

PREMIER WILL GUARD ONTARIO IN MATTER OF FALLS ENERGY

A Delegation From the Provincial Legislature Will Be Received By Sir Wilfrid, Earl Grey and Ambassador Bryce.

(Special to The Advertiser.) Ottawa, Feb. 21.—Hon. J. Foy, K.C., Hon. Col. Hendrie, Hon. Adam Beck, W. K. McNaught, M.P.P. and Mr. Wilson, superintendent of the Niagara Park, arrived here this morning and had an interview with Lord Grey, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Ambassador Bryce in the premier's office.

Thieves Break Into Three Offices Secured But a Few Pennies

Gillies', Hunts' and Winnett's Places of Business Were Entered.

A gang of sneak thieves commenced operations in the east end last night and so far three cases of entering into offices have been reported to the detectives.

New Storm Sewer for the East End Board of Works Moves in Matter

City Engineer Ordered To Prepare Estimates of Cost at Once.

A storm sewer for the east end is now practically assured. At the meeting of No. 2 committee last night, City Engineer Graydon was instructed to prepare estimates of the cost, and that the sum be placed in the estimates, the sewer to be constructed out of the general funds.

A Main Sewer. He recommended that a main sewer be run down Adelaide street or William street, preferably the former, from the G. T. H. tracks to the river.

International League Is Now Assured Mr. Wreath Will Be Here On 28th

To Sign the Lease for Grounds and Attend To Other Matters.

"New York, Feb. 19. "Mr. W. J. Reid, London, Ont.: "Dear Sir,—Complying with the terms of the option on Tecumseh Park, I will state that the International Baseball League will positively be organized early in March, and I will be in London not later than the 28th of this month to attend to the signing of the lease and other details.

THE FIGHT OVER NATAL ACT IS ON

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 20.—The great legal fight to test the legality of the Natal act started this afternoon before Chief Justice Hunter, in an application for habeas corpus to release the two Japanese arrested a week ago for entering British Columbia.

COLLINS WAS SUSPENDED TEAM WAS EXONERATED

Sudden-Death Game at Toronto Monday Night—The First Final Game in London if London Beats Winner of Collingwood-Hamilton Game.

(Special to The Advertiser.) Toronto, Feb. 21.—The O. H. A. sub-committee this morning considered the Hamilton protest against "Tim" Collins, of Collingwood. They suspended him. He declared that he had played three games at Portage la Prairie, but had not received any money, nor did he know that any of the others had.

Ratepayers Are Opposed To Gravel In Dundas St. Asphalt Pavement

Petition Is Being Circulated and Will Be Presented To the Council.

It was rumored this morning that a petition was being circulated among the residents of Dundas street asking that broken stone be used in the Dundas street pavement, and not gravel, as the council decided last Monday night.

Three Youths Fined in Police Court For Ill-Treating Local Chinaman

Magistrate Love Gave Them a Lesson They Will Not Soon Forget.

"If ever three young men ought to be ashamed of themselves, it is you—John Smith, Robert Baker and John Swartz," said Magistrate Love this morning.

Building Inspector Inspect Plumbing Board of Works Discussed Matter

The City Engineer Says There Is Much Bad Plumbing in London.

The appointing of a plumbing inspector would be a good thing," said City Engineer Graydon. "There is no doubt that a lot of the plumbing in the city is not good."

C. P. R. Was Hard Hit By Storm Earnings Show a Big Falling Off

Freight Could Not Be Moved Owing To the Roads Being Tied Up.

"This, together with the decrease of the week before, makes a total decrease of \$65,000 in gross below the earnings of the smallest two weeks of last year.

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HORSE RAN AWAY

And the Sleigh Soon Came to Grief Yesterday.

A horse belonging to Catalano & Sansone, fruit dealers, on Dundas street, became frightened while standing in front of the store yesterday afternoon and ran away. The sleigh was smashed turning from the street car tracks at the corner of Waterloo and Dundas streets.

MARCHESI NOT DEAD

Error in Announcement of Husband's Demise Starts Report.

Paris, Feb. 20.—An official announcement was made this evening that Mme. Mathilde de Castrone Marchesi, the famous singer, had died in this city today, but this soon was followed by a statement that it was not Mme. Marchesi, who had died, but her husband, Salvatore Marchesi, Marquis de Castrone, an Italian composer and singer.

OBSCENE LANGUAGE CASE

In Which a Belmont Man Was Fined Yesterday.

For using abusive language to John MacPherson, a neighbor, John Smith, of Belmont, was yesterday fined \$5 and costs, amounting in all to \$10.97, by Magistrates Hart and McMillan.

FORTY YEARS OF SERVICE

Governor of Oxford County Jail Retires From Public Life.

Woodstock, Ont., Feb. 21.—After forty years and a half of service, John Cameron, governor of the Oxford county jail, and one of the best-warded men in the county, has formally resigned to Sheriff Brady, to take effect on the 19th of May. He thereby opens the way for a general scramble among the Conservative office-seekers of the county.

London Crew Had Close Call on Dock Train Nearly Went Into Detroit River

Was Within Three Feet of the Edge When It Was Stopped—Passengers in Coaches.

The passengers on express No. 21 of the Grand Trunk, due here at 4 o'clock, probably never knew what a close call some of them, especially those in the rear coach had from being dumped into the Detroit River on Wednesday afternoon.

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MINIATURE OSGOODE HALL OF LONDON COURTHOUSE

If the Bill Introduced in the Legislature Is Made a Law By the Government Would Prove a Big Boon To Lawyers and Litigants of This District.

Will the London Court House be turned into a miniature Osgoode Hall if the proposed act respecting the local weekly high court goes through and becomes law?

Prominent members of the local bar who were interviewed today by The Advertiser stated that there was no reason why the act should not become law shortly.

EXPENSIVE METHOD. At the present time, whenever anyone in Middlesex, Kent, Lambton, Huron, Essex, Elgin, Perth or Oxford counties has a motion to bring up before the high court he is compelled to do so at Toronto.

MUST BE HEARD IN TORONTO. Under the present act it is compulsory that all high court cases of the counties named, outside of the city of London, be heard at Toronto.

OF GREAT BENEFIT. "Where the work is, the legal machinery must be supplied," Mr. Meredith continued, "and I think that the new system would be of great benefit to the people of the counties, as well as the local attorneys."

MIDDLESEX BAR BEHIND MOVE. The introduction of the act by Mr. Hodgins at the Legislature yesterday at Toronto, was the direct result of the efforts of the Middlesex Law Association, which recently appointed a committee of local attorneys, with Mr. F. P. Betts as chairman, to place the matter before Mr. C. C. Hodgins, M. L. A.

OTTAWA IN THE LEAD. Whether there will be opposition to the movement is not yet known. "Ottawa has recently secured such legislation, and I don't see why we should not have the same privilege," said one of the lawyers interviewed today.

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LONDON, FRIDAY, FEB. 21.

MR. BRYCE'S VISIT.
There is something childish in many of the comments upon Mr. Bryce's present mission. He is represented as a weak-kneed amateur in diplomacy, who is being cajoled by Secretary Root into trying to play Uncle Sam's game at Ottawa. The suggestion is insulting to Mr. Bryce, who should have the commendation of Canadians for journeying to their capital periodically to consult their Government. He is the first British ambassador at Washington who has taken pains to be in constant personal touch with Canadian headquarters. There is no ground for apprehension, since negotiations cannot take effect without the sanction of Parliament, and until the nature of these known criticisms of Mr. Bryce are ill-natured conjecture.

