were provided with a very appetizing repast. Among those who spoke on the occasion was Dr. J. G. Bourinot, clerk of the Dominion House of Commons, who struck out strongly in favor of a greater appreciation on the part of Canadians for distinctly Canadian literature. In the course of his remarks, Dr. Bourinot freely charged the newspapers of Canada with giving very scant encouragement to native literature. Subsequently, Mr. J. S. Willison, editor of the Globe, replied to Dr. Bourinot, with considerable effect. He took the ground that Canadian literature has suffered rather from being over-praised and over-indulged, and that too many Canadian writers are so "provincial" that they cannot endure independent, rational, intelligent criticism.

Mr. Willison is entirely right in this retort. There has been a certain amount of fairly creditable book literature written in Canada, but not much that has any great chance of surviving through many generations. Why this is so might be difficult to state. It may be that the people of Canada have been too busy up to this day in hewing down the forests, and in the struggle for a bare livelihood to spare much time to literary pursuits.

We have seen it stated that Canadian writers are "merely imitation Englishmen." So long as Canada is a colony it is rather difficult to see how Canadian writing can be much other that a mere watering or continuation of English writing. It is possible that anything like an effective literature for Canada can only be expected when the Dominion takes upon itself the habiliments of national manhood.

It must not be forgotten, however, that very little striking and original literature has been produced even in the United States, to the people of which the epithet, "imitation Englishmen," might be applied with almost equal justice. The United States has produced a number of capable prose and poetical writers, but not one of them can be mentioned in a day with Shakespeare. But a resident of the United States might fairly reply that even Great Britain herself has not in three hundred years produced a second Shakespeare.

Meanwhile, Canada will probably do very little for the promotion and development of original literature if it is to be demanded that every dabbler in Canadian letters must be overpraised and over-indulged, and if many Canadian writers remain so "provincial" as not to willingly receive "independent, rational, intelligent criticism."

By the way, it may not be generally known that there is a mausoleum for Canadian writers at Ottawa, with the title "royal" attached. But who are they, what have they written, and what is the good of the institution?

Punishment to Fit the Crime.

The Alabama Legislature has, without a dissenting vote, enacted a law providing that train wrecking shall be punishable by death. A similar bill is before the New York Legislature, and is likely to be made law. Indeed, such a statute ought to be enacted by every country. If the death penalty is to be carried out in the case of men who kill one man for gain or revenge, why should a less severe punishment be meted out to the fiend who, with similar aims, wrecks a railway train, and kills or jeopardizes the lives of many persons? And while the lawmakers are about it they should enact that the thief who burglarizes a house, and is captured with a murderous weapon in his possession should be sent to the penitentiary for the remainder of his natural life.

Brightening Prospects.

The Toronto Mail and Empire reports an interview with Mr. Thomas A. Burrows, M.P.P. for Dauphin, Man., in which he says that times in the Prairie Province are now better than they have been for years. "It is the general feeling," Mr. Burrows asserts, "that Manitoba is entering on an era of prosperity, and immigration prospects are brighter than ever before. There is quite a rush of settlers to the Dauphin district, which has been opened up by the recent construction of 100 miles of railway."

What with better prices for grain, the impetus given to business by the mining discoveries in the Lake of the Woods district, and the Kootenay region, the Northwest promises to be a scene of great activity in the near future. With steady, intelligent, progressive management, a very largely increased population will find homes and happiness in the new lands.

It should not be forgotten, however, that Ontario has millions of good land, and rich mining locations not yet turned to account. There is no need for any enterprising man of small capital to go a long distance to find a use for it.

Nearer home business is briskening in sympathy with the Dominion-wide prospects. Among other examples of improvement, the following from the St. Thomas Journal may be given:

"On every hand are signs of returning prosperity. Throughout the county factories are increasing their facilities, and employes who have been working short hours are again being put on full time. As it is elsewhere, so it is in this city. The employes of Mr. J. H. Still's handle factory, who have been working eight hours per day, yesterday went on full time again.

"The employees of the M. C. R. shops are now working nine hours per day, with a Saturday half-holiday. It is rumored that the men will soon be put on full time, though no orders to that effect have yet been received.

The Great Treaty.

John Fiske, the eminent historian, has prepared for the March number of the Atlantic Monthly the most notable contribution that has been made to the discussion of the arbitration treaty. He shows by a sweeping historical survey how the progress of industry and the relations between the United States and Great Britain make such a treaty a logical event; and he explains the incalculable benefits that are sure to come from it in the future. He points out how nearly all United States disputes in the past could have been adjusted under such a treaty, and how the treaty is a natural ally of commerce and industrial advancement for the bringing of a new era in the history of government. By reason of its thoroughness of treatment and breadth of view, this article is a presentation of the most important subjects perhaps now before the world—a presentation that will be read with equal interest in every civilized country. In view of the probable postponement of action of the arbitration treaty by the Senate, this announcement is of unusual interest and importance.

Continuing his series on the Racial Geography of Europe in Appleton's Popular Science Monthly for March, Prof. Wm. Z. Ripley discusses "The Shape of the Head as a Racial Trait," showing, with the aid of maps, how the "long-headed" and "short-headed" people are distributed.

McLure's Magazine for March will contain the first installment of a fine tale of adventure by Robt. Louis Stevenson, left unpublished at his death. It is a love story, having for its hero a French soldier held a prisoner of war in Edinburgh Castle, and for its heroine an aristocratic Scotch maiden whom he meets there.

SOME QUEER CHAPS.

Hamilton Times.

The London Advertiser says the Canadian Ministers have been denounced by Tory sheets "for freely pointing out to members of Congress that reciprocity would not be one-sided, and that the people of the United States would share with us the profits of a liberal interchange of products of the respective countries." Those Tories probably expect a reciprocity that does not reciprocate. They're the same fellows who hunt for round squares, straight curves and converging parallels.

Inspiration.

God's Spirit brings what most man's spirit asks—
The eternal motive to the finite day,
The highest purpose to the smallest tasks,
The stars themselves as lamps to light our way.
—Priscilla Leonard.

Sporting World.

Guelph $500 Out on Their Baseball Venture Last Year.

London Hockey Players Lose the Match With Seaforth.

Guy Wilkes Sold for $5,000 and Direction for $3,500—Other Sporting Matters.

BASEBALL.

THE MAPLE LEAF'S FINANCES.

At a meeting of the Guelph baseball cranks on Wednesday it came out that while the Maple Leafs won the Canadian League pennant last year, it cost them a deficit of $500 to do so. The total receipts for the year were $4,-004 81. J. P. Downey voiced the sentiment of the gathering when he said an international league was impracticable. He believed Guelph could hold its own in a four-club Canadian league, with a moderate salary limit and a schedule of, say, 48 games. That would be 24 home games in a season of sixteen weeks, or three games every two weeks. President McLean said London and Hamilton were bound to have professional ball, and to be with them Guelph would have to follow suit.

GROUNDERS

Tom Kinslow, the Brooklyn catcher, formerly of this city, has been signed by Columbus.

The Boston Herald says that Toronto will be a Washington farm this year, and supported its contention by saying that Toronto secured McAuley and McGann through the Wagners, of Washington.

The Baltimore club made $11,000 more away from home last season than in Baltimore.

Gilroy, once a star left-hand pitcher in the National League, has signed with Ronoake, in the Virginia League.

Patsy Tebeau has bet $200 of his own money that the Clevelands will finish ahead of the Baltimores this year, is the story that is going the rounds now.

HOCKEY.

LONDON LOSES.

Seaforth, Ont., Feb. 18.—A very exciting exhibition game took place here tonight between London Seniors and the Seaforths. The play was very fast from start to finish, and devoid of roughness. Score, 7 to 5 in favor of the home team.

The teams lined up as follows:

SEAFORTH.	POSITIONS.	LONDON.
Dunn	Goal	Glover
Jackson	Point	Little
Baldwin	Cover point	Southam
Cresswell	Centers	Hobbs
Williams		Corrigan
Kruse	Wings	Macfie
Wilson		Lane

For the visitors, Southam, Hobbs and Macfie showed to the best advantage, and had it not been for Glover, in goal, the score would have been greater for Seaforth. For the home team Cresswell, Jackson and Baldwin distinguished themselves as ranking with the fastest players in Canada; in fact, all the forwards played fast. Combination was at times perfect. Wilson, a junior, was always in place. Referee, H. C. Screaton, London; umpires, R. E. Jackson, Seaforth; J. Ransford, London.

THE TURF.

A GREAT PAIR.

It is to be hoped that next summer the world's two greatest pacers, John R. Gentry, with a record of a mile in 2:00 1-2, and Robert J., with a record of a mile in 2:00 1-2, will race against each other. Such a spectacle would be something to remember for a lifetime by lovers of horseflesh. Both these horses are now owned by Lewis G. Tewksbury, a banker, of New York city.

GUY WILKES SOLD.

New York, Feb. 19.—At the sale of trotters at Madison Square Gardens yesterday, Guy Wilkes, the star of the sale, was knocked down to W. J. White, of Cleveland, for $5,000.

A FIVE-DAY SPRING MEETING.

Hamilton, Feb. 19.—A five-day race meeting under the management of the local organization, the Hamilton Jockey Club, will be given at the H. J. C. Track this spring. The meeting will be held during the first five days of June. The purses will be about the same as those given heretofore.

DIRECTION BROUGHT $3,500.

Chicago, Feb. 19.—The second day of the Splan-Newgrass horse sale opened with a large and eager crowd. The top price was for the black stallion Direction, record 2:08 1-4, son of the great Director, which was knocked down to Wm. P. Ijams, of Terre Haute, Ind., for $3,500. The next highest price was for Lake Erie, record 2:13 1-2, sold to George H. Ketcham, of Toledo, Ohio, for $2,900. Lake Erie was one of the great campaigners of last season. Then came one of the big stars down the line last season, Newberger, record 2:15 1-4, by Jay Bird, to F. Oglesby, of Kansas City, Mo., for $2,050. May Ross, record 2:16 1-2, $850; Russelmont, record 2:12 3-4, $700; Sibilla, record 2:13 1-2, $1,025.

TIPS.

The new Chicago stable is said to have made an offer of $15,000 for Algol.

The list of entries for the Brighton Beach Racing Association stakes foots up 670. The California entries and some of the other western stables have not been received. It is expected that the list will be over 700 when all are in.

THE TRIGGER.

LONDON SHOTS IN DORCHESTER.

Several crack shots of the London Gun Club went to Dorchester yesterday for a pigeon shoot, accompanied by Sidney Fairbairn, the professional wing shot, of Minnedosa, Man. The latter, however, was over-matched by the locals. The shooting was at 16 birds, 28 yards rise, and Marshall Graydon and Mr. Fairbairn tied with 13 dead birds each. Mr. Graydon dropped his 14th bird dead just outside the bounds. J. P. Evans killed 9 birds; W. T. Chittick, 10; Ald. Bennet, 8, and Col. Leys, 8. Mr. Hicks dropped 8 out of 13 birds.

BOGARDUS BEATEN.

Rockford, Ill., Feb. 19.—In the champion shooting contest at the Opera House, between T. H. Malena, of Rockford, and C. A. Bogardus, of Aurora, Ont., for $250 a side and gate receipts, Malena won easily, hitting 1,000 balls in 28 minutes and 50 seconds. Bogardus had only broken 375 balls in 31 minutes.

WHEEL

NO SPLIT.

Colorado Springs, Col., Feb. 19.—In an interview, Chief Consul Dawson, of the Colorado Division, L. A. W., said: "This talk of a split from the L. A. W. is nonsense. The report gone out that Colorado will lead the movement is untrue. While willing that any section of the country should have Sunday racing if it desires it, I consider the whole racing business a minor branch of league work. I shall favor no defection myself, nor will I tolerate any action detrimental to league interests on the part of any official of this division."

AQUATIC.

WINNIPEG'S ENTRY FOR HENLEY

Winnipeg, Feb. 19.—The amount necessary to pay the Winnipeg club fours' expenses to Henley has been subscribed, and the club's entry has been mailed with sworn affidavits that all the oarsmen are eligible.

ATHLETICS.

THE PUGS.

Dave Sullivan, of Boston, put Patsy Haley, of Buffalo, to sleep in thirteen rounds in New York Wednesday night. It was one of the best fights seen in New York this winter. Haley, at one time looked a winner, but in the thirteenth round he went down twice under heavy blows, and the last time was counted out.

Sam Fitzpatrick has posted $500 to match Kid Lavigne against any man in the world at 133 pounds. He will also match his man against Eddie Connolly, who recently fought a draw with Dick Burge in England for a $2,500 bet.

PEDESTRIANISM.

Morse, the Jackson pedestrian, is still pegging away in his attempt to cover 1,000 miles in as many consecutive hours. He has completed 895 miles, and is in good condition. Time will be up at 4 o'clock p.m. next Monday.

CRICKET

GALT CLUB.

The Galt Cricket Club has been reorganized on the lines adopted in former years. The officers chosen for the ensuing year are: Honorary president, Hon. Jas. Young; president, R. J. Jaffray; vice-president, B. H. Lewis, J. G. Dykes, and R. S. Strong, sen; secretary-treasurer, Wm. Gray; captain, C. J. Logan; vice-captain, C. J. Crookall; managing committee, T. H. Sears, A. D. Strong, H. P. Bingham, J. G. Turnbull, G. R. Goodwin, S. Blake, and C. W. Witaker.

THE KENNEL.

COURSING.

Liverpool, Feb. 19.—In the continuation of the coursing for the Waterloo Cup, at Formby, the winners in the third rounds were: Happy Sammy, Five by Tricks, Guessit, Fabulous Fortune, Black Veil, Laurel, Crown Gallant, and Wild Fire.

The winners of the fourth rounds were; Five by Tricks, Fabulous Fortune, Black Veil and Gallant.

Lord Dufferin is president of the committee in charge of the celebration of the 400th anniversary of Cabot's discovery of North America, which will be held this year at Bristol, Cabot's home port.

