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Births, Marriages, Deaths

MARRIED.

POOLE—JONES—In this city, on Feb. 23, at the residence of the bride's brother-in-law, Mr. John Jones 176 Albert street, by the Rev. Archdeacon Davis, Mr Henry Poole to Mrs. Eliza Jones, both of Lambeth.

DIED.

SKELLY—In this city, on Thursday, March 3, 1898, at 2 o'clock p.m., Lillian, beloved wife of R. Skelley, aged 22 years and 4 months.

Funeral will leave the family residence, 9 Pearl street, on Saturday, at 3 o'clock. Services at 2:30. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.

BELL—At the residence of her son, 425 Manning avenue, Toronto, March 2, Elizabeth J., widow of the late Rev. Alexander Bell, formerly of St. Andrew's, Peterboro', aged 63 years.

MEECHAM—At the family residence, 93 Sackville street, on Thursday, March 3, 1898, David Meecham, aged 77 years and 4 months.

Funeral on Saturday, at 2 p.m. Friends and acquaintances will kindly accept this intimation.

ROOTS—On March 4, 1898, at 491 Horton street, Amelia Eliza, second daughter of the late Henry Roots, in her 53rd year.

Funeral private. Service at 4 p.m., at Memorial Church on Saturday.

Amusements and Lectures

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

YOU WILL MISS IT, SURE, IF YOU DO not hear Jean Blewett. b

MISSESS HUTCHINSON, COUKE, AND Mr. Will Miller will sing tonight at the Jean Blewett evening, King Street Methodist Church. Tickets 25c. b

MISSIONARY LECTURE, WITH LIME light views, by Rev. T. B. Westgate, Crown Hall, March 4, at 8 p.m. Collection in aid of C. C. M. S. All welcome. 70u

PRINCESS—OPEN AFTERNOON AND evening. Ice in fine condition. Band Saturday. b

JUBILEE RINK—GRAND ICE—OPEN every afternoon and evening. Saturday night, hockey match, Jubilee team vs. Collegiate Institute. b

MRS. ROBER'S SCHOOL OF COOKERY at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium, commencing Monday, March 7 to 12. Course tickets, $2 50; single tickets, 50c. Free lecture Monday evening. b

PALACE DANCING ACADEMY—PRIMARY classes—Gentlemen, Monday evening; ladies, Tuesday evening; ladies and children, Saturday afternoon; advanced class Wednesday evening. Dayton & McCormick

LOW RATES TO AND FROM THE old country—Do not fail to obtain my rates via the best lines before purchasing elsewhere. F. B. Clarke, the Exchange, Richmond street, next Advertiser.

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

Religious Services.

CHRISTIAN WORKERS' MISSION—Carling street; Rev. H. Mackenzie, pastor, next Sunday. Meetings at 7:30 a.m., 11 a.m., 3 p.m., 7 p.m. Special offerings towards building new Mission Hall. 70c

Meetings.

I. O. O. F., DOMINION LODGE, NO. 48. Regular meeting this (Friday) evening. Visitors invited. Thos. B. Parkinson, N. G., Thos. D. Hasling, R. S. b

MASONIC—A REGULAR COMMUNICATION of St. John's Lodge, 209a, A., F. and A. M., G. R. C., will be held this (Friday) evening, March 4, at 7:30 o'clock. General business and work in the third degree. Official visit of D. D. G. M. Visitors welcome. J. D. Balfour, M.D., worshipful master; T. A. Rowat, secretary. b

CITY UNION MEETING OF THE KING'S Daughters in "Y" rooms, Friday, March 4, at 8 p.m. Members and public invited. 69c

Domestics Wanted.

GOOD GENERAL SERVANT WANTED —References required; no washing. Apply 413 Queen's avenue. 70c

GENERAL SERVANT—APPLY MRS. J. A. Nelles, 24 Prospect avenue. 70c

WANTED—A HOUSEKEEPER—MUST be used to farm life. Apply Andrew Hardy, Brinsley, Ont. 671 80c

ON HAND—GARDENER—ONE WHO understands care of fruit, flowers and vegetables, also management of greenhouses, hotbeds; first-class references; also housekeepers, hotel cooks and girls for all kinds of work. Wanting, dining-room girls for out of city. Dwyer's Agency, 391 Richmond street. Phone, 1120.

LADIES, LEAVE YOUR ORDERS FOR servants with the Osborne Intelligence Agency, 56 Dundas street. Phone 386.

Agents Wanted.

WANTED—10 EXPERIENCED AGENTS to canvas other places. Apply 828 Dundas street, between 7 and 8 p.m. 70c

WANTED—CITY AGENT FOR THE People's Life Insurance Company. Apply David Millar, Grigg House. b

AGENTS—"WOMEN" IS THE TITLE OF our great new book. Discusses all phases of the subject. Contains "The Life and Work of Miss Willard," the most wonderful woman of the century. Over 100 beautiful portraits of the greatest women known, with biographical sketches. Snap for canvassers. Linscott Company, Toronto. 67n

IF YOU ARE TRUE, ENERGETIC AND above foolish prejudice against canvassing write to me. I have put hundreds of men in the way of making money, some of whom are now rich. T. S. Linscott, Toronto. 67n

AGENTS—"GLIMPSES OF THE UNSEEN," fascinating book. Sweeps the entire field of borderland subjects. Everybody orders. Marvelous illustrations. Prospectus free to canvassers. Bradley-Garretson Company, Limited, Toronto. 67n

WANTED—A FEW GOOD MEN FOR canvassing on yearly salaries. The Linscott Company, Toronto. 67n

Male Help Wanted.

CORE MAKERS AND MOLDERS WANTED. 94 Carling street. b

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—GOOD FARM hand; single. Address Thomas Hogg, Thamesford. 70c

WANTED—MEN TO CUT 30 CORDS of wood in bush. Apply D. Bell, Robinson Hall stables, corner Ridout and Dundas. 69c

Business Chances.

FOR SALE—GROCERY STOCK, DOING A strictly cash trade; small, well-assorted stock; rent low. A splendid chance for small family. Also a grocery stand, without stock, in good locality. J. F. SANGSTER, 403 Richmond street.

Livery Stables.

THOMAS TREBILCOCK—STAR LIVERY —338 Richmond street. Best hacks, coupes, etc. Light livery a specialty. Careful attention to orders. Phone 423. Open night and day.

LILLEY'S LIVERY—NO. 619 DUNDAS street, East London, Ont. Telephone 666

Wanted.

WANTED—150 OR 200 ACRE FARM to rent. Address to A. Campbell, P. O. box 358, St. Thomas, Ont. 71u bw

MEN AND WOMEN CAN SECURE GOOD situations at the London Employment Bureau, 372 Richmond.

WANTED — THREE HUNDRED GOOD second-hand overcoats. Highest price paid. A. P. Salisbury, 90 King street. Mail orders attended to. 69tf

Articles For Sale.

FOR SALE—BLACK HORSE, SIX YEARS old in May; guaranteed sound; price $50. Apply 120 Dundas street. 69tf

BICYCLE—SECOND HAND—FOR SALE—Willmot, jeweler, 227 Dundas street. 69c

COME AND SEE THE "QUAKER" BATH Cabinets at A. Screaton & Co.'s; Monday and Tuesday only, March 7 and 8. 69i

ENGINE FOR SALE—A BARGAIN—Thirty horse-power; can be run at ninety revolutions; is in capital order; can be had at a very low figure. Address Engine, care Advertiser Office. 56tf&62tf

IRON AND LEAD PIPE, STEAM AND water fittings of all kinds. Smith Bros., 205 Dundas street. v

FRESH OYSTERS EVERY DAY—CALIFORNIA Navel Oranges and Lemons for sale at very low prices. Wholesale and retail. Catalano & Sansone, 206 Dundas street.

BICYCLES REMODELED—REPAIRED—re-enameled, nickeled, etc. Skates ground and skate parts for sale. Hutchinson, 651 Dundas street.

FOR SALE—SKATES AND SKATE PARTS —Bicycle enameling and general repairing at lowest prices. D. McKenzie & Co., 374 Richmond street.

CUSTOM PAPERS OF ALL KINDS ALWAYS on hand at Advertiser Job Department. You can have them in large or small quantities.

SPECIAL LINE OF LATEST NOVELS from 3 cents up to 25c. R. V. S. SAUNDERS, 650 Dundas street, East London.

SHIPPING TAGS—AT CLOSE PRICES—Advertiser Job Department.

POSTERS—ALL STYLES—HANGERS and dodgers. Advertiser Job Department.

PAMPHLET WORK OF EVERY DESCRIPTION, clean and quick, at Advertiser Job Department.

ENVELOPES—PLAIN OR PRINTED—AT Advertiser Job Department.

FIRST-CLASS MEDICAL BATTERIES—$1, $2 50 and $4 50. Call and see them. Medical batteries and electric bells repaired at lowest rates. All work guaranteed. The Electrical Specialty Company, F. B. Clarke, agent, the Exchange, Richmond street. Telephone 658. 141f

STOVES AND SECOND-HAND FURNITURE for sale cheap at Keene's Furniture store, Masonic Temple, Market Square.

Lost and Found.

LOST—BLACK AND WHITE FOX terrier, with hair off the right hind leg. Reward for return to Talbot Macbeth, 76 Maple street. b

LOST—BAG, CONTAINING MONEY—Liberal reward for return to this office. 70u

LOST—TUESDAY EVENING—ON RICHMOND, a seal ruff with sable tails. Finder rewarded on leaving at this office. 69tf

Viavi Treatment.

MRS. STEIN AT HOME SATURDAYS TO ladies of the country. 311 Hyman street, London.

Houses, Etc., To Let.

TWO WELL-FURNISHED ROOMS with bath—187 Queen's avenue. 71c

TO LET—GOOD 50-ACRE FARM; FRAME buildings, near Dorchester. Apply London Loan Co., London. 69n eod

185 ST. JAMES STREET TO LET—NICE two-story brick; four bedrooms, bath, grate, very convenient; choice location. Apply 410 Princess avenue. 3tf

Money to Loan.

MONEY TO LOAN ON FIRST MORTGAGES at 5 per cent; on second mortgages and other security at low rates, at G. W. Francis' loan office, 90 Dundas street, London.

SOME MONEY TO LOAN ON MIDDLESEX farm property at 5 and 5½ per cent, and on city property at 5½ and 6 per cent. T. W. Scandrett, solicitor, 98 Dundas street, London, upstairs.

SUMS OF $100 AND UPWARDS TO LOAN on real estate at 5 to 6 per cent. G. N. Weekes, solicitor, corner Richmond and King streets.

$100,000 TO LEND ON MORTGAGES and notes. McDonagh & Coleridge, barristers, solicitors, notaries, 78 Dundas street, London. Branch offices, Glencoe, Bothwell and Alvinston.

Hotel Cards.

O'NEIL HOUSE—CORNER TALBOT AND York streets; new and convenient; stables. Wm. Collins, proprietor.

CITY HOTEL—LONDON—BEST $1 A DAY house in Canada; good stables in connection. J. McMartin, proprietor.

THE ST. LAWRENCE HOTEL—MONTREAL—Centrally located and first-class in every respect. H. Hogan, proprietor.

"THE RICHMOND"—CORNER OF KING and Richmond streets. James Fallahe, new proprietor. A call solicited.

TECUMSEH HOUSE—LONDON, ONT.—Largest and best hotel in Western Ontario. No charge for baggage or sample rooms. Rates, $2 and $2 50 per day. C. W. Davis, proprietor.

GRIGG HOUSE—LONDON, ONT.—REFURNISHED and renovated throughout. Large and light sample rooms for commercial men. Rates, $1 50 and $2 per day. M. O'Meara, proprietor.

TENDERS.

INDIAN SUPPLIES.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and indorsed "Tender for Indian Supplies," will be received at this office up to noon on THURSDAY, 7th April, 1898, for the delivery of Indian Supplies, during the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1899, at various points in the Northwest Territories.

Forms of tender, containing full particulars, may be had by applying to the undersigned, or to the Indian Commissioner, Winnipeg. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

This advertisement is not to be inserted by any newspaper without the authority of the Queen's Printer, and no claim for payment by any newspaper not having had such authority will be admitted.

J. D. McLEAN, Secretary.

Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, Febrary, 1898. 71n w7

Old London Liberals

Likely to Have a Large Majority in the County Council.

The Attempt to Turn Down John Burns Failed.

Gen. Kitchener to Lead the Soudan Expedition.

Severe Winter in Persia—More Than 100 Persons Frozen to Death.

Another Attack on Ian MacLaren's Religious Standing—The Case of Hess Vs. Labouchere.

WEI-HAI-WEI.

Shanghai, March 3.—The China Gazette says Great Britain will occupy Wei-Hai-Wei, in the event of Japan withdrawing from that port.

THE CHINESE LOAN.

London, March 4.—The Pekin correspondent of the Times says: "The loan contract specifies that in the event of a revision of the tariff the £16,000,000 shall be a first charge on the increased revenues."

BIG COTTON FIRE.

London, March 4.—A cablegram from from Kobe, Japan, states that a fire has occurred in the sheds of the docks there, that the goods stored therein from a vessel from Bombay, have been burned, together with the vessel, and that American cotton to the value of $200,000 was also destroyed.

SUGAR BOUNTIES.

London, March 4.—The Morning Post says it hears on good authority that the bounty-giving powers are anxious to abolish bounties, and are willing to meet in conference in London, and to adopt the convention of 1888, or as an alternative to accept the imposition of countervailing duties.

A LARGE TEA BUSINESS.

London, March 4.—The business of Sir Thomas Johnstone Lipton, provision, tea and coffee merchant and fruit preserver, is to be immediately converted into a joint stock company, which will be capitalized at $10,000,000. The new company does not take over the business of Sir Thomas in the United States.

ONE HUNDRED PEOPLE FROZEN TO DEATH.

St. Petersburg, March 4.—Reports reach Odessa from Persia to the effect that the weather in that country is the severest experienced in a century. The road from Resht to Teheran has been rendered impassable by huge snowdrifts. More than 100 persons have been frozen to death, and many are missing. These latter are supposed to have been lost in the snow.

ELECTIONS IN LONDON.

London, March 3.—The London county council elections are proceeding quietly today. The voting is brisk, and all kinds of equipages have been requisitioned, from the coach to the donkey cart. A turn of the tide against John Burns, the labor leader, is reported to have occurred in the Battersea district, and even the Liberal Westminster Gazette says his re-election is doubtful.

The outgoing council consisted of 60 Moderates and 58 Progressives, otherwise Conservatives and Liberals.

THE NILE CAMPAIGN.

London, March 4.—The Cairo correspondent of the Daily Mail says it has been definitely decided that the sirdar, Gen. Sir Herbert Kitchener, shall lead the advance of the Anglo-Egyptian forces on Khartoum. Sir Herbert Kitchener, who has been sirdar of the Egyptian army since 1890, is now in his 48th year. He was educated at the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, entered the Royal Engineers in 1871, and was promoted in rapid succession to the rank of major-general, which he attained in 1896. He served in the Soudan campaign from 1883 to 1885, commanding Egyptian cavalry. From 1886 to 1888, he was governor of Suakim, and in the latter year was severely wounded in the action of Handoub.

HESS VS. LABOUCHERE.

London, March 4.—Henry Hess, editor of the African Critic, announces that he has "temporarily" discontinued the suit against Henry Labouchere, the editor of Truth, owing to the alleged disappearance of certain records in Pretoria Transvaal Republic. Mr. Labouchere made application to restrain Mr. Hess from publishing letters which Mr. Labouchere wrote to the late George Augusta Sala, as evidence of stock transactions referred to. The application was granted, the injunction also imposing costs upon Mr. Hess.

ATTACK ON IAN MACLAREN.

London, March 4.—Dr. Kennedy Moore, who was prominent in last year's attack on Dr. John Watson (Ian Maclaren), is renewing the assault. He has notified the presbytery of South London that he will move at its next meeting to transmit to the synod, which meets at Liverpool on April 25, an overture complaining of the hersey in Dr. Watson's work, "The Mind of the Master," and praying the synod to take steps to vindicate the honor and faith of the church. It is an interesting coincidence that the synod will meet in Dr. Watson's own church.

CABLE NOTES.

The Queen Regent of Spain has signed the decree, reducing the duties on wheat and flour.

A Constantinople dispatch says: The Russian steamer St. Petersburg has passed through the Bosphorus with 1,563 recruits, bound for Vladivostock.

The Prince of Wales, who is on his way to Riviera, called on President Faure at Paris this afternoon, and the latter later returned the prince's visit.

A dispatch to the Times from Kobe, Japan, says: "The Deer Island concession to Russia is strongly disapproved in Corea, and it is reported that the representatives of some of the foreign governments recommend making the island a foreign settlement."

Real Estate.

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

Tile Sewer Tenders.

TENDERS will be received at this office up to 5 o'clock on Monday, 7th March, for the completion of that portion of section "H" on South street.

Plans and specifications may be seen here.

A. O. GRAYDON, City Engineer.

ALD. NEIL COOPER, Ch. Sewerage Com. 674

RELIC OF THE ELBE.

Ramsparge's Message to His Fiancee Ere Ice Waves Engulfed Him.

Paris, March 4.—A reminder of the loss of the North German Lloyd steamer Elbe, which was run down and sunk in the North Sea on the night of Jan. 30, 1895, has been found on the coast of the department of Calvados, in Northern France.

A deep sea trawler brought up in a dredge a bottle containing a card, which was sent here and the writing was deciphered. The inscription was in German. It read:

"My Darling Fiancee Mina.—I shall never see you again unless in another world. I beg the finder of this to send it to Mina Frankel, Buchaufedersee, Wurtemburg."

On the other side of the card was printed the name "Bernard Ramsparge," with a commercial address. The card has been sent to Fraulein Frankel.

LIBERALS ON TOP,

In the Contest for Control of the London County Council.

London, March 4.—The county council elections have passed off with no notable incident. The attempt of the Earl of Debight to oust John Burns in Battersea failed. Earl Russell, Progressive candidate, was defeated at Hammersmith. The latest returns show that the Progressives, or Liberals, have elected 67 of their candidates, and the Moderates, or Conservatives, 40. A recount will be necessary in Chelsea, and the results in the city proper, Fulham and Wadsworth, have not been decared.

Thus far the Progressives show a net gain of 13 seats. The Moderates have only gained two seats in Central Finsbury, and this was owing to a split in the Progressive ranks. The return of a number of extreme Socialists is a feature of the result. It is expected that the Progressives will have a majority of at least 24 in the new county council.

Despite the disagreeable sleet and rain, great crowds awaited the results in Fleet street, at Battersea and other centers of exciting contests. There was a great gathering of Liberal politicians at the National Liberal Club, where the Progressive victories were hailed with delight and cheering. Although the Conservative party made strong attempts to infuse politics into the contest, resulting in a somewhat increased poll, the increase was not in the direction they desired. The Progressives secured 15,000 votes increase, against an increase of 5,000 for the Moderates, thus improving their position almost everywhere, in addition to the seats gained.

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HELD FOR MANSLAUGHTER.

Serious Outcome of a Sunday Row at Simcoe.

Simcoe, Ont., March 4.—Several families live in a house in the north ward here, and on Sunday a row occurred. John Smith, aged 66 years of age, was struck on the head with a stick of stove wood, in the hands, it is alleged, of Harvey Wooden. Smith died on Wednesday from the effects of the blow. An inquest was held, Coroner McIntosh presiding, to inquire into the cause of death. Drs. Hays and Bowlby held a post-mortem.

After all the evidence had been heard the jury brought in a verdict that Smith died from the effects of a blow on the right side of the head, struck by one Harvey Wooden. Wooden is in jail.

DR. JENNIE DEAD.

Alameda, Cal., March 3.—Bishop William Taylor, of the Methodist Church, has received news of the death of his niece, Dr. Jennie Taylor Gordon, who was known to all interested in foreign missions as Dr. Jennie. She expired at Malanga, Angola, on Dec. 29. Her husband is an African missionary, and her parents reside at Mechanicsburg, Penn. She lived for years in Africa, and was noted for her medical skill.

A Year of Prosperity.

