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Births, Marriages, Deaths

MARRIED.

BREAK—ROLSTON—On April 11, 1898, at 420 York street, London, Ont., Mr. S. R. Break to Miss Mary Rolston.

DIED.

TURNER—On April 10, at his residence, on 6th con., London township, William Turner, aged 76 years.

The funeral will take place on Tuesday, at 2 p.m.; service at 1:30 p.m. Friends will please accept this intimation.

SCOTT—In this city, on April 10, 1898, Maggie, beloved wife of Alex. Scott, and third daughter of George Wyatt,

Funeral Tuesday, at 3 p.m.; service at 2:30. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

Amusements and Lectures

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

Anniversary Service of Praise and Organ Recital,

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, Monday evening, April 11, at 8 o'clock. The choir will be assisted by the following soloists, Miss Florence Muir (soprano), Port Huron, Miss Janet Grant (contralto) and Mr. Alex. M. Gorrie (tenor), Toronto. Solo organist and choir leader, Mr. Charles E. Wheeler. A silver collection will be taken. 1c

THE LADIES OF ST. PAUL'S GUILD WILL give a High Tea at Bishop Cronyn Hall, on Friday evening, April 15. Tea served from 6 to 8. Reading interspersed with illustrations during the evening. Admission 25c, including tea. 1n

BICYCLE RIDING TAUGHT AT PALACE Dancing Academy, 476 Richmond street. Full line of bicycles $30 up. Call and see us. We want your patronage. Dayton & McCormick.

THE SUMMER EXODUS TO EUROPE—Important changes in steamship sailings. St. Lawrence route will be open May 1. For particulars and rates apply F. B. Clarke, agent Allan and Beaver Steamship Lines, Richmond street, next Advertiser.

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING BY Mr. R. B. Millard, at his residence, 345 Princess avenue. Special attention given to the waltz, two-step, two-step Jersey and the cycle. Satisfaction guaranteed. Lessons any hour.

Domestics Wanted.

GENERAL SERVANT WANTED AT once for Port Stanley. Fare paid. Employment Bureau, 372 Richmond street.

WANTED—AN EXPERIENCED PARLOR MAID; references required. Apply Mrs. V. Cronyn, 594 Dundas street. 2c

GENERAL SERVANT WANTED—MUST be good cook, with references. Apply Mrs. C. Olmstead, 80 Maple street. 2c

WANTED—COOK AND HOUSEMAID. Apply Mrs. Fitzgerald, 292 King street. 2u

COOK WANTED—WITH REFERENCES—Good wages paid to a competent person. Apply to Mrs. Simpson Smith, Wortley road, South London. 100tf

WANTED — EXPERIENCED HOUSE-MAID — References required. Apply 518 Queen's avenue. 100tf

WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT—APPLY 567 Queen's avenue, two doors east of Memorial Church. 99tf

GENERAL SERVANT WANTED—MUST be good cook. Apply Mrs. F. H. Butler, 290 Piccadilly street. 98tf

Meetings.

LONDON ROWING CLUB—GENERAL annual meeting at Tecumseh House, Tuesday evening, 12th April, 8 o'clock. E. Rechnitzer, Hon.-Sec. 3u

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LONDON branch of the Lord's Day Alliance will be held (D.V.) in the Y. M. C. A. rooms, on Wednesday, April 13, at 4 p.m. All members and friends are respectfully invited. John Beardsale, Sec., L. D. A. 3u

THE MEMBERS OF FOREST CITY Lodge, No. 38, I. O. O. F., will attend tonight; the amending of bylaw. By order. Wm. Witherspoon, N.G. b

Male Help Wanted.

TEACHER WANTED FOR SCHOOL SECTION No. 3, West Nissouri, by April 18; experienced teacher preferred. Apply to A. Bailey, Sec.-Treas., Thorndale P. O. 3i zyxwt&wb

WANTED—500 MEN FOR CROW'S NEST Pass Railway. Apply at City Ticket Office, Canadian Pacific Railway. 2c

WANTED—TWO FIRST-CLASS COOKS to run railway boarding cars. Steady employment. Good wages. Must give references. Apply H. Ferguson, General Road Master, G. T. R., London Depot. 3u

Female Help Wanted.

SIX PAPER BOX MAKERS WANTED—steady work. Bayley's Box Factory, 80 Dundas street. 3c

Wanted.

WANTED—DRY ELM ONE-INCH—APPLY to Kensington Furniture Co., Limited, Goderich. 99n

WANTED — THREE HUNDRED GOOD second-hand overcoats. Highest price paid. A. P. Sainsbury, 90 King street. Mail orders attended to.

Situations Wanted.

YOUNG MAN (SCOTCH) WANTS SITUATION farm summer months or permanent; 4 years' experience; Agricultural College student. Address Robertson, Elginfield, Ont. 2u

Board and Lodging.

TWO GENTLEMEN BOARDERS FOR large front room. Corner Dundas and Center, No. 16. 2u

Lost and Found.

LOST—ABOUT CORNER TALBOT AND Bathurst, black silk sash. Finder please return to Advertiser office. b

LOST—LADY'S GOLD WATCH, BLACK fob chain with King's Daughters cross attached. Reward on return to Mrs. Tilly, 554 King. 2c

Business Chances.

WANTED—PHYSICIAN—LICENSED IN Ontario, as partner in specialty practice. Dr. Spinney & Co., Detroit, Mich. 2g

VICTORIA HOUSE—CLANDEBOYE—FOR Sale. Apply to George Sellars, Clandeboye, P.O. 100n

FORTY CENTS ON THE DOLLAR CASH for good clean general stock of $7,000. Good town. Low rent. Must be sold at once. Reasons for selling, ill-health. Box 300, Ailsa Craig. 98m

War Between Spain and the United States,



Perhaps, and war on High Prices. Yes; everything cut at Cook's. Look at these values:

Men's Solid Leather Laced, new toe	$1 25
Men's Satin Calf, laced, coin toe	1 75
Men's Enamel, laced, coin to	1 98
Men's Chocolate Kid, laced, new toe	1 98
Women's Chocolate Kid, laced	1 50
Women's Chocolate Kid, buttoned	1 50
Women's Chocolate, buttoned, fancy vesting tops	1 98

COME EARLY.

J. P. COOK,
173 Dundas St.

Articles For Sale.

HOISTING ENGINES—One double drum, Copeland & Bacon build.
One single drum, O. and S. build, both here for immediate shipment.
R. W. Petrie, Toronto. 2 ba

MILL WOOD AND SAWDUST FOR SALE—The Columbia Handle Co., Adelaide street. Phone 1,239.

COAL AND WOOD—BEST QUALITY—W. G. Eadey, Bartlett & Parson's old stand, 769 Dundas street. Phone 1134. vz

FOR SALE—TWO GENTLEMEN'S, TWO ladies' wheels at Hutchinson's bicycle repair shop, 651 Dundas street.

BICYCLE SUNDRIES, RUBBER CEMENT, cork grips, bicycles enameled and general repairing at lowest prices. D. McKenzie & Co., 374 Richmond street.

BATHS, SINKS, PUMPS, WATER CLOSETS, steam and hot water boilers Smith Bros, 265 Dundas street. z

FINEST ASSORTMENT OF CREPE Tissue in the city. Plain, clouded and crepon, from 9c to 50c per roll.
R. V. S. SAUNDERS,
650 Dundas street, East London.

FOR SALE—STRAWBERRY PLANTS—Williams, Wilson, Capt. Jack, Michel's Early, Timbrell, Jessie, Princess, Bederwood, Splendid, Beverley, Brandywine, Gandy, Warfield, Bubach. Main & Collyer, South London. Phone 782. 90bu tzx

KEENE'S, MASONIC TEMPLE, IS THE cheapest place to buy stoves or furniture. Large stock on hand.

FIRST-CLASS MEDICAL BATTERIES—$1, $3 50 and $4 50. Call and see them. Medical batteries and electric bells repaired at lowest rates. All work guaranteed. The Electrical Specialty Company, F. B. Clarke, agent, the Exchange, Richmond street. Telephone 658. 14tf

ELECTRIC BELLS PUT IN AND REPAIRED. Prices moderate. Telephone No. 171, or leave orders at F. B. Clarke's, 416 Richmond street. R. M. Millar.

CATALANO & SANSONE—FRESH BANANAS have commenced to arrive daily. Could give very low price on quantities (whole, sale or retail); lemons and oranges also. 306 Dundas street.

Houses, Etc., To Let.

TO LET—BRICK HOUSE—49 ASKIN street, Belt line, bath, furnace, electric light, gas, fruit and ornamental trees. Nice home for a small family; $14 per month. Bart Cottam. 3tf

OFFICE TO LET—ON FIRST FLAT, MASONIC Temple Building. Apply to F. B. Leys, Masonic Temple. 98tf

TO LET—BRICK HOUSE—NINE ROOMS—433 King street; furnace and modern conveniences. Apply 154 Fullarton street. 3n eod

TO LET—NO. 410 PRINCESS AVENUE—two-story brick, double parlors, very convenient to business, park, churches, etc. Rent low. 99n

STORE TO LET—AT PRESENT OCCUPIED by D. McMillan, 120 Dundas street Apply to Arch. Sharp. 91tf

TO LET—OFFICE ON FIRST FLAT IN Ontario Loan and Debenture Co. Building, corner Dundas street and Market Lane. Apply Wm. F. Bullen, manager. 77tf

Massage Treatment.

MISS SHUFF—GRADUATE OF DR. S. Weir Mitchell's Hospital for Nervous Diseases Philadelphia. Massage and Swedish movements. 497 King street, London, Ont. Phone. 502.

Real Estate.

FARM FOR SALE—100-ACRES—GOOD buildings. For particulars apply to J. W. G. Winnett, 420 Talbot street. ywt

FINE RESIDENCE ON QUEEN'S AVENUE—Price reduced for one week. Goodhouse and large lot on Elmwood avenue. Only $2,500. New brick cottage on Richmond street. Only $1,000.
J. F. Sangster,
403 Richmond street.

SALE OR RENT — A TWO-STORY DETACHED brick residence; twelve rooms 525 Queen's avenue; all modern improvements. Cronyn & Betts. zxt

RESIDENCE FOR SALE — 312 HILL street. Modern, convenient. Half block from street cars. Apply on premises. 67tf

By Auction

—AT—

Jones' Auction Rooms, Tuesday, April 12, at 10:35 a.m.

SQUARE GRAND PIANO, PARLOR suite, ladies' chairs, center tables, fancy stands, sideboards, dining tables, bedsteads, mattresses, feather bed, coal range, Favorite Gas Cook Stove, oil stoves, large refrigerator, kitchen furniture, etc., without reserve.
b J. W. JONES, Auctioneer.

TENDERS

RENTAL OF CITY WEIGH SCALES.

SEALED TENDERS, will be received at the City Treasurer's Office up to 5 o'clock p.m., on Wednesday, April 13, for one year's rental of City Weigh Scales on Market Square. For further information and forms of tender apply at the office above named.
J. S. BELL, Secretary. ALD. CHAS. TAYLOR, Ch. No. 3 Committee.
2u

LONDON WATERWORKS.

Tenders for Wire Fencing and Cedar Post, Springbank.

SEALED TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED until 4 p.m., Tuesday, April 12, for wire fences and cedar posts required at the Waterworks property, Springbank. Specifications may be seen at the office of Moore & Henry, Albion Building. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
WM. JONES, Chairman. JOHN M. MOORE, Engineer and Superintendent.
68k ywtz

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1897 - - $3,741,405
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Policyholders contributed it. The own and control it—they receive the benefits. Do you see the point? Then insure with The Ontario.
C. E. German,
General Agent.
Corner Dundas and Richmond streets.

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A. N. UDY — INSURANCE AGENT — Office over C. P. R. ticket office. Telephone. 735.

CORNWALL CANAL AND RIVER REACHES

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and indorsed "Tender for Improvements at Upper Entrance of Cornwall Canal and River Reaches" will be received at this Office until 16 o'clock on Saturday, the 30th day of April, 1898, for the works connected with the widening, straightening and deepening of the Upper Entrance of the Cornwall Canal and the River Reaches between Cornwall and Coteau Landing.

Plans and Specifications of the work can be seen on and after the 15th day of April, 1898, at the Office of the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, and at the Engineer's Office at Cornwall. Printed forms of Tender can also be obtained at the places mentioned.

In the case of firms there must be attached to the tender the actual signatures of the full name, the nature of the occupation and residence of each member of the same, and further, an accepted bank check for the sum of $17,000 must accompany the tender. This accepted bank check must be indorsed over to the Minister of Railways and Canals, and will be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the work at the rates and on the terms stated in the offer submitted.

The accepted bank check thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are not accepted.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Contractors are specially notified that the condition requiring the works to be wholly completed by the 30th day of November, A. D. 1898, will be rigidly enforced, and all penalties for delay exacted. By order.

L. K. JONES, Secretary.
Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, 6th April, 1898.

Newspapers inserting this advertisement without authority from the Department will not be paid for it. 2n

NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF PORK AND sausage establishment. Gavin Park has leased those extensive premises corner Market Lane and Market Square; also retaining his old shop for butter, eggs, poultry, where he will be pleased to meet his old customers and hopes for many new ones. 100l

UNLUCKY 13.

Swept From a Vessels Deck and Drowned — 18 Vessels Wrecked.

Vancouver, B. C., April 11.—The French bark President Felix Faure reports the loss at Adelaide of thirteen men. When the vessel was running before a strong westerly wind a wave rushed over the vessel from both sides, and the following men were swept away: Jean M. Caradec, August Legeasduff, Elves Marie Crefell, R. A. G. Sonnett, P. M. Palomedic, Matthieu Pepperder, Jean C. Scournec, Eugene Domaldin, Francis M. Lelliandais, F. M. Marshand, Jean M. Kerboat, Louis M. Andre and Jean M. Robert. The ship was going at such a rate of speed that it was ten miles from the scene before a boat could be lowered.

Eighteen vessels have been wrecked off the coast of New Caledonia by violent hurricanes, and many small settlements on the shore have been demolished.

Gold Was Found

In the discovery of so wonderful a remedy as Nerviline—nerve-pain cure. No remedy in the market affords such prompt relief for toothache, neuralgia, and rheumatism. Its action in cramps, colic, etc., is simply marvelous.

THERE is not a more dangerous class of disorders than those which affect the breathing organs. Nullify this danger with Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil—a pulmonic of acknowledged efficacy. It cures soreness and lameness when applied externally, as well as swelled neck and crick in the back, and, as an inward specific, possesses most substantial claim to public confidence.

The periodical misunderstandings to which the stage is exposed need cause but little disquiet. It will survive its many adventures.—Henry Irving.

More than 1,250,000 acres of land are devoted to the cultivation of tobacco.

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, stating 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 believe 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 other remedies do me good.

Wm. Long, wood finisher. Your piano and furniture needs repairing and repolishing. Spend a little on it. New work made to order. Oak picture frames, etc. 290½ Dundas street. Phone 1,226 s

It May Be War!

President McKinley's Message to the United States Congress.

Text of the Momentous Document Submitted This Afternoon.

Great Injury to the United States Caused by Spanish Incapacity to Govern.

Terrible Indictment of the Mal-Administration in Cuba.

Treatment of the Cubans Not Civilized Warfare, But Extermination.

The President Asks Congress to Authorize Him to Take Measures to Stop Hostilities.

Using the United States Army and Navy, If Need Be, to Establish a Stable Government on the Ill-Fated Island.

Washington, April 11.—Undaunted by the disappointment of last Wednesday, the multitude again besieged the capitol this morning before the doors were opened. Many had camped out on the marble terraces all night, but the thousands did not begin to arrive until about 9 o'clock. The experience of last Wednesday, when thousands who held tickets to the reserve galleries could not even get to the corridors, had resulted in better arrangements so far as the reserve galleries were concerned, and all holding tickets were accommodated. The multitude suffered, however, As on Wednesday last, many women fainted in the crush, and were carried out, and others dropped out of the lines at the last from fatigue and exhaustion. The reserve galleries were gay with spring bonnets, and the brilliant bazarre colors which have come into vogue. Prominent personages from all over the union were there, and the diplomatic gallery was filled with members of the diplomatic corps with their ladies. The executive gallery, save for the first row of seats, was also filled by ladies and gentlemen holding tickets from the White House. There was less evidence of excitement than on Wednesday last.

The President's Message in Brief.

Washington, April 11.—The president's message, sent to Congress this afternoon, asks that body to authorize the president to take measures to secure a termination of hostilities in Cuba, and to secure the establishment of a stable government there, and to use the military and naval forces of the United States as may be necessary for those purposes.

The president says the only hope of relief from a condition which can no longer be endured is the enforced pacification of the island. The issue is now with congress, and he awaits its action, standing prepared to carry out every obligation imposed on him by the constitution.

Spain's decree for a suspension of hostilities is submitted to congress for just and careful attention, with the observation that if the measure attains a successful result, "then our aspirations as a peace-loving people will be realized; if it fails, it will be only another justification for our contemplated action."

The Maine incident figures prominently in the message. The president argues that the wreck of the Maine in Havana harbor shows that Spain is not able to guarantee security to foreign vessels. Spain has disavowed any connection with that disaster, and has offered to submit to arbitration all the differences which may arise from that affair

Full Text of the Message.

The following is the full text of the president's message to Congress, submitted this afternoon:

To the Congress of the United States:

Obedient to that precept of the constitution which commands the president to give from time to time to Congress information of the state of the Union, and to recommend to their consideration such measures as he shall judge necessary and expedient, it becomes my duty now to address your body with regard to the grave crisis that has arisen in the relations of the United States to Spain by reason of the warfare that for more that three years has raged in the neighboring island of Cuba. I do so because of the intimate connection of the Cuban question with the state of our own union and the grave relation the course which it is now incumbent upon the nation to adopt must needs bear to the traditional policy of our government if it is to accord with the precepts laid down by the founders of the republic and religiously observed by succeeding administrations to the present day. The present revolution is but the successor of other similar insurrections which have occurred in Cuba against the dominion of Spain, extending over a period of nearly half a century, each of which, during its progress, has subjected the United States to great effort and expense in enforcing its neutrality laws, caused enormous losses to American trade and commerce, caused irritation, annoyance and disturbance among our citizens, and by the exercise of cruel, barbarous and uncivilized practices of warfare, shocked the sensibilities and offended the humane sympathies of our people.

A TERRIBLE STORY.

Since the present revolution began, in February, 1895, this country has seen the fertile domain at our threshold ravaged by fire and sword in the course of a struggle unequaled in the history of the island, and rarely paralleled, as to the number of the combatants and the bitterness of the contest, by any revolution of modern times where a dependent people, striving to be free, have been opposed by the power of the sovereign state. Our people have beheld a once prosperous community reduced to comparative want, its lucrative commerce virtually paralyzed, its exceptional productiveness diminished, its fields laid waste, its mills in ruins, and its people perishing by tens of thousands from hunger and destitution. We have found ourselves constrained, in the observance of that strict neutrality which our laws enjoin and which the laws of nations command, to police our own waters and watch our own seaports in prevention of any unlawful act in aid of the Cubans. Our trade has suffered; the capital invested by our citizens in Cuba has been largely lost, and the temper and forbearance of our people have been so severely tried as to beget a perilous unrest among our own citizens, which has inevitably found expression from time to time in the national legislature, so that issues wholly external to our own body politic engross attention and stand in the way of that close devotion to domestic advancement that becomes a self-contained commonwealth whose primal maxim has been the avoidance of all foreign entanglements. All this must needs awaken, and has indeed aroused, the utmost concern on the part of this government, as well during my predecessors' terms as in my own.

SPAIN DECLINED MEDIATION.