It is to be hoped that neither the Dominion Government nor Mr. Bryce will heed the representations of the Ontario Government against restricting the exploitation of Niagara Falls for industrial purposes. An outraged public opinion on both sides of the line would oppose the destruction of the Falls as a sublime natural spectacle. Engineers have ascertained the limit beyond which the diversion of water cannot go without impairing the scenic effect of the cataracts, and that limit should not be exceeded. The International Waterways Commission has agreed to concede to Canada double the quantity of water for power purposes that it allows to the United States. It is said that this division is unfair to Canada, because the power companies on the Canadian side may export half their development to the United States; but the Federal Government has taken steps to control the export, so that if there is a demand in Canada for all the power generated on the Canadian side, exportation will cease, and the local market will be supplied. In addition, the diversion of water at Niagara has a direct effect upon the level of Lake Erie. This furnishes another reason why the Niagara power question must be settled by international agreement.

GOVERNMENT ELEVATORS.
An important convention of Saskatchewan grain growers was held at Saskatoon last week, at which the question of government ownership of elevators was discussed, and a resolution endorsing the principle unanimously passed. Wheat raising is the great industry of the west, and the farmer desires the means of shipping his grain without being forced to deal with the owners of private elevators. For that reason the Manitoba Grain-Growers and the Alberta Farmers' Associations have already adopted resolutions in favor of government ownership, so that Saskatchewan is simply falling into line.

It is not, of course, proposed that the Provincial Government should purchase the wheat, but that it should own the initial or line elevators, where the wheat would be weighed, cleaned and graded. A certificate would then be handed the farmer entitling him to negotiate at any bank up to 75 or 80 per cent of the value of the grain in store, or, if he prefers, he may sell his certificate. At the present time it is next to impossible for a farmer living far from a depot to load a car with his grain and hold on to it until he gets his certificate of weight and grade from the government inspector, much as that plan would suit him. There is reason to believe that the farmers of the west annually lose heavily through being compelled to sell their wheat to local elevators in small lots, and many schemes have been suggested that would result in the grade and weight of the grain, no matter how small the quantity, being fixed at the shipping point. To the grain growers of the three provinces the government ownership scheme seems quite feasible. As the Saskatchewan Phoenix points out, it seems but right that in the matter of the cleaning and weighing of his grain the farmer should be protected, for complaints of leakage are constantly heard. Admitting the principle of government supervision of weighing, it would seem but a step to fixing the grade also at the moment of housing the grain in the elevator. The grading is now done at Winnipeg, but many farmers claim that they lose much of the value between the separator and the inspector's office. It is claimed that if the grade and weight were fixed at the point of shipment, conditions would be vastly improved. Moreover, the scheme endorsed would, it is claimed, be the means of facilitating the transportation of grain in the busy season, the provisions of the Manitoba grain act giving farmers certain rights

with regard to cars having a tendency to tie up rolling stock and delay traffic. While a car can be run under an elevator spout and loaded in a few minutes, it often happens that a farmer will hold a car for a day or two while he loads from a wagon. The farmers seem in downright earnest in this matter, and it is natural to look for prompt action on the part of the provincial governments.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN GREAT BRITAIN.
The outstanding fact in the political situation in Great Britain is the conversion of Toryism into a purely Protectionist party. Mr. Balfour has doubtless striven, after his fashion, to avert or to minimize that disaster, says the London Nation, "but he has now accepted it, and even bases his leadership upon it."

A strong section of the Protectionists, headed by Mr. Austen Chamberlain and Lord Milner, is laboring to commit the Unionist party to expensive schemes of social reform, to be financed by a system of protective duties upon food and manufactures. It is an astute appeal, designed to cut the ground from beneath the feet of the Liberal party. The Liberal Government, they say, "professes its inability to find the money to do these things; we will find the money by making the foreigners pay." The result of the three by-elections, in which the Unionists have captured Liberal seats, shows that this propaganda, however delusive, has some elements of popularity.

The Government is impelled by the success of these tactics to push its social reform programme, especially a scheme of old-age pensions to which it is committed. Legislation of this character is frankly based upon the conception that the state has a right to devote a reasonable proportion of acquired wealth to raising the general standard of living. To accomplish this it must use its powers of taxation, and this is the problem confronting the British Government. The Protectionists say they would solve it by duties upon foreign imports, but free traders must find other methods. The plan by which the bulk of the money needed for old-age pensions is to be raised will probably be a bolder graduation of the income tax. It is proposed to levy a surtax on incomes over a certain amount, say £3,000, on the cardinal principle, as avowed by the Nation, that "taxes should be shifted from the wages of the workers and the incomes of the struggling members of the middle-class, to those elements of rent, surplus profits, interest, and other unearned payments which will bear them without interference with the industrial life of the nation."

A great task is before the Government in the domain of taxation alone. In addition, it must face a struggle with the House of Lords for legislative supremacy.

The cost of Hansard is \$42 per column. Talk is not cheap in the House of Commons, and it is the main output of the Opposition.

Sweet and proper it is to die for one's country, says the Latin poet, but this is no consolation to poor General Stoessel, who has been sentenced to be shot to death.

The attack on the French treaty, in the alleged interest of Ontario grape-growers, is probably a case of sour grapes. The treaty is so much more beneficial than the one negotiated by the Conservative party.

Mr. Sam Clarke, M.P.P., says the main ability of the Whitney Government has been in collecting money. And he added truly that the Government has been enabled to collect it in plenty through the good work of its predecessors.

Anarchism is a Russian product and may be understood in a country where government is identified with tyranny. But such a noxious plant will not grow in the soil of a free country. Some of the refugees from European oppression do not appreciate the liberties they enjoy on this continent.

The board of trade is fortunate in securing for its annual bar met such speakers as Mr. Lemieux and Professor Sheldon. The former is as eloquent in English as in French, and no public man in Canada has a brighter future. The latter, by his writings on commercial subjects, is known throughout the continent.

of this kind. His reasons, in the first place, for ignoring Mr. Ganeay may have been quite sufficient. But since then he has given another reason for not inviting gentlemen to sup with him, in the insulting speech he made a year or so ago in reference to his honor and some of the gentlemen who were honored with invitations to dine with him. No man with any spark of self-respect could overlook such an attack, and we hardly think Mr. Clark will choose to dine with those who are trying their best to make asses of themselves should receive some attention from Mr. Whitney.

TOO MANY OFFICIALS.
[New York Post.]
Sir Antony MacDonnell, who has now been under secretary in Ireland for five years, beginning with the Conservatives and keeping on with the Liberals, holds some very decided opinions upon the mismanagement of the civil service. It is said that he frankly told the Tory Lord Chancellor that three-fourths of all the trouble in Ireland was due to officialism.

GOT HIS WISH.
[London (England) Answers.]
The conjugal dispute waxed loud and furious. Mrs. Blank said, "Yes, yes; it was so, and Mr. Blank said, "Pooh, pooh; it was not so!" In the end came tears.

THE DIFFERENCE.
[New York Globe.]
He was a dog.
But he stayed at home.
And guard at the family night and day.
He was a dog.

WHERE WOMEN VOTE.
[New York American.]
In four States of the Union, in New Zealand and the Commonwealth of Australia, as well as in Finland, women have for some time had the full franchise. In Finland 19 out of 20 members of the Diet are women. For six years the majority of women in Norway have had the ballot. In Sweden a similar franchise was granted to women in 1907. The Dutch Government has just introduced a bill giving the franchise to women on exactly the same terms as to men.

TOM JONES.
[New York American.]
"Tom Jones" was the first novel in the modern sense of the word dealing with life as it is and apart from all extra-natural considerations. Fielding addressed himself to a new and hitherto unexplored territory, and he did it with a rare success. Samuel Richardson came very near being the pioneer novelist, but unfortunately for his fame Richardson was handicapped by the members rules and traditions, and lost the honor he came so near securing.