Last year the business of life assurance was one of substantial increase. In Canada there was written $48,618,711 by the companies reporting to the Dominion Government, and at the end of the year there was in force $327,000,000 of insurance with these companies. The increase of insurance held at the close of last year, compared with 1896, was about 3 per cent. The business of the Ontario Mutual Life increased 7½ per cent, or 2½ times the average increase. When the insurance gained during the year is compared with the business issued, there is a total gain in Canada of 22 per cent. The gain of the Ontario Mutual Life is 50 per cent of the business written. Policy-holders show their appreciation of the Ontario Mutual by holding their policies. While other companies have reduced the dividends to policy-holders, the Ontario Mutual has been able to pay its handsome dividends without reduction, and at the same time apply $158,583 of surplus to increase its reserve to the Actuaries' 4 per cent standard. Consult C. E. German, general agent, London.

The great lung healer is found in that excellent medicine sold as Bickle'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, pain, or soreness of the chest, bronchitis, etc. It has cured many when supposed to be far advanced in consumption.

Stuck to His Post.

Engineer Hutchinson's Bravery Saved Many Lives.

Sketch of the Hero Who Died in Hamilton Hospital on Wednesday Night.

Hamilton, March 4.—Thomas Hutchinson, engineer of the Grand Trunk express which pitched into a freight train at Burlington on Tuesday afternoon, and who died of his injuries at the city hospital on Wednesday night, was born in Ireland 57 years ago. He entered the service of the Great Western Railway in 1862 as fireman, being promoted to engine driver in 1869, remaining in this position continuously ever since. He was looked upon as one of the most trustworthy employes of the road. He was personally popular from one end of the line to the other, and in his death the officials of the Grand Trunk recognize that the road has lost a valuable man.

Few men have had more hair-breadth escapes from death in the terrible phases in which it may come to a railway employe. During the long years of his service he had frequently asserted that as long as he was in charge of a passenger train he would stick to his engine until he had done all that he could to insure the safety of the passengers dependent on him. He gave many practical demonstrations, in different accidents, of the sincerity of this assertion, and the most striking is to be found in the wreck in which he met his death. On Tuesday afternoon, as his train plunged along the line towards the open switch he could not detect the red target of the semaphore because of the background given to it by the caboose of the freight ahead of him, which was also painted a bright red. Fireman Clark says that when within a hundred feet of the freight Hutchinson appeared to see the danger, but instead of jumping from his cab, as he might have done, he reversed his engine, and then applied the heavy emergency brakes, which caught and held just a few seconds before the smash came. The railway officials are a unit in saying that had not the brave old engineer displayed the presence of mind he did, the passenger coaches of the express at his back would certainly have telescoped, and half the passengers at least would have been killed.

During his 29 years of service as engineer, the late Mr. Hutchinson had seen many men killed alongside of him. Several years ago he was in charge of a freight near the "Y," killing his fireman, Robert Archibald, and Baggageman Peden. On this occasion Mr. Hutchinson stuck to his engine until he was thrown over two locomotives and went through the open door of a box car in front. Here he was found buried up to the neck in wheat and almost uninjured. At another time he was second engineer on a double header, from which Engineer Thomas Cox lost his life at the Welland Canal. At another time, when Engineer Hutchinson was pulling a holiday train, twelve crowded coaches, one of the big driving wheels dropped from his engine and rolled down the embankment. The old engineer stayed by his engine, bringing the train to a stop just at the edge of a high trestle bridge.

He always thought, however, that death would come to him on his beloved engine, and, by a strange coincidence, when donning a new suit of clothes on Sunday last, remarked at home that he would probably be buried in them.

Deceased was one of the oldest members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and also belonged to St. John's Lodge, A., F. and A. M., and Excelsior Lodge, I. O. O. F. He leaves a widow and five children, two sons and three daughters. The sons are Mr. Richard Hutchinson, of the G. T. R., at Saginaw, Mich., and Mr. A. Hutchinson, with the G. T. R. at Hamburg. Deceased was a well-esteemed member of Christ Church Cathedral.

PLEASING PRESENTATION

To Mr. Wm Jeffery, Superintendent of the Wellington Street Methodist Sunday School.

At a social gathering of the Wellington Street Methodist Sunday school teachers and officers last night, the superintendent, Mr. Wm. Jeffery, was presented with six volumes of "Adam Clarke's Commentaries on the Old and New Testament." The books were bound in leather, and formed a beautiful and valuable gift. Following is a copy of the address which accompanied the presentation:

"Mr. Wm. Jeffery: Dear and Respected Superintendent,—We, the officers and teachers of the Wellington Street Methodist Sunday school, kindly greet you, our superintendent. You have held this office for a number of years, and we acknowledge the many benefits to mind and heart we have received under your government. Your geniality has kept warm our affections, and preserved our confidence, and we hope that your kind rule may continue for many years to come. We read in the Book that they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever. To rightly divide the word of truth requires the pious and sanctified heart, and the enlightened mind, and we believe that we can render you a faithful service by placing in your hands these commentaries, standard works in our church theology, with our prayers that, by them, you may be better furnished unto all good works. Please accept these volumes as a token of our esteem. Signed on behalf of the officers and teachers, Flora Macdonald, and Louise M. Simpson."

Mr. Jeffery, from whom the proposed address was kept secret, made a suitable reply.

Mr. John Watson was chairman and introduced the following programme: Piano solo, Mr. Simpson; recitation, Miss McLean; vocal solo, Mr. Wonderly; recitation, Miss Allen. All the numbers were much appreciated. At the conclusion of the programme about 60 sat down to a repast, and the evening was pleasantly passed in a social way.

ANGOSTURA BITTERS is a household word all over the world. For over 50 years it has advertised itself by its merits. It is now advertised to warn the public against counterfeits. The genuine article is manufactured by Dr. J. G. B. Siegert & Sons.

Cookery Helps

Malabar produces the most pungent pepper; Sumatra, the largest and most deliciously aromatic cloves; Ceylon, a cinnamon fit to form part of an incense; Jamaica, the finest allspice. Whatever the source of the best may be, we gather that best and have it here for you. There's a great deal of disappointment in some spices. We are in business to stay—so we can't afford to disappoint in spices or anything else. Our flavoring extracts are on a par with spices—the kind to be satisfied with.

CAIRNCROSS & LAWRENCE PHARMACISTS, 216 DUNDAS STREET. Branch—Cor. Richmond and Piccadilly.

Want More Room.

The Free Library Building Will Have to be Enlarged.

Increase in the Patronage—The Present Quarters Too Crowded.

The necessity of more room at the Free Library has become urgent. The patronage of the library has increased 25 per cent in the past year. Yesterday afternoon fully 700 people visited the building. It is proposed to erect an addition at the rear, where the board owns the land north of the Y. M. C. A. building. The cost would be about $8,000, which could be soon saved out of current revenue. The men's reading-room is much too small, and would be enlarged by taking in the present ladies' reading-room. The ladies would then be accommodated in the new section of the building. The reception room, where the public receive and return books, is also insufficient. The book shelves are also crowded, and more space is urgently required for these. It would be inconvenient to put the books upstairs, and would entail an increase in the staff.

The library board held its regular meeting last night, at which the following members were present. Chairman James Egan, Messrs. it. H. Dignan, R. Reid, E. Weld, Talbot Macbeth, and Joseph T. Marks.

Librarian Blackwell's report of circulation for four weeks, ending Feb. 26, 1898, was as follows: Adult fiction, 4,616; juveniles, 1,631; miscellaneous, 1,803; magazines, 1,340; total, 9,390. Average circulation of books per day, 331; average circulation of magazines, 56; total, 387—an increase of 20 per cent over February of 1897. Receipts, for February: Sale of cards, $15 05; sale of catalogues, $3 05; fines, $14 92; books damaged, 90 cents; incidentals, $4 21—$41 63. Average fines, 62 cents per day; new cards issued for February, 166; cards issued to date, 5,720.

The following donations were acknowledged: Mrs. A. Dew, Day Dawn, IV., by Paton. Mrs. A. Dew, Moses and Christ, IV., by Paton. Mrs. D. S. Robb, Miscellaneous Writings, 1883-93, by Eddy; Church of Science, Science and Health, one volume. Haight, C., Before the Coming of the Loyalist, one volume. Toronto Public Library, Report of the Toronto Library and catalogue of books, two volumes. Minister of Education, Public Debts of Canada, one volume. Klondike Publishing Company, Klondike Review, one volume, Toronto Government, several volumes reports. Ottawa Government, 14 volumes reports, including report of Mr. W. T. Jennings, Routes to the Yukon.

It was decided to hold a special meeting to discuss the enlarging of the present building.

ARRESTED 37 TIMES.

Ira Holliday's Long Record—Vrooman Discontented in Jail.

James Vrooman, the alleged thief, wife-deserter, and against whom a charge was laid for cruelty to animals, stood up in the box before Magistrate Parke, this morning, together with three drunks, Michael Costello, Richard Purdom and Ira Halliday.

Vrooman complained about so many remands and unsubstantiated charges against him. The charge of cruelty to animals was dismissed, as no one appeared against him. He will come before the county court tomorrow on a charge of stealing a horse and rig, and was remanded until Monday next.

"Ira Halliday, drunk," said the court.

"Yes," explained the prisoner. "I didn't drink anything until after five o'clock, and I won't get drunk——

"Oh, don't talk like that—such nonsense!" said the magistrate. This is No. 37. A man before me that many times should not be charged as a drunk, but as a vagrant, and you would be liable to six months more. Five dollars or twenty days."

Costello and Purdom were discharged.

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A Canadian Racing Circuit.

Dates Arranged and $4,000 in Purses To Be Hung Up.

London Curlers Beaten in the Western Finals.

Tie Between Glencoe and Forest City Besom-Pushers—Other Sporting Events.

THE TURF.

ST. THOMAS TURF CLUB.

The board of directors of the St. Thomas Turf Club have appointed a committee to arrange for the holding of a meeting on July 5, 6 and 7.

AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, March 4.—It was another bad day for favorites, and not one scored. The track was muddy and sticky. Winners: Hugh Penny, Llew Anna, Nannie L's Sister, Sister Clara, Halton, Tom Kingsley.

A CANADIAN CIRCUIT.

A meeting of the secretaries of the racing associations of Western Ontario was held at the Tecumseh House yesterday afternoon. There were present: Messrs. J. K. Clement, of Brantford; James Johnston, Guelph; J. P. Petit, Port Huron; D. Ferguson, W. C. Ross and G. James, of London, and others. Letters were received from St. Thomas, Petrolea, Hamburg and Stratford. Arrangements for a Canadian circuit, to include Port Huron, were proceeded with. Altogether $4,000 in purses will be hung up. For a 2:50 pace $500 will be the purse, and a similar amount for a 3-minute trot. Class races will be $400 and $300. The dates arranged are as follows:

Guelph, June 1, 2 and 3.
Stratford, June 7, 8, 9 and 10.
Port Huron, June 14, 15, 16 and 17.
London, June 21, 22 and 23.
Brantford, June 30, July 1 and 2.
St. Thomas, July 5, 6 and 7.

Other places to follow are Aylmer, Hamburg, Wingham, Orangeville and Petrolia, concluding with a return to Port Huron.

TIPS.

For the Memphis spring races, which open in April, 400 horses are already in training.

At Ingleside last week Charles Quinn is said to have made a killing of over $20,000 in two days.

It is said that the Saratoga Racing Association will offer a trophy for the jockey that makes the best percentage of wins at its summer meeting. It is here that Tod Sloane and Tommy Burnes will come together for the first time.

BASEBALL.

THE UMPIRE AN AUTOCRAT.

The National League magnates adopted a schedule at St. Louis which is entirely different from last season's. The twelve clubs this year will make four trips away from home instead of two. It was decided to limit the term of suspension of a player by an umpire for disorderly conduct to three days. Each of the eleven club owners present signed an agreement to instruct their players and managers not to question a decision of an umpire whether right or wrong. They also agreed to discipline any player who violates the agreement.

CURLING.

THE WESTERN FINALS.

St. Marys, March 4.—The finals in the Western Ontario tankard competition were played here yesterday. In the first draw Southampton drew a bye, and Detroit beat London by 27 shots. St. Marys beat Bright by 21 shots. In the second draw Detroit got the bye, and Southampton and St. Marys rinks will play tonight, and the winner will play the final with Detroit in the morning. Following are the scores of the afternoon games:

Detroit.		London.	
Rink No. 1—			
J. J. Dodds, skip	29	J. Evans, skip	14
Rink No. 2—			
J. Stevenson, skip	27	T. A. Browne, skip	5
Total	56	Total	19

Majority for Detroit, 37.

St. Marys.		Bright.	
Rink No. 1—			
W. Andrews, skip	22	M. Stewart, skip	16
Rink No. 2—			
J. Uddy, skip	29	J. McKie, skip	14
Total	51	Total	30

Majority for St. Marys, 21.

SIMCOE DEFEATED

Simcoe, Ont., March 4.—The Detroit curlers visited the Simcoe Curling Club and played a friendly game. Score: Detroit 45, Simcoe 32.

GLENCOE VS. FOREST CITY.

The Glencoe and Forest City Curling Clubs played a friendly game at Simcoe street rink here yesterday afternoon, which resulted in a tie.

ATHLETICS.

NEW RECORD.

Boston, March 4.—At the open indoor meet of the Boston College Athletic Association, the 1,000-yard run record was broken by Bray, of Williams College, his time being 2 minutes 23 seconds. The former record was 2 minutes 24 1-5 seconds.

SENSATION IN WARSAW.

Berlin, March 4.—A dispatch to the Lokal Anzeiger from Warsaw says the police have prohibited all festivities in connection with the centenary of the birth of the Polish poet Adam Mickiewicz. The prohibition has made a great sensation.

SAFE IN PORT.

Halifax, N. S., March 4.—The North German steamer Marie Rickmers was towed in here yesterday morning with a broken tail-shaft, by the German steamer Alpha. The Marie Rickmers was bound from Bremen to Baltimore with 100 passengers. The accident happened last Sunday.

KILLED BY A FALLING TREE.

Waterloo, Ont., March 4.—On Wednesday evening a fatal accident occurred in a bush on the farm of N. Webber, about two miles from town. Three brothers—John, Chris. and Fred Wolfe, of Waterloo—were felling trees in the bush, when the youngest brother, Fred, was struck on the head by a heavy limb. The blow fractured his skull and broke his neck, and he died almost instantly. The second brother, Chris, had his arm considerably bruised, while the eldest escaped without injury. Fred Wolfe was 18 years of age.

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Will Call the Pastor.

St James' Church Congregation Make a Decisive Move.

Will Retain the Old Site for the Present But May Sell the Building If the Price Is Good—An Interesting Discussion.

The congregation of St. James Presbyterian Church, at a meeting last night, took a decisive stand, and will, for the time being, retain the old site and call for a pastor, though empowering to sell the church if a satisfactory figure can be secured.

There was a fairly representative meeting of the congregation and adherents, who met for the third time to consider the question. Rev. J. G. Stuart, interim moderator, occupied the chair, and T. A. Brown acted as secretary.

The report of the committee appointed to canvass the congregation, re subscriptions, was received and adopted.

The revenue of the church is estimated, as follows:

Collections, envelope and plate	$1,214 20
Rent of manse	300 00
From concerts	75 00
Ladies' Aid	250 00
Christian Endeavor	25 00
Sabbath school	25 00
Total	$1,889 20

The expenditure is estimated as follows:

Pastor's stipend	$1,000 00
Taxes on manse	140 00
Interest on investments	414 00
Interest on notes	24 00
Choir, etc.	190 00
Installment on organ	50 00
Fuel	75 00
Printing	20 00
Total	$1,913 00

This, of course, does not include any provision for church debt reduction or repairs.

Mr. Hugh Omond considered the report a most flattering one, and Mr. James Anderson moved to call a minister at once. Mr. Omond immediately moved to extend a call to Rev. Joseph Elliott, of Nairn.

Rev. Mr. Stuart explained that only under certain circumstances could Mr. Elliott be considered, and the speaker doubted very much whether he would accept, unless the congregation decided whether or not they would keep the present site or sell it and move north. Mr. Stuart then read an extract from a letter from Mr. Elliott as follows:

"As there is a possibility of my name being mentioned, I write you, requesting that you do not allow it to be voted on, as I cannot accept the position unless it be with the distinct understanding that the congregation will move north, a contingency which they may not be prepared to fall in with."

Mr. Brown read a letter from Mrs. Wm. McCormick, in which she said: "As I cannot be at the meeting at present, I would like to appeal to you for the sake of the old church—one we have worshiped in for 30 or 40 years. We should exercise our sympathies and show forth the spirit of the Good Samaritan, which is the Spirit of Jesus Christ. We want punctuality, sociability, benevolence, assumption of the privileges, and the responsibilities of full membership, for the preservation of a united church; encouragement for the minister, elders, managers and choir—all these would be essential to the building up of a church that would be a power in the land."

It was the prevailing opinion that the congregation needed to consider seriously the words of the letter.

Mr. Omond considered the congregation would be in a better position to go north if they called a minister to guide them.

Mr. McCurdy—The congregation cannot bind itself to go north, because, if we called a minister, and were successful here, we certainly could not go north. If Mr. Elliott won't come, there are plenty of other good men who will.

Mr. T. A. Rowat said the church had been struggling on for so many years that ministers were afraid to face the difficulty. He advocated giving the managers full power to sell the church property if they had an opportunity. This was an opportune time, as a new Normal School and new city hall would likely be built, and the church site was a good one for either.

Mr. Campbell said all this was the outcome of extravagant statements made in the presence of reporters.

Mr. R. Mowat said that from the tone of Mr. Elliott's letter, it would be a case of minister run the congregation, and not congregation run the minister.

Mr. McCurdy said the church had always been able to pay its ministers to the last cent, and thought a great deal was often said that might with interest to the church be left unsaid.

A motion was passed empowering the managers to sell the church property, and Rev. Joseph Elliott, of Nairn, and Rev. J. J. Brown, of Toronto, were nominated for the position of pastor. The vote, when taken, stood: Mr. Elliott, 41; Mr. Brown, 15. On motion the call to Mr. Elliott was made unanimous.

Thomas Norton, representing the congregation; Rev. D. C. Johnston, representing the session, and Wm. Webster, representing the church managers, were named as a deputation to attend the Presbytery in support of the call.

The salary limit was placed at $1,000.

350,000 ARE DEAD,

And 225,000 More Are Now Starving in Cuba.

Chicago, March 4.—A Washington special to the Inter Ocean says: An official of the state department says of the reports of the condition of the pacificos in Cuba that the letters of the consuls all told the same story of awful misery and starvation.

About 225,000 people, old men, women and children, are literally starving to death. Including this number, between 450,000 and 500,000 are suffering from disease and lack of proper food. More than 350,000 people have died as a result of the reconcentrado order issued by Weyler.

FATALLY BURNED.

Cobourg, Ont., March 4.—William Dorris, who was so badly burned here on Tuesday night, died yesterday morning. He was 30 years of age.

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

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A VOICE FROM OTTAWA.

Mr. R. M. Williams, No. 44 Flora street, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, writes: "I suffered from childhood with nervousness. I have been subject to acute darting pains, which would come on suddenly, especially in the evening, and lately have been very persistent. I became completely exhausted from the loss of sleep, and I feared nervous prostration. My limbs trembled under me. I applied to Munyon's Toronto office for treatment. They sent me the necessary remedies, and after using these remedies for three weeks, I am altogether a new person. My ailment has gone, and I have no more trouble. In fact I am so well that I have quit using the medicine. With many wellwishes for the good work you are doing, and thanking you for what you have done for me, I am, gratefully yours."

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TROOPS AND DRINK.

The Curious Statistics Showing What European Nations Pay for Them.

The friends and advocates of "universal peace" and the foes of intemperance and inebriety are pretty generally agreed that the expenses attending war and war armaments and liquid beverages of an intoxicating or exhilarating kind are unduly large. There is an old proverb—it is not a Swiss proverb, of course—to the effect that a man who drinks more than he should "drinks like a Swiss," and it is for this reason, perhaps, and residents of the republic of Switzerland say for no better one, that the fame of residents of Switzerland for sobriety is not as far-reaching as the fame of the Scotch, for instance, for frugality. A recent computation which has appeared shows that the annual expenditures of the Swiss for wine, beer, cider and brandy are 175,000,000 francs, six times as much as is spent on the army. Germany expends, or, more properly, individual Germans expend, $500,000,000 a year on liquid refreshments, distilled or fermented—chiefly beer and Rhine wine—and $120,000,000 a year on the German army. France expends in a year $500,000,000 on drink, chiefly wine, and $10,000,000 a year on themaintenance of the army of the republic. The Italians expend $250,000,000 a year for liquors, wines and cordials and $55,000,000 for the Italian army, the expenditures being in about the same ratio as in other nations.

