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Oyama's Story of Heikoutai Battle; Victory Hinged On All-Night Combat; Russ Infantry Regiment Annihilated

A Jap Marshal Reports Heavy Losses by Russ Artillery.

Bloody Fighting in Big Blizzard for Every Foot of Ground.

Tokio, Feb. 2. — 9 p.m. — Field Marshal Oyama, telegraphing yesterday, reports that the extreme Japanese left holds a line along the Hun River, with its extreme left established on the right bank. The main body of the Russians, after their defeat at Heikoutai, retired across the Hun and occupied Niuyupao. Shufangtai, and a portion of Changtan. On Wednesday the Russians began constructing defensive works in the neighborhood of Shufangtai, Chungchiawopeng and Shangtan. Russian cavalry patrols were seen Wednesday along the line of Tzuyuta, Pinpaetzu, and Yuhpaotazu. The Russians made a series of small attacks on the right army and the left flank of the left army, but were repulsed in each instance.

Details of the fighting from Jan. 25 to Jan. 29, which Field Marshal Oyama officially designates as the battle of Heikoutai, shows that the operations were more extensive, the forces engaged larger, and the fighting more desperate, than the first reports indicated. The Japanese casualties totaled 7,000. According to the Japanese estimate the Russians lost over 10,000. The army fought in a driving snow. It was bitterly cold, and very difficult to see. A night attack delivered early in the morning brought success to the Japanese.

JAPS WERE OUTNUMBERED

Garrison of Heikoutai Was Surrounded by Russian Columns.

A Russian division surrounded and attacked Heikoutai Jan. 25. Field Marshal Oyama reports that the garrison, though outnumbered, made a stubborn resistance, and retired at night under cover of darkness, to Kuckengtzu. In the meantime, Field Marshal Oyama, warned of the attack, ordered an advance for the purpose of retaking Heikoutai. It was snowing and the movements of the troops were delayed. Jan. 26, about noon, while the attack on Heikoutai was developing, a report reached the Japanese headquarters that another division of Russians, advancing from Changtan had surrounded Chenchiehpao, and also that an independent and smaller body of Russians was operating west of Chenchiehpao, threatening the left flank of the Japanese worce moving against Heikoutai, which had deployed from Sumapao westward to Heikoutai. It was originally planned to deploy from Sumapao to Taopao, but it was found that the Russians possessed a line from Heikoutai to Taopao. The Japanese, therefore, deployed to Sumapao and Wuchiatzu, and attacked Heikoutai and Taopao. The latter place was strongly held, but its capture was necessary before it was possible to take Heikoutai. Thirty Russian guns skillfully placed around Heikoutai enfiladed the troops attacking Taopao. The nightfall of Jan. 26 saw the Japanese still struggling to dislodge the Russians. On Jan. 27 the Russians pressing the Japanese right wing, temporarily retreated. The freed force reinforced the Japanese center. The attack on Heikoutai was resumed Jan. 27. A covering force was sent to protect the right flank, rear, and also the left flank of the Japanese force operating at Chenchiehpao. Another covering force protected the extreme left.

Hand to Hand Fight.

The troops attacking Heikoutai advanced fearlessly, and despite the heavy losses inflicted by the reinforced Russians, constantly gained step by step. A Russian division advanced from the direction of Niuchu and struck the left column on the right flank. A force of Russian infantry and mounted artillery fired into the rear of the left column. The Japanese lost heavily and the extreme left wing was compelled to retreat temporarily. The Russians made a series of night attacks, Jan. 27, in all directions. They succeeded in catching a detachment stationed at Sumapao in the front and rear. A desperate hand-to-hand encounter followed. The Japanese finally succeeded in repulsing all the attacks.

A portion of the Russians remained unconcealed at Sumapao and on the morning of Jan. 28, fired into the rear of the Japanese center. The Japanese turned, attacked and practically annihilated the Russians, only 200 of them surrendering. The fighting continued throughout the day and night of Jan. 28. The Japanese, who were everywhere outnumbered, decided to make a general night attack.

RUSS REGIMENT WIPED OUT

Desperate All-Night Attack That Ended In Jap Triumph.

In his report, Field Marshal Oyama says: "Our object had not been attained, so I commanded all columns to make night attacks. All columns of the attacking force expected annihilation. We attempted several attacks and movements, but suffered heavily by the enemy's artillery, especially the machine guns. All columns continued the attack with all their might. The enemy, unable to withstand our vigorous attacks, began to retreat at 5:30 in the morning. Our forces, charging into Heikoutai, occupied the place firmly and entirely at 9:30 o'clock in the morning."

The Russian force engaged is estimated by the Japanese at seven divisions, with a division of cavalry. Prisoners report that the fourth Russian infantry regiment was practically annihilated.

Jap Batteries Concealed.

Mukden, Feb. 1, via Tien Tsin, Feb. 3.—(Delayed in transmission).—All the natives of Holantai and Fuchichung, who were let through the lines during the Russian occupation, arrived at Mukden on Jan. 31, except a few who were killed in battle. The impression is general among the Russian troops on the right flank that either Gen. Nodzu or Gen. Nogi was present at Sandiapu, where the Russians acribe their greatest losses to cleverly-concealed batteries behind the main works. The Japanese withdrew from their outworks at Sandiapu, which at one time the Russians occupied.

Gen. Mistchenko was still advancing, carrying out a flanking movement, intending to cut the railway north of Liao Yang, and was taking outpost after outpost with prisoners when the order to retire came.

The Baltic Fleet.

Jibuil, French Somaliland, Feb. 2. — The division of the Second Russian Pacific Squadron, commanded by Rear-Admiral Botrowsky, consisting of four cruisers and three torpedo-boat destroyers, sailed from here yesterday to join the warships commanded by Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky, off the Island of Madagascar. Eighteen German colliers will follow Admiral Botrowsky's division.

Oku Called It Easy.

General Oku's Headquarters, Jan. 30. —Noon.—Via Tien Tsin, Feb. 3.—(Delayed in transmission).—The Russian attempt to turn General Oku's left flank has proven a complete failure. Following on the failure of the recent cavalry raid down the railway, this, it is thought by the Japanese, probably will induce the Russians to await in the future the Japanese attacks. The attempt, even with the bombardment of other portions of the line, or a cavalry movement around the flank, was doomed to failure from the start. The Japanese were at Heikoutai, but withdrew its small force from there and allowed the Russians to occupy the positions until they could move over enough men to make its recapture certain. The reoccupation of this position was easily accomplished, although the loss was heavy. The casualties have not yet been reported, but it is believed they will amount to fully 3,000. The Russians had five divisions engaged at Heikoutai and in that direction. They were driven back by less than two Japanese divisions.

Over 10,000 men were engaged in the Russian demonstration against Japanese positions immediately east of Heikoutai, a force strong enough to have been successful, as only about one Japanese division was sent against them. The Russian loss is estimated at over 4,000, although prisoners say that one regiment was practically annihilated. The Japanese loss is only placed at 200, due to the fact that they remained in their trenches while the Russians were forced to cross open ground, frozen, where the construction of shelter trenches was impossible. The ground, being covered with snow, was naturally a great disadvantage to the attacking force, as it was plainly visible against the white background for a long distance. The Japanese suffered the same disadvantages in their capture of Heikoutai. The weather was very cold during the fighting, the minimum being 6 degrees below zero, and the maximum 14 degrees above zero. The Russians did not retreat north, but retired well out of range with no sign of further activity. During the fighting the left wing of the Japanese was heavily bombarded from the Russian positions along the whole front. The Japanese made only a feeble reply.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 3. — The Emperor has received the following dispatch from Gen. Kuropatkin: "The Japanese, during the night of Jan. 31 attacked Djantanchenan on the left bank of the Hun River opposite Changtan. They captured the village, but subsequently were driven out with great loss. The Russian casualties were 100.

"The Japanese, after a severe cannonade, reattacked our forces at Djantanchenan at noon, Feb. 1. The Russians first retired, but ultimately reoccupied the village, although some outlying parts are still in the hands of the enemy."

The commander-in-chief adds: "Despite the intense cold, frost bites are rare, owing to preventative measures. "Up to Feb. 1, 133 Japanese prisoners have arrived at Mukden."

THE HOCH CASE

Chicago Coroner Will Ask for Indictment of Murder.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—Indictment for murder will be asked for by Coroner Hoffman against Johann Hoch, the alleged poisoner of many wives. The inquest will not be held until Hoch reaches Chicago, some time next week.

Two of the alleged wives of Hoch have quarreled over money alleged to have been found on Hoch when arrested. The money is claimed by Mrs. Fischer-Hoch and by Mrs. Hendricks-Schmitt-Hoch, the latter demanding $500 of the $600 now said to be in the possession of the New York police. Mrs. Hendricks is said to have gone to New York to attach the money there.

The name of still another woman has been added to the long list of alleged wives of the modern Bluebeard. Today Chief of Police O'Neill received a letter from a man in Wheeling, W. Va., in which the writer states a belief that Hoch is the same man who, under the name of Jacob Russ, arrived in Wheeling eight years ago, and subsequently married a woman by the name of Hocks. Soon after the marriage the woman died suddenly. Hoch disappeared, and later his vest and watch were found on the bank of the Ohio River.

CHURCH AND STATE

Combes Demands That New French Ministry State Policy.

Paris, Feb. 2.—Former Premier Combes, accepting today the presidency of the Republican groups in the Senate, said the cabinet changes must not permit delay or abandonment of the task of separating church and state. The opposition against which he had long struggled was now flattering itself that it had definitely postponed the project. Therefore it was necessary to ask the new cabinet, without further delay, to make a precise declaration, removing all equivocation or doubt upon this essential question. Only upon the condition that such a definite declaration is made would the groups of which he was president give adherence to the new ministry.

The new (Rouvier) ministry held an informal meeting today to go over the question of the separation of church and state, and agreed upon the general form of a new measure which will be presented to the Chamber of Deputies next week.

THE CHARGES AGAINST HILL

Alleged St. Thomas Man Disposed of Property to Defraud Creditors.

St. Thomas, Feb. 2.—The charges on which Mr. J. B. Hill, of the insolvent firm of J. B. Hill & Co., was arrested today are first for disposing of his property to defraud his creditors, and second, under the act of 1904 in not keeping proper books. Bail will probably be granted.

Mr. Hill's creditors find that the liabilities are over $100,000, while the sole assets consist of the stock inventoried at $27,000. This stock was offered for sale at the auction rooms of Suckling Company, Toronto, yesterday, but as the highest bid was only 48 cents on the dollar, the goods were reserved for private sale.

Hill is alleged to have sold numerous parcels of goods for only a fraction of their value, the effect of which was to deplete his assets and defraud his creditors, while his books at the time of his assignment, it is stated, were in such a condition that nothing even approaching an approximate statement of his affairs could be drawn up from them.

Mr. Frank Arnoldi, K.C., is acting as counsel for the creditors, and tomorrow, at St. Thomas, an examination of parties with a view to following some of the estate moneys will take place.

CALGARY THE CAPITAL

Deputation to Ottawa to Look After the City's Interests.

Calgary, Feb. 3.—At a mass meeting here several citizens were selected as delegates to go to Ottawa to protect Calgary's interests in the question of location of the capital and division of the new provinces. Telegrams were sent to Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. Clifford Sifton, protesting against naming any town or city as provisional capital that is a candidate for permanent honors. Calgary delegates take the position that the election districts should be left to the Provincial Government.

It is hoped here that Banff may be named as the temporary capital.

O. J. C. SPRING MEET

Entry for the Big Stakes to Close March 1.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 3. — Mr. W. P. Fraser, secretary of the Ontario Jockey Club, the spring meeting of which will begin on Saturday, May, 20, and continue, to include Saturday, June 3, announces the following stakes, to close Wednesday, March 1: The King's plate; the probable value of this stake, which is now $3,300, has been increased by $250, the latter amount being given to the breeder of the winner, which, it is hoped, will prove an incentive to the breeder of blooded stock in Ontario. The starting fee in the King's plate has been raised to $25. The addition should serve a dual purpose by increasing the total of the winner, and regulating the number of starters. The distance is one mile and a quarter, to be run Saturday, May. 20. The Stanley Produce stakes, open, $1,500 added, is for 3-year-olds foaled in Canada. The long. The Breeders' stake, $1,000 added, is for -3year-olds foaled in Canada. The Maple Leaf stakes, $1,000 added, is for 3-year-olds foaled in Canada, one mile and a sixteenth.

THE DAILY BLAZE AT MONTREAL

Big Building on St. Lawrence Street Destroyed at a Loss of $125,000.

Montreal, Feb. 3.—Shortly before 5 o'clock this morning fire broke out in the building at the northwest corner of St. Lawrence and Vitre street, occupied by the Tuckett Cigar Company, The Merchants' Telephone Company's main exchange, the Peerless Gas Light Company, J. N. Brisson, watchmaker and optician, Cole & Landry, and a number of smaller occupants. The top floor, which was occupied by the central exchange of the Merchants' Telephone Company, was a roaring mass of flames when the firemen arrived on the scene. The temperature was 10° below zero, and a strong wind was blowing from the northwest. The flames licked around the east end of the Hotel Majestic to the north, and that building was in great danger for a time. The fire, however, was confined to the building which it started in. The total loss is estimated at $125,000.

One Year for Bigamy.

Toronto, Feb. 3.—Col. Denison sentenced Harry Haines to one year in the Central this morning for bigamy. His second wife was a Newmarket woman, the first belonging to Whitechurch.

PORT ARTHUR IS LIBERAL

Returning Officer Gives Kennedy a Majority of 25.

Port Arthur, Feb. 2. — Returning Officer McDougall made the declaration in Port Arthur and Rainy River returns at noon today. Kennedy (Liberal), received 1,286 votes; Preston (Conservative), 1,261. Kennedy's majority, 25.

DROPPED DEAD

William Wilkinson of Brantford, Expires of Heart Disease.

Brantford, Feb. 3.—William Wilkinson, M.A., for 37 years principal of the Central school, this city, died suddenly about 8 o'clock here last night. The deceased was one of the best known and most respected of Brantford's citizens. As an educationist he stood among the first. He had only recently been appointed school inspector for this city. Heart failure is said to have been the cause of death, as the deceased was in about his usual health in the afternoon. Three sons and two daughters besides a wife are left to mourn his loss. The deceased was a prominent member of the Wellington Street Methodist Church.

NEW OIL COMPANIES

Two More Big Concerns to Tap the Leamington Fields.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 3. — Two new oil companies have been organized here to operate in the Leamington, Ont., oil fields. The Merchants' Oil and Gas Company, with a capital of $1,000,000, and the Leamington International Oil Company, capitalized at $50,000. There is unprecedented activity in the Leamington field, which is attracting oil men from all over the country.

NEWSPAPERMEN ELECT

Canadian Press Association in Convention at Toronto.

Toronto, Feb. 2.—The Canadian Press Association's annual meeting opened this morning in the board of trade building, with about 100 present. The election of officers resulted as follows: A. McNee, Windsor Record, president; A. H. U. Colquhoun, Toronto News, vice-president; J. R. Bone, Toronto Star, secretary; A. E. Bradwin, Blyth Standard, treasurer. The second vice-president and the executive council will be elected tomorrow. There are several nominations for these offices, and a ballot will be necessary. The officers this morning were all elected by acclamation. A committee was appointed to consider the propriety of applying for a Dominion charter.

Wholesale Smuggling Over the St. Clair Ice

Customs Department Will Make Especial Effort to Suppress the Practice.

Windsor, Ont., Feb. 3. — Drastic measures are to be taken by the customs department to suppress increased smuggling into Ontario, that is being carried on since heavy ice formed. The special officers will be at once scattered along the frontier from Port Lambton, on the River St. Clair, to the mouth of the Detroit River, below Amherstburg. The Government has received information that large quantities of all kinds of goods, implements and machinery, are being brought across the river on the ice at night.

GOVERNMENT AIDS MR. BORDEN TO GET BACK INTO HARNESS

Opposition Leader to Receive Nomination at Once and Take His Seat

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Feb. 3. — Mr. R. L. Borden, leader of the Opposition, arrived at noon today from Halifax. He was met at the station by a number of Conservative members of Parliament and others. George Taylor headed the Conservative parliamentary contingent.

There was no demonstration of any kind. Mr. Borden will go to Richmond tomorrow, where the nomination is to take place for Carleton, and will thank the electors for returning him by acclamation. The Secretary of State has written the returning officer, asking him to facilitate, in every possible way, the election of Mr. Borden. It is expected that the leader of the Opposition will be able to be in his seat in the House on Monday or Tuesday at the latest.

Died of Slow Poisoning, Says M. Syveton's Friend

Paris, Feb. 3. — The appeal against the decision of the Procurator of the Republic that Deputy Gabriel Syveton committed suicide will come before the court today. The Gaulois this morning publishes an interview with Mme. Jules Lebaudy, the well-known authoress, and an intimate friend of Syvelon's, in which he positively affirms that Syveton was gradually poisoned.

M. Syveton, who was a Nationalist deputy, was found dying in his apartments at Neuilly, on Dec. 8, apparently from asphyxiation by gas. On Nov. 4, M. Syveton had created a scene in the Chamber of Deputies by striking Minister of War Andre in the face, and he was to have been arraigned for the offense on Dec. 9. The conditions indicated suicide, but friends of the dead deputy asserted that he was the victim of foul play. In the course of the investigation it transpired that M. and Mme. Syveton had been estranged through alleged improper conduct of the deputy with his wife's daughter by her first husband, and it was also alleged that he had misappropriated $30,000 of the funds of the Nationalist political organization, of which he was the president. In the course of the examination, Mme. Syveton, while claiming that her husband committed suicide, admitted to the magistrate that she, with the help of the housekeeper, had so placed the body as to make it appear that his death was accidental, and also that she had burned his private papers.

Big Fire at St. Louis.

East St. Louis, Ill., Feb. 3. — Six large office and store buildings here were destroyed or badly damaged by fire today and several persons were injured. The loss is estimated at $265,000. Several families, who occupied flats in the upper floors of one of the buildings, was driven out into the cold.

The intense cold greatly retarded the effective fighting of the flames.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Fair and Extremely Cold

London, Friday, Feb. 3.

Sun rises..7:32 a.m. Moon rises..6:49 a.m.
Sun sets...5:31 p.m. Moon sets...5:01 p.m.

Toronto, Feb. 2—8 p.m.

Extremely low temperatures have again occurred in the Territories and Manitoba, and the cold wave continues to spread westward. Light local snowfalls have occurred in the Georgian Bay district and Nova Scotia, while elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fair.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 38 below—30 below; Port Simpson, 22—34; Victoria, 32—36; Kamloops, 4—°0; Calgary, 40 below—10 below; Qu'Appelle, 36 below—14 below; Winnipeg, 38 below—16 below; Port Arthur, 22 below —2; Parry Sound, 12 below—20; Toronto, 3—13; Ottawa, 4 below—4; Montreal, 4—8; Quebec, 6 below—6; St. John, 4—20; Halifax, 6—24.