LONDON AND PARIS.
[New York American.]
There is evidence to show that London was a considerable town before the Roman invasion. Its Celtic name was Londin (like our word). Tacitus, in the first century, calls it Londinium, and describes it as a flourishing place. The earliest notice of Paris is in Caesar's Commentaries. Caesar called it Lutetia, and described it as a collection of mud huts. Lutetia began in the fourth century to be known as Parisia, or Paris, and in the sixth century was selected by Clovis as the seat of government. Of the two cities London is undoubtedly the more ancient, though how much older it is impossible to say.

NEVER STOPS.
[Argonaut.]
The minister was addressing the Sunday school. "Children, I want to talk to you for a few moments about one of the most wonderful, one of the most important organs in the whole world," he said. "What is it that throbs away, beats, never stopping, never ceasing, whether you wake or sleep, night or day, week in and week out, month in and month out, year in and year out, without any vacation of your part, hidden away in the depths, as it were, unseen by you, throbbing, throbbing, throbbing rhythmically all your life long?"

A BOUQUET FROM CLEVELAND.
[Cleveland Leader.]
When a Cleveland crowd saw crack skaters from New York, Chicago, Milwaukee, Buffalo, and other American cities beaten in every race, last Saturday night, by a Toronto lad, while another Canadian from the same place was the winner's swiftest rival, the result seemed largely a matter of climate. There is more ice in Canada than there is in the United States. Winter sports can be relied upon there as they seldom can here. If the Dominion didn't shine in skating and tobogganing and snowshoe racing there would be something wrong with its people.

KEEP GAMEY OUT.
[Hamilton Times.]
We hope Lieut.-Gov. Clark will not change his course in relation to Mr. Ganeay because a number of the Tory members of the Legislature have had the bad taste to call in question his action in not inviting the Manitoban member to dinner. The Toronto News says if members have signified their intention to boycott Government House until Mr. Ganeay is recognized. We very much mistake the temperment of his honor if he will allow himself to be dictated to in a mat-

people. They have been slow, but they have kept law enthroned in fact as well as in form. They have produced comparatively few big things, but astonishingly few murders. And of late they have gone ahead fast in every desirable way. Their country has a strenuous climate, but it evidently agrees with men as well as with trees. The Dominion has a fine future, beyond doubt.

PARTIAL SECURITY FOR CANADIANS.
Government Holds Deposit of \$327,516 Made By Mutual Reserve Company.

Ottawa, Feb. 20.—In the House of Commons today Hon. Mr. Fielding replying to a question stated that the Government was aware of the liquidation proceedings in connection with the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Company of New York. The question of protecting the interests of Canadian policyholders, Mr. Fielding said, was receiving the department's attention.

Blaze at Top of the Famous Structure in French Capital.

Paris, Feb. 20.—Paris had a spectacular fire today. The wireless station, which had been installed in the Eiffel Tower for purposes of long-distance communication between Paris and other points, including New York, was destroyed by flames. The tower was not injured to any appreciable extent, but the installation which the Government only constructed last month was ruined.

TO MODERNIZE ARMY.
China Orders New Division Put Into Up-to-Date Trim.

Pekin, Feb. 20.—General Chiang Kwei-ti, who has been commander of the defenses of Peking since 1906, and who is a trusted officer of the Dowager Empress, is about to leave here for the Yang-tse River for the purpose of organizing and commanding the new Yang-tse Valley division of the army.

QUEEN RAN OVER CHILD.
Buys Big Doll and Accompanies Little One to the Hospital.

Roma, Feb. 21.—An automobile, in which Dowager Queen Margherita was driving yesterday, ran over a 5-year-old girl, who, however, was only slightly injured. The Queen, alighted from the automobile, lifted the child in her arms and drove with her to the hospital. She then sat for the mother and presented the child with a big doll, which was put in the bed next to her.

Chapman's OVERCOATS
MEN! Will you pay less than the wholesale cost for High-Grade Overcoats? That's the opportunity that's waiting you here—with lots of cold weather left. Fine, stylish, new coats, just from the manufacturer, that show no mark of handling. The variety is extraordinary and the label, that is a hall-mark of the quality, speaks for itself. Note a few of the reduction figures:
About 50 Men's and Young Men's Overcoats, 50 inches long, made of fancy dark tweeds, lined with farmers' satin, vents in back, velvet collars. All sizes, 34 to 44. These are absolute \$9.00 values, at \$4.48
50 Boys' Fancy Dark Cheviot Overcoats, full length and full hanging back, roomy coat that the boy won't grow out of this season. Sizes 9 to 14 years; \$5.00 value. Sale price \$2.69
100 Boys' Norfolk Suits, of strong tweeds. Choice of three patterns, in sizes 6 to 15 years. Worth \$3.00 and \$3.50. Sale price \$1.95
Men's Tweed Trousers, strong, heavy and solid materials, in sizes 34 to 44. Worth \$1.75. Sale price tomorrow, \$1.25
J. H. CHAPMAN & CO., 126, 128, 128 1/2 Dundas St.

Orient Minstrels Scored Big Hit Show Is New, Novel and Pleasing

"Blonde Typewriters" Proved Tremendous Favorites—A Fine Performance.
The Orient Minstrels—that old-time favorite social organization—once again won favor in the eyes of Londoners, when the members put on their minstrel show at Bennett's Vaudeville Theater last night before an audience which packed the theater. The performance was a creditable one from all standpoints. It was put on with a finish and attention to detail which surprised those who are not acquainted with Orient methods, and it won instant approval.

HEGEMEN ARRESTED Charged With Perjury and Forgery by New York District Attorney.
New York, Feb. 20.—John R. Hegeman, president of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, presented himself at the office of the district attorney today and was formally placed under arrest on charges of perjury and forgery. The charges are the same on which Mr. Hegeman was indicted recently. There were seven charges of forgery and three of perjury. When Mr. Hegeman was arrested soon after the indictments were returned, Justice Dowling dismissed the forgery charges, as sustained those alleging perjury. Both District Attorney Jerome and John D. Lind say, counsel for Mr. Hegeman, expressed dissatisfaction with Justice Dowling's action, and it was agreed that an appeal be taken.

RUDIGER DISMISSED.
St. Petersburg, Feb. 21.—The Novoye Vremya states that Lieut.-Gen. Rudiger has been dismissed from the office of minister of war and that his successor will be Lieut.-Gen. Nicholas Rantsov, who took part in the Turkish and Japanese wars as commander of the Third Siberian army corps, and later of the First Army corps, and who is Governor-General of Croustait.

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### TRADING IN TITLES IN GREAT BRITAIN

#### Lively and Angry Debate in the Commons Over Methods Employed.

London, Feb. 20.—A lively and sometimes angry debate filled the last hours tonight of the session of the House of Commons, the cause being a motion by Hilaire Belloc, Liberal member for South Salford, aiming to get the House to condemn the secrecy under which political funds were accumulated and administered. He pictured the possible evils arising from a secret contributor to party funds having a pull with the Government.

H. C. Lea, Liberal member for East St. Pancras, said he regarded the motion as an attack on the last and present governments, and he proceeded to arraign the prevalent method of bestowing titles and other honors. It was a matter of common knowledge, he said, that titles and decorations are as lacking in dignity, prestige and moral worth as the methods by which they are obtained are loathsome, corrupt and nauseous. He went on to denounce the corruption of the last Tory regime, accusing Mr. Balfour when he was prime minister.

The speaker here stopped Mr. Lea, ruling that the charge of corruption was out of order.

#### Objects of Pity.

Mr. Lea disclaimed attacking anybody's personal honor, but he declared that political corruption under the last Government reached such a pitch that the tariff for titles and decorations became notoriously familiar.