Austria-Hungary expends less upon liquor in a year than any other country of the first class in Europe, amounting to about $225,000,000, though persons who are familiar with life along the blue Danube might, no unreasonably, come to the conclusion that $200,000,000 of this sum was spent in the city of Vienna alone in lager beer. Such, however, is not the case. In the mountainous districts, particularly in the Tyrol, Transylvania and in Croatia, very little wine is drunk, and though Hungary produces a large and steadily increasing amount of wine, a very large proportion of it is exported to other countries. Relatively, not much of it is kept for home consumption. The Austro-Hungarian army costs $70,000,000 a year, or less than one-third of the cost of the liquors consumed in a year. The Russians expend $300,000,000 a year in liquors and $.50,000,000 a year, or one-half as much for the maintenance of the army. England expends $480,000,000 a year on beer, ale, wine, porter, gin, rum and smoky whisky, and $90,000,000 a year on the maintenance of the British army.

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He lives long that lives well, and time misspent is not lived, but lost.

GARDENING OVER A GEYSER.

The Astonishing Growth of Vegetables in a Yellowstone Park Greenhouse.

[Pittsburg Dispatch.]

Mother Nature has begun to experiment with hothouses, and the very first one, as well as the only one in existence, is located in Yellowstone Park. A geyser furnishes all that is needful to make tremendous growths, such as cucumbers ten feet long and the like. The hothouse, or greenhouse, as the gentleman in charge of it, W. P. Howe, terms it, is a model one of its kind, although located away up in the mountains of the park. Nature furnishes everything necessary to conduct it, except the building itself, giving heat, moisture and light.

If Mr. Howe wanted to compete at the county fairs in the vegetable line, he would, unless heavily handicapped, win all the prizes. Such lettuce, cucumbers, radishes, tomatoes and other things to eat as the firm of Nature & Howe grows are bigger than the biggest fish story ever told. Almost everyone who has ever been to Yellowstone Park Hotel within the past year will remember the wonderful vegetables, for despite their size they are very delicate in flavor, although grown at an altitude of 7,400 feet, where ice forms every month in the year. Here is what Mr. Howe says about it:

"Travelers who have been in almost every climate on this broad earth never before had seen such a sight. Lettuce, cucumbers, radishes, tomatoes, mushrooms and the like are growing with the greatest success. The experiment is novel and very interesting; the growing of vegetables over a hot stream of water often interested tourists more than the eruption of a geyser.

"After procuring permission from Capt. George S. Anderson, acting superintendent of the park, I built the greenhouse over a hot, steaming hole in the ground. The water had a temperature of 165 degrees Fahrenheit. It proved a great success. On Dec. 14 the thermometer showed 35 degrees below zero, Fahrenheit, yet in this little crude slab house nature was caring for cucumbers, onions, radishes and lettuce with a temperature of 65 degrees Fahrenheit, all in fine shape, knowing nothing of the fierce blowing snow and wind outside.

"The greenhouse is 25 by 50 feet, with a glass roof covering it. The building faces the east, with a front 4 feet high and raised to the height of 18 feet at the back. The heat is furnished from a running stream flowing from a 7-inch hole in the formation at the south end, flowing north through the center of the building. The water comes from the ground at a temperature of 195 degrees Fahrenheit, which is about the boiling point at this altitude. Five-foot beds surround the building on the inside, except at the north end, with a 9-foot bed in the center; all the beds are raised from 18 inches to 2 feet for circulation, and a place for the mushrooms. An aisle runs around the building between the beds.

"Often the temperature indicates nearly 100 degrees Fahrenheit without the wilting of a single leaf of the plants. The result of this rapid growing of vegetation is wonderful. The beds are filled about three feet deep with rich stable refuse mixed with one-third silica formation, found near by. The rich soil, the sun's light, and the constant condensation of the steam from the hot stream make such a perfect combination that vegetation has to grow night and day.

"What has been the result? The first seeds were put into the ground on the Fourth of July last year. Lettuce came up from dry seeds in two days, and cucumbers in three days, and other vegetables in like quick time. Good-sized heads of lettuce were gathered in fifteen to eighteen days from the time of planting. In 28 days lettuce measured 22 inches across, which was as sweet and tender as anyone ever put into his mouth. Often the condensation of the steam would break down the larger leaves by the weight of water upon them. Cucumber vines grew from 25 to 30 feet in length in less than 60 days without being watered, except from the moisture in the air.

"Roots hang down from the vines 15 to 20 inches long. The flowering on the various plants is exceptionally great. On some of the cucumber vines five full-sized cucumbers were gathered from a single joint; often three were grown. More brittle ones were never gathered from vines than those grown in this novel greenhouse. Rhubarb, beets, mushrooms and other vegetables will grow to great advantage in this hot and moist temperature. Many tropical fruits could also be raised.

"There is very little labor to be done after the soil is properly fixed and the seed is once in the ground. It is like pressing the button and nature doing the rest. There are no weeds, no insects, no stirring of the soil, only to gather in the fruits and watch nature working in a harnessed condition. The leaves and all the plants show a very healthy condition and fine color.

"Cucumber leaves measure 17 inches across. The growth of a cucumber is very rapid after it is once started. Many a time they measure about two inches long and within 24 hours increase an inch in length. Radishes grow so rapidly that they often split."

IS THE DAY GROWING LONGER?

Scientific Reasons in Support of the Theory That It Is.

[Youth's Companion.]

One of the most interesting subjects discussed by Prof. George Darwin during his recent visit to this country was that of the possible and probable increase in the length of the day.

When once the earth is in motion about an axis, no matter how the motion came about, it would continue forever; and at the same rate, thus making the day always of the same length, unless something is happening or will happen to interfere with that motion. Now, there are several causes in operation which affect the period of the earth's rotation, some of which tend to make the period less and others to make it greater. Fortunately the influence of each of the causes is very small. They are generally easy to understand, and a simple experiment will illustrate one of them.

Tie a stone to one end of a string, and, holding the other in the hand, whirl it around as nearly as may be in the circumference of a circle. When the speed is nearly uniform allow the string to wind up on the finger. It will be noticed that as the string shortens the angular velocity increases. In the same way, if the matter forming the earth should in any way be drawn nearer the axis of rotation, it would turn faster, and the day would be shortened.

By continued loss of heat a shrinkage of the earth is probably in progress, and although the process is exceedingly slow, it certainly tends to diminish the period of rotation. On the other hand, any addition of matter from the outside will tend to increase that period and make the day longer. Undoubtedly slight additions to the mass of the earth are constantly made by the arrest of meteoric bodies passing through the atmosphere. Their influence is opposed to and tends to neutralize that of any earth shrinkage that may be going on.

The most important interference with the rotation of the earth that we know of is that of the tidal wave, which is due to the attraction of the sun and moon, but more largely to the latter. It is easy to see that this is a resistance against which the earth turns, and its effect is to increase the length of the day.

Astronomical observations extending over about 2,000 years have failed to show any sensible change in the day, but the influence of the tides must become evident after the lapse of a great many years. Prof. Darwin declares that the day may lengthen until it is at last 55 times as long as it is at present, and that would be also the period of the revolution of the moon about the earth.

A day of 1,320 hours, such hours as we now have, would offer many interesting advantages, but there would be some things about it not altogether agreeable. As it is not likely to come for some millions of years, it is not a matter for immediate anxiety.

ALASKA.

Six sleeps in a sleeper from Montreal,
And a moon or so from the end of the line,
And you stand at the foot of the great white wall—
That is white with the snows that fall, and fall,
O'er the cedar dwarfed and the drooping pine
That grow at the feet of Alaska.

Old and wrinkled, and cold and gray,
With her white pall pulled o'er her stony breast;
Frowning and frigid and far away,
She has ever stood, as she stands today,
In the desolate wastes of the wide Northwest—
Stands this hoary old woman—Alaska.

Unmolested for thousands of years,
Isolated, remote and lone;
Her hard face glacial with frozen tears,
While o'er her shoulders and in her ears
The winds of the North Land wail and moan
In the ears of old Mother Alaska.

A party of prospectors passed that way,
And they thought the old face had forgotten its frown,
And, pausing, they pulled her white robe away
And found her treasure: "Ah, qu'est que c'est?"
Said the French-Canadian, kneeling down
At the feet of old Mother Alaska.

They told their story, and men went wild,
And pawned their chattels and joined the race.
The old crone jingled her gold and smiled,
And the gold-mad men of the world beguiled
With a promise of fortune in that far place,
At the feet of old Mother Alaska.

But O, the rivers are wide and deep,
And the north wind breathes with a killing breath;
And over the mountains so rough and steep
The old dread reaper shall come and reap;
The grim old reaper that men call Death
Shall reap the white fields of Alaska.

—Cy. Warman.

SENSIBLE HEIR.

A pretty little story is told of a young clerk in a drygoods shop who has recently come into possession of a large fortune through the favor of an old gentleman distantly related to him.

The young fellow listened with amazement to the news imparted to him by his employer and the old gentleman's executor one afternoon.

"I suppose I must not expect your services as clerk any longer," said the drygoods merchant, with a smile. "I shall be sorry to lose you."

"Oh, I shall stay my month out, of course, sir, "said the boy promptly. "I shouldn't want to break my word just because I've had some money left me."

The two older men exchanged glances. The money referred to was nearly $300,000.

"Well," said the lawyer, stroking his mouth to conceal his expression, "I should like an hour of your time between 10 and 4 tomorrow, my young friend, as it will be necessary for you to read and sign some papers."

"Yes, sir," said the clerk; "I always take my lunch at a quarter before 12; I'll take that hour for you instead of tomorrow. If I eat a good breakfast, I can get along all right till 6 o'clock."

The two men again exchanged glances, but neither said a word to spoil the boy's unconsciousness that he was taking his good fortune in an unusual way.

"Well," said the lawyer, when the door had closed on the modest heir to thousands, "all I can say is, if that boy ever uses his money to anybody's disadvantage, I miss my guess!" And the year that has elapsed since then has gone to prove the truth of his words.

MURDERED BY BIRDS.

The intelligence of birds is illustrated by a discovery made the other day by a man in Stuttgart. Seeing that a swallow's nest on his house had no opening, he got a ladder and examined it. He found five dead sparrows in the nest, the swallows having evidently killed the intruders by closing up the nest with mud.

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RAILWAY Time Tables

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CANADIAN PACIFIC RY.

Going East.

DEPART—	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
London	4:15	8:30	4:27
Woodstock	5:02	9:19	5:20
Galt	6:00	10:13	5:20
Guelph	....	10:41	9:35
Toronto	8:05	12 m	8:15
		p.m.	
Peterboro	12:12	2:48	11:35
	p.m.		a.m.
Kingston	4:30	....	....
Ottawa	5:50	....	5:50
Montreal	8:00	....	7:30
	a.m.		p.m.
Quebec	6:30	....	2:15
Portland, Me	8:25	....	8:10
Boston	8:02	....	8:36
Halifax	10:10	....	....

Trains arrive from the east at 11:20 a.m., 8:00 p.m., 10:30 p.m. Trains leave for the west: Mixed, 5:50 a.m.; through express, 11:25 a.m.; through express, 8:10 p.m.

Going West.

DEPART—	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
London	5:0	11:25	8:10
ARRIVE—	a.m.	p.m.	
Chatham	9:00	1:02	10:08
Detroit	11:00	2:50	11:15
Chicago	....	9:45	7:55
		a.m.	
St. Louis	....	7:32	7:52
		p.m.	a.m.
Kansas City	....	6:20	7:00

Trains arrive from the west at 4:10 a.m., 1:00 a.m., 4:20 p.m.

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MICHIGAN CENTRAL RY.

LONDON TIME.

Canada Southern Division—Going East

	Leave London.	Leave St. Thomas.
American Express (daily except Monday)	9:30 a.m	11:05 a.m.
Atlantic Express (daily)	9:30 a.m.	2:30 p.m.
Mail and Accommodation (daily except Sunday)	2:50 p.m.	3:35 p.m
New York and Boston Special (daily)	7:40 p.m.	10:05 p.m.
Fast Eastern Express (daily)	7:40 p.m.	3:35 a.m

Canada Southern Division—Going West

North Shore Limited (daily)	.....	6:25 a.m.
Fast Western Express (daily)	9:30 a.m	10:35 a.m.
Detroit Accommodation, except Sunday	.....	7:15 a.m.
American Express (daily except Monday)	9:30 a.m	10:55 a.m.
Mail and Accommodation (daily except Sunday)	2:50 p.m.	3:40 p.m.
Pacific Express (daily)	7:40 p.m.	9:05 p.m.
Boston, New York and Chicago special (daily)	7:40 p.m.	4:40 a.m.

Trains arrive at London 7:55 a.m., 11:50 and 6:05 p.m.; depart 9:30 a.m., 2:50 and 7:40 p.m. [NOTE.—No trains to or from London on Sundays.]

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L. E. & D. R. R.

	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Leave London	6:25	10:05	2:30	7:00
		p.m.		
Arrive London	8:45	2:05	5:40	10:35

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

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY. Southern Division.

MAIN LINE—Going East.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART.
*Lehigh Express (B)	3:20 a.m.	3:35 a.m.
Wabash Express (a)	3:10 a.m.	3:15 a.m.
Accommodation	....	6:20 a.m.
Atlantic Express (A)	10:05 a.m.	10:15 a.m.
Day Express	9:40 a.m.	2:30 p.m.
*New York Express (A)	4:15 p.m.	4:20 p.m.
Mixed (c)	5:50 p.m.	7:50 p.m.
Detroit Express	11:20 p.m.	....

MAIN LINE—Going West.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART.
†Chicago Express (A)	3:03 a.m.	....
Accommodation	....	6:30 a.m.
†Lehigh Express	11:10 a.m.	....
Wabash Express (A)	11:50 a.m.	11:55 a.m.
Accommodation	12:40 p.m.	2:15 p.m.
Express (A)	....	6:25 p.m.
†Pacific Express (A)	6:05 p.m.	....
Mail	9:50 p.m.	....
Wabash Express (A)	3:25 a.m.	8:30 a.m.

Sarnia Branch.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART
Chicago Express (A)	....	3:10 a.m.
Lehigh Express (A)	3:30 a.m.	11:15 a.m.
Accommodation	8:05 a.m.	7:40 a.m.
Atlantic Express (A)	10:05 a.m.	....
Accommodation	2:15 p.m.	2:30 p.m
Pacific Express (A)	....	6:15 p.m
Accommodation	7:50 p.m.	....

London, Huron and Bruce.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART
Express	9:50 a.m.	8:15 a.m.
Mail	6:40 p.m.	4:45 p.m.

Toronto Branch.

Hamilton—Depart—							
a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.
*7:00	9:10	10:20	12:25	3:40	6:45	B*7.50	8:30
	9:20	11:15					
Hamilton—Arrive—							
....	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	a.m.
....	18:45	9:50	12:10	B 3:25	5:40	6:25	8:10	†12:30

St. Marys and Stratford Branch.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART
Express	9:20 a.m.	7:15 a.m.
(D) Passenger	....	11:10 a.m.
Express	1:00 p.m.	....
Express	5:40 p.m.	2:40 p.m.
Express	10:35 p.m.	5:55 p.m.
(D) Mixed	....	8:30 p.m.

* These trains for Montreal.
† These trains from Montreal.
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For Saturday and Monday at 6c each. Spiles, 60c per 100.

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We have just received a large shipment of Extracts, which we are going to sell at a ridiculously low price. Lemon, Vanilla and other popular flavors; the regular 10c bottle we are going to sell on Saturday and Monday for 5c; 15c bottles for 10c. This is a snap of which you should avail yourself.

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Castor Oil, 10c.

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HAGER DISAPPEARED,

Former Customs Collector Has Not Yet Paid the Amount of His Defalcations.

Ottawa, March 3.—A statement in regard to the case of C. E. D. Hager, formerly collector of customs at the port of Hagersville, was made in the House of Commons yesterday in reply to a question by Mr. Somerville. The member from Brant wanted to know the amount of Mr. Hager's indebtedness and the names of his securities, and whether steps had been taken to recover from the latter the amount owing from the missing collector.

In reply, Mr. Paterson, minister of customs, said: The amount of the indebtedness of Mr. C. E. B. Hager to the customs department, as ascertained by an inspector of the department, is $2,492 01. The sureties are John H. Scott and Erastus Hager. The department is not aware of Mr. Hager's present place of residence. No legal steps were taken against such sureties to recover the amount of Hager's defalcation. The case was placed in the hands of the department of justice by the department of customs (under the late government) on the 12th of January, 1894, with a view to the prosecution of Hager for the recovery of the amounts embezzled by him, and on the 26th of January the department of justice was instructed by the customs department to prosecute Mr. Hager for embezzlement, in addition to taking the necessary steps to recover the amount of his shortages, but before any legal steps had been taken all proceedings were suspended at the request of the departemnt of customs conveyed in a letter to the department of justice under date of 2nd February, 1894, the reason for this suspension of proceedings given in such letter being that information had been received that satisfactory arrangements would at once be made for the payment of the amount of the defalcation. It does not appear, however, that such payment has been made, and the matter is now engaging the attention of the department.

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Detailed Returns

Of the Election in a Number of Western Ontario Constituencies.

BRANT NORTH.

	Burt. (Lib.)	Fisher. (Con.)
South Dumfries	429	260
Paris	262	344
Onondaga	143	197
Brantford township	333	364
	1,167	1,065

Majority for Burt, 102.

SOUTH BRANT.

	Hardy. (Lib.)	Elliott. (Con.)
Brantford city	1,875	1,709
Brantford township (maj.)	17[illegible]	..
Burford	62[illegible]	521
Oakland	133	53
	2,810	2,283

Majority for Hardy, 527.

DUNDAS.

	Whitney. (Con.)	Lawson. (Lib.)
Mountain township	129	..
Matilda township	219	..
Morrisburg	..	64
Iroquois	..	36
Williamsburg	..	109
Winchester and two villages	..	2
	348	211

Majority for Whitney, 137.

ELGIN EAST.

	McIntyre. (Lib.)	Brower. (Con.)
Aylmer	21	..
Malahide	..	2
Yarmouth	66	..
South Dorchester	..	4
Bayham	..	106
Springfield	4	..
Port Stanley	..	13
Vienna	11	..
	102	125

Majority for Brower, 23.

HALTON.

	Kerns. (Con.)	Barber. (Lib.)
Acton	30	..
Burlington	51	..
Georgetown	..	144
Milton	..	25
Oakville	34	..
Esquessing	..	68
Nasagaweya	..	100
Nelson	109	..
Trafalgar	19	..
	356	492

Majority for Barber, 136.

HALDIMAND.

	Holmes. (Lib.)	Lalor. (Con.)
Cayuga	71	..
Caledonia	..	34
Hagersville	..	63
North Cayuga	83	..
South Cayuga	..	55
Dunn	..	113
Oneida	26	..
Rainham	55	..
Seneca	8	..
Walpole	120	..
	363	265

Majority for Holmes, 98.

HURON SOUTH.

	Elber. (Con.)	McLean. (Lib.)
Seaforth	..	157
Tuckersmith	..	302
Usborne	98	..
Exeter	111	..
Stephen	375	..
Hay	..	75
Stanley	..	19
Goderich township	117	..
Bayfield	15	..
Hensall	7	..
	723	553

Majority for Elber, 170.

KENT WEST.

	Pardo. (Lib.)	Hall. (Con.)
Chatham	..	194
Chatham township	..	40
Dover	..	42
Raleigh	185	..
Tilbury East	151	..
Tilbury Center	54	..
Romney	93	..
Wallaceburg	76	..
	559	376

Majority for Pardo, 283.

LAMBTON WEST.

	Gurd. (Con.)	Pardee. (Lib.)
Town of Petrolia	143	..
Oil Springs	..	12
Point Edward	..	29
Enniskillen	33	..
Dawn	5	..
Sombra	..	38
Sarnia township	..	16
Moore	..	139
Sarnia	..	437
	181	681

Pardee's majority, 500.

MIDDLESEX NORTH.

	Hodgins. (Con.)	Taylor. (Lib.)
Adelaide	..	24
Ailsa Craig	..	34
Biddulph	260	..
Lobo	..	165
Lucan	106	..
McGillivray	24	..
Parkhill	..	33
East Williams	..	116
West Williams	..	71
	390	443

Majority for Taylor, 53.

PERTH NORTH.

	Magwood. (Con.)	Brown. (Lib.)
Ellice	33	..
Elma	81	..
Listowel	..	4
Milverton	3	..
Mornington	41	..
North Easthope	..	850
Stratford	..	97
Wallace	135	..
	293	451

Majority for Brown, 158.