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HOSE—Ladies' Fine All-Wool Cashmere Hose, double heels and toes, worth 40c,
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Saturday Night 38c

HOSE—Children's Ribbed Cashmere Hose, merino heels and toes, worth 18c,
Saturday Night 12 1-2c

GLOVES — Ladies' All-Wool Cashmere Gloves, colored, worth 17c,
Saturday Night 7c

HANDKERCHIEFS — Children's Fancy Picture Handkerchiefs, worth 3c,
Saturday Night 5 for 5c

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Saturday Night 11c

VESTS—Ladies' Heavy Ribbed Vests, full fashioned, worth 25c,
Saturday Night 19c

SKIRTS—Ladies' Cloth Skirts, braided, worth 75c,
Saturday Night 29c

CAPES—Ladies' Black Coney Fur Capes, worth $3 50,
Saturday Night $1

VESTS AND DRAWERS—For children, plain merino, worth 25c,
Saturday Night 20c

HANDKERCHIEFS—Men's Fine Cambric Handkerchiefs, worth 20c,
Saturday Night 3 for 25c

UNDERWEAR—Men's Fine Winter Underwear, worth 50c,
Saturday Night 32c

UNDERWEAR — Men's Heavy Ribbed Wool Underwear, worth 50c,
Saturday Night 37 1-2c

UNDERWEAR—Boys' Fine Natural Wool Underwear, worth 50c,
Saturday Night 30c

CAPS—Boys' Gray and Black Astrachan Caps, worth 50c,
Saturday Night 38c

SHIRTS—Boys' Heavy German Shaker Flannel Top Shirts, worth 35c,
Saturday Night 23c

TOP SHIRTS—Men's Gray Flannel Top Shirts, worth 40c,
Saturday Night 20c

GLOVES—Men's Fine Wool Knit Gloves, worth 25c,
Saturday Night 15c

GLOVES—Men's Fleece-Lined Kid Gloves, worth $1 25,
Saturday Night 75c

SHIRTS—Men's Fine Dress Shirts, colored, two collars and cuffs, worth $1 25,
Saturday Night $1

SKIRTING—Eight pieces, Moreen Skirting, all shades, yard wide, worth 50c,
Saturday Night 35c

SKIRTS—Wool Skirts, fancy braided, in three colors, worth $1 75,
Saturday Night 85c

SILKS—One table Silks, all shades, regular price 25c,
Saturday Night 12 1-2c

DRAPERY—Six pieces Art Drapery, fine range of shades, worth 25c,
Saturday Night 15c

SILKS FOR WAISTS—A very fine assortment, regular price, $1,
Saturday Night 54c

MUSLINS—One table Art Muslins, worth 10c,
Saturday Night 6c

DRESS GOODS—One table of Assorted Dress Goods, very fine range, worth 50c, 60c and 65c,
Saturday Night 25c

CURTAINS—Six pairs Chenille Curtains, heavy fringe and wide dado, worth $3 25,
Saturday Night $2 39

COTTON — Bleached Cotton, 36 inches wide, worth 10c,
Saturday Night 8c

QUILTS—White Honeycomb Quilts, full size, worth $1 25,
Saturday Night $1 05

COVERS—Table Covers, two yards square, art patterns, worth $2 50,
Saturday Night $1 25

FLANNEL—Canton Flannel, heavy nap, worth 7c,
Saturday Night 5 1-2c

SHEETING—Double Fold Twill Sheeting, Bleached, worth 25c,
Saturday Night 18c

LINEN—Table Damask, 60 inches wide, worth 35c,
Saturday Night 29c

TOWELING — Heavy Toweling, wide worth 7c,
Saturday Night 5c

PRINTS—One table Dark Prints, good patterns, worth 10c,
Saturday Night 8 1-2c

QUILTS — 10x4 Colored Quilts, worth $1 50.
Saturday Night 75c

QUILTS—10x4 Crochet Quilts, choice patterns, worth 75c,
Saturday Night 50c

TWEEDS—Heavy Dark Tweeds, for boys' wear, worth 35c,
Saturday Night 25c

FLANNELS — All-Wool Plaid Flannels, regular price 38c,
Saturday Night 25c

FLANNELETTES — One table Plain, Check and Stripe Flannelette, worth 10c.
Saturday Night 5c

SHEETS—Only a few pairs left Lambskin Sheets, large size, worth $1 25,
Saturday Night $1

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ULSTERS—Men's Heavy Frieze Ulsters, worth $7,
Saturday Night $4 95

ULSTERS—Men's Tailor-Made Ulsters, fibre chamois lined, worth $10,
Saturday Night $6

COATS—Men's Fine Tweed Waterproof Coats, worth $7 50,
Saturday Night $5

SUITS—Men's Double-Breasted and Single Breasted All-Wool Tweed Suits, worth $7 50,
Saturday Night $4 95

SUITS—Men's Fine Black Worsted Suits, striped pants, worth $10,
Saturday Night $6

PANTS—Men's Good All-Wool Twill Gray Tweed Pants, worth $2 25,
Saturday Night $1 50

ULSTERS—Men's Heavy Fringe Ulsters, worth $5,
Saturday Night $3 25

OVERCOATS — Big Boys' Tweed Overcoats, worth $4,
Saturday Night $1 50

ULSTERS—Boys' Storm Frieze Ulsters, worth $4,
Saturday Night $2 50

UNDERSKIRTS—Six only, Heavy Underskirts, worth $2,
Saturday Night 50c

SKIRTS—Ladies' Dress Skirts, a good range of colors, in fancy tweeds, lined throughout, worth $4 50,
Saturday Night $3

SKIRTS—Dress Skirts, made of heavy Serge, black and navy, very wide, worth $4,
Saturday Night $3

CLOTHS—Your choice of ten colors Mantle Cloths, worth $2 and $3 a yard; Astrachan, Tweed, Beaver and Golf Cloths, worth $2 and $3,
Saturday Night $1

JACKETS—One lot of Ladies' Coats, 49 only, worth $15 and $16, all new goods,
Saturday Night $5 95

JACKETS—One lot Ladies' Jackets, 26 only, worth $5, $6 and $7, not an old coat in the lot,
Saturday Night, $2 95

WRAPPERS—Dresden Flannel Wrappers, great specials, worth $2 50,
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Commercial.

Wheat at Chicago Took an Upward Shoot.

Local Market.

(Reported by A. M. Hamilton & Son.)

London, Friday, Feb. 19.

Wheat per bu.....75c to 75c
Oats, per bu .....13 1-2c to 19 1-2c
Peas, per bu .....36c to 42c
Corn, per bu .....25c to 31c
Buckwheat, per bu .....24c to 26 1-2c
Rye, per bu .....22c to 23c
Barley, per bu .....20c to 29c
Beans, per bu .....25c to 40c

The receipts were light, as usual on Friday. No change in prices from yesterday.

Quotations:

GRAIN.			
Wheat, white, fall, per 100 lbs	1 22	to	1 25
Wheat, red, fall, per 100 lbs	1 22	to	1 25
Wheat, spring, per 100 lbs	1 22	to	1 25
Oats, per 100 lbs	40	to	97
Peas, per 100 lbs	69	to	74
Corn per 100 lbs	45	to	55
Barley, per 100 lbs	42	to	60
Rye, per 100 lbs	40	to	45
Beans, bu	25	to	40
Buckwheat, per 100 lbs	40	to	50
PROVISIONS.			
Honey	8	to	12
Cheese, per lb	10	to	12
Eggs, single dozen	15	to	16
Eggs fresh, basket, per doz	13	to	14
Eggs, fresh, store lots, per doz	12	to	12
Butter, single rolls per lb	15	to	16
Butter, per 1 lb rolls, baskets	12	to	14
Butter per lb, large rolls or crocks	10	to	12
Butter, per lb, tubs or firkins	9	to	12
Lard, per lb	6	to	7
MEAT, HIDES, ETC			
Beef, quarters, per lb	3½	to	5
Mutton quarters, per lb	5	to	6
Veal, quarters, per lb	8	to	9
Lamb, quarter	8	to	9
Dressed hogs, 100 lb	4 00	to	6 00
Live hogs	3 60	to	3 60
Hides, No. 1, per lb	6	to	6
Hides, No. 2, per lb	5	to	5
Hides, No. 3, per lb	4	to	4
Calfskins, green	4	to	6
Calfskins, dry, each		to	
Sheepskins, each	50	to	80
Lambskins, each	50	to	70
Wool, per lb	18	to	18
Tallow, rendered, per lb	3	to	3
Tallow, rough, per lb	1½	to	2
HAY AND SEED			
Hay, per ton	6 50	to	7 00
Straw, per load	2 00	to	2 50

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English Markets.

(Beerbohm's Report by Cable.)

London, Feb. 19.

Cargoes off coast — Wheat steadier; corn quiet.

Cargoes on passage—Wheat steady; corn firm.

Country markets — French, quiet.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 19.—12:45 p.m.

Wheat—Spot steady; demand moderate; futures quiet; near positions unchanged and distant positions ¼d higher.

Corn—Spot firm; futures easy; near and distant positions ¼d higher.

Bacon — Steady; demand fair; Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs, 27s; short ribs, 20 to 24 lbs, 25s 6d; long clear light, 35 to 38 lbs, 25s 6d; long clear heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, 24s 6d; short clear backs, light, 18 lbs, 24s 6d; short clear middles heavy, 45 to 50 lbs, 24s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, 26s 6d.

Shoulders—Square, 12 to 18 lbs, 25s 6d.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., 40s 6d.

Tallow—Fine North American, 18s.

Beef—Extra India mess, 60s; prime mess, 48s 9d.

Pork—Prime mess, fine western, 45s; medium western, 40s.

Lard—Steady; prime western, 20s 6d; refined in pails, 22s 3d.

Cheese — Dull; demand poor; finest American white (Sept.), 38s 6d; finest American colored (Sept.), 38s 6d.

Butter—Finest United States, 90s; good, 65s.

Turpentine spirits—20s 9d.

Rosin, common—6s.

Cotton seed oil—Liverpool refined, 15s 6d.

Linseed oil—16s 3d.

Petroleum—Refined, 6½d.

Refrigerator beef—Forequarter, 4d; hindquarter, 6½d.

Bleaching powder, hard wood, f.o.b., Liverpool, £6 15s.

Hops—At London (Pacific Coast), £3 15s.

The receipts of wheat during the past three days were 246,000 centals, including 139,000 centals American. Receipts of American corn during the past three days were 180,300 centals.

Weather—Warm and moist.

The Oil Market.

PETROLEA

Petrolea, Feb. 19.—Oil opened and closed at $1 62.

OIL CITY PRICES

Oil City, Pa., Feb. 18.—Prices of crude oil today per barrel are as follows: Tiona, $1 01; Pennsylvania, 91c; Barnesville, 81c; North Lima, 56c; Corning, 81c; Newcastle, 66c; South Lima, 61c; Indiana, 51c.

Oil closed at 91 3-8c.

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American Produce Markets.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 18.—Continued strength prevailed in the wheat market. Trading began at the prices unchanged to a fraction lower than the closing ones of yesterday, and from then until the close there was little or no interruption to the strength of tone. A doubt that the Russian-Grecian imbroglio would be settled amicably was the principal reason for the firmness exhibited. Liverpool quoted ¼d advance. Trade was light, and whilst the tone of the market was firm, yet there was much doubt as to the prospect of any further improvement taking place. The situation remains uncertain, and until something decisive occurs either for or against war in Europe operators are inclined to go slow in either direction. English consols were a trifle lower, which was a point in the bulls' favor. Closing Paris and Berlin cables were higher. Antwerp was lower. May wheat opened from 74¾c to 74½c; advanced to 75c to 75¼c, closing at 75¼c to 75⅝c to ⅜c higher than yesterday. Cash wheat was firm and ⅛c to ⅜c higher. Corn advanced ⅜c to ½c, and oats ⅛c to ¼c. Provisions were higher.

The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—No. 2 Feb., 73½c; May, 75¼c to 75⅝c; July, 71½c; Sept., 69¼c.

Corn—No. 2 Feb., 22⅜c to 22½c; May, 24c to 24⅛c; July, 25¼c to 25½c; Sept., 26¼c to 26⅜c.

Oats—No. 2 Feb., 15½c; May, 17½c; July, 17⅜c.

Mess pork—May, $8; July, $8 12½.

Lard—May, $4; July, $4 07½.

Short ribs—May, $4 12½; July, $4 17½.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour steady; No. 2 spring wheat, 73c to 74¼c; No. 3 spring wheat, 72½c; No. 2 red, 80c to 80½c; No. 2 corn, 22c to 22½c; No. 2 oats, 15½c to 16¼c; No. 2 rye, 32½c; No. 2 barley, 33c; No. 1 flaxseed, 74½c to 76½c; prime timothy seed, $2 50; mess pork, $7 90 to $7 95; lard, $3 85 to $3 90; short rib sides, $3 90 to $4 20; dry salted shoulders, $4 25 to $4 50; short clear sides, $4 12½ to $4 25.

Receipts—			
Flour	19,400	Wheat	21,000
Corn	192,000	Oats	75,000
Rye	5,000	Barley	12,000
Shipments—			
Flour	7,000	Wheat	66,000
Corn	162,000	Oats	198,000
Rye	—	Barley	23,000

Chicago, Feb. 19.—Opening—Wheat, May, 75¼c; July, 71⅜c. Oats, May, 17½c; July, 15c. Pork, May, $8 05. Lard, May, $4. Ribs, May, $4 12; July, $4 20.

THE HIDE MARKET.

Toronto, Feb. 18.—There is a good demand for hides, but the offerings are light. Prices are firm here, at the slightly better quotations given last week. It is believed that the large shipment of Canadian cattle to the United States, which has been made possible since more favorable arrangements were made regarding quarantine, will make a considerable difference on the receipts of hides in Canada. Cured hides are quoted here at 7 1-2c now, and green are quoted by buyers at 6 1-2c to 7c.

Sheepskins—The offerings are fair; there is an active demand for all offerings, and the market is firmer, at $1 for the best skins; country skins are quoted at 75c.

Tallow—There is not much inquiry for tallow, and the market is dull and easy. Local buyers are offering 2 3-4c to 3c, and are asking 3 1-4c.

Live Stock Markets.

NEW YORK.

New York, Feb. 18.—Beeves—Receipts, 730; no trading; feeling dull.

Calves—Receipts, 75 head; steady; poor to prime veals, $4 to $7 25.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 2,650 head; demand fair at steady prices; choice lambs firm; medium to choice sheep, $3 80 to $4 60; ordinary to choice lambs, $4 75 to $5 60.

Hogs—Light hogs, $3 60 to $4; pigs, $4 to $4 25.

Cables from British markets quote American steers at 10½c to 11½c, per lb, dressed weight; American refrigerated beef, 9c to 9¾c per lb; American sheep, 8c to 9c, dressed weight.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—Hogs—Receipts, 22,000; left over, 7,000; market active, and fully 5c higher; light, $3 40 to $3 55; mixed, $3 35 to $3 52 1-2; heavy, $3 20 to $3 52 1-2; rough, $3 20 to $3 35.

Cattle—Receipts, 9,000; market steady; beeves, $3 45 to $5 25; cows and heifers, $1 80 to $4 15; Texas steers, $3 to $4 10; stockers and feeders, $3 20 to $4 10.

Sheep — Receipts, 15,000; market steady.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Feb. 18.—About 575 cattle, 150 calves and 250 sheep and lambs were offered for sale at the cattle market this morning. Trade in cattle was slow, a lot of steers for shipment, not of extra quality, were sold for 3 1-2c per lb; best butchers' cattle sold at 3 1-2c per lb; fair, 2 3-4c to 3 1-8c; common, 2c to 2 1-2c. Milk strippers sold at $16 to $32 each; calves, $1 50 to $5.

Sheep, 3c to 3 1-2c; lambs, 4 1-4c to 4 3-4c. A few choice lambs sold for 5c per lb. Yesterday a spring lamb brought $7.