Mr. Lea went on to tell how a certain Liberal politician, when he was knighted, was commiserated by a friend as an object of pity, but he himself became an object of pity eight months later, whereas the House laughed loudly at the time.

#### LEASES ROOF OF DEPOT

Showman Secures the Top of the Pennsylvania Terminal.

New York, Feb. 20.—Representatives of the Pennsylvania Railroad and Fred Thompson, the showman, practically closed arrangements yesterday by which Thompson obtains control of the roof of the gigantic terminal station at Seventh avenue.

#### HENRY MILLER'S PLANS

Actor-Manager Engages Big Company to Support Miss Mathison.

New York, Feb. 20.—Henry Miller will in three weeks put Miss Edith Mathison, who is now supporting him in "The Great Divide," forward as a star at the head of her own company. The first play will be called "Seven in the House." It is by Miss Mathison's husband. The three brothers, leading figures in the drama, will be played by Charles Dalton, Tyrone Power and Walter Hampden. Miss Mathison will also appear later in another drama by her husband, called "Winter Feast." Two weeks from next Monday Miss Mathison will again join Mr. Miller in "The Great Divide" and re-appear with him till June, when she sails for Australia.

### THE U. S. TO SELL THE PHILIPPINES

#### Germany To Be the Purchase and Fleet Is To Keep Jap In Check.

Paris, Feb. 20.—The following statements are forwarded with all reservations, but they represent an opinion as to the real objective of the American fleet in the Pacific which is actually entertained at this moment to the satisfaction or dissatisfaction of high diplomatic circles in Europe.

With a claim to definite knowledge of the subject, it is affirmed that the understanding exists between the Washington Administration and the German Government whereby Germany will purchase the Philippines on a basis of the payment of the amount heretofore paid by the United States as indemnity to Spain, plus all American expenditure in the islands since the American Government took possession of them. The fleet will go to Manila as a precautionary measure in case Japan should become irate when the deal is disclosed.

#### WAR RUMORS JINGO WORK

No Danger of Hostile Relations With Japan, Says Taft.

Lowell, Mass., Feb. 20.—"We are not going about the world with a chip on our shoulder. We are not in a state of war. That is the last thing that this country wants," said Secretary of War Taft in an address to the board of trade here tonight.

#### BEWARE OF THE BACKACHE NOW

This Simple Home Mixture Relieves Lame Back and Urinary Troubles.

More people succumb each year to some form of kidney trouble than any other disease. The simplest form of kidney derangement often develops into Bright's kidney disease, diabetes or dropsy.

#### A SENSATIONAL CATCH

Heir to the Duke of Rutland to Wed Actress Viola Tree.

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### PASSENGER TELLS OF TRAIN WRECK

#### A Trainman Chopped a Hole in the Car To Get Him Out.

Ottawa, Feb. 20.—The C. P. R. train No. 36, to which the passengers from No. 2 express, which was wrecked at Parke, near Chapleau, on Monday night, were transferred, arrived this morning. On board were several passengers who went through the accident, and their narrative of the occurrence is quite interesting.

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Such an active agitation. Such an impelling stock reducer. Such stirring saving chances. Truly, this is an unusual event.

It was planned to move all oddments and endments. It is doing it, and doing it well.

Incidentally, it is saving our patrons amounts that are simply astonishing on every purchase. Perhaps you know that for yourself—hundreds of people do. Perhaps your friends are numbered among them.

Your friends who know will tell you; you should come, but don't wait for their advice. Come now!

### Just to Encourage You---These Items

**On Sale Saturday Morning**  
50 Ladies' Tweed Skirts, in light and dark colors, ranging in value from \$5.00 to \$6.50, for ..... **\$3.85**

**Moirette Petticoats**  
You will be surprised at the quality of the cloth, the generous width, and, best of all, the price. The colors are navy, brown, and black. Sale price is only ..... **\$1.50**

**Black Silk Special**  
Black Chiffon Taffeta, fine lustrous finish, strong, one of the best silks shown this season, for skirts. Worth 59c, for .... **44c**

**3 Big Specials for Saturday**  
Panamas, regularly sold at 65c, for **42c**  
Colors are black, brown, blue, gray and cream.

**Black Dress Goods**  
Figured and fancy weaves, all the best makes, one of this season's favorites, for suits and skirts. The strongest feature of this goods is, it sheds the dust. Not a yard ever sold for less than 75c to \$1. For **59c**

**50c Color'd Dress Goods 29c**  
This is an odd lot of Plaids, Venetians, and Lusters. Many colors to choose from. For a move-out-quick sale we have priced them ..... **29c**

## After-Supper Sale

### The Fifth After-Supper Sale Is Slated for Saturday Night at 7:30 o'Clock.

**\$1.00 Long Silk Gloves, 59c**  
Black, White and Cream Elbow-Length Silk Gloves, After-Supper Sale .... **59c**

**50c All-Over Embroidery, 37½c**  
12 different patterns, suitable for shirt-waists, fine quality of cambric. After-Supper Sale ..... **37½c**

**10c Flannelette Embroidery 5c**  
250 yards Blue Flannelette Embroidery, regularly sold at 10c. After-Supper Sale ..... **5c**

**Ladies' Lawn Blouses, \$1.38**  
New bought at a special price for this sale. Front of embroidery, lace and tucks. Can't be sold in the regular way under \$2. After-Supper Sale ..... **\$1.38**

**30c Lace Curtains, 19c**  
50 pairs Lace Curtains, 2 1/4 yards long, 3 patterns to choose from. After-Supper Sale ..... **19c**

**35c Table Linen, 25c**  
100 yards Unbleached Table Linen, 58 inches wide. This bargain won't last long. Regular price 35c. After-Supper Sale ..... **25c**

## Come With the Crowd and Go Home Satisfied.

# Gray & Parker

PHONE 1182 150 DUNDAS STREET

### CZAR'S NAVAL PROGRAMME

A Fleet of Battleships To Be Constructed Within Two Years.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 20.—Representatives of the Russian admiralty submitted today to the commission of national defense of the Duma the financial outline of the much discussed naval programme.

The matter was discussed with open doors. Instead of in private, as had been expected.

The programme is to be completed in 1907, and it includes not only the construction of a fleet of battleships, but also hydrographic work at several of the ports of Russia. The expenditures involved amount to \$1,678,000,000 and increases yearly from the \$45,500,000 already included for the laying down of four new battleships to a maximum of \$125,000,000 in 1914. The expenditure then decreases to \$55,000,000 in 1918 and the subsequent expenditures are to be maintained at this figure. One of the features of the programme is a duplicate complement of guns for every ship to be constructed.

In reply to a question Admiral Wirrenius, chief of the general staff of the navy, said that the Russian yards would be able to handle and complete the entire programme, including the installation of turbine machinery and other late developments in naval construction. The first ships called for are to be completed in four years, and the others in three years, after they are laid down.

An alternative minor programme also was submitted. This provides for the construction of only four battleships and a fleet of smaller vessels. The estimated expenditure under this schedule is \$225,000,000. The commission took no action and several members advocated that the matter be discussed at length before the Duma. A complete reorganization of the admiralty is generally held to be essential before the new programme can be adopted.

The Salvation Army is established in fifty-two countries and preaches the gospel in thirty-one languages.

### GRAY'S Syrup of Red Spruce Gum

Prevents Catarrh

All the natural cavities of the body—(nose, mouth etc.) are lined with mucous membrane. This membrane is very delicate. The least exposure irritates and inflames it, causing it to pour out the fluid mucus. The first stage is a cold. The next stage is chronic cold or catarrh. Gray's Syrup prevents Catarrh because it breaks up the cold and cures the cough. Keep a bottle on hand this winter, to cure coughs and colds and ward off Catarrh altogether. Sold by all dealers. 25c and 50c.

