

**Births, Marriages, Death**

**BORN.**  
**ARCHER**—On Sunday, Feb. 18, 1900, to Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Archer, 456 St. James street, a son.

**DIED.**  
**WILLS**—In this city, on Feb. 25, 1900, Thomas H. Wills, aged 36 years.  
 Funeral from his late residence, Rodan street (off Hamilton road east), on Tuesday, at 2:30, to Woodland Cemetery. Services at 3 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation.

**VINCENT**—In this city, at the residence of his son-in-law, Wm. Ford, 325 Horton street, on Monday, Feb. 26, 1900, John Vincent, aged 81 years.  
 Funeral notice later.

**INGAMELLS**—In the township of London, on Feb. 26, Fidelia E., beloved wife of J. B. Ingamells, and youngest daughter of late Capt. Jeannette, of Windsor.  
 Funeral from her late residence, Hamilton road, on Wednesday, at 2 p.m. (services 1:30) to Woodland Cemetery. Please omit flowers.

**Amusements and Lectures**

**STARLIGHT RINK—LADIES' RACE**  
 Tuesday night for silver cup. Room for entrance.

**PRINCESS ICE PALACE—HOCKEY**  
 (tomorrow) Tuesday evening, Feb. 27. London Intermediate, champions of Ontario, vs. Waterloo Seniors. Grand game. Admission 25c, boys 15c. Coupons canceled.

**WESTMINSTER RINK—7TH BAND TO-NIGHT.** Grand ice. Admission 10c. Fairland, Thursday, March 1. Skating afternoon.

**PANCAKE SOCIAL—TUESDAY EVENING.** Feb. 27, First Congregational Church. Silver collection not less than 10c. Good programme.

**OWING TO THE DESTRUCTION OF THE** Masonic Temple, the committee in charge of the "At Home" to be given by St. John's, No. 26, has decided to postpone it until a later date. They wish to thank the donors who have assisted in the entertainment.

**TONIGHT—RAMBLER CARNIVAL.** All cash prizes. Seventh Band.

**HOCKEY—LONDON INTERMEDIATE** champions of Ontario vs. Waterloo Seniors, at the Princess, Tuesday night. Don't miss one of the fastest games of the season.

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**THE RED STAR S.S. FRIESLAND WILL** call at Southampton on her way to Antwerp, sails Wednesday, Feb. 28, from New York. First cabin 845 upwards, second cabin 527 upwards. F. B. Clarke, agent, Richmond street, next Adelphi.

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**Meetings.**

**MEMBERS OF BENEFICENT FUND.** A. O. F. will meet in A. O. F. Block, East End, (tomorrow) Tuesday, at 8 p.m. to receive committee's report. W. Richards, secretary.

**A. O. F.—MEMBERS COURT BRIGHTON** will meet at their hall, Craig street, Tuesday, 27th, 2 p.m., to attend funeral of our late brother, Thos. Wills. H. Sutherland, secretary.

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**WANTED—GOOD GENERAL SERVANT** Apply Mrs. Croden, 275 Hill street.

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**WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT—AM-** ily of three. Mrs. Kibbe, 290 Piccadilly street.

**WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT—EX-** perience. Apply Mrs. Chisholm, 478 Park avenue.

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**WANTED—GOOD GENERAL SERVANT** Small family. Apply Mrs. Geo. H. Merritt, 515 Queen's avenue.

**WANTED—GOOD GENERAL SERVANT.** Apply 708 Richmond street.

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**WANTED—AT ONCE—MAN TO AT-** tend to furnace night and morning and milk and attend to cow. Apply Helmut & Ivey, day.

**WANTED—MAN TO WORK ON FARM.** steady employment. Apply J. A. Tack, V. S. King street.

**WANTED—MEN TO LEARN BARBER** trade. We can teach you more in two months than you can learn in shop in two years. We furnish constant practice, expert instructions, lecture books, graduating department, grant diplomas, complete outfit of tools and allow any one to earn scholarship and wages Saturdays if they desire. Prepare now for busy season this spring. Catalogue with special offer mailed free. Mohler Barber College, Chicago, Ill.

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**Steamship Arrivals.**

Feb. 24. At From  
 Manchester Com. Halifax.....Manchester  
 Norwegian.....Boston.....Liverpool  
 European.....New York.....London  
 Canadian.....Quebec.....New York  
 Norwegian.....Boston.....Glasgow

Feb. 25. At From  
 Muenchen.....New York.....Bremen  
 Pennsylvania.....New York.....Halifax  
 Arawa.....Liverpool.....Halifax

**ENGINEER KILLED.**

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 26.—Frank Landan, an engineer on the Canada Atlantic Railway, was instantly killed by accident at Alexandria late Friday night.

**FATAL COAL GAS.**

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 26.—Dan Goulden, aged 45, was suffocated in bed in his house on Water street, Saturday night, by a slight fire, caused by a defective stove.

**FOUR MEN KILLED IN A MINE.**

Scranton, Pa., Feb. 26.—Four men were killed this morning in the Mount Pleasant mine by the breaking of a main carriage. The killed are William Gilbert, Thomas Williams, John Regan and Frank Woodward.

**ELECTROCUTED.**

New York, Feb. 26.—Antonio Ferrato was electrocuted at Sing Sing Prison today for the murder of Luciane Muchini in Brooklyn on April 4, 1898. The electric current was turned on at 8:20 a.m., and five shocks were administered before the attending physicians were satisfied that he was dead. He was pronounced dead at 8:28 a.m.

**BUGLE BLASTS.**

A letter recently received in Ottawa from a member of the first Canadian contingent mentions a narrow escape which Lieutenant Gordon Stewart, of the Ottawa company, had. In some way a rifle in the hands of a companion was accidentally discharged, and the bullet passed through Lieutenant Stewart's helmet, grazing his hair.

**Help Fails to**  
**Reach Cronje**

**Lord Roberts Has Captured Over 400 Prisoners.**

**Alarm in Official Circles at Pretoria—Cronje's Position Felt To Be Hopeless—Barkley West Occupied by British—Talk of Peace Proposals and Annexation.**

**Report Reiterated That Joubert Is Not in Command—Free Staters Flogged for Cowardice—Buller's Advance Stubbornly Opposed—But He Is Very Near to Ladysmith—Description of Friday's Fighting.**

London, Monday, Feb. 26—4:35 a.m.—

Perhaps never before in the course of the present campaign have such crowds visited the war office as went there yesterday. As the Times remarks today: "The dearth of news is somewhat trying at the time when a general success was regarded as imminent. No diminution of confidence in Lord Roberts is felt, however, and the public is ready to believe that he has good reasons for not mentioning Gen. Cronje in the official dispatches. Probably he is in no hurry to end a situation that is daily brightening."

Small parties of Boers in vain endeavor to reinforce Cronje. Lord Roberts has already

**CAPTURED OVER 400 BOERS,** and at this rate he will soon have a respectable array of prisoners to hold as hostages for the 300 British already in Pretoria. Gen. Cronje's failure to accept the offer of Lord Roberts regarding the women and children indicates that his position is less perilous than was supposed, or that he had been able to gain an absolute safe place for them.

**TALK OF PEACE.**

The campaign is in a most interesting stage. In about a fortnight the council of the African Republics will meet, and it is rumored that Mr. Hofmeyer will then propose peace terms on the basis of the republics accepting absolute independence, but offering to disarm. If these terms are not accepted, a proclamation will be issued, calling on the Dutch colonists to throw off their allegiance to Great Britain. Probably the Boer rumors are exaggerated, but there is no doubt the greatest anxiety prevails in Cape Town over coming events.

Dr. Leyds, in the official Berliner Post, asserts that all reports of German intervention are quite without foundation.

**ANNEXATION.**

The Standard has the following from Cape Town, dated Saturday: "A proclamation has been announced, annexing the Prieska section of the Free State, and all loyal British subjects are urged to join in the celebration. I am informed from Prieska that unless troops are speedily sent there, the whole northwest district will rise."

**BOERS HAVE GOOD COVER.**

The Times publishes the following from Paarlberg, dated Wednesday, Feb. 21: Gen. Cronje's force have good cover from the British artillery, fire, and have considerable store of provisions. A dispatch to the Morning Post from Kimberley, dated Friday, says: Gen. Cronje is reported to have plenty of provisions, but to be running short of ammunition. Mr. Rhodes is extremely hopeful that the war has reached its concluding stage.

**ALARM AT PRETORIA.**

The Lorenzo Marquez correspondent of the Times says: "The feeling in official circles at Pretoria is one of consternation. Gen. Louis Botha and President Steyn are both urging President Kruger to sue for peace. At Bloemfontein, Gen. Cronje's position is regarded as hopeless."

October's mail arrived at Kimberley Friday by the first passenger train from the south.

**From Roberts.**

**BOERS REPULSED.**

London, Sunday, Feb. 25—3:55 p.m.—The war office publishes the following from Lord Roberts: "Paarlberg, Feb. 24—12:20 p.m.—Parties of Boers, recently arrived from Natal, attacked our outposts in force again yesterday. They lost a good many killed and wounded and nearly 100 prisoners, including a commandant and three field cornets. "Our casualties were four officers wounded, nine men killed, twenty-three wounded and two men missing. "On the 21st and 22nd, one officer and thirteen men were wounded yesterday by hollow-nosed Mauser bullets. The nickel case is slit with four slits, making the projectile of the most expansive and explosive nature possible. A wounded Boer, brought to our hospital yesterday, had forty of these bullets in his pockets. "During the advance to and at Kimberley the casualties were: Officers killed, 2; 13 wounded; men, 4 killed and 78 wounded."

[The officers' casualties had previously been reported.]

**BARKLEY WEST OCCUPIED.**

Lord Roberts has sent the following

additional advice to the war office:

"Paarlberg, Saturday afternoon, Feb. 24.—Methuen reports that Barkley West was occupied by British troops on Feb. 22. The loyal inhabitants displayed great enthusiasm."

"The country west of the railway from Cape Town to Kimberley is gradually settling down. A detachment has started from De Aar for Britstown, and Douglas and Prieska will shortly be visited by our troops."

"Methuen's account of the admirable manner in which the Kimberley hospital is managed made one desire to send some of our sick and wounded there."