In April, 1896, the evils from which our country suffered through the Cuban war became so onerous that my predecessor made an effort to bring about a peace through the mediation of this government in any way that might tend to an honorable adjustment of the contest between Spain and her revolted colony, on the basis of some effective scheme of self-government for Cuba under the flag and sovereignty of Spain. It failed, through the refusal of the Spanish Government then in power to consider any form of mediation, or, indeed, any plan of settlement which did not begin with the actual submission of the insurgents to the mother country, and then only on such terms as Spain herself might see fit to grant. The war continued unabated. The resistance of the insurgents was in no wise diminished. The efforts of Spain was increased both by the dispatch of fresh levies to Cuba, and by the addition to the horrors of the strife of a new and inhuman phase, happily unprecedented in the history of civilized Christian people. The policy of

DEVASTATION AND CONCENTRATION

inaugurated by Gen. Pando, Oct. 21, 1896, in the Province of Pinar Del Rio, was thence extended to embrace all the islands to which the power of the Spanish armies was able to reach by occupation or by military operations. The peasantry, including all dwelling in the open agricultural interior, were driven into the garrison towns or isolated placee held by the troops. The raising and movement of provisions of all kinds were interdicted. The fields were laid waste, dwellings unroofed and fired, mills destroyed, and, in short, everything that could desolate the land and render it unfit for human habitation or support was commanded by one or the other of the contesting parties, and executed by all the powers at their disposal. By the time the present administration took office, a year ago, reconcentration, so-called, has been made effective over the better part of the four central and western provinces, Santa Clara, Matanzas, Havana and Pinar Del Rio. The agricultural population to the estimated number of 300,000 or more, was herded within the towns and their immediate vicinage, deprived of the means of support, rendered destitute of shelter, left poorly clad, and exposed to the most unsanitary conditions. As the scarcity of food increased with the devastation of the populated areas of production, destitution and want became misery and starvation. Month by month the death rate increased in an alarming ratio. By March, 1897, according to conservative estimates, from official Spanish sources, the mortality among the reconcentradoes from starvation and the diseases thereto incident exceeded 50 per cent of their total number. No practical relief was accorded to the destitute. The over-burdened towns, already suffering from general dearth, could give no aid. The so-called "zones of cultivation," established within the immediate area of effective military control about the cities and fortified camps, proved illusory as a remedy for the suffering. The unfortunates, being for the most part women and children, with aged and helpless men, enfeebled by disease and hunger, could not have tilled the soil without tools, seed or shelter, for their own support, or for the support of the cities. The reconcentration adopted avowedly as a war measure, in order to cut off the resources of the insurgents, worked its predestined result. As I said in my message of last December, it was

NOT CIVILIZED WARFARE.

It was extermination. The only peace it could beget was that of the wilderness and the grave. Meanwhile, the military situation in the island had undergone a noticeable change. The extraordinary activity that characterized the second year of the war, when the insurgents invaded even the hitherto unharmed fields of Pinar Del Rio, and carried havoc and destructiln right up to the walls of the city of Havana itself, had relapsed into a dogged struggle in the central and eastern provinces. The Spanish arms regained a measure of control in Pinar Del Rio and parts of Havana, but, under the existing conditions of the rural country, without immediate improvement of their productive situation. Even thus partially restricted, the revolutionists held their own, and their conquest and submission, put forward by Spain as the essential and sole basis of peace, seemed as far distant as at the outset. In this state of affairs, my administration found itself confronted with a grave problem.

HELP FOR THE VICTIMS.

The president then refers to the assassination of the prime minister of Spain, Senor Canovas; the consequent change of government, the adoption of a more liberal policy towards the insurgents, and the fresh attempts made by the United States through Minister Woodford looking to an immediate and effective amelioration of the condition of the island. Continuing, he says: "While these negotiations were in progress, the increasing destitution of unfortunate reconcentradoes and alarming mortality among them claimed earnest attention. The success which had attended the limited measure of relief extended to the suffering American citizens among them by the judicious expenditure through the consular agencies of the money appropriated expressly for their succor by the joint resolution, approved May 24, 1897, prompted the humane extension of a similar scheme of aid to the great body of sufferers. A suggestion to this end was acquiesced in by the Spanish authorities. On the 24th of December I caused to be issued an appeal to the American people, inviting contributions in money or kind for the succor of the starving sufferers in Cuba." Then follows a review of the work done by the various relief committees, headed by the Red Cross Society, and a reference to the revocation by Spain of Gen. Weyler's reconcentration order. Continuing, the president says: "The war in Cuba is of such a nature that short of subjugation or extermination, a final military victory for either side seems impossible. The alternative lies in the physical exhaustion of one or the other party, or perhaps of both, a condition which in effect ended the ten years' war by the truce of Zanjon. The prospect of such a conclusion of the present strife is a contingency hardly to be contemplated with equanimity by the civilized world, and least of all by the United States, affected and injured as we are deeply and intimately by its very existence. Realizing this, it appeared to be my duty in a spirit of true friendliness, no less to Spain and to the Cubans, who have so much to lose by the prolongation of the struggle, to seek to bring about an

IMMEDIATE TERMINATION OF THE WAR.

To this end, I submitted, on March 27, as a result of much representation and correspondence, through the United States minister at Madrid, propositions to the Spanish Government, looking to an armistice until Oct., 1 for the negotiation of peace with the good offices of the president. In addition, I asked the immediate revocation of the order of reconcentration, so as to permit the people to return to their farms and the needy to be relieved with provisions and supplies from the United States, co-operating with the Spanish

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MR. BLUE'S BROTHER INJURED.

Toronto, April 11.—Mr. Archibald Blue, of the bureau of mines, has gone to Dewart, Kent county, whither he was summoned by a telegram that his brother, Mr. Neil Blue, had been injured, probably fatally. No particulars of the accident were given. The suffering man is a popular farmer in Kent county.

Spring humors, boils, pimples, eruptions, sores, may be completely cured by purifying the blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

J. A. McDonald, of the postoffice department, has opened up in McNeil's old stand, 651 Richmond street, with a new line of groceries. A call is solicited from friends and others, and satisfaction will be guaranteed. b

Tolu, Tar and Tamarack.

THREE MAGIC WORDS.

To anyone who has been a great sufferer from a distressing cough—The three words forming the name of the greatest of all cough cures, Tolu, Tar and Tamarack, is very full of meaning—it meant health to them. This remedy has cured where everything else has failed. It is the best for all throat and lung troubles, and will cure almost every case of incipient consumption. Price, 25c.

Football Fixtures.

Schedules Arranged for the Western Association.

Toronto's Ball Team Defeated at Philadelphia.

A Woman Ski-er Jumps Over 100 Feet

The Danger of Cycling With a Slack Chain.

BASEBALL.

TORONTO LOSES AT PHILADELPHIA.

Philadelphia defeated Toronto on Saturday by 20 to 7, while at Washington the home team was defeated by Montreal, 11 to 4.

JOE KNIGHT.

Generally speaking, a left fielder gets more chances in a season than either of the other occupants of the outer garden, owing to the number of right handed batsmen in the business. Of course there are exceptions. Last season Joe Knight, of St. Thomas, then playing for Providence, had a total of 371 chances, which was a great deal more than any other outfielder in the Eastern. The veteran had the honor of leading the roll in fielding, and he was also well up in the batting. Manager Murray, of the Greys, is a man of mysterious doings, though, and when he ran up his list of players for the coming season, Knight's name was among the missing, to put it nicely. Years of good, earnest, faithful work do not go unrewarded, however, and Wilkesbarre and Montreal made offers to the St. Thomas man for his services. —W. A. Hewitt, of Toronto News.

FLYS.

Almost all the National League teams are "shy" on training.

The National League championship season opens on April 15.

Manager Buckenberger is pleased with his trade of "Bad" Bill Egan for Hanavan.

Managers Morton, Buckenberger and Irwin are not pleased with the Eastern League schedule.

A poor season is prophesied for the National League by the superstitious. The opening day falls on a Friday.

It is said that Goar, the Reds' new pitcher, won every game he pitched on the home grounds at Indianapolis last season.

Harry Rodden, brother of "Billy" Rodden, of Toronto, the crack third baseman of the St. Thomas International League team, will be with the Stratford team this season.

Derby-day Bill Clymer showed up remarkably well in his first game with the Rochesters against the Phillies. He covered second base, and out of four times at bat made a run and a hit. He fielded his four chances without an error.

Cncinnati's outfield contains two left-handed throwers in Algie McBride and Elmer Smith.

Pitcher Bert Jones has finally made a virtue of necessity and accepted the Cleveland Club's terms.

Pitcher Zeke Wilson and Sockalexis already have given the Cleveland club trouble.

Manager Tom Burns announces that one man will do all of Chicago's catching until disabled, when the next best man will take up the work on similar terms.

Boston has turned down a big cash offer from St. Louis for Jack Stivetts.

Catcher Bill Wilson, of Louisville, is already laid up with a split hand, due to a wild pitch in practice.

"I guess I won't pitch much this year if there's a war, 'cause I belong to the Tenth Battalion up in Albany," drawled Cy Seymour. "Army or Navy?" asked somebody. "Well—er—I really dunno," replied Cy, while the gang was not rude enough to laugh.

ATHLETICS.

A WOMAN'S LEAP.

Miss Freda Knagen, a charming and athletic brunette of Christiania, is the only woman living who has eclipsed all male rivals in any branch of athletics. At the great ski-ing competition, held recently at Holmenkollen, she cleared the astounding distance of 103½ feet in a single jump, leaving the highest previous record 16½ feet in arrear. The course at Holmenkollen, on the outskirts of Christiania, is the scene of the championship contests in the Swedish national sport. The course, which is of snow, deep, crisp and firm, slopes upward to a height of 160 feet. Two-thirds of the way down the course there is a platform from which there is a vertical drop of 30 feet. The competitor, with his wooden runners strapped to his feet, slides rapidly down the crevice, acquiring momentum with every yard of the descent, until he literally flies down the slope with the speed of an express train. When he reaches the "hop" he takes a flying leap in the air, lands skillfully, after a flight of from 50 feet to 100 feet, on the soft snow, and at a still higher speed, due to the momentum of his leap, flashes down the rest of the course and sails away over the flat surface of the lake, until by a dexterous turn he comes to a stop. Until the recent contest the male and female competitions were distinct, but on this occasion the sexes were allowed to compete against each other; when Miss Freda, the "queen of ski-ers," darting down the slope with the grace and swiftness of a swallow, shot over the platform and never touched earth again until she had traversed a distance of 34½ yards.

FEATHERWEIGHTS FIGHT.

Chicago, April 11.—Tommy White was given the decision over Henry Lyons (colored), featherweight, of this city, at the end of six rounds, Saturday night.

GOLF.

While the St. Andrew's Links' ranger was at his duties on the 16th ult., he was struck by a golf ball, which alighted in a pocket and ignited a box of matches which it contained.

Willie Fernie, the noted professional of Troon, Ayrshire, will be the new green-keeper at the Oakland Golf Club, of Bayside, Long Island, this season. Fernie has just accepted a challenge by Willie Park, jun., for a home-and-home match, to be played at Musselburgh and Troon.

CHECKERS.

The Australians are preparing a hearty welcome for R. Jordan, the champion of the world, in anticipation of his paying them a visit.

TURF.

AT NEWPORT.

Cincinnati, April 11.—Saturday was the opening day of the Queen City Jockey Club meeting at Newport, Ky. Winners: Imp, Nancy Leitz, Pacemaker, Parsons, Great Land and Maggie S.

Memphis, Tenn., April 11.—Saturday winners: Time-maker, Cathedral Change, Montgomery, Clara Fields and Aragnol.

AT OAKLAND.

San Francisco, Cal., April 11.—Carrying 122 pounds and piloted by Jockey J. Shields, Dr. H. E. Rowell's chestnut horse Stateuma captured the rich Burns handicap at the Oakland track Saturday afternoon, in the presence of 12,000 spectators, in 2:07½. The other winners were: Sly, Midian, Buckwa, Olinthus, McLight and Refugee.

FOOTBALL.

In Great Britain alone, it is asserted by Gen. Booth, that £5,000,000 sterling are paid every year for admission to football matches.

Two international matches were played on the 19th ult. Under Association rules Scotland beat Wales by 5 goals to 2; and in a Rugby game Wales beat Ireland by 11 points to 3. By defeating the Leith Athletic, the Heart of Mid-Lothian won the East of Scotland shield.

ST. THOMAS LOSES AT INGERSOLL

Ingersoll, Ont., April 11.—Ingersoll defeated St. Thomas on the home grounds in a Rugby game, by a score of 33 to 0. The Ingersoll team played a fast game, and St. Thomas was clearly outplayed on all sides.

THE WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

Berlin, Ont., April 11.—The Western Football Association held its annual meeting here Friday. W. M. Govenlock (London), president, in the chair. The secretary read a communication from New Zealand, re a proposed visit of a British football team to that country via Canada; from G. R. Morton, Carberry, Man., re a proposed tour through Canada by the Maple Leaf team. The financial report showed the association to be in good standing. The default of the Berlin High School team to Seaforth, in the Hough cup contest last fall, was dealt with by suspending the Berlin High School club until some arrangement satisfactory to the executive of the association has been made by the club. Various committees were appointed to draft schedules as follows:

Junior contest—Berlin at Seaforth, April 24; Seaforth at Berlin, May 28; Ayr at Galt, on or before May 7; Galt at Ayr on or before May 21. If Seaforth wins, at Stratford, June 4; if Berlin wins, at Preston, June 4.

Intermediate contests—Guelph at Ingersoll, May 24; Ingersoll at Guelph, May 28.

Senior contest—Norwich at Seaforth on or before May 21; Seaforth at Berlin, May 24; Berlin at Norwich on or before May 21; Norwich at Berlin on or before June 6; Berlin at Seaforth on or before June 14; Seaforth at Norwich on or before June 21.

Hough cup entries—Seaforth C. I., Clinton C. I., London C. I. Games to be arranged and played as in 1896 as on the grounds of holders.

The following officers were elected: Honorary president, W. M. Govenlock, B.A., London; president, R. C. Cheswright, Seaforth; vice-presidents, Toronto League, J. R. L. Starr, LL.B., Jas. S. Taylor, Toronto; Inter-college association, Prof. W. S. McLay, S. S. A. Wright; Peninsular League, G. R. Anderson, Windsor; J. B. Bourlay, Essex; Central district, W. J. Elliott, Guelph; Oxford district, D. W. Barnet, Ingersoll; Brant district, T. F. Best, Brantford; Maitland district, H. Bowell, Mount Forest; Huron district, H. S. Robertson, B.A., Seaforth; secretary-treasurer, D. Forsyth, B.A., Berlin.

KICKS.

An Ingersoll dispatch says: Ingersoll defeated St. Thomas today (Friday) on the home grounds in a Rugby game by a score of 33 to 0. The Ingersoll club played a fast game, and the wings followed up well. The half-time score was 10 to 0. About 1,200 people witnessed the game. J. Sutherland McKay, Woodstock, was referee, and T. McIntyre, St. Thomas, umpire.

A league is to be formed in the fall, comprising St. Thomas, London Woodstock and Ingersoll.

WHEEL.

RECORD-BREAKING.

Denver, Col., April 11.—W. F. Sanger and E. F. Swanborough Saturday broke the world's unpaced tandem record from four to ten miles inclusive, on the new board track. The new marks are: Four miles, 8:17; five miles, 10:25; six miles, 12:38; seven miles, 14:48½; eight miles, 16:59½; nine miles, 19:12½; ten miles, 21:18¾. These riders now hold records from four miles to the hour inclusive.

A SLACK CHAIN.

Do not court an accident by riding with a slack chain. Don't be careless in riding strange hills; accidents may happen. An uncomfortable saddle simply kills the pleasure of cycling. Novices should make a study of the anatomy of their wheels, or they never will be good riders. It is better to walk up a hill than to engage in a deadly struggle for mastery over the machine. Oil that is thick or gummy can be cleared to a great extent by warming in a vessel containing some shot or broken scraps of metal. With large chain wheels it is best and safest to keep the chain rather tight. If this is done there is less chance of it mounting the cogs. Before riding your new mount do not fail to thoroughly overhaul it. Attention should be always paid to see if the handlebar clip is tight, and the back adjustments screwed up tightly.

SPOKES.

An inventor has brought out a bicycle with one of the tubes in the frame being plugged at each end, and filled with oil through an inlet at the top, and drawn off below, so that a cycler need not run short of fuel for his lamp.

Richard Howell, who was undisputed champion cyclist of the world for several years between 1884 and 1890, and who weighed nearly 200 pounds when in condition, was introduced the other day to "Jimmie" Michael, the present world's champion at middle distances, and who weighs when racing less than 100 pounds. Howell now lives in the Borough of Brooklyn.

LACROSSE.

DECISIONS OF THE CANADIAN EXECUTIVE.

Toronto, Ont., April 11.—The first meeting of the Canadian Lacrosse Association's new council was held on Saturday. The council will recommend the reinstatement of J. S. McDonald, who was suspended with Berlin, and Joe Forester, who was also suspended on the charge of professionalism by the Ontario Hockey Association, but the W. L. A. will not be bound by any action taken by the O. H. A. The application of Copper, of Seaforth, for reinstatement was laid over. The Toronto Elms case was also laid over. It was decided that all players who played with Barrie last season will be excluded from playing with any other club, as Barrie was suspended for not completing their district schedule. The association will purchase a banner for the junior champions.



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A Modern Sea Fight.

Its Horrors as Illustrated in the Chili-Peruvian War.

The following account of a fight between two modern vessels—the two turret ship Huascar of Peru and the ironclad Almirante Cochrane of Chili—is taken from "A Famous Sea Fight" (in the Chili-Peruvian war of 1879), in the April Century, by Claude H. Wetmore:

The drummers and buglers were ordered to sound calls, first for general quarters; then for action; and, stripped to the waists, the guns' crews crowded into the ill-ventilated turret, where they were to toil and sweat at the great pieces in an atmosphere that the sun's fierce rays, already causing the morning to be close and sticky, would make stifling. Ammunition-holds were thrown open, and the long curtains of green felt were slung from the deck-beams above to protect the magazine passages, in order that sparks might not fall among the explosives. A dozen men hurried into the main artillery top to serve the Gatling gun and rifles there. Rubber cloths were stretched over the ward-room table and fastened in such a manner that the blood of the wounded would flow smoothly and be caught in buckets that were placed at the four corners, for there one science would endeavor to save the lives that another science was trying to destroy. The surgeons and his assistants laid out scalpels, long gleaming knives and saws. Huge piles of lint were placed on the floor.

The stewards hurriedly passed about coffee and bread, and the sailors in the turret ate their morning meal leaning against the already loaded pieces, and those in the top had pails of coffee carried up to them, which they drank while setting their sights. The hinged bulkwarks of the little vessel were let down, and the smooth water rippled only four feet below the Huascar's deck. The forecastle and main hatches were battened, but the after companionway was left open, for down this passage the wounded would be taken. Between decks were stationed those sailors not needed in service of the guns, here they would be most handy to assist in the navigation of the ship, the service of ammunition, or to replace the killed. A score of non-combatants were also there. At nine o'clock the Cochrane was within three thousand yards, and Grau, having given a last glance around, and having signaled the Union to keep out of the enemy's way, entered the conning tower, and that was to prove his tomb. Not a shot had as yet been fired. These modern ships, carrying guns that could throw a shell from four to five miles, reserved their fire for closer quarters. Five minutes later Grau gave a command to the officer in the turret, and a shot from one of the Huascar's ten-inch guns whistled over the water. The commander of the Cochrane evidently wished for still closer range, and did not reply until tree shots had left the turret of the little ship. Finally the answer came in the shape of a broadside, anl a shell dented the Huascar's protective belt just above the water line. A moment later the Gatling guns in the tops of both ships were brought into action, and a leaden hail began to patter, while great projectiles were hurled from the large deck cannon. The rapid-firing pieces of the Chilians were trained upon the Huascar's turret apertures, while the one in the military top of the latter vessel was aimed at the gun ports of the enemy. Many a man dropped dead or wounded, hit by one of these small shot. For 15 minutes not much was accomplished by the great gun fire; the heavy shot either fell short of the mark, or were buried in the armor. By this time, when the ships were within fifteen hundred yards of each other, a shell from the Cochrane entered the Huascar's turret, exploded and killed twelve men. But the places of the dead were quickly taken by men from below, the chamber was cleared, and the action was renewed. Then the Huascar secured an advantage. One of her ten-inch shells forced its way through a casemate on the starboard side of the Cochrane, exploded on the deck, dismantled a gun, and killed several men. For a few minutes the enemy was in such confusion that not a cannon was fired; and it became almost a panic on the Cochrane when the Huascar edged in closer, her sailors cheering as they again discharged the twin pieces.

At this stage of the combat victory perched for a moment on the red, white and red; but even as it did so, the commander of the Cochrane saw relief which Grau had not perceived. In fact, a shot that plowed into the Huascar's side was the first warning the Peruvian admiral had of assistance coming to the Chilians; and, looking to starboard through a peep-hole in the conning tower, he saw the Blanco Encalada bearing down; while veering seaward, only a few cable lengths astern of the rapidly approaching ironclad were the Matias Cousino and the Covadonga, evidently starting off to give chase to the Union, by this time well in the offing, and fitted, because of her superior speed, to take care of herself. Grau therefore turned his attention to his own ship, which, indeed, was in sore straits.

Seeing aid at hand, the men on the Cochrane had redoubled their efforts, and when the Blanco had ranged along to port the horror of it began, and the engagement resolved itself into a marine carnage; for the Huascar lay between the two fires, the Cochrane to starboard, the Blanco to port, and both so near that the gunners in the turret of the little ship could see the faces of their adversaries as the latter sighted the pieces on the Chilian boats.

This turret rapidly became so crowded with the bodies of the dead that the steam training gear of the iron roundhouse was clogged and useless. As the men strugged to remove the tumbled corpses of their comrades, blood became smeared over their chests, and it mingled with the sweat, which dripped as they toiled in quarters that resembled a baking charnel house, through which filtered steam and smoke, while a nauseous odor rose from the bodies and the heated guns. The sun beat down upon the wild scene through air so calm that after the white smoke had belched from the guns it rose in pillars and clung to the mastheads.