PERTH SOUTH.

	Moscrip. (Lib.)	Monteith. (Con.)
St. Marys	60	..
Blanshard	..	131
Downie	100	..
Hibbert	98	..
Fullarton	..	113
Mitchell	..	33
Logan	..	170
South Easthope	176	..
	434	447

Majority for Monteith, 13.

WATERLOO NORTH.

	Clemens. (Lib.)	Lackner. (Con.)
Berlin	..	413
Waterloo town	..	145
Elmira	..	12
Wellesley	28	..
Waterloo township	157	..
Woolwich	336	..
	521	570

Majority for Lackner, 54.

WATERLOO SOUTH

	Phin. (Lib.)	Kribs (Con.)
Galt	55	..
Hespeler	..	220
Preston	..	312
Ayr	86	..
New Hamburg	..	93
North Dumfries	244	..
Waterloo township	33	..
Wilmot	70	..
	488	634

Majority for Kribs, 146.

WELLINGTON WEST

	Craig. (Lib.)	Coghlan. (Con.)	Park. (Pat.)
Artnur tp.	34	257	303
West Luther	66	84	314
West Garafraxa	190	147	290
Erin township	441	198	267
Nichol	151	190	82
Mount Forest	176	166	58
Fergus	181	106	27
Elora	175	75	6
Erin village	57	54	1
	1,521	1,277	1,353

Majority for Craig over Park, 168; over Coghlan, 244.

SUPPRESSING PERTNESS.

One of the Most Obnoxious Traits in the Young.

Pert is a word derived from the Welsh, meaning a smart or fine, perton being a smart little girl, and pertness is defined as being indecorously free, saucy. We will all know without the aid of a dictionary the characteristics of a pert child, says the Kindergarten Review. Who has not sat by in silent indignation as some boy or girl has answered smartly and even angrily the remark of father or mother? Who has not longed to bring that child to a sense of his or her misdeed and mete out summary justice to the offender? The thinking person cannot fail to ask whose fault it is that the child has reached this stage of disagreeableness, whether pertness is an inborn quality, and whether by judicious training it can be eradicated or prevented from developing.

Pertness is usually the fault of the parents primarily. The child has, at times, at least, a sense of wrong-doing, but never having been restrained the temptation is too much and it yields without a struggle. It sounds very droll to hear saucy speeches from the baby lips that can scarcely frame the words. The irresponsibility of the little sinner, the entire absence of intention to offend makes them fascinating. The baby is laughed at instead of being rebuked, and so the foundation of the habit is laid. By and by, as the child grows older, the rude answer does not sound quite so sweet, and an attempt is made to check it, but it is not as easy now, and the bad habit flourishes, like any other ill weed, unless it is vigorously uprooted.

It should be checked in its very earliest beginning and never allowed to obtain a foothold. If the mother says, "No, no, baby, you must not speak to mamma or papa like that—naughty baby!" the child is turned in the right direction, at least. As time goes on every occasion should be dealt with as it arises. There need never be any angry reproof; a gentle reminder is much more effectual. "Do you know you are speaking very rudely, dear? No one loves a rude, ill-bred child," will often make the culprit ashamed and prevent the immediate repetition of the offense.

LADIES OF TITLE AND THE MINSTREL BOY.

A minstrel boy from Italy, charged at Westminster, London, with a savage assault on a porter who had ordered him and his monkey to move on, offered a curious defense. Ladies of title, said his legal adviser, were in court to speak for the prisoner, and these ladies made clothes for the monkey. This is of interest, as probably the latest development of the Dorcas charities. Ladies of quality have hitherto sewn extensively for the poor, but we may conclude that the problem of human destitution has been solved, now that they can afford to extend their precious ministrations on the monkey tribe. Nothing is more likely than each garment turned out by these eminent hands bears a coronet in the corner, as a workman's mark. The monkeys of London will soon be attired as gorgeously as the poodles of Paris, who usually take the air in overcoats, which exhibit the full heraldic blazonry of their owners. It is a graceful way of going to the dogs.

FATAL.

"What did the blacksmith die of, Johnnie?"

"Shoeing a mule."

Unkind language is sure to produce the fruit of unkindness that is suffering in the bosom of others.

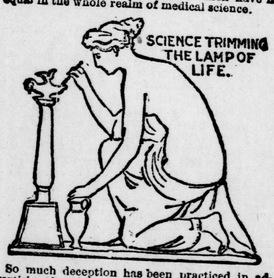
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Lopdon, Friday, March 4, 1898.

Says the Woodstock Sentinel-Review: "The Liberals of London have a right to congratulate themselves. They did well."

Clarke Wallace went to Sarnia and talked against Mr. Pardee in the late election. The Liberal majority in that town was increased from 197 to 436.

London is all right.—[Ridgetown Standard.

Certainly, London is all right. It was never wrong in the right sense of the word.

The distinguished full name of the new minister of Spain to the United States will form a good test word for the next spelling match. It is Luis Polo y Bernabe.

Now that the Ontario elections are over, let us all put in a word for good roads. Good roads will pay in hard cash, to say nothing of the comfort to the dwellers in the rural regions.

The Montreal Gazette also figures out a moral victory for the Conservatives of Ontario in the election of Tuesday last. "Moral victories" are all very well in their own way, but they are not specially satisfying.

The Chatham Banner, Sarnia Observer, Windsor Record, Strathroy Age, and, indeed, all our Western Ontario Liberal contemporaries, did good service in the recent elections. With us they will have some satisfaction when they contemplate the "Solid West."

Let us congratulte the Ottawa Citizen. It was the only Conservative paper in the Province that had the courage to tell the entire truth the day after the elections. It told its readers that the Hardy-Ross Government had been again returned to power, though by a reduced majority.

Hon. George W. Ross has issued the following card of thanks to his constituents:

"To the Liberal Electors of West Middlesex:

"Thanks for the splendid organization, the energy and loyalty of the Liberals of West Middlesex, we have won another splendid victory for the Liberal cause. I cannot express adequately my appreciation of your confidence and good-will, and can only trust for the next term I shall be able to be of greater service to you and the country than ever before.

"GEORGE W. ROSS."

The Toronto Globe says that "Next to Hon. George W. Ross, Mr. N. W. Rowell did the most brilliant platform work of the campaign." This is a true estimate of the splendid work done by our talented former townsman. The same journal, in its "Men of the Day," says of Mr. Rowell:

"Mr. N. W. Rowell, who established a firm reputation as one of the best platform speakers in the province during the election contest, was born in the township of London, Middlesex, on Nov. 1, 1867. He was educated at the public schools in the neighborhood and later in the city of London. He was called to the bar in 1891, and has since practiced his profession in Toronto."

J. A. Baines, in a lecture delivered recently at Toynbee Hall, London, on "Two Generations of Greater Britain," gave a list of towns and districts named after the Queen. At the extremity of Vancouver there is a city of Victoria, and crossing the Pacific to Hong Kong one finds another. In Labaun and in the Cameroons there are Victorias, and in Africa there is the famous Victoria Nyanza. The richest colony for its size in Australia is Victoria. There is a Victorialand in the antarctic and another in the arctic region. Verily, her Majesty is held in high esteem throughout her world-wide dominions.

The Victoria, B. C., Colonist, very properly points out that it is an error to attribute to Sir John Macdonald the credit of securing for Canadians the right to the free navigation of the Stikine. Sir John really gained nothing by the treaty of Washington in this respect, for that document simply confirms the right which the British Government reserved under the Russian treaty of 1825. It is important to bear this in mind, because to concede that our rights in the premises are derived from the treaty of Washington is to admit that the United States can take them away at any time by giving formal notice of the denunciation of that treaty. When the United States bought Alaska it obtained only the right of Russia thereto, which right was subject to a use by British subjects of all rivers flowing from the interior through the ceded territory. This must always be kept to the front.

Reminiscences of Past Contests.

A reminiscence or two will probably reassure any friend of the Government of Ontario who may have had misgivings as to the future.

After the Provincial election of 1883, the Liberal Government met the House with 48 seats in an assembly of 88 members.

That majority grew as the months went by.

Two days after the election in 1894, The Advertiser's returns showed the following results of the contest:

Liberals elected	49
Conservatives elected	29
Patrons and P. P. As	16
Total	94

Two days after the election of 1898, the returns showed the following state of affairs:

Liberals elected	49
Conservatives elected	43
Patron elected	1
Russell (now Liberal) to vote	1
Total	94

It will thus be seen that the majority for the Ontario Government today is as great as it was three days after the contest of 1894, the only difference being that the Opposition is almost entirely made up of Conservatives rather than of Conservatives and of various stripes of independents. In the above summation, Parry Sound is included in the Liberal list, and rightly so, despite Opposition contentions to the contrary. Mr. Beatty, the member-elect in that constituency, was opposed by the candidate of the Conservative convention. He was indorsed by the Liberals, as he gave a generous, independent support to the Government in the last Legislature, and he has telegraphed the Premier that he will support the Liberal Administration in the new House. Mr. Beatty says his majority will be over 1,000.

Greater London's Elections.

Yesterday the municipal elections took place in London, England. They were fought on national party lines, and the Liberals scored a decisive victory. Once the names of the two municipal parties in Greater London—Moderates and Progressives—signified something else than Conservatives and Liberals. But this year, chiefly because the Salisbury Government has lent its support to the Moderates, and given them every encouragement that promises and hard canvassing can provide, the distinction between the national and municipal parties has been in name only. Really the dividing line has been established between the Conservatives, who have championed the interests of the monopolists, and the Liberals, who insist that monopolies shall be operated for the benefit of the people, and that the advantages arising from the massing of the population shall go to the people as a whole.

In the election yesterday, 118 members of the County Council were chosen for three years. The new Council will elect half the aldermen, whose terms are six years. Hitherto, since the consolidation of the London municipalities for civic purposes, the most prominent issue in these contests has been whether or not the Established Church clergy should largely dominate the schools. The Moderates were inclined to let the clergy have their way; the Progressives took the other view, and the electors voted against clerical control. Thus it was that before the recent polling, the Progressives had a majority. It has now been largely augmented on the question of decentralizing the government of the metropolis into fifteen or twenty incorporated cities. Lord Salisbury and members of the Government gave a strong support to this project, which is in a measure a retrograde proposition, for London was ruled by a large number of bodies prior to the consolidation of the empire city by the Gladstone Government, and very poorly ruled.

The Progressives fought the battle for continued consolidation and effective popular control of the affairs of the great metropolis with much vigor. They asserted that beneath the proposition of their Conservative opponents there was the intention to give special privileges, at the expense of the taxpayers, to the companies that supply London with water, gas and transportation facilities. Decentrallization, it was pointed out, would add immensely to the difficulty of subjecting these natural monopolies to public control. That the electors of our old world namesake have so regarded the proposition, the returns of the election leave no doubt.

There is one feature in the municipal contests of Greater London which ought to be noted by men of experience and leisure in our Canadian cities. Citizens in every rank and condition of life join in endeavoring to provide the most effective municipal administration that brains and experience can supply No parliamentarian feels himself too high to have a seat at the aldermanic board, either in the metropolis or in any other constituency. Lords, dukes, earls, merchant and manufacturing princes, statesmen of every party, deem it a privilege to serve their fellow-taxpayers. Lord Rosebery was a leading statesman before he was elected chairman of the first County Council of London. He graduated from that chair to the Premiership. It was as an expert municipal manager that Mr. Joseph Chamberlain first received his training in parliamentary and legislative tactics. And so in regard to many other prominent municipal experts. No one thinks of sneering at aldermen and councilors in Great Britain. Municipal life is rather regarded as a legitimate opportunity for the development of the best brains in the community. Our cities on this continent would be better served were the indisposition to run not so strong in many of our ablest citizens. Perhaps if the aldermanic term were extended to, say, three years, there would be a change in this regard.

PRONUNCIATION MATCH.

[New York Sun.]

As to "Quo Vadis," the simple old-fashioned pronunciation "quo" as in "quorum," "va" as in "evade," "dis" as in "disturb," is good enough for us. Many distinguished Latinists who are just beginning the Latin Reader will have a fit at the notion of not saying "Wah-dees," or whatever the proper barbaric sound is supposed to be; and it is not in our hearts to rob any good boy or any revered instructor of his prerogatives and enjoyment. Still, it seems a little queer that if the ancient Italians joyously changed their v's into w's, the modern Italians haven't a native "w" sound in their language.

Our Mining Boom.

The Geological Survey of Canada has issued its preliminary statement of the mineral production of Canada. It shows a total yield of $28,789,000—an increase of $6,000,000 over 1896, and something more than double the output of 1889. These returns show how thoroughly awakened the Dominion has become to the possibilities of wealth stored in the earth throughout her wide domains. British Columbia, as was to be expected, heads the list in point of production. It marketed the most silver and lead, and added greatly to the copper production. The greatest increase in copper yield, however, was at Sudbury, in Ontario. The value of the copper product has grown from $1,021,960 in 1896 to $1,501,660, or by close upon 50 per cent. The value of the silver output increased in the same time from $2,-149,503 to $3,322,905, that of lead from $721,159 to $1,396,853, and that of nickel from $1,188,990 to $1,399,176. The greatest increase, however, is in gold. In 1896 the production of this metal passed all records, and reached $2,780,086. Last year the value was $6,190,000. The increase in the twelve months was 123 per cent. While all the gold producing districts of Canada contributed to the enhanced production of that precious metal, it is from the discovery of the placer mines in the Yukon district that the larger proportion of the new gold came last year. Trail Creek, B. C., brought forth $1,000,000 in gold.

The records of the past two years in the three divisions of mineral production are as follows:

	1897.	1896.
Metallic	$13,996,234	$8,055,945
Non-metallic	10,097,831	9,976,338
Structural and clay products	4,445,108	4,327,542

Asbestos shows a gain in production between 1896 and 1897 from 12,259 tons to 25,262 tons. The market value, however, fell to $324,700 from $429,856. Coal increased from 3,745,716 tons to 3,876,201 tons, but in value only from $7,226,462 to $7,286,257. Petroleum dropped both in output and value, the latter having been $1,155,647 in 1896, and but $1,011,546 in 1897. Phospate is ceasing to hold a place. In 1890 the annual output was valued at $361,045; last year it was $3,984.

These returns demonstrate the uncertainties of the mining industry, and the necessity that there is for skill and experience being applied to the pursuit of wealth in this field of endeavor. Money is won and lost in mining, but where carefully gone about, in a promising field and energetically and skillfully carried on, mining has been made remunerative in Canada as well as elsewhere. These returns prove how great the industry is becoming, now that Canada's natural resources are being appreciated.

AN EARTHQUAKE WARMS A SPRING.

[Helena Daily Herald.]

And now another phenomenon can be attributed to the earthquake of last November, which shook things to generally in Montana. In Helena it was reported that a deaf mute had found speech as the result of the earth shaking itself.

Senator Alex. Metzel, of Twin Bridges, or, as he calls it, Puller Springs, so named from a famous hot spring on his ranch, says that the quake increased the temperature of the water of the springs a dozen degrees. The day after the earth trembled one of the senator's sons thought he would go out to the springs and take a bath, as was his custom. He got into the pool and then got out, for he found the water unusually hot. A thermometer was brought into use, and it was found that the temperature was over 110 degrees Fahrenheit. Before the earthquake it was along in the nineties. Several tests of the temperature taken since the earthquake have shown the same considerable increase over what it was before the earthquake.

"I am firmly convinced that the internal troubles that resulted in the earthquake turned on a warmer supply of water and raised the temperature of my springs from ten to twenty degrees," said Senator Metzel. "We have been keeping track of the temperature of the springs for years. It never increased or decreased until the change that was noted the day after the earthquake. I was in the east at the time, so I cannot vouch for this part of the story, but the boys say that besides being warmer the water for two days after the shock was milky white."

RUNNING A RAILROAD IN BRAZIL

We are not free from abuse of power and corruption in the United States, but even our most unscrupulous spoils politicians may get points in the Latin-American states. The Deutsche Zeitung, Sao Paolo, Brazil, gives some interesting details about official abuses in that country. We quote as follows:

"Some time ago a general was sent to one of the northern states to investigate the management of a government railroad there. He belonged to the set of men who have made themselves so obnoxious by their endeavors in the service of reform, and here are some of his experiences. The very first day he found in one of the rooms of a railroad station a strong young man who was doing nothing. Thinking the young fellow had come to see him, he asked: 'Do you wish anything, my friend?'

"'No, sir. I am employed here.'

"'So! What are your duties?'

"'I have to fill the water jugs in the office every day.'

"The general was a little astonished. In the next room he discovered another perfectly able-bodied young man busily smoking a cigarette. 'Are you an employe?' he asked.

"'Yes, sir. I am the assistant of the gentleman in the next room.'

"But that was nothing to what was to come. The general had already been informed that the road employed eighteen engineers, while only eight were working. He ordered that in future these men should at least take turn about. The very next day one of these engineers, a beardless youth, came to him and told him that he could not run a locomotive to save his life.

"'Then how did you get on the pay-roll?'

"'Well, you see, general, it's this way. My family are poor, but I wanted to study law. We've got some pull, and so I managed to get an appointment as 'honorary engineer' to make a living while I pursue my studies.'"

It is said that if the "voice" of an elephant were as loud in proportion as that of a nightingale, his trumpeting could be heard around the world.

"HE FED FEVERS."

The Queer Epitaph of a Noted Physician.

FOODS IN THE TREATMENT OF DISEASE.

Our mothers could tell us that in their young days it was customary to virtually starve all fever patients. The moment people were stricken with fever, they were at once put on the lightest diet, and it was not until the eminent Dr. Graves, of London, disclosed the folly of such a course that these patients were liberally fed.

Such an advance did this constitute in the sciences of medicine, and so proud was he of having first recommended such a course, that his last request was that his tombstone might bear the epitaph, "HE FED FEVERS."

Up to that time nobody never thought of curing disease with anything else but drugs. Today, however, drugs are being pushed to the background, and the leaders of the profession all tell us that the intelligent use of foods is of far greater import.

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[Hartford Times.]

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About two weeks ago he was taken with a pronounced attack of pneumonia, and on the second day of the disease his temperature reached 106 degrees, with rapid pulse, difficult respiration, and accompanied by active delirium. These conditions continued for seven days, with no intervals of repose day or night, the delirium becoming so violent that it was with difficulty the patient could be kept in bed. His temperature remained above 106, with pulse 150, and notwithstanding that his physician, Dr. Boucher, employed all remedies advocated for this disease, inclusing cold bathing.

Indications of approaching death becoming apparent, and convinced of the futility of drugs, the family consented to the following heroic treatment.

The patient was divested of all clothing, and enveloped in a sheet, was placed upon a rubber protective, and his entire body, face excepted, was covered with snow, upon which cold water was poured, the application being continued almost an hour, when the temperature had dropped to 103, and the pulse to 115, with almost absolute relief.

The improvement lasted about six hours, when the fever and delirium returned. The snow packs were resumed and applied every four hours, day and night, whenever the temperature reached 105 degrees, and were continued four days, when the crisis was reached, and the patient made a rapid and uninterrupted recovery. The cold applications were agreeable to the patient, and the good achieved was probably due to a reflex action upon the nerve centers, and not entirely the result of the direct abstraction of heat.

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Commercial.

Local Market.

[Reported by A. M. Hamilton & Son.]

London, Friday, March 4.

Wheat, red fall, per bu .....84c to 87c
Wheat, spring, per bu .....84c to 87c
Oats, per bu.....30½c to 30½c
Peas, per bu .....54c to 60c
Corn, per bu .....44c to 44c
Barley, per bu.....33½c to 33½c
Rye, per bu.....39c to 39c
Buckwheat, per bu .....36c to 38½c
Beans, per bu .....40c to 50c

Only a few loads of grain came in today, and prices show no change. Hay and straw came forward freely and sold slowly. The general prices paid for all kinds of produce were much the same as yesterday.

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The Oil Market.

PETROLIA, March 4.—Oil opened and closed at $1 40.

American Markets.

