

JAP INFANTRY WHIPS COSSACK BAND IN HOT FIGHT NEAR ANJU, KOREA. FRENCH TRI-COLOR FLYING AT NEW CHWANG

Powerful Russ Fleet Being Mobilized to Go to Far East.

M. AKIYAMA RESIGNS FROM DIET

Vladivostok Police Busy Pulling Pig-tails in Attempt to Locate Mikado's Spies.

London, Tuesday, March 23.—The Daily Mail wires that in an engagement on March 23, in which Japanese infantry attacked Cossacks between Anju and Chong Ju, the Japanese were victorious, but lost 50 killed.

The Morning Post New Chwang correspondent learns that the Japanese will not land an expedition in the Liao River Valley before April 29, as their transports are still engaged in conveying troops to Korea.

The correspondent at Shan Hai Kwan of the Daily Mail asserts that the Chinese have received official authorization to turn over to the Japanese the plant of the Shan Hai Kwan Railway.

TRI-COLOR OVER NEW CHWANG.—Then Tsin, March 23.—A Frenchman named Kresner, an employee of the Russo-Chinese Bank has been appointed consular agent at New Chwang.

He has notified the French flag over the bank building. It is considered probable that this is a forerunner of a movement to fly the tri-color over all the Russian government buildings at New Chwang.

RUSSIAN NEW SQUADRON.—Paris, March 23.—The Matin's St. Petersburg correspondent says that the Russian admiralty has ordered eight 300-ton torpedo boats from Riga and the Nevsky yards. He adds that the type of the latest Japanese torpedo boats will be copied exactly.

The Petit Journal's St. Petersburg correspondent says: "I learn that the fleet to sail to the Far East about May 15 will consist of eight battleships, eleven cruisers, and torpedo-boat destroyers, the number of which has not yet been fixed."

The Echo de Paris St. Petersburg correspondent says the war office general staff expects that the first land engagements in the Far East will take place in about a week. It is estimated, he adds, that General Kuroki, commanding the first Japanese army, the Fung Yang, has a total strength of 70,000 men, including a brigade of cavalry and 180 cannon.

PULLING THE QUELLE.—Vladivostok, March 23.—An amusing sequel has resulted from the order of the chief of police directing that a keen lookout be kept for Japanese disguised as Koreans or Chinese. Since the order was issued the police search every Asiatic they see for a pull at his queue in order to ascertain whether it is real or false.

CHINESE LEAVE MURKIN.—The Standard Tien Tsin correspondent says that in compliance with Viceroy Alexieff's demand the Tartar general of Feng Tien has withdrawn his troops to a distance of 20 miles from Mukden. He adds that the Russians are now left in complete control of the revenue and other duties of the Wei Hui Wei correspondent of the Times says: A Chinese junk, which has arrived here, reports having seen on the morning of March 23, eleven steamship Russian vessels maneuvering in the vicinity of a Japanese fleet, which was being heard from. No sound of firing was heard.

CZAREVITCH AGAIN HIT.—The Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Yn Kow says the last Japanese bombardment damaged the former barrette of the Russian battleship Czarevitch. The correspondent adds: According to rumor the Japanese transports, escorted by four cruisers, approached New Chwang Saturday, and then departed. The Japanese states Viceroy Alexieff will return to Europe in a few days.

The Russian general staff announces for the present that more volunteers will be accepted about 60,000 men have volunteered for service in the far east, of which number the Far East selected. It must be understood that those who have volunteered are men who are not subject to military service.

A. Tien Tsin dispatch says: Lloyd's agent at New Chwang telegraphs as follows: The port is not open. The Russians have not blocked the river up to the present. There are no movements of troops and the town is in perfect order. The Russian and Helena will undock April 2.

A Chee Foo dispatch says: Five British steamers left the Chee Foo for New Chwang Monday, just before advice were received of the declaration of martial law there by the Russians.

NO CONFIRMATION.—Up to late last (Monday) night no official communication had reached the foreign office concerning the declaration of martial law at New Chwang, and officials are inclined to the opinion that this indicated the Russian Government had not yet sanctioned Viceroy Alexieff's action.

This declaration of martial law is somewhat anxiously discussed by the London morning newspapers, among which the question has arisen as to whether Russia is desirous of dragging China into the conflict.

The Standard, recognizing that the total powers may be protected by some embarrasment by removing some of the difficulties Japan would have experienced in dealing with New Chwang in the event of its becoming necessary to attack the Russian forces at that point.

CORRESPONDENTS EXPELLED.—St. Petersburg, March 23.—A war correspondent of the Russky Viedomosti, writing from Harbin, Manchuria, says he has not been permitted to proceed to Port Arthur, and adds that he will not be allowed to go to the front from Harbin until April 2. All the correspondents have been expelled from Harbin until April 2.

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The War News.

Jap and Cossacks have clashed in Korea near Anju, the latter being defeated with a loss of one hundred men. The Jap loss is placed at fifty. The French flag has been raised over New Chwang, France representing Russia until the latter's Government reaches a decision as to whether Alexieff's declaration of martial law is to hold good or not. The Japs first division, seventy thousand strong, is far north in Korea, and Russia expects that hostilities on a large scale will begin within the next two weeks. Russia is mobilizing a powerful fleet in European waters, which will sail for the Far East within a few weeks. The Chinese general at Mukden has, at the demand of Alexieff, withdrawn his troops sixty miles from that city.

Alexieff is about to return to Europe, a significant incident in view of his bungling of the campaign up-to-date. Marquis Ito is about to leave Korea, having succeeded in his mission of reassuring that country as to the Mikado's intentions. M. Akiyama, member of Jap Diet, accused of being a Russian spy, has resigned by request of the Government.

ARE JAPS AWAITING SIGNAL FOR GREAT WAR COUP?

Expected to Pounce Upon Rail-road at First Clash of Armies.

London, March 23.—The military correspondent of the Times today says: Not the least of the surprises has been the immunity of the Russian railways from destruction, and even attempts at demolition. Yet the Japanese had studied the whole theater before the outbreak of the war, and know more about the circumstances of the country and the population, outside of the immediate neighborhood of the railway and the Russian garrisons, than the Russians themselves.

There has been ample time to dispatch emissaries and raiding parties into the interior, and it is difficult to account for the fact that the Japanese have not made communications except under the assumption that the Japanese are wanting in resource and audacity, or alternatively, that all preparations have been made, and that at a given signal on a given day and hour they will reach the stage of execution. Nothing that has yet occurred entitles us to cast doubts upon the intelligence and resource of the Japanese. We are, therefore, forced to fall back upon the alternative, and believe that the hour for action has not yet struck, and that the Japanese are waiting for a signal from the main army.

In what posture will the Russians stand in the Liao Valley, at Port Arthur, and on the Yalu River if they wake up one fine morning to find their communications severed, not only in one place, but throughout the line, and the Japanese army threatening Vladivostok? Can the Russian army exist in the Liao Valley with its communications severed? Can it, without the aid of the railway, retrace its steps to Harbin? Is not the Russian army as much tied to the railway as we were in South Africa? Is not the security of that single line even more vital to Russia than was that of the three alternative routes in the South African war?

Do we think the Japanese are less enterprising than the Boers? Are we prepared to believe that the Japanese have been asleep since Feb. 5?

BRITISH CRUISERS' TEST

Average of 17 Knots on Voyage From Bermuda to England.

London, March 23.—Five cruisers belonging to the British West India squadron have sailed from Bermuda, coming at the highest possible speed in order to test their steam engines and coal consumption. They are expected to reach England in a few days.

The average speed of the voyage was 17 knots. It would have been higher, but the squadron was forced to reduce speed, it being early revealed that three of the vessels, especially the Donegal, were short heavy coal consumers that they would not have a sufficient supply to last through the voyage if their engines were kept at top speed.