From the first of the battle the encouraging voice of Grau had come to the men in the turret through the speaking-tube from the conning tower, but when the Blanco crowded into the thick of it, and great shot struck the Huascar's sides as regularly as blows of a battering-ram, the orders of the commander were no longer heard. The officer in charge of the turret called to his superior. There was no answer, and when Commander Elias Aguerre ran up the narrow little ladder that led to the tower, he stumbled over the dead body of his admiral. A shell had struck the conning tower, and had taken off Grau's head as neatly as if the decapitation had been by the guillotine. This shell also killed Lieut. Ferre, the admiral's aide. There was only time to push the corpses aside, and the new commanding officer pulled back the tube-flap to give his directions; but, as he did so, the Huascar staggered, keeled over, then shook in every plate, while a concussion more terrific than any so far told that a shell had entered the turret and burst there. When the fumes had cleared away so that a person could speak, a midshipman called out that one of the great guns had been dismounted and twenty men killed. The survivors tumbled the bodies through the hatch that opened into the deck below, thus releasing the clogged machinery; and as the corpses rattled down other men rushed up, throwing off their clothing as they jumped into the pools of blood to seize hold of the gear and swing the remaining gun into position, that it might train upon one of the ships—they could no longer make out which, nor did they care—and it was discharged, hauled in, loaded and discharged again.

Once more all was silent in the conning tower. Lieut. Palacios hastened there, but before he could enter he was compelled to push three bodies out of the way. He had barely given his first command when a bullet from the well-aimed rifle of a marine in an enemy's top lodged between his eyes. Then the fourth to command the Huascar that day, Lieut. Pedro Garezon, took the place, and as he did so he called through an aperture, telling the quartermaster to put the helm to port, for he had determined to ram one of the adversaries, and sink with her if necessary. Over and over spun the wheel, but the Huascar's head still pointed between the Chilians.

"Port! Port, I say!" screamed the commander.

"She won't answer," came back the sullen reply from the only one of four quartermasters alive; the bodies of the others were lying upon the grating at his feet.

"A shot has carried away the starboard steering-gear, sir," reported an ensign: and he dropped dead as the words left his mouth.

The Huascar now lay drifting in a hell of shot and flame, but all the while the red, white and red fluttered from the peak. One by one, in twos and in threes, the men in the turret dropped at their posts; and at last the remaining great gun was silent, its tackle literally choked with dead. The turret could not be turned for the same reason. Corpses hung over the military top; corpses clogged the conning tower.

With coats and waistcoats off, the surgeons had been laboring in the ward room upon the wounded, who, shrieking in their agony, had been tumbled down the companionway like so much butchered beef; for there was no time to use stretchers or to carry a stricken comrade to a doctor's care. Steam and smoke filtered through the doorways, and the apartment became stifling. While they were sawing, amputating and bandaging, a shell tore into the ward room, burst, and fragments wounded the assistant surgeons, the chief of the medical staff having been killed earlier in the conflict. Those unfortunates who were stretched upon the table awaiting their turn under the knife, and those who lay upon the floor, suffered no more pain; they were killed as they lay groaning. This shell tore away ward room and stern cabin, and hardly a trace was left of the bulkhead. After that what little surgery was done was performed in the coal bunkers.

Huddled in a passageway near the engine room were a score or more of non-combatants—stewards, pantrymen and stokers. They were in a place that was lighted only as flashes came from the guns; it was filled with powder-smoke, and clouds of steam that drifted from below told that the Huascar had been struck in a vital spot—her machinery. Suddenly they heard a crash, followed by the rending of the deck, and the little ironclad swayed as if she had struck a reef. Someone passed the word that the maintopmast had been shot away. As it came down it brought living men to be dashed to death, also corpses that had been hanging over the sides of the military top.

There was a cry of "Fire!" and all hands rushed to the stations—perhaps two men to a boat's crew, one to a pump gang.

"D—— the fire!" shouted Lieut. Garezon. "Repel boarders!"

They were metamorphosed by this order from fire-fighters into warriors again, and formed a line of bleeding men, their clothing in rags, and ranged in company front, stokers elbowing marines, pantrymen leveling rifles in union with midshipmen, awaiting the coming of a fleet of the enemy's boats, which, crowded with marines, were forcing their way through the water toward the wounded, staggering Huascar, that lay like a log, motionless.

But fire raged between decks, and flames flared up the after companionway; and when the boats had crowded around, like thresher attacking a whale that had been struck to the death, the few survivors were compelled to yield to the force of numbers, and the Chilians swarmed the ironclad's deck. As they mounted it the red, white and red, tattered and torn by bullets, still fluttered its rags at the peak.

The victors had barely got control of the flames when word was brought to the officer commanding the boarding party that the prize was sinking. He examined her sides, and as there was no great injury below the water-line, he summoned Chief Engineer McMahon, and accused him of scuttling the ship. The latter laughed defiantly. The officer cocked a revolver, placed it at his head, and threatened to shoot if the man did not tell what he had done. Only then did he admit having opened the sea-valves, and the Chilians, rushing below, were only able to close them just as the blood-stained water lapped the slippery deck.

There is no authentic record of the number slain, but the accounts in Callao were that of 200 men on the Huascar nearly 100 were killed, and of the remainder only half escaped without injury. The Peruvian dead were thrown into the sea as the Blanco Encalada took the battered, blood-stained Huascar in tow.

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"In time leap year will go out of existence entirely," explained an almanac compiator to a reporter, "but, as it will not occur for over 800 years, we haven't much personal interest in the event. In the ordinary course of events 1900 would be leap year, but it will get left in the calculation. In other words, while it does occur, it does not occur, simply because it is not in the agreement that it shall occur. The story is a long one, but it can be briefly told, so that the average person can understand it without much difficulty. In 1582, in the arrangement of the Julian calendar, ten days were dropped so as to get things running on the then new but the present basis of calculating time. So as to keep things running right, it was determined that a year ending a century should not be bis-sextile, except every fourth century. Thus there was no leap year in 1700, 1800 or 1900. It is, or at least was, rather rough on the ladies who have special advantages in leap year, for it is the only year that it is proper for them to propose themselves in marriage, but it has always been so in matters affecting womankind, men always finding reasons for restricting their privileges. The ladies get left again in 1900, but though there will not be many of those who see 1900 will see 2000, the latter year, ending a fourth century, will be a leap year. In this way, three days are retrenched in four centuries, and the remaining seven days will be made up in a little over 800 years. After that calendar years will be like solar years, and future errors in the calculation of time will occur no more. The loss of leap years will in thousands of years affect the seasons, but I suppose the mathematicians of the centuries hence will be so flip in handling figures and calculations that they will have no difficulty in keeping things going correctly."

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The Mayor's Opinion of the Preceding Session—Ald. Carrothers Says It Was Child's Play—Ald. Taylor's Retort—Ald. O'Meara's Point of Order.

In a city council meeting of only ten members Saturday night, six of them tried to rush through a motion to dismiss the tax collector and appoint two others to fill the office at an increased salary.

The scheme did not work.

The meeting, which lasted ten minutes, was specially called by the mayor to consider the business unfinished at the last session, which was brought to a sudden end by Ald. Taylor, who decared, in opposition to the mayor, that the time had not been extended beyond 11 o'cook, as required by the rules, and therefore the council stood adjourned.

Those present on Saturday night were the mayor and Aldermen Taylor, Belton, Douglass, Jolly, O'Meara, Winnett, Carrothers, Cooper, Nutkins, Gerry and McCallum.

Ald. Cooper was the father of the motion directed against the tax collector. When the previous meeting broke up it was half-way through the sewerage committee's report. This should, in consequence, have been the first item on Saturday night's programme, but in caucus, it was decided that Ald. Cooper's motion should be sprung before anything else.

As it happened the minority knew a trick worth two of that.

The mayor took the chair at 8 o'clock and announced that the meeting had been called to consider Ald. Cooper's motion, the appointment of street-watering inspectors, and the remaining part of the sewerage report.

Ald. McCallum asked if the meeting was legal, as it had been called on a statutory holiday. He was not aware that the city clerk was required to work on holidays.

"The whole thing has been brought about by what I consider very poor business on the part of the aldermen," said the mayor. "If the members of the council are going to leave the chamber before the business is finished, when it has been moved and seconded that the time be extended, you will have these meetings right along."

Ald. McCallum said that at the last meeting when the motion to extend the time was proposed there were objections. There was a speaker on the floor, and the chairman (Ald. Taylor) had no opportunity to put it to the council until the speaker finished. It was then after 11 o'clock.

"I don't think you should put the blame on me in that way," said Ald. Taylor. "I maintain, under all rules, that I was right. What Ald. McCallum has stated is the case. Ald. Winnett and yourself both had the floor, and when I again put the motion to extend the time after the hour, it was defeated, as it took two-thirds of the council to make the extension then. I don't wish these remarks from the chair to be placed against me. I would rule the same way again."

Ald. O'Meara said that owing to the small number present he thought it would be better for the council to adjourn and have a meeting some other night. The number present was not sufficient to transact business.

Ald. Carrothers—At our next meeting we propose to go over the estimates, and if there is going to be such child's play as at the last meeting we will have to go into session Monday night and sit till Saturday night. A lot of school children could not act worse than the aldermen at the last meeting. I'm here to do business now, and if we don't get on faster than before it will necessitate his worship calling you here every night until we get there.

"When you talk of child's play," retorted Ald. Taylor, "you should know that the council could not transact business after the vote was taken."

Ald. Carrothers—I want you to understand that Ald. Cooper wanted to extend the time at five minutes to 11, when his worship was on the floor. I, for one, understood that the time was extended.

Ald. Winnett—His worship ceased speaking and I had the floor when Ald. Taylor said the council was adjourned. Ald. Cooper had moved the extension of time before 11 o'clock, when his worship had the floor. Ald. Taylor asked if there were any objections, and there were none.

Ald. McCallum—Yes, there were objections. I now move that the business be left over until the regular meeting night.

Ald. Gerry—I second it.

Ald. O'Meara rose to a point of order, and directed the mayor's attention to page 151, of section 29, which, he said, required that a notice of motion should be given at the last regular meeting of the council. Ald. Cooper's notice had not been given at the last regular meeting, but at the one previous, and extension of time had not been granted Ald. Cooper at the last session. "If I could not bring up a notice of motion," said Ald. O'Meara, "it would be my place to ask for an extension of time."

The mayor said Ald. Cooper's motion came up under unfinished business. He ruled it in order.

"Well, if that's the ruling, I am going out," said Ald. O'Meara, suiting the action to the word.

Ald. Cooper claimed that at the last meeting he had asked the privilege of leaving unfinished business over till the next meeting. He asserted that he had also moved an extension of time, and it had carried, as no objection was offered.

Ald. Taylor rose to a point of order. "You have already ruled on this motion, your worship, and said that it should go on."

The Mayor—Ald. Cooper is only explaining his position.

Ald. Taylor—It makes no difference. You have already ruled on this matter.

Ald. McCallum's motion to adjourn was put and lost.

"Yeas and nays!" said Ald. McCallum.

They were recorded as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Belton, McCallum, Gerry, Nutkins—4.

Nays—Ald. Taylor, Douglass, Jolly, Carrothers, Winnett, Cooper—6.

"I don't approve of this meeting," said Ald. McCallum, "for the simple reason that there are a number of gentlement absent who have business to attend to and can't get here. In fact, there are some out of town. This notice was issued on a statutory holiday, when several aldermen were away. I came near leaving the city myself. I am going to absent myself from this council if the proceedings go on."

Ald. Cooper arose with his motion, as follows: "That Mr. Lester and Mr. McCoubrey be reinstated tax collectors of the city of London, at the salary of $1,500 a year, and that a bylaw be prepared for that purpose."

Ald. McCallum kept his word and left the chamber. As Ald. O'Meara had already gone only the bare quorum, nine members, remained.

Then Ald. Gerry quietly arose and retired.

"Gentlemen, there is no quorum," said the mayor.

The remaining few arose and gloomily went out; the lights went out, too, and only the old clock remained to disturb the silence of the chamber, which erstwhile rang with the eloquence of the city fathers.

Novel Happenings In Greater New York

[Special Correspondence.]

A woman caused the arrest of her husband and had him fined today in a police court because he tried to take her gold-mounted teeth away from her. The prisoner gave the plaintiff the teeth as a wedding present, and now that she has deserted him he wants his present back. Love that can bestow such a bridal gift ought to endure to the bitter end.

In New York and Brooklyn alone a conservative estimate of the money that was spent for flowers on the two days before Easter places the amount at $700,000. There are 250 florists in New York and Brooklyn who keep stores of considerable size. Five of these florists sold $20,000 worth of flowers on each of the two days mentioned. All the rest easily sold $600,000 worth. It costs almost as much to be good here as it does to be bad.

"The Daughters of the Irish Revolution" is the latest. The primary object of the organization is to present an Irish and American flag to the pilgrims who will go from here on July 2, on the flagship Berlin, which has been chartered by the '98 Centennial Association, of this city. But it is intended to perpetuate the organization and keep alive the spirit of '98 by having a celebration in this country annually.

"Is my hat on crooked?" exclaimed one young woman to another as they gazed into a store window holding a wax figure topped off with a tip-tilted Easter offering. Fashion is revolutionizing slang this year. This spring most of the hats, in addition to their forward pose, are balanced deftly over one ear. This is particularly true of those millinery specimens whose trimming is monopolized by one side, though all hats, and even bonnets, share the forward movement.

The make-up box is doing duty here again in the luxurious boudoir. If it was always possible to see more paint and powder in a company of metropolitan women than where the women of any other city were gathered together, it is now possible to see it to a three or four-fold extent. And the worst of it all is that most of the complexions are badly put on. Women wearing three or four different shades of hair are also in "the line."

Thne first spring party of colleens landed here the other day. When a big steamer appeared at her dock there peered over the deck rail the pretty and fresh faces of 100 Irish girls, nearly all from counties Leitrim, Sligo and Cavan. They will soon be enjoying life below stairs in the mansions on the private streets, as this species of imports is eagerly sought by good housekeepers.

CAPT. JACK DROWNED.

Detroit, Mich., April 11.—John J. Jarvis, better known as "Daring Old John," or "Capt. Jack," was drowned in a slip at the foot of Twenty-first street. During the winter he had been "keeping ship" aboard the steamer Atlantic.

CONFESSED TO ROBBING THE MAILS.

Ottawa, Ont., April 9.—A robbery of the mails took place a few days ago between Combermere and Killaloe, on the Ottawa, Arnprior and Parry Sound Railway. Detective Groulex has arrested a man named McEachren. The sum, $273 in cash, was recovered, and the man made a confession.

BIGMISTS SENTENCED.

Toronto, April 9.—John White was sentenced to eighteen months in the Central Prison this morning, and Margaret Sleep to six months in the Mercer Reformatory, for bigamy. White had married first about four years ago, and married Sleep in February last. It was shown that the first wife had been to Miss Sleep before the ceremony, and stated to her that she was married to White, but notwithstanding Miss Sleep went through with the ceremony.

A real gentleman is a 15-year-old boy who will give to some plain-looking woman in a street car his seat by his best girl.

Parted at Last

The Old Couple Had Been Married 89 Years.

Death of the Wife, Age 107—The Husband Is 109.

Elkton, Mich., April 11.—Mrs. Jacob Hillier, died Friday night, at the age of 107. Mr. Hillier, who is 109, is also sick and is not expected to live.

This couple were said to be the oldest in the United States. They had lived together nearly 89 years. The old man once said: "We didn't quarrel, else we could hardly have been so long together. Our oldest son is 81 years old. We were always pretty hard up, but we had eleven children. Though we lived together so long, it seems only like yesterday since I was a romping boy and a lover."

The Hilliers come from Jamestown, Canada. Many a time have they told and retold the story of the war of 1812, which they themselves saw. When they came to Michigan they settled at Marine City, and went from there to Emmet.

Not long ago the old man cut two teeth, and said he had given up looking for death. He has been very vigorous till recently, but his wife has been an invalid for years. His devotion and thoughtfulness for her were touching. Now that she is gone, he ardently prays for his own release.

Death of a Veteran Preacher

The obituary columns of The Advertiser have already contained the announcement of the death of Rev. John L. Kerr, of Brussels, Ont., well known to many hundreds of readers of this journal. The Brussels Post contains an extended notice of the veteran Methodist preacher's life and work. He was a native of Sligo, Ireland, and came to Canada in 1852, having previously been married to Miss Margaret J. Rutledge, of that town. He first went to Sandwich, then to Erin, and afterwards to the following fields: Mono, Wellesley, Artemesia (now Flesherton), Owen Sound, Meaford, Orillia, Cayuga, Napier, Romney, Dawn Mills, Dresden, Ridgetown, Leamington, Wardsville, Kirkton, Dorchester and Mount Brydges. While at the latter place, thirteen years ago last June, he superannuated and moved to Brussels, where he resided up to his death. Possessed of splendid physical powers and heartily enjoying his labors, long journeys on the old-fashioned circuits; months of revival services in some years; camp meetings, and the charge of perhaps a score of appointments were a matter of course to him, and he never appeared too tired to sing the glad songs of Zion or attend to calls on the sick or sorrowful. The cause of death was probably traceable to a stroke of paralysis which came upon him about twelve years ago after having preached at Wingham. The surviving member of the family, in addition to Mrs. Kerr, are: Mrs. J. J. Gilpin and W. H. Kerr, of Brussels; Mrs. (Dr.) Cavanagh, Owen Sound; Rev. W. E. Kerr, Hensall; Miss Kerr, Brussels, and Mrs. O. E. Turnbull, Guelph. The eldest daughter and youngest son died in infancy. At the funeral last week, Rev. S. Bond, president of the London Conference, presided, and after the opening services, conducted by Rev. Dr. Pascoe, chairman of the Wingham district, and Rev. Mr. Ball, of Atwood, Rev. Jos. Holmes, of Mitchell (with whom deceased was well acquainted in the old country; Rev. R. Paul, an intimate friend of Mr. Kerr's, and Rev. John Ross, B.A., pastor of Melville Presbyterian Church, Brussels, paid their tribute to the departed. The pallbearers were Revs. Messrs. Rigsby, of Blyth, Fisher, of Gorrie; Rogers, of Bluevale; and Ross, Paul and Norton, of Brussels. Rev. Mr. Allin, pastor, took charge of the burial service at the cemetery. Hundreds of messages of sympathy from this city and all parts of Western Ontario were received by the family.

FISHIN' TIME IN GEORGIA.

[Atlanta Constitution.]

Ain't got no time fer trouble—fer Billy's at the gate
With a little willer basket that is wrigglin' with the bait;
An' the river looks invitin', an' it's shady as kin be,
An' fer all the fish that's bitin', thar's a fish'll wait fer me!

Down by the river—
Life is like a song,
An' the yaller perch are bitin'
The rosy mornin' long!

Ain't got no time fer trouble—fer weather's mightily fine,
An' I see the worm a-wriggilin' on the fur end o' the line;
The mockin' birds air singin' in the blossoms all eroun',
But the best the weather's bringin' is the cork a-goin' down!

Down by the river—
Life is like a song,
An' the yaller perch air bitin'
The rosy mornin' long!

SIR MARK ANTHONY TUTTLE, Bart., who died recently in county Tipperary at the ago of 90 years, spent more than half a century of his life in trying to perfect a flying machine.

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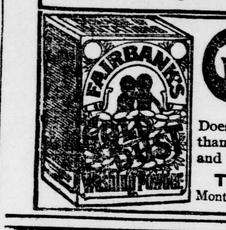
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Saturday Night Sessions Unpopular.

The experiment of holding a session of the London City Council on Saturday night was a dismal failure, as might have been expected. Aldermen are mainly composed of two classes. One embraces business men, who find Saturday their busiest day, and who are precluded from devoting a portion of it to civic affairs; the other is chiefly made up of men who work hard during the week, and who do not object to give public business a considerable share of their time on all evenings but Saturday, which they desire to devote to their families. For this reason, Saturday night sessions were bound to be unpopular, and the experience chronicled in our news columns is not likely to be repeated. Only when urgent business, which cannot be delayed till another evening, is up for settlement, is a Saturday session of the council warranted, and the majority of the aldermen very properly maintained that no such condition of affairs now exists.

The New York Sun now says: "War cannot be avoided. The sooner it is begun and ended, the better for business. There is no money in anxiety." This seems to be the view of very many of our neighbors. It remains to be seen whether it will prevail.