Fat hogs scarce; small, 4 1-2c to 4 3-4c.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 18.—Cattle—5 cars on sale, including 3 1-2 cars Canadas. The Canada stockers and feeders were not of so good quality as those of the preceding days of this week, and sold lower. Two loads of stockers, 682 to 762 lbs, sold at $3 30 to $3 35; one car feeders, 778 lbs, sold at $3 55; a bunch of 800 lb steers and heifers at $3 30; a half-car, or thereabouts of Canada cows sold at $2 25 to $2 80.

Veals—Few here, and dull.

Sheep and Lambs—Seventeen cars on sale; active for good kinds; lambs at 10c to 10 1-2c higher; best lambs, $5 15 to $5 25; only one car at top price; bulk of good to choice at $5 to $5 25; mixed sheep, good to prime, $3 90 to $4 10; good to prime handy wethers, $4 25 to $4 40; export ewes, $3 75 to $4; only 2 cars late arrivals carried over.

Hogs—15 cars; Yorkers, $3 80; pigs, $3 70 to $3 75 for good assorted; mixed packers, $3 70 to $3 75; good weight mediums, $3 65 to $3 70; heavier, $3 60 to $3 65; closed steady to firm.

TORONTO HOG MARKET.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 19.—Receipts, 1,236 hogs. Singers, 4 5-8c; thick fat, $3 60, off cars.

ENORMOUS CARGO.

Carried by the Pennsylvania — The Largest Ever Taken Out of New-York.

New York, Feb. 19.—The new twin-screw freight and passenger steamer Pennsylvania, of the Hamburg-American Line, has been placed in commission on the regular service between New York and Hamburg. She will leave New York with a full cargo, carrying a total of over 18,500 tons measurement, not of extra quality, were sold for 3 1-2c per lb; best butchers' cattle sold at 3 1-2c per lb; fair, 2 3-4c to 3 1-8c; common, 2c to 2 1-2c. Milk strippers sold at $16 to $32 each; calves, $1 50 to $5.

It is claimed by the Hamburg-American Line that this is the largest cargo that was ever taken out of New York. It is interesting to note that it would take 616 ordinary freight cars or about 18 freight trains to transport this enormous quantity.

Among its miscellaneous cargo the Pennsylvania carries 294,069 bushels of grain, equaling 6,847 tons, which is in itself more than the average freight steamer can take if completely filled.

THE ROYAL TEMPLARS

Close of the Convention—Efficers Elected and Installed.

Oshawa, Feb. 19.—The fifteenth annual convention of the Royal Templars of Temperance was brought to a close yesterday morning with the election and installation of officers for the ensuing year.

The elections resulted as follows: Geo. H. Lees, Hamilton, grand councilor; Mrs. R. C. Gorsline, Bloomfield, grand vice-councilor; Rev. W. Kettlewell, Galt, past grand councilor; Rev. H. S. Matthews, Newmarket, grand chaplain; C. V. Emory, M.D., Hamilton, grand secretary; Geo. M. Baird, Blenheim, grand treasurer; D. Robertson, M.D., Milton, grand medical referee; P. H. Stewart, Barrie, grand auditor; Charles E. Heard, St. Thomas, grand herald; Miss M. A. Hill, Hamilton, grand deputy herald; W. A. Halliday, Brooklin (three years), James Hughes, Toronto (two years), D. J. Ferguson, Toronto (one year), grand trustees; J. A. Austin, Toronto, grand guard; Joseph Mills, Galt, grand sentinel.

The report of the committee on finance was presented and adopted. It contained a recommendation to reduce the salary of the grand secretary to $700 instead of $825. Greetings were received from Mrs. Mylin, secretary of the Ontario Provincial W. C. T. U., and the grand secretary was instructed to send a suitable reply.

HIS LIMITATION.

"Did you ever find a will you couldn't break?"

"Yes, sir; my wife's," bravely admitted the famous lawyer.

A rabbit, chased by a dog at Jasper, Fla., ran into a gopher hole, followed by the dog, and a rattle-snake killed both of them.

In a Trance!

Parents About to Bury Their Living Child.

The Little Fellow Sighed as He Was Being Prepared for the Coffin.

Toronto, Feb. 19,—Little Willie Nixon, the 6-year-old son of John Nixon, a teamster living at 89 Sackville street, had an extremely narrow escape from being buried while yet alive.

Diphtheria is prevalent on lower Sackville street, and several children have died from the disease. Two weeks ago Aggie Nixon, a little sister of Willie's, died from diphtheria, and was buried on Monday. Willie has also been very ill from the disease, and for the past two or three days has been very low.

The other day, after having been unconscious for some hours, his body suddenly became rigid, and the parents, thinking he was dead, and rigor mortis had set in, sent for an undertaker, to make preparations for the funeral. While the boy was being washed, and prepared for burial, the attendants were frightened by a faint sigh, and soon after the boy opened his eyes. He was placed in bed, and is now on the road to recovery, although he is very weak.

LONDON BOYS WIN.

The L. C. I. Hockey Team Has a Desperate Struggle at St. Marys.

The London Collegiate Institute hockey team went down to St. Marys last night, and after one of the most exciting and closest matches ever witnessed in St. Marys, the L. C. I. lads succeeded in defeating their big opponents by a score of 6 to 5. As the St. Marys hockey team came so nearly defeating the London Juniors some time ago, the L. C. I.s plainly saw that they "had an elephant on their hands," but, although severely outclassed in weight and age, they managed to skate around their opponents, and work in combination plays.

At the face-off, the puck was landed in St. Marys' territory, but Hawkshaw, having secured it, made a brilliant dash down the rink, and scored. The next goal also went to St. Marys. Then the combinations of the visitors began to tell, and by a combined attack they put Mr. Puck through the St. Marys posts. The next goal also went to the credit of the L. C. I. St. Marys secured the next goal, leaving the score at half-time, St. Marys 3, L. C. I. 2.

At the blow of the whistle for the second half, L. C. I., by a pretty combination play, scored, making another tie. Then St. Marys scored again—and so did the L. C. I. Another tie. Then the L. C. I., by another dash, scored, but St. Marys, by a similar play, did the same thing. Then came the struggle for the coveted and final goal. Dash after dash occurred, until L. C. I., by a combination play, brought the puck to St. Marys' goal. From there, after an exciting scrimmage, the puck was forced through, and L. C. I. had won the hardest battle they ever fought. Following were the teams:

L. C. I.	POSITIONS.	ST. MARYS.
Gibbons	Goal	Dormer
Peel	Point	Mowat
Pigot	Cover Point	Hawkshaw, capt.
Payne, Fraser, capt., Windsor, McEvoy	Forwards	Clark, Begh, McNeil, Johnson

Referee, Mr. Boyd, St. Marys; goal judges, S. J. Radcliffe, London, and George J. Vanston, St. Marys.

The way the goals went was:

1. St. Marys—Hawkshaw.
2. St. Marys—McNeil.
3. L. C. I.—Shot after a scrimmage.
4. L. C. I.—Payne.
5. St. Marys—Clark.
6. L. C. I.—Fraser.
7. St. Marys—McNeil.
8. L. C. I.—Windsor.
9. L. C. I.—Pigot.
10. St. Marys—Johnson.
11. L. C. I.—After a scrimmage.

BAPTIST UNION CONVENTION.

Stir Over the Programme — Protests Against the Arrangements.

The programme committee, consisting of representative Baptists from various points of the provinces of Ontario and Quebec, recently met in Toronto to draft a programme for the Baptist Union Convention, to be held in this city for eight days, commencing with May 26.—The proposed outline has been circulated among the various churches, and has elicited a number of protests, which may cause the Rev. D. M. Mitchell, secretary-treasurer, to again get the programme committee together, or at least secure certain changes. The programme provides for the opening session to be devoted to the president's address and appointment of officers and committees; all the morning sessions are to be opened with an address on some timely topic, as a sequel to the devotional exercises; with that point kept in mind, the programme for the consecutive days will be: Thursday, May 27, foreign missions; Friday, Grande Ligne and educational work; Saturday morning, Manitoba and Northwest missions; Sunday, foreign missions, vacational and home mission sermons; Monday, publication board, Sunday school work, Grande Ligne and Manitoba; Tuesday, ministerial superannuation board, Baptist Young People's Union of Ontario and Quebec. One prominent Baptist criticises the programme by saying: "If it was the wish of the committee to destroy interest in Manitoba missions, a more effective way to do so could not have been adopted than the one contemplated in this year's programme. Would it not be advisable to move the convention forward one day, beginning on the Monday night, leaving the election of officers over for a day or so longer? If this were done it would then be possible to place Manitoba and Grande Ligne in the programme where they belong." A London Baptist objects to the presence on the programme of two places for the B. Y. P. U. of Ontario and Quebec. "For whom is this feature presented?" he asks. "Certainly not for the young people, for it would be impossible for the churches to entertain them if they came in large numbers, and for that or some other reason the societies are not asked to send delegates. Are these session, then, provided for adults? If so, the provision seems, if not useless, at least relatively so, in view of interests more practical to them. In the interests of the church and society the young people ought to hold a separate convention if they must have one."

Steamship Arrivals.

Feb. 18.	At.	From.
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Paria	New York	Hamburg
Feb. 19.	At.	From.
Cufic	New York	Liverpool

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Illiterate Boys.

Careless Use of the English Language Widely Prevalent.

Pernicious Influences Which Tend to Injure the Rising Generation.

"The Illiteracy of American Boys," is the rather alarming title that heads a paper read before the Schoolmasters' Association of New York by E. L. Godkin and published as a leading article in The Educational Review. Mr. Godkin regards it as certainly true that the rising generation is paying too little attention to the speaking and writing of correct English, and he discusses the means that must be adopted to better this state of things. After calling our attention, at the outset, to the importance of language, and to the consequent necessity of cultivating its correct use, he goes on to say:

"I speak with deliberation when I say that there is no civilized country in which, outside the colleges, so little of this is done as in ours; in which the people at large, though their average speech is better than usual, pay so little attention to their manner of speaking and choice of words; in which so much havoc is made with the language in daily use. I meet every day with men whom we call educated, who do not seem to care how they speak or how they write. Their speech is full of solecisms, and their letters and notes are unpunctuated scrawls, and in their pronunciation the vowel sounds are summarily got rid of. A dialect is being formed today under our very noses in New York which bears only a faint resemblance to English, and which you may see illustrated in 'Chimmie Fadden,' a much-read, much-admired book, which has even been dramatized. . . .

"You may depend upon it that there is no defense against bad speech but habitual good speech. If we wish to speak well, we must speak well every day. You cannot have what I may call Sunday or holiday speech, as well as everyday speech, like clothes."

Mr. Godkin proceeds to enumerate what he regards as some of the chief causes of this state of things, or, at any rate, some of the chief obstacles to measures for its abatement. They are: First, the fact that, while in Europe correct speech is the badge of good birth, so that anyone who wishes to attain any standing in society must master its use, here parents and society are both indifferent, while teachers have constantly to struggle against the influence of the streets; next, the press, where "style and nicety of expression are the last thing the writer thinks of." "The dialect novels are another evil influence," and, finally, "the carelessness of teachers also counts for much." How shall we combat this tendency? Mr. Godkin answers:

"This, in my humble opinion, can be done by the simple process of making English of more importance either to get to college or get a degree in it. If a boy is made to understand that this is not possible without a good English equipment, that it is one of the things, not only somewhat needful, but more needful than anything else, I think he would begin at an early age to acquire it, for the hope or prospect of college goes back a long way in a boy's years."

This hope, Mr. Godkin says, is especially strong in America, and if it were generally understood that incorrect English would make entry hopeless, there is little doubt that this would prove a powerful incentive. Says Mr. Godkin:

"Of this desire to enter college much use may be made, as it seems to me. You have it in your power, with the aid of the colleges, to make good English speech and writing seem throughout the country a necessary part of the equipment of a young man who wishes to graduate somewhere, and thus convert the rapidly increasing class of graduates into real guardians of correct speech. You have the scale of importance of studies in your hands. The study of English, too, no matter how much you exalt it, you will never have to defend, as you have often to defend the study of Latin and Greek. No youth will be able to excuse himself for slovenly diction by pleading want of aptitude for languages, or by saying as he might often say of mathematics, that he had no head for it. It ought to be made absurd and ridiculous for a boy who cannot speak and write his own mother tongue to want to go to college at all. It is not necessary for everybody to go to college. He can stay at home or follow some line of life for which a college education is not necessary. If college education be a prize, therefore, good English should be a condition of the prize, and it would be absurd to treat the exaction of good English as a hardship. Above all, the colleges should be delivered, in large part at least, from the necessity of teaching the mere rudiments of the language. This is not the business of colleges. It is a waste of their funds, and of the time of their professors. They exist in order to make boys familiar with the great master-works of thought, with the best that has been said or written."

In closing, the author gives us a grain of comfort. Things, after all, are better than they used to be, with the illiterate American boy. He says:

"That he has improved is shown by the fact that his entrance themes are now better than they used to be. In the matter of the relative importance of studies, he is in your hands. If you do not mend his English, he will be only too glad not to mend it himself. And let me say again emphatically that college is not the place to mend it. College is a place in which to become acquainted with literature. It is not the place to acquire dexterity in the mere daily use of the mother tongue.

"You see, then, that my remedy is simply a change in the scale of importance of studies. I do not say it is a complete remedy, or a remedy easily applied, or a quick remedy, but it seems to be the only remedy within the reach of teachers just now."

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Do You Know How to Sleep?

Nowadays, when everything is done scientifically, and even breathing has ceased to be an instinctive act, sleeping has to be done by rule. Bedrooms must be properly arranged for slumberers, baths and evening meals carefully adjusted, and position studied with great detail.

Where practical the bed should be placed on a line north and south, with the head toward the north. This arrangement places the sleeper in harmony with the electrical currents caused by the rotation of the earth on its axis. Often a person in sickness and sometimes in health can obtain much needed rest in no other way. Bedrooms should, where possible, have a southern exposure, that is, have the window on the south or the sunniest side of the house. The head to the north will keep the lungs and respiratory organs away from any possible draughts, and the room will also obtain that indispensable requisite to health—plenty of sunlight during the day. In many cases it will be impossible to obtain these conditions in houses where there is very little sunlight that can enter the bedrooms, and where windows and doorways make it impossible to place the head of the bed toward the north, but where there is a choice of rooms those that offer these conditions for comfort and health should be chosen for the bedrooms in common use.

Better sleep can be obtained with a low than with a high pillow. To lessen the work of the arteries that propel the blood to every portion of the organism should be the aim of every one, so that the posture that most nearly places the body in a horizontal position is the most to be desired. Bolstering up the head is always to be condemned, whether in sickness or in health, unless bodily injuries render the perfectly recumbent position impossible.

It is not well to lie always on the back; by this practice the spine and the nerves that there congregate are kept too hot, and a feverish sleep is apt to be the result. The right side is the best to recline on, for then the heart and the larger arteries are relieved from undue pressure. Occasionally one rests well lying on the stomach. As a general rule eight hours is ample for a person in health; more produces a dull, heavy feeling on arising; less, an unsatisfied craving for more. And there is also no room for doubt that the two hours immediately preceding the midnight hour are the most favorable for enjoying the "beauty sleep" of the night.