Anglo-American League Wants Arbitration Treaty

London, March 23.—At a meeting here today of the Anglo-American League resolutions were unanimously adopted affirming that it was desirable that the British Government should negotiate a treaty with the United States for the view to the systematic reference to arbitration of differences that by diplomacy may fail to settle, such differences to the referred to the Hague tribunal or other agreed authority, and declaring that it was desirable that the two governments before resorting to reprisals or hostilities should endeavor to settle differences through the Hague tribunal or other peaceful means.

The Right Hon. James Bryce, M. P., president, said that all classes and all political faiths in Great Britain were practically unanimous in favor of a treaty. He added that it was impossible to imagine a difference

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TO DEEPEN THE WELLAND THE MISSING LAMORNA

Marine Association Ask for 18 Feet—Two Convicts Escape.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Ont., March 23.—The Canadian Marine Association appointed a committee to wait on the Marine Department in regard to the rules of the road, the qualification of engineers, and the steamboat inspection act. A memorial will also be sent to the Government to ask that the Welland Canal be made 18 feet deep, and the locks 500 feet long, thus equalling the Buffalo standard. The association will also ask permission to install electric power on the Lachine Canal for the handling of the locks. C. F. Gilder, Montreal, and H. C. Hammond, Toronto, vice-president, and Frank King, Kingston, secretary.

It is learned here that two prisoners have escaped from the St. Vincent de Paul penitentiary. They were the two of the guards and took his gun from him.

ANGLO-FRENCH AGREEMENT.—Paris, March 23.—The London correspondent of the Times says that the French ambassador to Great Britain, has received Foreign Minister Delcasse's reply concerning modifications demanded by Lord Lansdowne, the British foreign secretary, in the text of the French proposals regarding the Anglo-French colonial treaty and has communicated to Lord Lansdowne. These proposals, the correspondent says, will be discussed at a cabinet council today. The negotiations are approaching completion he adds.

THE CENTRAL CAMP.—Ottawa, March 23.—It is considered doubtful whether Parliament will be asked to vote an appropriation for the establishment of a central camp for instruction this year. So much money is being demanded for the training of the militia, for munitions of war, rifle ranges and various other purposes that, although the camp is admitted to be a necessity, the cost of starting it this year would swell the estimates to an extraordinary figure.

It must be borne in mind that his colleagues do not begrudge Sir Frederick Borden any reasonable amount necessary to improve the efficiency of the militia, and since he has been at the head of the force the minister has done wonders. A comparison of the sums now voted with those granted under the old regime, to say nothing of the results achieved, will easily bear out this statement. At the same time, however, no great harm will result from postponing the scheme of the central training camp for one year, and this course may be decided on.

MARCONI SERIOUSLY.—New York, March 23.—A cable to the Sun from Milan says: Marconi, the wireless telegraph expert, is seriously ill with fever.

"PARADISE LOST" MSS.—American Collector Secures It for More Than \$25,000.

London, March 23.—The much advertised manuscript of part of "Paradise Lost" has been sold privately to an American collector, who wishes for the present to remain unknown. The manuscript is now on the way to the United States. The price he paid for it has not been divulged, but it is assumed that it was more than the £5,000, at which it was bought in January, when it was offered at auction in London.

THE SOO LOAN.—Detroit, Mich., March 23.—A New York special says: The Moffat reorganization committee of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company has made public statement to the effect that the company in Ontario was about to be removed. The report gives no particulars, but a representative of the Moffat committee, who refused to allow his name to be used, said that Senator Kerr, of Ontario, who has been in the city several days investigating the affairs of the committee, had left for the north, having obtained from the committee satisfactory information on all points on which he made inquiries.

The senator said the representative assured the committee that the two-million-dollar bill which will pass the Ontario Legislature some time this week.

THE CRUDE OIL DUTY.—Western Ontario Producers Willing To Have It Reduced.

Ottawa, March 23.—Dr. Johnston, M. P. for West Lambton, has presented a petition from oil producers in the county of Lambton, representing 5,427 wells, in regard to the coal oil duties. The petitioners say they recognize that the tariff being the same per gallon upon the crude as upon refined oil, the importation of the former is prohibited. They also recognize, they say, the fact that at the present time sufficient oil is not produced in Canada to meet the increased demand, and that it is not a sound policy to keep the oil refining interests in Canada in a suffering condition for the want of crude oil, their raw material. The statement is strongly made that any reduction in the present tariff upon the refined product would be disastrous to the oil industry, but for the purpose of increasing the manufacture of refined oil in Canada they are willing that the duty of 5 cents per gallon upon crude and that of 25 cents upon crude when imported should be reduced to not less than 2 cents per gallon for all purposes. The signatures on the petition include J. H. Fairbank, 11 wells; Ontario Oil Lands Company, 13 wells; George A. McGillivray & Co., 251 wells; J. L. Englehart, 240 wells; Macdonald & Milne, 201 wells, and H. Corey & Son, 133 wells.

NO PLOT AGAINST POPE.—Rome, March 23.—The report cabled to America that the Vatican has for days past been guarded by a large force of Italian soldiers and police, owing to the discovery of a plot against the life of the Pope, is ridiculous. The resolutions were read by the number of carabinieri and police on duty at the papal palace is no larger than usual.

BOYARIN WAS BLOWN UP.—Paris, March 23.—"It is certain," says the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times, "that the Russian cruiser Boyarin was blown up by touching a Russian torpedo eight days after the torpedo transport Yenisei was blown up as the result of accidentally striking a mine at Port Arthur."

COL. OTTER'S CONDITION.—Toronto, March 23.—At noon the doctors attending Col. Otter report that he is no worse, and this is considered a favorable sign. About 3 a.m. he became semi-conscious, recognized his wife and asked what was the matter. He has, however, not been conscious since.

WEATHER BULLETIN.—TOMORROW-FAIR AND WARMER. Sun rises, 6:40 a.m. Moon rises, 4:40 p.m. Sun sets, 6:41 p.m. Moon sets, 4:57 a.m. Toronto, March 23.—8 a.m. Wind, W. by N. 12 m.p.h. Clouds, 100. Throughout Canada, comparatively mild from the Rockies to Lake Superior, and elsewhere moderately cold.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Calgary, 22-33; Prince Albert, 8-33; Qu'Appelle, 12-22; Winnipeg, 14-34; Port Arthur, 4-22; Parry Sound, 6-23; Toronto, 16-30; Ottawa, 14-30; Montreal, 14-23; Quebec, 10-23; Halifax, 22-30.

FORECASTS.—Tuesday, March 23.—8 a.m. Southerly to easterly winds; generally fair to clear on Wednesday; higher temperatures.

TEMPERATURES.—Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather. Showers, 24 22 Snow. Parry Sound, 20 12 Cloudy. Toronto, 22 22 Fair. Ottawa, 22 22 Fair. Montreal, 22 18 Clear. Quebec, 22 14 Clear. Father Point, 22 14 Clear.

WEATHER NOTES.—The weather continues generally fair in Canada and moderately cold. Pressure is low throughout the western portion of the continent, and the outlook is favorable for conditions.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Monday were: Highest, 23.5°; lowest, 15.5°.

Local House Sits All Night; Dr. Nesbitt's Petty Tactics

Waste Words But USE 'EM

Opposition Again Ignore Agreement as to Debates.

House Divides at 8 a.m. on Amendment, Government Having a Majority of Threes.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, March 23.—Another striking specimen of the petty tactics which pass for statesmanship on the part of the Ontario Opposition was afforded at today's session of the Legislature, when Dr. Beattie Nesbitt took advantage of the light attendance of Government members to press one of the non-contentious subject which it had been agreed, should not be raised on a Monday or Friday. He brought forward a motion regarding the 2-cent rate on subsidized Ontario railways, and by debating it forced the Government to put up speakers against time.

Mr. Whitney suggested that if the Government would allow the debate to continue on Wednesday they might adjourn.

At 10 o'clock Mr. Dickinson (Liberal, South Wentworth) asked Mr. Speaker whether there was not some arrangement to adjourn at 10 o'clock. The Speaker said he did not know.

"It is usual to adjourn at 10 o'clock, but I don't propose to plead for an adjournment," replied the Premier.