FORECASTS.

Friday, Feb. 3—8 a.m.

Northwesterly winds; fair and extremely cold today and on Saturday.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	—30	—36	Clear
Winnipeg	—34	—36	Clear
Parry Sound	—14	—18	Clear
Toronto	— 6	— 8	Clear
Ottawa	—12	—12	Clear
Montreal	— 8	— 8	Fair
Quebec	0	— 2	Cloudy
Father Point	12	6	Snow

The sign — indicates below zero.

WEATHER NOTES.

The cold wave has not diminished in severity and is still central over Manitoba and the Northwest States. Temperatures considerably below zero were recorded throughout Ontario this morning, and in Manitoba and the Territories readings as low as 42° below zero are reported.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Thursday were: Highest, 6° above; lowest, 5° below.

REID COMPANY WINS

Newfoundland Obliged to Hand Over a Million and a Half Dollars.

St. John, N. B., Feb. 3.—The award of the arbitrators on the case between the Newfoundland Government and the Reid Company, of Newfoundland, will be published in Newfoundland today. The amount allowed to the Reid Company, after considering the Government's counter claim, is $1,503,100, with interest at 3 per cent, from October, 1903.

The fee of the two arbitrators chosen by the parties is to be paid by the parties choosing them, and that of the arbitrator appointed by the court and the expenses of the hearing is divided between the parties to the case.

It is understood that $15,000 each is the fee of the arbitrators. The award was unanimous, and was signed Jan. 14 at Toronto.

HIT DYNAMITE WITH HOT BAR

Three Workmen Badly Mangled While Blasting a Hole in Frozen Earth.

Rosethern, N. W. T., Feb. 3. — News of a serious accident on the C. N. R., twenty miles east of the Elbow, on Saturday afternoon last, reached town today. A construction gang were using dynamite to blast the frozen earth. Four men were doing the work and one of them in using a large red-hot crowbar to make a fresh hole, struck a piece of dynamite, causing a terrible explosion, which seriously wounded three of the men. It is feared one of these will lose his eyesight. Another was frightfully cut about the face, and the third man was thrown heavily to the ground, but was not seriously wounded.

FLOGGED WITHOUT A TRIAL FATE OF WARSAW PRISONERS

Many Children Shot in the Recent Riots—Cossacks Hold Up Citizens and Rob.

STRIKERS AND TROOPS IN BATTLE AT LODZ

Warsaw, Feb. 2.—More than 1,000 prisoners taken during the troubles here are confined in the fortress and jails, in addition to a large number temporarily confined at the police stations, where, without any form of trial, they are flogged. These flogging are cruelly severe. The victims are afterwards released if their relations pay the police sergeants ten roubles. Among the other abuses of suppression has been the shooting of children. The troops deliberatey shot at various times, scores of school boys from 12 to 16 years of age, because they were putting whitewash over Russian signs on shops. The troops parading the streets at night hold up respectable citizens, and compel them to hand over money. Such outrages are stirring the people to the explosion point.

Warsaw, Russian Poland, Feb. 2.—Serious disorders broke out this morning at Lodz (75 miles from Warsaw), where 25,000 men are striking. Some of the employes of a lace factory attempted to return to work, and the remainder forcibly prevented them. A strong military patrol was summoned and attacked and fired at the strikers, who replied with revolver shots. It is reported over the telephone that the firing was continued at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

Strikes were started this morning in the coal districts of Dombrowa and Sosnovice. It is feared they will have a serious effect on the industrial situation generally. Warsaw, Lodz and other important manufacturing centers are being entirely dependent for their coal supply on those districts.

Warsaw, Russian Poland, Feb. 3. — According to the best information obtainable, the official list of persons killed during the disturbances here contains over three hundred names, in addition to many unidentified bodies lying at the receiving vault in the cemetery. The latter will be buried tonight.

A group of soldiers, outside a liquor store, last night fired on passersby without warning, killing a shopkeeper and wounding another man.

Lodz, Russian Poland, Feb. 3. — In a conflict between troops and strikers at the Kounitzer factory here today the former fired, killing six persons and wounding 48. Shooting also occurred at the Keller lace factory.

MRS. GILBERT'S WILL

Leaves Gems to Godchild and Small Bequests to Friends.

New York, Feb. 3.—The will of Mrs. Anne Jane Gilbert, the aged actress who ended her long career by starring in "Granny" up to a few days before her death, which occurred in Chicago on Dec. 2, was filed in the surrogate court yesterday. Mrs. Gilbert left $10,000 personal property.

To her godchild, Clare McDowell, niece of Melbourne McDowell, she leaves her diamond earrings and bar breastpin, and to her niece, Anne Jane Fidy, a watch and chain and all her wearing apparel, furs and laces.

Bequests of books and various articles used by Mrs. Gilbert are made to "The Players," Charles Frohman, Daniel Frohman, Annie Russell, Charles Richman, Ada Rehan and John Drew.

The residue of the estate is given to her nephew, Thomas Hartley.

REWARDS FOR MURDER

Thousands for Man Who Will Kill Mayor of Chinatown.

New York, Feb. 2. — Rewards aggregating $7,000 for the assassination of Tom Lee, "Mayor of Chinatown," and reputed head of the On-Leong-Tong Secret Society, as well as for four principal members of the On-Leong-Tong, have been scattered throughout Chinatown, according to a statement made today to Magistrate Pool, in the Tombs police court, by Lee Moy, Tom Lee's secretary and right-hand man. Lee Moy was a witness in the examination of Yee-Lee, charged with the murder of Huie Fong, in Mott street last Tuesday. Tomorrow is the Chinese new year day, and Tom Lee, according to his secretary, fears that among the many visitors who have come to New York for the occasion, may be Chinamen hired to make away with him. Lee Moy told Magistrate Pool that for the last few days proclamations, believed to originate with the Hip-Sing-Tong, a rival secret society have been scattered throughout Chinatown, offering $3,000 for the assassination of Tom Lee, and $1,000 each for the killing of four officers of the On-Leong-Tong. Lee Moy said Tom Lee already had asked the police for a personal guard. The On-Leong-Tong has been represented as the back of the gambling fraternity in Chinatown while its rival, the Hip-Sing-Tong, has the reputation of being opposed to such practices.

TELEGRAPHS AND 'PHONES

Canadian Press Association Wants Them To Be Nationalized.

Toronto, Feb. 3.—At the meeting of the Canadian Press Association this morning, a resolution advocating the nationalization and Government operation of telegraphs and telephones in Canada, was adopted, and the Government was urged to take steps in this direction.

RUSS GENERALS AT FISTICUFFS

Kuropatkin Blames Grippenberg for Defeat and Strikes Him During a Quarrel.

Paris, Feb. 2. — The St. Petersburg correspondent of L'Echo de Paris says, under reserve, that Gen. Grippenberg is to return to Russia under a cloud. Kuropatkin accuses him of engaging Japanese forces at Sandepu outnumbering his own, and refusing to retire when Kuropatkin ordered him to do so, thus sacrificing 10,000 men.

The correspondent asserts that an altercation occurred, in which Kuropatkin struck Grippenberg.

16 Below at Kingston.

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 3. — This morning was the coldest experienced this winter. At 7 o'clock the thermometer reached 16 degrees below zro. The weather is clear and bright.

PRINCE EDWARD RETURNS

Official Recount Gives Currie, Liberal Eleven Majority.

Picton, Ont., Feb. 3. — The recount in Prince Edward took place here yesterday before Deputy Judge Wright. Mr. Duvernet, of Toronto, and Mr. Hubbs acted for Mr. Norman, and Mr. Widdifield and Mr. Addison for Dr. Currie. On the opening of the recount Mr. Widdifield raised the objection that a deputy judge has no authority to hold a recount. After argument Mr. Wright, with considerable hesitation, concluded to proceed with the recount, which was concluded about midnight. The result of the recount was to add two to Dr. Currie's majority, which now stands at nine, the figures being, Currie 2,273, Norman 2,264.

CUBAN CABINET CRISIS

Five Ministers Resign Because Palma Joined the Moderates.

Havana, Feb. 3. — All five members of the cabinet visited President Palma yesterday and presented their resignations. They stated that they desired, since President Palma had announced his allegiance to the Moderate party, to open the way for him to make whatever selections for cabinet officers he chose under the new conditions. President Palma declined to consider the resignations, and added that his joining the Moderate party was purely a personal act, and did not necessarily affect the cabinet. The cabinet ministers, however, are well aware that there will be changes after consultation between President Palma and the Moderate leaders.

ONE OF THE BANDITS

Man Confesses to Being Member of the "Car Barn" Gang.

St. Louis, Feb. 3. — Andrew Kurrowski, for whose arrese a reward of $500 was offered some time ago in Chicago, is in custody here, and has made a confession that he was a companion in crime of Marx and Van Dine, the Chicago so-called "car barn bandits," who were hanged last year. Kurrowski came from Memphis, where he said he had hidden $1,000 worth of booty.

"I came to St. Louis," he said, "to plunder and rob. I have shot fifteen men, some fatally. I have been in the reformatory at Pontiac, Ill., twice — once for robbery and assault to kill, and once for a street car hold-up in Chicago. I have been a bandit since I was 10 years old."

Kurrowski is now about 25 years of age.

THREE MINISTERS TO STEP OUT

Serious Crisis in the Quebec Cabinet—Gouin, Weir and Turgeon Will Resign.

Quebec, Feb. 3.—Nothing is definitely known as yet in regard to the provincial cabinet crisis, but it is stated that the resignations of Hon. Messrs. Gouin, Weir and Turgeon will be in the hands of Prime Minister Parent before the next cabinet meeting tomorrow. It is also stated that the resignation of the Provincial Treasurer, Mr. McCorkill, will follow. Mr. Alexander Taschereau is spoken of as a future member of the cabinet. Hon. Mr. Parent, who was to start for South America in the interests of his health, has canceled his trip.

MUCH RICH LOOT IN THE KREMLIN

If Mob Seizes Moscow Palace Will Be Sacked.

IS FULL OF GEMS AND GOLD

Priceless Ornaments, Works of Art, and Precious Stones in the Great Fortress-Cathedral.

Washington, Feb. 2. — If a mob should secure control of the city of Moscow it undoubtedly would loot the Kremlin, that ancient and imposing citadel of the Russian czars, within whose treasury is a collection of gold, silver and precious stones of enormous value. The Kremlin is an enormous fortress, and for a thousand years has sheltered the throne and the treasures of the Russian Empire. It is what the Acropolis is to Athens, the Alhambra to Spain, Windsor Castle to London and the Vatican to Rome. It stands upon an eminence, a city within a city, washed on three sides by the River Volga and inclosed by a wall nearly a mile and a half long. The Kremlin is not only the legal capital of the empire, the location of the throne and the residence of the Czar, but is also the headquarters of the orthodox Greek Church. The walls inclose a large group of buildings consisting of the ancient palace of the czars, the palace of the holy synod, the Church of the Assumption, in which the autocrats of all the Russias must be crowned; the Church of the Annunciation, in which they must be baptized and married, and the Church of St. Michael, in which their imperial bones, until the last century, were laid. There are two monasteries, two barracks, capable of sheltering 3,000 soldiers; a monument erected in honor of Alexander II., the emancipator; the great bell of Moscow, and the tower of Ivan, which you saw pictured in the geographies when you were a child, and the treasury in which the thrones, crowns, scepters, coronation robes, state carriages, table plate, jeweled ornaments and other relics of the House of Romanoff are preserved. According to an ancient custom every ruler of Russia until recent years has had his own crown and throne and scepter, and each has endeavored to surpass his predecessors in taste and extravagance.

As you know, Moscow, instead of St. Petersburg, is the capital of Russia, but the court resides in the latter place for reasons of convenience. The palace in the Kremlin is always kept in readiness for its imperial tenant, and he spends a few weeks there at intervals each year, in order to gratify the loyal subjects in the holy city — "Our Mother Moscow." In some respects it is the finest residence of all the sovereigns of Europe—not so immense as the winter palace at St. Petersburg, but richer and more majestic, and some of the rooms, notably the halls of the Order of St. George, the Order of St. Alexander Nevski and the Orders of St. Andrew and St. Catherine, are without doubt, the finest in the world. The first named is 200 feet long and 68 feet wide and the ceiling is 58 feet from the floor. These rooms are seldom used except at a funeral or a coronation. There are numerous other state apartments finished and furnished with barbaric splendor five and six hundred years ago, much gold and silver and many precious stones having been used. Gold was once so plentiful in Russia that it was spread over the walls of palaces; jewels were so numerous that they were imbedded as ornaments in doors, mantels, chandeliers, stoves and furniture, while silver was used as we use wood for tables, picture frames, balustrades, chandeliers, cabinets and thrones.

The throne of Ivan the Terrible, for example, is made of solid silver, ornamented with gold and studded thickly with gems. His robe of state, which is still on exhibition, was described by a writer of the fifteenth century as "seeming to be one sheet of diamonds, while his neck-collar, the bands of his sleeves and the train that he drew behind him were within of sable and without of upiform pearls like large drops of water of the purest whiteness, each being of the value of a male slave." This mantle can be seen any day between the hours of 10 and 3 in the treasury, and the ancient writer did not exaggerate its richness.

According to popular opinion there is in the Kremlin enough useless treasure to pay the public debt of Russia; and in the churches and the palaces enough gold and jewels to build a schoolhouse in every village and give an education to every child in the empire. The Czar has 21 city and country palaces—all of them sumptuously furnished and filled with costly plate and ornaments — but the palace of the Kremlin surpasses them all for the richness, value and uniqueness of its treasures. The palace of the holy synod, which is the official residence of the metropolitan of the orthodox Greek Church, contains sacred treasures of similar value. The collection of pontifical robes dates back to the tenth and eleventh centuries, and they are ornamented with rare and valuable jewels. The diamond in the miter of a metropolitan who lived in the fifteenth century is valued at $250,000, and in another is what is claimed to be the finest sapphire in the world, valued at $100,000. The priest who showed these things to me a few years ago told me in a naive way that he did not believe there was money enough in all the universe to replace the jewels which were spread before our eyes and that it would be impossible to duplicate them even if there were money enough to pay the bill. He showed me a ring set with a cameo head of the Prophet Daniel, which, he assured us, was made for King Belshazzar, and an alabaster vase said to contain the ointment that remained after Mary had bathed the feet of the Savior. That is the chrism brought from Constantinople after the division of the Christian church, and from it is taken the oil with which the czars are anointed. One drop is used at the coronation of each czar, and no more; and it is replaced with an equal quantity of oil, so that the precious ointment never grows less.

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Robert Moffatt is about to give up Midneck Farm, Westerkirk, Dumfries, Scotland. The farm was originally granted to Thomas Moffatt by Robert Bruce in 1302. In 1670 the Moffatts sold it to the Duke of Buccleuch, but continued as tenants to this day.

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BEAR, BOAR, DOG MIX-UP

Bear Started It, Boar Tackles Him Dog is Killed, Bullet Ends Bruin.

Wind Gap, Pa., Feb. 2. — Aroused from his slumbers at 3 o'clock yesterday morning by an unearthly chorus of roars, squeals and yelps, Samuel W. Hoffman, a woodchopper, living at the base of the Blue Mountains, several miles from here, jumped out of bed, and, without waiting to dress, grabbed his rifle and hurried to his pigpen, the scene of the fray.

There, in front of his pigsty, were his fat boar, his bulldog, and a big black bear in a furious conflict. The three were so mixed up that it was some time before Hoffman could get a chance to put in a shot. Finally, the bulldog was sent spinning in the air, dead, and a few more blows were sufficient for the boar, and then Bruin shambled off for the woods, when he was dropped by a bullet.

The bear had climbed into the pigsty, killed one pig, and, in all probability had been attacked in turn by the boar.

WOMEN AND BABES ARE CREMATED?

Philadelphia Police Receive a Confession Revealing Shocking Deeds.

Philadelphia, Feb. 2.—Half the Central detective force and all the coroners' office detectives are working on information received by Coroner Dugan in a letter from a woman which reveals the alleged wholesale killing of babies and the cremation of their bodies and those of many women in a doctor's establishment with three sub-branches in a fashionable section of the city. The woman says in her letter:

"I am conscience-stricken, and think it my duty to inform you of the illegal practice that is carried on in the house. I have been an inmate of the place, but luckily was able to escape alive.

"In that house bodies are burned in the furnace in the cellar almost every day in the year.

"Mrs. Ashmead's deeds do not compare with those perpetrated in this house. In the Ashmead house only infants were thrown into the fire and burned to death.

"But here things are different. It seems almost impossible to believe, but women of ages ranging from 20 to 30 years have entered the house and never been heard of again. No doubt their ashes have been set out upon the curbstone and carried away by collectors of rubbish.

"Remember, this letter contains nothing but facts. I have been in and suffered in the house and know of what I write.

"Patients are cruelly treated and beaten. The women are abused beyond description, and at times die in agony."

The writer gave names addresses and dates to corroborate her story.

The coroner said that he expected important developments. The "missing" books are filled with names of girls who have been traced to Philadelphia, and never after seen. The police have evidence that at least ten of these have died and that their bodies were never recovered.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Feb. 2.—At New York—Teutonic, from Liverpool; Citto di Napoli, from Genoa; Patricia, from Hamburg.
At Glasgow—Siberian, from Portland.
At Havre—La Savoie, from New York.
At Naples—Koenig Albert, from New York.

What to Do for Heart Trouble

I back up my advice with this Remarkable Offer—A Full Dollar's Worth of My Remedy Free to Prove That I Am Right.

I ask no reference, no deposit, no security. There is nothing to promise, nothing to pay—either now or later. To any heart sufferer who has not tried my remedy—Dr. Shoop's Restorative—I will gladly give, free, not a mere sample, but a full dollar bottle.

I am warranted in making this unusual offer because mine is no ordinary remedy. It does not vainly try to stimulate the heart. Such treatments are worse than useless. It goes straight to the cause of all heart trouble—the heart nerves—and strengthens them and vitalizes them and restores them. Then that is the end of heart diseases.

For the heart itself has no more self-control than a common sponge. It is made to beat by a tender nerve so tiny that it is scarcely visible to the naked eye. Yet ten thousand times a day this delicate nerve must cause the heart to expand and contract.

The heart is about the size of your clenched fist. Open and close your fist a dozen times, even, and you will see the monstrous labor this little nerve must do.