DRUG.

"I hear his book is a drug on the market."

"Well, it put me to sleep all right enough."

SHE OBEYED ORDERS.

"I thought you had a good girl, Mrs. Bloom?"

"I had."

"What became of her?"

"I told her to get up early and dust."

"Well?"

"She got up and dusted."

WHIRLED TO DEATH.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 19.—Paul Roguseeki, a 17-year-old boy, fell into the fly-wheel of a dry kiln engine which was revolving at the rate of 1,800 revolutions a minute, and was literally dismembered, his blood and flesh being scattered and shattered all over the shop of the Buffalo Maple Flooring Company. The lad's wages were the dependence of his mother.

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In Vanceburg, Ky., is a man 35 years old, who has three families. He was divorced one afternoon recently from his third wife, and he was married to a fourth on the following evening.

LIFE SAVED.—Mr. James Bryson Cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the lungs, and was given up by physicians. A neighbor advised me to try Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, sating that his wife had used it for a throat trouble with the best results. Acting on this advice, I procured the medicine, and less than half a bottle cured me; I certainly believed it saved my life. It was with reluctance that I consented to a trial, as I was reduced to such a state that I doubted the power of any remedy to do me any good."

Era of Prosperity.

C. P. R. Land Commissioner Sees It Coming.

Great Feeling of Confidence in the Northwest.

All the Present Conditions Are Most Encouraging for Immigration — Big Increase in Land Sales.

Montreal Herald

It will not be for lack of excellent and heretofore unfailing indications if Canada is not today on the eve of the grandest era of progress in her history. These indications were unfolded to a Herald reporter today by Mr. L. A. Hamilton, land commissioner of the Canadian Pacific Railway, of Winnipeg, who is at present on a visit to the city. "And," remarked he, after the interview had been concluded, "I am forced to the conclusions I have given you notwithstanding my endowment with a considerable amount of Scotch caution."

"I am feeling in particularly good trim about the immigration and crop prospects for the Northwest for the coming season," said Mr. Hamilton, when asked to say something on the subject for publication, and his demeanor fully bore out the assertion.

"Everything looks most favorable. I have been in the country since 1871, and I never saw so much snow on the ground as there is this winter in the west. That means that the country will be in good condition to grow a big wheat crop next summer. The ground will be so saturated that it will be almost independent of rain. Then there will be a larger area under cultivation than ever before. The farmers have been able to do a great deal of fall plowing, which, with the spring fallow, will give a large acreage for the season's crop.

"The present high price of wheat put the farmers in such good spirits that they will grow every acre they probably can. The big difference in getting 40 cents and 70 cents a bushel for wheat means putting the farmers in good trim and bringing others into the country by the reports so highly favorable sent out.

LAND SALES INCREASING.

"This has materially affected the land sales, which, since the last harvest, are an indication of what is coming. There was an increase in sales last quarter of at least 200 per cent over any previous quarter. As an indication of this wonderful increase, I can mention a case which bears me out. The sales of the Canadian Northwest Land Company for December last were $7,000 in excess of what they were for the whole of 1895."

ALSO IMMIGRATION.

Referring to the question of immigration, Mr. Hamilton said: "I have not learned much yet about the prospects of European immigration, but there will be considerable of an increase from the United States for several reasons.

"First, I learn that the Hon. Mr. Sifton, Minister of the Interior, in cooperation with the C. P. R., is preparing to conduct an active campaign in the United States.

"Second, the removal of the 90 days' quarantine on settlers' cattle from the United States will open up the way for that class of people who were not able to come before while that regulation existed. The reason for that is that during their first year's residence in the country they are compelled to depend upon dairying for a living until they can prepare to raise a wheat crop. If their cattle were kept out for 90 days they would thus lose their means of livelihood for the first year. The removal of that regulation will be a very important factor in immigration from the United States.

"Third, the people coming in to take up free grant lands are moving very largely into the Alberta section, so that the reduction in freight rates on settlers' products to the mining country of British Columbia—practically 50 per cent—will thus afford them a ready and profitable market for everything they can produce. The settlers in Alberta are sending this information widespread throughout the United States, and there is every reason to expect a large inflow of people from across the border.

"Fourth, the free grant lands near the railway in the eastern section of Manitoba are largely absorbed by the construction of the Lake Dauphin Railway, recently opened for traffic, a tract of land of at least 2,000,000 acres between Lake Dauphin and the Swan River Valley of the very finest character has been opened up, and is attracting settlers, and we expect a large movement of people in that direction in the early spring."

Then Mr. Hamilton went on to speak of the relations of the two great mining districts to the agricultural Northwest. "We are like the ham in the sandwich," was the metaphor he used to describe the situation. "We have the Lake of the Woods and Seine River gold mining districts to the east. The fertile lands come up to that section and stretch to the west, to the margin of the mines in British Columbia. That opens up markets at our doors, both east and west. The mines are causing a great deal of travel back and forth, and are bringing in capital which must overflow into our provinces.

"Everything is changed in that respect since last year. The people are buoyant and hopeful, and are the best immigration agents that could be found. Mr. Greenway, Premier of Manitoba, is taking advantage of the situation, and is sending capable farmers out to let the facts be known and divert immigration to our country.

"There is a large quantity of wheat in the country yet. Five inspectors in my department came in and reported just before I left Winnipeg, and I was surprised to learn of the large quantity still stored away, showing that the farmer can hold and wait till he gets the price he considers the wheat worth. When that wheat commences to move, in conjunction with the traffic opened up by the mines and the crop that the farmers hope to garner next summer, it should make good business for the railway.

"As an indication of what the mining activity is doing in Rat Portage, I may state that it is almost impossible to get a place to sleep, and property has advanced 500 per cent in value." Mr. Hamilton showed the reporter a plan of the town of Wabigoon, on Lake Wabigoon which, he says, is destined to become the great distributing center of the Manitou, Seine River and Lac Seul mining districts. It is situated on the line of the C. P. R., about 100 miles east of Rat Portage. He felt certain that the prosperity which all signs indicated was in store for the great Northwest, would be shared in by the whole Dominion.

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Feb. 19.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Atchison Ry	14¼	14¼	14¼	14¼
C. B. and Q.	74	75	73⅝	74½
C. and N. W	104½	104½	103¾	104½
Chicago Gas	76¼	76⅜	76½	76
Gen. Electric	34½	34¼	34	34⅛
L. and N	49	49⅜	49	49
Manhattan	87	88	86⅞	87½
Missouria Pacific	19¾	20⅜	19⅝	20⅛
Pacific Mail	25¼	25¼	24⅜	24⅜
Rock Island	66⅝	66¾	66	66¼
Reading	21⅜	21⅜	24	24⅜
St. Paul	75½	75⅞	75¼	75⅝
Tenn. Coal and Iron	26¾	27⅛	26¼	26⅛
Western Union	82	82½	81⅝	81⅞
Distillery Trust	13	14	13⅜	14
Leather Trust	56¾	58¼	56½	57¼
Sugar Trust	114⅛	114½	113½	113⅞
Tobacco Trust	71½	72¼	71	71⅜

Montreal Stock Market.

MONTREAL, Feb. 19.

	Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	55¼	54½
Duluth, common	4½	4
Duluth, preferred	9	8
Commercial Cable	166	165½
Wabash, common	..	..
Wabash, preferred	..	..
Montreal Telegraph	170	166
Richelieu and Ontario	92½	87
Montreal Street Railway	224	223
Montreal Street Railway, new	..	..
Montreal Gas Company	193	192½
Bell Telephone	160	157
Royal Electric	141	139
Toronto Railway	70½	70½
Bank of Montreal	231	225
Ontario Bank	85	83
Banque du Peuple	..	..
Molsons Bank	..	185
Bank of Toronto	231	227½
Merchants Bank	170	168
Merchants Bank of Halifax	171	166
Quebec Bank	..	119
Union Bank	..	102½
Bank of Commerce	130	127½
Northwest Land	..	..
Montreal Cotton Company	130	124
Canada Colored Cotton	..	..
Dominion Cotton	90	81
Postal Telegraph	97½	96½

SALES—Can. Pacific, 50 at 55; Com. Cable, 25 at 165½; Mont. St. Ry, 12 at 2.3; Mont. Gas, 125 at 192½, 10 at 192½; Toronto Ry, 25 at 70½, 25 70½; Ontario Bank, 10 at 85.

Toronto Stock Market.

TORONTO, Feb. 19.

	Ask.	Off.
Montreal	231	225
Ontario	86	82½
Molsons	..	..
Toronto	231	228
Merchants	172	168
Commerce	128	127
Imperial	180	179
Dominion	233½	232¼
Standard	179	164
Hamilton	..	155
British America	118	116½
Western Assurance	157	156½
Canada Life	..	..
Confederation Life	..	..
Consumers' Gas	200	..
Dominion Telegraph	127	124
Montreal Telegraph	..	..
Northwest Land Company, pref	50	39½
Canada Pacific Railway Stock	55½	54½
Commercial Cable Company	166	165½
Postal Telegraph	97½	96⅛
Bell Telephone Company	158½	157½
Montreal Street Railway	224½	223
Montreal Street Railway (new)	..	..
Toronto Street Railway	70⅝	70
Dominion Savings and Invest	79	75
Farmers Loan and Savings	90	..
Farmers' L. and S., 20 per cent	70	..
Huron and Erie L. and S	..	158
Huron and Erie, 20 per cent	..	147
London and Canada, L. and A	90	..
London Loan	..	..
London and Ontario	99½	..
Ontario Loan and Debenture	..	119

SALES—1 p.m.—C. P. R., 75 at 54½; Com. Cable 50, 25, 50 at 165¼. 11:15 a.m.—Consumers' Gas, 15, 1 at 200½; Bell Tel. 50, 50 at 158.

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COMMERCIAL.

Toronto, Feb. 19.—Wheat—The offerings of wheat are small, there is a fair demand from the millers at the decline, and prices are about the same; cars of red and white are selling at 73c and 74c west; there is a demand for spring wheat for seeding; Manitoba wheat is steady at 85c to 86c for No. 1 hard, and 83c to 84c for No. 2 hard, Midland.

Flour—Dull and easy; cars of straight roller are quoted at $3 70 west.

Millfeed—In fair demand and steady to firmer; cars of shorts are quoted at $8 50 to $9 west, and bran at $7 50 to $8 50.

Barley—Dull and normal, at 32c to 33c for No. 1 extra; 30c for No. 1; 27c for No. 2; 24c for No. 3 extra, and 21c to 21 1-2c for feed outside.

Buckwheat—Quiet, at 24c outside.

Rye—Steady, at 34c to 35c outside.

Corn—Steady, at 19 1-2c to 20c for yellow west.

Oats—Steadier, at 18c to 18 1-2 for white west.

Peas—Quiet, at 39c north and west.

Seeds—Dull and unchanged.

Baled Hay—Dull, at $8 to $10 50 fr cars on the track here; the latter for choice No. 1; straw at $5 to $6.

Latest Montreal Markets.

Montreal, Que., Feb. 19.

GRAINS AND FLOUR.

Oats—In store No. 2 white, 22½c to 23c.
Peas—47c to 48c.
Feed barley—33c.
Corn—30c.
Buckwheat—29c to 30c.
Flour—Manitoba strong bakers, $4 25 to $4 75; spring wheat patents, $4 90 to $5 05; winter do., $4 45 to $4 70; straight roller, $4 20 to $4 30.
Feed—Bran, $10; shorts, $11 to $12.

PROVISIONS.

Canadian short cut, clear, $10 to $10 50.
Ham—9c to 11c.
Bacon—8½c to 9½c.
Lard—Pure, 5½c to 6c; compound, 4½c.

PRODUCE.

Cheese—Quiet; nominal; nothing to report.
Butter—Dull and easy; creamery, roll, 18c to 18½c; dairy, 11c to 12½c.
Eggs—New laid, 15c to 16c; Montreal limed, 10½c to 11c; Western do, 9½c to 10c.

Toronto Produce Market

English Markets.

Liverpool, Feb. 19—4:15 p.m.

Wheat—Spot steady; demand moderate; No. 2 red spring, 6s 3d; No. 1 Cal., 6s 6½d; futures opened quiet, with near positions unchanged and distant positions ½d higher; closed firm, with near and distant positions ½d to ½d higher; business about equally distributed; Feb., 6s 3d; March, 6s 3¾d; May, 6s 4½d; July, 6s 4d.

Corn—Spot firm; American mixed new, 2s 7½d; futures opened easy, with near and distant positions ½d higher; closed steady with near and distant positions unchanged to ½d higher; business about equally distributed; Feb. 2s 7d; March, 2s 7½d; April, 2s 7½d; May, 2s 8½d; June, 2s 8½d; July, 2s 9½d.

Flour—Steady; demand poor; St. Louis fancy winter, 8s 6d.

Peas—Canadian, 4s 4½d.

American Produce Market.

BUFFALO.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 19.—Spring wheat—Good demand; No. 1 hard spot, old, 86½c; do. new, 85½c; No. 1 northern, old, 83½c; do. new, 82½c. Winter wheat—Dull; No. 2 red, 89c; No. 1 white, 9 c on track.

Corn—Dull; No. 2 yellow, 26c; No. 3 yellow, 25½c; No. 4 yellow, 25c; No. 2 corn, 25½c; No. 3 corn, 25c.

Oats—Dull; No. 2 white, 21½c; No. 3 white, 19½c; No. 4 white 18c on track; No. 2 white, 21½c in store.

DETROIT.

Detroit, Feb. 19.—Wheat—No. 1 white cash, 86½c; No. 2 red cash, 86½c; May, 86½c; July, 74½c.

TOLEDO.

Toledo, Feb. 19.—Wheat—Cash, 87½c; May, 88½c; July, 74½c.

Corn—Cash, 22c; May, 24c.

Oats—May, 17½c.

MILWAUKEE.

Milwaukee, Feb. 19. — Wheat, cash, 73½c; May, 75½c.

NEW YORK.

New York, Feb. 19.

Flour—Receipts, 19,300 bbls; sales 2,200 packages; quiet and steadier.

Wheat—Receipts, 49,950; sales, 1,430,000 bu; opened steady and advanced all the morning on better cables and the influence of local bull sentiment; March, 83c to 83½c; May, 80⅝c to 81½c; July, 78⅜c to 79c; Sept., 75⅜c to 76½c.

Rye—Dull; No. 2 western, 38c, c.i.f., Buffalo.

Corn—Receipts, 184,775; sales, 30,000 bu; quiet; May, 29⅜c to 29½c.

Oats—Receipts, 117,600 bu; slow; track white, 20c to 29c.

Butter — Receipts, 3,668 packages; steady; state dairy, 10c to 19c; state creamery, 13c to 19c; western creamery, 12c to 20c; imitation creamery, 11c to 16c; Elgins, 20c; factory, 7c to 13½c.