**Boer Reports.**

**Boer Head Laager.** Natal, Friday, Feb. 23.—Yesterday the British crossed the Tugela in large numbers, with cannon and over sixty wagons. They attacked the Ermelo and Middleburgh's commandos, but were forced to retreat under a heavy Mauser fire.

A renewed attempt to storm the Ermelo was made this morning, but the British were again driven off. The fighting continued on Tuesday, Feb. 24. The British losses were very heavy. Eight ambulances were employed in collecting the dead and wounded. The generals report that the commandos are fighting bravely.

Ladysmith fired a few shells this morning at our outposts till silenced by Long Tom.

Pretoria, Friday, Feb. 23.—A special dispatch from Colenso, dated Thursday, Feb. 23, says that Commandant Delarey moved out and occupied a position east and south of Arundel, where the British were encamped. At sunrise the British attacked the Boers with cannon, infantry and cavalry, the Boers replying. Late in the evening, when the Boers were attacked in their rear by a force, presumably from Naauwpoort, rendering the Boer position untenable, the British attempted to storm the Bo



again towards another British position with exactly the same result.

They then made a third attempt to occupy another position, but the Boers were again ready to receive them. The third repulse thoroughly disconcerted the Boers, who galloped away in a panic.

Later, perceiving another kopje, the Boers moved quickly towards it. This kopje was unoccupied, but the Boers, not to be beaten, raced for the position, and won, occupying the kopje and driving off the Boers. A portion of the latter ultimately occupied a kopje, flanked partially by the Boers, and facing another kopje held by the Yorkshires. A vigorous fusillade ensued, the British firing steadily and accurately, and silencing the Boer fire. Meanwhile the Seaforth's were ordered to reinforce the Yorkshires in case the Boers should be reinforced. The British attack worked around to the right, which again silencing the Yorkshires, where the 7th Battery was stationed, the 62nd Battery being placed at a farm near the center of the Boers' position. A vigorous shelling accompanied by a British fusillade, completely.

#### SILENCED THE BOERS.

A company of Yorkshires were sent to clear out the Boers, but the attempt failed, the Boers opening a heavy fire and the British having no cover. The British then again opened a heavy rifle fire which again silenced the Boers. The Boers made several attempts to run, but the Maxims opened upon them effectually, and checked them. The Buffs now worked carefully and cautiously around and got within 150 yards of the Boers. Eighty Boers surrendered, but many, it appears, escaped, going singly.

Most of the prisoners had just arrived from Ladysmith. They complained of the bad generalship of their leader. Nearly every man carried explosive bullets, and five British were wounded while the Boers had none. There is no longer the slightest doubt that the Boers are gradually DISCARDING ALL RULES OF CIVILIZED WARFARE.

The other day they poured the contents of a Vickers-Maxim gun into an ambulance, which happened, however, to be empty, some 300 yards away from the nearest troops.

The war balloon is doing excellent service. Early this morning it arose to a great height, and discovered in the bed of the river four wagons, which contained ammunition. These were exploded by the British shells an hour afterwards. The balloon observer also discovered a number of horses concealed nearby, and these also received attention from the British shrapnel.

The Gordons are now incorporated in the Highland Brigade, making four killed regiments. The Highland Light Infantry, who are not killed, and a fine body of men are going to join Gen. Smith-Dorrien's brigade.

#### Lord Ava's Death.

Four officers were on a kopje on the left of Hotchkiss footpath, these being Capt. Fowler, Capt. Lee-Smith, Lord Ava and Lieut. Pakeman. Forty men, made up of Light Horse, Gordons and Rifles, held an advanced kopje against a cross-fire poured in by the Dutch at from 15 to 25 yards. At 7 o'clock the front was of about 350 yards, and a Dutchman shot at Capt. Fowler and Lee-Smith, Lord Ava and Lieut. Pakeman. He put a bullet through Fowler's hat and shot Lord Ava through the head, inflicting a mortal wound. Lord Ava was leaning over a rock, trying to get a shot at a Dutchman, when the one referred to shot him. When hit, Lord Ava said, "I'm done, Lee-Smith, and fell." Lord Ava was hit about 5 o'clock, and a few minutes later, reinforcements, Gordons and Rifles, came up.

#### SIMULTANEOUSLY

Roberts and Buller May Strike the Final Blow on Majuba Day.

London, Feb. 26.—The military critic of the Morning Leader says: The militia are now arriving at the Cape, and they will be able to replace the regulars on the lines of communication who can be pushed to Roberts', Clements' and Gatacre's aid.

Buller burrows forward, but the enemy around Ladysmith is not yet in a hurry to be gone.

It is rumored that Buller and Roberts are waiting to strike the final blow simultaneously on Majuba Day.

#### CECIL RHODES

Delivers a Remarkable Speech Before the De Beers Company.

Kimberley, Saturday, Feb. 24.—Mr. Cecil Rhodes, president of a meeting of the De Beers Company today, delivered a remarkable speech which was received with great enthusiasm. After announcing that the year's profits of the De Beers Company amounted to £2,000,000, he spoke of the chartered companies' transactions with De Beers, and that the shareholders were divided into two classes—imaginative and unimaginative. The latter, he said, passed their time filling money bags that are dissipated by their offsprings on wine and women and horses. To the latter class he stated that the transactions with the Chartered Company had closed satisfactorily, as the De Beers Company owned all the diamonds which the charter existed. To the imaginative he drew a picture of these mines 100 years hence as mirroring European civilization in the far south. "The latter," he said, "felt a glow of satisfaction as they thought that the immense riches

taken from the soil have not been merely devoted to the decoration of the fair sex."

Speaking of the war, he considered it a puzzle why it had arisen. The Transvaal, the Free State, were not republics, he declared, but oligarchies, and had been long conspiring to seize British South Africa. Each government was simply a small political gang who humbugged the poor Dutchmen, appealing to their patriotism and dividing their spoils among the coterie. The Afrikaner had been working twenty years for independent Africa. He said that former President Reitz of the Orange Free State had years and years ago a vow that his only ambition in life was to drive England out of Africa. After showing how Kimberley had been defended by citizens, of whom 120 were killed or wounded, and thanking Gen. French for his gallant ride, Mr. Rhodes closed brilliantly, asserting, "We have done our duty in preserving and protecting the greatest commercial asset in the world—her majesty's flag."

#### NEWS NOTES

Mr. A. B. Milnes, of Brantford, was killed by falling down stairs.

Daniel Golden, of Ottawa, was suffocated by smoke from a small fire in his dwelling.

Mr. William Tudhope, sen., founder of the Tudhope Carriage Company, of Orillia, is dead.

A British syndicate has obtained an important concession the gold mining region of Abyssinia.

The Marconi system of wireless telegraphy was tried in the British naval maneuvers and proved very successful.

Mr. W. V. Pettet, M. P., was nominated for the commons by the independent electors of Prince Edward county.

At Quebec Police Constable Cazes shot and killed his wife after a quarrel arising out of the man's excessive drinking.

The British steamer Torino has arrived at Havana. The Torino was reported from Pensacola as having been lost in the storm on Tuesday night.

Fire broke out in the general store and postoffice of Anderson & Smith, at Westward, Ont., Friday night. Buildings and stock were totally destroyed. Loss on stock, \$3,000; on buildings, \$1,000.

Business is at a standstill in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Exports and imports are paralyzed awaiting a solution of the American tariff problems. Laboring classes are suffering from the consequent want of work.

Premier Selwyn, of British Columbia, has informed Lieut.-Governor McInnes of the defeat of his government. It is probable an attempt will be made to form a coalition government for the remaining two years of the life of the present parliament.

According to the information received at the United States war department from Manila, with the end of the present expedition of Gen. Bates into the two provinces at the extreme southern part of the Island of Luzon, military operations in the Philippines will close.

#### PRICE OF PAPER

A Combine Has Been Formed to Control It—An Increase of 25 Per Cent on All Lines Ordered at Once.

Montreal, Feb. 26.—The paper manufacturers of the Dominion have formed an association for the control of prices. In common with other manufacturers, they felt the general increase in prices of raw materials entering into the cost of production, but they were unable to advance their own prices heretofore owing to the absence of union. This difficulty has been overcome. Eighteen out of the 22 paper manufacturers of the Dominion were represented at a meeting in the Windsor, and they agreed upon the basis of an association. The four firms unrepresented, who, however, are small, will, it is expected, also join. The first step of the new association was to order an increase of 25 per cent on all lines, news paper, wrapping, note and every other kind of paper, in order to provide against the cutting of prices of raw materials. The firm of Jenkins & Hardy, Toronto, were appointed secretary-treasurer. Any disputes will be referred to them, and they will have the power to impose a fine upon any member of the association breaking the agreement. This firm already occupies a similar position with regard to other associations, which have worked satisfactorily. It is therefore expected that the paper-makers' combine will be of the iron-clad variety.

#### DEADLY CROSSING

Carriage Containing Seven Persons Struck by an Express Train—Five Killed.

Buffalo, Feb. 25.—A Geneva special to the Buffalo Courier says: Shortly after midnight Saturday the morning express on the Lehigh Valley Railroad struck a carriage containing seven persons at Tuttle's Crossing, about 25 miles east from Rochester, instantly killing five of the occupants, fatally injuring another, and badly bruising the other. All were members of a family. The dead are: Mrs. Amy Smith, 43 years old; Bert Smith, 23 years old; Miss Miranda Smith, 24 years old; Alice Smith, 14 years old; Catherine Smith, 8 years old.

The injured are: Porter Smith, husband of Mrs. Smith and father of the other victims; Gardner Smith, 21 years old.

From Near-By Places.

Robert Donnelly, of Glencoe, has bought his brother Patrick's interest in the Donnelly homestead in Biddeford, the scene of the terrible tragedy of Feb. 4, 1880, and is now sole owner.

Hugh McCaffrey, of St. Thomas, a native of Middlesex and an employer for twenty years at the M. C. R. shops, is dead, aged 50.

Mrs. (Dr.) Rijnhart, returned missionary from China, will lecture in the Hilderton Methodist Church on Wednesday, Feb. 28.