The heart is only one of the branches of the great sympathetic nervous system. Each branch of this system is so closely allied with the others that weakness or irregularity at any point is apt to spread. Heart trouble frequently arises from Stomach trouble through sympathy, and Kidney trouble may also follow. For each of these organs is operated by a branch of these same sympathetic nerves—the inside nerves.

The bond of sympathy between the nerves that operate the vital organs has a useful purpose, as well. For what will cure weakness in one branch will surely cure weakness in every branch—what will restore one center will surely restore them all.

There is nothing new about this—nothing any physician would dispute. But it remained for Dr. Shoop to apply this knowledge—to put it to practical use. Dr. Shoop's Restorative is the result of a quarter century of endeavor along this very line. It does not dose the organ or deaden the pain—but it does go at once to the nerve—the inside nerve—the power nerve—and builds it up, and strengthens it and makes it well.

If you have heart trouble and have never tried my remedy, merely write and ask. I will send you an order on your druggist, which he will accept as gladly as he would accept a dollar. He will hand you from his shelves a standard-sized bottle of my prescription, and he will send the bill to me. This offer is made only to strangers to my remedy. Those who have once used the Restorative do no need this evidence. There are no conditions—no requirement. It is open and frank and fair. It is the supreme test of my limitless belief. All that I ask you to do is to write—write today.

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Raymond Hitchcock Loses His Cigarette Factory.

WAS PARTNER WITH ARMENIAN

The Ruined Venture of a Thespian Who Was the Press Agent for His Own Brand.

New York, Feb. 2. — The Hoob cigarette plant at 32 East Twenty-third street was cleaned out by burglars some time on Thursday night and 10,000 boxes of Egyptian cigarettes, at 35 cents a box, carried away. This was the entire reserve supply on hand, and the burglary may put the manufacturing firm of S. S. Momjian & Co. out of business, Momjian is an Armenian, and his partner is Raymond Hitchcock, the star of "The Yankee Consul," at Wallack's.

The burglary is a sore blow to Hitchcock, for it was he who supplied the money, while his Armenian partner furnished the experience. Hitchcock has spent several months of missionary work in plugging for his own cigarettes, and he managed to get them on sale at many of the leading clubs and several of the large hotels.

Whenever the comedian was asked by his friends why he was so interested in this particular brand the never made any bones about explaining. His stock explanation was this:

"What's 'Hoob' stand for? You don't know, of course. Translated it means 'Hitchcock's Original Oriental Brand.' That explains why I think they are the best on the market.'

Hitchcock was introduced to his partner six months ago by Flora Zabelle, the actress, who is engaged to marry the comedian. Miss Zabelle is an Armenian, and Momjian looked her up when he arrived in this country. Momjian is said to be an expert in tobacco, but because of his very limited knowledge of English he could not obtain employment in this city. He soon learned that Hitchcock was a cigarette smoker, and he made him cigarettes.

The actor liked them, and passed them around among his friends. All agreed with Hitchcock that they were good. The comedian had $3,000 that was not drawing interest, and he proposed to the Armenian that they become partners and put the Momjian make of cigarettes on the market. Momjian was delighted with the proposition, and they hired quarters in the Twenty-third street building.

Momjian began business last June and he blended all the tobacco put in the cigarettes, while he hired a couple of men to make them. Hitchcock played his part by boosting the cigarettes whenever he could.

Everything was running smoothly until the burglars visited the plant. When they carried away all the stock in the place they practically put the cigarette firm out of business.

When Momjian discovered the burglary he was like a crazy man. He hustled to the hotel where Hitchcock is living and told him of the firm's loss. The actor didn't take the visitation of the burglar philosophically. He said many things that wouldn't look nice in print, and he ordered Momjian to hotfoot it to the nearest police station and roar loud and long about the firm's loss.

Momjian followed his partner's instructions and he went to the Tenderloin station.

With tears in his eyes and in broken English he told his tale of woe. Two detectives looked wise and calmed the excited Armenian by telling him they would soon have the burglars in prison and recover the stolen property. Nothing has been done about the robbery yet.

Momjian called again at the Tenderloin station yesterday to see why the police had not made good on their promises. He got no satisfaction except that detectives were busy.

Hitchcock said yesterday he didn't know whether he would put up any more money or not. He has a suspicion that a number of young men who attend a school near his tobacco plant might be able to tell something about the missing cigarettes. They only had to force one lock to get into the plant.

"I hope the burglars will smoke themselves to death," said Hitchcock yesterday, "but the cigarettes are so good that I'm sure they won't hurt them. Anyone I find displaying a nice green box with a draped female reclining near a harp will be under suspicion, for those cigarette boxes were designed by me. In each of the 10,000 boxes were ten cigarettes, so the thieves won't have to buy smokes for some time to come. The robbery has put the business on the bum and I don't know whether it will ever recover from it.

"I'm mighty glad I have a couple of dozen boxes at the hotel for my own use. The burglars who honored us by a visit know a good thing. I'll show them I'm a good fellow if they will come and see me. Why, I've got so much respect for them that I'll give them passes to see 'The Yankee Consul.' I may be a bad actor, but as a hoodoo partner in a tobacco firm I'm immense."

THE JAMES BAY RAILWAY

Asks Power to Change Name and Lease Lines to the C. N. R.

Ottawa, Feb. 2.—Mr. Watson (Parry Sound) presented in the house today the petition of the James' Bay Railway Company, of Toronto, for legislative authority to change its name, and empowering it to lease, purchase or otherwise acquire the bonds of the Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Railway Company; also to extend and define the powers of the company with respect to the issue of bonds, debentures and other securities, and for power to construct the lines of railway below mentioned; also empowering the company to lease to the Canadian Northern Railway Company its lines or leased lines, or any of them, and to give that company running powers over them. The lines above referred to are: (1) From a point on the company's line south of Lake Muskoka, thence easterly to Montreal, passing through or near Ottawa, with branches to Ottawa and Hawkesbury; (2) from a point on or to the French River, thence easterly to Montreal, passing through or near Ottawa, with branches to Ottawa and Hawkesbury; (3) from a point on the company's line at or near Sudbury, thence westerly and south of Lake Nipigon to a point on the Canadian Northern Railway west of Port Arthur, passing through or near Port Arthur, or with a branch to Port Arthur.

The United States navy department is after good watches for the men and officers who man torpedo boats. It is said that from $75 to $150 is offered for an American watch which can stand the constant shaking which it must receive on these unstable little craft.

A NEW SUNSPOT

It Is 80,000 Miles in Width and Can Be Seen Today.

Chicago, Feb. 2. — A sun spot believed to be one of the largest and best defined every observed has been discovered by Prof. A. H. Cole, a local astronomer. Projected through a small opera glass on a sheet of white paper, a disc measuring six inches in diameter was disclosed. Mathemetical calculations proved that the spot on the surface of the sun was one-tenth of its total diameter, or over 80,000 miles in its widest part.

The spot is egg-shaped, and can easily be discerned through a smoked glass. It is situated east of the central portion of the sun and today will be almost in the middle of the luminary. The spot will be visible for seven days.

HOUSE TALKS CATTLE EMBARGO

Hon. Mr. Fisher States Position of Government in Regard to the Matter.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 2. — That much-discussed question, the British embargo on Canadian cattle, bobbed up in the House today. It was introduced by Mr. Lennox, who drew attention to the remark of Mr. Henry Chaplin, the British M. P., in which he said that to remove the embargo would be an act of insanity.

In reply, Mr. Fisher said Mr. Lennox had brought up an important question, and one which was apparently engaging the attention of public men in the old country. He said he had watched closely the reports of the utterances on this subject of public men of both parties during the campaign now going on in the old country, but he had felt it was not for any public man in Canada to interject into a political controversy in the old land, the view of the Canadian people on this subject. He thought that it would injure the position that Canada might occupy in the discussion of the subject with the British Government when the time was ripe for reopening the discussion. Some time ago the then Minister of Agriculture in England declared emphatically there was no use discussing the question, because the embargo would not be removed. Since that statement the Government felt there was nothing further to do until an opportunity arose for reopening the question. "Within the last few weeks," continued Mr. Fisher, "what appeared to me to be an opportune occasion for reopening the question occurred. There was a report, apparently authentic, that the present Minister of Agriculture in England had declared that from his own observations the people of Canada seemed to be satisfied with the present condition of affairs, and that being the case, there was no necessity for further discussing the matter. I took the liberty of making a recommendation to his excellency in council that a dispatch should be sent to the Home Government, drawing attention to this utterance, asking if it were correctly reported, and pointing out that if so, the Minister of Agriculture was laboring under a most grave misapprehension as to the condition of opinion on this question in Canada. So far no reply to that dispatch has been received." Mr. Fisher added that the question was an important one to Canadian stock-raisers and those engaged in the live-stock trade between Canada and the old land. "I want to assure the honorable gentlemen and the House," said the minister, in conclusion, "that the question is one which is being closely watched by the Government, and that every occasion on which the views of the Canadian people and the interests of the Canadian trade can be furthered will be taken advantage of, and has been taken advantage of."

Mounted Police Pay.

The Premier's measure to increase the pay of the Northwest Mounted Police was given its third reading.

Ticket of Leave Men.

When discussing the estimates of the justice department, Mr. Fitzpatrick stated that the ticket-of-leave system was proving most satisfactory. The parole men, he explained, are required to report once a month to the police, who in some cases went to the trouble of notifying the men's employers. "This," said Mr. Fitzpatrick, "is an act of cruelty."

The binder twine manufactured in the Kingston Penitentiary was criticised by several members as not being up to standard quality.

Answers to Inquiries.

In reply to a number of questions as to Mr. W. T. R. Preston, the Premier said there was no friction between that gentleman and the high commissioner. As a matter of fact, Mr. Preston has no jurisdiction over the staff of the high commissioner's office, his duties being those of commissioner of immigration, with supervision of the European agencies. Mr. Preston's salary is $3,000 a year, and his traveling expenses last year were $679. His last report was for the fiscal year 1903-4, and is now being printed.

Mr. Emmerson informed Mr. Lancaster that 25 extra men had been employed on the Welland Canal in September, 74 in October and 42 in November.

Mr. Northrup inquired who no return had been made of the election of Dr. Thompson as member for the Yukon, in consequence of which he had not yet been gazetted, although he was elected on Dec. 16.

Mr. Fitzpatrick said that in reply to a telegram sent by the Secretary of State, the returning officer of the Yukon said that he had fixed Feb. 7, as the date of return of the writ. Thereupon the Government, not wishing to have Dr. Thompson kept so long out of his seat, had wired the returning officer to expedite matters so Dr. Thompson could take his seat without delay.

Mere woman is not counted as a personal entity in the census of Siam, but the Queen appears in bloomers and a fancy blouse at public receptions. Electric street cars, controlled by Danes, run at a fast pace over an 11-mile route in and about Bangkok.

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OUR IMPORTS EXCEED EXPORTS

Former Increased Nearly Eighteen Millions During the Past Year.

Ottawa, Feb. 2. — The annual report of the trade and commerce department, which was tabled yesterday, shows that for the last fiscal year there was an increase of nearly $18,000,000 in the imports and a falling off in exports of over $12,000,000, leaving a net gain of nearly $6,000,000.

The increase in imports during the year has been general on all important articles, notably among them, coal, coke, etc., to the extent of about $4,640,000; sugar and molasses nearly $2,300,000; tea, $1,222,000; wood and manufacturers of, $200,000; wool and manufacturers of, over $1,700,000; electrical apparatus, nearly $800,000. The exact figures as regards the articles are shown in the detailed statements.

On the other hand the decrease in exports amounted to over $1,600,000 on animals (living); over $10,800,000 on breadstuffs, wheat; over $1,000,000 on fish; over $4,000,000 on provisions; over $3,000,000 on wood, unmanufactured. There has, however, been an increase in the exports of minor articles aggregating nearly $8,500,000, leaving a net total decrease of $12,328,489.

Nearly the whole net decrease is attributable to the one item, wheat. The production for export in Manitoba, and the Northwest was considerably less than in the previous year, the quantity inspected at Winnipeg being but 40,400,000 bushels, as against nearly 52,000,000 the previous year, indicating that practically the some proportionate quantity to that produced was inspected as in the year 1902. The great influx of immigration into the Northwest and the increased acreage prepared for the coming year's crop would naturally account for the holding back of a larger quantity for consumption and seed than was the case in the previous year, reducing to that extent the quantity available for export.

It might be interesting to note that the total increase in the aggregate trade of the country for the 20 years from 1873 to 1893 was a little less than $30,000,000, while for the eleven years since 1893 the increase has exceeded $225,000,000.

During the year there was an increase in the imports from British Guiana and the British West Indies aggregating $4,500,000 in round numbers. This has practically all occurred in the imports and is covered by the item, sugar, where the increase from British Guiana has exceeded $1,600,000, and from the British West Indies $2,700,000, or a total of some $4,370,000; on the other hand the imports from Germany of sugar fell off from $3,116,741 in 1903 to $368,717 in 1904.

The blue book also contains a valuable report by Mr. F. C. T. O'Hara, superintendent of commercial agencies, dealing with important features in the communications of Canadian trade agents.

14 Below in Chicago.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—By far the coldest weather of the season prevailed here today, the temperature dropping to 14 below zero. The cold played havoc with many of the transportation lines. The surface car lines were delayed, and the trains on the "L" roads were unusually crowded. Through trains on nearly all railroads were delayed from 1 to 1½ hours.

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 2.—The official minimum temperature today in St. Paul was 24 degrees below zero. Havre, Mont., reports 46 below. Other below zero points are Williston, N. D., 42; Devil's Lake, N. D., 36; Bismarck, N. D., 36; Miles City, Mont., 36; Pierre, S. D., 38; Huron, S. D., 36.

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FAWCETT—At the family residence, 56 Elmwood avenue, on Feb. 1, 1905, Alice Irene, beloved and only surviving daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Fawcett, aged 14 years.

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Accounts to the amount of $38 05 were submitted to the board. They were largely for assistance given to poor families during the recent severe weather, and were ordered to be paid.

The report presented by Mr. Sanders, the secretary and inspector, covered a wide range of effort along the lines for which the society exists. In one instance the society was instrumental in sending to the Northwest to his father, who is certainly the best person to have the control of him, an obstreperous boy who has given a good deal of trouble to the authorities. His sister, a very capable young girl, was also sent, and is going to do everything in her power to pave the way for the rest of the family to follow.

Since making his last report, the inspector had visited a number of families who, owing to various causes, were in straitened circumstances, and immediate assistance in the shape of fuel, groceries or clothing, was given whenever necessary.

A Peculiar Case.

A case of peculiar interest and one with which the inspector dealt at some length, was that of a woman, who at about 5 o'clock a night or two ago, was brought to his office. She gave the name of Mary Parkey, and said she had just come out from Germany, but as her husband was an Englishman she could speak fairly good English. She had been intercepted on the street by a well-known and charitably disposed lady. The woman was accompanied by her little 5-year-old boy, ill-clad, and she carried a bundle of clothing under her arm. At the society's office she said she was just starting out to walk to her husband, who was working in the bush about twelve miles out of the city. Had the woman been allowed to continue her journey, she and the little boy, clad as they were, could hardly have escaped being frozen to death, as the night was one of the coldest we have yet had. They were placed in a good boarding-house, given supper and breakfast, and the next morning sent by train to where the husband was working, from whom it is hoped she received the loving welcome she was expecting.

Few Cases of Begging.

It was stated that there had been very few cases of begging reported, and that London was practically free from tramps. Work, the inspector said, is quite plentiful and the society is doing but very little wood-cutting this winter. Orders were given to two or three men, who never returned them, possibly because they had secured other work. A number of odd jobs have been given men. The board's thanks are due a number of friends, who have sent in donations of clothing, all of which was very acceptable to those to whom it was distributed.

In connection with the Humane Society work, it was mentioned that a medical gentleman had drawn the attention of the vice-president to the cruelty of placing in a horse's mouth a cold iron bit. He suggested as a remedy to this either placing the bit in warm water, or what is still more easily accomplished, simply holding it between the hands and blowing the breath upon it. It is hoped that boys driving delivery horses, who, while perhaps not absolutely cruel, are, however, sometimes a little careless, will take particular notice of this simple method of adding to the comfort of the animals under their care during the cold weather.

WILD DEER RAISE MOTHERLESS CALF

Bossy Grew Fat With Herd, and She Will Not Return to Civilization.

Shrewsbury, Vt., Feb. 2.—A calf lost last spring by John Wyman has been found back on Shrewsbury Peak living with a herd of deer, and refuses to return to civilization and to orthodox bovine habits. The animal, a Holstein, was missed one morning in May when it was about a month old, and three weeks later was reported by a fisherman, who said he had seen it with a herd of deer near the western base of the mountain. The calf's mother had been sold three days before it disappeared, and Mr. Wyman was of the opinion that the little creature, which was bullied by the cows in the barnyard, sought companionship among some does that came down to the meadows to feed.

Several days ago the farmer went up the mountain to mark out a wood lot near the forested cone. He had finished his work and was eating his lunch when his attention was attracted by a movement in the undergrowth. He remained quiet, and in a few moments a big buck passed within 30 yards of him, crossed a clearing and ambled leisurely down the mountain. A short time later a doe followed and then another doe. Eventually six female deer passed, and then a well developed young Holstein cow, its coat sleek and its horns long and sharp, came into view. It saw the man and stood stock still. The report of the fisherman flashed over Wyman's mind, and he started cautiously toward the cow. He had branded his calf on the left side, and he finally got around where he could see her flank. There, sure enough, was his herder's mark.

The animal seemed quite tame and the farmer got up almost close enough to put his hand on her before she bounded off into the woods. Mr. Wyman was anxious to regain his cow and next day took his hired man and a rope and returned up the mountain. He picked up the trail where he had seen the animal, and a few hours later came up with the herd close to the peak. The buck stamped and ran, but the heifer and three of the does remained.

A box of grain was placed in the snow and a noose was stretched across the top. Then the men, with one end of the rope in their hands, retired to a distance and waited. First the does approached and nibbled the grain. Then the cow came forward and did likewise. When she got her head well down in the box the noose was pulled taut and the end of the rope wound around a tree. Instantly the heifer began to kick and bolt, but she couldn't free herself, and after the does had been chased off the men set about getting her to the farm.

This was a serious undertaking as the cow was strong and wild, but by coaxing, prodding and pulling they finally got her to the village, where she was an object of uncommon interest. That night the cow was locked in the horse barn and spent several hours trying to butt her way out. She refused to eat or drink and, fearing that she would die, Wyman placed her next morning in an inclosure used for colts. This was a yard with a strong fence eight feet high, and he had no idea that bossy could get out. But she had hardly been liberated before she took the fence at a single bound and the last seen of her she was making for the mountain with her tail in the air.

INVESTIGATE.