Relieves Colds—Hoarseness—Cold in the Head—Coughs—Bronchitis—Asthma—Pain in Chest—Night Coughs—and permits Restful Sleep.

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To assist digestion, relieve distress after eating or drinking too heartily, to prevent constipation, take

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EMMA GOLDMAN HELD FORTH AGAIN

Aired Her Views in Cullis' Hall—Spoke of the Drama and Revolution.

The lecture by Emma Goldman on "The Revolutionary Spirit in the Modern Drama" in Cullis' Hall last night proved to be, as she herself expressed it to her audience, "the first time that certain views on certain subjects had been presented to them in such a free and unconventional form in this city."

The solution of the individual is the solution of the Jewish question will not be solved in Russia until capital is abolished.

"Ibsen," said Miss Goldman, "has given the world more social dynamite than any other writer in the 2,000 years."

Ibsen's fight was against the erroneous social conditions of the time. "The Doll's House," the greatest of his works, was the story of the awakening of a rebellious woman.

All efforts to emancipate women, Miss Goldman holds, have not gone deep enough.

Women must be free to take their places side by side with men. They are not merely complementary to men. Women and men are complementary to each other.

Through the ages women have been on their knees to men.

Their gods have changed, but their attitude never has.

Either they have bowed to the church, the state, the race, or popular opinion, but always they have worshiped something.

Women must learn to stand on their feet. They must think for themselves.

As a case in point, Miss Goldman

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Miss Goldman was asked if she considered Jesus Christ an anarchist.

"In some ways, yes," she replied. "I do not for a moment regard him as a supernatural being. He taught us nothing that had not been taught before. Christ propagated truth and would be crucified right here in London today if he came here and tried to propagate similar ideas.

"You can have no true morality under a system of that kind, based on iniquity, pure and simple.

"Real morality is a growth of intellectual application—not book-learning, but there are plenty of professors who know less about life and its problems than many a street sweeper.

"The only college in which to learn this thoroughly is life itself.

"Every individual should be free, government by force non-existent.

"The duty of the individual is first of all to himself and in being true to himself he will be true to others."

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It's a Shame to Sell Fine Furniture So Cheap More Snaps in Carpets and Rugs for Saturday

The above is the consensus of opinion of those who are thoroughly posted on furniture values, but, notwithstanding their views, we will still continue to offer the most amazingly low prices on fine furniture. It remains for you to profit by our liberality. Just note the way the knife has sliced off the dollars in the prices for Saturday:

- \$15.00 Less for This Turkish Rocker. Save \$8.00 on a Parlor Chair. All Kinds of Rugs At Big Reductions. Still Another Snap in Carpets. Remnants. Big Wall Paper Sale.

Wide Range of Mission Furniture. Wool Art Squares. Tapestry Carpets at 35c.

A. S. SMITH 124 Dundas Street. Phone 680. H. A. TURNPENNY

Advertiser Patterns. DESIGNED BY MARTHA DEAR.



AN OVER-BLOUSE OF EXCELLENT STYLE—5996.

A smart over-bodice for dressy wear could be made after this design, or it could be very simply developed.

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Form for ordering patterns, including fields for Name, Street Address, Town, Province, and Measurement.

CAUTION.—Be careful to inclose above illustration and send size of pattern wanted. When the pattern is bust measure you need only mark 32, 34, or whatever it may be.

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TRAVELERS' GUIDE

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY. SARNIA TUNNEL TO SUSPENSION BRIDGE AND TORONTO. Arrive from the east—3:50 a.m., 10:55 a.m., 11:12 a.m., 11:23 a.m., 6:25 p.m., 7:48 p.m., 10 p.m.

STRATFORD BRANCH. Arrive—3:15 a.m., 11:18 a.m., 1:10 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 6:25 p.m.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY. Arrive—From the east—11:30 a.m., 8 p.m., 11 p.m.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILWAY. Arrive—6:55 a.m., 11:10 a.m., 5:15 p.m., 9:50 p.m.

WABASH FOR MARDI GRAS FESTIVITIES, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM

One Way Colonist Excursions to the West. Commencing Feb. 29 and continuing daily until April 29 to the following points:

- \$46.05 Vancouver, B.C., Seattle, Wash., Spokane, Wash., Portland, Ore. \$46.05 San Francisco, Cal., Los Angeles, Cal. \$51.55 Mexico City.

Tickets also sold to certain other points in proportion.

CANADIAN PACIFIC TORONTO AND RETURN \$3.40

for the Horse Breeders' Exhibition. Tickets Good Going FEBRUARY 25, 26, Return Limit Feb. 29.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY

Royal Mail Trains From Montreal To Halifax connecting with Royal Mail Steamers From Halifax to Liverpool CANADA'S FAMOUS TRAIN THE MARITIME EXPRESS

Leaving Montreal Fridays at 12:00 (noon) carrying passengers, baggage and European mails, reaching the steamer's dock at Halifax the following Saturday afternoon.

AN EATING ULCER.

Ulcers are a skin disease, and are more or less directly occasioned by a bad state of the blood, which produces acid humors and corrupts the secretions.

Through its wonderful cleansing, purifying powers on the blood, and its renovating action on the entire system, Burdock Blood Bitters has made thousands of cures of different skin diseases during the past thirty years it has been on the market.

DEFENDS EMIGRATION. General Booth Addresses Eight Hundred on the Way to B. C.

London, Feb. 20.—Addressing a batch of emigrants, mainly agricultural laborers and female domestics, en route to British Columbia, General Booth defended the army's emigration policy.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP TICKETS. WHITE STAR LINE. New York—Quebec—Liverpool. N. Y.—Plymouth—Cherbourg—Stampton.

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# The Sporting World

## Hockey, Basketball, Curling, Bowling.



### Collingwood Case Settled Today O. H. A. Executive Take Up Matter

As announced on the front page of last night's Advertiser, the O. H. A. executive was scheduled to meet in Toronto this morning to decide the merits of the Hamilton hockey team's protest against Collins, the Collingwood player whom it is alleged is a professional.

### LAST NIGHT'S HOCKEY SCORES

O. H. A. Junior, Stratford 6, Midland 6.  
Independent, Petrolia 10, Alvinston 2.

### MAY BRING OUT NEW CHAMPION

### The Ketchell-Sullivan Fight Just Part of an Elimination Plan.

The Washington birthday battle between Stanley Ketchell and Mike Twin Sullivan looks quite large on the fistful horizon right now, owing to the fact that it will develop the right man to meet Billy Papke in case the blond-topped William whips Hugo Kelly.

### ROLLER RACE OFF CRI 'PIN FEARED

Hamilton, Feb. 21.—The match roller skating race between George Crispin, of London, and McMasters, of this city, did not take place last night, as advertised.

### FINE SCORES ON THE IDEAL ALLEYS

Some very fine scores were made by the Ideal bowlers on their alley last evening. Capt. Ben Waterworth taking high single and high average, with B. Finchamp and G. Graham close up.

### Seventh Defeat Woodstock 10 to 9

One run was the margin by which the Seventh Regiment team defeated the Twenty-Second Rifles team of Woodstock last night at the Armories, the final score being 10 to 9.

### LOCAL CURLERS INVADE ST. THOMAS

Six local curling rinks took a little jaunt down to St. Thomas and defeat last night. The ice was in excellent shape and the curling keen. The scores were:

### EAST LONDON B. B. LEAGUE ELECTS

A large and well-attended meeting of the East End Baseball League was held last evening in the parlors of the Duke of York Hotel.

### MIDGETS AND VARSITY WINNERS AT THE GYM

The Wizards and the Lotfers took the crown in the Y. M. C. A. basketball series last night by scores of 11 to 17, and 23 to 39.