Miss Edith Sutton left Clarendon recently to enter a hospital in North Adams, Mass., to train for a nurse. Before her departure Miss Bessie Jell and Evelyn Simpson, in behalf of the congregation and Sunday school of St. James' Church, presented Miss Sutton with a handsome purse of money.

What promises to be the best entertainment ever given in Delaware will take place tomorrow (Tuesday) night in the town hall, under the management of Corbin brothers and Williamson. London's popular entertainers, on the evening of a single call will be sounded at intervals along the route from London to Delaware.

## THE PLAGUE IS VIRULENT

Over 61,000,000 People Affected—4,000,000 Receiving Relief.

Why the Russians Plan to Seize Herat Did Not Materialize.

About 150 Persons Injured by an Explosion Near Paris—Menelik for Peace.

London, Feb. 26.—The plague in India continues virulent. There were 333 victims in Bombay city during the week ending Feb. 15. With over 91,000,000 of people affected by the famine, and only about 4,000,000 in receipt of relief, India seems in a bad plight.

Paris, Feb. 26.—As the result of a fire that broke out yesterday at St. Ouen, a suburb of Paris, in a collection of alcohol and oil stores, a series of explosions occurred, spreading the flames until a block of six immense warehouses were involved in a huge conflagration. A great concourse of spectators had assembled, and a dog, proached too near, when suddenly the explosions occurred. A large number of people, including some firemen, were injured. The last explosion occurred at 8 o'clock in the afternoon, when it was thought that all such danger had been averted. Thirty persons were injured by flying debris. The official computation shows that 150 were hurt, quite a number seriously. Fortunately the flames did not reach the immense reservoirs of petroleum. The loss is estimated at 2,000,000 francs.

RUSSIAN PLAN TO SEIZE HERAT.

London, Feb. 26.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail says: Gen. Kuropatkin, Russian minister for war, who is a strong Boer sympathizer, is responsible for all the recent movement of Russian troops in the Kushak district. He obtained the approval of the military council for a plan to seize Herat, and he thereupon submitted it to the czar, suggesting that it would be a good time, while England's hands were tied in South Africa, to execute the plan, which, he said, could be done without a hitch. To his surprise, the czar declined to give any countenance to any movement in favor of utilizing Great Britain's difficulties. His majesty said: "It is my intention to maintain the strictest neutrality throughout the war, notwithstanding the display of popular sympathy towards the Boers." This is tantamount to a victory for the Russian foreign office. Count Muraviev was strongly opposed to the position of Gen. Kuropatkin, whose position is regarded as considerably shaken.

EGYPTIAN OFFICERS PUNISHED.

Cairo, Feb. 26.—As a result of the investigation of the court of inquiry, held at Omdurman, in connection with the recent insubordination of two battalions of Soudanese troops, five Egyptian officers have been cashiered and sent as prisoners to Cairo.

FOR PEACE.

Marseilles, Feb. 26.—Herr Ilg, King Menelik's chief counselor, arrived from Abyssinia today. He said Menelik's intentions were most pacific, and he desired to live at peace with all neighboring powers. Every frontier incident in Italy, Egypt, he declared, had either been settled, or was on the way to a friendly arrangement. King Menelik hoped to visit the ex-patriate of the foregoing statement. He said that Menelik was inclined to effect in certain newspapers to the fact that Menelik was inclined to take advantage of Great Britain's war with South Africa to make a move to ward the Nile.

CANADIAN NAVAL RESERVE.

London, Feb. 26.—Negotiations, it is said, are in progress for the formation of a naval reserve in Canada. The difficulty created by the requirement of six months' training in a man-of-war in the United Kingdom. It is thought, will be overcome. There will be under construction in 1900 seven battleships, twenty armored cruisers, first-class protected cruisers, a third-class cruiser, eight sloops, two gunboats, four torpedo boats and twenty-one torpedo boat destroyers.

PACIFIC CABLE PROJECT.

London, Feb. 26.—It is understood that the agreement between New South Wales and Victoria and the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company as to the Australian land line concessions, against which Canada and New Pacific cable project, has not yet been signed. The Canadian Government is lodging a strong formal protest with the colonial office, as New Zealand have already done. The colonial office hope in a friendly way to induce New South Wales and Victoria to reach more practically the partnership basis of the Pacific cable compact.

EFFACING THE MARKS OF THE FIRE

Loose Walls Being Tied Down and Debris Removed—An Accident to Mr. Burnett—Masonic Temple Co's Intention.

Acting under instructions from the Masonic Temple Company, the firm of Moore & Henry and McBride & Farncombe are each preparing sketches of plans for rebuilding the Temple. The committee will choose between them, and proceed with the work at once. It is the company's intention to abolish the masonry roof, and have a fourth story in its place. No provision will be made for the open house in the new building. Nearly all the other tenants have made arrangements for premises in the new building.

Contractor John Purdon has received an order from the Masonic Temple Company to tear down all loose walls at the ruins and clear away the debris ready for the work of rebuilding. On Saturday a portion of the south wall was torn down. Mr. Purdon said this morning that he did not think it would be necessary to take down the east wall. The high winds yesterday and Saturday were severe tests of the solidity of the walls left standing.

The vaults of the Dominion Loan and Savings Society and of Messrs. Purdon & Purdon have been opened, and the papers therein found to be in perfect condition.

AN ACCIDENT.

While Mr. John Burnett, who is superintending the pulling down of the Masonic Temple ruins, was engaged on the second floor of the building this morning, he met with a painful accident. A quantity of material which

was thrown down, struck a crooked piece of gas-pipe which was lying near, causing it to spring up and strike Mr. Burnett in the face. Two bad cuts were inflicted, one on the eye, requiring four stitches, and another on the cheek-bone. A doctor attended to the injuries, and Mr. Burnett resumed work.

#### SUNDAY'S BLIZZARD

A Market Gardener Frozen to Death—Railway Lines in Trouble—Velocity of the Wind.

Buffalo, Feb. 25.—With the evening storm, which has raged since yesterday afternoon with a maximum wind velocity of 65 miles from due west, began to die down. The body of a market farmer, supposed to be that of R. R. Johnson, of Eggertsville, was found frozen stiff in a snow drift about a mile north of this city this morning. His shivering horse and empty sleigh found in the lee of a barn caused the search which discovered the body.

Toronto, Feb. 26.—The blizzard of yesterday was the worst of the winter in Toronto, and materially affected the attendance at churches and Sunday schools. In a few hours the temperature fell from moderate almost to zero.

Detroit, Feb. 25.—Correspondents throughout the state report the severest storm of the season. In the upper peninsula a blizzard has been raging, street car lines being tied up and railroad trains running away behind schedule time. St. Joseph reports a fall of 50 degrees in twelve hours with several trains snowbound. It is general all over the state.

#### A LONG CROOKED ROAD.

Love has a long way to go to reach the heart of the modern up-to-date young man. When he looks for a wife, he expects a good deal. Probably he expects more than he deserves.

He wants good looks, good looks, good nature, good health. They usually get together. An observing man learns that a woman who is physically weak and nervous and incapable, is likely to be ill-natured too. The sweetest temper is ruined by continual sickness.

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"I had suffered untold misery for a number of years, with ovarian trouble, an exhausting drain, constipation, painful periods and other annoying troubles." writes Mrs. Annie James, of No. 27 Seventh St., Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn. "Thank God, my health has been fully restored and I can gladly say I am a well woman today. I used six or seven bottles of your 'Favorite Prescription,' and also used the lotion which you advised in the 'Common Sense Medical Adviser.'"

"For years I had been failing in health and kept getting worse and more nervous all the time," writes Mrs. Annie Dulan, of East Stroudsburg, Monroe Co., Pa. "I doctored with two different doctors and they told me that my system was run down and my nerves were weak. I had ulcers of the uterus which were so painful at times that I was afraid that they must be cancer. Indeed I felt discouraged with the treatment, and did not get any better until my nurse advised me to write to you and I did so."

"In May I commenced taking your 'Golden Medical Discovery' and 'Favorite Prescription' and followed your advice as closely as I could. I took twelve bottles in all, six of each. Thanks to God and the right kind of medicine I feel myself cured and a well woman. I have no bad feeling whatever and can do the work for a family of eight, and feel better than I have for years."

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#### NARROW ESCAPE.

Amherstburg, Ont., Feb. 26.—James L. Atkinson, third son of the late Col. John Atkinson, had a very narrow escape from a watery grave on Friday while trying to cross the Detroit River on the ice from Bois Blanc Island to Amherstburg. He was bravely rescued by his companion, Charles Campbell, of Detroit, who caught him as he was sinking for the third time.

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# Old World Topics

The War—Isaac N. Ford's Review—British Navy Needs Strengthening—Powerful Fleet for Home Waters Proposed.

Chamberlain's Violent Attitude Deplored—Rosebery Banters the Lords—Earl Grey on the Amalgamation of Capital—Violence of the Plague in India—The Proposed Fortification of the Nicaragua Canal—Trouble for Germany.

London, Feb. 26.—In a lengthy cable dispatch to the New York Tribune, filed in London at 1 o'clock yesterday morning, Isaac N. Ford reports for his paper the varied and conflicting reports that were received Saturday from the two great news centers of the South African war. He says:

The air was filled yesterday with rumors of the surrender of Gen. Cronje and the relief of Ladysmith. One South African story supplied definite figures and several decorative touches. The Boer force of 8,000 was described as surrendering after 1,700 men had been killed or wounded. Gen. Cronje was reported as wounded, and also Lord Kitchener.

Another bulletin from Cape Town stated that Gen. Cronje had been shot and that his forces had surrendered. Equally elastic rumors were current both in Natal and London respecting the relief of Ladysmith, where Gen. Buller and Gen. White were reported to have come into touch without opposition. This last story was contradicted by a fresh casualty list from Gen. Buller, with the names of three officers killed and fourteen wounded, and an addendum that, owing to the continuous fighting on Thursday, it was impossible to estimate the losses of the rank and file. The lists represented seven battalions in Hildyard's, Lyttleton's and the Lancashire Brigades, and proved that there had been something more than a mere tactical action on the way to Ladysmith. This fighting was described by special correspondents as occurring near Pietersburg, the railway station about 100 miles from Ladysmith. Gen. Wynne, the popular staff officer, was wounded.