Premier Ross promised to abandon Wednesday as Government day and allow the Opposition to continue this debate, and any other pressing matters they might have.

"Oh, well," rejoined Mr. Whitney quickly, "we had better vote on this question now and settle it," and the debate went on.

Messrs. Graham, Grass, Mackay, Fense and other Liberal members spoke, and at 2 a.m. they were still talking.

DEATHS FROM BUBONIC.—Bombay, March 23.—The latest available bubonic plague returns for the whole of India for the week ended March 19, show the appalling mortality of 40,527, an increase of 7,000 over those of the preceding week. In the Punjab and the northwest provinces each there is a death rate of 10,000 weekly. In the Bombay Presidency the number is 8,500, and in Bengal 5,000.

MORTALITY FOR ONE WEEK IN INDIA WAS 40,527.

THE POPE MAY APPEAL TO FRENCH CATHOLICS AGAINST COMBES' GOVERNMENT.

Rome, March 23.—Following Ambassador Nisard's energetic protest against the Combes Government, the Vatican is expected to take the form of a strong encyclical to the French episcopate, widening the breach that already exists between France and the Vatican because it will appeal to Catholics to withstand, a Pontifical, the attempted demolition of Catholicism in France.

To a cardinal, who expressed fear that the recall of Ambassador Nisard from the Vatican would result in the abrogation of a concordat, the Pope said that the church thrives best where no miracle and no concord exist, and that the United States and England in point.

Though President Loubet will not visit the Pope when he comes to Rome, for the Pope has said he would not grant him an audience if he asked one. The correspondent is assured that Foreign Minister Delcasse and the Cardinal Merry del Val, the Papal secretary of state, though informally, when President Loubet comes to Rome, but compromise are impossible as long as M. Combes remains Premier of France.

A BIG QUESTION.—The Premier replied that the question raised was a very big one. If the railways' earning power were reduced by reason of a lower passenger rate, then the companies would raise their freight rates to make up the difference, and that would mean that the farmers of the country would suffer, as they were more interested in freight than passenger rates. There was a great deal to be said in favor of lower rates for both freight and passengers, but Dr. Nesbitt's motion would only benefit a very small part of the community.

TWO CENTS ON TEMISKAMING.—The Premier made the announcement that the Government would probably have a two-cent rate for the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway. Continuing, he pointed out that this was only within the last few years that the big railway companies of Canada were in a position to pay dividends. These dividends would be swept away if the railways were compelled to reduce their rates, and that would be manifestly unfair. Then, too, some of these railway companies were backed by English capital, and as Canada would be dependent for years to come on English capital to develop its resources, it was not fair that the capital might be diverted to some other channel or to some other country.

MR. WHITNEY'S REPLY.—Mr. Whitney said that it had been declared by the Premier that great injury would follow the adoption of Dr. Nesbitt's proposal. Mr. Whitney could not agree with his argument. The adoption of the motion could not have any effect on the freight rates of any line, because the Dominion Parliament have appointed a railway commission to which the companies must submit their freight schedule, and that tribunal shall regulate it. So then no railway had the power to raise their freight rates, and consequently there could be no danger from that source.

MR. HARCOURT'S VIEWS.—Mr. Harcourt agreed with the Premier that in the main the question of railway rates rights itself depending upon the conditions of traffic, density of population and amount of freight. As to the argument based on the two-cent flat rate of the New York Central, Mr. Harcourt pointed out that no general conclusion could be drawn from the case of this one company in view of its particularly favorable situation for profitable and abundant traffic. Moreover, when final yearly returns were made up for the two leading Canadian lines it was found that the average passenger rate for both G. T. R. and C. P. R. was actually less than that of the New York Central, and that the freight rates on the latter were extended for hundreds of miles over a comparatively sparsely-settled district.

Mr. Harcourt also noted that the motion as worded referred only to roads to be built in the future, which would be the main lines of the future, and that the roads already built and in operation must for some years at least necessarily be small as compared with the new lines.

It must further be borne in mind, he continued, that a decrease in receipts from passenger traffic would be very likely to involve an increase in freight rates. And the interest of the public in securing cheaper freight rates was immeasurably greater than in securing higher passenger rates. The traveling public was after all comparatively unimportant.

KNOWS NOTHING OF IT.—Havana, March 23.—Rumors, circulated in the United States, that the Northern Securities' Company would attempt to dominate Cuba, came to a surprise to President Palma. The president informed the Associated Press that he had no knowledge that such an effort would be made. Levi P. Morton, D. A. Smith and Sir William Van Horne dined with the president last week, after which they proceeded to Santiago de Cuba. The question of domination of the Securities Company was not mentioned at the dinner.

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## THE LAKE MICHIGAN SAFE.

London, March 28. — The steamer Michigan, before reported in collision, has been taken to Liverpool, and was safely berthed today.

## EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS.

St. Petersburg, March 28. — Two severe earthquake shocks were felt this afternoon at Temir Khan Shura, capital of the Province of Dagestan, Caucasus. No details have been received.

## Piles

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New York, N. Y., March 29. — A sheriff's jury took testimony yesterday to determine how much of \$75,000 demanded by Eleanor L. Anderson, Jas. Abel can afford to and ought to pay her for engaging to marry her under the name of U. Ogden. Result, Miss Anderson sued him for \$75,000 for breach of promise. The jury assessed the defendant for the full amount claimed.

## KING SAILS FOR DENMARK.

London, March 29. — King Edward and Queen Alexandra left London last evening on their way to Copenhagen, to attend a family gathering on the occasion of King Christian's birthday. April 8, when his majesty will be 86 years of age.

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## IT WANTED MORE THAN IT GOT

The Government Declined to Grant All the Amendments Asked for by G. T. P.

Ottawa, March 28. — The correspondence between the Government and the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, which was laid before the house this afternoon, will show that the promoters of that enterprise sought a good deal more in the way of amendments to last year's contract than they were to obtain. Each proposition was met by a counter-proposition, and the negotiations were spread over weeks. This too, the papers prove, that the old country men interested in the venture have not made the most of the opportunity that is presented to them in this bargain. The cabinet met the company in a spirit of fairness, and did not attempt to ignore the depressed condition of the money market. But the Ottawa authorities would not, in the public interest, consent to recast the whole arrangement, and all along the company had the right to know that the Government could not get the terms it wanted from a private corporation, it would carry the undertaking through itself upon the credit of the Dominion.

## WHAT TEA DOES TO RHEUMATICS.

When you next take tea, think of this. Tea contains 176 grains of Uric Acid in every pound. Most contains only five to seven grains. Rheumatism is Uric Acid in the blood. Uric Acid accumulates from food when the digestive apparatus cannot create enough Alkaline elements (like soda) to neutralize it. This Acid collects urea, or worn-out waste matter, from the system. That Urea enters the blood when Alkaline action has not previously dissolved it. By and by the waste matter reaches the joints and muscles, through circulation of the blood, and causes rheumatism. There it gradually deposits in solid particles, like granulated sugar. These solid particles irritate between the joints and muscles at every movement. This grinding causes irritation and pain.

These in turn may develop inflammation and swelling. That inflammation betrays Nature to help Nature to help. She proceeds to coat the hard Uric particles over with cushions of pulpy mucous, like the first healing strata of an outer case. This pulpy covering grows to the bones, as well as to the particles in the joints. There it hardens like plaster or sealing wax. Then we have "bony joints," almost inflexible, and usually fixed in a benighted position, from the pain and inflammation at its worst.

It is bad enough before it gets that far. It is but one sure way of curing Rheumatism. The first step is to neutralize the Uric Acid already in the system. Next, to dissolve and carry away the hard deposits that grind between the joints. Then get the digestive apparatus unaided, produce less Uric Acid, and neutralize it. These are the three steps that Doctors generally have failed to do. It is what I studied a lifetime to accomplish, and achieved it after many failures and thousands of experiments. At last I found, in Germany, a solvent which was not only effective, but absolutely safe to use. My discovery, now called "Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Cure," acts directly, but internally, upon Uric Acid in the joints and muscles. It dissolves and carries off the painful deposits, producing a healthy condition of the blood, and neutralizing the Acid in it which would have fed the Rheumatism and extended the disease.