For over a quarter of a century Angier's Emulsion has been the remedy of physicians. It has always given satisfactory and beneficial results. It has never disappointed. It will do the same for you. If you are suffering from hoarseness, throat irritation or weakness, cough, bronchitis, weak lungs or consumption, try it.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN—Know all men, that application has this day been made for the transfer of the license now held by James McDonald, of London, to William P. Hanford, of the same place. Application will be considered by the Board of License Commissioners on or about the 10th day of February next. J. H. BROWN, license inspector. Feb. 3, 1905. 28c

NOTICE.

There will be a demonstration on the Market Square on Saturday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, when the features of "DIAMOND POWDER," the new fire extinguisher, will be exhibited. b

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OLD STANDARD CLEANING WORKS, 543 Clarence—Pressing, cleaning, etc. No contract work. No chemicals used.

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CRUSHED BY BELLS

Tragic Ending of a Ringer in Church Belfry in England.

London, Feb. 2. — In the gloomy belfry of the parish church, Stoke-on-Trent, one of the saddest tragedies in local history has occurred, says the Daily Mail.

It was the duty of Thomas Rose, who was a ringer, to keep the bells well oiled, and on Saturday evening he went to the church, accompanied by his two children, intending to carry out his weekly task.

Leaving the children in the church below, Rose ascended the belfry steps. They listened till his footsteps died away, then seated themselves in the lonely church to await his return.

The minutes went by, and as no sound could be heard of their parent they went to the foot of the spiral staircase, and with childish impatience, called him by name.

They were answered only by the echoes of their own cries, so in terror they ran from the church and sought their mother.

Fearing that something untoward had happened, the poor woman, with the sexton, named Weaver, went to the church. They hastily climbed the 120 steps that led to the belfry, and a strange and sad spectacle met their gaze.

Rose was pinned between a bell weighing 14 cwt. and an iron girder, which forms part of the bell chamber. He was dead. His chest was crushed in and his spine injured. He was in such a position that his face was hidden in the hollow of the ponderous bell that had caused his death.

It is supposed that the bell was hanging at an angle when Rose entered the chamber, and in endeavoring to right it he had caused it to swing towards him, being trapped before he had time to shift his position.

The sexton had great difficulty in inducing the grief-stricken widow to leave the scene. Three policemen were called, and it was only by their united efforts that Rose's crushed body could be extricated from the trap.

VISITING OLD HOME.

Mr. John Glass, of Chicago, a former Londoner, who is now western advertising agent for C. J. Bellson, of New York, has been visiting in London for some days. Mr. Glass is the youngest son of the late Sheriff Glass, and brother of Charles T. Glass and S. F. Glass. About thirteen years ago he left this city to become inspector for the Canada Life Association in Michigan, with headquarters in Detroit. A few years later he entered the newspaper field and became the advertising manager of the Detroit News. He was very successful in this position, but finally resigned it to accept a more lucrative one with his present firm. Mr. Glass's territory covers from Buffalo to San Francisco, over which he represents the Philadelphia Inquirer, the Pittsburg Press, the Cleveland Plaindealer, Indiana Star League (three papers), the Columbus Dispatch, Dayton News, Baltimore World, Detroit News, Detroit Tribune, Grand Rapids Press, Bay City Times, Arkansas Democrat. In the newspaper world Mr. Glass is known as one of the brightest men in the advertising business, and besides this is very popular with all.

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THINK OF NATION, NOT OF SELF

Chamberlain Wants Britishers To Be Imperial.

BIG SACRIFICE MUST BE MADE

The British Empire the Greatest Responsibility Ever Placed Upon a Nation.

London, Feb. 2. — Mr. Chamberlain, speaking at Gainsborough, urged upon his audience the desirability of thinking imperially, without reference to antiquated conditions of themselves and their country. Everybody should think, not of himself, but of his country, the life of which was prolonged long after he had ceased his existence. He described the empire as a responsibility such as had never been placed on any nation before. For the moment the empire is a loose bundle of sticks, bound together by a thin sentiment of sympathy, but so slender that a rough blow might scatter it into its constituent elements. The British Empire, won by sacrifice, can only be maintained by sacrifices. Those who hated the name of imperialism, as Mr. Campbell-Bannerman had said, were honest in saying there was no need of a change in the fiscal policy, but such a policy was selfish and short-sighted. If anything should happen which should weaken the ties, or the colonies should map out a course of their own, Great Britain in trade would lose her most promising customers.

Referring to colonial support in the late war, Mr. Chamberlain said it for the first time made possible organized union of all the different parts of the British Empire for common objects. He again quoted the remarks of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Premier Deakin and the late Cecil Rhodes. Dealing with the colonial offer, he said that when Sir Wilfrid Laurier says, "We offer to meet you and make a treaty with you by which you shall treat us and we will treat you a little better than we both treat the foreigner," Mr. Chamberlain remarked: "I do not know any name in the English language that I can give that statement except an offer which Sir Wilfrid Laurier has made. It has been repeated in different words and different forms, but always to the same effect, not only by statesmen in Canada whichever side of politics they are on, but also by the statesmen of the other self-governing colonies." He told his audience they were not bound with open mouth and shut eyes to take whatever the colonies gave them. They were asked to meet friends and relations. It was a friendly meeting, to see whether the empire cannot be more closely united upon a basis of a preferential policy.

A SUCCESSFUL MERCHANT TAILOR

Mr. James Ferguson's Patrons Steadily on the Increase—New Ideas for Spring.

Few men in the merchant tailor business keep so thoroughly abreast of the times as Mr. James Ferguson, of East London. He has just returned from attending the big convention of cutters held in Philadelphia, and while away, visited New York to obtain the latest ideas in the fashions of the season. This enterprising merchant tailor's patrons are steadily increasing in number, which is just the result of the fact that he keeps only first-class goods and makes them up in the latest styles and most perfect fit. Mr. Ferguson's store, 639½ Dundas street, is the headquarters in East London for perfect tailoring.

Coughs, colds, hoarseness, and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Vapo-Cresolene tablets, ten cents per box. All druggists.

THEY DRIVE PIMPLES AWAY.—A face covered with pimples is unsightly. It tells of internal irregularities which should long since have been corrected. The liver and the kidneys are not performing their functions in the healthy way they should, and these pimples are to let you know that the blood protests. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills will drive them all away, and will leave the skin clear and clean. Try them, and there will be another witness to their excellence.

At St. Augustine, Fla., is the only mill in the world that gets its power direct from an artesian well.

A MERRY HEART GOES ALL THE DAY.—But one cannot have a merry heart if he has a pain in the back or a cold with a racking cough. To be merry one must be well and free from aches and pains. Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil will relieve all pains, muscular or otherwise, and for the speedy treatment of colds and coughs it is a splendid medicine.

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LONDON, FRIDAY, FEB. 3.

Autonomy of the Northwest.

The most important question to come before the Federal Parliament during the present session will be the autonomy of the Northwest Territories. The Federal Government has been in consultation with members of the territorial administration, and it is expected they will agree upon a bill, which will be shortly laid before the House of Commons.

The Laurier Government, in 1897, conceded a very large measure of responsible government to the territories, and has always recognized that complete Provincial autonomy must follow as soon as the conditions gave some assurance of finality. The great influx of population during the past few years, and the rapid settlement and development of the country, have convinced the Government that the time is now ripe for the erection of one or more provinces.

Under the present system the Federal Government performs a number of services which the Territories will have to take over when they acquire a Provincial status. The Federal Government maintains the Northwest Mounted Police, the administration of justice, and various public works. It provides the bulk of the money which the Territorial Government spends; the latter has comparatively little local revenue, and no borrowing powers. The Northwest Assembly has demanded jurisdiction over "all the mines, minerals, timber and royalties belonging to the crown," and situated in the Territories, but it remains to be seen whether the Dominion Government will hand over these rights at the present time. The crown lands in Manitoba are still under the control of the Dominion Government, though it is only a matter of time when these will devolve on the Province. The Territories, under Provincial incorporation, will receive an annual subsidy from the Federal exchequer, as do the other Provinces, and will be able to support their new dignity by going into debt, and exercising powers of taxation which they do not now possess.

It is hoped and believed that there will be no friction over the school question. The educational system of the Territories is administered by a Council of Public Instruction, in which the Roman Catholics have their representatives. Under the existing law a minority of ratepayers in any public school district, whether Protestant or Roman Catholic, may establish a separate school, and the ratepayers establishing such a school shall be liable only to assessment of such rates as they impose upon themselves in respect thereof. Religious instruction is permitted within one-half hour previous to the closing of a school in the afternoon, provided the permission of the trustees is obtained, but children need not remain unless their parents so desire. It has been charged that the Dominion Government postponed the consideration of the question of Provincial autonomy because of possible difficulties over the settlement of the school problem. The Minister of the Interior referred to the matter in the House of Commons in 1902, as follows:

"I am bound to say, so far as I am concerned, and so far as I know, there is no political advantage to be gained by either party in connection with the settlement of this question. I know of no political game that can be played, and my own view is that the school question is settled so far as the Northwest Territories are concerned. I understand the settlement at which they have arrived—and I am very happy to be able to express that opinion—is a satisfactory one, and that the Roman Catholic people on the one hand, and the Protestant people on the other, feel that they have a satisfactory compromise, and there is no necessity for difficulty or agitation upon the question."

The leader of the Opposition, Mr. Borden, replied that he was glad to note that the Minister of the Interior regarded the question as settled, and he hoped this opinion would be found to be correct. If the Dominion and the Territorial Governments agree upon the school question and other constitutional points involved in the erection of one or more Provinces, there will probably be little or no agitation in the country.

The Threatened Gerrymander.

The Hamilton Spectator still demands a redistribution in Ontario. It says:

"There is precisely the same excuse for disturbing the present arrangement of provincial electoral divisions in the Province as there was a little while ago for disturbing the Dominion electoral ridings in the same Province."

The Dominion redistribution of 1903 was compulsory, as six seats had to be taken from Ontario. The Laurier Government need offer no apology for making the revision a thorough one by restoring the integrity of county boundaries, a principle consistently maintained by the Liberal party. The measure in all its details requires no defense, as it has not been attacked. It was so studiously fair that the Opposition refrained from making it a campaign issue. The Government had a great opportunity to take an unfair advantage of the Conservative party and its forbearance is an example which the Whitney Government should respect. There are 98 ridings in Ontario for provincial purposes, and only 86 for Dominion purposes, so that the Dominion Government could not make all its constituencies identical with the provincial ones; but for the most part they are the same. The Spectator informs us that Hamilton is an exception, and says the Laurier Government, instead of adopting the provincial boundaries, strengthened one of the Hamiltons for the Liberal party by taking a slice from the other. The provincial boundaries in the city—defined by a Liberal Government at Toronto—are so satisfactory to our contemporary that it thinks they ought to have been followed by the Dominion Government. That is not much of an argument for a provincial redistribution. Why the provincial boundaries in Hamilton were not followed by the Federal Government we do not know, being unacquained with local conditions, but we are not prepared to take the Spectator's word that the division in 1903 was unfair. The city gave an aggregate majority for the Laurier Government in November last, and elected one Conservative and one Liberal.

"The Mowat gerrymander was infinitely worse than the Macdonald gerrymander, and we are free to acknowledge that that was bad enough" says the Spectator. The Mowat redistribution was not a gerrymander, but pursued a well-defined principle by keeping county boundaries intact. But the Macdonald redistribution tore municipalities from their county associations, and pieced them together with no other motive than to "hive the Grits." The pretense that this was necessary to preserve the unit of representation was farcical, seeing that the population of the gerrymandered ridings ranged from 13,000 up to 40,000 in rural constituencies.

The assertion of the Spectator that the Ross Government was in a popular minority of 7,000 is wide of the mark. When these figures were analyzed they were reduced to 3,000 or 4,000, but it is impossible under any system of representation by constituencies to guarantee that each party will elect a number of representatives exactly corresponding to its popular vote. The bulk of the Conservative popular majority in the election of 1902 came from one city, Toronto, and a change of less than 50 votes in the four ridings of Halton, East Hastings, West Huron and East Middlesex would have given the Conservatives a majority in the Legislature. The Conservative party cannot attempt a redistribution in Ontario on the pretext of redressing a wrong. The Spectator should be frank and admit that it wants to play a party game.

Rockefeller's income is said to be nearing $6,000,000 a month; but then think of the increase in the cost of living.

The Czar on Wednesday received a deputation of workingmen and called them his "children." Had he done this two weeks ago he would have had better deserved to be known as the father of his country.

The Toronto Mail complains of the increase of expenditure occasioned by Mr. Sifton's "reckless immigration policy." This country would have had little extra revenue to spend had not Mr. Sifton given it an immigration policy worthy of the name.

Mr. Lloyd George, the Welsh Radical, hits the nail on the head when he says: "The Canadian woolen and cotton manufacturer has a greater dread of British competition than American trade rivalry. He wants to be protected against Yorkshire and Lancashire just as much as against Germany."

The religious revival in Wales has acquired such a force that political meetings have been abandoned. Mr. Lloyd George, who was announced to speak at Pwllbeli the other night, not only canceled his meeting, but went to the revival service instead and took part in the devotions.

A number of Conservative papers advocate an increase in the salaries of Ontario Cabinet Ministers. The present remuneration is too small, and if it were increased no one would make a political issue of it. The suggestion would have come with better grace from the Conservative side before it attained to office.

His Part.

[Sam Kiser.]

The little child that comes to me,
When I get home at night,
And gladly climbs upon my knee,
May never reach the height
Whereon the great alone may stand,
He may not rise to sway,
But he can touch me with his hand
And charm my doubts away.

The little child whose arms are wound
Around my neck at night
May never learn to be profound
Or claim a leader's right;
But when the world has been unkind,
And I go home in doubt,
He charms the poison from my mind,
And puts my cares to rout.

The little child who shouts with glee
When I go home at night
May never claim supremacy,
His talents may be slight;
But he can charm away my ache,
He lifts me when I fall,
And makes me think the part I take
Important, after all.

A Wonderful Child.

[Exchange.]

At three years of age John Stuart Mill began the study of Greek, with "arithmetic as an evening relaxation," as Samuel Wellington puts it in the Westminster Review.

At eight he began Latin, Euclid and algebra, and had to act as tutor to the younger children. He was a stern and efficient tutor.

At twelve he began scholastic logic and political economy—the latter his main lifework.

At fourteen, while paying a long visit to Sir Samuel Bentham in Southern France, he learned French as a relaxation from studying two or three hours before breakfast, five hours between breakfast and dinner and two or three in the evening. Being for the time master of his own hours and not subject to a stern father, he took lessons also in his spare hours in music, singing, dancing, fencing and riding, but never became proficient.

At sixteen Mill could speak in debate with adults with ease and freedom. At eighteen he contributed to the Westminster Review. At twenty-two he was made assistant in the India Office and received a large salary for those days.

But—Mill was bald at twenty-two. He did not marry until he was forty-five. He himself said: "I never was a boy. It is better to let nature have its own way."

Noncommittal.

[Chicago Tribune.]

"Tell me," he pleaded, "would you marry me if I were rich?"

"How rich?" she evasively answered.

They Stick to Gamey.

[Stratford Beacon.]

The Toronto Telegram, Toronto World and Hamilton Spectator favor Gamey's elevation to the cabinet. There is a consistency about these journals that inspires admiration. They took the vile thing to their bosoms at the outset of its career, and they are standing by it.

Many a True Word, Etc.

[Toronto Star.]

Dr. Beattie Nesbitt was only joking when he told the boys election night that all they would have to do would be to walk up to the parliament buildings and point out the men whose jobs they wanted. But he may find that some of the boys will expect him to play politics in just that way.

Filled the Requirements.

[Tit-Bits.]

In answer to an advertisement for somebody to take charge of a church choir and play the organ the following reply was received.

"Sir—I noticed your advertisement for an organist and music teacher, either lady or gentleman. Having been both for several years, I offer my services."

American Wives of British Peers.

[King.]

With the marriage of the Earl of Suffolk to Miss Daisy Leiter, the Americans married to peers number 25. As usual, there is a great deal of rather foolish talk about Americanising the peerage, new blood and other fancies of a similar kind. As a matter of fact, this number includes all the Americans, with one exception, married to peers since 1860, a period of 44 years. Nor is this all. Ten of these ladies have no children at all, and six have no sons, so that the peerage is not likely to be Americanized yet awhile.

Always the Same.

[Brooklyn Citizen.]

Mrs. Gabble—I am a woman of few words.

Mr. Gabble—Yes, but you warm them over so often.

Prohibitionists, Too.

[Bobcaygeon Independent.]

Whitney is at the helm. Virtue reigns supreme. Vice has crept under the barn. Happy Whitney! Happy distillers! Happy brewers! Happy land!

After Labor, Refreshment.

[Montreal Star.]

It is said that Ross will lead the Ontario opposition for a while. After all his work he probably wants to have a little fun himself.

In Ontario.

[Montreal Herald.]

V. Oter—Yes, I voted Conservative.

E. Lector—I didn't think you would trust that party.

V. Oter—I wouldn't—they paid cash.

A COLD NIGHT

Not as Cold, However, as Have Been Experienced Recently.

While last night appeared to many to be the coldest of the season, the mercury in the local observatory thermometer did not fall as far in the bulb as it did on three previous occasions during the present cold snap. Four below zero was the lowest point reached during the night, while at 8 o'clock in the morning 3 degrees below was the reading. The highest and lowest registrations since the cold snap set in are as follows:

Thursday, Jan. 26 .....16 above—zero
Friday, Jan. 27 .. 24 above—7½ below
Saturday, Jan. 28...19½ above—4 below
Sunday, Jan. 29 .....15 above—6 below
Monday, Jan. 30 .. 15½ above—2 below
Tuesday, Jan. 31 .... 22 above—3 below
Wednesday, Feb. 1 .. 18 above—4 below
Thursday, Feb. 2 .... 6 above—5 below

WOMAN TELLS OF MASSACRE

Letters From St. Petersburg Describe Scenes There.

London, Feb. 2, 3 a.m.—The Times prints extracts from letters of a Russian woman at St. Petersburg to an English friend detailing the events of Jan. 22. The writer confirms the worst reports received of the massacre. She adds that in the Vassili Ostroff district where the rioting was the worst, cannons were fired throughout the evening, the guns being charged with shrapnel. The slaughter on the Nevsky Prospect was so terrible that the next day whole lakes of blood were still to be seen in the snow. She saw numbers of wounded carried away. The hospitals were so full of wounded that they were laid on matresses in the corridors.

She saw a lot of wounded soldiers, also, and wounded horses, which were led away riderless. She adds:

"Most significant of all is that in the afternoon on Jan. 23 four Cossack regiments, among them one of cavalry, refused to fire on the mob when the signal was given. It is feared that other regiments will follow this example, and among these several regiments of artillery. If once the mob gets hold of guns it will be serious.