## THE RIVAL CENTERS OF INTEREST.

Press dispatches were meager from the two rival centers of interest. They brought the story of Cronje's defense up to Thursday night, when the guns were still hammering away at what remained of the Boer laager. The shelling from 60 guns had gone on on Wednesday, and been kept up during the night. The Shropshire battalion had made a gallant rush and taken up a position two hundred yards nearer the doomed encampment. Supplies had come up for Gen. Roberts' army, and Gen. French had taken over one hundred prisoners. The guns had been working hour after hour on the camp, and there were no signs that Cronje was prepared to abandon the fight as hopeless. His only hope lay in the arrival of a large body of Dutch reinforcements, and there were camp rumors that two thousand Boers were close at hand on the north.

Another bulletin from Cape Town banded of the Boer laager as terrible, and the escape of the entrapped force as impossible. Gen. Roberts was stated to be entirely prepared on Thursday to deal with the Dutch commandos which were seeking to break through the cordon drawn tightly around the river-bed, where Cronje's force was fighting to the death. The war office was reticent, except when fresh lists of casualties were posted, and the inference to be drawn from its silence was that Cronje had persisted in his stubborn defense throughout Friday and probably Saturday.

## THE RUMOR OF CRONJE'S ESCAPE.

The report that Cronje had succeeded in forcing his way through the British lines may, of course, merely refer to Cronje's movement from Magerfontein across the front of the sixth division on the 15th inst. Press dispatches from Natal were even more meager than from Koodoosrand, and the reports were unintelligible.

The effect of Cronje's defeat and the retirement of Gen. Joubert's force from Colenso upon the disloyal force of Cape Colony was shown by the conditions of submission. Gen. Clements had taken the offensive against the Dutch, forces north of Arundel, and opened a heavy artillery fire upon their position on Friday, with a prospect of capturing it by assault. An unsuccessful attempt was made on the same day near Cape Town to wreck a train carrying a detachment of Lord Imperial Volunteers to the front. There were related reports of a successful attack by Colonel Plumer upon the Boer camp, and rumors that he succeeded in forcing his way through to Mafeking.

## INFERENCES DRAWN.

It is understood when the war office stated that no direct word had been received from either Gen. Roberts or Gen. Buller, and the silence was interpreted as meaning that neither had accomplished his purpose, although both were in a fair way to do so. Gen. Buller had clearly met with stouter resistance than had been anticipated, and while the relief of Ladysmith had been deferred and rendered more difficult by the strength of the Boer forces in that quarter, it implied that the reinforcements sent to the Free State were weaker and less capable of breaking up Gen. Roberts' attack upon Gen. Cronje. Gen. Roberts consequently was stronger for the work immediately in hand at Koodoosrand, and the Dutch reinforcements hovering about either flank—north, south, and west—would be more easily dealt with. The Dutch allies were attempting at the last moment to rescue Gen. Cronje with a portion of their force, while retaining their grip upon Ladysmith, when their only hope of rescuing Cronje lay in the concentration of all their forces.

## THE PLAN OF CAMPAIGN.

The conditions under which the new campaign in South Africa was planned by Gen. Roberts and Kitchener on the voyage to the Cape are described in a letter from an officer on Gen. Kelly-Kenny's staff. This officer had anticipated seeing something of the two

famous generals on the ship, but was disappointed. Gen. Roberts appeared on deck at 8 o'clock every morning, and walked up and down briskly for two hours. Promptly at 8 o'clock he turned to his chief of staff with an abrupt call. Gen. Kitchener, alert in response, "Here, sir," was always on hand, and the next morning the conqueror of Kandahar and the conqueror of Omdurman were disappeared from the deck and not seen again until the next morning at the same early hour. A large cabin had been reserved for Gen. Roberts' use, and there he remained busy day after day, with his chief of staff, with no interruption except at short intervals for meals, and no visitors unless members of his staff were summoned. A short stroll on deck at midnight completed the day's work, and the two generals then turned in. This was followed day after day until the ship reached Cape Town, and the campaign which had been thoroughly discussed and thought out in detail, was begun.

## ROBERTS HAS CLEARED THE AIR.

Lord Roberts, as a military genius, even with the results at Koodoosrand and Ladysmith indecisive, has cleared the air. The trend of German opinion has been changed, and the emperor now receives credit for his astuteness in displaying friendship for England at an early period of the war. European intervention in South Africa is no longer within the range of probabilities. The unpopularity of the Russian designs on Persia still exists, but the emphatic utterance attributed to the czar by the St. Petersburg correspondence of the Daily Telegraph, which help to dispel even this apprehension. The military party had without doubt made full preparations for the seizure of Herat by the completion of the Kushk strategic railway and the concentration of troops within striking distances; but the czar refused to countenance any movement in Central Asia by which Great Britain's difficulties in Africa might be turned to practical account. His pacific determination to remain neutral tends to minimize the importance of the Russian loan to Persia and the concessions which may be made in favor of the railway from the Caspian to the Persian Gulf. There are always existing jealousies in the East, and a Russian bogie at every turn of affairs in Asia. Red specks are floating before their eyes, and they are clamoring for the concentration of all the naval force and preparations on a large scale for the defense of Persia. Not long ago they were thrown into prickly heat over the rumor that Spain was to sell Cuba to France as trustee for Russia, and the number of foolish scares over Russian intrigue since the Crimea has reached many scores.

## THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.

The plague in India continues virulent. There were 533 victims in Bombay city during the week ending Feb. 16. With over 61,000,000 of people affected by the famine, and only about 4,000,000 in receipt of relief, India seems to be in a perilous position. The Indian Government has issued a resolution approving Prof. Haffkin's anti-plague inoculation, and Mr. Curzon, Lord Curzon, is adding to and most certain should at once be paying high tribute to the professor.

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## CHAMBERLAIN'S DEFENSE.

The event of the past week was undoubtedly Mr. Joseph Chamberlain's vigorous, almost vicious, self-defense in the House of Commons. The colonial secretary met the accusations and demands with one of those terrible fighting speeches for which he is noted. With venomous retort and scorn he once more denied complicity in the Jameson raid, denied the so-called revelations of the Independence Belge, and with deft phrases presented the opposition's agitation as a personal attack upon him. He was cut off in the heat of debate and with an overwhelming majority ready to cheer every bitter phrase, Mr. Chamberlain carried all before him. But after reflection many of those who thoroughly believe Mr. Chamberlain to be absolutely untainted, and who place no importance upon the letters stolen from Mr. Hawkesley, counsel for the British South African Company, regretted that the colonial secretary took up the matter in such a personal spirit.

## CHAMBERLAIN'S ATTITUDE DEPLORED.

Voicing this feeling, the Saturday Review, while strongly deprecating another raid inquiry at the present juncture, deprecates Mr. Chamberlain's "undignified attitude," and reminds him that the good faith of a secretary

of state is not a personal, but a public matter. Continuing, the paper says it regrets that he did not court a resumption, but adds that obvious reasons of state prohibits such a procedure at the present crisis. In the meanwhile Dr. Gavin Brown Clark, Radical member for Calthness, who was formerly consul-general of the South African republic, stands accused of buying stolen property in the shape of letters in regard to the raid. Though Dr. Clark has denied the allegations printed in the St. James Gazette, he has not, so far, denied Mr. Hawkesley's charge. His fellow-commoners are much stirred up in regard to the matter, but Dr. Clark seems unlikely to take any steps unless his constituents force an issue.

## ROSEBERY BANTERS THE LORDS.

Lord Rosebery has been bantering the lords of the government in the lightest satire upon the fix they have got into by the unexpected change of the Wemyss resolution which originally proposed to enforce the existing statute providing for conscription, but which at the last moment was altered to read that the statute be amended in order to make it available to put in force a change which would set Lord Lansdowne's and the Duke of Devonshire's carefully prepared speeches to such an extent that Lord Rosebery satirically moved, an adjournment to enable them to prepare new speeches, and even Lord Salisbury laughed.

With the accomplishment of the government's plans, the main objection regarding war legislation has disappeared, and some attention was directed to home measures which incidentally were supremely uninteresting. The ancient methods of obstruction, and one or two other Irish members have so far failed to have any result.

## IRISH DISAFFECTION.

The nomination of Major McBride, of the Irish Brigade, in the service of the Boers, to contest South Mayo, vice Mr. Michael Davitt, resigned, has created no little outcry. Another Nationalist, John O'Donnell, opposes Major McBride. Consequently, Feb. 26, when the voting is done, Mr. O'Donnell and the absentee candidate, will fight it out between them. The authorities pay so little attention to Irish disaffection that no steps have been taken to prevent Mr. McBride contesting the seat. The indulgence of the government, of which this is an instance, fosters the feeling that Irish advocacy of the Boer cause, and, in fact, the whole Irish movement at present is of no great importance. This, it is claimed, is as the result of the Boer success.

## AMALGAMATION OF CAPITAL.

Earl Grey, who is a peer, and who votes with the Conservatives, but who is connected with many labor organizations, especially in labor cooperative movements of which he is the prime mover, recently addressing a co-operation meeting at Glasgow referred at length to the colossal amalgamation of capital in the United States, and said the same tendency was to be seen in this side of the Atlantic. He said the disadvantage resulting from the consolidation of industries consisted in enabling those controlling the market to force upon the public the price which they would bear. He added: "The co-operative plan restricting the rate of interest on share capital to 5 per cent, and prohibiting the transfer of shares to the open market alone supplies the method by which consolidation can be effected without endangering the interests of the community."

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Scotch Gingham and Zephyrs—Very choice, in large solid checks of blue and white, pink and white, cardinal and white, black and white, per yard..... 25c

32-inch Fine English Cambrics, in light and navy grounds, French Foulard effects..... 12½c

36-inch American Percelles, novelty patterns, in stripes of black and white, blue and white, helio and white, navy and white, cardinal and white, per yard..... 15c and 18c

Striped Batistes and Cords, in rich colors, at..... 12½c, 15c and 20c

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1,142 yards Standard Prints, red, indigo and light grounds, regular 12½c, for..... 10c  
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## Colored Sateens.