Cheese—Receipts, 721 packages; steady; state large, 9c to 12½c; do small, 9c to 12½c; part skims, 5c to 9½c; full skims, 3c to 3½c.

Eggs—Receipts, 3,952 packages; firm; state and Pennsylvania, 19c; western, 12½c to 19c; southern, 17c to 17½c.

Sugar—Firm.
Coffee—Quiet.
Hops—Quiet.
Lead—Strong.

Chicago Exchange.

Following are the fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade furnished by F. H. Butler, Broker, Masonic Temple. 'Phone 1,278.

CHICAGO, Feb. 19.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—May	75⅜-½	76⅛	75⅛	76¼
July	71½-¾	73	71½	73
Corn—May	24½	24⅞	24	24⅞
July	25½	25⅞	25½	25⅞
Oats—May	17½	17½	17	17⅜
July	18	18¼	18	18¼
Pork—May	8 00	8 12	8 00	8 00
July	8 22	8 22	8 12	8 12
Lard—May	4 00	4 10	4 00	4 02
July	4 10	4 20	4 10	4 12
Ribs—May	4 12	4 17	4 10	4 10
July	4 20	4 25	4 20	4 20

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It may be true that when men get married they're not likely to commit suicide; but it's just as true that if they commit suicide they're not likely to get married.

Around the City

—Dr. Bert Leys, Detroit, has been on a flying trip home.

—Principal Graham, of the Simcoe street school, is on the sick list.

—Col. Lindsay received advices from Ottawa today of a shipment of new rifles for the Seventh Battalion.

—Wm. Gibson, M.P., grand master of the Grand Lodge of Freemasons, has promised to be the guest of the Past Masters' Association of London at their forthcoming banquet and reunion.

—Grip is very prevalent in the northern part of Huron county. Mr. and Mrs. Dulmage, the aged parents of Mrs. (Rev.) A. L. Russell, of Wellington street, are both seriously ill at the home of their daughter in Newbridge.

—A portrait of Hon. Sir Frank Smith by a Toronto artist, Mr. Dickson Patterson, was yesterday formally hung in the board room of the Home Savings and Loan Company, of which Sir Frank is president.

—James Taylor was arraigned before Judge Edward Elliott this morning on the charge of robbing Neil Macarthur at Strathroy on Monday night. He pleaded guilty, and was remanded until Monday for sentence.

—"A yellow supper" will be a unique event at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium on March 2. The supper will be at the expense of the "pinks," who were defeated by the "yellows" in the recent membership contest. All the senior members will share the feast.

BLACK PATTI'S TROUBADOURS TONIGHT.

"Oceans of fun and waves of melody" are the terms which best describe the salient features of Black Patti's Troubadours' stage performance. Sweet and inspiring strains of melody rendered by 50 grand singing voices run through the entire performance, and hilarity, is always in evidence, excepting in the grand operatic kaleidoscope which brings the evening's entertainment to a brilliant and soul-stirring climax.

BAILED IN $1,000.

Malcolm Cameron, of Parkhill, who has been in jail for some time past, charged with aiding Edward Ellice in assaulting Samuel Peck, at Parkhill, on Dec. 15, 1894, and for which Ellice was sentenced to a term in the Central Prison, was before Judge Wm. Elliot this morning. An order was made, releasing Cameron on bail—$500 in his own recognizances, and John McLennan and J. A. McLochlan, of East Williams, in $250 each—to appear at the county sessions, which open here on June 7.

OFF TO THE CENTRAL.

Bailiff English paid a visit to the county jail this morning. He came from Windsor, whence he took Joseph Behenger and Martin Keefer, who were sentenced to four months each in the Central. Wm. Bryan, who was given 23 months in the same institution, was handed over to him today, and the trio of prisoners went east on the midday express. Bryan, in bidding farewell to the jail officials, promised them it would be the last time they would ever see him. He feels his position keenly, and expressed great sorrow for his wife.

PAID LABOR TAX.

A trio of statute labor delinquents and a case of disorderly conduct occupied the attention of Police Magistrate Parke this morning. John Garnet, of 190 Rectory street, had not paid his tax, because he had been married for five years, and was put on the list in 1895, while his wife was away, and he happened to be boarding. Garnet was forced to pay, and will bring the matter before the council. John Walsh, painter, and John Povey, polisher, were each given a week in which to pay. John O'Neil was charged with being disorderly in front of the Opera House. He promised better behavior, and was allowed to go.

JIM MACE AND JACK STEWART.

Jack Stewart, of this city, the retired heavyweight champion pugilist of Canada, has not as yet received any word from Jim Mace, the retired English heavyweight, with whom he is trying to arrange a sparring contest. Mace is holding back, under the impression that he will be able to secure a guarantee of $300, but it is likely he will "cave," and accept Stewart's offer of 65 per cent of the gate receipts. Mace is of the opinion that he can yet fight as well as he ever did, but should he come here, his mind will probably be disabused of that idea. Mace is about 65 years of age, and since his great fight with Tom King has feared nothing. Dick Collier, the English middleweight champion, and one or two other stars, will accompany him. If a contest is arranged, it will come off in the Opera House.

THE LATE NEIL McCALLUM.

Mr. Neil McCallum died at his home here on Tuesday, Feb. 16. He was born in Loch Gilphead, Scotland, in 1809. At the age of 21 he came to Canada, and two years later married. For many years he carried on a mercantile business in Fingal, Elgin county. Thence he removed his business to St. Thomas. In 1873 he retired from business, and the remaining 23 years of his life were spent in London. He was ever a staunch supporter of the Liberal cause. Mr. McCallum was a consistent and esteemed member of the Talbot Street Baptist Church, of this city. For the past two years he was in declining health, though confined to his bed but one day. He was in his 88th year when he passed peacefully to rest. Mr. McCallum survived his wife thirteen years. He leaves five sons and three daughters, all of whom were at his bedside, excepting Hugh McCallum, of Sacramento, Cal., and John, of Tacoma, Wash.

THE GRANGERS.

Election of Officers by the Dominion Grange at Toronto.

Special to The Advertiser, per C. P. R. Line.

Toronto, Feb. 19.—At this morning's session of the Dominion Grange the following officers were elected:

Master—W. F. Fisher, Burlington.
Overseer—G. S. Robinson, Lucknow.
Secretary—R. Wilkie, Blenheim.
Lecturer—Dawson Kennedy, Peterboro.
Chaplain—J. Murdock, Palmerston.
Steward—James Allan, Churchill.
Assistant Steward—C. S. Dynes, Port Nelson.
Gate-Keeper—Lyman Henry, Sombra.
Executive Committee—Henry Glendining, Manilla; Jabe Robertson, Middlemarch.
Auditors—R. R. Mowarly, Kinsale; J. Follis, Newbridge.

An Iowan has invented a machine, which he hopes to have in operation by the next harvest season, for cutting corn and separating the ears and stalks at the rate of fifteen acres a day.

Brainy Vets.

Trying the Exams, Which Opened Here Today.

To Qualify for Appointments for Testing Cattle—Expert Veterinaries Here.

In accordance with the notices issued to veterinary surgeons throughout Western Ontario, the examination to qualify them for positions as departmental inspectors under the recent quarantine regulations with the United States was begun here this morning in the Oddfellows' Hall.

The examining board is composed of Chief Inspector, Prof. D. McEachran, of Montreal, and Dr. Andrew Smith, of Toronto. Mr. A. L. Jarvis, secretary of the Department of Agriculture, is also present.

The candidates numbered about 50, and among them were many of the oldest members of the profession, as well as recent graduates. They assembled at 10 a.m., and Prof. McEachren delivered a brief lecture, setting forth the necessity for the examination. The remainder of the forenoon was occupied in written examinations.

In the afternoon Prof. McEachren again took charge, at 2:15 o'clock, and spoke at some length, of the duties of inspectors, the position for which the examination was a qualifying one. The veterinary profession had been long almost without Government recognition, but it was now about to be organized and official positions created. He described the grand agricultural resources of Canada, and added that the agricultural interest would ever be second to that of live stock. The present Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Sydney Fisher, and his predecessor, Hon. Dr. Montague, had taken efficient measures for preserving the health live stock. The swine plague and sheep scab had necessitated the appointment of a large number of inspectors. There were also requirements by the United States and Canada for the testing by tuberculin all cattle exported for breeding purposes. The department did not assume the testing. It was a commercial matter, between the owner and the veterinary, for which the owner paid. The department had set the following scale of fees: Five dollars for one animal; $1 per head up to ten; and over ten, 50 cents per head. The owner must also pay for the tuberculin, and traveling expenses.

At the conclusion of the address, an oral examination was held.

The examiners will go to Toronto tomorrow, and to Kingston Monday.

Among the candidates were Doctors R. C. Coates, Thamesville; J. Armitage, Kincardine; H. Boyd, Kingsville; D. R. Bold, Cheslea; John Smith, Ivan; J. C. Burt, Blenheim; J. H. Armstrong, Tilbury; C. E. Edmunds, St. Thomas; James Stewart, Ailsa Craig; R. Colthurst, Bothwell; J. H. Tennant, London; J. A. Tancock, London; Jos. Kime, jun., Chatham; Charles Tamlin, London; Wm. Wilson, London; John Wilson, Dutton; D. A. Stewart, Ivan; Jas. McLean, Poplar Hill; Jas. Blachall, Clinton; Walt. Highway, Masonville; Chas. McAndless, Delaware; J. Geddes, Lucknow; H. Evely, St. Thomas; Wm. Sweet, Exeter; D. McArthur, Ailsa Craig; J. Whitehead, Strathroy; J. McGillicuddy, Watford; Wm. Stevens, St. Marys; J. H. Stevenson, Ridgetown; Henderson & Saxon, Glencoe; John R. Donohugh, St. Thomas; C. Howell, Melbourne; W. J. Johnson, Brigden; —. Brown, Sarnia; S. Jupp, Petrolea; —. Pickell, Drayton; W. Brady, Tilsonburg; R. Coghlan, Wyoming; A. Landreth, Bright; A. B. Campbell, Berlin; and J. W. Tooley, Delhi.

Want the Band.

A Large Petition at the City Clerk's Office for Signatures.

Royal Artillery Band Asked to Come to Canada—A City Hall Scare Spoiled—The Famine Fund.

A huge petition was received at the city clerk's office this morning from Stewart Houston, barrister, Toronto. The petition is addressed to the Governor-General. Its lengthy preamble, stripped of its exuberant verbosity, means in plain English that in the opinion of the signers a visit of the Royal Artillery Band of Great Britain to Canada this year would be a good thing, and the Governor-General is urged to push it along. The Royal Artillery Band is one of the finest in the British Empire, and it is thought its presence in connection with the Queen's jubilee celebration this year would evoke much loyal enthusiasm. The band cannot leave Great Britain without her Majesty's consent, and the good offices of Lord Aberdeen are desired in securing the required permission. Mr. Houston asks that the municipal seal be put upon the petition, as has been done in Toronto, Montreal and Ottawa. The city clerk invites citizens to sign the petition at his office.

A city contemporary published an unfounded story that the City Hall boilers were unsafe. Mr. George C. Robb, chief engineer, Toronto, was informed of the report, and immediately wrote the city engineer, saying the boilers were perfectly safe, and that no one need be alarmed on that score. He had merely recommended that the boilers be carefully attended to, in order to secure sufficient heat, and not because of any unsafety. The boilers were examined yesterday by Mr. O. P. St. John, a Toronto inspector, who confirmed Mr. Robb's report.

Recent contributions to the famine fund at the treasurer's office are: Ald. Bennet, $25; Mrs. A. Brown, $5; Miss R. Morris, $2; George Cox, $5. Total to date, $261.

The Board of Works meets tonight. Contractors have been given till Feb. 25 to figure on the new sewerage section in South London.

The gypsy women were peddling bills and selling tickets for their show on Monday night.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

New York, Feb. 19—Noon.—Money on call, nominally, 1 1-2 to 1 3-4 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 3 to 4 per cent; sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.87 for demand and at 4.85 for 60 days; posted rates, 4.85 1-2 to 4.86, and 4.87 1-2 to 4.88; commercial bills, 4.84 1-4.

Steamship Arrivals.

Feb. 19.	At	From
Fulda	Naples	New York

A Chinese biographical dictionary, containing the lives of 2,500 noted Chinamen and women, living and dead, has been compiled by Mr. Giles, late British Consul at Ningpo.

Getting Foster-Parents

London Waifs Who Have Been Found Good Homes.

High Testimony to the Work of the Children's Aid Society and Its Inspector.

Inspector Sanders, of the Children's Aid Society, is elated over the favorable report made by Mrs. Harvey, Provincial superintendent of foster homes. The report deals with children placed for adoption by the London society. Extracts from these concerning the children placed by Mr. Sanders show that not only are the children well cared for, but that they are assimilated in the family into which they have been conveyed. The reports show that the highest aims of the society are being accomplished, and furnishes Inspector Sanders the satisfaction to which he is duly entitled. Last week a child of the Catholic faith was placed with a family of the same persuasion in one of the western counties, and a letter received yesterday from the child's foster-mother speaks in glowing terms of the child, and also refers in high terms to the benefit received by the adopted one while she was under the care of the authorities at St. Joseph's Hospital. It shows clearly that the foster-parents are of high character, as also are those with whom other children have been placed.

The society has at present for adoption 13 children, 8 of whom are boys, and 5 girls, ranging in age from 3 to 14 years. The majority of these children under the control of the society are of Roman Catholic parentage, and the society is particularly desirous of corresponding with families of that faith who may wish children for adoption.

The Hammond Trial.

The Evidence for the Crown Concluded,

And the Defense Decline to Call Any Witnesses.

Prisoner's Counsel Makes a Strong Plea for Hammond's Acquittal.

CASE FOR THE CROWN CLOSED.

Bracebridge, Ont., Feb. 19.—"That is the case for the crown," said Mr. Osler, at five minutes to six last evening, when Dr. Johnston, of Toronto, stepped from the witness box. The Hammond-Tough murder trial commenced on Tuesday morning, and it has taken the crown three days to put in their case.

The earlier part of yesterday was taken up in the reading of correspondence between prisoner, deceased and insurance companies. It was shown that Katie's life was insured in the prisoner's favor in one company for $2,000 and in another company for $3,000, and that an effort was made to have her life insured in the New York Life and the Equitable.

The evidence taken by Lansing Morse, of New York, on a commission, was read, and in this Hammond makes the statement that he expected to get some money on his wife's insurance.

The medical men examined have been Dr. Campbell, Grant, Cornell, Bridgland, Johnston and Prof. Ellis. They concur in the belief that Katie Tough was poisoned by hydrocyanic acid.

Hammond, it was said, was an interested listener at the Hyams' trial. A pathetic letter from the prisoner to his deceased wife affected him considerably, as it did many others who heard it read in court.

The defense made a strong point at the afternoon session. It was understood that the prisoner would not give evidence, so the crown undertook to prove by the coroner the evidence given by him (the prisoner) at the inquest. Objection was taken, the court ruling in favor of the defense, subject, however, to the crown's right to appeal, being noted. It is thought that the theory of the defense will be suicide, and that the evidence will tend to establish this theory.