Describing the murder of the aged general, which was reported at the time, the writer says:

"I myself saw the mob surround the carriage of a much-decorated general and ask him to take off his cap. As he refused, one of the roughs struck him in the face with a bottle. The bottle broke and the general's head instantly was a mass of blood. Then they fell over him and killed him outright. I was so impressed by this sight, that when I got among the howling crowds by accident I shrieked 'hurrah' from sheer fright, and they let me pass quietly, but heaps of women were wounded and killed.

"People like myself are safe enough, but the mob is incensed against the officers and the Government employes. It is all their own fault. The people were perfectly orderly before the soldiers fired on them."

"SWISS FOOD" GETS THE MEDAL.

"Swiss Food," prepared by P. McIntosh & Son, Toronto, was awarded the Gold Medal at St. Louis Exposition.

A slip from Shakespeare's mulberry tree at Stratford-on-Avon is to be set out opposite the town hall of the borough of Southwark, London, which is a stone's throw from the Old Newington Theater, where Shakespeare acted 1594-1596.

FOR INFLAMMATION OF THE EYES.—Among the many good qualities which Parmelee's Vegetable Pills possess, besides regulating the digestive organs, is their efficacy in reducing inflammation of the eyes. It has called forth many letters of recommendation from those who were afflicted with this complaint and found a cure in the pills. They affect the nerve centers and the blood in a surprisingly active way, and the result is almost immediately seen.

GREAT DIAMONDS OF THE WORLD

History of the Orloff, Kohinoor and the Sanci.

SURPASSED BY RECENT FIND

Stone Mined at Pretoria Last Week the Most Precious and the Largest of Gems.

New York, Feb. 2. — Take a handful of putty the size of an ordinary four-pound iron weight to be found in any grocery store. Fashion it roughly into a round mass, and you will have approximately the size of the newly-found diamond unearthed in Pretoria. Such a gem, it is said by local diamond experts, is too large for wear. In all probability it will be cut up into smaller stones. Even if it is kept intact it probably will lose from 40 to 60 per cent in cutting.

The first information of the big find came to this city by a cable dispatch to Ex-Congressman Jefferson M. Levy, the heaviest stockholder in this country in the company, in whose mine the diamond was found. It said:

"Discovery of 3,000 carat stone, value $5,000,000."

Levy knew nothing else about the find.

Kunz, Tiffany's diamond expert, explained the size of a 3,000-carat diamond as compared to the four-pound iron weight. Approximately, he said, it weighed 621.56 grammes, or about a pound and a half avoirdupois. Its loss in cutting would depend on the shape of the stone.

The last diamond of any note found in recent years was the "Syndicate," dug up in the De Beers mines about two years ago. It weighed, until cut, 900 carats.

Some others, notable for their size or history, are the Great Mogul, the Orloff, the Regent, the Florentine, the Southern Star, the Kohinoor, the Schah, the Sanci, and the Polar Star. The collection of gems of the late emperor of Brazil was said to have contained a diamond, known as Brazanza, which weighed 1,680 carats, or about twelve ounces. It is believed, however, it was only a fine colorless topaz.

Another large diamond, when cut, was owned by the Rajah of Mattan. It weighed 367 carats. It was egg-shaped, with an indented hollow near one end. Many years ago the Governor of Borneo offered $500,000, two warships fully equipped, a number of cannon, and a quantity of powder for it.

The Kohinoor weighed 790 carats when found, but was cut down to 186 carats and later to 102¾ carats. It is valued at $1,500,000, and it once was in the possession of the great mogul. It is believed that in the first cutting a big piece weighing 180 carats was taken off and since became known as the Orloff. The Orloff is owned by the Emperor of Russia, and is said to once have been the eye of an Indian idol. It is valued at $1,000,000.

The Regent, another famous jewel, weighed 280 carats and was cut down to 136. In 1781 it was valued at $2,400,000. Since then it has not been valued. It is unrivaled for limpidness and form. It was found in Golconda and brought from India by Pitt, grandfather of the first Earl of Chatham, who sold it to the Duke of Orleans for $75,000. It decorated the hilt of the sword of state of the first Napoleon, but was taken from him by the Prussians at the battle of Waterloo. If now belongs to the King of Prussia.

The Star of South Africa weighed 288 carats and was cut to 135 carats. It was sold to an Oriental potentate for $400,000.

The Florenine weighed 135 carats after leaving the cutters' hands and sold for about $300,000. The Victoria diamond shown at the Paris Exposition of 1889 was sold to the Nizam of Hyderabad for $400,000, nearly a year's income in his realm.

In point of historical interest the Sanci diamond probably comes first. It weighed 106 carats, and belonged to Charles the Bold, Duke of Burgundy, who wore it in his hat at the battle of Nancy, at which he fell. A Swiss soldier found the jewel and sold it to a clergyman for a gulden. It passed into the possession of Anton, King of Portugal, who was obliged to sell it for $20,000. It then got into the possession of Sanci, a Frenchman, one of whose descendants was sent as an ambassador by his sovereign, who required the diamond as a pledge. The servant carrying it was murdered, but not until he had swallowed the diamond. His master had the body cut open and found the stone. The diamond then went into the possession of the crown of England, and James II. carried it with him to France in 1688. Louis XV. wore it at his coronation. In 1835 it was purchased by a rich Russian nobleman.

New Books at Library.

Ratham—Names, Nicknames and Surnames of Persons, Places and Things.
Smeaton—Edinburgh and Its Story.
Cook—Highways and Byways in London.
Wheatley—The Story of London.
Norway—Highways and Byways in Devon and Cornwall.
Bradley—Highways and Byways in South Wales.
Deecke—Italy, Including Malta and Sardinia.
Adair—A Summer in High Asia.
Smith—Sport and Adventure in the Indian Jungle.
Gibbons—Africa: From South to North Through Marotseland. Two volumes.
The Dabistan, or School of Manners. Oriental literature.
Browne—The Coming of the Great Queen. Acquisition of Burmah.
Goldwin Smith—My Memory of Gladstone.
M. O'Connor Morris—Reminiscences of Irish Life.
Sir F. L. Maitland—The Surrender of Napoleon.
Constant—Recollections of the Private Life of Napoleon. Three volumes.
Henri Rochefort—The Adventures of My Life. Two volumes.
R. Barr—The Lady Electra.
Croker—Her Own People.
Burnham—Jewel's Story Book.
Ed. Carter—Bear Stories.
Ed. Carter—About Animals.
Ed. Carter—Cat Stories.
Ed. Carter—Panther Stories.
Ed. Carter—Stories of Brave Dogs.
Ed. Carter—Lion and Tiger Stories.
Chambers—Riverland.
Church—The Crusaders.
Roper—Fred Seagood.
Sidney—Five Little Peppers and Their Friends.

IN ITS INITIAL stages a cold is a local ailment easily dealt with. But many neglect it, and the result is often the development of distressing seizures of the bronchial tubes and lungs that render life miserable for the unhappy victims. As a first aid there is nothing in the hands of medicine so certain in curative results as Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, the far-famed remedy for colds and coughs.

SATURDAY SPECIALS

"BARGAINS AT EVERY COUNTER."



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Ladies' Black Silk Belts, fancy buckles and stitching, regular 50c and 75c, for 35c.

Ladies' Hose Supporters, in black, white, blue and pink, special for 50c.

Gents' Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, regular 18c, for 10c.

Ladies' Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, regular 16c, on sale for 2 for 25c.

Ladies' Hand Satchels at 18c to $1.50.

SPECIAL BARGAINS IN HOSIERY.

Ladies' Heavy Ribbed Black Hose, regular 25c, clearing at 15c pair.

Special line of Ladies' Ribbed Black Cashmere Hose, regular 50c, for 32c a pair.

Ladies' Lisle Thread Hose, in fancy colors, lace ankles, for 65c and 43c a pair.

Ladies' Wool Hose, extra heavy, for 25c, 32c and 50c a pair.

Boys' Heavy Ribbed Wool Hose, regular 60c, sale price 40c a pair.

Ladies' Plain Cashmere Hose, hand-seamed, double sole, regular 50c, for 40c a pair.

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR.

Ladies' Fleeced Vests, sizes 3 and 4, 25c and 35c each.

Special line Ladies' Union Vests and Drawers, in sizes 3 and 4 only, 50c garment.

Ladies' Fine Ribbed Wool Vests and Drawers, at $1 and $1.15 each.

Ladies' Black Wool Vests, $1 each.

Ladies' Black Tights, at 72c, 75c, $1, $1.25 and $1.75 a pair.

Boys' Fleeced Shirts and Drawers, in six sizes, from 20c to 40c each.



Girls' Fleeced Vests and Drawers, from 20c to 35c each.

Girls' Union Vests and Drawers, (special), from 25c to 40c each.

Special line Girls' Fine Ribbed Wool Vests (unshrinkable), all sizes, from 40c to 70c each.

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Girls' Gray Astrachan Gauntlets, 45c.

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Speaking of the demand of "trippers" in Egypt for curios R. Stewart Macalister, of the Egyptian exploration fund, says: "To meet this demand a tribe of dealers has sprung up all over the country, each employing an army of agents, who ride everywhere, east and west of the Jordan, encouraging the natives to tear in pieces tombs that otherwise might have awaited scientific examination in comparative safety."

Sore Throat and Coughs

A simple, effective and safe remedy for all throat irritations is found in

Cresolene Antiseptic Tablets

They combine the germicidal value of Cresolene with the soothing properties of slippery elm and licorice. 10c. All Druggists 400

Rev. Thomas Bates, who has just completed 25 years' work at St. Mary's, Balham, a suburb of London, has kept a record of the number of times he has preached during that time, and finds that he has delivered 3,750 sercons.

Monkey Brand Soap cleans kitchen utensils, steel, iron and tinware, knives and forks, and all kinds of cutlery. 2c

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A clergyman at Hiawatha, Kansas, preached a sermon on "Giving." He said that he did not want a single member of his congregation to give a cent to any missionary cause as long as he owed a cent to any man at home. He further stated that it was necessary to pay one's debts with one's business associates before paying them to the heathen.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.



CURE

Sick Headache and relieve all the troubles incident to a bilious state of the system, such as Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Distress after eating, Pain in the Side, &c. While their most remarkable success has been shown in curing

SICK

Headache, yet Carter's Little Liver Pills are equally valuable in Constipation, curing and preventing this annoying complaint, while they also correct all disorders of the stomach, stimulate the liver and regulate the bowels. Even if they only cured

HEAD

Ache they would be almost priceless to those who suffer from this distressing complaint; but fortunately their goodness does not end here, and those who once try them will find these little pills valuable in so many ways that they will not be willing to do without them. But after all sick head

ACHE

is the bane of so many lives that here is where we make our great boast. Our pills cure it while others do not.

Carter's Little Liver Pills are very small and very easy to take. One or two pills makes a dose. They are strictly vegetable and do not gripe or purge, but by their gentle action please all who use them. In vials at 25 cents; five for $1. Sold by druggists everywhere, or sent by mail.

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Canadian Bobsleighs Value $2 50, Sale Price $1 50

Saturday's Great Sale of Alfred Mekins' White Ironstone China.

On Saturday we place on sale five crates of Alfred Mekins' Pure White Ironstone China. This lot includes Large Platters, Cups and Saucers, Dinner Plates, Large Mixing Bowls, Porridge Bowls, Large Jugs, Tea Plates, Salad Dishes, Coupe Soup Plates.

SATURDAY, 5c EACH.

These goods are shown in our window and will be on sale in our basement at 9 o'clock Saturday morning.

SPECIAL NOTICE—We were forced to buy these crates just as they are, quite a number of large pieces and a large quantity of small pieces. To customers buying a reasonable amount of cups and saucers, plates, etc., we will see that they get some of the large pieces at 5c each. We positively will not sell all large pieces to one customer.

Remember any article that we offer is worth nearly twice what we ask.

Special Items in Highest-Grade Graniteware.

Sauce Pans, 3-quart size at ..	30c	Windsor Sauce Pans, 3-quart size at	45c
Sauce Pans, 4-quart size at ..	40c	Windsor Sauce Pans, 4-quart size at	50c
Sauce Pans, 6-quart size at..	50c	Preserving Kettles, 8-quart size at	55c
Covered Sauce Pans, 4-quart size	45c	Preserving Kettles, 10-quart size at	85c
Windsor Sauce Pans, 2-quart size at	40c	Preserving Kettles, 12-quart size at	$1 25

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25c Ash Sifters, Sale Price 15c Each.

Woods' Fair

Big Lace Sale Still continues.

Barler Ideal Oil Heaters.

Oil founts and burners are made entirely of brass.

Indicators to show oil supply.

No Smoke. No Odor.

Best Oil Heater in the market.

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Use Big G for unnatural discharges, inflammations, irritations or ulcerations of mucous membranes. Painless, and not astringent or poisonous.

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Two mechanics, while at work on an unused engine and boiler at the cranberry bog of F. H. Burgess at Sandwich, Mass., found that a swarm of bees had taken possession of the boiler and packed nearly every tube solid full of honeycomb.



Whether weather-wise or otherwise, you can accomplish the same object by being coal-wise.

You don't need to care what's the matter outside so long as you have "Walla Walla" coal burning inside. Hard—hot—20 solid bagfuls of solid comfort to the ton—best for the cook—fine for the parlor stove—great for the furnace. Costs no more than ordinary coal — yet has more-than-ordinary coal-goodness.

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The excessive rains in California have jumped Lima beans from 3½ cents to 4 cents a pound. They pay the farmers well at 2½ cents.

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FANCY COLLARS AND BELTS. . .

Ladies' Fancy Collar and Belt Specials go on sale tomorrow. They're of the up-to-date sort and remarkably low prices. This sale should interest you.

50 dozen Fancy Silk Collars, assorted, worth from 25c to 50c, on sale for **10c**
A special lot of Hand-Made Collars, beaded, very swell, worth 50c, for .. **25c**
Pure Silk Taffeta Belts, new design, worth 50c, for **25c**
Fine Bengaline Silk Belts, black only, worth 50c, for **25c**
An assorted line of Belts and Collars, ranging in price from $1 00 to $2 00. Price just cut in two.

BAYLEY'S

SCOTTISH JESSIE MACLACHLAN AS BIG A FAVORITE AS EVER

Delights Another Audience That Completely Filled the Grand —Good Support.

It was a typical Jessie Maclachlan Scotch concert last night — which means that the evening's events can be summed up in one pregnant quadruple-barreled sentence, viz., the Grand was packed, everybody enjoyed everything, and encored everything, and would have recalled the capable accompanists, Messrs. Buchanan and A. D. Jordan, if they had had an opportunity.

And the audience was worked up to this pitch—which may be properly called, for a St. Andrew's concert, the usual pitch—by a programme which should have satisfied the most exacting son of Scotland in the hall. Sixteen numbers, fourteen encores—and only four not Scotch!

Jessie Maclachlan, as the star of the constellation, displayed the same attractive presence and personality as of old, and the same rich, dramatic mezzo-soprano. What Miss Maclachlan could do in other styles of work, we don't know, and do not have to express judgment, for she confines herself, practically, exclusively, to her national characteristic melodies. Long experience, good command of voice, and a keen perception of "the thing" of the song—its pathetic, humorous or dramatic possibilities, has given her the power to touch the heart-strings of everyone to whom Scotch music appeals, and make them beat in true sympathy with her own feeling.

She loses this art, to a certain extent, when she ventures away from her peculiar forte, as was demonstrated last night. But the average audience evidently does not require digressions to make the evening interesting—at least, last night's would have been content to listen another hour to melodies, every one of which was familiar.

Yes, Jessie MacLachlan was as big a success as ever, and her support much improved.

John McLinden, the 'cellist, is more than a player of ballads or airs, "con variozone." He handled his instrument with technical perfection, as well as sympathy, with his national music.

Another who made a splendid impression was Douglas Young, a true lyric tenor, but the audience happily escaped the infliction of the apoplectic face and peculiar little "pipe" which are associated, usually, with lyric tenors. Mr. Young's voice is not tenor robusto at all—it is pure lyric; but its soft, rich quality and real fullness of tone makes it sometimes approach the former quality. He will be welcome back again.

Miss Merry essayed nothing but very light work, but then she did it very well. Her nimble tongue managed to twist itself around Scotch ballad and "the brogue" with apparent equal facility. Her work caught on, to use a slang expression, and she is another newcomer whose return will be welcome.

Of course, everybody liked Harold Jarvis—everybody always does. He sang the only two heavy numbers on the programme, and in so doing furnished just the grain of seasoning the programme required. A peculiar mellowness of tone is what always charms about his singing, and he is able to effect it through almost his whole register.

It would be invidious to make comparisons. All that can be said about the whole company is that every artist is a good one, everyone sustained his or her reputation, and the audience liked them all.

ROBERT A. S—

MUSIC AND DRAMA.

"THE AWAKENING OF MR. PIPP."

Young and old will welcome with gratification the announcement that Charley Grapewin, in "The Awakening of Mr. Pipp," will be seen at the Grand on Monday. The play is an excruciatingly funny one, filled with catchy music, songs, dances, specialties and ludicrous situations, causing one continuous laugh all through until the fall of the curtain. Some of the new catchy and up-to-date musical numbers are "Pie" "You'll Be Sorry in the Morning," "Dallie," "I Can Think of Nothing But You, Lou," "It's a Habit," "O'Reilly," and "The Old Oaken Bucket for Mine." Seats are now on sale.

"UNCLE TOM'S CABIN."

There has never been so finished and adequate a production of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" as that which Mr. Martin will offer amusement-lovers at the Grand tomorrow, matinee and night. The scenes which are large enough to fill the most spacious stage could not easily be improved. Each picture the reality as closely as paint and canvass will permit, and the stage prospective is so deep that the effect is exceptionally pleasing. The company is also worthy of the environment, Frank Lee, the eminent star, offers an excellent study of Uncle Tom.

GOOD PROGRAMME FOR "POP."

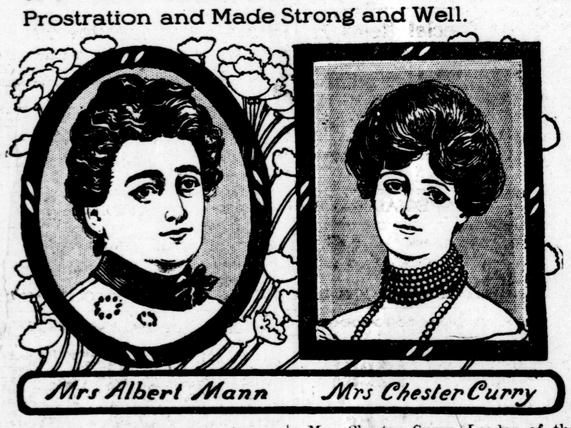
The programme for the seventh pop at the Auditorium next Saturday evening contains the name of Roberts, the magician, who will provide an hour of magic, mirth and mystery. Roberts is generally acknowledged to be one of the cleverest in his line, and will prove a very pleasant change to all lovers of the mysterious. Besides the magician, Miss Mabel Albright, the well known local pianist; Mr. W. Cosby James, baritone, and Mr. Will Spence, in illustrated songs, go to make up an excellent programme.