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Score again for the County of Middlesex! Prof. Dean makes the very satisfactory announcement that butter sent from the creamery at Thorndale, Middlesex county, marketed in Manchester and London, commands 2 shillings more per 100 pounds than the best Danish butter. This result was achieved without any bonus. Carefulness to produce the best quality and to pack it neatly and attractively was the passport to this distinction. What the creamery men at Thorndale do others can do. There is no reason why, with the unexceptional cold storage facilities provided by the Government, Canada's butter exports may not reach the magnitude of our cheese exports to the Motherland. And the butter trade can be made as profitable as the cheese business, too. It is a question of intelligently directed effort to produce what the consumers desire, and market it in the best of condition.

In a beautifully-printed supplement, the Hamilton Spectator prints pictures of its new building, demonstrating its external and internal appearance. Our contemporary certainly has a commodious, cosy and imposing-looking home. Its enterprise is a credit to the city of Hamilton. The Spectator has had a chequered career as the Conservative journal of Hamilton, and never has it occupied so high a position as at the present time.

More Than Straws.

Many manufacturers are working overtime to keep up with the demands of their customers.

Settlers are flocking into Northwestern Ontario, and on to the prairies of Manitoba and the Northwest.

Gold seekers, many of them requiring large supplies, are arriving in British Columbia and the Yukon region.

Wholesale merchants are busy sending out goods.

Retailers are busy selling wares to a fully-employed people.

The railways have rarely been as busy as they now are.

In Ontario, the failures for the last three months show a reduction of 35 per cent.

These are all indications of the growing prosperity of the country, and of a bright future for its people.

THE NEWEST VERSION

[Hamilton Spectator.]

Miss Canada sings: "I wear fur wraps in my mother's house, and sunbonnets in my own."

NOT AFRAID OF WAR.

[Oil City Blizzard.]

If the war is inevitable, let 'er come; we repeat it, sir, let 'er come. We're too old to be drafted.

PRIDE.

[Boston Traveler.

She—What charming teeth Mrs. Highsea has.

He—You flatter me, madam.

She — Oh, pardon—you are her husband?

He—Oh, no; only her dentist.

ARTISTIC SYMPATHY.

[Punch.]

Susan—"Lor, Miss Ella, I wonder you've the 'eart to play, and you just in your blacks for your poor uncle!

Miss Ella—Don't be silly, Susan! Can't you see I'm only playing on the black notes!

SAVINGS IN THE POSTOFFICE.

[Montreal Gazette, Conservative.]

The report of the Postmaster-general for 1896-97 contains some evidence that it is a good thing to have a change now and again in the political headship of a government department. The chief is in the cost of mail carriage, contracts for which totalling $277,300 were relet, the savings as compared with the old arrangements being $103,936 a year. A good deal of this, no doubt, was the result of ordinary competition, and would have been recorded in any case; but much was the outcome of the cancellation of poor business arrangements that had been permitted under lax administrative methods.

Our Gold Territory

Trade of the Yukon Must Be Kept for Canadians.

Responsibility of Parliament for Maintaining Our Interests.

The Senate Action Must Not Deter Ministers From Providing an All-Canadian Route.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, April 11.—It is interesting to move about the capital and listen to the opinions of men of good business habits and of a thoughtful turn of mind discuss the situation created by the defeat of the government Yukon bill by the senate. Your correspondent today talked over the matter with two or three well-informed parties, whose opinions may be regarded as of some value, and he was surprised to find the unanimity of opinion that prevailed. It was well said by a French philosopher that agreement if true conviction amongst men, who have not formed their opinions by mutual concessions, is an evidence of truth, but that agreement, if the opinion is erroneous, without intercourse is well-nigh an impossibility. The parties whose opinions were sought today were quite agreed that the senate had made a great mistake, both in its own interests and the interests of the country. The contract made by the government with Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann was for furnishing the Yukon country with a railway without casting any burden whatever on the people. The compensation was a grant of land which was utterly worthless, unless made to yield up whatever treasure was in it, and this could only be done by mining parties which would give employment to people living in the country, where there was neither food nor clothing, except what was brought in from abroad, and where the compensation upon the trade would amply reward the government and the public for all the expenditure made on account of the new possession. The senate had before its eyes, said these gentlemen, the evidence that the Americans upon the Pacific coast, and their representatives at Washington, were frustrating the policy of the government, an evidence in itself that that policy was in the interests of the Canadian people, for had it been otherwise the men of San Francisco and Seattle would have no interest in fighting a policy if they did not feel that it was taking away the trade from themselves and giving it to the inhabitants of the cities and towns of Canada. That the British Columbia Conservative members and senators should have voted against a public measure that was calculated to bestow greater advantages on that province than anything ever done for it since it came into the union, not excepting the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway, was a matter of astonishment. In fact, such a proceeding was idiotic, and it would be as well to transfer matters of public concern of the province to the representatives of a lunatic asylum, for even in their maddest moments they could not have done the province a greater injury. The senate, since they had performed the great feat of defeating an important government measure, can hardly be proud of its achievements, seeing that it was at once called upon to promote a United States enterprise that would build up large cities on the Lynn Inlet by a trade that would be exclusively Canadian. The senate seems to have acted on the assumption that Canada was sufficiently honored by having to bear the cost of governing that country, without deriving any advantage from its possession, either through the mines that were being worked or the trade that was carried on by the mining population.

Your correspondent asked the gentlemen in question whether they thought it wise that the government should proceed with any further attempt at railway construction this year. It was pointed out to them that a great many friends of the senate engaged in manufacturing enterprises or trade would not feel the pinch arising from the action of the senate if the government undertook to devise some other scheme by which the injury might be repaired, but the reply was that this would be a village policy for a matter of great national concern. They expressed the opinion that the gold mines of that region were likely to have a permanent value for a long time to come; that everything indicated immense gold deposits, and that the government might well modify the scheme by extending the route to Portland Canal or Observatory Inlet, or some other point on Canadian territory on the seaboard. If this were done a large seaport would grow up on Canadian soil, either at Fort Simpson or farther north, and a Canadian city would at once be called into existence instead of one at Lynn Inlet, which is in the possession of the United States. The Canadian people could in this way control the trade and make their way into Alaska, as well as the Yukon. They went on to say that the people of Canada must bear the expense to maintain law and order, the cost of subsistence and the great expense of getting men and ammunition of war, food and clothing into the Yukon country, and that a railway would far more than pay the interests upon any subsidy that might be granted for the completion of this road to the seaboard, and that if the Parliament of Canada undertook to get on without a road they would lose the trade and possibly lose the country; and if they did not they would at least be called upon to bear the burdens of governing the country, without a railroad, and without getting anything from the country to assist them in doing so. In this view all three gentlemen agreed. They said that a subsidy, in addition to the land grant, would clear the extra cost in getting in supplies for the maintenance of the police and any military force that might be sent there.

It was pointed out to them that the view of the House of Commons might differ as widely from theirs on this question as did the view of the senate in the recent discussion. The answer was that the House of Commons was not capable of taking so narrow and short-sighted a view; at all events, there were men amongst them with sufficient foresight and sufficiently well-informed to protect them against throwing away the first opportunity that Canada has had since the Grand Trunk Railway was built of securing a large addition annually to its population. The current of immigration now flows to the Yukon country, and it will do so from various directions, and even if the Yukon were to be blotted out in twenty years and deserted, the influence which it has given and exerted over the country in drawing population in that direction will have filled up British Columbia and the Northwest from Dauphin Lake to the source of the Peace River. "This," said one of the gentlemen, in a very emphatic manner, "is Canada's opportunity, and it remains to be seen whether the House of Commons and the present government will appreciate the situation and are equal to the occasion."

WESTERN ONTARIO

Owing to rush of business, Harris & Gardner, Springfield, are obliged to run their flour mill nights.

Mr. Colin Campbell, cattle dealer, has just shipped five cars of yearling steers to Iowa parties. The price paid was high.

Henry Barton, farmer, on the Lake road, Sparta, died on Friday in the 75th year of his age, from the effects of la grippe.

Mr. Thos. Steel, of Ridgetown, shipped over 12,000 bushels of hand-picked beans last month, of which 4,000 bushels were shipped to Cuba and France.

Rev. Neil Shaw, of Egmondville, was presented with a fur overcoat, and Mrs. Shaw with a purse of gold, by the Presbyterian congregation the other night.

Mrs. William Burns, mother of Rev. R. A. Burns, pastor of Simcoe Street Methodist Church, Hamilton, died on Saturday morning. Deceased was 65 years of age.

The West Lorne party for the Klondike was last heard from at Vancouver, from whence they sailed last week. All were well and hopeful at time of writing.

Messrs. Joseph Burns and Thos. Burrows, two highly-respected young men of Oil Springs, left on Monday for Bruce Mines, near Sault Ste. Marie, where they will engage in the lumbering business.

John McPhail, sen., died at his late residence on River street, Alvinston, Thursday night at 11 o'clock. Deceased in his younger days was agent on the G. T. R., which position he held for nearly 30 years, when he resigned.

Mr. J. K. Laird has closed the deal by which he disposes of his beautiful 82-acre farm, near Blenheim, to Mr. Arch. Laird for $5,090, and he has purchased 28 acres opposite the Guilds postoffice, for $2,000, to which he will remove.

Mrs. Wm. M. James, Woodstock, has received word that her sister-in-law, Mrs. John Slater, who, about 30 years ago, lived in Woodstock, had died in San Diego, Cal., and left an estate of $10,000 to the heirs of her brothers. Mrs. James is one of the legatees.

The division court action at St. Thomas, brought by Mrs. Strong and her sons, Alex. and Charles, against Samuel Day, to recover $100 for twenty acres of wheat, occupied two days. The jury visited the farm. A verdict was given for full amount claimed with costs.

Champion Dykes, of Wardsville, was in West Lorne recently, and gave the boys some pointers to consider in checkers. There are two or three new aspirants for the local championship, and the veteran, Mr. McColl, has to brush up continually to keep at the head of the rapidly growing host of checker enthusiasts.

Mr. Isaac Stolliker, of Rodney, the oldest county constable in Elgin, died on Thursday in the 79th year of his age. In December he complained of a sore toe. Gangrene set in, rendering the amputation of part of the foot necessary. Mr. Stolliker, however, did not recover from the effects of the operation and disease.

Victoria Cross for Gordon Highlanders.

Colonel Matthias, Piper Findlater and Private Lawson, of the Fist Battalion Gordon Highlanders, have been recommended for the Victoria Cross by Sir Wm. Lockhart, commander of the British forces on the northwest frontier of India. In making his report Sir William says:

"The Gordon Highlanders went straight up the hill without check or hesitation. Headed by their pipers, and led by Lieut.-Colonel Mathias, C. B., with Major Macbean on his right, and Lieut. A. F. Gordon on his left, this splendid battalion marched across the open. It dashed through a murderous fire, and in forty minutes had won the heights, leaving three officers and thirty men killed or wounded on its way. The first rush of the Gordon Highlanders was deserving of the highest praise, for they had just undergone a very severe climb, and had reached a point beyond which other troops had been unable to advance for over three hours. The first rush was followed at short intervals by a second and a third, each led by officers, and as the leading companies went up the path for the final assault the remainder of the troops, among whom the Sikhs were conspicuous, streamed on in support. But few of the enemy waited for the bayonet, many of them being shot down as they fled in confusion."

Proceeding to speak of those who especially distinguished themselves, Sir William makes reference to the gallant conduct of Col. Matthias "in leading his battalion to the assault of a most difficult position at a critical period of the fight when previous attempts had failed." Major F. Macbean is the next to be mentioned. He, the report states, was the first to spring out of cover and head his company to the attack, and being immediately afterwards wounded, continued to cheer his men on while lying on the ground. Of Piper G. Findlater it is placed on record that, after being shot through both feet and unable to stand, he sat up under a heavy fire playing the regimental march to encourage the charge; and regarding Pte. E. Lawson, it is stated that he carried Lieut. Dingwall, when the latter was wounded and unable to move, out of a heavy fire, and subsequently returned and brought in Pte. McMillan, being himself wounded in two places in so doing. The other Gordon Highlanders who obtain honorable mention are Major G. T. F. Downman, Capts. C. C. Miller Wallnut and W. Campbell, Lieuts. G. D. Mackenzie and G. E. G. Cameron, Color-Sergts. J. Craib and T. Mackie, Sergts. F. Ritchie, D. Mathers, T. Donaldson and J. McKay, and Lance-Corporal (piper) P. Milne.

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There is a tendency among architects to revive the old-time door knocker. Quite a number of new and costly private residences in New York are decorated with these ancient signals for admission.

Worms cause feverishness, moaning and restlessness during sleep. Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator is pleasant, sure and effectual. If your druggist has none in stock, get him to procure it for you.

Spaniards Yield a Point

Decide to Grant the Cubans an Armistice.

Yielding to the Powers What They Refused to the United States.

The Cubans Will Insist on Absolute Independence.

Departure of Gen. Lee With His Staff From Havana.

Report That the U. S. Minister Is About to Leave Madrid.

President McKinley's Message Goes to Congress Today.

Paris, April 11.—A dispatch has been received from Madrid, saying that an armistice has been arranged and war between Spain and the United States has been for the moment averted.

ARMISTICE GRANTED.

Madrid, April 11.—A visit of the foreign ambassadors to Senor Gullon, minister of foreign affairs, resulted in a meeting of the cabinet, at which a decision was reached to grant an armistice to the insurgents in Cuba.

El Correo (official) says: "While America asked for an armistice, Spain refused, but to the voice of Europe and the pope, even Spain, without dishonor, may accept the arrangement proposed, in the interests of peace."

United States Minister Woodford has been officially informed that the Spanish Government today telegraphed to the pope that in view of his urgent request, fortified by a visit from the representatives in Madrid of the six great powers, they (the Spanish Government) have telegraphed to Gen. Blanco in Cuba, instructing him to issue a proclamation, the duration of the armistice to be as he decides.

YIELDED TO THE POWERS.

Madrid, April 11.—Gen. Correa, minister of war, says: "We yielded to the prayer of the great powers, granting what we had refused to the United States."

The decision was attended by the usual solemnity by the drafting of the minutes, which the entire ministry signed. The news of the granting of an armistice was received on the bourse with satisfaction, and a rapid advance in values quickly followed.

THE TERMS.

London, April 11.—A special dispatch from Madrid says: It was finally decided to grant an armistice, which should last five days, upon the following conditions: That the United States should immediately cease to lend moral and material support to the Cuban insurgents; that the American squadron in the vicinity of Cuba should be withdrawn, and that the American war vessels near the Philippine Islands also should be withdrawn. If the United States decline these conditions, it is declared that the powers will openly lend their support to Spain.

SPAIN'S NOTE.

Following is a document that is said to have been sent to the state department at Washington: The Spanish minister in Washington, deeply impressed by the numerous errors which seem to have obtained credit in public opinion in America in regard to the Cuban question, considered it his duty to call again the attention of the secretary of state of the United States to the following points:

First—Her Majesty the Queen Regent of Spain, desirous of ending the troubles which are desolating Cuba, has commanded a suspension of hostilities. Gen. Blanco has been ordered to proclaim today an armistice without condition. He will determine later the duration and details of this armistice, so as to carry out the generous intentions of her majesty and the wishes of the friends of peace.

Second—Her majesty's government has granted to the island of Cuba institutions as liberal as those enjoyed by Canada under the British flag. The Cuban chambers will meet on the fourth day of next May. It will be their duty and privilege to put into practice and develop these institutions. In addition to this, Cuba is represented in the parliament at Madrid.

Third—Public opinion in the country appears to ignore the fact that the loss of the Maine was immediately followed by official and reiterated expressions of condolence from her majesty the queen, from her government, from her charge d'affaires in Washington, and from the authorities in Havana, all of which tended to affirm the horror which this disaster has caused to arise in Spanish hearts, as also the sympathy felt for the United States Government and navy, and for the American nation. The Spanish minister feels confident that he can count upon the courtesy and sense of justice of the United States Government to enlighten public opinion upon this subject.

Fourth—As the case of this lamentable disaster resolved itself into a question of facts which can only be settled by material proof, the Spanish minister reiterates the assurance that his government is ready to submit the question to experts, designated by the maritime powers, whose conclusions are in advance accepted.

THE MESSAGE TODAY

At the close of the second cabinet meeting last night it was announced that the president's message undoubtedly would go to the congress at noon today.

WHAT THE CUBANS WANT.

Washington, April 11.—Mr. Quesada, the representative of the Cuban junta in this city, said last night: "The Cubans are glad to see their belligerency at last recognized by the Spanish Government. Cubans will not cease fighting nor enter into any negotiations which have not for their basis the absolute independence of Cuba."

DEPARTURE OF GEN. LEE.

Havana, April 11.—At 10 o'clock yesterday morning Consul-General Lee, accompanied by British Consul Godkin, called on Gen. Blanco to bid him goodbye. The American flag upon the consulate building was taken down by consular employes, and at 6 o'clock in the evening Gen. Lee and his staff left Havana on the lighthouse tender Fern.

Key West, Fla., April 11.—The Fern, with Gen. Lee and party on board, arrived at Key West yesterday.

THE POPE PLEASED.

London, April 11.—The Rome correspondent of the Daily News says that the pope, being awakened and furnished with the news of the granting of the armistice, declared that it was one of the greatest pleasures of his latter years, and expressed a confident hope of warding off war. At the Vatican it was pointed out that since the queen regent's personal letter to Queen Victoria, all the powers, including Great Britain, support Spain.

A COMPLICATION.

The action of the Cuban junta in publishing a defiant warning to the Washington authorities, has undoubtedly exercised an immense influence on European opinion, giving American intervention, to outside observers of other nations an amazingly quixotic complexion. The London Observer, an independent organ on foreign affairs, says: "The difficulties of the United States regarding the independence of Cuba are more keenly appreciated every day. Nobody feels much confidence in the Cuban junta's ability to govern the island, and the prospect of American intervention may lead eventually to annexations. This is not tempting to the Republicans, who suspect that Cuba would be a new source of strength to the Democrats."

PRESIDENT McKINLEY FIRM.

New York, April 11.—The World publishes the following from Washington: "There is the best of authority for the statement that the president's mind is fully made up. The message will go to congress at once, as matters now stand. Mr. McKinley will not accept the proposal from Madrid as contained in the note from Minister Woodford. The president does not now regard this step as important enough to justify further postponement by the United States. The proffer of a truce by the Spanish Government does not concern the United States. It will have no effect upon our programme, except the Cuban republic and the Spanish Government in Cuba combine to guarantee peace and order and the protection of American interests in Cuba and on the high seas. The offer to abandon hostilities is not a sufficient guarantee that there will not be another occurrence like the destuction of the Maine. This crime is absolute evidence of the chaotic condition of governmental affairs existing in Cuba. The president also believes the Cuban insurgents will reject the offer to cease fighting. The president has made a few changes in his message to cover the offer of Spain. He depends on the senate to take the next step.

Washington April 11.—President McKinley announced positively shortly before ten o'clock this morning that his message would be submitted to congress promptly today. It is understood the intention is to place it in the hands of congress a little after the opening of the two houses at noon.

STARTLING RUMOR FROM MADRID!

Madrid, April 11—9:30 a.m.—It is said United States Minister Woodford leaves Madrid today. It is further alleged that he will be accompanied to the frontier by an escort of gendarmes. The ambassadors meet at the Italian embassy today. It is understood this meeting was called as a result of news received from Washington. At the Princess Theater yesterday evening a spectator shouted, "Viva Espana," and the entire audience arose, while the building resounded with frantic cheers. The "National Anthem" was demanded by the people, and was played amidst intense enthusiastic acclamations. Although the newspapers insist that General Woodford will leave Madrid today, the United States minister has not yet taken any steps in that direction.

11:30 a.m.—The minister of marine, Admiral Bermejo, characterizes as absurd the story told in London by Joseph Gibbons, the English electical engineer, as to the sale of submarine mines to Spain. The minister says that during the past eighteen months the Spanish Government has not contracted with any English firm to lay mines in Havana harbor. The torpedoes sent to Cuba have not yet been laid in the waters of that island.

THE ARMISTICE.

Washington, April 11.—The state department today received Gen. Blanco's proclamation ordering a cessation of hostilities in Cuba. It is as follows:

"His majesty's government, yielding to the reiterated wish expressed by his holiness the pope, has been pleased to decree a suspension of hostilities, with the object of preparing and facilitating the restoration of peace on the island, in virtue whereof I believe it convenient to order: Article 1. From the day following the receipt in each locality of the present proclamation hostilities are ordered to be suspended in all the territories of the Island of Cuba. The details for the execution of the above article will be the object of special instructions that will be communicated to the several commanders-in-chief of the army corps, for the easy and prompt execution, according to the situation and circumstances of the case. (Signed) BLANCO."

"Ma, the minister is coming." "What makes you think so? Did you see him?" "No; but I saw pa take the parrot and lock it up in the stable."