We have the color you want in plain Sateens, all shades, for linings and fancy work, 31 inch, light, medium and dark..... 12½c

32-inch Imitation Silk, brilliant finish, all the new shades, per yard..... 20c and 25c

36-inch Mercerized Sateen, very rich finish, in pink, cardinal, blue and purple..... 33c

38-inch Skirting Sateen, black ground with white stripes..... 40c

Mercerized Colored Sateens, in fancy stripes and checks, suitable for skirts..... 35c and 45c

Elegant White Satin Stripes, White Piques and Cords, from..... 12½c to 50c

Fine India Linens, from per yard..... 20c to 60c

Fine Nainsooks and Embroidery Cambrics, from..... 20c to 35c

White French Organdies, beautiful sheer makes, per yard, from..... 15c to 50c

Colored Dress Organdies, 46-inch, in black, blue, helio and cerise, per yard..... 35c

Colored Dimities, in black, cardinal, navy, and blue..... 20c and 25c

Colored Dress Dimities, in stripes and spots, new designs..... 25c

Plain Pink and Blue Scotch Chambrays 32-inch..... 12½c

White Lawns, special lines, 42-inch at..... 10c, 12½c, 15c and 20c

Checked Swiss Muslins and Swiss Spots, per yard..... 8½c, 10c, 12½c and 20c

White and Colored Ducks, suitable for skirts or suits..... 12½c to 20c

English Galateas, in blue, brown and navy, plain and fancy stripes..... 12½c to 25c

New English Oxford Shirtings, a magnificent variety..... 10c, 12½c and 15c

Apron Gingham, Scotch goods, 42 inch, in medium and small checks, indigo and brown..... 15c

Striped Cotton Skirtings, moire effects, good heavy make and colors..... 15c

White Cotton Crash or Terry, per yard..... 22c, 25c and 30c

White Honeycomb, heavy..... 25c

EXTRA—360 yards Scotch Gingham, all we have left from last season. This lot was sold for 20c a yard, good colors and patterns, per yard..... 12½c

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## LILLIAN PAUNCEFOTE

Married to Robert Bromley Notable Social Event in Washington.

Washington, Feb. 26.—The Hon. Lillian Pauncefote, daughter of Lord Pauncefote, British ambassador to the United States, was married at noon on Saturday to Hon. Robert Bromley, of Stoke Hall, Newark, Nottinghamshire, England. The wedding was one of the most notable that has occurred in Washington for many years.

Quaint old St. John's Church, where the ceremony was performed, is one of the landmarks of Washington, an outwardly little stucco-coated building of colonial type, just across Lafayette Square from the executive mansion. Its capacity is about 800, standing room included, and this did not serve to accommodate a tithe of those who wished to witness the ceremony.

Owing to the official position of Lord

Pauncefote, the presence of the president and cabinet, as well as the whole of the diplomatic corps, was an imperative social obligation, albeit a pleasant one, owing to the affectionate regard in which the young bride is held by Washington society.

The interior of the little church was like the corolla of a huge flower. The brilliantly-lighted altar in the depths of the darkened auditorium, with its golden points and snowy candles, formed the stamens and pistils, while the flower-enrusted walls and pillars, through which the crimson hangings scarcely showed, were like the petals of a monster blossom. The air was heavy with the scent of Easter lilies, bride's roses and orange blossoms, mingling with the odor of lilies of the valley and carnations. Palms filled all the available space within the chancel, while broad white ribbons stretching down the aisles, were dropped by the ushers, link by link, as the pews filled with the distinguished guests.

The ushers were all attaches of the embassy, Col. Arthur Lee, Mr. Gerard Lowther, Sir Charles Elliot, Mr. Max Muller and Mr. Humphreys Owen.

The bride, to the great amazement of her friends, had been quite sick all the week, and leaned heavily on the arm of her father as the procession moved down the aisle. Her wedding gown was a full court costume of white satin, the front a gleaming network of lace and pearls, while masses of lace, caught with orange blossoms, edged the long court train from the shoulders to the floor.

A pretty feature of the bride's attendants was Master Sidney Kent Legare, in the costume of a page of Charles II. He bore the heavy train, and was followed by the bridesmaids. These were Miss Esther Bromley, sister of the groom; Miss Curzon, cousin of Lord Curzon, the vicereine of India; Miss Hattie Sargeant, of Boston; Hon. Sybil Pauncefote, and Hon. Audrey Pauncefote, sisters of the bride.

The ceremony was performed by the Right Rev. Bishop of Washington, Henry Yates Satterlee, assisted by Rev. Charles Mackay-Smith, rector of St. John's.

After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the embassy to 400 guests. Mr. and Mrs. Bromley later left for Palm Beach, Fla., and will soon return to England, where the young matron will be presented at court.

The great lung healer is found in that excellent medicine sold as Bickel's Anti-Consumptive Syrup. It soothes and diminishes the sensibility of the membranes of the throat and air passages, and is a sovereign remedy for all coughs, colds, hoarseness, asthma, and all other ailments of the chest, bronchitis, etc.

Eighty per cent of the cattle of Uruguay are used for the purpose of making "tasajo," or jerked beef, for exportation to Brazil, Cuba and Porto Rico.

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

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## "A Cheerful Look Makes a Dish a Feast."

"Cheerful looks" depend just as much upon physical well-being as upon natural disposition and temperament. If the blood is disordered, the brain is starved, and no "dish is a feast," for the reason that the vitalizing elements do not reach the proper spot.

A step in the right direction is to purify the body by the use of a natural remedy. Hood's Sarsaparilla is Nature's remedy. It acts upon the blood, and whether the seat of the disorder is brain, stomach, liver or kidneys, the purifying process of this medicine is equally sure and successful. It never disappoints.

**Creat Builder.**—Have used Hood's Sarsaparilla for indigestion, constipation and finds it builds up the whole system and gives relief in cases of catarrh. WILLIAM E. WELDON, Montreal, N. B.

**Sour Stomach.**—My system was out of order. I suffered from headache and sour stomach. Took Hood's Sarsaparilla, my health improved and I gained 15 pounds. MAXWELL D. SHAW, Colebrook, Ont.

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**Dyspepsia.**—My husband suffered with dyspepsia. Physicians did not benefit him. Two bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla relieved him. My husband's father and our little boy have been wonderfully benefited by this medicine. MRS. O. F. CHAMBERLAIN, Glen Sutton, Que.

**Run Down.**—My system was run down. I could not sleep nights and my appetite was poor. Hood's Sarsaparilla restored my appetite and strength and has made me feel like a new woman. MRS. S. E. DAVEN, Amherst, N. S.

**Hood's Sarsaparilla**  
NEVER DISAPPOINTS

Hood's Pills cure liver ills; the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

## THE MARKETS.

### Local Market.

**A. M. HAMILTON & SON'S REPORT.**  
London, Monday, Feb. 26.  
Wheat, white, per bu ..... 68c to 69c  
Wheat, red, per bu ..... 67c to 68c  
Wheat, spring, per bu ..... 63c to 65c  
Oats, per bu ..... 23c to 25c  
Peas, per bu ..... 57c to 60c  
Corn, per bu ..... 44c to 46c  
Barley, per bu ..... 42c to 44c  
Rye, per bu ..... 50c to 55c  
Beans, per bu ..... \$1 to \$1.35

The receipts were light, as usual on Monday. No change in prices.

### BUY YOUR...

**FLOUR**

A. M. HAMILTON & SON'S  
and you will be pleased.

### American Markets.

**CHICAGO, Feb. 24.**—Wheat opened firm today, but succumbed to the lack of outside demand and liquidation, closing heavy. May, 1c under yesterday. May corn closed 3/4c, and May oats a shade higher. Provisions at the close were 5c to 10c lower. Primary receipts were 516,000 bushels, compared with 490,000 bushels last year. Minneapolis and St. Louis reported 527 cars, against 502 last week, and 497 a year ago. Local receipts were 47 cars, none of which graded contract. Atlantic export clearances in wheat and flour were equal to 451,000 bushels. Estimated receipts, Monday—Wheat, 47 cars; corn, 650; oats, 215; hogs, 32,000 head.

The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat, 64c; May, 65c; July, 66c; Corn, 23c; May, 24c; July, 25c; Oats, 23c; May, 24c; July, 25c; Pork, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Lard, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Sugar, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Coffee, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Tea, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Rubber, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Gold, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Silver, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Copper, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Tin, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Iron, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Steel, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Lead, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Zinc, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Nickel, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Platinum, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Palladium, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Rhodium, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Iridium, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Osmium, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Selenium, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Tellurium, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Bismuth, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Antimony, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Arsenic, 10c; May, 11c; July, 12c; Vanadium, 10c; May, 11c; 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## THE TRIUMPH OF TRUE LOVE

### CHAPTER II.

The lover who pleaded so earnestly with her was some years older than Violante. As Lord Vivian Selwyn stands there, one's eyes rest on him in admiration. He presents a marked contrast to the young girl by his side; she is fair and graceful, he dark and stately; she is winsome and sweet, he has all the dignity of a grand old race; his face is gentle and flower-like, his descent from crusaders and cavaliers, brave and noble; she is delicate and fragile, he strong, with a martial air that agrees well with his broad shoulders, his open chest and magnificently-developed limbs.

He is tall, like all the men of his race, of the grand leonine type; a head proudly set, and proudly carried on a strong neck; a head shaped like those the Greeks admired and sculptured in marble, with black hair brushed from it in waving lines, so much more beautiful than curls; eyes dark as night, flashing with fire, gleaming with love, tender with passion—eyes that looked terrible to a foe and beautiful to a friend—eyes that could persuade and threaten, with the art that belongs to fair women.

A dark mustache drooped over his lips, and so did what was perhaps the only defect in that handsome face. The mouth was well shaped, it could smile with the grace of a woman or the simplicity of a child; but to one who studied physiognomy there were irrefutable lines round the handsome lips; they were not firmly closed, but the dark mustache hid that fault, and Lord Vivian Selwyn stood confessed one of the noblest and best-looking men of the day.

It was a fair picture—youth and maiden, love and beauty, hope and happiness. One remembers that the world once was Eden on seeing such.