CHICAGO, March 3.—The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat—March, $1 05½; May, $1 06; July, 91¾c. Corn—May, 30⅝c; July, 31⅛c; Sept., 32⅝c. Oats—May, 26⅞c; July, 24¼c to 24⅝c. Mess pork—May, $10 67½; July, $10 72½. Lard—May, $5 30; July, $5 37½. Short ribs—May, $5 27½; July, $5 35. Cash quotations: Flour, dull. No. 2 spring wheat, 93c to 95c. No. 3 spring, 92c to 99c. No. 2 red, $1 05½ to $1 05¾. No. 2 corn, 29½c; No. 2 yellow corn, 27½c. No. 2 oats, 29½c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 28½c to 30½c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 28½c to 29c. No. 2 rye, 56c. No. 2 barley, f. o. b., 32½c to 38c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1 27½. Northwest flaxseed, $1 25½. Prime timothy seed, $2 95 to $2 97½. Mess pork, $10 60 to $10 65. Lard, $5 22½ to $5 25. Short rib sides, $5 10 to $5 40. Dry salted shoulders, 4¾c to 5c. Short clear sides, $5 40 to $5 60. Sugar, unchanged. Eggs, steady; fresh, 12c.

Receipts—Flour, 42,000 bbls; wheat, 52,000 bushels; corn, 480,000 bushels; oats, 280,000 bushels; rye, 9,000 bushels; barley, 44,000 bushels.

Shipments—Flour, 37,000 bbls.; wheat, 34,000 bushels, corn, 305,000 bushels, oats, 381,000 bushels; rye, 1,000 bushels, barley, 27,000 bushels.

CHICAGO, March 4.—Opening—Wheat, July, 91¾c; May, $1 06½; Sept., 78¾c. Corn, May, 30⅝c; July, 31¾c. Oats, May, 26⅞c; July, 24¼c. Pork, May, $10 65. Lard, May, $5 27½. Ribs, July, $5 20; May, $5 25.

English Markets.

Ruling prices for the past four days—The following table shows the quotations per cental at Liverpool for the three previous market days. In the case of wheat highest prices are given:

	Feb. 28.		Mar. 1.		Mar. 2.		Mar. 3.	
WHEAT—								
No. 1 Nor. spring	8	2	8	2	8	2	8	2
No. 1 Cal.	8	1	8	1	8	0	8	0
March	7	11	7	10⅝	7	10½	7	10⅝
May	7	5⅞	7	4½	7	5¼	7	5½
July	7	2	7	1⅜	7	2	7	7⅝
CORN—								
Old	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New	3	6½	3	5½	3	5¼	3	5¼
Feb.	0	0	0	0	3	6½	0	0
March	3	4½	3	3	3	4⅝	3	4⅜
May	3	2⅞	3	2⅞	3	3⅛	3	3
July	3	2½	3	2⅜	3	2⅝	3	2½
Sept.	0	0	0	0	3	3½	3	3½
Flour	25	6	26	0	26	0	26	0
Peas	5	4	5	4	5	4	5	4
Pork	51	3	51	3	51	3	51	3
Lard	27	3	27	0	27	0	27	6
Tallow	19	0	19	0	19	6	20	0
Bacon, light	29	6	29	6	30	0	29	0
Cheese, both	40	0	40	0	39	6	39	6

Liverpool, March 4, 12:30 p.m.

Wheat—Spot, dull; No. 1 Cal., 7s 11½d to 8s 0d; No. 2 red western winter, stocks exhausted; No. 1 red northern spring, 8s 1d.

Corn—Spot quiet; demand moderate; American mixed, new, 3s 3d; do, old, nominal; Feb., nominal; March, quiet, 3s 4½d.

Peas—Canadian, 5s 4d.

Beef—Extra India mess, 68s 9d; prime mess, 56s 3d.

Pork—Prime mess, fine western, 51s 3d.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, firm, 30s; long clear heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, 28s; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs, 28s; long clear light, 35 to 38 lbs, 29s 6d; short ribs, firm, 28s; clear bellies, firm, 32s 6d.

Hams—Steady; short cut, 58s.

Lard—Prime western, 27s 6d.

Butter—Finest United States, 84s; good, 60s.

Cheese—American finest, white and colored, 39s 6d.

Tallow—Fine American, city, 20s.

Turpentine—Spirits, 25s 6d.

Rosin—Common, 4s 1½d.

Petroleum—Refined, 5½d.

Linseed Oil—17s.

St Thomas Market.

St. Thomas, March 3.—Wheat, per bu, 88c to 89c; oats, 33c to 35c; peas, 45c to 50c; barley, 40c; corn, 37c to 38c.

Dairy Markets.

CHICAGO, March 3.—Butter—Market firm; creamery, 13c to 20c; dairy, 11c to 18c. Cheese quiet, at 8c to 8½c.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Butter firm; western creamery, 15c to 20½c; do, factory, 11c to 14½c; Elgins, 20½c; imitation creamery, 13½c to 17c; state dairy, 13c to 17c; do, creamery, 14c to 20c. Cheese easy; large white, Sept., 8½c; small do, 8¾c to 9c; large colored, Sept., 8½c; small do, 8¾c to 9c; large, Oct., 8c to 8¼c; small, Oct., 8¼c to 8½c; light skims, 6c to 6½c; part skims, 4c to 5½c; full skims, 2c to 3c.

Manitoba Wheat Market.

The local market has declined in sympathy. On Monday up to $1 was made for No. 1 hard, afloat Fort William, but yesterday only about 96c was quoted. In country markets very little wheat has been offering, owing to rough weather, but a brisk movement is looked for soon, as farmers will likely market their remaining surplus before the roads break up. Earlier in the week 87c was paid to farmers at country points, but yesterday 85c was quoted to farmers, at 18c rate country points, and 90c was paid in this market.—Winnipeg Commercial.

Hide Market.

Toronto, March 3.—Hides—The offerings are fair, but the demand is not active. Tanners have been buying freely, and as the hides coming in now are grubby, they are indifferent about making purchases, and prices are ½c lower this week, at 9c, and it is expected prices will decline another ½c soon. A car of cured hides sold here at 9¼c this week. Sheepskins—The receipts are not very large, there is a good demand and the market is firm, at $1 to $1 25, as to quality. Tallow is not very plentiful, and the market is steady. Local dealers are offering 3½c, and asking 3¾c to 4c.

Live Stock Markets.

CHICAGO, March 3.—Cattle—Fair number cattle sold at $5 to $5 40, and an occasional sale of very common steers was made at $3 75 to $3 85, the greater part of the offerings going at $4 25 to $5 10; fed westerns, $3 90 to $5 40, according to quality, while fed Texans brought $3 75 to $4 65; Texas bulls and cows went for $2 40 to $3 75; choice sorted lots of feeders sold at $4 60 to $4 80; canning cows, $2 50 to $3. Hogs—From $3 90 to $4 17½, largely at $4 05 to $4 12½; late sales largely at $4 to $4 05; pigs, $3 50 to $3 95. Lambs—Ordinary to prime flocks, $4 60 to $5 60; shorn lambs, $4 40 to $4 50; sheep, $3 20 to $4 60; ewes, $3 50 to $4 15; sheep, sales largely at $4 15 to $4 50; Colorado lambs around $5 50 to $5 60. Receipts—Cattle, 9,000; hogs, 21,000; sheep, 12,000.

MONTREAL, March 3.—There were about 350 head of butchers' cattle, 150 calves and 50 sheep and lambs offered for sale at the east end abattoir today. The weather was delightful, and butchers turned out in full force, but drovers are asking decidedly higher prices for better kinds of cattle, and trade was slow during most of the forenoon. Prime beeves sold at from 4¾c to 4½c per lb, and a few were held at 4¾c do; pretty good cattle sold at from 3⅝c to 4c do; common dry cows and milkmen's strippers at from 2¾c to 3½c per lb. There were a number of rough, slab-sided bulls on the market, which sold at about 3c per lb. Prices of calves declined considerably since last week; common calves sold here today from $1 25 to $5 each; superior calves sold at from $7 to $11 each, or from 8c to 10c per lb, dressed weight. Sheep sold at about 3½c per lb, and lambs at from 4¾c to 5c; fat hogs rather scarce, and sold from 5¼c to nearly 5½c per lb.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Beeves—Receipts, 38 head; no sales today; dressed beef steady, at 7c to 8½c per lb, for poor to prime native sides. Calves—Receipts, 34 head; steady; veals, $5 to $8 per 100 lbs; city dressed veals steady at 8c to 11c per lb. Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 3,624 head; 15 cars on sale; sheep steady; lambs lower; sheep, $3 25 to $5; lambs, 7½c to 9½c. Hogs—Receipts, 2,800 head; higher, at $4 30 to $4 55.

EAST BUFFALO, March 3.—Cattle—Receipts all consigned through, with the firm tone to the market west and good close of the eastern markets yesterday, the outlook is considered fairly favorable for next week. Veals and calves—Offerings very light; prime veals up to $7 50. Hogs—Receipts, 15 cars; market stronger by 5c to 7½c, and ruled active; good to choice Yorkers, $3 30 to $4 32; prime selected light Yorkers, $4 32; mixed packers' grades, $4 30 to $4 32; medium weights, $4 30 to $4 32; heavy, $4 30; roughs, $3 60 to $3 85; stags, $3 to $3 25; pigs, $3 10 to $4 10. Sheep and lambs—Only 3,500 head on sale, but with a good proportion of the offerings in lambs of the too-heavy order, there was all that the very light demand called for, and prices were again easy to lower by a full nickel than yesterday for lambs, choice to extra, $5 70 to $5 80; fair to good, $5 50 to $5 60; culls and common, $5 to $5 25; yearlings, common to choice, $4 35 to $5 15; sheep, choice to selected wethers, $4 60 to $4 75; good to choice mixed sheep, $4 30 to $4 65; common to fair, $4 15 to $4 30; culls to common sheep, $3 15 to $4.

A BELMONT BUNGLER

James Frecher, the Alleged Swindler, Allowed to Go.

James Frecher, the young German arrested at Belmont on a charge of attempting to obtain $200 under false pretences from Clarke Manning, was brought before Squires Lacey and Smyth yesterday and discharged. The prisoner admitted that his name was Chas. A. Baler, and that he was a grain buyer, instead of being a lawyer, but had at one time studied law. Recently he has been purchasing grain in the vicinity of Dorchester and Harriettsville. He further admitted that he had an object in visiting Manning, but it was not to do anything fraudulent.

Frecher was reprimanded severely by Magistrate Lacey, who said it was fortunate for him that Mr. Manning had not allowed him to go any further and that the evidence against him was not sufficient to send him for trial. He was then discharged.

IN FAVOR OF DODD'S.

W. F. Hill, of Strathroy, Testifies for Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Strathroy, Feb. 28.—The evidence of W. F. Hill, Caradoc street, in the case of Dodds vs. Disease, is being heard before the full court of the sovereign people here.

Mr. Hill stated that, speaking from his own experience, he would say positively that no other medicine on earth, besides Dodd's Kidney Pills, would cure Kidney Disease.

In reply to the judge's question, he said he had suffered intensely for several years. Doctors could not help him. Neither did any medicine but Dodd's Kidney Pills.

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The judge remarked that so far the evidence was overwhelmingly in favor of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

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Liberal Majorities Increased by Latest Returns.

In One Case 1,000 Has to Be Added to the Victor's Majority.

GOVERNMENT	49
OPPOSITION	43
PATRON	1
VACANT	1
	94

There is really no change, except to increase Liberal majorities, when full returns or official accounts are made. Mr. Farwell (Liberal) holds his seat in East Algoma by a majority of 224, all returns in. Mr. Loughrin is elected by 38 in Nipissing, returns complete. Mr. Conmee is leading by a hundred or two in West Algoma, and is confident of increasing these figures. Mr. Macnish is elected by 12 in West Elgin, and in the recount to be held is less likely to come to grief than Mr. Brower in East Elgin, who can boast of a majority of 8 only, or Mr. Monteith in South Perth, where the majority has sunk to 5, or Mr. Powell in Ottawa, who is only 10 ahead of Mr. O'Keefe, or Mr. Beck, of West Huron who also has but the tiny majority of 2 over Mr. Garrow. On the whole, the Liberals stand to win more than lose by recounts. The official figures in North Toronto will be given out this morning and will be awaited with interest, as also will be the result of the recount which may be expected in this riding, too.

Following is a list of the members elected, with the majorities corrected to date:

LIBERALS—48.

Algoma, E., Farwell	224
Algoma, W., Conmee	400
Brant, N., Burt	102
Brant, S., Hardy	530
Brockville, Graham	200
Bruce, S., Truax	Acc.
Bruce, N., Bowman	290
Bruce, C., Malcolm	216
Elgin, W., Macnish	11
Essex, N., McKee	194
Essex, S., Auld	600
Haldimand, Holmes	102
Halton, Barber	137
Hastings, E., Russell	170
Huron, E., Hyslop	521
Kent, E., Ferguson	500
Kent, W., Pardo	300
Kingston, Harty	289
Lambton, E., Pettypiece	48
Lambton, W., Pardee	300
Lanark, N., Caldwell	154
Lennox, Aylsworth	46
London, Leys	301
Middlesex, N., Taylor	92
Middlesex, W., Ross	156
Monck, Harcourt	343
Muskoka, Bridgeland	41
Nipissing, Loughrin	38
Norfolk, S., Charlton	34
Norfolk, N., Carpenter	241
Northumberland, E., Douglas	335
Northumberland, W., Clark	140
Ottawa (1), Lumsden	233
Oxford, S., McKay	800
Oxford, N., Pattullo	1,065
Parry Sound, Beatty	1,090
Peel, Smith	157
Perth, N., Brown	160
Peterboro, E., Blezard	210
Peterboro, W., Stratton	1,000
Prescott, Evanturel	Acc.
Renfrew, S., Campbell	1,200
Welland, German	682
Wellington, E., Craig	168
Wellington, S., Mutrie	428
Wentworth, S., Dickenson	100
York, E., Richardson	418
York, N., Davis	475
York, W., Hill	40

CONSERVATIVES—43.

Addington, Reid	340
Cardwell, Little	500
Carleton, Kidd	872
Dufferin, Barr	350
Dundas, Whitney	137
Durham, E., Fallis	200
Durham, W., Reid	118
Elgin, E., Brower	8
Frontenac, Gallagher	269
Glengarry, McDonald	431
Grenville, Joynt	301
Grey, C., Lucas	1,123
Grey, S., Jamieson	520
Grey, N., Boyd	159
Hamilton, E., Carscallen	880
Hamilton, W., Colquhoun	278
Hastings, W., Morrison	200
Hastings, N., Allan	206
Huron, S., Eilber	..
Huron, W., Beck	2
Lanark, S., Matheson	805
Leeds, Beatty	424
Lincoln, Jessop	200
Middlesex, E., Hodgens	63
Ontario, N., Hoyle	402
Ontario, S., Calder	89
Ottawa (1), Powell	10
Perth, S., Monteith	32
Prince Edward, Dempsey	374
Renfrew, N., White	146
Simcoe, W., Duff	300
Simcoe, E., Miscampbell	75
Simcoe, C., Thompson	63
Stormont, McLaughlin	100
Toronto, E., Pyne	1,610
Toronto, W., Crawford	730
Toronto, S., Foy	405
Toronto N., Marter	23
Victoria, E., Carnegie	256
Victoria, W., Fox	160
Waterloo, S., Kribs	146
Waterloo, N., Lackner	56
Wentworth, N., Wardell	370

PATRON—1.

Wellington, W., Tucker	229

OTHER—1.

Russell—Election March 18.

AN ABSURD RUMOR.

A representative of the Globe called on Premier Hardy last night and drew his attention to the following paragraph in the Evening News, headed, "Will Hardy Retire?": "It is reported that Hon. A. S. Hardy recently observed to one of his friends that he could not stand the strain of political life much longer, as his health was suffering considerably. Those who pretend to have knowledge of the inner workings of the Liberal party argue from this remark, together with other indications, that Mr. Hardy may shortly retire from active participation in politics." Asked if he had anything to say concerning what was evidently a groundless rumor, the premier remarked: "It is, of course, pure invention. There is not a word of truth in the statement. It is hardly worth contradicting. Every sane man will know that the statement is circulated for political purposes only."

WEST ELGIN SAFE.

St. Thomas, March 4.—There will be recounts of the ballots cast in East and West Elgin. The recount in West Elgin will take place before Judge Hughes on Monday next at 10 a.m. Mr. D. McIntyre, Liberal candidate, was in the city yesterday arranging for the holding of a recount, the date for which has not yet been fixed. There is no change in the result in West Elgin. Mr. Macnish's majority is 12.

NOTES.

Center Simcoe was lost to the Liberals because a regular Liberal and a Patrol Liberal ran in a triangular contest, and the Conservative slipped in. Four constituencies were lost to the Liberals in this way.

It was stated around the parliament buildings, Toronto, yesterday, that Mr. Dryden's friends in South Ontario would take steps to have the riding reopened.

The Hamilton Herald asserts that Hon. Mr. Gibson was defeated in Hamilton by wholesale buying of votes for his opponent. It gives as its authority the secretary of the Conservative club of ward 5, who confessed that voters were bought by the hundred.

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Parliament.

The Yukon Debate Drags Wearily Along.

Opposition Members Divided Upon It.

Ottawa, March 4.—In the house yesterday, Mr. Flint submitted a scheme which involves the construction of a line of railway between James Bay and Ottawa, the name of which is the Ottawa, Montreal and James Bay Railway.

In reply to Mr. McLean, Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick said a fifth judge of the Ontario court of appeals would be appointed at once.

In response to a question by Mr. Foster the prime minister stated that Mr. Mackintosh is still the lieutenant-governor of the Northwest Territories. He tendered his resignation, to take effect on Jan. 1 last, but it has not yet been accepted. In view of this fact Sir Wilfrid was not in a position to give any information as to whether the position has been offered to any person, or, if so, as to the results.

A question of much importance was put to the government by Mr. McInnes as to the steps that have been taken to determine the boundary between Canada and Alaska. Mr. Sifton made the statement that Messrs. T. C. Mendenhall and W. F. King were appointed commissioners on behalf of the United States and her majesty respectively, to make a coincident or joint survey of the territory adjacent to the boundary line in question, with a view to the ascertainment of the facts and data necessary to the permanent delimitation of the boundary line in accordance with the spirit and intent of the existing treaties in regard to it between Great Britain and Russia and between the United States and Russia. Surveys were accordingly made and a report given. This report, with accompanying maps, was laid before parliament in 1896. No determination of the position of any part of the line was made by these commissioners, their duties being confined by the convention to the ascertainment of facts and data.

Before the orders of the day were called Mr. Kaulbach, the member for Lunenburg, arose and interrogated the government as to the correctness or otherwise of an announcement in the Toronto World that the Canadian Government had granted to United States vessels the right to carry merchandise from one Canadian port to another. He added that if this statement were true it would seriously injure Canadian shipping interests.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier—I am happy to relieve the feelings of my honorable friend and to tell him that the statement made by the Toronto World is absolutely incorrect and untrue.

Mr. Maclean—The honorable gentleman who read the statement should have stated that that information came as one of the ordinary press dispatches from Washington.

"I am sorry to hear," added the premier, "that Mr. Maclean takes his inspiration from Washington." The house laughed heartily at Mr. Maclean's expense, and the member for York subsided.

The debate on the Yukon railway bargain followed, and was not completed when the house rose at 1 a.m. Little new was brought out.

CONSERVATIVES DIVIDED.

The Conservatives are beginning to break away from their leaders on the Yukon bill. Col. Hughes and Mr. Bethune (Victoria, Nova Scotia) have announced their intention of voting with the government. Col. Prior's constituents on the Pacific coast are keeping the wires hot with messages calling on him to vote for the bill. The Conservative press intimates that he may find it necessary to support the bill. The colonel is an ex-cabinet minister. The only western supporter of the government who has declared himself against the bill is Mr. Oliver, and he, of course, is strongly in favor of the route beginning at Edmonton, in his own constituency.

BADLY HURT.

Paris, Ont., March 4.—John Walder, a cigarmaker, whose home is 56 River street, Toronto, was seriously injured here yesterday afternoon. Walder was on the east-bound mail, and fell in endeavoring to get off at the diamond crossing while the train was still in motion. His skull was fractured and the left foot was so badly mangled that amputation above the ankle will be necessary.

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MIDDLESEX.

The hockey boys and girls were in Glencoe Monday to the number of about 30, playing a friendly game, with a score of 3 to 7 in favor of Alvinston.

The bailiff is in possession of the estate of the Strathroy Manufacturing Company of Strathroy, manufacturers of agricultural implements. The stock of R. Dening, dry goods, of Leamington, has been sold at 60 cents on the dollar, the proceeds to be distributed pro rata among the creditors.