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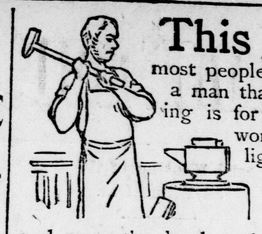
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Barley, per bu .....38½c to 50c
Rye, per bu.....39c to 39c
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There were almost no receipts today. a few loads of hay and straw being the only offerings. They sold at the same prices as Saturday.

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The Oil Market.

PETROLIA, April 11.—Oil opened and closed at $1 40.

American Markets.

CHICAGO, April 9.—The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat—May, $1 06; July, 84½c to 84¾c; Sept., 77½c; Dec., 78c. Corn—May, 29⅞c; July, 31½c; Sept., 32½c. Oats—May, 23¾c; July, 23¼c. Mess pork—May, $9 87½; July, $9 97½. Lard—May, $5 29; July, $5 27½. Short ribs—May, $5 29; July, $5 27½. Cash quotations: Flour, firm; winter patents, $4 65 to $4 90; straights, $4 40 to $4 50; bakers, $3 40 to $3 75; spring specials, $5 40 to $5 50; spring patents, $4 70 to $5. No. 3 spring wheat, 83c. No. 2 red, $1 04½ to $1 05. No. 2 corn, 29⅞c to 30c. No. 2 oats, 25¼c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 28c to 30c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 28c to 28⅞c. No. 2 rye, 51½c. No. 2 barley, f. o. b., 38c to 40c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1 21; Northwest flaxseed, $1 22. Prime timothy seed, $2 75. Mess pork, $9 85 to $9 90. Lard, $5 17½ to $5 20. Short rib sides, $5 10 to $5 40. Dry salted shoulders, 4¾c to 4¾c. Short clear sides, $5 35 to $5 45. Sugar, cutloaf, $5 63; granulated, $5 12 to $5 30. Eggs, steady; fresh, 8c.

Receipts—Flour, 7,000 bbls; wheat, 35,000 bushels; corn, 258,000 bushels; oats, 220,000 bushels; rye, 5,000 bushels; barley, 20,000 bushels.

Shipments—Flour, 13,000 bbls.; wheat, 464,000 bushels, corn, 423,000 bushels, oats, 336,000 bushels; rye, 96,000 bushels; barley, 9,000 bushels.

BIG PRICES FOR APPLES.

Some exceptionally high prices have been obtained for Canadian apples, Spies and Baldwins having realized in the London market 27s 6d per barrel, and Russets 28s for choice fruit.

St. Thomas Market.

St. Thomas, April 9.—There was very little grain moving, and all the wheat that comes in is taken for local use. The price is 73 cents for standard. No corn offered; American corn brings 37 to 40 cents.

Dairy Markets.

CHICAGO, April 9.—Butter firm; creamery, 15c to 21c; dairy, 11c to 18c. Cheese quiet at 8c to 8¼c.

NEW York, April 9.—Butter firm; western creamery, 17c to 22c; do, factory, 12½c to 16c; Elgins, 22c; imitation creamery, 14½c to 18½c; state dairy, 15c to 20c; do, creamery, 17c to 22c. Cheese steady; large white and colored, Sept., 7½c to 7¾c; small white and colored, Sept., 8c to 8¼c; large skims, 5¾c to 6¼c; large choice, 7¼c to 7½c; small choice, 7¾c to 8c; part skims, 4c to 6c; full skims, 2c to 3c.

Live Stock Market.

LONDON LIVE HOG MARKET.

Paid Drovers Off Cars.

Lean, long singers.....$4 60 per cwt
Light, fat and heavy.....$4 20 per cwt

EAST BUFFALO, April 9.—Cattle—Receipts all consigned through; the market is regarded as steady and firm for good handy grades or fat butchers' stock, and outlook fair. Veals and calves—Receipts, 60 head; the market was not active, and prices were weaker than yesterday, but at the decline about all were sold; tops today sold at $6 to $6 25, with common to good at $4 to $5 75. Hogs—Receipts, 40 cars; market decidedly slow and draggy, while prices for all kinds were lower; good to choice Yorkers, $4 to $4 02; prime selected light Yorkers, $3 90 to $4; mixed packers' grades, $4 02 to $4 05; medium weights, $4 05; heavy hogs, $4 10; roughs, $3 50 to $3 65; stags, $3 to $3 15; pigs, $3 25 to $3 75. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 28 cars; fair demand, and sales of good handy grades of all kinds were at about steady former prices, but clipped lambs were in best demand; native lambs, choice to extra, $6 to $6 10; fair to good, $5 60 to $5 90; culls to common, $5 to $5 50; yearlings, fair mixed to choice wethers, $5 to $5 25; clipped lambs, $4 25 to $5 10; heavy do, $4 65 to $4 80; native sheep, choice to selected wethers, $4 90 to $5 10; good to choice mixed sheep, $4 50 to $4 85; common to fair, $4 25 to $4 45; culls to common sheep, $3 50 to $4; clipped sheep, $3 15 to $4 35; heavy do, $3 85 to $4 35.

NEW YORK, April 9.—Beeves—Receipts, 204; no sales; exports, 100 cattle and 3,792 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 300; nothing doing. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 2,845; no sheep; lambs steady; light weights firm; unshorn lambs, $5 80 to $6 37½; clipped do, $4 80 to $5 20; spring lambs nominal, at $2 50 to $5 each. Hogs—Receipts, 2,274; three decks of western on sale; lower, at $4 to $4 20; one car western pigs at $4 05.

CHICAGO, April 9.—Cattle unchanged. Hogs, $3 75 to $4 10; pigs, $3 80 to $3 85; boars, $2 25; stags, $2 75 to $3 25. Sheep—Shorn, $3 90 to $4 65; unshorn, $4 50 to $4 90; lambs, shorn, $4 50 to $5; wooled, $5 10 to $5 80; feeding lambs, $5 15 to $5 35. Receipts—Cattle, 200; hogs, 12,000; sheep, 4,000.

CHICAGO, April 11.—Hogs—Estimated receipts for today, 37,000; left over, 1,000; fairly active, 5c to 10c lower; lights, $3 70 to $3 95; mixed, $3 75 to $4; heavy, $3 70 to $4; rough, $3 70 to $3 75. Cattle—Receipts, 18,500; good steady, other weak to 10c lower; beeves, $3 90 to $5 50; cows and heifers, $2 25 to $4 60; Texas steers, $3 60 to $4 60; stockers and feeders, $3 70 to $4 65. Sheep—Receipts, 25,000; generally 10c lower.

Railway Dispute

L. E. and D. R. R. Claim a Grievance Against the G. T. R.

In Reference to Switching Privileges—The Port Stanley Board Changes Its Solicitors.

A meeting of the London and Port Stanley Railway board was held Saturday afternoon.

Ald. Carrothers moved that Mr. T. G. Meredith be appointed solicitor of the board in place of Parke & Purdom, who have been the board's solicitors for the past few years. Carried on this division:

Yeas—Ald. Carrothers, Dreaney, Taylor and Douglass.

Nays—Ald. Belton and OMeara.

There was no complaint against Messrs. Parke & Purdom. The fault seems to be that they are Liberals.

Mr. C. J. Leggatt, of Walkerville, solicitor of the L. E. and D. R. R., asked the board to take action against the G. T. R. to compel them to furnish free switching privileges in the local yards. He claimed that under the terms of the lease the L. and P. S. R. was entitled to these privileges, free of charge. They had been granted up to April, 1897, and then canceled. Since then the L. E. and D. R. R. had had to pay for switching at the rate of $1 per car.

The board referred the matter to the solicitor. It is understood the L. E. and D. R. R. theraten a suit against the G. T. R. if the latter do not renew the privilege. The switches in question are those leading to factories and other shipping firms. These, the G. T. R. claim are private property.

The St. Thomas Street Railway Company wish to cross the L. and P. S. R. tracks in three different places, and will ask the Privy Council's permission.

The matter was referred to the board's solicitor to safeguard its interests.

There were present: Mayor Wilson (chairman) Ald. Carrothers, Dreaney, Taylor, Douglass, Belton, O'Meara and City Clerk Kingston.

MIDDLESEX.

Amos Fennell, sen., of Newbury, purchased 90 acres of the Archer estate for $1,000 from Dr. Stalker, north half lot 17, con. 1, Mosa, just south of the corporation.

A very pleasant evening was spent by relatives and friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shaver, being the reception of their son, Mr. C. L. Burtwistle, and his bride, after their return from Chicago and other points. After partaking ohf a bountiful repast, the evening was spent in music and games, until an early hour, when the friends left for home, leaving many beautiful presents and wishing them a long life and happiness.

A very interesting and happy event took place recently at Woodview Farm, the home of Mr. Solomon Dale, it being the marriage of their niece, Miss Bertha Walters, to Mr. C. L. Burtwistle, a prosperous young farmer living on the 8th con., Westminster. The bride was handsomely attired in old gold and petunia silk, and wore crimson and cream roses. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. T. W. Blatchford, in the presence of a few near relatives. The presents were handsome and costly, among which was a beautiful gold watch and chain, presented by the groom. After partaking of the wedding dinner so bountifully prepared by the host and hostess, the happy couple left for Chicago and other points amid showers of old shoes and best wishes from their firends for a long and happy life.

LAMBETH.

Lambeth, April 11.—Mr. Bingham, of Aylmer, and Mr. McFarland, of London, are visiting Mr. A. M. Hunt.

Mr. Truman Van Delinder, of Petrolia, is visiting his father.

Mr. Walter White, of Leamington, is visiting Mr. Baker.

On Tuesday evening the election of officers will take place in the Epworth League, and on Thursday evening the election of Sabbath school officers will be held.

Miss Stella Mann is taking a course of shorthand at the F. C. B. C.

Mr. W. Jordan, after spending his Easter holidays with friends here, returned home on Saturday on an early train.

Mrs. Warner Hunt, of Dorchester, is spending Easter holidays at her old home.

Dr. Burrows, of Seaforth, paid a flying visit to his father's on Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Hicks was called suddenly to her home in Talbotville on Sunday morning, owing to the illness of her aunt, Mrs. Smith.

Miss Ray Moore, of Toronto, is spending holidays with her sister, Mrs. D. Lown.

Mrs. Minnie Halls and daughter, of Toronto, are visiting friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Stevens are visiting Mrs. Stevens' brother, J. Baker, of Tupperville.

Caldwell brothers closed the series of evangelistic services last Thursday night. Their next field of labor is in Rutherford, assisting Rev. M. Pickard.

Mr. George A. Bogue royally entertained 30 of his friends on Friday night with hot sugar. The party left for home after having had a good time with games, etc.

WOODBANK.

Woodbank, April 9.—A large circle of friends and relations followed the remains of Mrs. Mary Blinn to the Brick Street Church on Thursday, and many were the kind words spoken of her by those who gathered to take part in the last rites. Rev. Mr. Quance, of Lambeth, preached from Paul's words, "For me to live is Christ; to die is gain," and his discourse had a tendency to mitigate the sorrow of the bereaved ones of the family from whose bosom a mother has been removed.

The fishing season is due at Byron, and suckers are very numerous below the dam. Some of the boys have caught as many as 60 to 100. As there is not net fishing allowed, the boys must have some secret way of coaxing the fish out on the shore, and then lassooing them.

The car track between the city and Springbank has been undermined in different places by the recent flood.

Robert Norton, a Brick street boy, writes home from Fort Wrangel that he is with a party of gold seekers, who are about to start a foot journey of 150 miles. Many of them go about in their shirt sleeves, the weather is so mild. He says the party are well provisioned and have no fears as to reaching the terminus safe and sound.

Middlesex Boys In the Yukon.

Mr. D. Shoff, license inspector for North Middlesex, was in the city today. He is still vigorous in both body and mind, though 81 years old. Not till two years ago did he have a minute's illness in all his life, and he has never had anything worse than rheumatism. Mr. Shoff has two sons on their way to the Yukon territory at the present time. One of them is an experienced druggist, who is taking a full supply of drugs for the use of the miners. The difficulties of the situation by the Dyea route is shown by the fact that the Messrs. Shoff had to hire seven men here to aid them in carrying their goods to Dawson City. The last letter received from them was dated March 6, and took 32 days to get to Clandeboye. At that time the party were well beyond the dreaded passes.

SLUGGED AND ROBBED

J. F. Merchant, of Wellington Street, Assaulted in Front of His Premises.

Joseph F. Merchant, baker, of 347 Wellington street, aged about 70 years, was slugged and robbed of $15 in front of his bakery about 10 o'clock Saturday night. The old gentleman had gone to the butcher shop, a short distance away, and on returning was struck in the ear with a sandbag or bludgeon. He was knocked senseless, and remained unconscious for nearly two hours. Mr. Merchant has no idea who his assailant was, and did not report the occurrence to the police until about noon yesterday.

172 and 174 Dundas Street

HOUSEHOLD LINENS

Some special bargains in our staple section. You'll do well to ponder these prices and investigate the stock in this department before parting with your money. We quote you a few of the good things:

30 dozen Table Napkins, large 3x4 size, regular $1 25, for.....$1 00
Bleached Sheeting, best quality, two yards wide, for.....25c
Table Linen, two yards wide, in series of fine patterns, regular 50c, for.....

Towels, Towels, Towels.

100 dozen 10c Linen Huck Towels selling at 6¼c.

Special Bargains in GREY COTTONS, WHITE COTTONS, LAWNS and ART DRAPERIES.

Bayley's

Back to Their Tents.

Echoes of Thursday's Battle at Atbara.

The Victorious Troops Return to Their Quarters.

Mahmoud's Army of Dervishes Completely Broken Up.

The Enemy's Dead Believed to Number Fully 3,000.

The Storming of the Zareba—Many Instances of Personal Bravery—Capt. Urquhart's Last Words to His Comrades.

Cairo, April 11.—The Anglo-Egyptian force has returned to Abadar, and the wounded were all placed in hospital until dertents. All the troops will return to their quarters on the Nile. The force of Mahmoud Pasha is completely broken up; part of them are fleeing towards Atbara, and the others in the direction of the Nile. The thickness of the brush rendered pursuit of them by the Egyptian cavalry and horse battery difficult.

TWO THOUSAND DEAD DERVISHES.

The bodies of 2,000 dervishes, including those of the twelve important emirs, have been counted. Notable among the numbers of emirs who were slain is Wadboshara, formerly emir of Dongola. It is believed that one thousand other members of Mahmoud's army were killed. Ten guns and a quantity of rifles were captured. Mahmoud says his army consisted of 12,000 infantry and 4,000 cavalry. Mahmoud's zareba, rifle pits and entrenchments are literally chock full of dead, while the ground outside the zareba on the south side is covered with hundreds of bodies.

CAPTURE OF THE ZAREBA.

The most striking feature of the engagement was the storming of the zareba. Gen. Hunter himself, cheering, with helmet in hand, led the Soudanese and Egyptian troops to the zareba. They lost heavily in the rush. In recognition of their signal gallantry, the sirdar, General Sir Herbert Kitchener, provisionally promoted on the field at the close of the battle the sergeant-major of each native battalion which crossed the zareba, to a subaltern rank.

THE FIRST TO REACH THE ENEMY'S WORK.

Major-Gen. Gatacre led the British brigade, and, accompanied by Private Cross, of the Cameron Highlanders, was the first to reach the zareba. Private Cross bayoneted a big dervish, who was aiming point blank at General Gatacre. Piper Stewart, while leading the Cameron Highlanders, was killed.

SEVEN BULLETS PASSING THROUGH HIS BODY.

Piper McKenzie, of the Seaforth Highlanders, bears the marks of six bullets, but is practically unwounded. Numbers of officers, among them Col. Money, of the Cameron Highlanders, had bullets through their helmets.

COOLNESS OF THE CAMERON HIGHLANDERS.

The sirdar, after the battle said to Col. Money, referring to the slow, steady advance of the Cameron Highlanders, under the withering fire of the dervishes: "It was one of the finest feats performed for many years. You ought to be proud of such a regiment."

There was an impressive scene this afternoon, when three British officers and 18 men were buried in front of the zareba where they fell. All the available officers and detachments from the various battalions were present. The Soudanese band and the Highland pipers played a lament.

The Soudanese troops celebrated the victory by singing, dancing and drum beating.

CAPT. URQUHART'S LAST WORDS.

The last words of Capt. Urquhart, of the Cameron Highlanders, who was among the killed, were: "Never mind me, lads; go on."

Ottawa, April 11.—It was stated at Rideau Hall that in ordinary circumstances, Capt Urquhart, of the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, who is reported to have fallen in the victorious attack upon Mahmoud's zareba in the Soudan, would not have been free to leave the staff college at the present time. The governor-general has cabled to the war office for further information.

EARTHQUAKES IN BOHEMIA.

Prague, April 11.—There have been severe earthquake shocks in the vicinity of Libochowitz, ten miles southwest of Leitmeritz. At the village of Klaffai, seven house have collapsed and 38 families have been rendered homeless. The subterraneous disturbances continue.

A WILD RUMOR.

Yokohama, April 11.—Dispatches from Nagasaki report that a collision has taken place between the English and Russians at Tallen Wan. These rumors are unconfirmed.

NOTED MEN DEAD.

London, April 11.—Samuel French, the American theatrical publisher, died on Saturday.

Philadelphia, Pa., April 11.—Rev. Frederick William Conrad, D.D., LL.D., for many years editor of the Lutheran Observer, died last night, aged 82 years.

RUSSIANS AND CHINESE FIGHT.

Pekin, April 11.—A slight conflict between Russians and Chinese has taken place at Kin Chou. It is believed that this encounter gave rise to the report from Yokohama last night that a collision had taken place between the British and the Russians at Talien Wan. Kin Chou is a little way north of and near Talien Wan.

CHINESE DISTRUST OF RUSSIA.

Pekin, April 11.—Numerous indications are reported of a growing Chinese distrust of Russia. This feeling is shown by the recent totally unprecedented action of the students now in Pekin for their examinations for admission to their final degrees. They have memorialized the throne, urging vigorous action against Russian aggression, and stating that all the Chinese are convinced of the enmity of Russia, while, on the other hand, they recognize the friendliness of England.

A LONDON SENSATION.

Ritualistic Practices in St. Cuthbert's Creates a Sensation—Blows Struck.

London, April 11.—The anti-ritualistic crusade of John Kensit, the layman who on Jan. 15, 1897, caused a sensation by reading a protest against the election of Dr. Mendell Creighton as Bishop of London, on the ground of Dr. Creighton's alleged desire to "undo the work of the Reformation by introducing the trinkets of Rome," etc., has been especially vigorous during Holy Week, culminating in extraordinary scenes in St. Cuthbert's Church on Good Friday, where, as customary during past years, the conduct of the service consisted in chanting St. John's story of the passion, on the same lines as the Oberammergau play, the officiating clergy taking the roles of Christ, Pilate and Caiaphas. One of the central features is known as the "veneration of the cross," and the crucifix was being removed from the altar to the steps, where the clergy, acolytes and congregation advance in pairs, prostrate themselves and kiss the figure of Christ. At the tail of the procession was Mr. Kensit, surrounded by a body of friends. They advanced to the altar steps; but instead of kneeling, Kensit horrified the congregation by suddenly seizing the crucifix, raising it aloft, and frantically rushing toward the door, shouting: "In the name of God I denounce this idolatry and popery in the Church of England. May God help me."

A most painful scene ensued. A crowd of people surrounded Mr. Kensit and people struck him and wrestled with him, one man going so far as to thrust a handkerchief into Mr. Kensit's mouth in order to gag him. Finally the congregation rescued the crucifix, and the police entered the church and arrested Mr. Kensit.

MR. HOUSE A WINNER

In a Long and Stubborn Struggle at Berlin, Ontario.

Berlin, April 4.—The recent elections and the return of the popular candidate created less interest in Berlin than did the news that our respected fellow-citizen, Mr. Andrew House, had won the contest in which he has been engaged.

For over a year Mr. House has waged a fierce conflict with kidney disease. The pain he endured was unspeakably severe, and he could get absolutely no relief till he began using Dodd's Kidney Pills. Now he is completely cured—of course.

Mr. House says: "I am sincere in saying Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me, and I am truly and earnestly thankful for my cure."

Jack—That Miss Beverly, to whom I bowed just now is a regular Klondike. Tom—That so? Rich? Jack—Yes. Also cold and distant.

The Republic of Guatemala has over 16,000 "saloons" and taverns. In the country districts there is one to every 82 inhabitants; in the towns one of every 52.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

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Wiltons, Velvets, Axminsters, Brussels Tapestries, etc.

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See Our West Window for Display.

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The Chilcoot Snow Slide.

At Least 75 Lives Were Lost and Possibly 100—So Far 69 Bodies Have Been Taken Out.

Seattle, Wash., April 11.—At least 75 lives were lost in the snow slide on the Chilkoot Pass. The number may possibly be as high as 100. 69 bodies have been recovered. The great majority of those killed were from Tacoma, Seattle and California.

Murdered With a Bottle.