Rich Rancher Dead.

Winnipeg, Feb. 2. — H. W. Cresswell, rated as the richest rancher and cattleman in the Northwest Territories, is dead at Medicine Hat, having succumbed to an attack of gangrine, following a slight injury to his foot. Deceased leaves his entire estate to his brother at Seaforth, Ont. He was unmarried, and aged 74 years.

Tired. Nervous Mothers

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Mrs Albert Mann — Mrs Chester Curry

A nervous, irritable mother, often on the verge of hysterics, is unfit to care for children; it ruins a child's disposition and reacts upon herself. The trouble between children and their mothers too often is due to the fact that the mother has some female weakness, and she is entirely unfit to bear the strain upon her nerves that governing children involves; it is impossible for her to do anything calmly.

The ills of women act like a firebrand upon the nerves, consequently nine-tenths of the nervous prostration, nervous despondency, "the blues," sleeplessness, and nervous irritability of women arise from some derangement of the female organism.

Do you experience fits of depression with restlessness, alternating with extreme irritability? Are your spirits easily affected, so that one minute you laugh, and the next minute you feel like crying?

Do you feel something like a ball rising in your throat and threatening to choke you; all the senses perverted, morbidly sensitive to light and sound; pain in the ovaries, and especially between the shoulders; bearing down pains; nervous dyspepsia, and almost continually cross and snappy?

If so, your nerves are in a shattered condition, and you are threatened with nervous prostration.

Proof is monumental that nothing in the world is better for nervous prostration than Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; thousands and thousands of women testify to this fact.

Ask Mrs. Pinkham's Advice—A Woman Best Understands a Woman's Ills.

Mrs. Chester Curry, Leader of the Ladies' Symphony Orchestra, 42 Saratoga St., East Boston, Mass., writes:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—

"For eight years I was troubled with extreme nervousness and hysteria brought on by irregularities. I could neither enjoy life nor sleep nights. I was very irritable, nervous and despondent.

"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was recommended and proved to be the only remedy that helped me. I have daily improved in health until I am now strong and well, and all nervousness has disappeared."

The following letter is from Mrs. Albert Mann, 154 Gore Vale Ave., Toronto, Ont.:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—

"I suffered a long time with ovarian trouble having intense pains in the back and abdomen and very sick headaches every month. I was tired and nervous all the time and life looked very dreary to me and I had no desire to live until I began to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and to get some relief. My recovery was slow but it was sure and I have never regretted the money spent for the Compound as it brought back my good health."

Women should remember that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the medicine that holds the record for the greatest number of actual cures of female ills, and take no substitute.

Free Advice to Women.

Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass., invites all sick women to write to her for advice. Mrs. Pinkham's vast experience with female troubles enables her to tell you just what is best for you, and she will charge you nothing for her advice.

Demand for New Books At Library Cannot Be Met

Statement Made in Annual Report—Interesting Statistics by the Librarian.

The annual report of the London Public Library, presented at the inaugural meeting of the board of management for 1905, held last night, contained some statistics of interest to citizens in general. The library has just closed its first decade and according to Librarian Blackwell, although it has over 18,000 volumes on the shelves, there is a persistent demand for new books which cannot be met. The total stock—18,064 books—says the librarian, is not nearly sufficient for a city of London's size. Only twenty lists of new books were issued last year. With the increased cost, caused by the combinations of publishers, the amount expended is not sufficient to supply the current publications, let alone attempting to fill up vacancies in the different departments as required. At least $1,000 should be expended annually for the next five years to supply standard works, or debentures should be issued, as first intended, for another $5,000, and the shortage filled in at once.

"Reference work is still growing," says the librarian, "but we find the want of sufficient varfety of books, as well as quantity, a great inconvenience. For instance, one afternoon, there were about twenty children looking up something about the Nile, and it taxed the resources of the library to supply all. In fact many had to wait their turn.

"Some of the teachers are using the library to help their scholars, and we hope more of them will find their way here, as those who do use it, speak very highly of the benefit to be derived. It would be a great help if they would let us know the subject beforehand, so that we could be prepared for them.

"The inspector of public libraries at his annual inspection, reports: 'The light for readers at the circulating desk is not good.' We are using artificial light every day, and sometimes all day long. This is not good for the assistants, and is also very costly, costing about fifty dollars per annum. For the greater convenience of the public a magazine stand should be provided and placed in the hallway and the readers allowed to help themselves."

A statement of the receipts and expenditures for the year was submitted, as follows:

Receipts—	
Government grant	$ 250 00
Library rate from the city	8,000 00
Sale of cards	81 05
Sale of catalogues	12 15
Fines	230 54
Books lost	5 00
Books damaged	1 90
Rent	200 00
Incidentals	24 31
Total	$8,804 95
Expenses—	
Balance	$ 77 60
Interest on debentures	1,160 00
Sinking fund	973 88
Books, new	1,133 53
Replacing worn-out book	380 97
Periodicals	422 57
Binding	311 59
Repairs, etc.	29 00
Insurance	255 50
Telephone	26 00
Light and heat	775 83
Salaries	2,800 00
Printing	92 75
Stationery	110 13
Incidentals	193 68
Balance	53 15
Total	$8,804 95

The average fines per day were 76 cents.

The following statistics were also given:

Circulation—

	Number.	Per cent.
General works	4,426	5.7
Philosophy	544	.7
Religion	838	1.1
Sociology	593	.8
Natural science	989	1.2
Useful arts	1,355	1.7
Fine arts	1,191	1.5
Literature	2,307	2.8
History	976	1.3
Travels	1,471	1.9
Biography	1,069	1.4
Juvenile literature	9,913	12.8
Fiction	40,103	51.7
Reference use	4,229	5.5
Magazines	7,655	9.9
Totals	77,550	100.0

The average circulation of books per day was 229; magazines, 25; total, 254. Estimated average daily attendance, 400; cards issued for 1904, 873; cards issued to date, 11,615; old cards renewed, 518; number of notices sent for overdue books, 3,000; number of books reserved, 500; number of volumes sent to bindery, 483; number of periodicals bound, 165.

As to the contents of the library, the following statistics were given; Number of volumes in library, Dec. 31, 1903, 17,029; accessioned in 1904, by purchase, new books, 823; by purchase to replace worn-out books, 416; periodicals bound, 159; donated and Government reports, 16; book returned, 1; total, 1,415, making a total of 18,444. There were 380 destroyed, worn out or lost, leaving 18,064 on the shelves, classified as follows: General works, 1,726; philosophy, 402; religion, 1,032; sociology, 1,385; philology, 89; natural science, 1,158; useful arts, 973; fine arts, 711; literature, 1,698; history, 1,442; travels, 1,136; biography, 1,259; juvenile literature, 1,122; fiction, 3,981.

INSPECTED THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chairman and Members of No. 3 Committee Did So—Accident to the Chief.

The chairman and members of No. 3 committee, accompanied by Ald. Cooper, yesterday afternoon inspected the several fire stations and found everything in first-class order. At each of the stations, Chairman Matthews ordered test hitches, and the result was as follows: South London, 6 2-5 seconds; East London, first hitch, 10 seconds; second hitch, 9 seconds; central, chemical engine, first hitch, 4 1-5 seconds; second hitch, 4 3-5 seconds; ladder truck, first hitch, 5 second; second hitch, 4 1-5 seconds; hose wagon, 4 2-5 seconds; steamer, first hitch, 5 2-5 seconds; second hitch, 5 1-5 seconds.

When the inspection had been concluded, Chairman Matthews sent in a test alarm from the corner of Dundas and Wellington streets, and the firemen made a quick response, their time being as follows: Central station, ladder truck, 63 seconds; hose wagon, 67 seconds; chemical engine, 90 seconds; London East, 5 minutes 25 seconds; London South, 5 minutes 12 seconds.

In responding to this alarm, Fire Chief Clark was thrown out of his cutter at the corner of King and Wellington streets. The chief's fast black horse was going at a furious clip, when just at the corner a coal wagon loomed in sight, and in trying to avoid it the chief's cutter was upset, and he and his driver were thrown out. The chief hung to the horse, however, and avoided a runaway. Both men were given a severe shaking up, and one shaft of the cutter was broken.

THEY FAVOR NEW REGISTRY OFFICE

Board of Works Will Place Sum in Estimates for an Up-To-Date Structure.

The board of works met last night. Upon motion of Ald. Garratt it was decided to place a sum in the estimates for a new registry office, and also for the purchase of a new site. It was also decided to visit St. Thomas for the purpose of inspecting the new registry office there so as to get an idea of what would be best for London.

The assessment commissioner was instructed to interview each property-owner along the breakwater in West London to ascertain what the land necessary for the construction of the new wall can be secured for. Twenty lots in all are affected.

The memo of Engineer Graydon re the widening of Dufferin avenue was again laid over.

According to a report presented it will take $800 to have the road roller put in repair. Consequently before anything is done the city will ascertain the cost of a new roller.

City Solicitor Meredith reported that if the city desires it can proceed with the tiling of Carling's Creek as a local improvement, and the city may also, if it sees fit, contribute any sum out of the general funds towards the cost of the work. The opinion was filed for reference.

At the suggestion of Engineer Graydon it was decided to circulate a petition at once for the rebuilding of the sewer on Dundas street from Adelaide street westward.

The tenders for the repairs and alterations to the city hall were left in the hands of the city engineer.

CITY WILL DOUBLE ITS OFFER MADE TO FIREMAN ROBERTON

One Thousand Dollars for Man Permanently Injured in the Sterling Fire.

Fireman Swanwick To Be Allowed $150 and Doctor's Bill —Mrs. Roe's Claim.

No. 3 committee of the city council last night took up the claims of the firemen who were injured at the Sterling fire in January, 1904, and also the claim of Mrs. Sophia Roe, widow of the late chief, who was killed at the same fire. After hanging fire for over a year, all the claims were dealt with in a manner which it is felt will prove satisfactory to all concerned.

A deputation headed by Mr. Adam McMahen waited on the committee and asked that a grant be made to Mrs. Roe. Mr. McMahen urged the committee to deal fairly with the widow, who, if she has not a legal claim, has at least a moral claim on the city.

Ald. Saunders said his sympathies were with Mrs. Roe, but he felt that the late chief should have carried some insurance. He drew attention to the fact that two or three injured firemen are now looking for damages from the city. Mrs. Roe had received $2,400 insurance already, and this was more than any workingman's widow would receive if her husband was killed.

Ald. Gillean remarked in forcible language that last year's council should have dealt with this matter, and should not have dilly-dallied with it until the year was allowed to elapse. Now this claim, which rightfully belongs to last year, as well as the claims of Roberton and Swanwick, are shoved onto this year's council. He did not think last year's council had acted fairly by the widow, the injured firemen, or by this year's council.

Ald. Gillean then moved that Mrs. Roe be paid a half-year of the late chief's salary—or $550—as the chief, when his death occurred, was drawing $1,100 per annum.

After some discussion it was decided, at Mayor Campbell's suggestion, to recommend that the council pay Mrs. Roe eight months' salary, or about $733.

$1,000 for Roberton.

The committee then proceeded with the claims of Roberton and Swanwick, and all the medical correspondence relating to both cases was read.

Ald. Abram moved that Roberton be paid $1,000 in full of his claim against the city.

Ald. Matthews told the committee to go slowly, as the recommendation of last year that Roberton be paid $500 in full of his claim, had not been reconsidered, and anything the committee might do would not be legal.

Ald. Saunders then moved that Roberton be paid the sum of $1,000 in full of his claims against the city. Roberton is a young man, with his right arm rendered useless, said Ald. Saunders, and with a wife and two children depending upon him. The city must do what was right by him.

Ald. Gillean asked Fire Chief Clark if Roberton was a good fireman.

The chief replied that according to the records of the department Roberton was a first-class man.

A motion was then put and carried that Roberton be paid the sum of $500 in addition to the $500 the city has already offered him, or $1,000 in all.

Chairman Matthews, in reply to a question, stated that he understood Roberton is willing to forego all claims against the city for this amount.

Swanwick's Claim.

The committee then took up the claim of Fireman Swanwick. The doctors' certificates stated that Swanwick is fit for duty, and in view of this, the committee merely repeated the offer of last year, viz., that the city pay all of Swanwick's doctors' bills, and grant him the sum of $150 insurance money secured through a policy held by the city on Swanwick, he to stay on the department as an able fireman.

It was decided to increase the salary of Fireman "Sandy" Borland by $50 a year in recognition of the special services he renders the department as a blacksmith. Speaking of Mr. Borland, Fire Chief Clark said he was a very capable man in all respects, and he earnestly recommended the increase. This will make Borland's salary $700 per annum.

The contract for dog tags for the year was awarded to Wm. Gurd & Son for $20—$5 less than was paid a year ago.

It was decided to call for tenders for repairs to the market house in accordance with sketches prepared by the the city engineer.

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HOME ON FURLOUGH

Mr. P. C Ingamells, of Baden-Powell's Force, Visiting In London.

Mr. Peter C. Ingamells, of South Africa, arrived here last night, having come home on furlough. He is an old London boy, who received his education ot the Collegiate Institute, and graduated later from the busines college. He has been bookkeeper in Baden-Powell's force in South Africa for the past four years. While in this position Mr. Ingamells took a course of law in Bloemfontein and also mastered the Dutch language. He has shown much executive ability in his work in South Africa and will return in May.

Speaking of his home-trip, Mr. Ingamells said that it was most enjoyable. He left Winburg, Orange River Colony, in December, and spent a couple of weeks at the World's Fair in Cape Town. Sailing thence to Australia, he came here by way of San Francisco, calling at various points of interest on the way. Referring to Honolulu, Mr. Ingamells said that it was indeed "the garden of the world," as it has been named by its admirers. While here he will be the guest of his father, Mr. Ingamells, of the Hamilton road.

LONDON'S ANGLERS

Enthusiastic Gathering of the Thames River Association.

The Thames River Angling Association held an enthusiastic meeting in the Foresters' Hall, Richmond street, last evening. Mr. H. B. Elliott, the president, was in the chair. In opening, the president said he was glad to see a number present who were not members of the association, because it showed that an interest was being taken in the noble sport and in the preservation of the fish in the Thames. Mr. Elliott pointed out that the association had approached the Ontario Government, with the view of having net fishing on the Thames prohibited, and all obstructions removed, but no action had been taken. The association had, in consequence, been dormant during the past year, but it was now time to lay its views before the new Government. Other members of the association spoke in the same strain.

It was decided that an effort should be made to secure the co-operation of Mr. Beck, M.P.P., as well as of all the anglers, both of this city and along the banks of the Thames.

A committee composed as follows was appointed to lay the views of the association before the new Government: Mr. H. B. Elliott, James O. Weldon (the secretary), and W. H. Chittick.

NO CONSTITUTION

But Czar's Ministers Will Scheme for Social Reforms.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 2. — The report circulated by the London Daily Telegraph this morning that Emperor Nicholas has signed a ukase empowering M. Witte, the president of the committee of ministers, to draw up a constitution, is incorrect. The report probably originated in the following circumstances: The committee of ministers rejected a motion made by M. Witte that the committee should express an opinion regarding the events of Jan. 22, and take steps to prevent a repetion of such incidents. The motion was rejected on the ground that such action was beyond the jurisdiction of the committee of ministers. M. Witte, whose motion was placed upon the minutes, thereupon submitted to the Emperor a memorandum which his majesty approved, and the committee of ministers held an extraordinary meeting on Jan. 31 to consider this memorandum. The question of an inquiry into the incidents of Jan. 22 was discussed, and the Finance Minister was empowered to draft a scheme for the reform of social legislation, particularly to the workmen's question.

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PAPERS SECURE EXPERTS

To Discuss Medical Subjects in Their Columns.

London, Feb. 2. — The Lancet, the leading medical organ of Great Britain, this week publishes a lengthy article dealing with the recent investigation of the sanitary conditions in Cuba and Porto Rico. First of all, a correspondent of the Lancet writes:

"Several of the lay papers of the United States recently have come to the appreciation of the fact that their readers take great interest in medical affairs, and particularly in matters concerning public health. In order to supply news of this character in an accurate manner some of the journals have initiated a system of procuring as members of their staff competent medical men, whose duty it is to supply authentic and reliable medical literature and to supervise papers which come within their especial sphere."

The Lancet correspondent continues as follows:

"The trend of many of the principal newspapers here of supplying their readers with authentic medical news and articles bearing on medical subjects properly written is a distinct advance in modern journalism.

"So long as medical articles in ordinary newspapers are confined to general questions of sanitation and prevention of disease much good may be done, but in the absence of proper editorial supervision the practice is not unlikely to lead to a variety of abuses.

"Newspapers of standing are under no temptation to increase their calculation by meretricious aids, but there are countless journals of lower rank which would find discussion on prevention of disease sufficiently attractive, and would seek to draw attention to themselves by dissertations on any medical topic which might be exciting public imagination. It makes no difference whether the topic is pathology, cancer, surgery of the brain, bloodless surgery, hypnotism, hydrophobia, or treatment of special conditions."

BAR RACE OF PAUPERS

Would Forbid Raising of Children by the Very Poor.

New York, Feb. 2.—Anti-pauperism laws that shall restrict the propagation of the human species are the present desire of the Society for Political Study. its members believe this to be the solution of the child labor question, of our overcrowded schools and all the other evils that hang upon the rapid increase of the poor man's blessing. They submit that this is a forlorn hope under the present administration, Mr. Roosevelt's views being too well known. But four years hence they are hopeful that the reproduction of paupers may become a punishable offense.

It was in the discussion of municipal current events that Mrs. Sallie Morris Cory precipitated the bomb. She cited the recent case of a little mother who poisoned her baby by giving it liniment in the belief that it would cure a cough. She dwelt upon the necessity for parks for the children of the congested district and the employment by factories of large numbers of children of tender age.

"We have constantly before us," she said, "instances of widows left with seven children to provide for. It is not considered right for a man to marry if he cannot support his wife, and what right have any two people to bring paupers into the world?"

Mrs. Belle Gray Taylor, in the paper of the day, urged that divorce did not show the world was getting worse, but that people were growing more intelligent.