The anniversary of Delaware Methodist Church is to be held Sunday, March 6: Preaching morning and evening by Mrs. H. R. McDonald, of London. Afternoon service at 3 p.m., when the Rev. R. Hobbs, of London, will occupy the pulpit. On Monday evening there will be a grand concert of music, anthems, recitations, and Swiss bell ringers; short addresses by Rev. J. G. Failis and Rev. J. E. Holmes; Swiss bells by Eckhard family, of Thamesford; solos by Miss McCarthy, Miss Reavels and Mr. J. Beaverley. Every effort will be made to make the evening an enjoyable one.

KOMOKA.

Komoko, March 3.—The first of Auctioneer W. H. Wellman's monthly sales came off in the village on Monday afternoon last, but on account of the election being so near the crowd was not very large. It is hoped the next one will be better patronized.

Over 40 persons enjoyed the grand oyster supper held at the residence of Mr. G. McKellar, and a very enjoyable evening was spent by all present.

The large quantity of stone being hauled from the river this winter by the farmers for building purposes makes prospects good for the stone masons.

Mr. D. McLellan, who has been here on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. McLellan, has returned to his home in Pelee Island.

Miss Effie Lamont has returned home after an extended visit to friends in the east.

The committee of the silver medal contest, which is to come off on Friday evening, March 18, are doing their very best to make it a success.

Mrs. H. Scarcliff, of Niagara Falls, has returned home, after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mathieson.

Mr. A. McIntyre and family are just recovering from an attack of the grip.

Noxell Bros. have sawlogs enough on the grounds to keep them sawing all next summer. Good for trade. That's Grit government.

The rooster, the duck, the gobbler and the guinea fowl will play a good part at the medal contest.

ARKONA.

Arkona, March 2.—Revival services are still being conducted in the Baptist Church, with a large attendance and many conversions.

Mr. Isaac Bears is very low at present, and little hope is entertained of his recovery.

John Logan is moving his meat market to the old stand of George Carson, under the Oddfellow's hall. Mr. Logan will still furnish the public with the best meat at reasonable prices.

Wm. McKay and family are moving in town this week. They will occupy the house belonging to Miss Jane McQuarter for a time.

Surprise parties are still on the cards. A very pleasant one occurred on Thursday evening of last week, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Cutler, it being the eve of the 25th anniversary of their wedding, when a number of their neighbors and friends came in and took possession. The time was spent in games and music, and about midnight a very nice lunch was served by the committee, after which a little more gayety was indulged in, and then the party broke up, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Cutler many more happy anniversary days.

There was also another surprise party on Monday of this week, at the home of Mr. Pullen, on the 21st side line of Warwick. The intention was to spend another evening with Mr. and Mrs. Pullen, and the young folks, in the old home, before their removal to the homestead being vacated by Wm. McKay, on the town line. A very enjoyable evening was spent in lively games and music, with the usual midnight lunch, shortly after which the party dispersed.

Election day was unusually lively, and the Liberals are jubilant over victory here. The votes polled were: Pettypiece, 55; McCallum, 45; making a majority for the Liberal candidate.

There was "a hot time in the old town" Tuesday night.

On Monday, Wm. McKay's sale was well attended, everything selling reasonably well.

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MR. DUPONT'S CONDITION.

Sherbrooke, Que., March 4.—The condition of Mr. Dupont, M. P. for Bagot, is still improving.

SENT FOR TRIAL.

Picton, Ont., March 4.—At the adjourned preliminary investigation before Police Magistrate Curry, the charge against Byron E. Harrison and Philip M. Kellar of contributing to the death of Henry H. Haight on the 7th of February last by furious and unlawful driving on the highway, was concluded. Harrison was discharged, and Kellar was sent up for trial at the next court of competent jurisdiction.

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Montreal Stock Market.

MONTREAL, March 4.

	Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	85¾	85⅝
Duluth, common	¾	⅝
Duluth, preferred	7	5
Commercial Cable	182½	182
Com. Cable Coupon Bonds	106	106
Commercial Registered Bonds	106¼	106
Montreal Telegraph	180	178
Richelieu and Ontario	106	104¾
Montreal Street Railway	265	263
Toronto Railway	259	259½
Montreal Gas Company	199¾	196½
Bell Telephone	198	197¼
Royal Electric, xd	177½	175
Bank of Montreal	157½	155½
Ontario Bank	245	239
Molsons Bank		
Bank of Toronto	210	202¾
Merchants' Bank	235	228½
Merchants' Bank of Halifax	185	180
Quebec Bank		135
Union Bank		125
Bank of Commerce	115	103
Northwest Land, pref	145	140
Montreal Cotton Company	53	50
Canada Colored Cotton	154	150
Dominion Cotton	75	54
	97	95

SALES—C. P. R., 100 at 85⅝, 3,025 at 85¾, 350 at 86, 425 at 85¾, 1,225 at 85⅝, 20 at 86, 150 at 85⅝; Mont. Telegraph, 3 at 179; Rich. & Ont., 125 at 105; Mont. St. Ry., 300 at 262½, 25 at 262¾, 50 at 263; Mont. St. Ry., new, 50 at 259½, 175 at 259¾, 50 at 260; Toronto Railway, 1,190 at 103½, 75 at 103¾, 475 at 102¾, 425 at 103, 200 at 103¾; Mont. Gas, 350 at 197¾; Bell Tel., 19 at 175; Royal Electric, 70 at 157; Bank of Mont., 2 at 240; Merchants Bank, 1 at 180½.

Toronto Stock Market.

TORONTO, March 4.

	Ask.	Off.
Montreal	243	238
Ontario	106	104½
Toronto	233	228
Merchants'	183	
Commerce	142	140¾
Imperial	195	194
Dominion	259	255
Standard	175	174
Hamilton	175	173½
British America	130	128½
Western Assurance	168¾	168½
Consumers' Gas		214
Montreal Gas	178	177¼
Dominion Telegraph		132
Montreal Telegraph		
Northwest Land Company, pref.		51½
Canada Pacific Railway Stock	85¾	85½
Commercial Cable Company	182¾	182½
Commercial Coupon Bonds	107	106½
Commercial Registered Bonds	106½	106¼
Bell Telephone Company	176	174
Richelieu and Ontario	105	104¾
Montreal Street Railway		263
Toronto Street Railway	103¾	103¼
Dominion Savings and Invest	79	76
London Street Railway	182	181
Farmers' Loan and Savings		
Farmers' L. and S., 20 per cent		
Huron and Erie L. and S.		
Huron and Erie, 20 per cent		167
London and Canada L and A	78	157
London Loan		
London and Ontario	90	105
Ontario Loan and Debenture		
G. T. R., Gtd		121½
G. T. R., Pref	78	75
	68	66

SALES—1 p.m. board—Standard, 17 at 175; Western Assurance, 50 at 168⅝; C. P. R., 25 at 85½, 25 at 86⅛, 50, 25, 25, 100 at 85¾; Com. Cable, 1,200 at 106¼; Rich. & Ont., 25 at 105; Toronto Railway, 25 at 103½; London St. Railway, 25 at 181.

COMMERCIAL.

Montreal Produce Market

Montreal, March 4.—Grain in store: Grade 2 oats, white, 33½c; peas, 64c; rye, 58c; buckwheat, 38c; barley, 36c; red wheat, 92c; white, 90c. Flour—Strong bakers, $4 75 to $5; spring patents, $5 45; winter patents, $4 75 to $5; straight roller, $4 35 to $4 40. Feed—Ontario braan, $14; shorts, $16; Manitoba bran, $14 50; shorts, $16 50. Provisions: Canada pork, per bbl., $16 50 to $17; ham, 11c to 12c; bacon, 12c to 12½c. Lard—Pure, 7c to 7½c; compressed, 5c to 5¼c. Produce: Eggs—Receipts more liberal; 18c to 19c for new-laid. Poultry: Turkeys, 10c; chickens, 8½c; ducks, 8c to 9c; geese, 7c. Beans—Slow; 70c for primes, 80c for hand-picked. Honey—Quiet; white clover comb, 12½c; dark do, 10c to 10½c; dark, 7c to 8c. Potatoes—60c in car lots, 75c retail.

English Markets.

Liverpool, March 4—Closing.

Wheat—Spot, No. 1 cash, firm, 8s 2½d; No. 2 red western winter, 7s 10½d; spot No. 1 red northern spring, dull, 8s 2d.

Corn—Spot American mixed, new, steady, 3s 3d; March quiet, 3s 4¼d; May steady, 3s 3d; July quiet, 3s 2½d.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter firm, 9s 9d.

Peas—Canadian, 5s 2½d.

Beef—Firm; extra India mess, 68s 9d; prime mess, 58s 9d.

Pork—Firm; prime mess, fine western, 51s 3d; do, medium, western, 48s 9d.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., steady, 32s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, dull, 28 to 30 lbs, 31s; short ribs, dull, 20 to 24 lbs, 31s 6d; long clear middles, light, 35 to 38 lbs, steady, 29s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, steady, 29s; short clear middles, heavy, 45 to 50 lbs, no stocks; clear bellies, easy, 12 to 14 lbs, 32s; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs, steady, 28s 6d.

Shoulders—Square, 12 to 14 lbs, dull, 25s.

Lard—Prime western, firm, 27s 3d.

Butter—Finest American, 84s; good, 60s.

Rosin—Common, steady, 4s 3d.

Cheese—American finest white and colored, easy, 40s.

Tallow—Prime city, firm, 19s.

Cottonseed oil—Liverpool refined, firm, 15s 9d.

Turpentine spirits—Firm, 24s 9d.

Hops—At London (Pacific coast), firm £4 15s to £5 40s.

American Markets.

BUFFALO, N. Y., March, 4.—Spring wheat, No. 1 hard, $1 09¾; No. 1 Northern, $1 06¾. Winter wheat, No. 2 red, $1; No. 1 white, 99c. Corn, No. 2 yellow, 35c; No. 3 yellow, 34½c; No. 3 corn, 34c. Oats, No. 2 white 32½c; No. 3 white, 31¾; No. 3 mixed, 32c.

DETROIT, March. 4.—Wheat, No. 1 white, cash, 97½c; No. 2 red, cash, 98½c; May, 86½c; July, 88½c.

TOLEDO, March 4.—Wheat, cash, $1 00¾; May, $1 01¾; July, 89½c. Corn—Cash, 31½c; May, 31¾c. Oats—Cash, 27½c; May, 25½c.

MILWAUKEE, March 4.—Wheat—Cash, $1 02; May, $1 04.

NEW YORK, March 4—Noon.—Flour—Receipts, 26,371 bbls; sales, 2,800 pkgs; state and western irregular, with an easier undertone. Rye flour dull. Wheat—Receipts, 123,550 bu; sales, 1,800,000 bu; options opened steadier on cables, but soon broke sharply under active selling by local bears; March, $1 07⅞ to $1 07⅝; May, $1 01¼ to $1 02¼; July, 91⅝c to 92⅝c; Sept., 81⅝c to 82½c. Rye quiet; No. 2 western, 53c, f. o. b., afloat New York. Corn—Receipts, 52,650 bu; sales, 50,000 bu; options opened steady, but gave way later with wheat; May, 35¼c to 35½c. Oats—Receipts, 61,200 bu; options dull, but steady; track, white state and western, 33c to 39c. Butter—Receipts, 4,821 pkgs; firm. Cheese—1,100 pkgs; weak. Eggs—Receipts, 9,696 pkgs; steady; state and Pennsylvania, 12¾c; western, 12¼c; southern, 12¼c to 12½c. Sugar — Raw steady; refined steady. Lead firm; bullion price, $3 60; exchange price, $3 80 to $3 87½. Hops steady.

Chicago Exchange.

CHICAGO, March 4.

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

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—May	1 06½	1 06½	1 04¼	1 06¼
July	91⅝	91⅝	90	90¾
Corn—May	30½	30⅝	29¾	30¼
July	31¼	31¼	30¾	30¾
Oats—May	26½	26⅝	25⅝	25⅞
July	24¾	25	24½	24⅝
Pork—May	10 65	10 65	10 45	10 47
July	10 65	10 65	10 50	10 52
Lard—May	5 27	5 27	5 20	5 20
July	5 35	5 35	5 27	5 27
Ribs—May	5 25	5 25	5 15	5 15
July	5 30-35	5 33	5 20	5 22

Puts—89½. Calls—91¼.

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The Railways.

The C. P. R. Cut—Explanation From the G. T. R. Management.

The Intercolonial and C. P. R. Come to Terms.

The Canadian Pacific has made another cut in rates to points reached by the Midland Railway and also a second cut from Toronto to St. Thomas. The Grand Trunk says it will not meet these cuts, as it would dislocate local traffic.

COME TO TERMS.

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

Montreal, March 4.—The rate difficulty between the Intercolonial and the C. P. R. has been satisfactorily arranged, and the cut rates which were announced a few days ago will cease at the end of the present week. The reduction to Lewis continues as an excursion rate till tomorrow.

AN EXPLANATION.

Montreal, March 4.—The Grand Trunk has issued a statement showing that so far as influencing people to outfit for Klondike at Seattle is concerned, it merely obliges its patrons the same as other roads to agents there who will help people traveling in any way in their power. To show that the C. P. R. does exactly the same thing, the G. T. R. quote a letter written by G. V. Skinner, C. P. R. agent in New York to the C. P. R. agent at Seattle to the same lines as the Nadeau letter obtained by the C. P. R.

AT MONTREAL

Montreal, March 4.—There was no rate cutting yesterday, so far as Mr. McNicholl, who holds the axe at the C. P. R., is away in Boston. Neither was there any change in the situation so far as the Intercolonial Railway is concerned.

The report from Chicago that the western lines are willing to go into a conference with the C. P. R. with the object of restoring transcontinental rates does not materially alter the standing of affairs.

NOTES.

Grand Trunk men are making big wages nowadays. Brakemen now earn from $60 to $85 per month and conductors from $100 to $130 per month. Some of the men have made as high as 54 days in a month. This is an evidence that prosperity has struck the railroads.—Sarnia Observer.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

About 3 o'clock on Thursday morning at Port Elgin fire was discovered in an unoccupied frame house belonging to A. A. Chapman, which was totally destroyed, along with a quantity of furniture and carpenter's tools. Loss, $400.

At the inquest into the death of the illegitimate child of Martha Hill, found dead at her father's home at Hamilton last week, the jury brought in a verdict that the child was accidentally smothered while in bed with its mother and aunt.

The bonds of the St. Thomas street railway have been signed, sealed and delivered to the company, and the company handed the security decided upon, viz., a mortgage on the road, the bond of Messrs. Hunt, Still and Stacey and $25,000 in cash.

Collector of Customs Huestis, at Port Townsend has received from the land office officials notification of the opening of the Chilkoot Railway and Transportation Company of Alaska as carriers of bonded freight and merchandise between the sub-port of Dyea and the British line.

Word has been received in Hamilton from San Francisco of the drowning of two men, whose craft upset in Half-Moon Bay. The boat drifted ashore, and from articles found in the boat it was ascertained that the names of the victims were Allan and Arthur Shepherd, who, it is supposed, belonged to Hamilton. A Bible with this inscription in it was among the articles found: "To Brother Allan, from loving sister, Katie Shepherd, Hamilton, Can., 1885."

CHILD BEHEADED.

Lockport, N. Y., March 4.—A frightful accident occurred at Appleton, on the R. W. and O. Railroad yesterday morning. The flyer going east struck a team being driven across the tracks by Peter Sennet. Sennet was badly wounded, and a little girl named Ada Swigert, who had jumped on the wagon just before it reached the railroad, was instantly killed. Her head was cut off.

LATEST WEATHER FORECAST

Toronto, March 4—10 a.m.—Probabilities for the lower lakes region for the next 24 hours: Mostly fair today; very little change in temperature; increasing east to north winds tonight, with snow in eastern portions.

Around the City

—Mr. H. Thornton, of Wallaceburg, is visiting friends in this city.

—The city engineer is moving his effects down to his former office.

—Mr. A. McDermid, of Petrolia, is visiting friends in this city.

—Ald. Graham is acting mayor in the absence of Dr. Wilson at Ottawa.

—The civic deputation is expected back from Ottawa early tomorrow.

—Mrs. D. Link, of Thamesville, is visiting her son, Mr. T. H. Link, York street.

—Mrs. L. Clarke and daughter, Mrs. Geo. Stinson, of Rectory street, are on a visit to friends in Detroit.

—The Grand Trunk Railway authorities have taken important steps to improve the service between this city and Stratford.

—Mrs. Harris and Miss Lillie Harris, of Piccadilly street, are the guests of Mrs. J. H. Hebblethwaite, 474 Sixteenth street, Detroit.

—At 564 Church street, Toronto, on Wednesday, Mr. Charles A. Blinn, a popular young Londoner, was married to Bessie, daughter of Mr. James B. Cameron.

—Roy Cairncross, who was badly injured by falling ice at the corner of Dundas and Richmond streets a couple of days ago, is doing as well as could be expected.

—Miss Lottie Harrison, of Ridgetown, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. N. Stirling, of Scotland, are spending a few days with their sister, Mrs. T. H. Link, 740 York street.

—The portested game of hockey between the Collegiate Institute and the Jubilee teams, to have come off at the Jubilee rink tonight, has been postponed until tomorrow night.

—Dr. Hutchinson, of Montreal, chief of the medical staff of the Grand Trunk Railway, is in the city.

—Capt. Grafton, of Dundas, of Messrs. Grafton & Co., of this city, is at present in the city, with the object of completing arrangements for moving to their new store, formerly Messrs. Priddis Bros.

—An elector asks what is the punishment which the law provides for a person who accepted a bribe at the late provincial election. The statute enacts that any person found guilty..6 ..... that any person proved guilty of receiving money for voting must pay a fine of $200, and go to prison until the money is paid.

—Mr. Charles Sayer, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. here, yesterday afternoon attended the formal opening of the new association hall at Stratford. A banquet was held in the afternoon, and in the evening there was a public meeting. The event was very interesting. Stratford association is to be congratulated on their nice, cosy quarters.

—At Osgoode Hall yesterday, before Justice Rose, in Lancaster vs. London Street Railway Company, judgment on appeal by defendants from interim report of local master at London upon a reference to ascertain the compensation to be paid to plaintiff for certain land taken by defendants for the purposes of their railway. Appeal dismissed with costs to plaintiff in any event. Hellmuth (London) for defendants. Buchner (London) for plaintiffs.

MARCH PAYMENTS GOOD.

Local wholesale men report that payments, so far as indicated by this morning's mail, will be exceptionally good. The bright holiday trade and the present prosperity of the country led them to expect this.

AT HOME.

Some of the friends of Miss Gertrude Friend assembled last night at her home, 117 Dundas street, to celebrate the young lady's birthday. The presents to Miss Friend on this occasion were many and costly. The evening was enjoyably spent in various games and music, and choice refreshments were served. At a seasonable hour those composing the happy gathering departed for their homes, but not before expressing their gratitude to Miss Friend and others for the pleasant evening spent and wishing the young lady many happy returns of the day.

THE EAST MIDDLESEX COUNT.

Returning Officer McDougall made his official count in the East Middlesex election today. Messrs. Walter Laidlaw and E. Ironside represented Dr. McWilliam; H. B. Elliot and Frank Glass appear for Mr. T. D. Hodgens. The poll books of subdivision No. 2 of Dorchester, and No. 3, of West Nissouri, were not handed in, although the figures are known. The result gives Mr. Hodgens the narrow majority of 86, his majorities by municipalities being: London township, 275; London West, 29; Dorchester, 41; West Nissouri, 65. Dr. McWilliam's majority was in Westminster—324.

MORE STOLEN CHICKENS

Mrs. Barfitt, of Dorchester, Identifies Her Stolen Birds in a Farmer's Sleigh on the Market.

The end of the chicken stealing business is not yet in sight, and as a sequel to what has already passed in the case of Wm. Lake, Joseph Boldick and Chas. Baker, comes still another development. Yesterday Mrs. Lucy A. Barfitt, of North Dorchester, in walking around the market square, came across a sleighload of chickens, and in the box identified some of the birds, which she claims were stolen from her place on Feb. 24, while she was away from home.

The owner of the sleigh was not in sight, and Mrs. Barfitt procured a search warrant from Squire Smyth, which was executed by Constables Saddler and Barclay. They were accompanied to the sleigh by the woman.

Mr. Pratt, of the Gore road, the owner of the sleigh, was immediately placed under arrest, charged with theft. The constables took charge of the poultry and brought Mr. Pratt before the magistrate, where he stated that he had bought the fowls from a man named Hill. Mr. Pratt was bailed to appear on Wednesday next.