Special to The Advertiser per G. N. W. Line.

Bracebridge, Ont., Feb. 19. — This morning the defense in the Hammond murder case opened, and Mr. E. F. Johnston, Q.C., surprised those who had been wondering who his witnesses were, by saying: "My lord, I will go to the jury on the crown's case." Mr. Johnston then went on to make a strong appeal to the jury to acquit the prisoner. He referred to his youthful appearance, his delicate health, his innocent behavior in signing the druggist's poison book after Katie's death, and in keeping all the letters in his possession. It was preposterous to suppose he said that such a delicate young man should have deliberately murdered the one whom he had so recently called "His dear Kate" in his letters, and to whom he signed himself "Your dear Willie." It would require the physical strength of a giant and the soul of an incarnate fiend to do such an act. On the theory that Katie Tough committed suicide, Mr. Johnston made a powerful plea. He characterized much of the evidence of the crown as the rags and tatters of perjury.

KNOCKING AT THE DOOR.

Hawaii Seeking Admission to the American Republic.

San Francisco, Feb. 19.—William O. Smith, Attorney-General in the Cabinet of President Dole, of Hawaii, is on his way to Washington to negotiate a treaty of annexation. Mr. Smith carries with him the draft of the treaty agreed upon and indorsed by the Hawaiian Government.

In general terms, the treaty proposed by the Hawaiian Government is identical with the treaty negotiated by President Harrison during his term in the White House.

Attorney-General Smith timed his visit to this country so as to be here about the time that Major McKinley takes office. His coming also was hastened by the presence in Washington of Queen Liliuokalani.

MOONSHINERS IN ORILLIA.

Barrie, Ont., Feb. 19.—North Orillia township is turning out more than its share of "illicit stills." Wm. T. Bridgeman, of that place, has been found guilty of having an illicit still in his possession and remanded till Friday for sentence. Wm. Baxter, of the same township, was fined yesterday for a similar offense $100 or one year in jail. The fine was paid. This is the third conviction of this kind within a few days.

The Cretan Situation!

Gladstone Deprecates the Use of Force in Behalf of Turkey.

Cretan Mussulmans Dislodged by the Greek Artillery.

London, Feb. 19.—Mr. Gladstone, who recently telegraphed a message from Cannes to the Chronicle regarding the existing situation, when asked for an opinion concerning the proposed blockade of the Greek port of Piraeus, again wired the Chronicle as follows:

"I have no information sufficient for judging, but I detest the whole idea of using force in behalf of Turkey, which I think has become an outlaw."

The Athens correspondent of the Chronicle declares on what is pronounced absolute authority that all the reserves will be called out. Among other things, the Athens correspondent of the Chronicle says: "The king is to take command of the Greek forces if the Turks attack the frontier. The secret committee here has several thousand armed volunteers ready to enter Macedonia if Greece is provoked."

A dispatch to the Standard from Moscow says: "In the event of certain contingencies, it is already arranged that German troops are to traverse Russian territory, and co-operate with the Russian forces in the Kieff district."

A dispatch to the Daily News from Canea says: "There is no confirmation of the rumor that the Cretans have massacred 2,300 Moslems in the Sitia district."

The correspondent of the Times says that he is informed on the best authority that Col. Vassos is complying with the powers' injunction to abstain from active hostilities.

Canea, Island of Crete, Feb. 19.—The garrison of Fourt Voukolies, comprising three hundred soldiers and one hundred Cretan Mussulmans, after being dislodged by the Greek artillery, retired to Alikianu, where this force was again beleaguered. Fighting is still proceeding. The Government has armed a number of Mussulman volunteers, who have started to the rescue.

THE BOURSES AFFECTED.

London, Feb. 19.—The feeling on the Stock Exchange here today was very gloomy. The situation in the far east is regarded with grave misgivings. The fall in prices was general throughout the list, and the same state of affairs prevailed on the continental bourses.

NOT NAPPING.

Germany Awake to the Situation—Preparations for War.

Berlin, Feb. 19.—The general staff is making a demand on the Government for the construction of five new short railway lines to complete its plans of concentration in Alsace-Lorraine. The first is a single line from Woerth to Lembach; the second, from Bischweiler to Oberhofen, provisionally a single, but later to be converted into a double line; the third is a single line from Lautenburg to Wissemburg; the fourth a double line from Busendorf to Dillingen, and the fifth a line of local importance from Bolswiller eo Ensisheim and Colmar. On the completion of these roads, the movement of troops from the interior of Germany to the French frontier would be so accelerated that four hundred trains, each carrying a thousand men, or their equivalent in horses, guns and equipment, could be run to the detraining stations along the front of formation in 24 hours. These detraining stations are connected by a continuous line of rail beginning with Thionville or Diedenhofen, close to the Luxembourg boundary in the north, running through Metz on to Saarburg, Saverne or Zaberne, and Strasburg, and ending at Mulhausen in the south. This represents a continuous line of formation 200 kilometers long, which would be occupied by troops and garnished with artillery 24 hours after the order for concentration was issued. It covers the whole extent of the Franco-German frontier. There are seventy detraining stations west of Zabern and 35 in Alsace. Some of these are on the Zabern-Molsheim-Schlestadt line, on which ten double main lines of rail in excellent condition terminate. Studies are being made to see if it is not possible to raise the number of trains that could be run in on these lines to 500 in the first day of concentration. At the general staff they say grimly that they intend to take the French in bed at Toul.

The Diamond Jubilee.

The Victorian Order of Home Helpers.

The Important Project Set on Foot by Lady Aberdeen.

Government House, February 15, 1897.

Sir,—At a public meeting held in Ottawa on Wednesday, Feb. 10, at the instance of the National Council of Women of Canada, under the presidency of His Excellency the Governor-General, the following resolution was unanimously passed, having been moved by the Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, Premier of the Dominion, and seconded by the Hon. Clifford Sifton, Minister of the Interior:

"That this meeting heartily approves of the general character of the scheme described as the "Victorian Order of Home Helpers" as a mode of commemoration by the Dominion of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, and that a fund be opened for the carrying out thereof."

The need that exists in country and remote districts throughout the Dominion for the services of trained and practical women as district nurses, seems to be universally admitted, and there appears to be a very general concensus of opinion that no better national scheme could be devised for commemorating her Majesty's diamond jubilee than the establishment on a permanent footing of a Victorian order of public servants, whose patriotic mission it would be to meet this want.

All candidates for this order will have to undergo an examination and be practically tested as to their fitness for the work which they are to undertake.

The standard for this examination and the tests to be undergone will be prescribed by medical men and others who understand the need which has to be met. It is proposed that the co-operation of various hospitals and medical men in different parts of Canada be invited in carrying out this examination, so that there may be convenient centers for all candidates.

Already such co-operation has been heartily promised in several centers.

The examination will especially bear on the three following points:

1. A practical knowledge of midwifery, sufficient to attain a prescribed certificate.

2. A practical knowledge of first aid to the injured and of simple nursing.

3. A general knowledge of home-keeping, simple home remedies, with the ability of preparing suitable food for invalids.

It is proposed that no person under 28 or 30 years of age should be admitted into the order, and when admitted, an undertaking should be given to continue the work, provided health does not prevent it, for a period of at least three years. A uniform will be provided, and a badge which may take the form of the St. Andrew's Cross with the letters V. R.

Trained nurses who may desire to enter the order will be made very welcome. They will have to pass the examination and be personally approved by the committee.

Women who have already lived in these country districts, and who are respected, and have the confidence of their neighbors, would be preferable to any others, in many instances, and it would be well to encourage parishes and townships to choose someone whom they know and send her down to one of the centers, where the necessary training could be given. Arrangements will be made whereby candidates can be enabled to obtain the necessary training.

Districts wanting to secure the services of a home helper, will be required to raise a certain sum towards her maintenance, which they would undertake to give yearly to the central committee during her residence, or to provide suitable board and lodging for her and means of conveyance. On application to the central committee, a suitable helper will be selected for the district applying, and a grant would be given towards her expenses to meet the sum raised by the district, and her salary would be paid by the central committee.

It may be mentioned that the scheme has been most favorably received by the medical men to whom it has been mentioned, and their valuable co-operation in carrying on this work will be anxiously sought for in all districts affected by the plan.

All arrangements should be made so that it should be considered an honor to belong to this order, and that the members of it should be regarded as public servants.

Her Excellency the Countess of Aberdeen, having thought it but right to acquaint her Majesty's secretary with the project that was being planned by the National Council, has received the following telegram from Sir Arthur Bigge:

"Osborne.

"In reply to your telegram, the Queen has refrained from expressing approval of any particular scheme for commemorating the diamond jubilee, though, of course, any project for the relief of the sufferings of the sick in Canada will be assured of her Majesty's sincere sympathy.

(Signed) "BIGGE."

It is proposed therefore, to open a fund for establishing such an Order of Home Helpers in Canada. Not less than $1,000,000 should be raised to make the scheme effective. This would mean but a contribution of $1 from every family in the Dominion.

The Bank of Montreal has kindly undertaken to receive subscriptions for the Victorian Order of Home Helpers in Canada, at any of their branches.

The local Councils of Women will undertake the collection wherever they are formed with the co-operation of others, and it is hoped that committees for the purpose will be organized in all districts; and Mrs. Edward Griffin, Russell House, Ottawa, has kindly consented to act as secretary-treasurer.

Allow me to express the hope that you will bring before your readers the institution of this fund as a means whereby a suitable national commemoration of her Majesty's diamond jubilee may be carried out by the people of the whole Dominion unitedly, and in a manner which will be in accordance with the known wishes of the Queen and be of permanent benefit to all parts of the country.

It will, of course, be observed that the carrying out of this scheme need in no way interfere with any local forms of commemoration which may be contemplated. I remain,

Yours faithfully,
ISABEL ABERDEEN.

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The Wooing of Nell.

"What was it you wanted to see me about, when you sent for me to come down from town to see you?" She looked up at him with a face full of terror.

"Ah, that's it," she whispered hurriedly. "That's why I didn't want to see you. I knew you would want to know that. And now—I cannot tell you."

"Why not?"

"Yesterday," went on Nell, her voice getting lower, "I was going to ask your advice, for it was only a case of theft. To-day I dare not, for it is now a question of—murder!"

"You know something, Nell!"

"I don't. I wish I did. But—I suspect. And I dare not whisper my suspicion even to you, until I have felt my way to a little more knowledge. Now, will you be content with that, and not want to make me speak when I would rather be silent?"

Clifford hesitated.

"Wouldn't you trust me to be silent, too?"

Nell began to look perplexed and miserable, drawn this way and that by conflicting feelings of love and duty. Clifford saw how keen the struggle was, and, like a generous fellow, cut it short for her.

"All right, Nell, you shall keep your secret. Only mind this, I must be the first to know it. Will you promise me that?"

"Yes, oh, yes; and I thank you with all my heart."

The weight of care sprang off the girl's heart at one bound. The entire trust which Clifford showed in her was just the balm her wounded soul needed; and the hour the nurse allowed her to spend by her lover's bedside, although it was passed almost in silence after this explanation, was one of happiness and relief so deep that she went out to face the world and her uncle's suspicions with fresh courage.

Clifford's wound had proved more serious than was at first supposed. There was a risk of inflammation, and the doctors ordered that he was to be kept very quiet. When, therefore, that same evening Hemming called at the inn, and asked to see Mr. King, he would have been denied altogether if Clifford himself had not heard the inquiry, and, recognizing the voice, insisted on seeing the detective.

"And what do you want with me?" asked Clifford with interest, as Hemming was shown into the tiny room.

"Well, sir, I hear you've seen Miss Claris since the inquest," was the detective's rather abrupt opening.

"Yes. Well?"

"Well, sir, things look about as black for the young lady as they can look."

And he gave the invalid a shrewd glance as he pronounced this statement. Clifford said nothing. Hemming went on:

"Knowing how you were—were a friend of the young lady, sir, I thought it only right to let you know as I'm downright certain who was at the bottom both of the murder and the robbery; and I'm only waiting to make the chain of proof a little stronger before making an arrest."

"Of whom?"

"I leave you to guess, sir. I may tell you I've found the pistol——" Clifford started. "And the bullet fits it exactly."

"Do you want to put any more questions to Miss Claris?" asked Clifford imperturbably.

"Well, the young lady seems so unwilling—but, of course, if you think she wouldn't mind. After all, it's only a rehearsal, like, and I dare say she knows that."

Now, these words, taken with the tone in which they were spoken, were strong tests of the lover's trust. But Clifford did not flinch. He told Hemming to call the nurse, who was waiting outside the door, and at once sent a message to Nell to ask her to come and see him.

"And don't tell her," he went on, with a defiant glance at the detective, "who it is that wishes to see her."

When Nell came in, therefore, she was taken by surprise. It worried Clifford to note that she turned very white and began to tremble violently when she found who it was that wanted to speak to her.

Hemming came to the point at once. "Do you remember, miss," said he, in a very deferential tone, "Col. Bostal's taking down an old pistol from a nail in the wall of his house, about a week ago, and showing it to you and some other ladies?"

"Yes, Nell remembered. She threw a frightened glance at Clifford as she made this admission.

"Can you tell me who the ladies were?"

"Mrs. Lansdowne and her daughter, and Miss Theodora, and—and—I!"

"The colonel fired it off, did he not?"

"Yes."

"And wanted you ladies to do the same?"

"Yes."

"And did you do so? Please tell me what happened."

"They were all afraid to touch it."

"All?"

"All, except—except me."

Trembling from head to foot, Nell cast an imploring glance at her lover.

"You fired it off two or three times, I believe, miss? And you hit a mark that you fired at?"

The girl answered almost in a shriek of terror.

"I did not hit it. Who says that I hit it?"

Clifford started up, leaning on his arm. In an instant Nell recovered enough of her self-possession to tell him to lie down again. But her voice shook.

Hemming spoke in a very gentle and apologetic tone as he went on with his interrogatory:

"Is this the pistol you used, miss?"

He produced from one of his pockets the old cavalry pistol which he had brought from Shingle End.

"Yes," replied Nell, not heeding Clifford's attempts to bring the examination to an end, "this is the one."

"Do you remember what happened when you had all seen it, and it was done with?"

"Yes. The colonel reloaded it——" She stopped short and looked down.

"You are sure that he reloaded it?"

"Yes. He reloaded it, and hung it on the nail again."

"Have you ever touched the pistol since?"

"No, no."

"Has anyone else, to your knowledge, touched it since?"

"No."

"What do all this to lead to?" asked Clifford, impatiently.

"Well, I can't tell you yet, sir. But the colonel says—and the young lady and Miss Bostal all say the same—that he put the pistol back on the nail, loaded, a week ago; and when I took it down from the nail to-night it had been discharged. That's all at present, sir."

For one minute Hemming waited, expecting to have something said to him by Clifford King or Nell. As they remained silent he took his leave with more apologies for his intrusion.