It won't restore bony joints to flexibility, and it can't undo the damage done by years of rheumatic condition. But it will benefit every case, and it will entirely cure most cases of Rheumatism. To cure am I of this, that I will supply anyone who writes me for it, on a month's trial, at my risk. If it succeeds, the cost to him is only \$5 for the six bottle treatment. If it fails, I bear the whole cost myself. And, — he alone shall be the judge — shall decide who shall pay.

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## TURNED DOWN THE SCHOOL

St. Thomas Refuses Grant of \$15,000 to Alma College.

St. Thomas, Ont., March 29. — The voting on the by-laws to grant \$15,000 to Alma Ladies College was defeated yesterday by the ratepayers of St. Thomas by a majority of eleven. The ballots in favor numbered 625, with 644 against. The gift of \$25,000 by the Massey estate was conditional on an equivalent amount being raised by other means. The college board had \$10,000 in sight from other sources, and asked the city to grant \$15,000. The result is keenly felt by the friends of Alma College, who still hope the institution may be retained in this city. The \$50,000 expected by the above means would have wiped out the debt and left about \$4,000 for new equipment.

A MAJOR UNSEATED.  
Windsor, March 29. — Judge Horn gave his decision in the quo warranto case brought by Ex-Ald. Craig, of Amherstburg, against Mayor Breaugh and the town council. By the decision of the judge, Mayor Breaugh and Councilor Burran are unseated, and a new election will have to be held.



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## FRANCE TO HAVE STATE SCHOOLS

Combes' Bill to Sweep Away All Teaching by Religious Orders Passes the Deputies.

Paris, March 28. — By the decisive majority of 216 to 208, the Chamber of Deputies tonight passed the Government bill for the suppression of all forms of teaching by the religious orders. This completes the work begun by the former premier, M. Waldeck-Rousseau, in 1901. The first law suppressed the unauthorized teaching orders, which had for a long time carried on their vocation despite the lack of legal sanction. The new law does not make any distinction between authorized and unauthorized congregations, but sweeps away the whole fabric of teaching by religious orders, thus substituting the system of state schools for those heretofore conducted by the orders.

Besides affecting the educational system, the passage of the bill is the achievement of the principal work undertaken by Premier Combes, and it is believed that the Premier will now voluntarily retire.

The parliamentary battle over the bill was one of the best which the Chamber of deputies has seen in recent years. The closing vote was in the personal triumph for Premier Combes.

## MUSIC AND DRAMA

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The company are nearly all westerners, and are practically unknown in London. The leading man, Mr. Harry Kelly, who plays the part of the King, is a native of the West, and a funmaker of no ordinary order. He is a Scotchman. Both comedians are clever, and with Kelly they form a trio of laugh-provokers hard to beat. The "Go-Go Man," sung by Lyons and the chorus, made a tremendous hit, and was encored so often the comedian ran had to call it off.

Miss Fay Cameron, as Theresa, the king's ward, took her part very nicely, possessing an admirable voice and a pleasing stage presence. One of her best numbers was a duet with Mr. Wm. M. Armstrong, "You Love Me, I Love You." "Maid of Nicolbar" was also excellent. The hit of the evening was, however, made by Miss Leslie Leigh, assisted by the chorus, in "Peggy Brady." The song is very catchy, and Miss Leigh's voice does full justice to it. There were nine encores, and each time the chorus appeared on the stage under a different light, which set off the handsome costumes to the best possible advantage, and blended the characters and scenery into a beautiful stage picture which sent the gallery wild.

The choruses were not very strong, but they were sweet and well rounded, and the music was such as to please all. As a whole "The Isle of Spice" is an ideal production, and one which will be warmly welcomed should it play a return date in London.



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Port Arthur because one of them mentioned in his dispatches important information regarding the movements of Russian troops.

The Novosti publishes a long article on the Jewish question combining the allegations of some anti-Semitic papers that the Odessa Jews are planning to massacre the Russian troops.

everything to prepetrate a crime of the Kisineff affair by evidence of sympathy with the Japanese. The report denounces the allegations as monstrous falsehoods, declaring that Jews throughout the empire patriotically volunteered their services and attacks the anti-Semitism for attempting constantly to stir up hatred.

**RUSSIA IS CONFIDENT.**  
Moscow, March 29. — Three officers, who arrived here yesterday from India, by way of Persia, pronounced themselves as being impressed by the calm confidence of the Russians. The officers noticed no signs of military activity, and saw a single military train to the Caucasus or European Russia, as if Russia was not at war.

**M. AKIYAMA RESIGNS.**  
Tokio, March 29. — The cabinet has appointed to investigate the charges of M. Akiyama, the member of the cabinet who was charged with acting as a spy for the Russians reported to have been arrested. The investigation was not sufficient evidence to support the charge, but his conduct was found to be injurious to the interests of the country.

Amid great excitement in the House, M. Akiyama demanded a hearing and acknowledged the responsibility for the editorial in his newspaper, thereby impeaching the Government, and denied the charge that he was a spy.

At the request of the House, Akiyama presented his resignation and was relieved of his editorial.

MAX JOSE GORE, HELMET

**ST. PETERSBURG, March 29.** - of the experience of the British in South Africa during the war the war department is considering the equipment of the Russian troops with cork helmets for the summer campaign in the far east.

**KOREA IS GRATEFUL.**  
Seoul, March 28, 5:15 p.m.

to, upon taking his departure day, submitted to the G. some suggestions for Korea. The Emperor has appointed Ying, a former minister of affairs, as a special ambassador to the Japanese Empire to return the compliment of Ma's visit to Korea.

**COSSACKS LOST 100 MEN**

Seoul, March 28, 5:15 p.m.  
has reached here that 50 Japanese  
100 Cossacks were killed and  
in a skirmish that occurred  
Anju and Tingju.  
The above dispatch probably  
to the engagement reported  
as having occurred March  
which no Cossack losses were  
mentioned.

St. Petersburg, March 23.—Casting the result of the war far east, the Novosti declares no doubt as to who will be the victor than there was at the commencement of the Greco-Turkish or Spanish-American or the Russo-Japanese wars.

"For Japan, the war is a death struggle," continues the paper. "She places everything on the line."

For Russia it is really only war, and even defeat would be an empire not greatly affected, success would be sure to meet stimulus to the Russian colonies in Manchuria, where it is supposed many soldiers will be sent. The struggle is over.

"But," adds the paper, "Russia will not pay too high a price for the empire, and therefore the struggle is over."

**ACROSS LAKE BAIKAL.** Irkutsk, March 29. — The Lake Baikal is being carved regular as clockwork. The ice cross on the ice, singing as the The ice-breaker is likely to work of cutting a channel

**WARNOTES.**  
Irkutsk, March 29. — It  
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Japanese agents were res

**KILLED HIS FATH**  
Fort Payne, Ala., March

Cole, policeman and deputy  
Battele, was killed yester-  
day, a 10-year-old son. The boy  
was fighting with other boys and  
was whipped him for it. The  
wards secured the parent's  
blew his father's head off.



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### A Revolution in Steam Power.