### POISONED FAMILY COURT SAYS MUST DIE

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 20.—The supreme court today affirmed the decision in the Cook County criminal court in the Billek murder case.

### DAKOTA AND DIVORCE

Pierre, S. D., Feb. 20.—In the annual report of the bureau of vital statistics it is plain the reason why South Dakota does not want to give up the divorce business.

### WILL TOMMY FLUNK?

BOB FITZSIMMONS says that he doesn't think Tommy Burns will ever meet Sam Fitzpatrick's colored heavyweight, Jack Johnson.

### YESTERDAY'S WINNERS

At New Orleans—The wolves to 2, Dunning 6 to 5, Mae Hamilton 1 to 2, Pedro 11 to 10, Posing 9 to 1, Aninurus 7 to 2, Sainesaw 5 to 1.

### PREMATURE TALK

AND GUELPH HOCKEYISTS ARE going to do wonders next year. A new rink, new team and new everything. Well, we'll wait till next season and if they were like to have an oppor-

### The Federal Life Assurance Company of Canada

### The Twenty-Sixth Annual Statement

### DIRECTORS' REPORT.

The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the shareholders of the Federal Life Assurance Company of Canada was held at the company's home office in Hamilton, Tuesday, Feb. 18, 1908, at 2 p.m.

The annual report, as follows, was read and adopted, on motion of Mr. Dexter, seconded by Lieut.-Col. Kerns:

Your directors have the honor to present the report and financial statement of the company for the year which closed on Dec. 31, 1907, duly vouched for by the auditors.

The field officers and agents of the company are intelligent and loyal, and are entitled to much credit for their able representation of the company's interests.

### AUDITORS' REPORT

To the president and directors of the Federal Life Assurance Company: Gentlemen—We have carefully audited the books and records of your company for the year ending 31st December last, and have certified to their accuracy.

### Financial Statement for 1907.

RECEIPTS.	
Premium and annuity income	\$ 625,939 29
Interest, rents and profit on sales of real estate	141,438 34
\$ 767,377 63	
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Paid to policyholders	\$ 287,268 17
All other payments	228,110 30
Balance	256,999 16
\$ 767,377 63	
ASSETS, DEC. 31, 1907.	
Reserve fund	\$ 2,705,577 00
Death losses awaiting proofs	24,935 00
Contingent fund to cover temporary depreciation in debentures and bonds	22,847 74
Other liabilities	23,197 00
Surplus on policyholders' account	212,916 00
\$3,000,472 74	
LIABILITIES.	
Total security	\$ 3,870,472 74
Policyholders were issued assuring	3,302,746 57
Total insurance in force	18,965,117 93

### AROUND THE SPORTING CIRCUIT

### By SOUTHPAW

"Hereafter there will be no one allowed in the grandstand but the officials of the London and visiting teams, and the press representatives."

IT HAS BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE LONDON has been heard of in the aquatic line, and the Thames Boat Club project should be encouraged, if for no other reason.

IT IS PROPOSED TO erect a clubhouse on the old Scarrow property, just this side of the Dundas street bridge, and to make the structure one that London can feel proud of, even if it isn't a mansion.

SHARES IN the club will be sold at \$10 each, and can be procured of Mr. Arthur Keene, secretary-treasurer of the club.

THERE NOW SEEMS TO BE NO DOUBT but what the International League will be a fixture here next season. As is shown by the letter Mr. Reid received from Mr. Wreath,

### Sporting Jottings From Scissors, Pen and Wire

### What Is Doing in Local and Foreign Athletics

SAID DAVEY BOLE YESTERDAY: "Had we known that there would be no game tonight, we would have run up a much larger score than we did on Preston."

### BASEBALL IN ST. THOMAS.

"HANK" HUMPHREY HAS RECEIVED a letter from the manager of the Cuban Giants' baseball team, who want to come to St. Thomas for the 24th of May.

### THE WOODSTOCK HOCKEY team

will likely visit St. Thomas one evening this week or next—St. Thomas Times.

### NAUGHTY ROOTERS.

IF FRANK PATRICK HAD FOLLOWED THE ADVICE OF THE ROOTERS behind him in the Ottawa-Victoria game, Marty Walsh would have been a candidate for the operating table.

### THE POT IS BOILING.

THE LACROSSE POT IS BEGINNING to boil over already. Although it is very early yet, the big gymnast on Peel street, belonging to the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association, is already humming at night with lacrosse situation talk, and Shamrock magnates may be seen discussing matters.

That there will be lots of trouble is generally anticipated, for it is hardly to be wondered at that the players, seeing the wonderful salaries which hockey men are getting, are feeling as if they would like to have an oppor-

### LONDON, TOO.

IN AN ACCOUNT OF A RECENT HOCKEY MATCH a Berlin writer says: I think the crowd was well handled, but why the management allowed the small boy to usurp the reserved seats and press box after the first half I can't understand.

### BURNS, AHoy!

JIM JEFFRIES has unearthed a new wonder in the heavyweight class named Horst Hook, a Boer, who has been defeating all comers in Africa and India.

### A NEW STAR.

CONNIE MACK WHO IS ALWAYS DIGGING UP STARS no other manager ever heard of, is out with the announcement that he has unearthed another wonder. Recently Mack made a trip to the coast in quest of players and he secured at least one in whom he has all kinds of confidence.

### JUST LIKE LONDON.

TORONTO NEWS: In Collingwood they think hockey, talk and almost eat hockey. It is the one great sport of the town, and any team that beats Collingwood at its favorite game, is hailed as a hero.

### PREMATURE TALK.

AND GUELPH HOCKEYISTS ARE going to do wonders next year. A new rink, new team and new everything. Well, we'll wait till next season and if they were like to have an oppor-

### HOOND MARS BEAUTY

Beautiful German Actress Terribly Mangled by Wolfhound.

New York, Feb. 20.—Her beauty marred by the viciousness of a Russian wolfhound, which snapped savagely at her at the dog show last Friday, tearing away part of her nose,

### SATURDAY BARGAINS

The best is none too good for you. That is why we are offering any 10 cent cigar made in London, four for 25 cents.

Scottish Ritters Hold a Banquet  
Brilliant Event in Masonic Temple

The Last Session of the Reunion  
Held in the Red Room  
Last Night.

The last session of the reunion of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Free Masons was held last evening in the red room, where the eighteenth degree was exemplified, followed by a brilliant banquet, at which many of the representative Masons of Ontario were present.

After the degree work was finished, the members repaired to the banquet hall, where a fine banquet was prepared. The tables were arranged according to the custom of the order, and were profusely decorated in the lodge colors.

Would Protect Ducks at Long Point

The perfecting of the game laws is again occupying the mind of Mr. A. C. Pratt, M. P. for South Norfolk, who has been instrumental in the past in securing useful amendments. His attention is especially directed to Long Point Bay, on Lake Erie, which has long been famous as a paradise for duck hunters.

Systematizing Charity Work in City

At a meeting of the Charities Organization Society yesterday afternoon, it was decided to divide the city into 50 or 60 districts for charitable purposes, and President Gates, Sheriff Cameron and Inspector Sanders were appointed a committee to arrange the details.

Repair Pavements as Early as Possible

It is expected that repairs to the pavements this year will be commenced much earlier than has been customary. The contract for the repairs was awarded to the Barber Asphalt Company at the last meeting of the council.

A. O. U. W. Will Form Social Club

A largely attended meeting of the eight lodges of A. O. U. W. was held in the lodge rooms in the Albion block last night, when it was unanimously decided to form an A. O. U. W. Club for entertaining new members.

Cartage Rates Go Up Two Cents Cwt.