"You are looking in my eyes, love," said Lord Vivian at last, "and you will find there what you would find in my heart, could you see there—your own image. Look on me, love, I have no thought to hide from you. I ask you to be my queen, my wife; to be mistress of my home, to be the charm of my life—and you, Violante, must not refuse me."

Prudence was fast yielding; her beautiful face drooped nearer to him, a sigh rippled over her sweet lips—a sigh that reached him—and then he forgot everything except that he loved her. He clasped her in his strong arms, and kissed her face in a passion of tenderness that knew no words.

"You cannot escape me, my darling," he cried; "a white dove might well try to fly from its captor's hands. I said last night you loved me. I want more now; you must promise to be my wife."

He wooed her with such loving, tender words, she had no power to resist. Last night, it was true, he had taken her by surprise, and she had confessed she loved him, but for long hours afterward she had been busy thinking; prudence and common sense told her the difference between them in rank, position and station in life was too great, and that she had better fly in time from the dazzling dream. All day the lovely young face had been shadowed with care. How could she, Violante Temple, the daughter of a country lawyer, whose only boast was a good and honored life—how could she take the place of Lady Selwyn of Selwyn Castle? She had never seen even the exterior of a castle, much less would she know how the rule the interior. Was she fitted, she asked herself, to take her place with high-born, stately dames who had always lived in the grand world? When he whom she loved so dearly saw how untrained, how ignorant she was, would he not repent, and with he had never known her? She could bear anything but that. She could bear the pain of parting with him now, before her love grew deeper and stronger; she could bear a life-long loneliness against her love, for the spirit of self-sacrifice was strong within her, but she could not bear to think that her lover would ever tire of her—that he should ever consider her a burden and an embarrassment from which he would fain be free.

So she had spent the day in shaping great resolves. She would see him once more, and tell him it could never be—that he had better go and leave her; for it could not end happily, her own instinct told her so. All day the sweet, flower-like face had been shadowed with these thoughts, and in the light, sunshiny afternoon she had gone to her favorite nook, the stile in the lane, to sit there and shape her thoughts into words. She had woven some eloquent arguments against herself, she had strung together many sensible thoughts against her love, and was making herself sentimentally miserable after the most approved fashion, when a hand, whose clasp she knew well, touched hers, and the voice she loved best said:

"Violante, I have been looking everywhere for you. I have come to ask you if you meant what you said last night, and if you are willing to be my wife."

And before she knew what to reply he had raised her from the moss-covered stone on which she sat, and they were standing under the delicate, drooping, golden laburnums.

"I meant what I said," she replied shyly, "but I can never be your wife."

Then in good order as she remembered them she made use of all those sensible arguments which made him so impatient.

"I am twenty-five years old," he said, smilingly, "I am my own master; I am rich and prosperous, and I love only one woman in the world. You tell me I cannot have her for my wife. If she is to be won by prayers and by love, Violante, she shall be mine; for life will be all blank to me without her."

One by one he vanquished all her arguments, and at last, with her hands clasped in his, she promised to be his wife—to love him, to be true to him, to care for him and him alone, until she died.

He made her say the words after him, and she added, looking up into his face: "I promise another thing, Vivian. I promise, in everything I do and say, to study your interest and your happiness before my own."

"That is the secret of every good woman's love," he replied with a smile, and they little thought, while the sun shone and the flowers bloomed, where those words would lead her.

They stood together under the laburnums for an hour, for that was, perhaps, the happiest time that either was to know. He was full of gratitude; he had to thank her a thousand times over for her words; he had to pour out a thousand protestations of love and tenderness, of unalterable faith and constancy, and she listened—heart and pulses beating as they would never beat again. Her dark eyes wandered from him to the meadow, from sunlit valley to deep, broad stream, from tree to flower, wondering if everything around her looked doubly bright and fair because she was so happy—wondering if the sun and the flowers knew, and how far nature sympathized with her.

The wood pigeons near were cooing with delight, the birds were singing, she herself was happy in the full realization of her love's first dream; yet, despite all, there was a half cloud overshadowing her, a half-defined fear that, although it seemed delightful, although they were in the seventh heaven of delight, it could not, would not, end well.

"What will my father say?" cried the girl suddenly. "He has not the faintest idea, Vivian, that you have spent these summer weeks in falling in love with me. He never seemed to live quite in the world around him."

"He will be well pleased, and will say I have spent my time well," was the smiling reply.

"He will never believe I am old enough to be married," she cried, with a low, delicious laugh, sweet as the chime of bells. "He always speaks to me as though I were seven instead of seventeen. He will never believe I am anything but a child."

"He is right," said the happy lover. "You will always be in some things a child, and that is one reason why I love you so."

A look of deep reverence came over his handsome face. He bowed his head and his voice sank to a whisper.

"I have much to thank heaven for," he said. "It has given me many gifts. The most precious of all is yourself. How can I bless the day I came to Woodveas; and how little I thought, when I brought poor Bertie's message here, that I was coming to meet my fate."

He never forgot her face as she raised it to his with an agony of entreaty, her eyes shining with tears, her lips quivering with emotion.

"Vivian," she cried, "will it always be so? Shall you always think the same, or will the day come when you will wish you had never seen Woodveas, and had never seen me?"

He comforted her as lovers best know how, and then they walked home through the glowing sunlight together.

[To be Continued.]

## Light and Shade.

Customer—You should stable your cows in wet weather.

Milkman—How do you know but I do?

Customer—The milk has a rain flavor.

"Economy," said the over-prudent man, "is the source of wealth."

"Yes," answered the over-careless friend, "by denying oneself all the luxuries of life it is possible to get enough money to provide them in liberal quantities for some one else."

"Why, colonel, I didn't know you wore colored shirt collars."

"I don't ordinarily," answered Col. Stillwell. "But I'm going back to my old Kentucky home. And if any scrimmage occurs I don't want my political opponents to be misled into the impression that I was waving any flag of truce."

Foreman—We need a few lines to fill up a column.

Society Editor (wearily)—Well, say "The Prince of Wales has begun wearing old clothes, because they are more comfortable." Perhaps it will start a fashion that you and I can follow.



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## THE TIMBER QUESTION

Mr. Pettipiece Declares the Policy at Present in Force Best for Ontario

And Should Be Maintained—Approves of Aid for the Development of New Ontario—Tribute to the Brave Canadians Who Fell in South Africa.

Mr. H. J. Pettipiece, member for East Lambton in the Ontario Legislature, is always listened to with the closest attention, when speaking in the house, and is regarded as one of the distinctly capable men in the legislative body. We give his speech, in continuing the debate on the address.

Mr. Pettipiece said the discussion had demonstrated two facts. One was that Mr. Ross was able to fill with distinction any position in the government. It had also been shown that there was no political issue or contention too small to be made use of by the leader of the opposition for political purposes. The hyphenated government was a matter that seemed to give Mr. Whitney much concern. Fancy a statesman concerning himself with a hyphen. There was only one other mark to which he could advance, and that was a full stop. Mr. Whitney had thrown out a challenge to the government to dissolve the house and appeal to the people. There was no reason why this course should be adopted; but when an government did appeal to the electors in the usual course of events, and time had been given to work out their new policy, they would be triumphantly sustained. (Ministerial applause.) The opposition professed to be anxious to put down corruption. The record of the Conservatives did not warrant the belief that they were sincere. The evidence justified the opinion that the Conservatives were more anxious to secure seats for their friends than to put down corruption. After the last general election Mr. Whitney declared there would be no sawing off of election petitions. In spite of this the Conservatives agreed to several saw offs. If the Conservatives were in earnest why did they not insist on the cases going? There was a saw off in Mr. Whitney's case. Why did he consent to it? Was he anxious not to face the court or to condone corruption? Opposition speakers had protested that nobody connected with their party organization was identified with corrupt practices. In North Waterloo Mr. J. M. Scully, the president of the Conservative Association, had been reported for corrupt practices, and lately a summons had been issued against him to appear for trial.

A TIMBER POLICY.

Mr. Miscampbell had made the claim that the Conservatives had been fighting the Ontario Government's timber policy for 25 years. As a matter of fact they had lent active aid to the Conservative Government at Ottawa in the attempt to rob Ontario of her timber. It would not have been wise for the government to place an embargo on logs when a market existed in the United States for Canadian lumber, but the very moment legislation hostile to the lumber interests of this country was adopted on the other side, then was the proper time to strike. The government took that course, with the most beneficial results. Something was being said about free logs for free lumber. Mr. Pettipiece felt the policy at present in force in the province was the best for Ontario and should be maintained. Mr. Marter had criticised the revenue bill brought in by the government, but in the speaker's opinion 80 out of the 94 constituencies were heartily in sympathy with it. There were no reasons why the wealthy corporations of Ontario should not contribute to the provincial revenue. The opposition in their criticisms of railway grants seemed to wish to convey the impression that large sums of money had gone into the pockets of railway contractors. It must be remembered that not one dollar of the subsidies had yet been paid, and the probability was that many years would elapse before the money opportunity to be missed. The would not be subsidized unless they were a benefit to the localities, and care would be taken that substantial returns would be exacted for aid given. Mr. Pettipiece approved of the aid given to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company gave reduced rates to the west in order to settle the large areas of the land which they possessed. It behooved the government, therefore, to redouble their efforts, not only to obtain aid for the new territory of this province, but to retain within Ontario those of its sons who were tempted to go elsewhere. As a matter of justice, however, New Ontario had strong claims upon the government. It had yielded a revenue of some \$30,000,000, which had been expended upon public institutions and public works in the older districts, while New Ontario itself had received in return only \$5,000,000. Mr. Pettipiece declared the element of the struggle in South Africa, which he alluded to as one for civil rights and freedom. He expressed regret that Mr. Miscampbell, in reference to this matter, had so forgotten himself as to act the partisan, and claim that Sir Wilfrid Laurier had been forced by public opinion to send a contingent to South Africa. How different was the course at Ottawa, where the two veterans crossed hands over the chasm of party strife, and united in paying tribute to Canadian valor and deploring the death of the brave men who had fallen. The events in South Africa were tending to bring parties closer together in regard to points upon which they had differed in the past, and the speaker hoped that in the future it would have the result of causing both sides to look more at questions of public interest from the point of view of the public good than that of mere party interest. (Long ministerial applause.)