The Allan Company's new turbine steamer, the Victoria, is announced to leave Liverpool for Montreal on Sept. 29. The event is of international importance, as the Victoria will be the first passenger steamer using turbine engines to cross the Atlantic. The Cunard Company has shown its faith in the turbine by deciding to adopt it for the new 25-knot ships, which are to cost \$10,000,000. The company came to this conclusion after a series of exhaustive experiments with the Clyde steamers Arundel and Brighton by a commission of engineers. They have pronounced the turbine to be the last word in steam engineering, and it may be that a revolution in steam industries is at hand. The reciprocating engine which is now the universal type, works by a piston in a cylinder. Steam admitted alternately above and below drives the piston back and forth, the exhaust steam in a marine engine escaping into a condenser. The principle of the turbine is more simple. The most primitive form may be seen at any grist mill operated by water power, where the wheel is turned by the water falling upon it from above. Lay the whole contrivance on its side and blow jets of steam on it instead of water, and you have a crude turbine marine engine. In practice, curved "gliders" or buckets arranged on a hollow cone or wheel instead of a shaft are used. The power is led away, without the loss involved in changing reciprocal power to rotary, through the thrust blocks in the stem to the propellers, which may be five or even more in number. Power is wasted in the present engine by the stopping and reversing of the piston. With the same coal expenditure the turbine will drive the same hull a little faster. Its weight is about seven tons, to ten for the reciprocating engine. It occupies less floor space and is more convenient for stowing away in the fast modern steamer, whose ratio of length to width is more nearly eleven than nine. The marine turbine engine is a British development, and has been used for some years for the fastest torpedo boat destroyers in the navy, some of which have attained a speed of 35 knots an hour. It is some satisfaction to know that the first passenger turbine steamer to cross the Atlantic will be Canadian-owned. This recalls the fact that the first ship to cross the Atlantic wholly under steam was not only Canadian-owned but Canadian-built. The Royal William was launched at Quebec in 1831, and after employment in the coasting trade started on her long voyage from Pictou, N. S., on Aug. 18, 1832. One of her engines was disabled in a gale off Newfoundland, but she reached London in 25 days. The Royal William was the forerunner of the Cunard Line, among her owners being Joseph, Henry and Samuel Cunard, of Halifax. A brass tablet in the Parliament buildings at Ottawa commemorates the event. Canada has never been wanting in maritime enterprise, and is no doubt destined to play a great part upon the seas.

### American Good-Will.

The New York Tribune takes issue with a remark made by Mr. W. F. MacLean, M. P., at a Canadian Club dinner in Toronto, to the effect that "there was not a public man in the United States who admitted that Canada had a right to an independent national existence." The Tribune says that Mr. MacLean is "entirely, egregiously, and, to our mind, incomprehensibly, mistaken." It questions whether there is a single public man in the United States who does not unhesitatingly admit that Canada's title to independent national sovereignty is as good as our own. The New York daily adds: "It is of older date than our own. It was fully recognized at the time when our title was established. It was again and again recognized by the great statesmen of our early years who founded our national policy—by Hamilton and Jefferson alike, when they both proposed that the North American continent should be divided between the United States and Great Britain to the exclusion of all other nations. The United States regarded Canada as under British imperial suzerainty, an independent sovereign nation, whose title is as valid as that of any nation on the globe. Far from harboring any thought of annexing Canada against her will, the United States does not look upon annexation as either necessary or inevitable. Should Canada voluntarily seek such a union, the United States would probably be cordially responsive; but, if Canada does not seek it, then the American people will regard with entire equanimity and satisfaction the prospect of continuing for all time to share this continent with another great English-speaking commonwealth, and will only hope for constantly increasing sentiments of mutual esteem and constantly strengthening bonds of friendship between these two sovereign nations." These sentiments, uttered by the leading organ of the Republican party, are in excellent taste and spirit, and will find an equally cordial response in this country. Within the past few years there has been a gratifying improvement in the tone and manner in which American public men and American newspapers discuss Canada and her affairs. This change may be due partly to a sense of Canada's increased importance, but a share of it may be attributed to a genuine growth of American good-will toward the British Empire. Twisting the tail of the British lion is not the vote-catching process it used to be, and the American people seldom elect fools or demagogues to sit in the high places of the nation. It is a sane cult to like Henry should become a presidential candidate, he

would be buried by the good sense of the electorate. The intelligent native-born Americans, who represent the solid interests of the country, are friendly to Great Britain, and they are the class that rule the republic. The present administration has been more than correct in its attitude, and in some questions of foreign policy, especially those involving the integrity of China, the United States and Great Britain, have been practically allies. Even in the Alaskan boundary question, the Washington Government went as far as the Senate would permit in the direction of meeting British wishes, Canadians are occasionally stung by the remarks of some fire-eater on the other side, but in justice to our neighbors, it should be borne in mind that the fire-eaters do not govern the United States.

### The Legislature.

The Legislature adjourned this morning after sitting all night, debating a clap-net resolution sprung by the new strategists of the Opposition, Beattie Nesbitt. The Government had a majority of one from the outset, but preferred to await the arrival of two Liberal members who were out of the city. It is not the custom to divide the House on Mondays, as many members spend Sunday at home and cannot reach Toronto until late next day. The Opposition is merely indulging in grand stand play, as it cannot expect to again catch the Government off its guard, after the warning given on March 18, when the Conservative members refused to honor the pledge of their own whip. Dr. Nesbitt's motion provided that no railways should be subsidized in future except on condition that the passenger rate should not exceed 2 cents per mile. The resolution has been written on its face. The only railways that are subsidized at the present time are those which open up a new section of the country, and could not or would not be built without public assistance. To impose a 2-cent passenger rate on a colonization road, in a thinly-populated or unsettled stretch of country, while the railways in the settled portions of the Province charge 3 cents, would not be just or fair. In Michigan there is a 2-cent rate on railways earning \$3,000 per mile or over, but these roads do not grant the cheap excursion rates, which the people of Ontario are favored with on all sorts of occasions. The Premier is right when he says that a reduction in freight rates is a matter of much greater consequence to the public than a reduction of passenger rates. Every consumer in the country would be affected by the former, but only a small proportion of the people, especially of the industrial classes, travel on the railroads to any appreciable extent, except when holiday or excursion rates are given. Many would rather have these occasional excursion rates than a 2-cent rate the year round, holidays and all.

Kuropatkin has arrived at Mukden, and is now preparing to swallow Japan in one mouthful.

The Ontario Government is still strong enough to make the Opposition sit up.

The Liberals of Montreal will banquet Hon. Charles S. Hyman next month. Mr. Hyman's fellow-citizens feel complimented no less than their able member.

The Hamilton Times says that if London's new fire chief is given a free hand he will soon bring the department up to a high state of efficiency. But there is no guarantee that he will get the free hand.

When we read of those terrible spring floods in various parts of this Province, Hamiltonians have cause to rejoice that their town is not a river town.—Hamilton Herald.

Londoners would rather live beside the Thames than the Dundas marsh. Lord Milner says he doesn't care a fig what his home critics say so long as his policy suits the people on the spot. But when it came to fighting and putting up the money the people "at home" did a good deal more than the people "on the spot."

### FINE FROM A DISTANCE.

[Chicago Tribune.] Amateur.—This is my latest attempt at a landscape. May I ask you what you think of the perspective? Artist.—The perspective is its strong point. The farther away you stand the better it looks. A PREJUDICED OPINION. [Washington Star.] "So you think de country's goin' to be bad?" said Plodding Pete. "Sure," answered Meandering Mike. "What's de trouble?" "Too many free libraries an' not enough free lunch."

### HISTORY CONDENSED.

[Detroit Tribune.] Daniel J. Sully, cotton king—booming yesterday; busted today; on the bum tomorrow. Phillips, corn king—filled up yesterday; phillipped today; finished tomorrow. Leiter, wheat king—loaded yesterday; lighter today; lightened tomorrow. Keene, oat king—oat yesterday; oats today; notes tomorrow, and two millions out. "Oud Hutch," wheat king—"busted" yesterday; broke today; beggar tomorrow. It isn't necessary to go farther back for proof that every man has his turn at the top and goes over.

### BRITISH RULE.

[New York Evening Post.] Perhaps the most remarkable instance in recent times of the rapid development of a purely virgin region into a rich and prosperous state is to be found in the Malay Peninsula. In a communication to the London Times, Sir Frank Swettenham, since 1874 a resident British official and now the governor of the Straits Settlements, thus summarizes the facts: "In less than thirty years four small Malay states, jungle-covered,

pathless, unknown, have been turned into flourishing communities with a total revenue of over two millions sterling per annum, a trade of ten millions sterling per annum, three hundred and fifty miles of excellent railways, thousands of miles of roads and telegraphs, great public buildings, schools, hospitals, waterworks—in fact, all the machinery of the most modern administration—with no debt of any sort, and a balance of over one and a half millions, ready to be spent on further development and other works of development."