A dispatch from Montreal contains the statement made in The Advertiser on Tuesday regarding the increase in cartage rates. On March 1 Canadian railways will increase the cartage charge on the delivery of consignments of freight from one and a half to two cents per hundred pounds. This increase has been considered necessary by the enhanced cost of delivery due to the greater cost of wages, fuel of horses, and other expenses, which have led the big delivery companies to increase their charges to the railways.

Col. Peters Remains for Another Term

Col. Peters has been notified that his term of the appointment as commandant of the 1st military district has been extended for two years. His term expired on Feb. 15, but he has now been re-appointed for another two-year term.

REFUSED TO INTERFERE TO SAVE HOTELS

Toronto Liquor Men Present Monster Petition in Vain.

Toronto, Feb. 21.—The liquor men of Toronto went up to the Parliament buildings this morning with a petition containing 13,324 names, 13,324 short of the 50,000 the liquor men started out to secure. They asked the Government to interfere and prevent the cutting off of 34 hotels in Toronto until the people had voted on the question.

Mr. Sullivan Is New School Inspector

Mr. J. F. Sullivan, of Ottawa, has been appointed inspector of Catholic separate schools in this city, to succeed Mr. J. F. Power who has been named an assistant Normal School principal.

Police Not Bothering About Emma

Several rumors were in circulation this morning that Emma Goldman, the notorious woman anarchist, who has been in the city for several days, was constantly under police surveillance, and that she was shadowed everywhere.

Are Opposed To Wigle Proposition

The cigar manufacturers of London are decidedly opposed to the proposition submitted by Mr. Darius Wigle, of Kingsville, at Ottawa yesterday, asking that a customs duty of 25 cents a pound be placed on all imported cigars.

Local Items

—Mr. and Mrs. George Young, who were residents of Aylmer, Ont., for a number of years, have come to live in London.

—Mrs. Charles Ross and the Misses Holmes, 234 Princess avenue, will receive for the first time on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 4 o'clock, and afterwards on Friday.

—Miss Emily Dobie, of this city, will leave a week from Saturday to spend a year in the Canadian and American West.

—The break in the Dundas street water main has been repaired and is now in perfect working order.

—Llewellyn J. Mackintosh, aged 55 years, died on Tuesday in Delaware. He leaves two brothers and two sisters, C. H. Mackintosh, of Henry Large, B.C. and Edward; Mrs. Henry Large and Miss Mackintosh, of Windsor.

—The Huron College appointments for Sunday are as follows: Christ Church, city, Mr. H. Miller; Meritt, Mr. Neville; Ward, Napier, Mr. F. S. Hardy; Holywell, Mr. W. C. Hawkins; Moravia, J. Macdonald; Home for incurables, Mrs. W. A. Roberts.

—The many friends of Mr. James Miller, of the "W" Hamilton road and Horton street, will regret to learn that he is very dangerously ill, and that fears are entertained for his recovery.

—Mr. Miller is one of London's oldest residents, and has lived in the vicinity for a great number of years.

—John Burleigh, a well-known resident of London Township, died yesterday at his residence, lot 6, concession 9, after a short illness. Mr. Burleigh was in his 47th year, and was widely known and esteemed. The funeral will take place from his late residence on Sunday afternoon to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

—A pretty wedding took place at the residence of Mr. W. J. Lasky, 473 Talbot street, yesterday afternoon, when Miss Blanche Lasky was married to Mr. D. L. Hoover. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. J. Wyling, Mr. and Mrs. Hoover will leave about March 1 for North Baddow, where they will reside.

—Mrs. E. Gilligan, a well-known resident of East London, died at her residence, No. 1 Pearl street, yesterday. Mrs. Gilligan was in her 55th year and has resided in this city for some time. Her death is being widely mourned by her many friends. The funeral will take place from her late residence on Sunday morning, interest being made at St. Peter's Cemetery.

—Secretary J. A. Nelles, of the board of trade, has received word from Prof. Sherman, of Chicago, that he will be in London on Friday evening next to address the board of trade business. Prof. Sherman is the founder and principal of the well-known Sheldon School of Scientific Management. There is a great demand for tickets to the banquet.

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Strong's Carminative

A cross baby will upset an entire household.

will keep the baby good-natured. A mild medicine which regulates the system, prevents peevishness, restlessness, and the disorders of the feeding period. Indorsed by the medical profession, 25 cents per bottle, at

Strong's Drug Store  
184 DUNDAS STREET.

R. J. YOUNG & CO.

54-Inch Luster at 43c a Yard

Is one of our specials for this week-end sale. This is a regular 60c luster, full yard and a half wide and very fine quality, with bright, silky finish. Three colors only—black, navy and cream. These are on sale for the two days only at this special price, per yard..... 43c

New Season Patterns and Colorings in Printed Delainettes

SPECIAL SALE, 10c 7c QUALITIES at, YARD, 7c  
Twenty-five pieces new Delainettes, in light and dark colorings. Splendid quality at the regular price. On sale Friday morning at 9 o'clock.

SEE ECHO FOR FULL LIST OF FRIDAY AND SATURDAY BARGAINS.

Advance Sale of New Spring Muslins  
10c and 12 1/2c Dress Muslins at, per yd., 6 1/4c

Just 25 pieces of crisp, new Muslins, in light and dark colorings, all new designs for spring 1908. These are also on sale Friday morning at nine, and as quantity is limited to 25 pieces, we would advise early shopping to insure best choice.

Our Mill-End Sale of New Embroideries for Spring  
Will Continue Friday and Saturday

It will not be possible to secure like values later in the season. FINE SWISS EMBROIDERIES, worth up to 20c a yard. Sale price..... 10c CORSET EMBROIDERIES, Swiss and cambric, in new shadow and eyelet patterns, 35c and 40c qualities, at, per yard..... 25c

R. J. Young & Co. ; R. J. Young & Co.

BRILLIANT ARTISTS

Will Be Heard at Mr. Dwight-Edwards' Concert on Monday Evening.

Among the brilliant artists whom Mr. Dwight-Edwards has engaged for his notable concert in the Grand Opera House on Monday evening are: Miss Mortimore, soprano; Miss Pauline Johnston, reader; Walter McKaye, in character sketches; Frank Blachford, violinist; W. A. Bleuthner, pianist; and Charles E. Wheeler, accompanist.

WAS HARD HIT BY STORM

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sens any falling off in business resources, our attention in the connection between the producers and their markets.

Normal Conditions.

Although, so far as the railways themselves are concerned, they have returned to normal working conditions, the results of the big snowstorms will probably be felt for some time yet.

Roads Snowed Up.

In every direction the country roads were snowed up, with the result that farmers ceased taking their produce to market, so that the amount of freight offered was greatly reduced and is still much below normal.

Weekly Whist in the Liberal Club.

Excelsior.

LATEST STOCK MARKET REPORTS

H. C. Becher, stockbroker, received the following by private wire from Barrett, Frazer & Carrington today: New York, Feb. 21.—Now.—The principal feature of London was the strength in the copper metal market.

Table with multiple columns listing various stocks and their prices, including Dominion Bank, Canadian Pacific, and others.

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET.

Table listing wheat market prices for Chicago, including various grades and their corresponding prices.

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

Table listing exchange rates for Chicago, including various financial instruments and their values.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Table listing live stock market prices, including various types of livestock and their market values.





Original Charter 1854. Authorized Capital \$2,000,000.00. Special Consideration given the industrial and farming interests of London City and the County of Middlesex.

Full Compound Interest Paid on Savings Accounts Four Times a Year. 394 Richmond Street. In the premises recently vacated by The Sovereign Bank.