Fatal Outcome of a Fight in Montreal.

Montreal, Que., April 11.—A tragedy occurred about 2 o'clock yesterday morning on Aylmer street, in the north of the city. John Clifford, 75 years old, a wealthy restaurant keeper, was killed in a row by Joseph O'Meara, a well-known young Montrealer. The killing happened in a house owned by Clifford, near his own residence, and occupied by Mrs. O'Hare, widow of T. O'Hare, who kept a grocery store. Clifford had had a seizure put upon Mrs. O'Hare's goods for money due. During the night O'Meara, who is Mrs. O'Hare's brother, proceeded to remove the goods, and Clifford attempted to stop him. A row ensued, during which O'Meara struck Clifford over the head with a bottle and killed him. O'Meara has been placed under arrest. Michael Hubbard and Sydney Elliott have also been arrested.

It is not yet known by whom the blow was struck, but the three young men, O'Meara, Elliott and Hubbard, are held, and an investigation will be made.

KILLED INSTANTLY

Fate. Accident on the M. C. R. at Essex.

[G. N. W. Special to Advertiser.]

Essex, Ont., April 11.—A very sad accident occurred here at 7:30 this morning. John Smalley, about 40 years of age, was walking down the M. C. R. track, and when about half a mile west of this place the east bound mail train struck him, throwing him into the ditch. He was killed instantly.

TWO BOYS CREMATED.

Their Father Badly Burned in Trying to Save Them.

Halifax, N. S., April 11.—The house of Alex. McDonald, farmer and mill owner, at Mull River, N. S., was destroyed by fire on Good Friday night, and two little boys, aged 7 and 3, were burned to death. The father was so badly burned about the head and face while getting his children out of the house that he will probably die. A little girl who jumped from a window was also badly injured. The mother and six children escaped without injury.

Care of the Complexion

It is a well known fact that a torpid liver produces a sallow hue and a dull yellow complexion. You need not expect a clear, beautiful complexion, if the blood is rendered impure by a sluggish action of the liver, which cannot properly perform its function of purifying and filtering all impurities from the blood. Ladies, Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills is an invaluable remedy, for by their action on the liver and blood they promote true beauty by rendering the blood pure. This is the secret.

J. S. Tool, who left Oakville in 1896 to engage in missionary work in East Africa, is dead. He, with three others, was sent out to East Africa by a missionary society in Philadelphia.

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

At Sacramento, California, the pattern storehouse of the Southern Pacific Railroad Company was entirely gutted by fire Friday night. Loss anywhere from $200,000 to $1,000,000. At least 40,000 patterns were burned.

Chocolate is still used in the interior of South America as a currency, as are cocoanuts and eggs.

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

P. M. Hitchcock, aged 91, the oldest minister in the Troy conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, died at Glens Falls, N. Y., Friday night. He was a native of Stanbridge, Que.

THE MIDDLE-AGED MAN

On the Different Errands of Care and What We Should Do When Cares Assail.

"When I was a boy," said the middle-aged man, "we used to have a song about driving 'dull care away.' I dare say that children are singing the same song today. It was a good, cheerful, lively song, and we used to sing it in school. But, as I remember things, this song must have been sung more as a preventive than as a cure, because we didn't have any care in those days. We used to sing the song without any adequate notion of what care was. We used to gallop through it in the cheeriest sort of way possible.

"So 'dull' care is a brand that never disturbed me in the least. It is associated in my mind with youth; with a period of life when I actually did not know what care was, and when I laughed at it, as I did at everything else. And I can laugh at 'dull' care now, or smile at it, anyway.

"The first kind of care that I ever struck that did disturb me was of the brand known as 'carking care.' This is a pretty sandpapery sort, very different from 'dull' care, and when a man finds 'carking care' coming his way he wants to shunt it off at any cost.

"And the same may be said of the various other brands of care that one may encounter as he goes through life, which may be well known, staple brands, such as can be found anywhere, if a man is looking for care, or which may be cares peculiar to the man or his situation. But of whatever brand they may be, common or special, shunt 'em off.

"Care never helped any man. A sense of responsibility is one thing that is just enough good ballast to hold a man steady. But oppressive care is quite another thing, and one that never did anybody any good. It overloads and hampers him.

"Throw it overboard! You can do twice as well without it; do twice as much work and earn twice as much money, to say nothing of being blessed with a far keener enjoyment of life."

SOLVED AT LAST.

Many have tried to reach the Pole,
But none did ever win it—
'Tis not a pole, but just a hole,
And Andree, perhaps, is in it.

JUST A BAD COLD.



A sharp stinging pain in the back—you think it doesn't amount to anything—be all right in a few days—but it doesn't get all right—kidneys are not doing their duty, and the poisonous matter that they ought to remove is going all through the system—causing rheumatism, gout, dyspepsia, headaches, backaches—all sorts of ills.

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Cure the disease by removing the cause.

MR. WILLIAM FRANKS, in charge of the Grand Trunk Engine Shops, Port Dover, Ont., says: "Four boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills cured me of a very bad attack of kidney complaint and lame back. I was suffering greatly, so much so that I was thinking seriously of giving up my situation."

"When I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills I was in such a condition that I could hardly move on account of the pain in my back. As soon as I began taking them, however, I grew better. Day by day the pain became less and less, and after having taken four boxes it was entirely gone. They made a complete cure, for I have not had the slightest sign of kidney or back trouble since."

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Late Afternoon Markets.

New York Stocks.

Reported by F. H. Butler, 15 and 16 Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

New York, April 11.

	Saturday's Close.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Atcheson	11¾				
Atcheson Pfd	26¾	26¼	26¼	26	26¼
C. B. & Q.	93¾	94	94⅜	92¾	94⅛
C. & N. W.	119	120	120	118¾	119
Bay State Gas	3	3¼	3¼	3	3
Chicago Gas	91¼	92	92¾	91¼	92¼
N. Y. Gas	178	179	180	179	178
Gen. Electric	32¼	32½	32⅞	32	32⅛
L. & N.	49⅞	50¾	51⅛	50	51⅛
Man.	97½	98	99¾	96¾	99¼
Mo. P.	26¾	26¾	27⅛	26⅜	27¼
Omaha	96¾	70	70	69½	69½
P. M.	24	24¼	24¾	24¼	24⅜
R. I.	85½	86¾	86⅞	85¾	86¼
Reading	17½	17⅞	17⅞	16⅞	17¼
N. Y. Central	110¾	111½	112¾	111	112
St. Paul	89⅜	90½	91	89½	91
T. C. I.	20	20¾	20¾	20⅛	20¾
Wabash	15¾		16	16	16
W. U.		87	87	86⅛	87
Union Pac. Pfd	52¾	53¼	54¼	52¼	54⅛
Union Pacific	19¾	20⅛	20⅜	19⅛	20⅛
Leather Trust	57	58¾	58⅞	57⅛	57⅞
Lead	30¾	30¾	30¾	30½	30⅝
Sugar	118⅝	120	120¾	119½	120⅜
Tobacco	101¾	102	102¾	101¼	102½
Southern Ry. Pfd	26¾	27	27	27	27
Jersey Central		92	93	92	93
K. & T. Pfd	32¾				
N. P. Pfd	61¾	62¾	63¼	62⅛	63⅛
Can. Southern					

COMMERCIAL.

Toronto Produce Markets.

Toronto, April 11.—Wheat—Steady, at 96c for red winter west; Manitoba wheat steady at $1 10 for No. 1 hard at North Bay. Flour—Rather dull, at $4 to $4 10 for cars of straight roller in barrels west. Millfeed—Steady, at $12 50 for shorts and $10 50 for bran west. Barley—Steady, at 37c for No. 2, 35c for No. 3 extra, and 33c for feed outside. Buckwheat—Steady, at 37c west. Rye—Unchanged, at 47c to 48c west. Corn—Canada yellow, 31½c west, and American, 37c at Toronto. Oats—Firm, and selling at 29½c to 30c west. Peas—Steady, at 56c west. Seeds—Moderate jobbing demand and prices steady; 8¾c to 3¾c for timothy; 5c to 6c for clover, and 5¾c to 8c for alsike. Baled hay and straw—Unchanged, at $8 40 to $8 50 for cars of hay here, and $4 50 to $5 for straw. Eggs—Dull and easier, at 9c to 9½c. Butter—Large rolls scarce and steady, at 18c; creamery in good supply and steady, at 22c for prints and 20c for tubs.

American Market.

CHICAGO, April 11.—Opening.—Wheat, July, 84½c; Dec., 77⅜c; Sept., 77½c. Corn, May, 29½; July, 30⅜c. Oats, May, 25½c; July, 23c. Pork, May, $9 80; July, $9 90. Lard—July, $5 25; Sept., $5 32½. Ribs, July, $5 22½.

Chicago Exchange.

CHICAGO, April 11.

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

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—May..1 06	1 06	1 05½	1 06	
July.... 84¼	84¼	83⅝	83¾	
Sept.... 77½	77¾	76⅜	77	
Corn—May.... 29¾	29¾	29⅝	29⅝	
July.... 30¾	30¾	30⅜	30⅞	
Oats—May.... 25½	25¾	25¾	25⅝	
July.... 23	23¼	23	23⅞	
Pork—May....9 80	9 80	9 72	9 80	
July....9 90	9 90	9 80	9 87	
Lard—May....5 12	5 12	5 12	5 17	
July....5 25	5 25	5 20	5 22	
Ribs—May....5 15	5 17	5 15	5 17	
July....5 22	5 25	5 20	5 25	

Puts—82⅞. Calls—84⅛.

Manicure Articles.

NAIL FILES,
NAIL SCISSORS,
NAIL KNIVES,
NAIL POLISHERS,
NAIL BRUSHES,
NAIL ENAMEL (Pray's),
EMERY BOARDS (Pray's),
ROSALINE (Pray's).

A complete line of fine toilet articles always in stock.

W. T. Strong & Co.
Dispensing Chemists,
184 Dundas Street, London.

Today at the Capital.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottwa, April 11.—Mr. Foster has sufficiently recovered to be able to proceed with the debate on the budget when the house meets tomorrow. The debate is not likely to extend over many days. Sir Hibbert Tupper intimated as much to Sir Richard Cartwright when the former asked for an adjournment of the debate on Wednesday last.

Premier Laurier was able to attend a meeting of the treasury board on Saturday, and was out for a drive yesterday. He will likely be in his place in the house tomorrow.

DREADED DIPHTHERIA

Lays Low a Mother and Two Children —The Father and Another Child in the Hospital.

Toronto, April 11.—A sad case of home-breaking has come to light in Toronto. The family is, or rather was, that of Mr. Wm. J. Kent, 1222 King street west. Some time ago two of the children were stricken with diphtheria and died. The mother, who was in constant attendance throughout, contracted the dread disease, and was soon laid in the cemetery by the side of her children. Then the father, broken down in body and mind, is now, with one of the remaining children, in the hospital, also suffering from diphtheria.

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Rich, red blood—essential to perfect health—this purely herbal tonic insures good health. At all druggists. 25c. a package. WOODWARD MEDICINE CO., SARNIA, CANADA

Around the City

—Ald. P. McPhillips is on the sick list.

—Sacred concert, St. Andrew's Church, tonight.

—Neuralgia of the heart is Julia Arthur's malady.

—Ald. Boulton, of Brantford, was a visitor at the jail today.

—Mr. Percy Walton, of Goderich, is visiting friends in the city.

—Judge W. W. Fitzgerald, of Welland, was in the city today.

—Premier and Mrs. Hardy are at Thamesville for a short holiday.

—Miss Anna Dawson, of Toronto University, is visiting her parents here.

—Margaret Mather was buried in her Jullet costume in Detroit yesterday.

—A large number of persons were fishing in different parts of the river today.

—Mr. S. Moore, who has been visiting friends in West London, returned home to Detroit today.

—William Turner, a pioneer of London township, aged 76 years, died at his residence yesterday.

—Work on the new water mains in West London was begun on the Wharncliffe road this morning.

—Lieut. Dan Godfrey and his band, numbering 40 players, will visit Canada towards the end of May.

—Superintendent King, or the G. T. R. car shops, returned home today from a business trip to Montreal.

—Nothing aggravates a woman more than to be sick when the papers are full of lively drygoods advertising.

—If a woman has pretty hands and rings she will learn to play whist whether she has any memory or not.

—The Wabash train from the east this morning made up 34 minutes time on the run from Hamilton to London.

—Mr. W. R. Meredith, jun., of Toronto University, is spending his Easter holidays with his parents in this city.

—A calico ball will be held in Union Hall, Lambeth, on Wednesday, April 13, given by the dancing club of that place.

—Victor Fisher, of Glanworth, one of the oldest residents of Westminster township, died yesterday in his 89th year.

—The choir of Christ Church, under the direction of Mr. James T. Dalton, rendered a song service at the city hospital yesterday morning. Mr. A. E. Welch preached.

—Mrs. E. C. Underner, wife of Manager Underner, of the Cleveland Theater, Cleveland, and Mrs. Joseph Paladino, are spending Easter with Mr. C. Paladino, Queen's avenue.

—Mr. John Bland, ex-president of the Board of Trade, who has been ailing for the past few weeks, continues very low. A change in his condition for the worse took place yesterday.

—Mrs. Potts, Maryboro Place, gave an "at home" on Saturday evening. At the conclusion of the evening's enjoyment Mrs. Potts was presented with a silver sugar bowl, spoon holder and half a dozen spoons. Miss L. Smith read an address, and Miss P. Warner made the presentation. Refreshments were served during the evening.

—Yesterday's services at the First Methodist Church were extremely interesting. Rev. Dr. Daniel occupied the pulpit and preached sermons appropriate to the celebration. Organist Wolcott and his efficient choir gave a programme of new and beautiful Easter music, the soloists, Miss Inez Smith, Mrs. Harvey and Mr. W. H. Jessop, doing splendidly. Easter lilies, spireas and palms were tastefully grouped on the pulpit platform. In the evening the edifice was crowded to the doors.

—Mr. Albert Eacrett, of Seattle, Wash., formerly of this city, and Mr. Richard Eacrett, of the same place, formerly of Exeter, are renewing acquaintances at their former homes.

—A quiet wedding took place this morning at 420 York street, when Miss Mary Rolston was married to Mr. Samuel Break, general manager of the London Electrical Construction Company, and formerly of the London street railway. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. B. Lanceley. The happy couple left on a wedding trip to Arizona, where they will spend about one month.

—The services in St. James' Church, South London, were exceptionally good yesterday, and the beautiful church was crowded at both services. The choir, which is one of the best in the city, excelled itself, and the services and anthems were rendered with great tact and accuracy, the attack being especially good. The choir is composed of all good musical voices, and very well balanced. There was not a harsh voice in the whole 42 singers, and the general effect was decidedly good. Mr. Vivian Reeve, the organist, is to be congratulated on his efforts. During the offertory, at the morning service, Miss Walker and Miss Dora Taylor sang a duet, "In His Hands Are All the Corners of the Earth," in a very artistic manner, and in the evening the quartet, "Lead, Kindly Light," by D. Buck, was rendered in excellent style by Miss Warren, Miss Dora Taylor, Mr. W. H. Phelps and Mr. E. Gardener.

HORSE TRADERS IN COURT.

John Boyd was arrested in London on Monday by High Constable Marshall on a charge of horse-stealing. William Menary was the complainant. Four horses belonging to Menary and a mule belonging to Sam Wallace disappeared from town on March 11, and were sold in Toronto by Boyd. At the police court yesterday Boyd pleaded not guilty, and as the trouble appeared to have arisen out of an ordinary horse deal, the charge against Boyd was dismissed.—Orangeville Advertiser.

A VALUABLE COLLECTION.

The police have as yet obtained no clue to the identity of the assailant who robbed Mr. Joseph F. Merchant on Saturday night. Among the money stolen from him was an English sixpence, with monogram "G. H."; one Queen Anne fourpenny piece, 1704; one jubilee sovereign, one gold dollar with hole in it, two threepenny pieces, an English farthing of 1835, one pigskin purse, one $2 bill and two $1 bills, and a leather purse.

TONIGHT'S CONCERT AT ST. ANDREW'S.

Tonight at St. Andrew's Church, a sacred concert of great merit will be given, under the direction of Mr. Chas. E. Wheeler, the organist and choir leader. The vocal soloists will be Miss Florence Muir, soprano, Port Huron; Miss Janet Grant, contralto, Toronto; Mr. Alex. M. Gorrie, tenor, Toronto; and Mrs. Charles E. Wheeler and Miss Hartson, city. Mr. Wheeler will contribute several organ solos. During the evening the pastor, Rev. Robert Johnston, will be presented with a gown.

DEATH OF JOSEPH DALE.

Another pioneer passed away yesterday in the person of Mr. Joseph Dale, of Westminster, at the advanced age of 79 years. Mr. Dale had been a life-long resident of Westminster, and followed the occupation of a farmer during that time. His death was due to old age, hastened by an attack of Bright's disease. The funeral will take place from his late residence, con. 2, lot 33, township of Westminster, on Tuesday, April 12. Mr. Dale leaves a family of eleven children to mourn his loss—seven girls and four boys.

EASTER PRAISE SERVICE.

The special Easter services held in the Adelaide Street Baptist Church yesterday were all largely attended. The edifice was prettily decorated with Easter lilies in great number. Miss Nellie Rendell presided at the organ. The orchestra, under the leadership of Mr. Charles Maynard, composed of the following pieces, rendered a number of selections: Miss E. Johnson, piano; Mr. F. Bragg, cornet; Mr. C. Bragg, 'cello; Mr. B. Gillies, violin. Solos were rendered in good voice by the Misses E. Johnson, R. Finch, E. Moore and Mr. Charles Maynard. Miss Edna Gillis and Master Eddie Wilmer gave Easter recitations. The choir rendered a number of choruses, which showed skillful training and effort on their part. The pastor, Rev. Thomas S. Johnson, preached two able discourses.

WEST LONDON METHODISTS.

The services held at the West London Methodist Church yesterday were of a special Easter character. The chuch was decorated with beautiful blooming lilies and other flowers. Rev. A. G. Harris, the pastor, occupied the pulpit both morning and evening, and preached two instructive and appropriate sermons on the risen Christ, the evening topic being "Women and the Resurrection." In the course of his remarks the speaker said the church had tried to close the mouths of women, although Christ first appeared to them and commanded them to go and tell that he had risen; but the age in which we lived was more enlightened and women were allowed more privileges. The singing was also of a special nature, and well rendered, Mrs. C. B. Armstrong and Miss Kate Greenway taking the solo parts. At the evening services Mrs. Wm. Gibson and Miss Kate Greenway, and Messrs. W. Gibson and C. Berry sang an appropriate quartet. At the Sunday school in the afternoon, an address was presented to Miss Mantel on behalf of the church choir. It was read by Miss Greenway. Miss Mantel is about to remove from the city, and as she took an active part in the church and Sunday school work she will be greatly missed. She made a suitable reply.

CITY HALL NOTES.

Another special meeting of the council will be called for Tuesday or Wednesday to dispose of unfinished business.

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Twenty-five dogs were shot at Queen's Park today. About 25 others were reclaimed before the execution. The dog catchers captured 60 in two days.

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The Charities' Society desires to communicate with any citizen who has vacant land which he would permit to be cultivated for charitable purposes.

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City Engineer Newman, of Windsor, was in the city today inspecting the macadam pavements of the city. He was greatly struck with the appearance of the city streets. Mr. R. Ironside showed his around.

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Some complaints have been made against the present method of catching dogs, on the plea that the wire loop throttles the animals. The city authorities deny this, and say the loop is much better than the old net, which injured many dogs. The loop, they say, is also much more effective, as the net frightened away the dogs.

Lost Her Feet

Mrs. Alwell Thrown Under a Train at Everett.

The Express Pulled Out Before All Had Left the Platform.

Alliston, April 11.—A shocking accident, which may result fatally, occurred on Good Friday in the town of Everett, about four miles north of this place. On account of the extra holiday traffic, the north-bound express was somewhat behind time, and, in the endeavor to make up, left the Everett depot before all the passengers had left the platform. One of these, Mrs. (Dr.) Alwell, was accidentally thrown under the moving coach, and had her two feet taken off, one being severed at the ankle, the other below. The affair is all the more sad, as the victim had just come to town from Stratford, Dr. Alwell having bought the practice of Dr. Kingston, who is leaving for England.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

Miss Willard's remains were cremated.

Miss Naomi Hillman, of Ottawa, died Saturday morning on a Lehigh Valley express train, as the cars were approaching Buffalo.

Gilbert Black, 6 years old, has been missing since Saturday morning from Almonte. His cap was found in the river, and it is feared he has been drowned.

The body of an unknown man was found on the shore above Sugar Loaf, near Port Colborne, on Saturday. It is supposed to be one of the crew of the ill-fated steamer Idaho, that foundered off Long Point last fall.