GIGANTIC LABOR ALLIANCE.

Philadelphia, Feb. 26.—An organization that is, numerically, probably the most gigantic alliance of labor in any city in the union, has been formed in this city. It is the allied council of the Building Trades of Philadelphia and vicinity, and includes 33 unions. The United German Trades Association was represented at the meeting at which the organization was formed, in order that the English and German unions may work together. The new association comprises

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New York, Feb. 26.—A special to the Evening Post from Montreal, says: The Imperial Paper Company, of Sturgeon Falls, Ont., has sold to Lloyds of London, the owners of the Daily Chronicle, part of their concession from the Ontario Government for \$750,000. The purchase of a part interest in the company by the Lloyds means that the bulk of the output of the mills will be used in the Chronicle office, and that of the other newspapers controlled by Lloyds.

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Many people fail to understand the significance of a lame, weak, sore or aching back.

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To Manitoba and Canadian Northwest, will leave Toronto every TUESDAY during March and April.

Passengers traveling without Live Stock should take the train leaving Toronto at 2 p.m.

Passengers traveling with Live Stock should take the train leaving Toronto at 9 p.m.

Colonist Sleeper will be attached to each train.

For full particulars and copy of "Settlers' Guide" apply to any Canadian Pacific Agent, or to A. H. NOTMAN, Asst. Gen. Pass. Agent, 1 King Street East, Toronto.

THOS. R. PARKER, City Passenger Agent, 161 Dundas, corner Richmond.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE.

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On and after Sunday, Jan. 14, 1900, the trains leaving Union Station, Toronto (via Grand Trunk Railway) at 8 a.m. and 9:30 p.m., make close connection with the Maritime Express and Local Express at Bonaventure Depot, Montreal, as follows:

The Maritime Express will leave Montreal daily except Sunday, at 1:30 a.m., and on Sunday at 11:30 a.m., for Halifax, N. S. John, N. B. and points in the Maritime Provinces.

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The Intercolonial Railway is the direct route to the great game regions of Western Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. In this area are the finest hunting grounds for quail, ducks, caribou and other big game, as well as unlimited opportunities for shooting wild geese, ducks, hares and other small game. So this part of the continent, for big game as to game in New Brunswick, send for a copy of "Hod and Gun."

Tickets for sale at all offices of the Grand Trunk system, at Union Station, Toronto, and at the office of the General Traveling Agent, Wm. Robinson, General Traveling Agent, 804 Yonge Street, Toronto.

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## Free Cure For Men.

A new remedy which quickly cures sexual weakness, varicose, night emissions, premature discharge, etc., and restores the organs to strength and vigor. Dr. L. V. Kepp, 203 Hull Building, Detroit, Mich., gladly will send free the receipt of this wonderful remedy in order that every weak man may cure himself at home.

## TEA.

All grocers sell tea, but all Teas are not the same. Some are good and some are not. We have had a great many years' experience, and after carefully studying the productions of all the countries we recommend the use of

## Pure Indian or Ceylon.

Make your Tea in an earthen pot, use boiling water, let it draw seven minutes. Buy our 25c or 35c Indian or Ceylon.

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## Wall Paper

We have a few more of these wonderful bargains which we will offer until the end of this week.

Window Shades all Colors.  
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There's beauty and utility in Sound Teeth. Don't delay in applying "Andrews' Plugs" when teeth decay. Dry the cavity and apply with a toothpick. 10c a bottle.

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The congregation of Drumbo Baptist Church have issued a call to the pastoral care of their church to Rev. Mr. La Plaur, of McMaster University.

Blown to Atoms.  
The old idea that the body sometimes needs a powerful drastic, purgative pill has been exploded; for Dr. King's New Life Pills, which are perfectly harmless, gently stimulate liver and bowels to expel poisonous matter, cleanse the system and speedily cure Constipation and Sick Headache. Only 25c at W. T. Strong & Co.'s drug store.

Hugh McKenzie, who was wounded in Sunday's fight in South Africa, is a son of Mr. Roderick McKenzie, of Kincardine. He enlisted in Winnipeg.

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

It is expected that bids for the Connors' elevator building at Montreal will be invited about the second week in March.

**Two Warnings.**  
Losing flesh is one, and a hacking cough is another. If they come together the warning is a loud and hard one. Scott's Emulsion is one of its best work in just these cases. It prevents consumption.

The administration has decided to ask the Dominion house to make Thursdays after next week government days.

The "Exposition Universelle de l'art Culinaire" awarded the highest honors to Angostura Bitters as the most efficacious stimulant to excite the appetite and to keep the digestive organs in good order. Ask for the genuine article, manufactured by Dr. J. G. B. Siegert & Sons, and beware of imitations.

James Milburn, a native of Amherstburg, died at Montreal on Wednesday night, of heart failure. He was a printer by trade, served his time in his native town, and was afterwards in the employ of the Detroit Free Press. He worked in other American cities, but for 22 years had been employed in the newsroom of the Montreal Gazette.

## SPRING HATS

SEE OUR NEW SHAPES IN  
**FEDORAS**  
AND STIFFS, **\$2.00**  
ALL THE LATEST COLORS.

Just opened—from New York and England.

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## Now's Your Chance

To pick up a modern stove with up-to-date fixtures. We must sell all our stock and, have a few splendid makes to select from. Bargains sure. Come and look.

All Kinds of Kitchen Utensils.  
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### METEOROLOGICAL

Local temperature, Saturday, Feb. 24.—Highest, 35; lowest, 7.5. Sunday, Feb. 25.—Highest, 12 above; lowest, 3 below.

Today the sun rises at 7 a.m. and sets at 6:02 p.m. Moon rises at 4:50 a.m. and sets at 2:52 p.m.

## The Divine Flower

CARNATION—is now in its glory. Come in and see.

**GAMMAGE & SONS,** Dundas and Clarence.

**London Advertiser.**



## A LOCAL BUDGET

—Low Cathcart left this morning for Chicago.

—Rev. Dr. Smith, of the First Methodist Church, preached at Kingston yesterday.

—Miss Mary Elliott, of Goderich, has accepted the position of head milliner with a London firm.

—The annual meetings of the Huron W. A. M. A. will begin on March 27 in Bishop Cronyn Hall.

—Mrs. F. Cannon, of the Medical School, left Port Huron on Saturday to visit friends in Old London.

—The executive committee of the Synod of Huron is called to meet on March 15 in Bishop Cronyn Hall.

—Mr. Jerry McDonald has purchased the interest of Mr. Charles Stevens in the European Hotel, Dundas street, and has taken possession.

—Rev. J. W. Holmes, of Askin Street Methodist Church, preached at Stratford yesterday. Rev. Mr. Collycott, the evangelist, taking his pulpit here.

—Yesterday the wind blew down some portions of the Masonic Temple walls. The wreckage will be removed from the streets as soon as possible.

—Miss Adcock, of the Guelph general hospital staff, formerly of this city, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis, is progressing most favorably.

—Rev. Dr. Potts, educational secretary, and Rev. Prof. Wallace, of Victoria University, Toronto, occupied the pulpits of the First Methodist and Dundas Center churches yesterday.

—At the annual banquet of the Cleveland Builders' Exchange, tonight in the London exchange will be represented by President William Tyler, Vice-President Ed. Martin and Mr. Wm. Jeffrey.

—A meeting of Canadian veterans was held in the offices of the Chicago British-American on Friday, when 24 Fenian raid veterans were presented with their medals by Dr. J. A. McGill, the president of the organization.

—One of the best carnivals of the season will be that given at the Jubilee Rink tonight by the Rambler Club. There will be a number of special features, among others an amusing burlesque boxing match.

—The "At Home" committee of St. John's Lodge, No. 20, A. F. and A. M., have decided not to hold the entertainment promised by them on March 8.

The destruction of the temple by fire left matters in a very complicated condition, and it was deemed best under the circumstances to call the "At Home" off for the present.

—The induction of Rev. James Wilson, of Niagara Falls South, as pastor of the Gloucester Presbyterian Church, takes place March 1 at 2 o'clock. Rev. John Milroy, moderator of Crinan, will preside; Rev. Isaac McDonald, of Mossa, will preach; Rev. Dr. Johnston, of London, will address the minister, and Rev. Robert Stewart, of Melbourne, will address the people.

—Mr. James Wilkey, son of ex-Ald. Wilkey, will leave tomorrow for Ottawa. He is a member of the Strathcona Horse, and has been spending a few days with his parents prior to going to South Africa. A fellow-member from Cranbrook, B. C., Mr. H. W. Melton, accompanies Mr. Wilkey. They leave at 3:45 tomorrow morning, having to report in Ottawa at 12 o'clock tomorrow night.

—Belmont Times: Mr. and Mrs. W. Moore, of this village, who have been the guests of friends and relatives in London for a month, have returned home. While in London Mr. Moore was presented with a Fenian raid medal, he having been in a private in the 26th Battalion at that time. Mr. Moore values the medal highly, and we hope he may long be spared to wear it. He was also presented with a handsome gold watch and chain during his stay in London.

—The regular meeting of the Athenaeum Society was held at Harding Hall on Friday afternoon. The programme was furnished by the children of the primary department, and by Miss Quarry's kindergarten class. It consisted of songs, games, marches and recitations. The last number was "Cinderella," in pantomime, given by Nora Moore, Leona Leonard, Jean Allen, Katherine Smart, Hazel Rupee, Marjory Reid, Dorothy Reid, Phyllis

## Palace CAFE

AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN PLAN.

Regular dinner from 12 to 1:30 daily—25c.

**Richmond Street, Opp. City Hall.**

Helmut and Yvonne Hobbs. A large number of the friends of the children were present and expressed themselves as much pleased.

—Mrs. Fidelia Ingamells died this morning at her home, lot 6, the Gore, London township. Mrs. Ingamells was in her 64th year, had suffered only three days from heart trouble. The remains will be interred in Woodland Cemetery.

**LOCATED.**

Messrs. Purdom & Purdom, barristers, have secured offices since the recent fire at the northeast corner of Dundas and Talbot streets.