F. E. KARN, Manager of The Home Bank of Canada, in London.

PLENTY OF HAY LITTLE DEMAND

Local Market. London, Friday, Feb. 21. The supply of hay was larger today than on any other day this week, and as the total offered this week amounted to 150 loads, there was a rather slow demand, there being 20 loads unsold at 11:30; sales were made at \$13.50 to \$15 per ton; the highest price was obtained for the first few loads marketed. Straw was in fair demand at \$8 and \$9 per ton. The price of oats was easier, at \$1.50 to \$1.55 per cwt.

Produce Market. Toronto, Feb. 21.—There is still a considerable variation between sellers' prices and bids, and few commitments are being made. The hour trade is especially dead, owing to the fact that a large amount of produce is being offered, and the price is fairly steady around \$5. Prices are: Wheat—Manitoba No. 1 northern, \$1.18; No. 2 northern, \$1.13; feed wheat, 60c; No. 2 feed, 58c; at lake ports, Ontario No. 2 white, 90c to 95c outside; Ontario No. 2 red, 85c to 90c; No. 2 mixed, 84c; goose, 91c to 92c per bush.

Stock Markets. New York, Feb. 20.—Open High Low Close. Amer. Copper 25 1/2 25 3/4 25 3/4 25 3/4. Amer. Lead 107 1/2 107 1/2 107 1/2 107 1/2. Amer. Smelting 110 1/2 110 1/2 110 1/2 110 1/2.

Oil Markets. Oil City, Pa., Feb. 20.—Credit balances. \$1.75. London, Feb. 20.—Petroleum, American refined, 6 1/2-12 1/2; spirits, 7 1/2.

Cotton Markets. New York, Feb. 20.—Cotton—Futures. New York very steady; Chicago, 4 1/2; Feb. 21, 4 1/2; March, 4 1/2; April, 4 1/2; May, 4 1/2; June, 4 1/2; July, 4 1/2; August, 4 1/2; September, 4 1/2; October, 4 1/2; December, 4 1/2.

Bean Market. Detroit, Feb. 20.—Beans—Spot \$2.35; May, \$2.40. Chicago, Feb. 21.—Cattle—Receipts, 7,000; 1st lower, \$4 to \$5; 2nd lower, \$3 to \$4; calves, \$3 to \$4; westerns, \$4 to \$5; stockers and feeders, \$2 to \$4.50.

Old Country Prices. London, Feb. 20.—Canadian cattle are steady, at 10 1/2 to 12 1/2 per lb. dressed.

HAY MARKET. Toronto, Feb. 21.—Baled Straw—Slow, at \$19 per ton on track here. Baled Hay—Firmly is quoted at \$16 to \$17 in car lots on track here.

ENGLISH MARKET. LIVERPOOL, Feb. 21.—Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red western winter, 7s. Futures: Bury March, 5s 3/4; May, 5s 10/4; July, 5s 11/4.

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Table of stock prices for various commodities including Canadian Pacific, C.P.R., Detroit Railway, Dom. Coal, etc.

Round Up Big Band of "Reds" Armed To Slaughter Grand Duke

St. Petersburg Police Capture Fifty Terrorists After a Fierce Fight. The vicinity of the grand duke's palace, comprising 400 occupied apartments, Agents of the police searched these apartments from top to bottom, and unearthed stores of explosives and firearms.

The Counties Adjacent To London To Use The Weekly High Court

Radical Change Proposed In Measure Before the Legislature. [Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, Feb. 21.—Mr. C. C. Hodgins, M. P. for North Middlesex, is introducing in the Legislature this afternoon an act respecting the weekly high court of justice in London.

DEATH SENTENCE FOR GEN. STOESSEL Recommendation Made That the Sentence Be Commuted To Prison Term.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 20.—General Stoessel has been condemned to death. General Fock has been reprimanded and Generals Smirnov and Reiss have been acquitted.

METCALFE FARMER TAKES HIS LIFE

Strathroy, Feb. 20.—A sad tragedy occurred here today in the suicide of Wm. Metcalfe, of Metcalfe Township. Mr. Bryant, about 60 years of age, took his life by shooting himself with a shotgun.

Elderslie Lady Dead in 105th Year

Tara, Feb. 20.—Mrs. Andrew King, in 1856. The burial, which took place in Tara cemetery, was attended by a large concourse of friends and relatives.

FRENCH TREATY UNDER DEBATE BERLIN SCENTS BRITISH PLOT

Ottawa, Feb. 20.—The French treaty was the subject of debate again today in the House, Mr. Borden, leader of the Opposition, endeavoring to show that this was not the first treaty with France that had been negotiated wholly by Canada.

MOTORS UP IN SMOKE Plant of the Stoddard Dayton Company Completely Destroyed.

Dayton, Ohio, Feb. 21.—Fire of unknown origin broke out in the mammoth plant of the Stoddard Dayton automobile factory at an early hour this morning and swept through the old section of the plant, causing damage of many thousands.

THIRTY WERE KILLED Explosion in Powder Works Near Berkeley, Cal.

Berkeley, Cal., Feb. 20.—An explosion occurred in the nitro-glycerin mixing-house of the Hercules Powder Works at Pinole, fourteen miles north of here, last afternoon. The building was completely destroyed.

Chase & Sanborn's HIGH GRADE COFFEE. With its topaz-like clearness and aromatic fragrance—a cup of Chase & Sanborn's Coffee holds out a promise of deliciousness that is more than fulfilled in the drinking.

TO QUIT PORTUGAL GLOOMY RUMOR AT LISBON

Queen Amalie May Retire To Seville for Rest of Life. Madrid, Feb. 20.—Queen Amalie, widow of King Carlos, proposes to leave Portugal and live at Seville. Members of her family have applied to the Archbishop of Seville for permission to buy the historic palace of St. Elmo, which was bequeathed to him by the late Duchess of Montpensier for a seminary.

WHO OWNS THE FALKLANDS? Argentina Says They Are Her Property and Not Britain's.

Paris, Feb. 20.—The Paris office of the Argentine journal La Prensa communicates a dispatch it has received from Buenos Ayres to the effect that M. E. Bosch, the Argentine minister in France, has made a protest to the French Government against the new postal convention of Rome, in so far as it applies to the Falkland Islands, considered in the convention as a British possession.

WANTS AUTO CLAUSE IN INSURANCE BILL

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 21.—C. Nadel, of New York, was heard this forenoon before the banking and commerce committee in regard to accident and guarantee companies. He asked that automobile insurance be included in the act, as meaning insurance against loss or damage from accident or injury.

FRANCIS WILSON IN COMEDY

Francis Wilson in Comedy. "When Knights Were Bold," Charles Marlowe's successful farce, in which Francis Wilson presents Francis Wilson this season, is reported to be the laughing success of the year.

THIRTEEN CASKS OF GOLD

Rich Find in Quarry in Russia—Buried Centuries Ago. St. Petersburg, Feb. 20.—A private dispatch received here from Kamenetz, in Podolia, reports the discovery in an ancient quarry of a quantity of gold contained in thirteen casks and estimated to be worth \$750,000.

YERKES ESTATE SUED

Life Insurance Company Demands the Payment of \$225,000. New York, Feb. 20.—The Mutual Life Insurance Company today filed in the supreme court a suit against Mary Adelaide Mizner, Charles E. Yerkes and his wife, and Bessie L. Bondinella, to secure the payment of \$225,000.

DEMANDS DRASTIC ACTION

Opposition in the French Parliament Wants Big Army Sent to Morocco. Paris, Feb. 20.—The reports of numerous recent severe battles in Morocco, which have been printed in the newspapers here, with the accompanying rumors that General D'Amade's army is really in serious straits through reverses at the hands of tribesmen, led to a lengthy discussion of the Moroccan situation in the Senate this afternoon.

Table listing steamers arriving and departing, including names like Italia, New York, San Giorgio, etc.