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The Mistletoe is generally accepted as particularly emblematic of Christmas. Virginia Belmont, however, shows in her able article, "The Legend of the Mistletoe, published in Madame for January, that this mystic plant really belongs to the New Year celebration. In the days of the Druids, the festival of the cutting of the "mistletoe" took place in the month of March on the sixth day of the moon. The 10th of March in that period was New Year's Day and as the festival required the full light of the moon, it was held as near New Year's Day as the moon would allow.

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LATEST MARKETS

LOCAL MARKETS.

London, Friday, Feb. 3.

There were 22 loads of hay on the stand; sales were fairly brick, at $7 50 to $8 50 per ton; only an occasional load brought the last-named price.

Several loads of oats were offered, and nearly all of them sold at $1 05 per cwt; there is a good demand.

Straw was dull, at $3 to $3 50 per load.

There will be a good demand for butter, eggs, poultry and oats at Saturday's market.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Feb. 3.

	Ask.	Off.
Ontario Bank	136¼	135½
Bank of Toronto	..	235
Bank of Commerce	160	159¾
Imperial Bank	240	238
Dominion Bank	252	250
Standard Bank	240	..
Bank of Hamilton	219	218½
Bank of Nova Scotia	..	266
Ottawa Bank	..	215
Traders' Bank	..	132½
Imperial Life	..	149
Consumers' Gas	211	210
Ont. & Qu'Appelle Land	..	100
C. N. W. Land, pfd	..	99
C. P. R. stock	134⅞	134½
Soo, com	..	149
Toronto Electric Light	152	151½
Canadian General Electric	175	174
Dominion Telegraph	..	120
Bell Telephone	160	158½
Richelieu & Ontario	..	62½
Niagara Navigation	114	112¾
Northern Navigation	75	..
Toronto Railway	105	104¼
Twin City Railway	106⅛	105⅞
Winnipeg Street Railway	139½	137
Sao Paulo Tramway	117¼	117⅛
Dominion Steel, com	19	18
Dominion Steel, pfd	..	63½
Dominion Coal, com	65	64
Nova Scotia Steel, com	69	67
Crow's Nest Coal	350	..
Mackay, com	39¾	39½
Mackay, pfd	75	74½
Salt	115	..
British Canadian L. & I.	95	92
Canada Landed	..	110
Canada Permanent	..	122
Canadian Savings & Loan	..	120
Central Canada Loan	..	170
Dominion S. & I.	..	70
Hamilton Provident	..	119
Huron & Erie L. & S.	..	185
Landed Banking & Loan	..	119
London & Canada L. & A.	..	98½
Manitoba Loan	..	95
Ontario Loan & Debenture	..	120
Toronto Savings & Loan	..	130
Dominion Steel	83	81

SALES: Ontario Bank, 10 at 136, 15 at 135¾, 350 at 136; Bank of Commerce, 2 at 160, 100 at 159½; Traders' Bank, 20 at 133; Toronto Electric Light, 50 at 150¾, 25 at 151, 25 at 151¾; Bank of Hamilton, 25 at 218½; Twin City, 100 at 106, 100 at 106⅛, 50 at 106; St. Lawrence, 30 at 100; Toronto Railway, 75 at 104½; Sao Paulo, 20 at 117¼, 115 at 117½, 50 at 117⅜, 60 at 117, 4 at 117, 45 at 117, 40 at 117⅜, 25 at 117¼; Dominion Bank, 38 at 251; R. and O., 25 at 62¼, 50 at 62, 25 at 62¼; C. P. R., 75 at 134⅝, 100 at 134¾, 100 at 134⅞, 100 at 134¾, 25 at 134½; Canada Permanent, 90 at 122½; Winnipeg Railway, 25 at 139; Canadian General Electric, 8 at 174⅞, 25 at 135, 25 at 135¼, 25 at 135½, 25 at 135¾; Mackay, common, 50 at 39½, 100 at 39⅞, 20 preferred at 75; Coal, 25 at 64½, 30 at 65, 5 at 64⅞, 25 at 64¾, 50 at 65; Dominion Steel, common, 150 at 18½, 50 preferred at 64¼, 15 preferred at 64; Nova Scotia Steel, 25 at 68, 25 at 68¼, 10 at 68¾.

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STOCK MARKETS.

H. C. Becher, stock broker, Bank of Commerce building, received the following by private wire from Bartlett, Frazier & Carrington today:

New York, Feb. 3.—Noon.—The market opened active and strong. There are, however, some exceptions to this, among them being Union Pacific and United States Steel, preferred, the latter being raher heavy. The talk on Reading is as confidently bullish as ever, the assertion being made that the next dividend will be increased. The character of the buying in B. and O. was considered good. There was nothing to explain the sudden advance and outbreak of activity in Rock Island, so the street at once came to the conclusion that it was due to manipulation. The traders generally are bearish. They maintain that the way in which certain stocks are bid up and others neglected is proof positive that the public is not in the market, and that the larger interests are seeking to create a market on which to sell. Sales to noon, 639,900.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Feb. 3.

	Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	134¾	134⅝
Montreal Street Railway	212½	211
Toronto Street Railway	104½	104
Halifax Street Railway	110	100
Twin City Transit, xd	106	105¾
Richelieu & Ontario	63½	62
Montreal Telegraph	..	161
Bell Telephone	160	159
Dominion Steel, com	18½	18¼
Dominion Steel, pfd	65	63¾
Montreal Power, xd	78½	78¼
Nova Scotia Steel, com	67¾	67
Detroit Railway, xd	77½	77⅜
Dominion Cotton	..	41
Mackay, com	40	39
Mackay, pfd	75	74½
Montreal Railway, new	212	..
L. W. M. Co., bonds	110	..
Montreal Railway, bonds	104½	..
Dominion Coal, com	65	64
International Coal	..	75
Switch, com	75	72
Laurentide, pfd	102	101¾
Bank of Montreal	256	254
Molsons Bank	225	223
Merchants' Bank	..	163½
Soo, com	..	100¼
Winnipeg Railway, bonds	105	104¾
Sao Paulo	117¼	116¾
Bank of Nova Scotia	270	266
Quebec Bank	..	129
Union Bank	..	140
Dominion Steel, bonds	82	81
Heat and Light, bonds	103	100⅞
Toledo Railway	24	22

SALES: C. P. R., 10 at 134¾, 3 at 134¼, 175 at 134⅞, 300 at 134¾, 25 at 134⅝; Iron, common, 50 at 18½, 125 at 18¼, 125 at 18¼, 50 at 18¼; Twin City, xd., 150 at 106, 25 at 105⅞, 10 at 105¾, 25 at 106; Detroit Railway, xd., 15 at 77¼, 25 at 77⅜; R. and O., 25 at 62⅝, 25 at 62½; Sao Paulo, 50 at 117; Soo, common, 100 at 101, 25 at 100⅝, 25 at 101⅛, 75 at 100½, 200 at 100; Mackay, preferred, 50 at 75¼, 50 at 75⅛, 2 at 75½, 75 at 74¾; Nova Scotia, 75 at 67¾; Iron, preferred, 25 at 63½, 12 at 64, 50 at 64, 25 at 64; Mackay, common, 25 at 39¾; Winnipeg Railway, 25 at 139; Bell Telephone, 7 at 159¾, 8 at 159½; Montreal Power, xd., 25 at 78¼, 50 at 78¼; Laurentide Paper, preferred, 50 at 101½, 25 at 102; Toronto Railway, 25 at 104¼; Bank of Commerce, 100 at 159¼, 2 at 159¼, 2 at 159; Merchants' Bank, 60 at 169½; Winnipeg Railway, bonds, 1,000 at 104¾; Scotia Bank, 26 at 266; Montreal Telegraph, 8 at 161.

NEW YORK.

Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

New York, Feb. 3.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Amal. Copper	74⅝	75½	74½	74⅞
American Sugar	142⅞	142⅞	142½	142½
Amer. Cotton Oil	33½	..	..	..
Amer. Locomotive	36¾	37⅜	36¾	37⅜
American Foundry	33⅝	33⅝	33	33
American Refining	86	86½	86	86
Atchison, com	88¾	88¾	88⅛	88½

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Atchison, pfd	102¾	102⅞	102½	102½
Baltimore & Ohio	104½	105⅛	104½	105⅛
Brooklyn Transit	61⅝	61⅞	61	61⅛
C. P. R.	134⅝	135	134⅝	134⅞
Ches. & Ohio	50¼	50⅝	50¼	50½
Chicago G. Western	23⅞	24¼	23⅞	23⅞
Chicago & Alton	42½	43	42½	43
Col. Fuel & Iron	47	47¼	46¾	47⅛
Consolidated Gas	202¾	204¼	202¾	204
Delaware & Hudson	188	189¾	188	189¾
Erie	44⅛	44¼	44	44
Erie, pfd	80¾	81	80⅝	80¾
Illinois Central	156⅝	157	156⅝	156¾
Kan. & Tex., com	32½	32½	32	32⅛
Kan. & Tex., pfd	67	67	66½	66⅞
Louisville & Nash	137⅞	138⅜	137½	138⅜
Manhattan	170¼	170⅜	170	170⅜
Metropolitan St. Ry.	117½	117½	116⅝	117
Mexican Central	22½	22½	22¼	22½
Missouri Pacific	107⅛	107¾	107⅛	107¾
N. Y. Central	149	149⅛	148⅞	149
Norfolk & Western	80¼	81¼	80¼	81¼
Ontario & Western	44⅝	45	44½	45
Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	44½	..	..	..
Pennsylvania	139¾	139⅞	139½	139⅞
People's Gas	107½	107¾	107¼	107⅜
Reading	92⅞	95⅛	92⅞	94¾
Rock Island	35	35⅞	34⅞	35⅞
Southern Railway	34¼	35	34⅛	34⅞
Southern Ry., pfd	97⅞	98	97⅞	98
Southern Pacific	67¼	67⅝	67	67⅝
St. Paul	177	177⅞	176⅞	177¼
Texas	35	35⅜	34¾	35¼
Twin City	106⅛	..	..	..
Tenn. Coal & Iron	72⅛	72¼	71¾	71¾
Union Pacific	122⅞	123⅜	122⅞	123⅛
U. S. Leather	14¼	14⅝	14¼	14⅜
U. S. Leather, pfd	104¼	104⅛	103¾	103⅞
U. S. Rubber	36⅞	36⅞	36½	36½
U. S. Steel	30⅜	30⅝	30¼	30½
U. S. Steel, pfd	95¼	95⅛	94¾	95
Wabash, com	22¾	23⅜	22⅞	23¼
Wabash, pfd	45	46⅞	23⅞	23½
Western Union Tel.	92½	..	..	..
Wisconsin Central	23½	23⅞	23⅜	23¼

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

Chicago, Feb. 3.

Wheat—				
May	1 17	1 17⅛	1 16¼	1 16¼
July	99⅝	1 00⅜	99½	1 00⅛
Corn—				
May	44¾	44⅞	44¾	44⅞
July	45½	45½	45¼	45⅝
Oats—				
May	30⅜	30⅝	30¼	30⅜
July	30⅛	30⅜	30⅛	30⅛
Pork—				
May	12 85	12 87	12 82	12 87
July	....	....	....	12 95
Lard—				
May	6 87	6 92	6 87	6 92
July	7 00	7 05	7 00	7 00
Short Ribs—				
May	6 87	6 90	6 87	6 87
July	7 02	7 02	7 00	7 00

FLAXSEED.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—Flaxseed—Northwest, $1 22; southwest, $1 16; February, $1 16; May, $1 20.

DAIRY MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, Feb. 2.—Butter—Firm and unchanged; receipts, 4,400 pkgs. Cheese—Firm and unchanged; receipts, 562 boxes.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—Butter—Firm; creameries, 19c to 29½c; dairies, 19c to 25c. Cheese—Quiet, 11c to 12c.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Feb. 2.—Receipts of cattle were larger at the city yards today; the outlook was good, and prices maintained a firm tone. Sheep were easier, lambs higher, and hogs unchanged. Receipts were 86 loads, comprising 1,031 cattle, 871 sheep and lambs, 2,160 hogs and 46 calves.

Butchers' Cattle—The demand was good, the recent succession of light runs having practically exhausted the local supply, and all offerings of choice quality were readily absorbed. There were no high class cattle marketed, however, and the best price quoted for the grades boarded was $4 25 per cwt, though this is hardly a fair criterion of actual conditions. Real first quality butchers would command an advance of 10c to 25c per cwt on this figure.

Exporters—There were not enough good shippers on the market to make a full load, and as a result trade in this class of cattle was of merely nominal proportions. The best price quoted was about $4 85 per cwt.

A few of the day's transactions follow:

George Rowntree bought 160 cattle for the Harris Abattoir Company at $3 90 to $4 15 per cwt for choice grades, $3 50 to $3 80 for medium and $2 50 to $3 25 per cwt for common grades.

Con. Woods bought 25 cattle, 900 to 1,000 lbs. at $3 80 to $4 per cwt.

Frank Hunnisett bought 35 butchers, averaging 1,000 to 1,200 lbs. at $3 to $3 65 per cwt, and 12 calves at 4½c to 5¼c per lb.

Sinclair Levack bought 6 export bulls, 1,500 to 1,800 lbs. at $3 25 to $3 75 per cwt.

Maybee & Wilson sold 3 loads of cattle, 980 to 1,060 lbs. at $3 90 to $4 per cwt; some cows at $2 50 to $3 75; 1 milch cow at $50; three other common cows at $25 each; 1 bull, 1,470 lbs. at $3 35 per cwt; 20 common cattle, 800 to 1,000 lbs. at $3 25 to $3 40, and a number of canners at $2.

Corbett & Henderson sold 35 butchers at $3 37½ to $4 25 per cwt; 1 bull, 1,190 lbs. at $3 50; 6 cows, 1,200 lbs. at $2 75; 50 lambs at $6 25, and 40 sheep at $3 90 to $4 65.

Crawford & Hunnisett bought 2 loads of exporters, 1,270 lbs. at $4 to $4 50 per cwt for steers, and $3 40 to $3 60 for heifers, and 1 load of heifers, 980 lbs. at $4.

H. McRae bought 20 cows, 1,050 lbs. at $2 70 per cwt.

Zeagman & Sons bought 3 loads mixed butchers, 800 to 1,200 lbs. at $3 to $4 10 per cwt.

M. H. Pringle bought 18 butchers, 930 to 1,100 lbs. at $3 50 to $4 20 per cwt.

C. McCurdy bought 35 butchers, 950 to 1,000 lbs. at $3 75 to $4 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs—Trade was slow in the small meats section, owing to the light morning and a rather slow demand for sheep. The prices of export ewes declined 10c to 15c per cwt, but on the other hand the inquiry for lambs showed improvement, and this was reflected in an advance of 10c per cwt.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Feb. 3.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,500; market steady; good to prime steers, $5 60 to $6 25; poor to medium, $3 60 to $5 40; stockers and feeders, $2 35 to $4 25; cows, $1 25 to $4 40; heifers, $2 to $5 10; canners, $1 25 to $2 60; bulls, $2 to $4; calves, $3 to $7 25.

Hogs—Receipts, 24,000; market steady to strong; mixed and butchers, $4 65 to $4 85; good to choice heavy, $4 80 to $4 90; rough heavy, $4 60 to $4 70; light, $4 55 to $4 75; bulk of sales at $4 65 to $4 80.

Sheep—Receipts, 6,000; market steady; good to choice wethers, $5 20 to $5 65; fair lambs, $5 60 to $8.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, Feb. 3.—Cattle—Receipts, 100 head; fairly active; steady to strong; prices unchanged. Veals—Receipts, 200 head; active, 5c higher, at $4 50 to $5 75.

Hogs—Receipts, 4,400 head; fairly active; steady on light, 5c higher on heavy; heavy and mixed, $5 05 to $5 10; Yorkers, $5 to $5 05; pigs, $4 95 to $5; roughs, $4 to $4 45; stags, $3 to $3 50.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 8,000 haed; active and higher; lambs, $6 50 to $8 20; yearlings, $6 50 to $7 25; wethers, $5 75 to $6; ewes, $5 to $5 50; sheep, mixed, $2 50 to $5 70.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, Feb. 2. — Live cattle are quoted at 11c to 12c per lb; refrigerator beef, 9¼c per lb; sheep, 12c to 13c per pound.

HAY MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Feb. 2.—Baled Hay—There is plenty offering for the demand, and car lots are quoted unchanged here at $7 50 to $8 per ton for No. 1 timothy and $6 25 to $6 50 for No. 2 and mixed clover.

Baled Straw—Steady, at $6 to $6 25 per ton for car lots on track here.

OIL MARKETS.

PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 2.—Oil opened and closed at $1 39.

OIL CITY.

Oil City, Pa., Feb. 2.—Credit balances, $1 39; certificates, no bid; shipments, Feb. 1, 102,905 barrels.

LONDON.

London, Feb. 2.—Petroleum, American refined, 5⅝d; spirits, 8¼d.

ANTWERP.

Antwerp, Feb. 2.—Petroleum, 18 francs 50 centimes.

BREMEN.

Bremen, Feb. 2.—Petroleum, 6 marks 35 pfennings.

CLEVELAND.

Cleveland, O., Feb. 3.—The Standard Oil Company today reduced the price of all grades of refined oil 1c per gallon. No change was made in the price of gasoline or naphtha.

You'll Like Our Baking Powder.

There is nothing better than Strong's Baking Powder. The very best of the better baking powders are not apt to be as good, because they are never as fresh. Besides, you save on the cost. Strong's Baking Powder costs as much to make as any powder in the world. It costs you less than other cream of tartar powders because we make it—you have but one profit to pay. 25 cents a pound.

STRONG'S DRUG STORE

184 DUNDAS STREET.

SUGAR MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, Feb. 2.—Sugar—Raw quiet, refined steady. Molasses—Quiet.

LONDON.

London, Feb. 2.—Raw sugar—Centrifugal, 17s, nominal; Muscovado, 16s; beet sugar, January, 15s 8¼d.

BEAN MARKET.

DETROIT.

Detroit, Feb. 2.—Beans—February, $1 53; March, $1 56.