The boiler at Miller's tannery, Orillia, burst on Friday night. The explosion blew out the southern end of the building, and scattered large pieces of iron, brick and stones all around for a couple of hundred yards. The building is wrecked. Mr. Miller estimates his loss at $5,000 or $6,000. Fortunately no one was injured.

Fire broke out on Saturday afternoon in the Orillia News-Letter and Canadian Workman printing offices. The second flat, consisting of press and composing rooms, was entirely gutted. About 28,000 copies of this month's issue of the Canadian Workmen had been sent out, and the presses were running when the fire started. Loss, several thousand dollars.

A DINNER PILL.—Many persons suffer excruciating agony after partaking of a hearty dinner. The food partaken of is like a ball of lead upon the stomach, and instead of being a healthy nutriment, it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are wonderful correctives of such troubles. They correct acidity, open the secretions, and convey the food partaken of into healthy nutriment. They are just the medicine to take if troubled with indigestion.

It May Be War!

authorities, so as to afford full relief. The reply of the Spanish cabinet was received on the night of the 31st ult. It offers, as the means to bring about peace in Cuba, to confide the preparation thereof to the insular parliament, inasmuch as the concurrence of that body would be necessary to reach a final result, it being, however, understood that the powers reserved by the constitution to the central government are not lessened or diminished. As the Cuban Parliament does not meet until the 4th of May next, the Spanish Government would not object, for its part, to accept at once a suspension of hostilities if asked for by the insurgents from the general-in-chief, to whom it would pertain in such case to determine the duration and conditions of the armistice.

THE LATEST NEGOTIATIONS.

With this last overture in the direction of immediate peace and its disappointing reception by Spain, the executive was brought to the end of his effort. In my annual message of December last, I said: "Of the untried measures there remain only, recognition of the insurgents as belligerents, recognition of the independence of Cuba, neutral intervention to end the war by imposing a rational compromise between the contestants, and intervention in favor of one or the other party. I speak not of forcible annexation, for that cannot be thought of. That by our code of morality would be criminal aggression."

The president then quotes at length from his last annual message, and gives as a precedent for the proposed action in Cuba, the recognition of the independence of Texas by President Jackson in 1836. "I said in my message of December last," continued the president: "It is to be seriously considered whether the Cuban insurrection possesses beyong dispute the attributes of statehood, which alone can demand the recognition of belligerency in its favor." The same requirement must certainly be no less seriously considered when the grave issue of recognizing independence is in question, for no less positive test can be applied to the greater act than to the lesser; while on the other hand, the influences and consequences of the struggle upon the internal policy of the recognizing state, which form important factors when the recognition of belligerency is concerned, are secondary, if not rightly eliminable factors, when the real question is whether the community claiming recognition is or is not independent beyond peradventure. Nor from the standpoint of expediency do I think it would be wise or prudent for this government to recognize at the present time the independence of the so-called Cuban republic. Such recognition is not necessary in order to enable the United States to

INTERVENE AND PACIFY

the island. To commit this country now to the recognition of any particular government in Cuba might subject us to embarrassing conditions of international obligation towards the organization so recognized. In case of intervention, our conduct would be subject to the approval of such government. We would be required to submit to its direction and to assume to it the mere relation of a friendly ally. When it shall appear hereafter that there is within the island a government capable of performing the duties and discharging the functions of a separate nation, and having as a matter of fact the proper forms and attributes of nationality, such government can be promptly and readily recognized, and the relations and interests of the United States with such nation adjusted. There remain the alternative forms of intervention to end the war, either as an impartial neutral by imposing a rational compromise between the contestants, or as the active ally of the one party or the other. As to the first, it is not to be forgotten that during the last few months the relation of the United States has virtually been one of friendly intervention in many ways, each not of itself conclusive, but all tending to the exertion of a potential influence toward an ultimate pacific result just and honorable to all interests concerned. The spirit of all our acts hitherto has been an earnest, unselfish desire for peace and prosperity in Cuba, untarnished by differences between us and Spain and unstained by the blood of American citizens. The forcible intevention of the United States as a neutral, to stop the war, according to the large dictates of humanity, and following many historical precedents where neighboring states have interfered to check the hopeless sacrifices of life by internecine conflicts beyond their borders, is justifiable on rational grounds. It involves, however, hostile constraint upon both the parties to the contest, as well to enforce a truce to guide the eventual settlement. The grounds for such intervention may be briefly summarized as follows:

First—In the cause of humanity, and to put an end to the barbarities, bloodshed, starvation, and horrible miseries now existing there, and which the parties to the conflict are either unable or unwilling to stop or mitigate. It is no answer to say this is all in another country, belonging to another nation, and is therefore none of our business. It is especially our duty, for it is right at our door.

Second—We owe to our citizens in Cuba to afford them that protection and indemnity for life and property which no government there can or will afford, and to that end to terminate the conditions that deprive them of legal protection.

Third—The right to intervene may be justified by the very serious injury to the commerce, trade and business of our people, and by the wanton destruction of property and devastation of the island.

Fourth—And, which is of the utmost importance, the present condition of affairs of Cuba is a constant menace to our peace, and entails upon this government an enormous expense. With such a conflict waged for years in an island so near to us, and with which our people have such trade and business relations, when the lives and liberty of our citizens are in constant danger and their property destroyed and themselves ruined; where our trading vessels are liable to seizure, and are seized at our very doors, by warships of a foreign nation, the expeditions of filibustering that we are powerless altogether to prevent, and the irritating questions and entanglements thus arising—all these and others that I need not mention, with the resulting strained relations, are a constant menace to our peace, and compel us to keep on a semi-war footing with a nation with which we are at peace.

These elements of danger and disorder already pointed out have been [illegible]

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which has deeply and justly moved the American people.

Reference is then made to the blowing up of the Maine, and the president proceeds to make the recommendations chronicled above.

THE MESSAGE REFERRED.

When the reading of the president's message had been concluded in the senate, it was at once referred to the committee on foreign affairs, and the senate adjourned until tomorrow.

In the house, the message was sent to the foreign affairs committee without comment, and other business was at once taken up.

WAR NOTES.

The New York World says: General Blanco has received from Madrid instructions to give out the edict granting an armistice.

A dispatch to the Tribune from Havana says in part: The president's message to congress will be the signal for many Cubans to join the insurgents in the field without waiting for hostilities to begin.

The general tone of Spanish comment appears to be one of disappointment, it being alleged that the United States is getting everything she asked. The Spanish officials are throwing oil on troubled waters by representing that the government has simply made submission to the will of the pope.

AT THE ORIENT.

Fearfully Destructive Fires—Over 11,000 People Homeless.

Vancouver, B. C., April 11. — News from the Orient states that by a serious fire in Tokio, 1,111 houses were destroyed, resulting in death and injury to natives. The fire started in the Harukicho Theater, and fifteen streets were cleaned out. The fire was incendiary. Averaging ten to a house, a reasonable average, there were 11,110 people rendered homeless by the fire.

A fire destroyed the Modkyhana hospital for plague patients, erected by Europeans. Out of 98 patients six lost their lives.

On March 20, another fire in Tokio destroyed 113 buildings, among them the medical college of the Imperial University.

Cheery, Whustlin' Men.

[John Imrie, Toronto, Can.]

When troubles rise, like cluds in skies,
An' a' things eerie seem,
Keep up your heart, though frens depart,
Nae time is that to dream!
The weakest man in a' the lan',
Is he that has nae foe;
Trust mair in self than freens or pelf,
An' whustle as ye go!

Chorus—
Just whustle to yersel', my man,
Some cantie tune ye ken,
Thee deil himsel' can't stan' the spell,
O' cheery, whustlin' men!

Should love beguile, just wait awhile,
There's guid fish in the sea,
The fickle jaud may get nae lad,
She's no' the lass for thee!
Tak' time to think, an' in a blink
The richt lass ye will see;
Just whustle some, an' she will come,
Wi' love-licht in her e'e!

Chorus—

Some married men, as ye may ken,
Hae sometimes cause to dree—
A scoldin' wife may vex his life,
An' oot the house he'll flee!
But don't do that, like frichted cat
But tak' advice frae me:
Be unca fain, an' tak' the wean,
An' syne she'll mak' the tea!

Chorus—
She canna whustle like you, guid man,
An, that ye brawly ken;
But she can sing, an' comfort bring
To cheery, whustlin' men.

TRAIN HELD UNTIL THE HEN LAID AN EGG.

[Louisville Post.]

There is no better known local character in Lancaster than Jim Dillon, and he has as many friends as any man in Garrard county. His intimates call him "Old Crow."

"The other day," said he to a party of friends, "I boarded a train on a little jerkwater railroad that runs through a nearby territory, to go to a neighboring town. You know this line doesn't claim a speed equal to the Empire State Express, and the friends of the officers say they are satisfied if the road can clear $2 a day. On the occasion I refer to the wind-burner was nearing my destination when it came to a dead standstill. I stuck my head out of the window to learn the cause of the stop, and saw the conductor talking to an old woman with bonnet and shawl and Sunday toggery on, and a small basket in hand.

"Being curious to know the import of the dialogue between the two, I went forward and learned that the woman had flagged the train for the purpose of getting on board and going on to 'town' to sell a dozen eggs. She told the conductor, however, that she had only eleven in the basket at that moment, but that an old blue hen of hers, then on the nest, was momentarily expected to lay the egg necessary to complete the dozen; that it would be a great accommodation if he would hold his train until this should occur, as it would be a pity to proceed to market with fewer than a dozen eggs. The conductor consented, and then our wait began.

"Finally, after the lapse of about twenty minutes, a furious cackling was heard near the woman's shanty. A moment later a blue hen fluttered into view, followed by the old lady, who came running toward the cars, smiling and holding aloft in triumph the coveted egg. She placed it, while yet warm, in the baskpt with the others, thanked the conductor, and clambered aboard. Then the train again got under way."

A DISALLOWED ACT.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, April 9.—Today's Official Gazette contains notice of the disallowance by the Dominion Government of the provincial act respecting corporations incorporated out of Manitoba.

CRUSHED TO DEATH.

Ingersoll, April 9.—Mr. Joseph Pellow, of West Oxford, west of Ingersoll, met with a terrible accident the other night. He backed his horse up within a few feet of the barn. He went to the rear of the vehicle, and finding it not as close as he desired, he called to the horse to back up. The animal responded, but went too far, and before the old gentleman could step aside, he was caught beside the wagon wheel and the barn, and crushed fatally.

Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet without any pain. What it has done once it will do again.

LYONS.

Lyons, April 9.—James Armstrong, merchant, was subjected to an operation on Monday by Drs. Smith, of Aylmer, and Shaw, of Springfield.

D. S. Appleford has bought the Levi Allen farm, 100 acres, for $5,000.

Charles Luton begins making cheese on Monday.

Edward Whyte has purchased D. S. Appleford's farm, 50 acres, for $3,500.

Mrs. J. O. Robertson is suffering from general debility. Dr. Baker, of Springfield, is in attendance.

Hiram Blake bought 75 acres of choice land from Wm. H. Wooley for $3,500.

The death of Mrs. Florence Royce, of St. Thomas, took place on Friday, at the home of deceased's father (Mr. House), of pulmonary consumption. Interment on Sunday at the Mapleton Cemetery.

Mr. Neal, having leased the brick and tile yard of John Eagan, has introduced a plant for the manufacture of brick, 6x10x13, to be used for walls of barns, as a substitute for stone on concrete.

Catfish Creek, with its tributaries, empties its water into Lake Erie. The fish frequent the stream for spawning purposes, affording an inviting bill of fare for farmers in this section. Torches and spears are used to capture the finny beauties.

DREAMERS ARE SOUND SLEEPERS.

[Washington Star.]

"The popular idea or impression is that when persons dream much during a night to that extent their sleep is interfered with," remarked a well known physician to a Star reporter, "and it is a frequent thing to hear persons say that they did not sleep or rest well. Now, the fact is, dreaming is as much rest or mental recreation as actual sleep in some respects, although it may not appear so on first thought. There is a certain amount of evidence which can be used, however, to prove the proposition. Time and again when persons have been waked up by others they have explained as a reason that they did not respond quicker that they were so engaged in dreaming that they did not hear the call. It is as clearly proven as anything can be that persons in a dreamy condition are much harder to wake than those who are sleeping, as they suppose, soundly. Take a parent, for instance, a mother; when she is sleeping soundly, as she thinks, she can hear her child when it turns over or moves in its crib. Now, the same parent in a dreamy condition would hardly hear a knock at the door or other loud noise. The dream so controls the brain that during its pendency the sense of hearing is blunted."

Thackeray's words were satirical, and he himself was called a cynic; but the author of "Love Affairs of Some Famous Men" shows what sort of a heart beat in the satirist's breast by quoting from the letter of one to whom the following incident happened:

"In the week following his death there appeared some genial memorials in the pages of Punch. Walking down the then unsavory thoroughfare known as Bedfordbury, my eye caught the open page of the popular periodical, and I stayed to read the graceful tribute to the dead moralist. Turning away at length, a poorly-dressed man in working garb said to me:

"'I knew that man, sir.'

"'You knew Thackeray?' I asked.

"'Yes, sir. I keep that little baker's shop yonder' (pointing to the opposite side of the street), 'and many's the time Thackeray would come and buy a pound or two of cake from me. I cut it into slices for him, and then, distributing it among a crowd of hungry children, he would walk away and hide in that court over there, that he might have the pleasure of seeing their enjoyment. He didn't know I knew him, but I did. People used to call him a cynic, sir, but it wasn't true. He loved the children, sir, and no man is a cynic who does that.'"

EASILY ARRANGED.

[Chicago Record.]

"Dear Charlie, if I marry you will you get up and make the fires in the morning?"

"Darling girl, we will get married in the summer. Before winter you will get used to the idea of making the fires yourself."

Paper was first manufacturered in the east, and was introduced into Europe by the Moors in the eighth century.

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CURE SICK HEADACHE
and act like magic on a weak stomach and disordered liver

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DIED.

DALE—On Sunday, April 10, 1898, in the township of Westminster, Joseph Dale, in his 79th year.

Funeral will leave his late residence, con. 2, lot 23, township of Westminster, on Tuesday, April 12, at 1:30 p.m. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.


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"Bring her some strawberries, Mr. Bonnington," said Mrs. Dale. "By-the-bye, I may as well remark that I don't intend to call you Mr. Bonnington very long. I shall drop into plain 'Rudolph' very soon, if only to give a fresh shock to the neighborhood, to whom I am Shocker in ordinary."

"The sooner the better. I can't understand anybody being Mr. Bonnington but my father. Now, he looks equal to the dignity, while I don't. I always feel that there is a syllable too many for me, and that people despise me in consequence."

Mabin, who had recovered the use of her eyes, felt rather envious. The quick give-and-take of light talk like this was so different from the solemn conversations carried on at home, where her father laid down the law and everybody else agreed with him, that she felt this levity, while pleasant and amusing, to be something which would have caused the good folk at home to look askance.

"And how have you been, child, since that unhappy day when I saw you last?"

And Mrs. Dale came to the next chair and piled sugar on the strawberries.

"Oh, I've been getting on all right, but it is tiresome not to be able to walk without those things, and it has made me in everybody's way," sighed Mabin.

"How is that?"

"Papa could have let the house to go abroad as he wanted to, when the accident happened, only I couldn't well be moved then; and now that I could go he has lost the house he heard of at Geneva, and one which he could have now is too small for us, so that I feel I am in the way again."

"Do you mean," asked Mrs. Dale quite eagerly, "that they could go if only they could dispose of you?"

"Yes. There is one room short."

Little Mrs. Dale sprang up, and the color in her cheeks grew pinker.

"Do you think," she asked, after a moment's pause, "that your parents would allow you to stay with me—if you would come?" she finished, with a plaintive note of entreaty on the last words.

"Oh, I am sure they would, and I am sure I would," cried Mabin, with undisguised delight.

And then quite suddenly the face of the black-robed lady grew ashy-grey, and she sank down into her chair, trembling from head to foot.

"No; I—I mustn't ask you," she said, hoarsely.

And there was a silence, during which both her young hearers cast down their eyes, feeling that they dared not look at her. It was Mabin who spoke first. Putting her hand between the two white hands of Mrs. Dale, she said, gently:

"Is it because you are lonely you want me to come?"

She did venture to look up then, startled by the shiver which convulsed Mrs. Dale as she spoke, and in the blue eyes she saw a look of terror which she never forgot.

"Lonely! Oh, child, you will never know how lonely!" burst from her pale lips.

"Then I will come," said Mabin. "I should like to come."

There was another silence. Mrs. Dale had evidently to put strong constraint upon herself to check an outburst of emotional gratitude. Rudolph, moved himself by the little scene, was looking out of the window. The lady in black presently spoke again, very gravely.

"I don't think you will be very much bored, dear, and you will be doing a great kindness to a fellow-creature. And yet—I hardly like—I don't feel that I ought——"

"But I feel that I must and shall," said Mabin, brightly. "You don't know how beautiful it would be for me to feel that at last, for a little while, I shouldn't be in the way!"

And the overgrown girl, who was snubbed at home, had tears in her eyes at the remembrance of the kind touch which she had felt on the day of her accident. Mrs. Dale was too much moved to say much more, but it was agreed between the ladies that the suggestion should be formally made by the tenant of "The Towers" to the heads of the household at "Stone House" without delay, that Mabin should stay with her new friend during the absence abroad of the rest of the Rose family.

Mabin did not notice, while they talked, that Rudolph remained not only silent, but somewhat constrained; but it was not until she took her leave of Mrs. Dale, and he followed her out, that the young girl attached any importance to his reserve.

Once out of hearing of Mrs. Dale, who stood on the stone steps to bid them good-bye, Rudolph asked her abruptly:

"Do you think they'll let you come?"

"Oh, yes, they'll only be too glad to get rid of me. Why do you ask in that tone?"

"Well, there is something I think I ought to tell you, if you are thinking of staying with Mrs. Dale."

"Well, what is it?"

"It is that she is being watched."

"Watched!"

"Yes, by a stranger—a man whom I have never seen in the place before. He hovers about this place, keeping out of range of possible eyes in the house, at all hours of the day and even of the night."

"But how do you know this?"

The words slipped out of her mouth, and it was not until she saw Rudolph redden that she saw that she was too inquisitive.

"I am sure of what I say, anyhow," said he, quietly.

Mabin looked thoughtful.

"I don't care!" she said, at last.

"I thought you wouldn't."

"And I shan't tell anybody anything about it."

"I was sure you wouldn't."

"But I shall tell Mrs. Dale."

Rudolph stopped and looked at her.

"I think you had better not do that," he said.

"But why should a person watch her, except with the intention of trying to do her some harm?"

"Well, I don't know. But I think if you do tell her, knowing how highly nervous she is, you will do her more harm that ever the mysterious watcher would. Perhaps you would even drive her out of the place, in which case, most assuredly, the watcher would go after her; while if we keep her here, perhaps we may manage to draw his fangs."

Mabin felt frightened. Then, being a matter-of-fact girl, she got the better of this feeling quickly, and looked up keenly at her companion.

"What do you exactly mean by that?" she asked.

"Only that I will get hold of the man quietly, and find out what his little game is. Though I can guess."

"Well, you can tell me what your guess is?"

"Why, debt, of course. One can see she is inclined to be extravagant, and very likely she has run up bills somewhere. Don't you think that seems likely?"

His tone was rather anxious, Mabin thought, but she answered indignantly:

"No, I don't. It would be very dishonorable to run away without paying one's debts, and I don't think you much of a friend to poor Mrs. Dale to suggest such a thing."

Rudolph looked not guilty, but grave.

"Well," said he, "people don't hang about a place at the risk of being taken up 'on suspicion of loitering for the purpose of committing a felony,' without some reason."

"Why," cried Mabin, triumphantly, "that is the reason! Mrs. Dale has some lovely diamond rings, and the loitering gentleman wants to steal them."

"Well, perhaps you are right," said Rudolph, doubtfully.

"I am sure of it," retorted Mabin, resolutely, and she held out her hand. "Good-bye, and thank you for your help."

"And you will remember my parable about the Roses?" said he, as he took her hand, and thought he liked grey eyes, after all, better than blue ones.

"Perhaps," said Mabin, cautiously, as she hopped away on her crutches.

(To be continued.)

HOW THE JAPANESE SLEEP.

[K. Mitsukuri in the Atlantic.]

When night comes, beds are prepared. Bedding is brought out from the closets where it has been put away during the day. One or two large thick futons or cushions are spread directly on the mats of bedrooms, and coverings which look like enormous kimono or clothes are spread over them. Every traveler has told of the pillow made of a wooden box, with a little cylindrical cushion on the top, but this kind of pillow is going out of fashion. Softer cylindrical pillows, made by stuffing a cloth bag with husks of buckwheat, are now more commonly used. In the summer it is necessary to have mosquito nets, which generally inclose the whole room.