Three things have contributed to this great success—the tin mines, cheap Chinese labor, and most important of all, able and intelligent rulers. For it can hardly be doubted that if the British Government had failed to secure men to represent it who sought to understand those whom they ruled, and who made their interests their chief aim, the country would have remained practically a trackless jungle.

### TO LORD ROBERTS.

[Edward Sydney Tyle, in Spectator.] Farewell! The sad, sweet word Rings sweetly, sadly on every ear; The far tones of a trumpet faintly heard Telling the camp is near.

Yet though the long march close, And the keen blade be sheathed, its ser-vice done, Not yet can England spare thee to repose, Her still unwearied son.

Once, in a darker day, Her well-loved voice recalled thee to her side, And still thou wilt in that dear service stay, As counselor and guide.

So shall thy presence yet Be with our troops to kindle and inspire, To cheer the flagging spirit of age, and set The young man's heart on fire.

For thou hast kept unstained That faith the world delugeth to destroy, And in the soldier's rugged trade retained The pure soul of a boy.

In thee the poet's Happy Warrior lives, "That every man in arms should wish to be," And on her roll of honor England gives The foremost place to thee.

### BRAVERY.

[John J. Hurley, in Detroit Tribune.] That man is brave who runs the risk Of getting killed in battle. He's brave, who keeps a level head 'Mid musketry's mad confusion. But they who march into the fight Off with composure view it. Because it is their trade, they know That they have got to do it.

That man is brave who saves a life From building that is burning. He's brave who ventures back again, All friendly calls without him. But they who risk their lives to save While fire around them rages, Don't look for praise because they know That's how they earn their wages.

That man is brave who day by day Spreads happiness about him, And rolls from morn till night, for her Who cannot live without him; And though he may be tired and ill He labors on right through it, And counts his pain no sacrifice. Because he loves to do it.

But nobler man and braver still, Is he who though unmated, Keeps tolling on for others, he knows Does not appreciate it.

'Tis not the brave in fire and war Whose deeds have gained him glory, 'Tis not the one who works for love, But he who works for duty.

A MONUMENT TO HORSES KILLED IN WAR. [Animals' Defender.] On the drinking trough and fountain lately erected at Burstow, Surrey, England, to the memory of the horses sacrificed in the war with South Africa, is this inscription:

"In Memory of the Mute Fidelity of the 400,000 Horses Killed and Wounded at the Call of their Masters, During the South African War, 1899-1902. In the Cause of Which They Knew Nothing, This Fountain is Erected by a Reverent Fellow-Creature."

Greece will erect a nautilus at the World's Fair, St. Louis, and will also make exhibits in several of the different departments. Among the interesting things exhibited will be reproductions of old Greek statuary.

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Miss Nettie Blackmore, Minneapolis, tells how any young woman may be permanently cured of monthly pains by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"Yours WORKS.—I had frequent headaches, severe nature, dark spots before my eyes, and at my menstrual periods I suffered untold agony. A member of the lodge advised me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, but I only secured good advice and felt that my case was hopeless, but she kept at me until I bought a bottle and started taking it. I was had the best reason in the world to change my opinion of the medicine, as each day my health improved, and finally I was entirely without pain at my menstruation periods. I am most grateful.—NANNIE WILSON, 28 Central Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.—\$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

If there is anything about your case about which you would like special advice, write freely to Mrs. Pinkham. She will hold your letter in strict confidence. She can surely help you, for no person in America can speak from wider experience in treating female ills. She has helped hundreds of thousands of women back to health. Her address is Lynn, Mass.; her advice is free.

### "BLUNDERED HOUSE"

Marlborough Spends Millions on a Palace He Doesn't Like.

London, March 28.—The Duke and the Duchess of Marlborough will spend Easter at Blenheim with their children. Although the duke is still deeply interested in all the furnishings of Blenheim House, his town-house, built and equipped with millions, already feels the want of garden space about it.

Until the bathroom is completed the plaster details finished and the panels added with the furnishings for which they are designed, the house will not have the air of magnificence which the duke expected.

The temporary fittings for the electric lights are still in all the halls and corridors and on the staircases. These, too, have a bare, insignificant look, as the halls are devoid of furniture and decorations.

It is little wonder that the duke finds himself desiring the luxurious comfort of Blenheim Castle, with its vast gardens and conservatories now looking so well.

It is also said that the duke is disappointed with his creation, now that it is completely stripped of its scaffolding. This is not surprising, as it almost takes the palm for ugliness and inartistic proportions among even London's unlovely residential palaces. It is too narrow for its length, its facade is heavy and gloomy without being imposing, the interior is dark and uncomfortable and altogether the house is a pronounced failure. The duke's friends have already nicknamed it "Blunderland House."

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### SOUTHWEST LIMITED CHICAGO TO KANSAS CITY.

Via the St. Paul Road. The Southwest Limited via the new Short Line of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway, Chicago to Kansas City, has taken its place with The Pioneer Limited, Chicago to St. Paul and Minneapolis, and The Overland Limited, Chicago to Omaha and San Francisco, among the famous trains of America.

These trains offer excellence of service and equipment not obtainable elsewhere. There are many reasons for this, one of which is the fact that this railway owns and operates its sleeping, dining, library, parlor and other cars, thereby securing an excellence of service not obtainable elsewhere. If you are going West it is worth while to write for descriptive folder. A. J. Taylor, Canadian Passenger Agent, No. 8 King St., Toronto, Ont. 62n

Cheap One-Way Rates to the West Via Great Northern Railway.

Effective daily during March and April, cheap one-way colonist tickets will be issued to the west as follows:

London to Anaconda, Butte, Chicago, and Helena, Mont., \$39.25. London to Spokane, Wash., Nelson, Roseland, Trail, Grand Forks, and Robson, B. C., \$39.75.

London to Seattle, Tacoma, Wash.; Portland, Ore.; Alsea, Vancou-ver and West, B. C., \$42.25. Proportionate rates from all points in Ontario.

On March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, and April 5, 12, 19 and 26, one-way second-class tickets will be issued from Chicago to points in North Dakota at greatly reduced rates.

Full particulars as to time of trains, sleeping car rates, etc., on application to Charles W. Crockett, district passenger agent, 6 King street west, room 12, Toronto, or F. L. Whitney, general passenger agent, St. Paul, Minn. 46-11-yr.

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Special selection in shades of champagne, with pink and blue stripe.

Black Grenadine with pink, blue and heliotrope spots.

#### Fancy Muslins

A handsome display of Fancy Muslins, satin stripes, the very latest Persian patterns; in green, blue and heliotrope. Our price... 30c

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#### Real Swiss Embroidered Spot Muslin

The very latest arrivals, direct importation from St. Gall, Switzerland. Very choice and varied selection.

Black with white spot..... 50c, 60c  
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## LOCAL HOUSE SITS ALL NIGHT

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small, and the great majority of the people by taking advantage of excursion rates, thousand-mile tickets, etc., paid now practically only two cents per mile. He believed that just as soon as conditions warranted it in this country, the railway companies would at once follow the example of railways in the populous parts of the continent and reduce passenger rates in order to increase passenger traffic.

## MR. PRESTON'S AMENDMENT.

Mr. Preston, continuing the debate, argued that the very fact that acute business men at the head of our railway companies did not voluntarily reduce passenger rates showed that the resulting increase in traffic would not compensate for the lesser rates, as had been argued. He quoted from statistics, advanced by the railway companies before the assessment committee, to show that Canadian roads were not yet in a position to stand any decrease in their revenues without creating thereby large yearly deficits, and that conditions prevailing here in regard to amount of traffic available could not be compared with conditions in New York State, where cheaper rates were in vogue. He believed that the one part of the motion practically nullified the other, for, if the revenues of the railways were reduced, then the subsidies from the public treasury would have to be increased.