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

Telephone Talk

Figures Presented at the Ottawa Conference,

Where a London Aldermanic Delegation Is in Attendance.

A Toronto M.P. Suggests the Appointment of an Investigating Commission.

The Opposition Want to Give a Cash Grant, and Not Lands, to Build the Yukon Railway.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, March 4.—The adjourned meeting of the railway committee of the privy council to consider the application of the Bell Telephone Company for power to increase its rates was held in the lower room of the House of Commons this forenoon. Hon. A. G. Blair presided.

In opening the meeting he suggested that it would not be necessary for those who addressed the committee to refer to the matter as a monopoly and so forth, as that would not assist them in arriving at a decision. The committee would have to approach the matter from a judicial standpoint. As far as he was concerned, he was willing to believe that all the people were against the increase of rates. It was natural to suppose that there was a universal opinion that there should be no increase. For his own part he would like to know the investment of the company in Toronto.

The members present were Messrs. Tarte, Mulock, Dobell and Sir Henry Joly.

Mr. Lash, Q.C., resumed his address. He started out by giving the revenues and expenses in Toronto. In 1895 the revenue in Toronto was $172,719, and the expenses $205,228, giving a profit of $29,-877. In 1896 the revenue was $179,254, and the expenses $250,842, leaving a loss of $81,588; and in 1897 the revenue was $188,141, and the expenses $232,139, leaving a loss of $44,997. In Montreal the revenue for 1895 was $234,527, and expenses $205,288, giving a profit of $29,-298. In 1896 the revenue was $243,983, and the expenses $238,751, leaving a profit of $5,234; and in 1897 the revenue was $250,973, and the expenses $307,121, making a loss of $56,157. The total investment in Toronto by the company was $886,536, with $306,000 written off, which left an investment of $620,000. In Montreal the investment was $1,061,000, with $320,000 written off, leaving $740,-000. In Ottawa the total investment was $216,536, with $55,446 written off, leaving an investment of $161,140. In 1895 the revenue was $36,983, and the expenses $49,185, making a loss of $12,-802; in 1896 the revenue was $38,753, and the expenses $49,242, making a loss of $9,489; in 1897 the revenue was $42,000, and the expenses $52,000, making a loss of $10,000.

In reply to Mr. Mulock, Mr. Lash said that if the company were able to pay 8 per cent to the shareholders, and 3 per cent on the contingency account, they would be satisfied.

Mr. Bertram said that it was simply a waste of time listening to such figures. The whole matter was an intricate one, and a commission should be appointed, so that the evidence of experts could be obtained. They might go on in the way they were going for a week, and still they would be no nearer a settlement than they were at present.

Mr. Lash said that he was prepared to give detailed statements of the figures he read. If the company charged too high rates, competition would certainly come. In the public interest, it was essential that there should be but one company. Wherever there were more than one it turned out to be a nuisance. So long as the Bell Telephone Company could earn a fair profit on their investment, they would go on serving the people, and had no desire to take advantage of whatever monopoly they might obtain.

Mr. Fisher asked for a statement of the revenue and expenses in some of the other towns and cities in Ontario, and as far as it was apparent the smaller towns were paying for a telephone service for Montreal, Toronto and Ottawa.

Mr. Lash said that he would do so.

Mayor Johnson, of Belleville, said that the company, after writing off everything, paid on their stock 9½ per cent, and to obtain stock at the present date it was necessary to pay $1 76 for ever $1.

Mr. Clarke Wallace opposed the application. The company was making a handsome profit now.

Ald. McPhillips, of London, said that in London the telephone company was paying out about $20,000 and received $31,500, or about 15 per cent on their investment.

Ald. Boultbee, Brantford, also opposed the application.

Mr. Doherty, St. Thomas, and others strongly opposed the application.

The ministers said they would carefully consider the matter.

An opposition caucus was held this forenoon. The question discussed was the Yukon railway bill. It was decided to move an amendment, which will be put in the hands of Mr. Foster, in opposition to the contract. The amendment will not oppose the building of the railway, but the mode of doing it. It will be one the lines of giving public money, instead of mineral lands, to the company to construct the road.

Latest Election Returns

A Recount at Ottawa Which May Give the Liberals Another Seat.

North Middlesex—The official declaration gives Taylor (Liberal) a majority of 92.

West Elgin—The official declaration shows that McNish (Liberal) received 3,097 votes; McDiarmid, 3,086; majority for McNish, 11.

[C. P. R. Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa—The returning officer has declared Lumsden (Liberal) and Powell (Conservative) elected. The latter defeats O'Keefe by two votes. There were seven polling subdivisions thrown out through the returns not being signed. There will be a recount.

NORFOLK SOUTH.

	Buck. (Con.)	Charlton. (Lib.)
Charlotteville township	430	465
Houghton township	234	248
North Walsingham township	300	228
South Walsingham township	268	263
Woodhouse township	255	338
Port Dover village	122	128
Port Rowan village	280	73
Total	1,689	1,723

Majority for Charlton, Liberal, 34. Rejected ballots, 24.

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Dr. McCallum on The Human Mind.

An Interesting Scientific Lecture at the Western University.

The Physiological Basis of Psychology —A Treat for the Students.

"The Physiological Basis of the Human Mind" was the subject of a brilliant lecture by Dr. H. A. McCallum at the Western University last night, under the auspices of the literary society of that institution. The mind, said the doctor, could be traced from anatomy, evolution, insanity and development. Pure physiology was fast elucidating the obscure problems of psychology. The minute anatomy of the nerve, with the short tree-like branches called dendrons, and its long branches giving rise to the nerve fibre, were next dealt with. The granules, whose explosive qualities gave rise to nerve energy, were pointed out. The methods of communication between nerve centers were also mentioned. There was no connection between one nerve cell and another, but whether one fibre touches the dendron of another cell during action, like one partner touching the hands of another in a dance, or whether this fibre changes the chemical composition of the media in which the dendrons are placed, the lecturer said remained an open question. The study of reflex action was next touched upon and examples given. Voluntary action was shown to have points of strong resemblance to reflex action and to have grown out of it, or reflex action was once voluntary action long ages ago, and from becoming skilled movement dropped into the reflex class. Indeed, it was shown that there could be no action of a voluntary character without external stimulus. The development of consciousness and its divisions into simple self and cosmic were also dealt with. Consciousness was shown to be present in every animal cell in elementary form, and motion sprang from this elementary consciousness. The development of several sensations was taken up and shown to arise from one primary cause. The part of the brain where sensation was transferred into consciousness was mapped out, and the areas of the brain connected with the senses of smell, taste, sight, sound and touch, were pointed out. Two-thirds of the brain was not connected with any of these points. The front portion of the brain was shown to be connected with the knowledge of one's own personality and reality. The back portion of the silent areas of the brain were shown to be the originators of ideas. The lecturer pointed out that any portion of the brain itself could not be held to give rise to function. The functions of these divisions were rather the functions of all their connections with the rest of the nervous system and body, and changes in what we call the body bring about changes in what we call the mind. The lecturer illustrated this point with the story of a man in England who had no sense of touch, smell, sound, nor taste, his only communication with the external world being by the sight of one eye. When it was opened he was awake, and to render him unconscious in heavy slumber the only thing necessary was to close the eyelid with the hand. The lecturer was frequently applauded throughout the discourse. During the evening a programme was given, including a solo by Miss Gibson, a reading by Rev. Dr. English, a vocal solo by Mr. Smith, and a short talk by Dr. Bucke.

Unfounded Accusation.

Col. Leys Not To Be Intimidated or Perjured Out of His Rights.

Affidavit-Makers Challenged to Face the M.P.P.-Elect in the Open.

The Advertiser learns that one or more persons in the city have been induced to make sworn statements that they know that Col. Leys, M.P.P., elect, was guilty of personal bribery and treating during the late campaign. It is alleged that one or more persons have been influenced to do so by Conservative agents. An Advertiser representative, having heard the report, interviewed Col. Leys. "Yes, I have heard the same report," said the colonel. "The accusation that I either bribed a voter, or treated a voter or voters, during the campaign is absolutely without foundation. If any man so declares, he says that which is not true. If he has been induced to swear to an affidavit to that effect, he has been guilty of perjury, and I am prepared to take immediate action to have him convicted and sent to the penitentiary if the affidavit is placed with my solicitor or filed where it can be reached by the officers of justice."

This declaration by the M. P. P.-elect is explicit. It cannot be misunderstood. It is a challenge to those Conservative agents who have been moving heaven and earth to get something to the colonel's discredit. It is also a warning to citizens not to allow themselve to be put into compromising positions that may land them in jail, merely to gratify the wishes of others.

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Rev. Price Hughes has been invited to visit America next July to be present at the Nashville convention of Christian Endeavor.

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The Mortality in Skaguay Is Very High.

Two Miners With $160,000 Perish in the Klondike.

The Flag Hoisting Story—Duties at the Chilkoot and White Passes Objected to by United States Gold Seekers.

Victoria, B. C., March 4.—Passengers on the steamer Islander, which has reached here from Skaguay, confirm the report that the Canadian flag has been raised at Summit lake, also that the Canadians will establish a customs house at Crater lake.

The death rate at Skaguay averages fifteen daily, one of the latest victims being the postmaster. It is stated by passengers on the islander that the Dyea trail is strewn with dead mules.

GOLD DID NOT KEEP THEM WARM.

It is said by passengers on the steamer Islander from Alaska that several days ago two Canadian mounted police marched into Skaguay with two sleds in tow, over which were strapped two dead men. The attention of the mounted police at Taguish was attracted by the dismal howling of a dog. A few moments' search on the trail and they found the bodies of two men who had been frozen. It is said they were returning Klondikers, and they are reported to have had in their possession $160,000 in paper and gold dust, one $90,000 and the other $70,000. Their names are not known.

THE FLAG INCIDENT.

Seattle, Wash., March 4.—Five steamers arrived from Alaska yesterday. The most important news brought down was a confirmation of previous reports that a Canadian official had raised the British flag on what is regarded as American soil, and that there was trouble at Skaguay with longshoremen who objected to Indians unloading freight from steamers. The presence of United States troops alone prevented serious trouble. A compromise was made with the white men to perform the work at 50 cents per hour.

It is feared that a serious trouble will grow out of the Canadians attempting to collect duty on the summit of White Pass and Chilcoot Pass, and the Americans will resist the payment on what they consider United States ground. Last summer the boundary line was at Lake Bennett, then at Lindermand, and now at the summit of the mountains, which is only twelve miles from salt water.

A THAW.

Two days before the steamer Queen left Skaguay the wind which had blown from the north continually for seven weeks shifted to, and began to blow from the southwest, causing a general thaw to set in. The change in the weather caused hundreds of people who had been detained by the severe cold to start over these trails from Skaguay and Dyea, and when the steamer left Sunday a general exodus from both towns was taking place. Both trails are reported in excellent condition.

OIL DEVELOPMENTS.

Point Edward May Become an Oil Well Center.

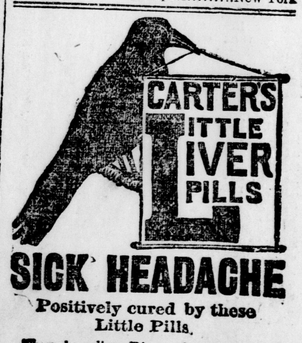
Two wells have been drilled at Point Edward, and both are nice paying producers, with a large gas supply. The gas is valuable to the place, even if they did not have any oil. There were two wells put down in the town of Sarnia last summer, near the town hall, and they both had oil in them, with a small quantity of gas. In most cases where oil and gas are found in small quantities there are larger well to be got near by. A little more money spent on drilling would likely make Point Edward an oil town.

It is likely that a test will be made this summer of some of the farms in Moore township, on the eighth concession, near the Sarnia plank. It is said that years ago gum beds existed somewhere in that locality. We hope, before another year is over, to see our farmer friends on the eight concession of Moore and Enniskillen producing oil in paying quantities. This is a part of the county that has been slighted by the drill. Our advice to the farmer is, drill yourself, or let somebody else do it.—Petrolia Topic.

Prospecting for oil in the immediate vicinity of Alvinston, commenced on Monday last, on the farm occupied by Mr. Robert Watts, Mr. Lou Travers' old place, about two miles or so west. The operations are under the direction of Mr. Howard, of Pennsylvania, an expert in this line of work. Over 1,000 acres have been leased in the immediate neighborhood, and a most thorough test will be made. Those who are in a position to know say that oil in paying quantities will be found. The prospects for a boom of a substantial character that will enhance the value of property in this section are good. The coming season will be a prosperous one here.—Alvinston Free Press.

Steamship Arrivals.

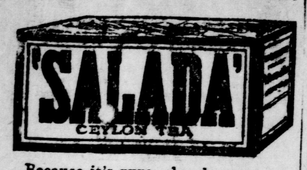
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A Woman's Love.

"He loves you so dearly," she replied. "Besides, in a few years, all this will be forgotten, and you will be Phebe Blandford, not Phebe Lincoln."

"But if he is arrested, he will be prosecuted and sent to jail," I interposed, resolving not at present to say anything of the discovery that I was not Christopher Lincoln's daughter."

"Probably you would be in India, if that happened," she went on. "Oh, I see how we could all be happy again! Come, dearest Phebe, do not sacrifice us all to your overtrained scruples. You were always self-willed, and had your own way too much. I know no other girl who would set herself against her natural friends as you are doing. I should never advise you to go back to your father, but I do advise you most emphatically not to be so rash and hot-headed as to fling away your only chance of marrying Arthur."

She paused, and we sat silent for some time.

"Let us look at the question all round," she resumed, gravely and affectionately. "If you give up this provision which your father has so thoughtfully secured for you, you will doom yourself to the meanest penury, with only the meager satisfaction of having given less than a penny in the pound to your father's creditors, not one of whom will ever thank you for it. The world will call you a fool. You will live your whole life in poverty and dependence; an unmarried woman, unless you marry a man far beneath you. A life of contempt and misery will end in an unknown and a neglected grave."

She paused again, as if overcome by her own eloquence, but every word was hardening my heart against her.

"If you listen to me," she resumed, "you will marry the man you love, with whom your days will pass by in unbroken happiness. You will lead a life as useful and honorable as mine, doing good to all around you. Think of that! If it is a question of honor, Phebe, remember the divine command, 'Honor thy father and thy mother.' How can you keep that commandment if you act in distinct opposition to your father and me?"

I would not tell her now that neither of them had any claim upon my esteem and obedience by force of that commandment. She had completely shocked my sense of right and wrong. I was silenced, but not convinced. But I roused myself with a heavy sigh, and stood up to go away.

"Will you give me Arthur's address?" I inquired.

"Certainly," she said, "and I also will write to him."

She kissed me, but she did not ask me where I was staying. I was in disgrace with Arthur's mother, or she wished me to come soon to the bitter end. I went downstairs and into the streets of London in deep dejection of spirit, and with a depressing sense of forlorneness in the midst of crowds.

CHAPTER VIII.

It was necessary to make some arrangement for the immediate future, as today was Saturday, and on Monday Rebecca was to give up the house at Wimbledon to the carpenters and decorators. I could think of no friend to turn to but my old governess, Miss 'A Bricot. She had been living in some cheap lodgings in Shepherds Bush, where I had often visited her; and no doubt if she had left them her landlady could tell me where she had gone.

I found Abby located in a tiny back bedroom under the roof, instead of the small sitting-room in the front, and a room behind it, which she had formerly occupied. It was scarcely possible to get into this attic, and not possible to move about in it. Abby received me with the utmost tenderness.

"My own love! I was dreaming of you last night," she said tearfully. "Our spirits were in sweet communion somewhere, and I was most happy. No, I am not surprised to see you. In fact, I was expecting news of you this morning."

"But I suppose our spirits could have met if my body had still been in America," I remarked almost gaily.

"To be sure," she answered; "but I would rather have you in the body, dearest child."

I knelt down beside her, and, with my arms about her, I told her how homeless and friendless and all but penniless I was. She drew my head down on her shoulder, and fondly patted my cheek.

"Two are better than one," she said, "and you and I will fight the battle of life together. Oh, I'm used to the battle. All my money is expended, except a few shillings, and I must quit this poor refuge next week. But you shall share it with me as long as it shelters my old head."

"Is it as bad as that, Abby?" I asked. "Are you, too, without friends?"

"Oh, no," she answered, with an odd quaver in her voice. "There's Mr. Palmer—you recollect him, dear love? He who said so kindly, 'We three are all bound together in a fellowship of suffering, and if we can help one another it is our bounden duty to do so.' You know he and I started you off at the station that day of the dreadful meeting of creditors."

"I have not forgotten him," I said.

"He has never lost sight of me," she continued, "though he lives at one end of London, and me at the other. His son, dear Felix, comes at least once a week to see me, and they are both so good! And my love, they are urging me to take up my abode with them. They say there are two empty rooms in their house, and I could help them in many ways, far more than my maintenance would cost. They have had no lady to live in the house ever since Mr. Palmer went to live in Churchwarden street, and they would be most pleased to have me."

I wondered if Miss 'A Bricot's pride of birth made her hesitate to accept this kindly proposal. There was a pink flush on her faded face, and a curious self-consciousness in her half-smile.

"My dear," she resumed, "it was a most tempting invitation, but I did not consider it quite convenable for an unmarried woman like myself, not altogether beyond a marriageable age, to reside alone in the house of two unmarried men. My sense of delicacy and propriety was opposed to it. I believe Mr. Palmer, who is delicacy itself, guessed at my objections, for he gave me a hint—only a hint, Phebe—that to remove them he would offer me his hand.

"Offer you what?" I exclaimed. This was Quixotic in very deed.

"It was most gently, most delicately intimated," answered Abby. "But there would be no such objection if we both go, I think. I am thankful, dear Mr. Palmer was not more explicit, for I must either have refused or accepted him, and it would have been so embarrassing. Now it is quite simple; we go as lodgers, and we shall surely find some way of earning our living. Yes, two are better than one, and you will go with me to Churchwarden street next week."

"We will go for a time," I said, "till we can get something to do. I, too, must earn my bread."

Then I poured out the strange story of my travels to Abby, who listened with breathless interest, scarcely interrupting me with a remark until I came to my stepfather's revelation that I was not his child.

"Ah! that explains so much, my love," she exclaimed. "He never did care for you as a father naturally would. I set it down to Mrs. Lincoln's jealous influence. He was quite indifferent to you until people began to tell him you would be beautiful. Then he was proud enough, and anxious to show you off, and make you an attraction to his house. Oh! now I understand it perfectly. That was why he dismissed me and sent you to Inglefield College, where you were taught nothing but to play hockey and to strum on the banjo."

"I did not like either," I remarked.

"No, thank goodness," she said. "I do not suppose any young lady I had trained could like either. But what else did you learn?"

"I learned to dress, dance and ride well," I replied. "I learned, too, how ill-bred it is to speak the truth always, and how polite little fibs are. But above all, I learned that woman is superior to man; but that the elder girls taught me, not the governesses. On the contrary, they gave us to understand that marriage with a good settlement is the aim and end of every woman's life."

"Woman superior to man!" repeated Abby, bridling and blushing. "Wait, dear child, till you know the Palmers."

"Was my mother a superior woman? Did you know anything of her?" I asked.

"I came to take charge of you on Mr. Lincoln's second marriage," she answered, "and I never heard her mentioned. You were very little, and there was a foreign nurse, who was sent away the day after I entered on my duties, Rebecca staying as schoolroom maid. I only saw her once, but you cried a great deal after Benny, as you called her. My love, if we could only find her we should learn everything."

But where to begin to look for her? The clue was short and slight. A childish memory of an impossible name—for "Benny" told us nothing of her nationality. I sat musing over this very insurmountable barrier for a few minutes.

"I do not know where I can go except with you to Mr. Palmer's," I said. "He seemed a very kindly, very friendly old man. But we are not altogether penniless, and we must pay for our lodgings. I have nearly nine pounds in my purse—quite a fortune!" I added, with a bitter little laugh, as I recollected the sums I had squandered on trifles in days gone by.

"Why, we are quite rich!" exclaimed Abby, cheerfully, "and you know I own most of this furniture, which, of course, we must remove to Churchwarden street."

I looked round the crowded little attic. There was a small Chippendale table with a crack across it, a moth-eaten easy chair, a two-branched brass candlestick, a few china ornaments, and a large colored photograph of myself at 16, which was a wholesome corrective of personal vanity. Besides these valuable possessions there were three large trunks, containing all the rest of Abby's worldly goods. However, she was far better off than I was, for I owned nothing save the contents of a small travelling portmanteau, which I had rescued from my stepmother when she carried away all the rest of my belongings to South America.