As a rule, Japanese families retire early. Ten o'clock is about the average time. Eleven is considered late. A function that begins at 9 or 10, and lasts till the small hours of the morning fairly staggers the Japanese. "Why," they say, "even ghosts, who are comme il faut, retire by that hour."



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Cabled Comment

On Old World Topics—Britain's Good Bargain in China—Elated Over Success in the Soudan.

South African Affairs Coming to the Front Again—Mr. Gladstone's Condition—A New Commander for British Troops in Canada.

London, April 11.—Telegrams from St. Petersburg talk of the anger of the Russian newspapers over Britain's coup at Wei Hai Wei, but there is good ground for saying that the Russian Government realizes that Britain's action was the natural sequel of Russia's own action at Port Arthur. There is good authority for saying that Russia has practically apologized for her seizure of Port Arthur. She has assured the British Government that she only took this step because forced to it by the position of affairs at Pekin, and reiterated her desire to respect British treaty rights with China. In fact, she made the most friendly possible excuses. Britain has, by leasing Wei Hai Wei, gone a long way towards securing predominance in the North Pacific, which Russia's presence at Port Arthur might otherwise destroy. She has, moreover, done this by an arrangement with the Japanese Government, which was perfectly friendly, and in no way impedes future co-operation between England and Japan. She has prevented foreign encroachment upon the Yang Tse Valley, has kept the imperial maritime customs under British control, has opened up great Chinese waterways to steamers of all nations, and has obtained the opening of new treaty ports, which include two of immense significance to British commerce, namely, Ching Wang Toa, right in the Gulf of Pe Chi Li, and Yow Chow, a lake far up the Yang Tse Valley. As for the future, Britain means at all hazards to preserve such naval paramountcy in the North Pacific as will enable her to insist upon the policy of an open door.

BRITAIN'S GAIN IN THE EAST.

Harold Frederic says: "As was expected, the talk of a war with Russia fizzled out before Mr. Balfour delivered his Chinese speech in the House of Commons which so disappointed those sanguine Britons who thought he had up his sleeve a declaration of war. As a stop-gap his speech was accepted on all hands as the creditable effort of a capable understudy, and it certainly was effective so far as it went. The practical results of the new policy, when they are actually transferred from foreign office paper to the domain of action are not so bad. To have opened three more treaty ports and insured that the fine valley of the Yang Tse Kiang shall be the stalking ground for no other European power is something; but to have secured a share in the control of the naval activity in the Gulf of Pe Chi Li, and to have established a fortified base whence orders can be shouted to Pekin as clearly as from Port Arthur is what most forcefully strikes the popular imagination. An important English ship owner testifies strongly to the fact that the action of Russia and Germany is likely to lead to the advancement of British shipping interests. In a speech at the launch of the steamer Laureldale at Newcastle the managing owner said his firm had already been asked to take merchandise to Port Arthur and rails to Kiao Chau, and he is certain that a very important trade will be carried on at these ports, chiefly by British steamers. Britain has served notice in terms intelligible on the continent that she is alert and on the ground whenever the question of the partition of China may be raised. The whole tendency of the new departure in policy is pacific, since it involves a fresh European concert over the Sick Man's estate, with the probabilities of endless negotiation, intrigue and compromise, but no fighting, when there is room enough for all in Asia.

THE ATBARA VICTORY.

Rejoicing over the victory in the Soudan is universal in Great Britain. The fall of Khartoum is regarded as not long delayed, and the tardy avenging of Gen. Gordon has stirred the patriotic pulse of the nation. It is believed that the defeat of the Dervishes is so overwhelming that a sudden collapse of the khalifa's rule is not improbable, in which case the advance upon Khartoum will be prompt and almost unopposed. The situation on the Nile has been marvelously cleared by the brilliant victory of the sirdar's forces. The British soldiers and the Egyptian troops fought with almost equal steadiness and dash, and so well was the two hours' battle planned that the defeat of the Dervishes was the most decisive one in the whole history of desert campaigning. The road to Khartoum has been opened, the pacification and redemption of the Soudan have been hastened, and the sirdar's title to the peerage has been established. It requires courage for anybody to avow himself a Little Englander in the face of such exhibitions of old-time British valor and military skill in organizing victory.

THE BOER REPUBLIC.

The presence of Cecil Rhodes in London has given rise to much comment as to South African affairs. The opinion seems to be general among the London correspondents that Mr. Rhodes' visit to England bodes ill for President Kruger and the Transvaal Republic. One writer says: "The report that Portugal was coqueting with Germany in connection with Delagoa Bay has been denied, but there was sufficient truth in it to induce Britain to make inquiries at Lisbon as to the reasons for Gov. Albuquerque's presence in Berlin. The inquiries instituted at the instance of Mr. Chamberlain elicited a satisfactory statement from the Portuguese Government. Ever since Emperor William's famous telegram to President Kruger, Mr. Chamberlain has entertained a strong belief that Germany has made the continuance of Transvaal independence a part of the German imperial policy. But it is as certain as British determination can make it that the Boer Republic will cease to exist within the next two years. That is Mr. Chamberlain's policy, and he wants Delagoa Bay in British hands before that time comes. If Portugal will not sell, the British cabinet, in the opinion of the colonial secretary, ought to pick a quarrel with Portugal and seize the place as the prize of war. Other members of the cabinet are known to agree with Mr. Chamberlain, and public opinion is being steadily educated in this direction. Mr. Rhodes is managing the press part of the business here and in South Africa, and shrewd men declare that when things are temporarily quieted down in the far east, the Transvaal-Delagoa Bay business will rapidly come to a head for settlement in accordance with the policy of the jingo section of the British cabinet."

Another correspondent says: "Mr. Rhodes is quite confident of the success of the progressive movement in Cape Colony. He will assume the premiership of Cape Colony, and next year intends to make a decided move to secure the federation of Cape Colony, Natal and Rhodesia, for the better securing of British paramountcy in South Africa. He calculates that with this strong federation, not on racial lines, but on a clear basis of British supremacy, the Orange Free State and the Transvaal must soon be attracted into a powerful South African Anglo-Dutch confederacy, under the British flag. With this end in view, Mr. Rhodes is now submitting to Mr. Chamberlain important proposals for imperial co-operation."

GERMANY'S POSITION.

Not without significance is the fact that the Queen has just placed one of her Highland residences at the disposal of the Empress of Germany for this summer. The kaiser himself will probably visit his grandmother, for the first time since his luckless telegram to President Kruger. Indeed, everything just now suggests that England and Germany are finding afresh how much they really have in common in their foreign policy.

MR. GLADSTONE.

The latest news of the aged stateman who is slowly dying at Hawarden, is that the disease must reach a fatal termination within seven or eight weeks. In a younger man the final stage, as the disease progresses inward toward the brain, might be insanity. This will not probably be the case with Mr. Gladstone, whose vitality will not survive that point.

COMING TO CANADA.

It is understood that Lord William Seymour, uncle of the Marquis of Hertford, has been selected to succeed Gen. Montgomery Moore, in command of the British troops in Canada. Lord Seymour was born in 1838; first served in the navy as midshipman; entered the Coldstream Guards in 1855; became major-general in 1889, and lieutenant-general in 1896. He served in the Crimean war, in the Egyptian campaign, and was at one time assistant quartermaster-general.

TREND OF TRADE.

Business Fairly Active in Canada, With Hopeful Prospects.

New York, April 11.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s review says: There is a fairly active state of business in Canada, with hopeful prospects on the whole. At St. John business is moderate in groceries and drygroods, and fair in hardware, with about the usual spring purchases of fishing gear. Retail trade is well kept up, with collections about the average.

There is an active movement in drygoods, millinery and clothing at Hallfax, with an average demand for groceries and hardware, with stocks moving freely. Lumber is still inactive, foreign markets being well supplied.

Montreal reports navigation opened. Spring rates have gone into force on the railroads, and heavy merchandise trade is of satisfactory character. Collections are fair to good, and money is stiffer, at 5 per cent on call.

Toronto reports good business generally, with collections satisfactory, though Klondike trade is less active.

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When thar's miles of it unclouded, in the medders, over you!

I like the lazy, daisy, springtime feelin'—like ter be
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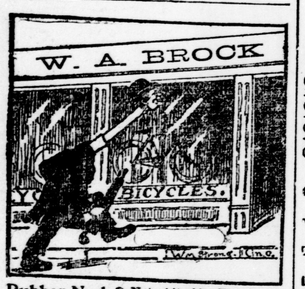
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FINE WEATHER.

Toronto, April 10—11 p.m.—The barometer is high from Manitoba eastward to the Atlantic coast, and low over the Northwest Territories. Fine, mild weather prevails throughout the greater portion of the Dominion. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Esquimalt, 30-54; Kamloops, 34-58; Edmonton, 34-48; Calgary, 24-44; Qu'Appelle, 30-46; Winnipeg, 28-58; Port Arthur, 26-46; Parry Sound, 26-54; Toronto, 36-59; Ottawa, 30-66; Montreal, 36-62; Quebec, 30-58; Halifax, 34-56.

Probabilities: Toronto, April 11—1 a.m.—Lower lakes: Light to moderate winds; fine, stationary or higher temperature.

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News About Town

—Mr. Chris Campbell, Detroit, was in town yesterday.

—Mrs. (Capt.) Porte, of Toronto, is visiting friends here.

—Maurice Penny, of the G. T. R., St. Thomas, is in the city.

—Mr. Alex. Aikman, Hyman street, is reported to be dying.

—The Dean of Huron is confined to the house through illness.

—Mr. Walter Smith, of Oxford street, has gone to Seattle, Wash.

—Mrs. Harry Davis, of Woodstock, is visiting friends in the city.

—Miss Jennie Magee, of Toronto, is visiting her parents in this city.

—The demand for Easter flowers in the city was unprecedentedly large.

—Miss Bapty, of Toronto, is visiting her parents, Dundas street, this city.

—Evangelistic services are being held in the Richmond Street North Mission.

—Mr. Harry Barnard, of Detroit, has been visiting his mother, Dundas street, city.

—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hutton, Cartwright street, spent Easter in Woodstock.

—Mr. Walter Verney, of Brantford, spent Easter with his parents at No. 412 Princess avenue.

—Miss Ada Phillips and Miss Minnie Hookway, of this city, are spending Easter in Woodstock.

—Constant Reader.—Gladstone was born on Dec. 29, 1809; the pope was born on March 2, 1810.

—Mrs. Sidney Busby, of St. Marys, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Wm. Blackwell, 510 York street, city.

—Mr. John L. Plant, of Toronto, has returned home after a short visit to his uncle, Mr. F. Plant, city.

—Mrs. Jarman and Miss Essie Jarman, of Detroit, visited Mrs. J. K. Spry, Maple street, over Easter.

—The Episcopal Flower Mission distributed 60 plants among the patients at the city hospital on Good Friday.

—Miss Maud Gerry, of Woodstock, spent the Easter holidays at the home of her father, Ald. Gerry, Craig street.

—Dr. W. Ardiel, house surgeon at the city hospital, will leave on a trip to the Pacific coast the latter part of this week.

—Mr. W. J. Reid expresses a willingness to donate a trophy, to be competed for by clubs in a city baseball league.

—Master Allan Towe, who was seriously crushed in the city hall collapse, is now able to walk about with the aid of a cane.

—Rev. Mr. Filian, the Armenian, preached to a large congregation in the Southern Congregational Church yesterday morning.

—The prizes won at Friday's rifle matches will be distributed at the drill shed tonight, among the members of the Seventh Battalion.

—Mr. David Gardiner, of Clinton, father of Mr. Robert Gardiner, of the Tecumseh House, died last week. He had been a resident of Clinton for 25 years.

—Business man, for the lack of a little business enterprise and some judicious advertising, don't let your new fresh goods become stale on your shelves.

—The pupils of St. George's school contributed largely to the happiness of the children of the city hospital for Easter by a liberal donation of books and toys.

—The action of Mrs. McArthur, of this city, against the executors of the estate of her father, the late Henry Waters, to have it declared that the amount willed to her should not be reduced by some $3,000 of notes held by the estate against herself and husband, was dismissed at Osgoode Hall on Saturday by Mr. Justice Falconbridge. The case will be appealed.

—Mrs. Jones, with her son, Mr. Harry Jones, of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto, is the guest of her brother, Mr. H. McDougall, 476 Queen's avenue.

—Tilsonburg Liberal: Miss Dollie Mantel, who has been in the employ of Smallman & Ingram, London, for the past three years, has to resign for a time on account of poor health.

—Miss Murray, of Clinton, is visiting her brother, Mr. James Murray, Elmwood avenue, South London. Mrs. Murray's brother, Mr. W. W. Scott, of Ingersoll, is also here on a visit.

—A post-mortem examination was held upon the remains of the late Conductor Snider at Fergus. It was found that he had died of cancer of the stomach. His life was insured for $8,000.

—Mr. A. B. Powell will leave London in a week or two for his new headquarters in Berlin. Many friends in this city will regret the departure of Mr. Powell and his estimable family.

—A special series of revival services were started in the Christian Church, East London, last night. It is expected they will continue for four weeks. Mr. G. N. Cook, the singing evangelist, of Cleveland, will take part.

—Justice was swift and sure at the police court this morning. Charles Crofts, a drunk, was asked by Magistrate Parke how much he wanted, and the prisoner replied "Nothing." The court passed sentence without any more questions—$5 or one month. Chris. Moriarity was sent down for twenty days, in default of a $5 fine, for being drunk. Abraham Fox was given two weeks in which to pay his junk shop license.

—Mrs. Scott, the beloved wife of Alexander Scott, 681 Colborne street, died yesterday morning of pneumonia. The deceased was 32 years old, and was the third daughter of Mr. George Wyatt. She leaves a sorrowing husband, and four children, the eldest of whom is a girl of seven years, the youngest an infant of twelve months. Mrs. Scott was a lady of sterling qualities, and a general favorite with all who knew her. Much sympathy is expressed for the bereaved husband.

—The Dundas Center Methodist Sunday school held an Eastertide service of scripture and song yesterday afternoon, assisted by the orchestra and church choir. Rev. Robert Lowry's cantata, "Ever Liveth," was the selection. A unique feature of the session was provided by ex-Mayor Spencer, who presented each child with a candy nest and egg, to illustrate his subject, in which he took the egg as the emblem of life. The attendance was the largest in the history of the Sunday school.

—Mr. Ed. J. Fewings accountant of the Merchants' Bank, Gananoque, left Saturday for Medicine Hat, Assa., to open a branch of the same bank. He will remain there as the local manager. This will be the first banking institution at Medicine Hat. Mr. Fewings, who is a London boy, is one of the youngest bank managers in the province. He has worked his way through all grades of the service, and his friends here, who are many, will congratulate him on his latest promotion, which is a very gratifying proof of the confidence reposed in him.

—A large number of friends assembled at the residence of Mrs. G. Lewis, Oxford street, Saturday evening. Among the guests were members of the Royal Anamatagraph Company, and friends from Winnipeg, Seaforth and Detroit. Mr. Will. McLeod, of Seaforth, rendered some very pleasing songs. Mr. J. McLeod and Miss Meredith were the accompanists for the evening, and a very enjoyable time was spent. Refreshments were served.

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AN ACCUSING CONSCIENCE.

Orangeville Sun: Two years ago, while Mr. Thomas Robinson, of London, was visiting friends here, he lost a $60 diamond ring, and no amount of searching revealed its hiding place. At length the ring was given up for lost, and no more was thought of the matter until a few days ago. A little parcel, neatly tied up, came through the mail, addressed to Mr. Harry Robinson, of this town. It contained the long-lost ring. No explanation or mark, indicating where it came from, accompanied the parcel, and the only solution of the mystery is that some person stole the ring, and his conscience would not let the thief rest until the stolen article was returned.

MASS AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH.

A large congregation assembled at St. Mary's Church, Hill street, yesterday, at morning service. The edifice presented a very bright and pretty appearance, being decorated with a profusion of flowers, especially the Easter lily. Much credit is due the Altar Society, who had this part in hand. The special music was of a high standard. Miss M. Connor presided at the organ in an efficient manner, and the orchestra was led by Mr. Jas. Cresswell, who also played a violin solo, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," with much effect at the conclusion of the mass. Miss Brown, first violin; Mr. George Blinkhorn, clarionet; Mr. Cottam, cornet; Mr. Lacey, 'cello; Mr. John Traher, slide trombone, and Misses Annie and Minnie Connor and Master Miles, second violins, were the other members of the orchestra present. Solos were also excellently sung by Mrs. Traher and Misses Lenehan, sopranos; Miss N. Kelly, alto, and Messrs. John Kearney, James Cresswell, W. Traher and Jas. Connor.

Rev. Father Brady preached an earnest and able discourse from Mark, xvi., 1-7. He spoke of Christ's resurrection and the lessons it taught. The handsome sum of $225, for the support of the clergy, was taken in collections during Easter services.

Will Stick To Their Own.

Hospital Trust Will Not Be Represented on the Civic Committee.

An Emphatic Resolution—They Worked for Nearly Twelve Months on the Question, and Are of the Same Opinion Still.

The hospital trust will not send a representative to the civic hospital building committee. Their position on this matter was stated emphatically at the meeting on Saturday afternoon, when the question was raised by Mr. C. F. Complin.

Mr. Gilmour held that no good would be gained by representation on the committee. Their views have been submitted to the council in the shape of plans, on which they had worked for nearly twelve months, and they were of the same opinion still.

Mr. Purdom said it was his opinion that the ratepayers who voted on the bylaw at the recent election did so in the belief that the plans submitted would be carried out and also that the new hospital would be built by the trust. The trust, he thought, had a legal right to say, if it chose, that not a stone of the old building could be touched.

Mr. Gilmour was not inclined to go that far.

Finally it was decided to reply to the invitation of the building committee as follows:

"The hospital trust were requested by the city council to report to them regarding the erection of a new hospital. The trust considered the question fully in all its aspects, and finally decided to adopt the plans prepared by Messrs. Moore & Henry, and reported to the city council in accordance with that decision, and submitted the proposed plans at the same time. The trust are still of the opinion that the conclusions arrived at by them are correct, and that it would not be in the best interests of the hospital trust to name one of its members to take part in the deliberations of the hospital building committee. The trust believe that the electors at the recent election voted for the erection of the hospital in the belief that its erection would be according to the plans adopted by the trust, and approved of by the great majority of the medical profession in the city."

Applications for positions on the nursing staff were received from Miss May Essex, 558 Colborne street, city; Miss Isabel Munro, Nairn; Miss Florence J. Mitchell, Strathroy; Miss Hannah M. Dufton, 26 Stanley street, city. They were all accepted.

Accounts amounting to $937 73 were passed.

Rev. W. T. Claris and Rev. Robert Johnston, representing the city Ministerial Association, appeared before the trust to further arrangements for conducting religious services by different denominations in turn at the hospital each Sunday morning.

The members present were: Col. R. Lewis (chairman), Messrs. J. Gilmour, M.P., T. H. Purdom, C. F. Complin and Dr. Balfour.



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A LONDON BOY'S WEDDING.

Mr. Harry D. Millar Marries Miss Schofield, of Burlington, Ia.—Description of the Ceremony.

The Freeport, Ill., Journal, contains the following account of the wedding of Mr. Harry D. Millar, son of Mr. John Millar, formerly of this city, now of Toronto:

"At the home of Mr and Mrs. S. C. Schofield, on Upper Stephenson street, West Freeport, today at noon, their daughter, Miss Irene E. Schofield, was married to Harry D. Millar, of Burlington, Ia., by Rev. Wm. C. Spencer, pastor of the Baptist Church.

"It was a quiet, but very pretty home wedding, attended only by relatives of the bride and groom. The ceremony was performed in the parlor in front of a large window prettily decorated with palms and flowers, and Mendelssohn's 'Wedding March' was played by Mrs. Robert Schofield as the bride and groom, unattended, took their places. The bride looked very charming in a handsome going-away gown of cadet blue cloth, and she carried the usual bouquet of roses. Dinner was served immediately after the wedding, and at 3:40 o'clock this afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Millar left for their new home at Burlington, Ia.

"The bride belongs to one of the oldest and most prominent Freeport families, her father being a cousin of Lieut.-Gen. John M. Schofield and a nephew of the late Rev. James Schofield, who was the founder of the Baptist Church here. She was born and brought up in this city, educated at the public schools and the College of Commerce, and has lived here the greater part of her life. She is a very pretty, a pleasant and a popular young woman.

"Mr. Millar is a native of London, Canada, where he was reared and educated. For several years he was a reporter on the Globe of Toronto, but gave up journalism to become an agent for the Bradstreet company, and traveled through this territory for several years; recently he was appointed manager of the agency at Burlington, Ia., and is now in charge there. Mr. Millar is a pleasant appearing young man and has the reputation of being a very capable business man.

"Two of the groom's brothers, Rowland J. and Louis R. Millar, of Chicago, were here to attend the wedding."

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