The lovers looked at each other.

"Nell," asked Clifford in a whisper, when they had been alone for some minutes, "is it true that you fired it off?"

"Quite true. Now, do you doubt me, too?"

"No, I swear I don't. But Nell, my darling, I begin to tremble for you, all the same."

The young man's voice shook. Nell looked into his face in an agony of horror.

"If I knew anything, I would tell it, whatever happened," she cried suddenly. "It is not fair that I should have to suffer like this!"

Now, this speech was perplexing to her listener, but she would give no explanation of it. She only told him that she wanted time to think, to consider; and while he was gazing into her face she suddenly rose up, and saying quickly that she would soon see him again she disappeared from the room, as if afraid that she would break down if she lingered over her farewell.

On the following morning, soon after breakfast, she called the nurse out of the room, to ask if she could go in and say good-bye to Mr. King.

Clifford stared at her in astonishment. She had on her hat and cloak, and was evidently ready for a journey. Didn't you know that I was going to London yesterday, to my aunt's?" she asked. "They stopped me, to give evidence at the inquest. So I am going today, instead."

"But——" began Clifford, and then he hesitated.

"You think it looks bad for me to go away?" said she impatiently. "Well people must think what they like. If the police want me, I dare say they will be able to find me out," she added bitterly.

Clifford was shocked.

"Don't child, don't speak like that," cried he. "I only thought you would be too much interested in this business to go away until they had found out the truth."

Nell moved restlessly and looked anxious.

"When will that be?" she asked, shrugging her shoulders. "I might stay here forever if I waited for that."

Clifford leaned on his elbow and stared at her.

"Nell, do you want them to find it out?" he asked curiously.

She hesitated. Then, raising her head quickly, she hissed out in a low voice:

"No. I can't tell you why; I won't tell you why; but—no, no, no!"

Then she looked at him, her blue eyes filled with imploring tears.

He held out his arms.

"Never mind, Nell. Whatever you tell me, or whatever you choose not to tell, I love you and trust you just the same."

"Now," she whispered, with a sudden change from her rather hard, defiant tone to one full of gentleness and gratitude, "I don't care what they believe or what they do to me."

"You will write to me, Nell? You will let me write to you?" whispered Clifford, as he clung to her.

But, sobbing, shaking with anxiety and grief as she was, Nell was obstinate.

"You may write to me," she said, "when all this mystery is cleared up, but not before."

"But, Nell, you said that might be never!"

"Then you may never write to me," answered the girl, half-suffocated by her sobs, as she tore herself away from him, and ran out of the room.

Her uncle was waiting outside. He was deeply moved, and it was with difficulty that he repressed all outward signs of the struggle between love and suspicion of his niece, as he helped her into the dog-cart.

Their drive to the station was as silent as their drive from the town hall on the preceeding day had been. It was not until they had driven up to the door of the railway station that Nell addressed him.

To be Continued.

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Mothers' Congress

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Mothers From All Over the Country Will Meet to Discuss Nursery Science—How the Project Originated—Some of Those Interested.

The mothers of the nation are to gather in Washington and talk on subjects more or less connected with the nursery. Not all the mothers, of course, will be there, but a sufficient number of representative mothers to make a good showing. They will be present as delegates to the first national congress of mothers, which is to be held in the banquet hall of the Arlington hotel. The sessions are to last three days, beginning on Feb. 17.

As this is the first time American mothers have ever held a congress, it is not possible to predict how many of them will be there or just what they will do. It is known, however, that well known women and a few men will read papers and make addresses. The topics will take a wide range, and the discussions will cover almost every subject connected with childhood and motherhood, from how to influence the development of character in children to the best method of punishing bad little boys who smoke cigarettes and make faces at the minister.

The idea of holding the congress was first presented by Mrs. Theodore W. Birney at the mothers' meeting at Chautauqua in the summer of 1895. The project was enthusiastically received. All the women present thought it would be a fine thing to have a national association of mothers and hold a national congress. So Mrs. Birney was encouraged to go ahead and work up the organization.

Mrs. Birney is a wealthy woman who lives in a fine mansion in Chevy Chase, one of the most fashionable suburbs of Washington. She has been prominent in other enterprises of a similar nature and is not unknown among the ranks of philanthropists. No less than nine children call her mother, and she is the ruler of an ideal home. She is not one of those old fashioned mothers who bury themselves under their family cares and live in a world bounded by their front door steps. Mrs. Birney is one of the new mothers who rides a bicycle and tries to find as much pleasure in life as her sons and daughters do.

The first woman to help the scheme along in any material way was Miss Emma Morton, the sister of the secretary of agriculture. Technically Miss Morton is not a mother at all, but a spinster. She has, however, acted as mother for many years to the motherless children of her brother, and she is deeply interested in all things pertaining to the rearing of children. She introduced Mrs. Birney to Mrs. Phœbe Hearst, who is noted for her many philanthropies, and who personally supports 19 free kindergartens.

By these three women the greater part of the work of forming the present organization of mothers has been done,



MRS. THEODORE W. BIRNEY.

Mrs. Birney acting as president, Mrs. Hearst as first vice president and Miss Morton as secretary of the congress. In response to their suggestion women's clubs and associations in almost every part of the country have appointed mothers' committees, and these in turn have chosen delegates to represent them at the coming congress. Some of the best known women in the land have been interested in the project. In Washington the wives of the cabinet officers have joined the movement, and Mrs. Cleveland has promised her hearty support.

Mothers' societies have been formed in many places. One of the first was organized by Mrs. Birney among the wives of the street car drivers of Washington.

The purpose of holding this national congress is, in a general way, to set mothers thinking upon the serious question of how they may best contribute to the general welfare of their families and more particularly to that of their young children; how to make them, in a broad sense, better mentally, physically and morally. This is a high and noble object, and it is an honor to any woman merely to be a part of such a movement.

During the three days' session papers will be read on these subjects: "Mother and Child In Primitive Life," by Frank Hamilton Cushing; "Day Nurseries and Mothers of the Submerged Classes," by Mrs. Lucy S. Bainbridge, who is at the head of the woman's department of city missions of New York; "Need For a National Training School For Mothers," by Mrs. Robert Cotton of Falkland, N. C. (it is thought that such a school may be one of the results of the congress); "Nature Studies In the Home," by Miss Anna Schreyver of the Michigan State Normal school, formerly of the Teachers' college of New York city; "Mothers and the Schools," by Mrs. W. F. Crafts.

Mrs. Stanton Blatch, the daughter of Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Mme. Jenness Miller will speak upon topics of interest, the latter upon "Mother's Relation to the Sound Physical Development of Youth."

Four men of worldwide fame will address the congress. Anthony Comstock will tell "How to Guard the Young Against Bad Literature;" Dr. E. Stanley Hall of Clark university, Worcester, Mass., will give "Some Practical Results of the New Study of Childhood;" Hamilton Mabie of The Outlook will discuss the "Importance of Bringing the Young In Touch With Great Literature;" Dr. John H. Vincent, chancellor of Chautauqua, will speak on "The Ideal Home."

"Reading Courses For Mothers" is the subject assigned to Mrs. Margaret E. Sangster, the editor of Harper's Bazar, who has taken great interest in the movement. "Reproduction and Natural Law" will be discussed by Mrs. Alice Lee Moque. Miss Amalie Hofer, editor of The Kindergarten Magazine of Chicago, will speak on "What the Kindergarten Does For Mothers."

Miss Frances Newton, superintendent of the Chautauqua kindergarten work, will lead a discussion on "Punishments."

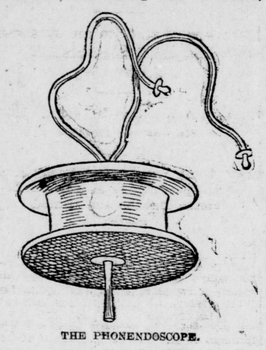
part with their nerves for less than this, but according to the jury valuation this is the figure at which they should be quoted. The lungs are priced at $5,000. James Hand sued the Union Pacific Railroad Company for damages after an accident that caused the weakening of his lungs, and a jury concluded that lungs were worth to a man the sum of $5,000.

The value of the whole anatomy of man has been placed in round numbers by a jury at $25,000. Francis Holland, a perfectly healthy man, was so injured in an accident on the Chicago Railroad Company's line as to become a mental and physical wreck, without the slightest hope of ever recovering the use of his faculties. The jury decided that the company ought to pay $25,000 to console him for the loss of mental and physical health. Had they awarded damages according to the foregoing amounts fixed upon at various times as the valuation of the human frame they would have given Mr. Holland $144,900.

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THE PHONENDOSCOPE.

serves to put the box in contact with the body of the patient, the button being pressed firmly on the surface just over the organ to be examined. On the opposite side flexible tubes are attached, which convey the sounds from the box to the ears of the operator, or operators, for several persons may listen to the sounds at the same time.

The following description is given in a London paper by one who saw the instrument tested in a Parisian hospital:—

"A man stripped to the waist stood in the center of a circle of doctors, each of whom held his ears to a pair of flexible tubes connected with a small round box of black rubber which was pressed against the patient's breast. A pair of tubes was also handed to me, and I was asked to listen.

"While we all listened intently Prof. Bianchi gently rubbed his fingers upon the man's skin over the spot where the heart is usually located. Immediately we heard a murmuring sound, and the circle of doctors expressed satisfaction with grunted exclamations and nods. Suddenly, while the professor continued drawing his fingers in larger and larger circles across the man's breast, the sound ceased.

"'Ah! there is no longer the heart there,' said the professor. 'We have touched the end of it.' Whereupon he dabbed a blue pencil mark upon the skin to indicate the point where his finger had arrived when the sound stopped. The patient twisted his eyes downward and stared wonderingly at the mark.

"Prof. Bianchi resumed his rubbing, while the doctors and I stuffed the tubes once more into our ears. As long as the professor's finger was over the heart we heard the murmuring sound, but the instant the finger passed beyond the boundaries of the hidden organ there was a dead silence in the tube. And at every cessation of the sound the pencil, followed by the strained eyes of the patient, made its mark on the skin. This operation was continued for several minutes, at the expiration of which there appeared, clearly drawn in blue upon the man's breast, the outlines of a misshapen heart, strangely shifted from its right position. But I was glad, for the patient's sake, to hear the doctors say that it was not a very bad heart, after all.

"Next the same method was employed to outline the position and shape of the lungs, the liver, the stomach, and other organs, and, at the end of half an hour, the body, front and back alike, was covered with an intricate series of outline pictures showing his internal structure and condition. Any defect in the form or position of an organ and the existence of diseased places in the lungs was indicated at once by the sound or absence of sound in the tubes. The practiced ear, I was told, could detect a difference in the quality of the sound given by different organs of the body, but to me they nearly all sounded alike, except when the patient was caused to swallow a little water a change in the sound given forth from the stomach was clearly perceptible."

Prof. Bianchi asserted—and a number of members of the Clinical Society of Practitioners of France and the Syndicate of Physicians of Paris and the department of the Seine, who assisted at the experiments, corroborated his assertion—that it would be easy by this process not only to discover general disease, but to locate any foreign body lodged in any of the organs or tissues, as well as to determine the existence and extent of a cancerous or similar internal growth.

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Mr. Hamilton is a son of Rev. James Hamilton of Grand Rapids and was born in that state about 24 years ago. When 8 years old, he lost his sight through an accident. He fell and stuck the points of a pair of shears in one eye, the other becoming affected soon after, leaving him totally blind. At the age of 10 years he entered the Michigan School For the Blind at Lansing, and remained there until he was graduated in the literary course. During this time he also learned the trade of piano tuning, and it has been mainly by money earned in this way that he has supported himself since.

After being graduated he went to Europe all alone, making his way about without difficulty and being received everywhere with great kindness and consideration. He spent some time both in France and Germany, studying the languages of those countries, so that he is now able to speak them with fluency. On his return to the United States he entered Albion college, and from there went to Ann Arbor university.

In the summer of 1895 Mr. Hamilton was married, and he and his bride spent the rest of the year in Italy and Greece. In the latter country especially he excited much curiosity and interest, for blind men in Greece know no other way of getting a living than by begging, and a blind man who supported himself in the way Mr. Hamilton does and who was so highly cultivated aroused the surprise and admiration of the Greeks. Numerous members of the nobility entertained Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton, and finally they were sent for by the queen, who asked Mr. Hamilton many questions and treated him with much kindness. The queen was especially interested in learning about what was done for the blind in America, and at once began making arrangements for the establishing of a school for the blind in Athens. If her intentions are carried out, Mr. Hamilton will probably be given charge of the institution and will take up his residence in Athens.

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SMOKESTACK SPARKS.

Earnings of Canadian Railways — Verdict for $168,964 10

C. P. R. TRAFFIC RETURNS.

Receipts from traffic on the C. P. R. for the week ending Feb. 14, $323,000; for the same week last year, $307,000; increase, $16,000.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

Return of traffic for week ending Feb. 14, 1897:

	1897.	1896.
Passenger train earnings	$ 82,153	$ 85,074
Freight train earnings	198,926	193,001
Total	$281,079	$278,075

Increase, 1897, $3,004.

HEAVY VERDICT.

Judgment was handed down on Thursday at Montreal by Mr. Justice Mathieu, in the case of Henry Macfarlane vs. Chas. N. Armstrong. The case arose out of contracts in connection with the building of the Baie Des Chaleurs Railway. The plaintiff claimed the sum of $417,142 29, with interest thereon at 8 per cent, alleging that by a contract entered into in June, 1896, between himself and defendant the latter undertook the construction of that portion of the Baie Des Chaleurs Railway between Matapedia and Paspebiac, under the direction of the railway company's engineers. After completing some 40 miles of the route, defendant suspended operations for want of funds. After reviewing the merits of the case, his honor gave judgment in favor of plaintiff for $168,964 10, with costs and interest.

Madame Albani and Miss Beverley Robinson.

The people of Canada are interested in the association of Miss Beverley Robinson, of Toronto, daughter of the late Lieut.-Governor of the Province, with Madame Albani in her present season's tour. It is pleasing from a Canadian standpoint, to note the popularity and success that have come to these two Canadian artists. At all points, commencing with Halifax and touching the leading cities throughout the Dominion, success has come to the Albani concerts of this year—a success that has been accentuated in the satisfaction secured in the use exclusively of the Heintzman & Co. concert grand pianos, a Canadian piano that has had honors heaped on it not alone in our own country, but in all parts of the world. London warerooms of Heintzman & Co., 236 Dundas street.

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Colored Fancy, worth $1, for 69c.
Colored Fancy, worth $1 25, for 89c.
Colored Crepes, worth $1, for 61c.
Black Gros Grain, worth 50c, for 43c.
Black Gros Grain, worth 90c, for 65c.
Black Gros Grain, worth $1, for 79c.
Black Bengaline, worth $1, for 79c.
Black Bengaline, worth $2, for $1 19.
Black Mervellieux, worth 85c, for 63c.
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FINE WEATHER.