In conclusion Mr. Preston moved in amendment that, while pursuing the policy hitherto adopted as to granting subsidies, every effort be made to insure a two-cent rate per mile whenever reasonable or practicable, due regard being had to prospective earning power and cost of construction of railways as subsidized.

Hon. E. J. Davis next took the floor, and spoke until the Speaker left the chair at 6 o'clock.

The Premier, in reply to Mr. Whitney, said that the Government had not offered to give the Grand Trunk Railway a subsidy, providing the company would withdraw their objection to the proposed measure respecting the taxation of railways.

Mr. Brown's bill to incorporate the St. Joseph and Stratford Electric Railway passed the committee stage of the House.

Mr. Taylor's bill, respecting the Southwestern Traction Company, was read a second time.

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And the reasons advanced are what we eat and how we eat it, or to get right at the root of the matter the fault lies with the stomach. Quick lunches, swallowing the food without taking time to chew it properly, too many rich dishes have resulted in worn and disordered stomachs.

Those stomachs want help, and the help they want is contained in Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets. Mr. H. Bailey, of 226, Patrick St., Winnipeg, says:

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## Danger of Second Flood, Say Some of Wise Ones

Immense Quantities of Snow and Ice Still in the North.

Engineer Blames West Londoners for Damage to Breakwater.

Says They Cut Holes in Embankment to Let Water Out of Village—An Erroneous Report.

Normal conditions are being rapidly resumed in West London. Today nearly all the refugees have returned, and fires are going full blast in all houses to dry them out.

Through the board of the village are soaked through and through, many of the residents returned last night, and slept in their own homes, preferring to do this rather than impose on their friends, or run into debt in a boarding-house or hotel.

Along Front street, in South London, the people have also returned, and there, as well as in West London, the work of drying out the houses and repairing the damage done, is being proceeded with. Of course, the cold weather renders the condition of the present flood sufferers most acute, as the water seeps in the walls and floors of all rooms in which fires are not kept going.

If the weather were to turn fine and reasonably warm, as it should at this season of the year, the labors and inconveniences of the flood sufferers would be greatly lessened. Today carpets and bedclothes, and the drying-out process is everywhere in full swing.

All through the flooded district chicken fancies lost heavily by the rise in the river. A man named Willis, residing on Front street, is said to have lost 50 hens, and many other residents report large losses.

**MAY BE ANOTHER FLOOD.** If all reports be true, not one-quarter of the snow and ice of the district has been carried away by the river as yet, and if a warm spell should set in, accompanied by a warm rain, there is every chance for another flood. Railways men say that the weight of the snow, and if a warm rain should set in, accompanied by a warm rain, there is every chance for another flood.

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## TO EMPTY THEATERS

Paris Man Invents a Toboggan for the Purpose.

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There is a vigorous rise from the close in Atchafalaya, predicting higher prices for the stock. Southern Pacific has been strong in sympathy with Union Pacific. Copper has been steady, and that is about all that can be said of it. The market at the opening was heavy and uncertain. The first hour developed little activity. Weakness was a feature of the market, and the selling was considered good and seemed to be well-informed, but on the other hand there was some suggestive buying. Sales to noon were 25,000 shares.

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### WHEAT—May.

Open. High. Low. Close.

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## Vera's Love Affair

CHAPTER XVI.

With a smile on her lips and a tear in her eye.

"Tom, I've something to tell you. Come here, come closer." This is a distinctly unnecessary order, but the younger Miss Dyrast does not seem to see it. She looks at Mr. Peyton with a countenance grown supernaturally solemn. "Something has been found," she says, in the tone of a conspirator. Of course it had been considered impossible, when things were looked into, to keep the whole truth from Griselda, but Vera, when telling her part, had reserved as much as she could of her uncle's dishonesty. To Griselda the story appeared like a fairy tale. Suddenly, from somewhere, an old bureau, apparently, with a secret drawer—and what place could be more romantic or desirable for the fulfillment of a successful denouement—a will had been drawn forth that put an end forever to the Cinderella lives of her and her Vera. Providentially the day on which she heard of this miraculous tale was the day on which she expected Mr. Peyton back from his visit to this old home in Derbyshire.

"Found!" echoes he, when he has obeyed her obliging command not only in the letter, but in the spirit. "Found out, you mean, eh? He grows rather dispirited, and his face loses its unusual healthy tint. Good heavens, has she heard then of that awful scene in that vile old ruin?"

"Yes, found out, in a sense, certainly." She is too full of her longing to detail her news to notice the strangeness of his remark. "But, oh, Tom, something so extraordinary! If you were a regular conundrum man, one of those people who call themselves by abject names and answer all the brain-splitters in the society papers, even then I'd say you would never guess this one."

"If that's so," says Mr. Peyton sensibly, "let's consider me a fool at once, and get on to business. What was found?"

"An old will!"

"The deuce!" says Mr. Peyton with a tragic start. Then he laughs irrepressibly. "Whose?" says he, "yours?" "I really think you might be a little serious, but go on," indignantly, "you will wake to a sense of your frivolity presently, presently!" with awful emphasis, "when you hear that the will was my grandfather's—and that it changes everything! Everything! Seaton is no longer the heir!"

"My dear girl, do you know what you are saying?" says Peyton, now really brought to a proper frame of mind. "But this will, where was it found, and how?"

"In a curious old cabinet that opened somehow at the side in a most unexpected manner. It has a secret drawer, and in it the will lay. Isn't it interesting? It appears that this drawer was known of only by my grandfather and the man Sedley, whom you found up in the ruin. Perhaps he knew of it, but at all events by accident, as it were, the other day, in moving it or something, this secret drawer flew open and—there lay the will!"

"Ah!" says Peyton, who she has made a dramatic pause, therefore it is necessary that he should say something. This vague, but eloquent, monosyllabic, fills his blank.

"It is my opinion," says she, leaning confidently towards him, "that this Sedley knew of the will and told my uncle of it, and—when Uncle Gregory heard that there was a chance of his being turned out of the property, why, he tried to kill Sedley! Oh, Tom! I am wrong in this awful accusation, I feel I ought to be hanged, drawn, and slaughtered, but I can't tell you how it this presents itself to me over and over again."

"But, tut, my dear," says Tom, who, however, is still rather depressed, "why should you imagine anything so terrible? And, as to the mere finding of a will, I don't see why that should make my lovely girl look as pale as a spout-lily."

"You don't understand yet, I may be wrong about Sedley, but when I tell you the old will is in reality the new will—that is a moment. How many wills is that I feel as if I couldn't possibly on the head of so many others have

ever again a will of my own," says Mr. Peyton with disgraceful flippancy.

"Oh, will you listen, Tom? Do you know," regarding him with disfavor, "honestly, I wouldn't be such an idiot as to go on with 'ass' or 'idiot,' 'at' with 'fool,' says Mr. Peyton, severely. "Continue, I feel there is worse still to come, I am resigned—prepared for a deluge."

"I'm glad to hear it," hypocritically, and with a false air of misery, "because," here the false air deserts her, and without warning she precipitates herself into his willing arms. "Oh, Tom, this—this old-new will has given me such a shock, I feel I must have a good cry over it."

For the first time in all their knowledge of each other Mr. Peyton's arms grow slack, with that gracious burden between them.

"Isn't it lovely?" goes on she, scarcely noticing this defection, or else spiritually comprehending it. "Now—now, instead of your having to help Vera and me, I shall be able to help you to do what you shall live happy ever afterwards! There are tears, delicious tears, in her laughter. But Peyton does not echo her mirth.