**POLICE COURT.**

The family squabble in the police court between George Maker and his son Charles, was finally settled this morning, by Charles being discharged, he having attended to the repairing of the damage caused by his alleged malicious action. The cost of the damage was 30 cents. A man named Allister, alias Livingstone, was charged by W. A. Vincent with assault and wounding. Allister is said to have severely bitten Vincent's ear. He was bailed to appear tomorrow. A drunk was discharged.

**ORCHESTRA MEMBERS' LOSSES.**

Some of the individual members of the Grand Opera House Orchestra suffered severe losses at the recent fire.

The leader, Mr. Evans, besides his orchestra music, lost all his Musical Society Band scores, and a set of three clarionets, the total value being from \$1,200 to \$1,500. Next to the leader's, Harry McKenna's loss is the heaviest. He loses five drums, two sets of bells, tympanos, gongs and a large assortment of traps generally, the whole easily worth \$350. Many of Mr. McKenna's instruments will be hard to duplicate, as they were manufactured specially, much of the work being done by himself. The xylophone is the only article he saved, that not being in the building at the time. W. J. McLeod lost a bass viol and equipments, valued at \$85. Joseph Johnston's set of clarionets and violin are all gone; value, \$225. Carl Briggler, violin, \$50; W. Mullin's cornet, \$35; Samuel Parr, trombone, \$35. These losses will be felt keenly, and the holding of a benefit for the unfortunate orchestra members has been suggested. It would be a commendable undertaking, and should be heartily supported. When called upon to give their services for the benefit of any worthy object, the Opera House Orchestra always responded cheerfully.

**FRATERNAL AID**

**WAS EXTENDED**

By the Canadian Order of Foresters to the Burned-Out Masons—Sherwood Hall Will Be Temporarily Utilized.

A meeting of the finance board of the Masonic fraternity was held on Saturday evening at Sherwood Hall to consider an offer tendered by the Canadian Order of Foresters relative to the temporary occupancy of the hall until the Masons make definite arrangements for a new home. The meeting was numerously attended, most of the prominent brethren being present.

The object of the meeting was briefly explained by the chairman, W. Bro. Edwin Paul, who said that the C.O.F. had a proposition to make regarding the use of Sherwood Hall by the Masons until some definite plans had been decided upon.

Bro. Essery explained that his dilatoriness had been the means of saving the furniture and paraphernalia of King Solomon's Lodge, London West. He had had Friday for Bloemfontein, six days' march. Well, they can't send us too soon. You may think I am only fooling, but I am not, as we all want to get a crack at the end of the world. We are brigaded with the two best regiments in the world—the Black Watch and the Seaforth Highlanders—not so bad for old Canada! And you can rely upon us to uphold its reputation. The boys all say "Do or die!"

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**T. A. Rowat & Co.,**  
224 Dundas Street. Phone 317.

at Orange River. The receipt is as follows:

"Orange River, Jan. 5, 1900.  
"Received from Sergt. George Macbeth, 41 Boer prisoners.  
"5,100.  
"LIEUT. J.—"

On the back of the receipt appear the names of the men of B company who formed the escort. They were: Sergt. George Macbeth, J. Hyman, S. Adams, C. Barrett, W. H. Wheatcroft, W. H. Fox, J. Powell, J. B. Duff, W. J. Green, H. M. Mahon, A. McLean, W. Woodvatt, P. G. Macbeth and J. W. Bredin.

**CANADIANS**

**IN IT AGAIN**

Four Wounded in a Fight on Tuesday.

Private Adams, of London, Reported Missing, Turns Up All Right.

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—A cable was received today from Lieut.-Col. Otter at Paardeberg, dated Kimberley, Feb. 25, stating that the following men of his command were wounded on the 20th inst.:

C Company—Pte. R. Kinder, 10th Royal Grenadiers; J. Holland, Toronto.

F Company—Pte. W. Downing, 62nd St. John N. B., Fusiliers (severely).

H Company—Pte. A. Parker, 68th King's County Battalion.

Pte. Adams, of the 7th Fusiliers, London, who was reported missing, has since turned up.

**MILITIA ORDER.**

Ottawa, Feb. 26.—The following militia order is issued today:

"It is announced with regret that the undermentioned non-commissioned officers and men of the Canadian special force on active service in South Africa, were killed in action at Paardeberg, Drift on Sunday, 18th inst. Second (special service) Battalion, Royal Canadian Regiment." [Here follow the list of names given in Saturday's issue of The Advertiser.]

**TRIBUTE TO THE CANADIANS.**

His excellency has received a cable from Sir Alfred Milner, giving the list of the Canadians killed Feb. 18, which agrees with the list sent by the high commissioner, Lord Strathcona. To the list is added the following tribute by Sir Alfred to the valor of the Canadians: "While with great regret I send the above list, I wish to express to you the great admiration which is felt here for the noble share borne by Canadians in late engagement."

**BURNS' LAST LETTER.**

A letter received by a friend from the late Pte. Oliver Burns, who was killed at Modder River, dated Belmont, Jan. 14, says: "There is nothing new happening, but it looks as if there was something up, as they are giving us long marches every evening, about ten miles, but it doesn't seem to have much effect on the majority of the regiment. The British officers say the Canadians can endure more marching and hardship than any regiment they have had anything to do with. Not so bad for old Canada! We will start from here Friday or Saturday for Bloemfontein, six days' march. Well, they can't send us too soon. You may think I am only fooling, but I am not, as we all want to get a crack at the end of the world. We are brigaded with the two best regiments in the world—the Black Watch and the Seaforth Highlanders—not so bad for old Canada! And you can rely upon us to uphold its reputation. The boys all say "Do or die!"

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In the early days man was contented with the slow-moving, rough-riding cart, and was highly elated at the first appearance of the locomotive.

Traveling today is suggestive of comfort and pleasure. Such may also be said of our line of Spring Clothing. Our mild weather wearers will prove a source of much comfort to the many men of this city. Our Clothing will always be found in the front rank, where only correctness and up-to-dateness can find a seat.

There are none so good as OUR best, for we handle only Fit-Reform manufacture. A guarantee of satisfaction goes with every garment.

Suits or Overcoats—\$10, \$12, \$15, \$18, \$20.  
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**Fit-Reform Wardrobe,**

**ROBERT M. BURNS.**

180 Dundas Street, - - - London, Ont.

**THANK YOU!**

Before uttering a word of store news we desire to thank must heartily the hundreds who braved the bad weather on Saturday to come to this store; also for kind and liberal patronage. If there is anyone who feels like trading back any purchase, or part of their purchases for their money, we're ready, as the policy of this store reads "CUSTOMERS PLEASED OR MONEY RETURNED."

**UNDERSHIRTS FOR MEN.**

Only about 10 dozen in the lot—one, two or three of a kind; these we will sell tomorrow at a tremendous bargain. If you want an extra garment or two to finish out the season this is your chance.

**TUESDAY--SPECIAL SALE OF CROCKERY AND GLASSWARE.**

186 Dundas Street,

**Bargain-Apolis,**

Formally Occupied by Pigot & Bryan.

Neglect to boil the water is the probable cause.

Jan. 12.—Fifty typhoids in the hospital.

Jan. 16.—The military authorities have commandeered all the foodstuffs and other stores. Leave has been granted to the inhabitants to shoot small birds for food.

Jan. 17.—The mules slaughtered are pronounced superior to horse flesh.

Jan. 24.—Five hundred shells poured into the town at haphazard, the hospital, scurvy compound and residences receiving the attention properly due the defenders of the earth works.

Jan. 26.—A small family shell-proof shelter has been dug in nearly every garden.

Feb. 11.—Twenty-five hundred women and children were lowered into the mines throughout the night. The men are also selecting places of safety.

Feb. 15.—All the morning there was a heavy cross-fire of the British occupying Alexandersfontein. The 100-pounder and shrapnel are bursting over Kimberley. Everyone is lying low. The shops and banks were closed at 2 this afternoon. There was a kaleidoscopic change. Helio signals were observed announcing Gen. French's approach. Clouds of dust from the rapid advance of the cavalry were then seen, and almost simultaneously the enemy were observed limbering up and fleeing eastward. The glad tidings spread with marvelous rapidity. From all directions mounted and unmounted men hastened to welcome the relief column. Those remaining hoisted flags and there was a universal feeling of joy and thankfulness.

**NOT LONG STORIES.**

Short Fact-Pinning Statements by

London Citizens Verify Pitcher Tablet Success.

Is it true?

Can this be so?

Are the facts garbled?

These are the questions which are suggested to every man and woman in London suffering the tortures of Backache and Kidney trouble, when they read the published accounts in newspapers about medicines which claim to cure.

The success of Dr. Pitcher's Backache Kidney Tablets is so great and general, home testimony is always forthcoming. One of them is Mrs. J. Sage, residing at No. 250 Burwell street, who says:

"I have no hesitancy in recommending Dr. Pitcher's Backache Kidney Tablets. They have proved themselves a kidney remedy beyond question in my case; nor had I to purchase bottle after bottle to be released from that depressing and constant backache. I think that I have some left from my first. I have not taken the balance, as I consider it folly to take medicine when there remains no further trouble. Those tablets certainly removed that extreme sensitiveness from my back. Before using them, to turn in bed caused me the most painful twinges. For invigorating the renal organs and removing that dangerous, so prevalent morning when first getting up, they are prompt and positive. I have not said too much for Dr. Pitcher's Backache Kidney Tablets. I know that others will find them as I have represented them."

**YOUNG OPERA COMPANY'S BENEFIT**

The Auditorium was well filled on Saturday evening on the occasion of the benefit tendered to the members of the Young Opera Company, who were so unfortunate in the fire of Friday last. The members of the company, assisted by Mr. J. T. Dalton's Imperial Male Quartet, gave a bright, clean entertainment, and all present went away thoroughly satisfied with the evening's programme. The company left for Detroit on the 3:35 a.m. train yesterday.

"Difficulties give way to diligence," and disease germs and blood humors disappear when Hood's Sarsaparilla is faithfully taken.

F. H. Lemay, of Montreal, has purchased the season's manufacture of white pine from McLaughlin Bros., Amherst, amounting to about \$5,000,000 feet.

## STEAMER ASHORE

Allan Line Californian in Trouble—Her Six Canadian Cabin Passengers Safe.