To be Continued.



Woman's power is largely dependent upon her ability to interest, entertain, attract and please. It is for this reason that women strive to become accomplished. They study in order that they may converse intelligently on all subjects. They strive to become good musicians, graceful dancers and amiable hostesses.

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Three Suicides.

A Despondent Chambermaid's Rash Act Results in Death.

Suicides at Niagara Falls, Buffalo and Arnprior.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., March 4.—For reasons unkown, Mae McFadden, a chambermaid at the Harvey House, took a heavy dose of carbolic acid on Wednesday afternoon, and died from the effects at 9 o'clock at night. Miss McFadden was born in Toronto, Ont., and until a few years ago her parents were fairly well-to-do. Then fortune left them, and the children were compelled to look out for themselves. Mae McFadden came to this city and secured a position as chambermaid at the Harvey House. She could not reconcile herself to her new life, and grew despondent. Wednesday afternoon she left the hotel, and stated in a significant manner that she was going down street to get something good. She purchased an ounce of carbolic acid, went to her room and drank the entire lot. The deceased was 22 years old. She came to this city a year ago from the Continental Hotel in Buffalo. She was extremely pretty and well educated.

FARMER TAKES POISON.

Arnprior, Ont., March 4.—Joseph Ritchie, a well-known farmer, living in Fitzroy township, committed suicide Wednesday by taking poison. His mind had been slightly deranged for some months. He was about 44 years of age, and leaves a widow and small family.

SHOT HERSELF.

Buffalo, N. Y., March 4.—Mrs. E. V. Merrill, of No. 75 Morgan street, was found dead in bed yesterday morning with a bullet hole in her right temple and a 32 calibre revolver clasped tightly in her hand. She was fully dressed, and had evidently been dead since Sunday night. Mrs. Merrill came from Canada to the Morgan street house in August last. She was last seen on Sunday night last. On a pad on a table she left a note saying: "Do not cruelly expose my face, and excuse the soiled condition of my room." She also left a sealed letter addressed to the coroner, saying she was the wife of Dr. Burton Webb Seymore, of Stockton, N. Y. The dead woman is about 40 years old, and of respectable appearance.

WESTERN ONTARIO.

John Grant was appointed chief of police of Ridgetown; salary, $300. His former salary was $285.

Joseph Martin, the third candidate in the election in North Essex, received about twenty votes.

The Windsor fire department has presented John J. Carney, an ex-member, with a gold watch charm. He had been a member of the brigade since 1872.

Mr. Sackwell, aged 85, father of Edward Sackwell, of the L. E. and D. R. R., Ridgetown, died Wednesday night. The remains were taken to Leamington for burial.

A quiet wedding took place in the Avondale manse on Wednesday afternoon, when Mr. Albert E. Watson, of Windham, and Miss Lee, of South Norwich, were united in wedlock by Rev. M. McGregor.

Detective Campau went to Kingsville on Wednesday and arrested Alexander and Edwin White on a charge of having stolen $200 worth of tobacco from Dr. King and Darius Wigle. They were liberated on $600 bail.

At Tilsonburg, Mrs. (Rev.) David Savage, who was in a very low condition for several days, continues to improve. Mr. Frank Bain is recovering, and Rev. J. J. McNeil is so far recovered that he hopes to resume his work next Sunday evening.

The comparative statement of duties collected at the port of Chatham for the months of February, 1897 and 1898, is as follows: Amount collected February, 1898, $3,108 37; amount collected February, 1897, $2,086 28; increase for February, 1898, $1,022 09.

Guelph Mercury, March 2: The monthly cattle fair nowadays is nothing more than a name. Practically speaking, with few exceptions, it can scarcely be called fair at all. Today a few milch cows were offered, which brought from $25 to $35; a few rough butchers' cattle sold at 3c.

Mrs. J. Amberger, of Tilsonburg, had an unfortunate accident on Wednesday. She was carrying a lamp down the cellar, when she stumbled and allowed the lamp to fall from her hand. The lamp ignited and set fire to her clothing, and before the flames could be extinguished she had suffered some severe burns. The escape was a very narrow one.

James McGregor, a county constable, was up on the charge of unlawful shooting, a criminal offense. The information was laid some days ago by his adopted daughter, Ada McGregor, and McGregor was arrested and later allowed out on bail. The police have been vainly trying to find the complainant, Ada McGregor, and Mrs. Owens, two materia. witnesses. P. C. Groves gave evidence to this effect, and warrants were issued for their arrest.

The second oil well at Point Edward is completed, and its pumping qualities tested with satisfactory results. Operations on it in the meantime have been suspended and a new well started. The company do not propose jerking their wells until they have five oil producing wells to attach the machinery to. The company are corresponding with Manager Hays with reference to bonding Grand Trunk land sufficient to put down all the wells they require.

A pile of tiles placed on the old Talbot road, near St. Thomas, caused the horse of Mrs. McDonald, of Yarmouth township, to shy, and throw her out of her buggy, injuring her severely. She sued the township for damages, alleging that the defendants were liable because in so placing the tiles they were making an unlawful use of the road. The action was dismissed by Mr. Justice MacMahon, and in an appeal to the divisional court the decision was confirmed.

A large number assembled at the B. and T. station at Tilsonburg on Thursday to witness the departure of and bid good-bye to the Klondike party as they started on their long journey. The party consisted of James Clark, of Corinth; G. B. Hawkins, A. Allen and W. Thompson, of Tilsonburg. Mr. Johnston, who strongly favors the Lake Teslin route, did not accompany the party, but will start later on.

On Thursday of last week Mr. Chas. Reid, of St. George, met with a peculiar mishap. Mr. Reid was chopping down in the woods of Mr. O. Collins, when a tree in falling lodged on a smaller one. Mr. Reid then commenced chopping down the latter, which caused the larger one to turn over, a limb of it swooping around, and striking violently against his ear. Mr. Reid was consternated to find that the limb stuck to his head, and catching hold of it, the large portion broke off. Assistance was secured, when upon examination the piece was found firmly embedded in the ear. After much trouble, a stick an inch and a quarter in length was removed, greatly to the relief of the sufferer.

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Wide White Skirts, fine cotton, deep hem. 50c; reduced to. 35c.

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FAIR WEATHER.

Toronto, March 3—11 p.m.—The low area which moved off the middle Atlantic coast has apparently passed northeastward towards Newfoundland, having caused during the day a general fall of snow or sleet in Nova Scotia. There is a slight depression hovering near Lake Superior, giving light snow falls in that district. Elsewhere westward, from the Maritime Provinces to the Rockies, the pressure continues high, and the weather generally fair. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Esquimalt, 44-50; Calgary, 20-28; Qu'Appelle, 6-22; Winnipeg, zero-18; Parry Sound, 2-34; Toronto, 18-34; Ottawa, 6-32; Montreal, 12-28; Quebec, 6-28; Halifax, 22-34.

Probabilities: Toronto, March 4—1 a.m.—Lower lakes: Fair weather, stationary or a little higher temperature.

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News About Town

—Mrs. Charles E. Wheeler is visiting Mrs. J. Karn, Woodstock.

—Miss Maude Stinson, of South London, is visiting friends in Woodstock.

—Remember Jean Blewett this evening in the King Street Methodist Church. This is sufficient to insure a good audience.

—Mrs. James L. Walton and son, of North Yakima, Wasnington State, are visiting Mrs. Walton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Templeton, 105 Waterloo street.

—Mr. Francis Falkner has taken out a building permit for the erection of two brick veneer houses on Ontario street, near Lorn avenue, to cost $1,000 each.

—Mrs. Carman, wife of Rev. Dr. Carman, general superintendent of the Methodist Church, who has been very ill, is reported to be considerably improved.

—City Clerk Kingston has received a letter from the California lady who wrote him some time ago regarding a long lost daughter in London, whom Mr. Kingston located. The lady thanks Mr. Kingston for the trouble he took, but gives no new facts in the case.

—There will be a missionary lecture with limelight views by Rev. T. B. Westgate, in Cronyn Hall, on Friday, March 4, at 8 p.m., under the auspices of St. Paul's Cathedral Y. P. S. C. E. The collection will be in aid of the Canadian Church Missionary Society, which is sending Mr. Westgate to the foreign fields.

—Exeter Advocate: A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized at the residence of Mr. James Abbott, Andrew street, on Wednesday afternoon, when Mr. Chas. Abbott was married to Miss Minnie Hunkin. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Chas. Smith, in the presence of a few relatives. The happy couple took the evening train for London, where they will make their future home.

—Mrs. Van Alstyne, of Pilot Mound, was in the city this week, on her way to London, Ont., where she has been called by the serious illness of her sister.—Mr. H. S. Rolston returned this week from an extended visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Rolston, London, Ont. Mrs. Rolston and family are being warmly welcomed by their many friends down east and will remain for some weeks longer.—Winnipeg Tribune.

—Sarnia Observer: It will now be in order for the Grand Trunk management to resume their regular Wednesday excursions from London to Sarnia over their road, which were discontinued a few years ago out of deference to the C. P. R. While these excursions were run they proved a good thing alike for Sarnia and the Grand Trunk, and we hope to see them in operation again this season. The Wednesday excursions were not only popular with the London people, but also with the residents of every town and village between here and that city. Let us have the Wednesday excursions at the old Wednesday excursion rate.

—A Japanese social was the title of a novel entertainment in the Hamilton Road Methodist Church last night, given by the Willing Workers, of whom Mrs. Hayball is president. Supper was served in the Japanese mode, the guests sitting on rugs and cushions and eating with chop-sticks. They were waited upon by young ladies dressed in oriental costume, who looked very pretty indeed. Rev. J. G. Fallis then took the chair and introduced a fine programme, consisting of vocal duets by Misses Penny and Robinson; instrumental duets, Messrs. Jacques and Bright; reading, Miss Sanborn; recitations, Miss Kate Clark and Miss Blundell. The Sunday school orchestra, under Mr. Moyer, also gave selections. The proceeds go toward the fund for building a new church in 1900.

THE METHODIST MILLION.

Rev. John Potts, D.D., who proposed that the Methodist Church in Canada raise one million dollars as a memorial fund to signalize the opening of the twentieth century, and who purposed laying his scheme before the general conference at its next meeting, reports that he has already received several contributions to the fund. He has also received intimations of several large donations from wealthy members of the church in various parts of the Dominion. The money, if raised, will be devoted to several of the schemes of the church.

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Methodist Women Workers

Annual Convention of the W. M. S. of the London District.

Colborne Street Church Filled With Delegates—Interesting Reports and Addresses — Prohibition for the Yukon.

Colborne Street Methodist Church was well filled with ladies from various churches in the London Methodist district, when the annual meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the district was held yesterday afternoon and evening. Mrs. Evans, of this city, presided over the afternoon session, and associated with her on the platform were Mrs. Fyfe and Mrs. (Dr.) Fowler. Mrs. (Rev.) Geo. Boyd conducted the devotional exercises, owing to the absence of Mrs. (Dr.) Eccles.

Encouraging reports were received from the numerous auxiliaries in the district. A pleasing interlude in the business of the meeting was afforded by a duet by Miss Eaton and Miss. John Chapman.

"Our Givings to the Lord" was the subject of a paper presented by Mrs. Tennent. It was strongly urged that the giving to the Lord be not fitful and spasmodic, but steady, firm and lasting. The Bible taught that we should give as the Lord has prospered us. The giving should be proportional, and even generous giving is not sufficient if that which is definitely the Lord's money be not devoted to his work. True love should be the underlying principle of all gifts, but it would be none the less sacred on account of system. The speaker expressed the wish of hearing from every pulpit in the land clear, distinct, practical sermons on this very important subject. The paper was much appreciated.

Report from mission circles were received as follows: First Methodist Church, Miss Harriet Powell; Dundas Center, Mrs. Cowley; Askin Street, Mrs. John Ward; Wellington Street, Mrs. Russell; West London, Mrs. M. Robb; Colborne Street, Miss Hance; Centennial, Mrs. M. C. King. Many of the reports showed an increase in interest and numbers.

The report of the district compiled by Mrs. Evans was very interesting. The total membership of the auxiliaries for the past year was 584, and the total amount contributed was $2,157 46, an increase of 22 in membership, but a decrease of $13 12 in the sum raised, as compared with the preceding year. New auxiliaries were formed at White Oak and Belmont, leaving only Dorchester Station, Delaware, Thamesford, King Street (London) and Hamilton Road (London) unorganized. The mission bands reported a membership of 337, a decrease of 55 compared with the preceding year, while the amount raised was $580 17, a decrease of $165 10. The membership and amount raised by the different auxiliaries and bands are as follows:

AUXILIARIES.

	Members.	Amount.
First Methodist	118	$654 14
Dundas Center	93	390 31
Wellington Street	50	160 80
South London	54	159 78
West London	42	132 18
Centennial	29	99 20
Colborne Street	27	78 69
Lambeth	26	125 00
Westminster	29	87 00
Sharon	14	60 00
Baker's	10	54 92
White Oak	11	11 09
Salem	15	53 12
Siloam	15	17 45
The Grove	11	11 00
Arva	19	34 90
Centenary	11	11 00
Thorndale	10	16 97

MISSION CIRCLE.

	Members.	Amount.
First Methodist	123	$238 63
Dundas Center	34	158 35
South London	79	71 55
Wellington Street	33	55 00
West London	45	38 02
Colborne Street	23	18 62

Mrs. Evans added to her report some valuable suggestions, relative to the acceptance of scattered helpers in the society, the holding of temperance meetings, etc.

At this stage, greetings were called for from sister societies. Mrs. John Cameron, who was first called on, spoke as follows: "The honor and privilege have fallen to me of conveying to you the cordial greetings of the London Presbyterial Society of the W. F. M. S. In your own excellent denominational journal, the Christian Guardian, of this week, which I occasionally see, appears this sentence: 'We (the Methodists) are in closer affinity with the Presbyterian Church in Canada than any other, and their example provokes us to love and good works.' Will you allow me, at the outset of my brief remarks, to say that this cordial expression of Christian goodwill is most heartily and lovingly reciprocated by the Presbyterian women engaged in the W. F. M. S. of the great sister church within the bounds of the London Presbytery for whom this afternoon I have been asked to speak. The Women's Foreign Missionary Society in connection with the Presbyterian Church of Canada is of age; in fact, a little more than of age, being now 22 years old. Twenty-two years ago it had one lady missionary in the field; now it has twenty lady missionaries in the field of India alone, a number of them being medical missionaries. In that year it raised $1,000. Our last recorded year showed that in the western of the two divisions into which our Canadian W. F. M. S. is subdivided, $43,311 has been raised; adding the eastern division, our grand total was nearly $51,000. Where we mainly seek our work is among women and children, and we are thankful that Providence has made the field so accessible, the door of opportunity so wide. Our fields are India, Honan (in China), Formosa, New Hebrides, Trinidad and the Indians of British Columbia and the Northwest. Each of these fields has its features of interest, notably India, the land of recent famines and feil plagues, but whose sorrows have given a providential opening to Christian generosity, Christian skill, Christian instruction; and notably, also, China, today apparently on the eve of being opened up as never before to Christian influences, this time including the Chinese leaders of opinion. Alluding now for a moment to the work of our London Presbyterial, you will be glad to hear that we have contributed our fair quota to the general result. The amount collected in cash by the London Presbyterial W. F. M. S. last year was $2,862. In addition, our Presbyterial sent four thousand pounds of clothing, valued at $2,055, for the Indians of the Northwest. We are trying, in the London Presbyterial, by means of mission bands and otherwise, to train up those who come after us to interest in foreign missions; and we are striving to induce a larger number of the women of our congregations to identify themselves actively with, or at least to attend, the meetings of the W. F. M. S. In the latter case, we are often met with the explanation of lack of leisure. In an age so busy and exacting as the present, one cannot but have an immense sympathy with the careful Marthas who help to make up our congregations. But, apart from any question of duty, I think they would often find it a beneficial change, and an actual mental rest, to widen their thoughts, if only passingly, to those other and still higher subjects suggested by the work of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society throughout the globe. After all, our danger, as women, is not that we shall think too little of things merely worldly. Rather, as Wordsworth says,

"The world is too much with us: late and soon,
Getting and spending, we lay waste our powers.'

Once more allow me on behalf of the London Presbyterial, to extend most cordial greeting to your W. F. M. S. of the London district, and to express the wish that your present gathering may be an occasion of new inspiration, and the prelude to the best year in the annals of the Society."

Mrs. Weld followed, representing the missionary society of the Baptist Church, and on behalf of the women workers of that branch of the W. F. M. S. extended a cordial greeting. Mrs. Weld also gave a very interesting outline of the mission work of the Baptists in the home and foreign fields, dealing particularly with that of India. For the year ending April, 1897, the board received and remitted to missionaries for the relief of the famine-stricken in India $2,160 34. The work there in the Telrar country had prospered greatly and particularly gratifying results had attended the medical and educational work. There was great reason for rejoicing at what had been accomplished by the schools and hospitals in foreign fields. Mrs. Weld also gave a number of interesting facts regarding Grand Ligne Mission and the work in the Northwest and British Columbia. At Grand Ligne alone 2,000 souls had been brought to light. In Burmah strong efforts have been made. There are 600 Baptist mission stations. Mrs. Weld gracefully complimented the Methodist society for the work they had done, and spoke of the strong bond which united all engaged in mission work.

Mrs. Gordon Wright replied to the greetings from the sister societies, pointing out that as missionary women they were united regardless of creed or dogma. She was glad God had prospered the efforts of their sister workers. Mrs. Wright made an eloquent reference to the noble men who had worked and died in foreign fields for the cause of Christ. There were some that each denomination could claim.

Miss Russell gave an acceptable piano solo.

Mrs. Thornley and Mrs. Gordon Wright, who were both personally acquainted with the late Miss Frances E. Willard, each made a touching and beautiful reference to the death of America's uncrowned queen.

An invitation from the Centennial Church for the district convention next year was accepted. A bountiful tea was served in the school room by the ladies of the church during the intermission between the sessions.

THE EVENING MEETING.

The evening meeting was a public one and largely attended. Rev. George Jackson presided, and in his opening address briefly outlined the work of the society in Canada since organized in 1881-82. In that year, he said, the sum raised was $2,916 78, while in 1896-1897 $39,133 52 was raised. Of the latter amount the society in the London conference raised $5,500, London district alone contributing over $2,000. The society was supporting fifteen paid agents in Japan, five in China, eleven in British Columbia and one among the French. The chairman said Colborne Street Church felt honored at having the district convention.

Rev. W. J. Clark, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, made a pleasing address about woman's fitness for mission work. Self-sacrifice was her one great characteristic, which pre-eminently qualified her for the work. He dweit upon the greatness of the undertaking, and said he was sure the power or individual personality could not be measured. There were few who could not look back and remember one or another person who did not make any great display in the world, but whose life was like a star shining out of God's heaven and ofttimes keeping them from sinking in discouragement. There were none who could not live such a life. Mr. Clark, in closing, presented the good wishes of the missionary society of the Presbyterian Church.

Rev. W. J. Ford, pastor of the Centennial Methodist Church, dealt with some thoughts brought to him by the question, "Why should women take a particular interest in missionary work—and especially in foreign mission work?" The first answer he gave to the question was that women had special privileges, and secondly because of her special aptitudes. Why was it, Mr. Ford asked, that in the present age the bulk of the teaching had fallen into the hands of the women? It was because in both the Sunday and every day schools there had been proven a special aptitude in women for the instruction of the children. Women also had a special aptitude for nursing the sick, and they should take a special interest in the mission work because of its particular needs.

Mrs. McMechan ably replied to a large number of questions which had been presented in the afternoon. One related to the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of liquor in the Klondike. Mrs. Gordon Wright was called upon to reply to it. Mrs. Wright strongly presented the needs of such a step by the government, and moved a resolution to be forwarded to the minister of the interior, asking the prohibition of the sale and manufacture of liquor in the Yukon district. The resolution was carried by a standing vote.

Rev. Ira Smith, pastor of Talbot Street Baptist Church, said that one who would have a right view of the work of missions should have a personal acquaintance with the Son of God. There was a passion for men in the soul of the Saviour, said the speaker, which continued during his 33 years' ministry on earth. After referring to a number of incidents in the life of the Master, Mr. Smith said people had no right to sit in their cushioned pews, no right to sit in their homes in a country the most advanced in civilization, no right to sit idly by, unless they knew that God Almighty sent them to do so. The purpose of God's kingdom was that every man should have his work.

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