"Griselda, are you sure your head is all right?" says he, tapping gently on her forehead, and then, as if he were a doctor, he asks Vera if it isn't just what I've said. And, by the bye, Vera comes in for all the rest of it, everything, in fact—house, place—

"And Seaton?" interrupts he hastily. "Griselda, go to your grave," says he, "but I hope we shall be able to arrange things with him. It seems as if he is left out in the cold. Oh, I can't bear to think of it; neither can Vera, though he is absolutely abhorrent to her. I should be made. After all, though we were the children of the eldest son, still he was a grandson, and that should count; boys go before girls. However, I hope it will be all right eventually, because Vera is arranging to divorce the reigning villain, and, of course, Tom, in that case, we'll divide too."

She looks at him anxiously.

"Of course," says he eagerly, "Oh, by Jove! Oh, poor old fellow! Dear old Seaton! And he was always so good to us. You remember, darling? Took our part straight through, and never betrayed us to the governor, though sometimes I think he didn't quite approve of our plan of campaign."

It speaks volumes for Tom Peyton that now in the hour when his luck has turned and his little adored beggar-maid has turned out to be princess, that his first thought should be, not for his own good fortune, nor for this strange lift on the world's stairway, but for the disappointment and sad downfall of the friend who had been so good to him and his Griselda.

"What will Grace say?" asks Griselda, presently. "She can't say I'm a bad match for you now, anyway."

"My dearest girl, when did she say that?"

"She may not have said it, but she thought it, always. She didn't even hint it to me, but she cried it out to you. Now, now, Tom, shaking her finger at him, "no lies. The time for them is past. When I was so poor that I liked to try and believe you, you told me them by the ton, in the fond hope that they would make me happier. And they did, the thought, though I never believed them—never. And I don't blame her a bit. Why should she want a penniless sister-in-law when she knew you ought to marry money, if only to keep up that charming place of yours? No, I haven't an unkind word for her. But am happy in the thought that now she will be glad to welcome me. And—do you think she would take me down to Glinton, to see the old place? I want so much to go there to see your house."

"Our home," fondly.

"Yes, yes. That's why I love the very sound of it. Of course, I shouldn't care for it if you were going to marry money else. Oh, oh, what a hateful thought!"

"An impossible thought!" contemptuously.

"And we'll make it look beautiful, won't we? Just what it used to be in the old days. Oh, Tom, stealing her pretty arms around his neck, "Isn't it nice to have money sometimes; and isn't it the happiest thing to the world to love as we do?"

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## DAYS OF THE HIGH WHEEL AND HARD TIRE IN LONDON RECALLED

Writer in the Three Square Magazine Becomes Reminiscent—Interesting Article.

The home of bicycle club organization is in London, Ontario, says a writer in the Three Square Magazine of a recent date. The Forest City Bicycle Club was the first to enter the Canadian Wheelman's Association, and the first C. W. A. membership tickets were issued to the founders of the London organization. It was in London that the first C. W. A. meet was held, but some better historian must fix the year of that event, for I cannot, though I was there. I saw the procession by day and by night, and, although my memory was then young, I remember how tremendously high some of the wheels were and how uncomfortably the riders jolted over the rough cedar blocks of Dundas street. It seemed like an ordinary turned backwoods, with the back-bone straightened out in front and the handle bars fastened to it instead of upon the handle bars. The "Bug Hunters" used to make a pretty parade returning through the city from their runs with their decorated automobiles, and wild plants. There were no bug fanciers among the "Bowers."

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In those days there were two bicycle aggregations in London, and the name of the one was the "Bug Hunters" and the name of the other the "Bowers."

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## COL. OTTER INJURED.

Toronto, March 28.—Col. Otter, C. B. and O. C. of this district, was thrown from his horse last evening about 6:30 just in front of his own house. He was picked up unconscious and carried into his house. He is still unconscious, suffering from a severe concussion of the brain. Doctors are in charge and expect little change during the night.

## A Way to Move.

It is not many years ago when horse movers were compelled to hunt for hours for a suitable conveyance to move their household effects. This trouble is now avoided by vans being built for the purpose. H. Porter & Co., of the London Moving and Storage Company, 97 Carling street, have built one of the largest vans ever manufactured in Western Ontario. It will easily accommodate enough household furniture, etc., to furnish a house. Great care is exercised by the firm in moving effects.

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## LONDON AND DISTRICT

—Mrs. P. A. Hunter, of this city, is visiting in St. Catharines.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. Martin, of Doyle, Mich., are visiting in this city.

—Mr. James Glead, of South London, has returned from a visit to Detroit.

—Mr. J. M. Lillow, contractor, will move from Stratford to this city to go into the real estate business.

—Mr. Frank Butler, of this city, who has returned from St. Catharines, where he went to attend the funeral of his cousin, the late Mrs. D. D. Potter.

—The London and Western Trusts Company has been appointed administrator of the estate of William I. Miller, late of the township of Emmsville, valued at about \$15,000.

—Miss Sara Murdoch, of this city, made a distinct impression as a dramatic reader at St. Thomas, where she appeared under the auspices of the Twentieth Century Club.

—The presentation of medals won by Court Pride of the Dominion team in the A. O. F. carterball contest will be made at a banquet to be held under the auspices of the league at the Sadler House on Thursday night.

—Mr. Roy MacLean has returned home after an absence of eight months in New Mexico. Mr. MacLean accompanied his brother, who went for the benefit of his health. They spent some time in different parts of Mexico and had a very enjoyable trip.

## PIANO RECITAL.

Last evening the piano pupils of Miss Lotta Francis, F. L. C. M., gave an extensive and excellent programme at the Conservatory of Music, assisted by vocal pupils of Miss K. Moore. The programme was:

March Militaire (2 pianos).....Saint-Saens

Misses Turnbull, Asplund, Steele and McCrimmon.

Rondeletto.....Lynes

Miss Beatrice Cline.

Ereuse.....Grieg

Rider's Tale.....Schumann

Miss Ruth Stevely.

Marionette Waltz.....Lynes

Springtime.....Maltet

Norwegian Bridal Procession.....Grieg

Miss Lorette Moir.

Hussarenritt.....Spindler

Miss May Gordon.

The Fountain.....Bohm

Miss Emma Gardner.

Minuet.....Sartorio

Miss Kowen.

Marguerite.....Macdowell

Mazurka.....Godard

Miss Marie Steel.

Il Pensé.....Helmund

Miss Edna Cline.

Valse Caprice.....Chaminade

Miss Olive Binks.

My Mother Bids Me Bid My Hair.....Haydn

Mrs. McCann.

Romance in E.....Rubenstein

Miss Elsie McKinnon.

Tarantelle.....Chopin

Nocturne.....Raff

Etude Melodique.....Raff

Message of the Rose.....Berwald

Miss Marion Robb.

Polonaise, A Major.....Chopin

Miss Wynifred Allen.

March Militaire.....Saint-Saens

Misses M. Darcy and O. Binks.

## How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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—Lambeth village is well known among the fraternal organizations as being a very enthusiastic center. At the recent meeting of the C. O. C. F. in Toronto, Lambeth Council, No. 132, was awarded the banner by the grand council, for securing the largest addition of members of any council in the jurisdiction.

## Your Liver

Will be roused to its natural duties and your biliousness, headache and constipation be cured if you take

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We have been running a special sale of Watches during March. Our stock of watches is exceedingly large. We keep only such Watches as we can recommend in the latest and most up-to-date designs. Only two more days to take advantage of the reduced prices.

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## AND SAW DEPARTMENT TURN OUT

How Chief Clark Spent His First Afternoon as Head of London's Fire Department.

It is Chief Clark, of the London fire department, who yesterday afternoon, after his first visit to the several stations, and saw the department turn out.

Chief Clark, who was accompanied by his wife and children, and a number of friends, arrived at the fire station at 10 o'clock.

The first visit was made to the central station, where everything was found clean and tidy. It was impossible to secure a "hitch" there, however, as the doors do not work properly.

At the second station, the committee merely inspected the building and equipment. All the while Mr. Clark said nothing, but appeared to be doing a deal of thinking.

The horses were of special interest to him, but he made no comments on anything.

The party were driven to the South London station, where everything was found in ship shape. As the party were about to leave, the chief and his men drew up in line and saluted.

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