Toronto, Feb. 18.—The low area which passed across the lakes yesterday is now central over the Bay of Fundy, and an extensive high area extends from the lake region westward to the Northwest Territories. Light snow has fallen today in part of the Maritime Provinces, but generally in the Dominion the weather has been fine and temperature moderate.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Esquimalt, 34—44; Kamloops, 22—36; Edmonton, 6—24; Prince Albert, 10 below—10; Winnipeg, 16 below—12; Toronto, 22—38; Ottawa, 24—34; Montreal, 24—36; Quebec, 26—28; Halifax, 28—34.

PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Feb. 19—1 a.m.—Probabilities for 24 hours for lower lakes region: Moderate winds: fine; stationary or higher temperature.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory yesterday were 39 above and 25 above.

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A Local Budget

—A musical society is being formed in connection with the Catholic Club. It will be in charge of Mr. Costello.

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—Miss K. Fraser, of No. 513 Princess avenue, is the guest of Mrs. A. K. Snyder, No. 62 Brunswick avenue Toronto.

—Miss Olive C. Cater, Colborne street, has returned to the city after a pleasant visit with relatives at Elginfield.

—Mr. Neil McCallum, father-in-law of Mr. Alex. Campbell, M. C. R. fuel clerk at St. Thomas, died here Wednesday night, aged 87 years. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell are in the city attending the funeral.

—Major Henry A. Grey, C.E., Dominion Government, Ottawa, has been on a visit to the harbor at Port Stanley, and will report the result of his investigations to Hon. Mr. Tarte before the latter takes a trip to London and the Port.

—Rev. Canon Richardson, M.A., of the Memorial Church, during the week made a canvass of the three parishes in the neighborhood in the interest of the mission fund. A goodly amount was subscribed for the purpose, over $200 being raised in Tyrconnell. Canon Richardson has raised about $1,400 in the county of Elgin for the above fund.

—Mrs. Margaret Case died very suddenly at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. J. C. Freeland, 1,025 Laura street, last night. Mrs. Case retired at 10 p.m., having been in her usual health, but was shortly afterwards taken ill, and expired in an hour. Heart trouble was the cause. Mrs. Case was 68 years of age, and had lived in London over 25 years.

—At Osgoode Hall, in Tisdale vs. London Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Canada—W. E. Middleton for defendants, moved for leave to amend statement of defense. D. Armour, for plaintiff, showed cause. Order made allowing defendants to amend statement of defense as asked, and giving leave to plaintiff to amend statement of claim or apply thereto as advised. Costs in cause.

HEARTFELT THANKS.

Mrs. L. Wennesheimer writes: "Will you kindly allow me, through your valuable paper, of which I have been a constant subscriber since 1882, to thank the authorities of the General Hospital, especially the nurses, Miss Taylor and Miss Smith, for their untiring kindness to my children while under their care for the past month with diphtheria, for which I return my most grateful thanks."

FIRE IN LONDON TOWNSHIP.

John Marshall, living on con. 15, London township, lost his fine new barn by fire about 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon. The building had but recently been finished, and was a modern structure, being supplied with all the new appliances. It is supposed that Mr. Marshall's little boy was playing with matches around the barn. The flames were first noticed bursting out of the large front doors. Mr. Joseph Ferguson, who lives opposite, immediately upon discovering the fire, hastily formed a bucket brigade, and through the efforts of the neighbors they saved an adjoining barn, but not before it had been badly scorched. A large amount of hay was stored in the new structure. Fortunately all the horses were rescued, but a number of agricultural implements were burned. Much sympathy is felt for Mr. Marshall in his loss. It is not known yet if there was any insurance on the building.

ENERGETIC LADIES.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen is a very energetic organization, and has proved a worthy complement of the Brotherhood. Last night they promoted another very successful concert at Cullis' Hall, before a large audience. Ald. Carrothers literally filled the chair, and introduced the following excellent programme: Quartet, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Holden, Miss Lewis and Mr. Grey; cornet and piano selection, Mr. and Miss Walker; song, Miss Beatrice Shand; comic song, Mr. Sandy Drennan; recitation, Miss L. Wilson, Delaware; skirt dance, Josephine Grayson; song, Miss Davis; song, Miss Couch; quartet, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Holden, Miss Lewis and Mr. Grey; recitation, Miss Parker; song and dance, Miss Beatrice Shand; cornet solo, Miss Griffin; solo, Miss Lewis; recitation, Mrs. Holden; duet, Misses Warner; song, Mr. Wood; instrumental, Roy Rich; song, Miss Hughes. Mrs. Rich (chairman), Mrs. Wheatcroft (treasurer) and Mrs. Legg (secretary) composed the committee.

THE STATIONARY ENGINEERS.

The Canadian Association of Stationary Engineers held their regular meeting last night. There was a good attendance, and since two months past the membership has been doubled.

Mr. St. John, M. E., boiler inspector, from Toronto, was tendered an invitation to attend the meeting, and he accepted. Several difficult questions pertaining to engineering were made, and promptly answered by Mr. St. John. He then impressed upon the engineeers that valuable life and property were intrusted to their care, and that their responsibilities were great. Constant care and skill were necessary, and at times great presence of mind would prevent the breaking down of an engine, and even the explosion of a boiler. For an hour and a half Mr. St. John dwelt in a most instructive manner on the steam boiler,

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using the blackboard for illustrations and calculations. A vote of thanks was tendered the gentleman for his kindness. Adjourned.

Grocers' Gathering

Members of the Retail Association and Their Friends Assemble

In a Social Way—Speeches by a Number of Dealers

They Want the Market Bazar Abolished—Interesting Comparison Between Canada and United States.

Although there is bound to be a certain amount of friction between some members of any one class of dealers in these times of keen competition (retail grocers not excepted), yet social gatherings such as that found at the "At Home" in the A. O. F. hall last night, given by the Retail Grocers' Association, do much to smooth all business differences and minimize the chances of their recurrence. In this respect these annual meetings, spent joyously in games, speech and song, greatly further one of the chief objects of the association.

From 7:30 till 9 o'clock the evening was spent in an informal way at cards and other games. Among those present were: Messrs. F. Harley, P. McGlade, W. H. Ferguson, Charles Marshall, Joseph Leach, W. H. McCutcheon, J. C. Trebilcock, W. R. Weston, W. M. McCombe, George Scott, J. Thomas, Henry McCutcheon, W. H. Jackson, J. A. Tucker, R. A. Jones, A. M. Smith, Thomas Pete, F. E. Lee, Wm. Wright, A. J. Definy, R. Atkinson, F. Harding, W. Harley, James Haskett, L. Cathcart, W. H. Branton, Charles McCarron, N. McLeod, Jas. McLean, D. Shoebotham, R. W. Roiston, F. A. Ward, F. Robinson, R. H. Cullis, George Trebilcock, F. W. J. Beil, T. M. Shoebotham, T. Durkin and Ed. Ryan.

President F. Harley called the meeting to order at 9 o'clock, and gave an address, in which he welcomed the non-members present. Referring to the work of the society, he spoke of the "dead-beat" list, which had been the means of greatly curtailing the credit trade of the members—a result highly gratifying. They had also petitioned Parliament to place civil servants on the same footing as other servants re the garnishee law. At present a premium was put on dishonesty. Other cities had started the same agitation. Mr. Harley favored the proposal to secure the abolition of the Market Bazar.

After a song by J. T. Adams, the past president, W. H. McCutcheon, spoke briefly. He was one of the charter members of the association, and knew it was doing much good. More friendly relations between the dealers were brought about by it. He was pleased to see the press advocated the enlargement of the market.

Mr. R. A. Jones, vice-president, spoke of the early closing question taken up by the society a year ago. The movement had been to some extent effectual. Trade on Saturday night especially had considerably fallen off. Almost any grocer could now easily close his store at 10 o'clock on Saturday nights. Dealing with the Market Bazar matter, he said the question ought to be taken up by the association.

Mr. Peter McGlade followed with a flood of humor. He made good-natured, happy hits at several of the members, which kept the audience in continual laughter. He gave a glowing description of what this year's picnic, their seventh, would be like. The society, he said, was strong in membership and finances. "The members now number 50, and after tonight we ought to add at least ten," he said.

Mr. Thomas Pete then gave a comic song, and Mr. J. C. Trebilcock spoke, indorsing what the previous speakers had said.

Mr. N. McLeod said that one of the aldermen in the East End had told him he would move at the next council meeting that the Market Bazar be abolished. The society should do all in their power to further this end.

Mr. A. M. Smith, a representative wholesale dealer, was called upon. He spoke highly of the association, and said he had been pleased to notice how it had been progressing and prospering. It was useful in a business way and pleasant socially.

Mr. W. H. Ferguson—recently returned from Detroit, where has has been for the past two years—had a great deal to say about the United States generally, and Detroit in particular. Canada's total indebtedness is much less than that of the United States per head. To every 10,000 people they had only 25 miles of railway, and Canada had 30. Americans think this country of slow development, but the speaker would rather see it stationary than the dumping ground of the congested cities of the eastern hemisphere. He would open wide the portals to a good class of emigrants, but have rigorous laws excluding the bad. Speaking of Detroit, he said that in appearance it wasn't to be compared with London. Detroit grocers had much longer hours and a harder life than the grocers of this city.

Another song was given by J. T. Adams.

Victor Colwell was an efficient accompanist during the evening.

Secretary E. Sutton was an ardent worker in forwarding the pleasure of the occasion.

Refreshments, followed by a smoking concert, completed the evening's pleasant programme.

Seventh Fusiliers.

Captain Watt on the Rumors of Disbandment.

Probable Proceedings at the Meeting of Officers Tonight.

Capt. P. J. Watt, of the Seventh Fusiliers, has written a long letter to Gen. Gascoigne, protesting vigorously against the action of certain officers who are, he says, forever filling newspaper men up with statements which are absolutely untrue. The captain asks that this be put a stop to. Concerning the resignation of Col. Lindsay, and the disbanding of the battalion, Capt. Watt said the withdrawal of one man from the corps would not break it up, and that if Col. Lindsay resigned, there were other good men in the city eligible and capable of taking command. He had received two letters from two splendid young officers, offering to accept commissions in the battalion, but as soon as the rumor went about that the Seventh would go under, they called their offer off. Tonight's business, he said, would merely be the consideration of the officers' removal from their headquarters on Richmond street, the Government having refused to pay $25 per month for special quarters for them. The resignation of Capt. Graham, which was placed in Col. Lindsay's hands some months ago, would, he thought, be accepted at tonight's meeting.

COURT MEDWAY, I. O. F.

Successful Concert at St. Johns Last Evening—The Hall Crowded.

Court Medway, No. 3,019, I. O. F., of St. Johns (Arva), gave a Foresters' concert in the town hall last evening. This court was organized about a year ago, and is now in a fairly good state, financially. The receipts of last evening's concert will replenish the treasury to a substantial amount, as a large crowd packed the hall and listened to one of the best concerts ever given at St. Johns.

The programme was one of exceptional merit, and thoroughly pleased the audience. Every member taking part received hearty applause, and encores were demanded from all. The lady singers of the evening were Miss Maude Ferguson, daughter of Mr. Joseph Ferguson, and Miss Cecily Patterson, daughter of Mr. Wm. Patterson, of Denneid. Both responded willingly to encores, and their singing was one of the principal features of the evening. Their voices are finely cultivated. The audience was very demonstrative after the appearance of each lady. Mr. F. W. Porte, of Lucan, who gave several recitations, also came in for a large share of the liberal applause. His reception was most cordial. His versatility is remarkable. Capt. Thomas Robson also favored the audience with several vocal selections. His popularity around the township is already well known, and he proved a decided acquisition to the programme. Chas. Goulding, in whistling solos and songs, and the Decker brothers also received a good share of the applause during the evening. Mr. Joseph Ferguson made an excellent chairman, and in his speech, referring to the good work being done by Independent Forestry. It was, he said, one of the strongest benefit societies in the world, and he could recommend it as a safe and reliable insurance investment.

The committee in charge are to be congratulated on the success of the concert. E. McNab, chief ranger, C. E. Smith, secretary and Harry Farncombe, court deputy, are the head officers of Court Medway. After the concert the committee sat down to supper, which was thoroughly enjoyed.

Frank Adams, high treasurer of Ontario; Geo. Baxter, chief ranger of Court Hope, and Mr. George Elliott, of this city, attended the concert.

A NOTABLE WEDDING.

Mr. David Gilmore Brother of James Gilmore, M. P., and Miss May W. Field, South London.

A very pretty and quiet wedding was celebrated at the residence of Mr. Richard Whetter, "Trevithen," Westminster, Wednesday afternoon, the happy occasion being the marriage of Miss May W. Field, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Whetter, to Mr. David Gilmour, Dorchester, and brother of Mr. James Gilmour, M.P. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Moorhouse, of Christ Church. The groom was supported by his nephew, Mr. Andrew Gilmour, while the bride was assisted by her cousin, Miss Ethel Lillian Whetter, of South London. The bride was beautifully attired in a traveling costume of blue broadcloth, with trimmings of mink fur. Both bride and bridesmaid carried shower bouquets of roses and carnations. The flag on the Grand avenue school, where Miss Field has been a teacher for some years, was flying all day in honor of the event. She also received a letter of congratulation from her former pupils, and numerous handsome and useful presents testified to the popularity of the bride. Conspicuous among them was a handsome gold watch from the groom. After partaking of a sumptuous wedding breakfast the happy couple left for Niagara Falls, Buffalo, and other eastern points.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Dun and Co.'s Review of the State of Trade in Canada.

Toronto, Feb. 19.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly statement of trade in Canada says:

Montreal advices do not indicate any increase or buoyancy in business, and various reasons assigned for the non-improvement in general trade, such as the peculiar winter season we are having, with its scarcity of snow, the curtailment of lumbering operations and the general disinclination to contract ahead for goods in the face of possible tariff changes. All these conditions tend to a contraction of trade and a restriction in the circulation of money in country parts.

Trade conditions at Toronto seem to have undergone no change this week. The millinery "openings" are near at hand. It appears very early for this trade, which is no doubt due in a great extent to competition. Quite a number of failures are reported, but they are generally for small amounts. The Toronto Board of Trade has taken up the question of insolvency. A bill covering the whole Dominion is needed, and the committee, which met Wednesday, will invite the co-operation of other boards, and lay before Parliament a draft of a bill.

Failures for the week are 58, and for the same week last year 66.

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Queen Margherita of Italy stood godmother recently for the son of the Marchese Capranica del Grillo, son of the great Italian actress, Ristori.

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Fishing in the Lakes of Killarney seems to have been destroyed by the recent bog slide. Only seven salmon have been killed since it happened.

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A month ago he bought a pair of tight shoes, which caused him much uneasiness on account of two small corns, which formed on the two smallest toes of the right foot. A chiropodist was called in, and cut out the corns. For a few days Kiefer felt much relief. Then the foot began to swell. A surgeon was called, and found that blood poisoning had set in. The toes were then amputated, but more inflammation followed, and in order to save the life of the patient the amputation of part of the limb was decided upon.

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