PRODUCE MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Feb. 3.—Wheat—Fairly steady, demand quiet; Ontario, $1 04 to $1 05 for red and white; spring, 97c to 98c; goose, 88c; Manitoba wheat easier; No. 1 northern, $1 09 to $1 09½; No. 2, $1 05 to $1 05½; No. 3, $1 to $1 00½, at Georgian Bay ports, and 6c more grinding in transit. Flour—Demand looks better; Ontario firmer; 90 per cent patents, $4 30 to $4 50, in buyers' sacks, west; 15c to 20c higher for choice; Manitoba, $5 to $5 60 for first patents, $5 to $5 30 for second patents, and $5 to $5 20 for bakers. Millfeed, $14 to $14 50 for bran in bulk, and $16 to $1 50 for short, west; Manitoba, $19 for shorts and $15 for bran for export. Barley, 45c for No. 2, 43c for No. 3 extra, and 41c for No. 3 malting, outside, Toronto freights. Rye, 75c to 76c for No. 2, on track here. Corn—Firmer; new Canadian yellow, 42c to 43c; mixed, 42c to 42½c, f.o.b., Chatham freights; new American, No. 3 yellow, 51c to 51½c; mixed, 51c, on track here. Oats—Unchanged, at 37c to 38c for No. 1 white, east; No. 2, 37c to 37½c, low freight, and 36½c to 37c north and west. Rolled oats, $3 90 for carse of bags and $4 45 for barrels; 25c more for broken lots here, and 40c more outside. Peas, 66c to 67c for No. 2, west. Buckwheat, 53c west. Butter—Firm in tone, with receipts light and prices unchanged; goo demand for all kinds. Eggs—Easier; large stocks; limed, 17c to 18c.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Feb. 3.—Wheat—Spot nominal; No. 1 California, no stock. Futures quiet; March, 7s ⅜d; May, 6s 11⅜d; July, 6s 11¼d.

Corn—Spot, American mixed, new, quiet, 3s 11¾d; do, old, steady, 4s 11d. Futures quiet; March, 4s ⅜d; May, 4s 1⅜d.

Peas—Canadian steady, 5s 9d.

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

Hops (in London)—Pacific coast steady, £7 5s to £8 10s.

Beef—Steady; extra India mess, 66s 3d.

Pork—Easy; prime mess western, 61s 3d.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, easy, 40s 6d.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, easy, 36s; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, steady, 36s; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, steady, 37s; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, steady; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, quiet, 35s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, dull, 41s; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, dull, 31s.

Lard—Prime western, in tierces, quiet, 35s 3d; American refined, in pails, dull, 34s 6d.

Butter—Nominal.

Cheese—Steady; American finest white, 52s 6d; do, colored, 51s 6d.

Tallow—Prime city steady, 23s; Australian (in London) easy, 25s 6d.

Turpentine Spirits—Steady, 38s.

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Rosin—Common firm, 7s 4½d.

Petroleum—Refined quiet, 6d.

Linseed Oil—Quiet, 15s 3d.

Receipts of wheat during the past three days were 208,000 centals, including 75,000 American.

Receipts of American corn during the past three days were 224,000 centals.

Weather—Fine.

NO INTENT TO DEFRAUD

Crown Withdraws the Charge Against Mr. Cantin, the St. Joseph Promoter.

Things took an unexpected turn in favor of Narcisse Cantin, known as the promoter of St. Joseph, Ont., when he came up in the police court this morning for trial on a charge of having passed a worthless check on Mr. C. McCallum, the local druggist. The circumstances in connection with the case satisfied the magistrate that Mr. Cantin had not been wilfully guilty of defrauding anyone, and he exonerated him entirely.

Since last he appeared in court, Mr. Cantin made a settlement with the complainant, and it was explained to Mr. Mchillop that at the time the defendant gave the check to Mr. McCallum he believed he had money to his credit in the Molsons Bank at Hensall. Several checks had been deposited to his credit there, but in the meantime, unknown to him, the checks had been protested.

The magistrate immediately expressed his willingness to allow the charge to be withdrawn. There had been no attempt to defraud, he held, and Mr. Cantin went away without any reflection on his character. If Mr. McCallum had known the circumstances, the magistrate added, he would not have taken the case into court.

Mr. McEvoy appeared for Mr. Cantin.

Solomon Dale was also up on a charge of passing a worthless check, and he pleaded guilty to the offense. The magistrate was asked to be lenient with him, because of his respectable parents.

It was a most regrettable thing, the magistrate said, in passing sentence, to see a young man of Dale's appearance arrested on such a charge. He was a criminal and had dragged the name of his relatives into the dust. He was inclined to be lenient with him, however, as drink was responsible for his ownfall. He was sent to the common jail for two months at hard labor.

Two young men, charged with being disorderly, were ordered to appear in the morning.

THE MERITS of Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup as a sure remedy for coughs and colds are attested by scores who know its power in giving almost instant relief when the throat is sore with coughing, and the whole pulmonary region disordered in consequence. A bottle of this world-famed Syrup will save doctor's bills and a great deal of suffering. Price, 25 cents, at all dealers.

What Will the Council Do With the License Petition?

Temperance People Will Send a Large Deputation to Monday Night's Meeting.

The sole topic of conversation in civic circles today was the action of No. 3 committee last night in refusing to recommend a reduction in the number of liquor licenses in London. And all are speculating as to what the council will do with No. 3's recommendation, that no action be taken on the prayer of the temperance petition when it comes up at the next council meeting.

That the end of the matter has not been heard by a long shot, is evidenced by the fact that prominent temperance workers give out today that another large and influential deputation will wait upon the council and back up the temperance petition on Monday evening.

"Some of the aldermen have, apparently, been making promises to both parties," said a temperance man today, "and we will be on hand to see what these fellows do when the vote is taken."

It is a pretty difficult thing to say just where the aldermen stand on this matter, but, according to the speculation slate going the rounds of the city hall today, this is how the vote will stand next Monday night (unless something goes wrong with the works), when an opinion is sought on the matter of reducing the licenses:

For—	Against—
Carson,	Abram,
Gerry,	Cooper,
Greenlees,	Forristal,
Matthews,	Garratt,
Wyatt 5	Gillean,
	Sanders,
	Steveiy, ... 7

Of course, as already stated, this is purely speculative, but on "dope," as they say in sporting circles, it looks like a win for the anti-reductionists. It appears, however, that both parties are banking on the support of Alds. Carson and Cooper, but so far neither gentleman has declared his position publicly on the matter. But at all events, Monday night will tell the tale, and both the temperance people and those who do not see eye-to-eye with them, will know who's who after the vote has been taken.

One of the arguments being used by those who are opposed to cutting off the licenses is that this year London, with its grand Old Boys' reunion, and its bi-centenary celebration, will have its hands full to accommodate the thousands of visitors who will be attracted to this city. Instead of cutting off the hotels, they argue—as does Ald. Saunders—that the license law should be more vigorously enforced; that all license-law offenders should be punished severely, and that all places holding hotel licenses should be compelled to provide accommodation for the public upon demand. It is alleged that at present it is impossible to secure a meal or a night's lodging in many of the places holding hotel licenses, as the proprietors depend alone for their income upon the bar trade.

In this regard a prominent Londoner said today that he is in favor of increasing the quality of the accommodation necessary for the securing of a hotel license. It is his idea that no hotel which has not at least fifty bedrooms should be granted a license.

THE NOTED PAYNE ALIMONY CASE VENTILATED IN ASSIZE COURT

The Plaintiff's Serious Charges Against Her Husband Richard Payne.

Judge Macbeth presided at an adjourned session of the winter assize court this morning, held for the purpose of hearing the alimony case of Payne vs. Payne. The plaintiff, Mrs. Julia Payne, seeks alimony from her husband, Richard, a butcher, of London Township. Each makes serious allegations against the other, and a great number of witnesses—about twenty—are subpoenaed. The whole morning was consumed in the examination of the plaintiff. Faulds & Campbell are acting for plaintiff, and Messrs. Ed. Meredith and R. M. C. Toothe for the defense.

The plaintiff, Julia Payne, who was the first witness, is of French extraction, and there was some difficulty in taking her evidence. She related that she was married to Richard Payne in 1885. Two months after coming to this city, she went to Detroit with her husband's consent, to sell a certain patent medicine. After being separated for some time, the two were again married in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1895.

Mr. Faulds produced an extract from the record of this marriage in Cleveland, but it was ruled out by the court.

The plaintiff asserted with much excitement that it was "the God's truth," but that her husband had burned the marriage certificate.

She went on to assert that her husband had started drinking when they returned to London from Cleveland, and that he used her very badly. In the meantime, he had got $500 from her which she had saved up in Cleveland. She said that Payne often violently assaulted her, and he was brought before Squire Lacey on one occasion. Witness said she once found a letter in her husband's pocket written by a girl in Cleveland, to whom he had been sending money. On another occasion, Payne came to her with an open knife and threatened her life.

Witness asserted that her husband had some furniture of hers, valued at $200, which he refused to give up. Last June, the husband ordered witness out of the house, telling her to take her furniture with her. But he stopped the moving van on its way and said he would not let the furniture go until plaintiff signed a deed giving up all claim on him as her husband.

On another occasion, Mr. Payne caused witness severe bodily injury, and she went to the home of a married daughter and was attended by Dr. J. B. Campbell. She had not lived with her husband since.

Witness said she had proof of her husband's misconduct with the girl in Cleveland by reasons of letters she had found. Witness also gave details regarding her husband's alleged misconduct with three servant girls they had employed, during the annual absence of plaintiff in Cleveland, where she sold a patent plaster and conducted a female sanatorium.

Witness had on one occasion found her husband in company with a girl. Mrs. Payne attacked the girl and gave her a pair of "black eyes." She also alleged that her husband was guilty of even grosser conduct.

Witness then gave evidence with regard to her first husband, E. D. Lorimer. He had left her in Montreal in 1884 and went to the mines in Colorado, where he was killed, according to information in a letter she had received from Colorado.

Mr. Faulds said that he put forward this evidence to oppose the allegation which he expected the defense to make to the effect that plaintiff's first husband was still living when she married Payne.

Court adjourned at 12:15, and upon resuming, Mr. Meredith cross-examined witness.

WOULD PROVE GOOD THING FOR LONDON

The Provincial Board of Health Asked to Establish a Branch Laboratory Here.

Dr. English, of this city, appeared before the provincial board of health, at Toronto, yesterday, and put forth a strong argument for the establishing in this city of a branch of the provincial health department, to be run in connection with the Western University. The branch would be one similar to that being conducted in Kingston, and would prove a great convenience to the medical profession, as well as to the people, not alone of London, but of Western Ontario.

If Dr. English's request is granted (and he was authorized by the local board of health some time ago to make the request), it will be possible to secure a proper diagnosis of water, here, without going to the expense and trouble of sending it to Toronto. The diagnosis of cases of diphtheria would also be greatly facilitated—and the cost of the diagnosis would be greatly reduced.

The request was taken into serious consideration by the provincial board.

Dr. English's report on the London water supply, which attributed the outbreak of typhoid fever in this city to the contaminated water of Port Stanley, was adopted, and the secretary was instructed to inform the local authorities, with a view to action being taken.

—Mrs. (Dr.) Kingsmill will sing at the 7th Pop concert tomorrow evening. To an already strong programme, the name of Mrs. Kingsmill is a very welcome addition, and should make this pop one of the best yet.

WORKMAN'S SERIOUS FALL.

Joseph Franks, of Byron, who was employed on the construction of Byron bridge, fell a distance of 30 feet to the river-bed at 3 o'clock today and was seriously injured. The full extent of his injuries has not been learned.

PASTOR IS APPRECIATED.

At a meeting of the board of managers of the Adelaide Street Baptist Church on Wednesday evening it was unanimously agreed that the salary of the pastor, Rev. T. T. Shields, should be raised by $200. This is one circumstance of many, that show the high regard in which the congregation hold their pastor.

SAD INCIDENT AT THE LONDON

Actor Notified of Daughter's Death as He Was About to Do His "Turn."

A most pathetic incident, one that is full of human interest, took place "behind the scenes" at the London Vaudeville Theater last night. In front of the footlights, all was mirth and enjoyment. It was "military evening," and the sergeants of the Seventh Regiment, together with a crowded audience, were enjoying the performance and the music to the full. Flags and colors waved on all sides, and the interior of the building resounded with laughter and applause. Yet, unknown to any, with the exception of a few behind the scenes, there was one man in the theater who was heart-broken. He was a performer on one of the funniest acts on the bill, and the audience, judging only by his happy appearance on the stage, did not know that he had just a few moments before received word that his 18-year-old daughter lay dead in his home.

The clever team of musical comedians, Bryant and Saville, were just about to put on their act, which was number eight on the programme, when a messenger stepped into the wings with a telegram for Mr. Bryant. Breaking it open, Bryant learned that his youngest daughter, who was the only one that still remained with her mother in Philadelphia, had just died. The actor had known that his child was ill, but he had not for a moment thought that her sickness was serious. The news completely overwhelmed him. Tears streamed down his cheeks, which had just been blackened in order to represent the character of a negro minstrel. The manager, Mr. Bennett, on hearing the news, at once granted the performer permission to leave the theater, without putting on his act. Bryant, however, was plucky, and refused to forego his act. A moment later he was on the stage with his partner, laughing, joking, playing the guitar and banjo, and drawing music from umbrellas fitted with bells, as if nothing had happened.

As soon as he was again in the wings, his sorrow reappeared and the tears streamed from his eyes.

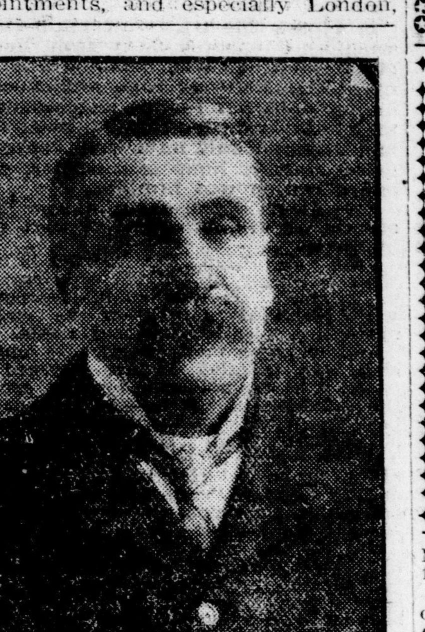
Mr. Bennett paid Bryant his full salary up to the end of the week and let him go, and he boarded the first train for Philadelphia to attend the funeral of his child. His partner, Saville, will continue to put on the act during the rest of the week, which he is quite capable of doing alone. Bryant is a man of 45 years, who has been on the stage for 30 years, and has seen many of the ups and downs of an actor's life. He has been on the road with a troupe of his own, but having experienced hard luck, had lately been doing vaudeville work.

TRANSFERRED TO TORONTO BRANCH

Mr. J. A. Carrick, of the Queen City Oil Company, to Leave London.

Many Londoners will regret to learn that Mr. J. A. Carrick, the local manager of the Queen City Oil Company, is to leave next week for Toronto, where he has been appointed to the more responsible position of assistant to the general manager of the company.

Mr. Carrick has been stationed in London for seven years, and during that time has made many warm friends among all classes of citizens. He has been with the Queen City Company for a long period, and in each of his appointments, and especially London,



MR. J. A. CARRICK.

his work has been attended with a large degree of success. His latest advancement is a just recognition of good service. For the present Mr. Carrick will retain the managership of the London branch, with Mr. Wolfe, of the Toronto office as his assistant. Mr. Wolfe has already taken over his duties.

The board of trade will lose one of its most active members by the removal of Mr. Carrick, who during the past year was vice-president and was next in order for the presidency. Mr. Carrick has been particularly active in work connected with St. Andrew's Church, being for some years a member of the board of management. It was largely through his efforts also that the Proudfoot Memorial Chapel in West London was erected.

DISTRICT CUP TO THEDFORD

St. Thomas Beaten in the Finals at the Thistle Club Rink.

The final match for the Western District Curling Cup was played at the Thistle Club's rink this morning between St. Thomas and Thedford, the latter winning by four shots. Thedford's first rink had an easy time, having a margin of eleven shots, while the second rink fared differently, finishing five shots behind its opponents. One of the Thedford players was Mr. Robert Rae, who is now in his 79th year. Mr. Rae was the lead on the second rink, and for one of his years he played remarkably well. He is possessed of wonderful vitality, for yesterday he participated in three games and today was "as fresh as ever." Mr. Rae was a business man in Thedford before his retirement, and for six years was warden of Lambton County. The score:

Thedford.	S. Thomas.
F. Jennings,	J. R. Burkholder,
W. N. Ironside,	Walter Ross,
T. Molloy,	D. McDonald,
W. J. Rattray, skip............20	F. Sutherland, skip 11
Robert Rae,	A. Barber,
T. Parkinson,	H. McPherson,
Geo. Thomson,	D. R. Drummond,
R. Thomson, skip............16	A. Graham, skip 21
36	32

Majority for Thedford, 4 shots.

DR. HODGE'S VERY NARROW ESCAPE

His Cutter Struck by Street Car and Smashed to Fragments.

While attempting to cross the street car tracks on Richmond street, near Maple, this morning, Dr. Hodge, of Queen's avenue, had a marvelous escape from serious injury. As it was the cutter in which he was driving was smashed into kindling wood.

Dr. Hodge was driving south, and when he reached Maple street he started to turn on to Dufferin avenue. A car was approaching from the north, but owing to the cover on his cutter, Dr. Hodge was unable to see it. So suddenly did he turn on to the tracks that the motorman of the car did not have time to put on the brakes and stop the car, which struck the cutter squarely and carried it several yards. Then the horse made a sudden jump, and succeeded in getting clear of the rig.

Dr. Hodge retained his hold on the lines, and was pulled by the horse over the dashboard, landing clear of the car tracks. Dr. Hodge's escape was nothing short of marvelous. The horse was uninjured, but the cutter was rendered worthless by the accident.

CONDENSED LOCAL NEWS

—Mrs. R. Blandford, of this city, is the guest of Mrs. T. C. Stewart, Vansittart avenue, Woodstock.

—Fire Chief Clark has decided to station firemen at the standpipes in the Armories tonight, so as to give the public every possible protection against fire.

—Mrs. D. S. Robb will assist the choir of the King Street Presbyterian Church at the regular service on Sunday evening. She will sing "The Good Shepherd" (Van der Water).

—Mr. H. M. Peterman, who for the past year has had charge of the cutting department with J. H. Deeks, has purchased the business from Mr. Deeks, and will henceforth carry it at the old stand, 393 Richmond street.

—Stratford Herald: Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Allen, Well street, entertained about 45 friends at dancing and cards the other evening. The guest of honor was Mr. Allen's sister-in-law, Mrs. J. C. Allen, of London.

CRAWFORD—FLETCHER.

A quiet wedding was celebrated at the manse of the Talbot Street Baptist Church last evening, when Sergeant Robert Crawford, a well-known member of the local police force, was married to Mrs. Jane Fletcher, a respected lady of London. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. J. Ross.

REBECCA SCHOOL.

The report of school section No. 1, West Nissouri, for the month of January, is as follows: Class V., Nellie Ashman 1,337, Lexie Rogers 951, Robina Duffin 891, May Pinel 584, Willie Ashman 542, Earlton Bourne 502. Junior IV.—Blanche Piper 1,040, Myrtle Piper 1,026, Mayme McFadden 930. Class III.—Robbie Ashman 704, Willie Rogers 688, Howard Judd 647, Mary Duffin 517. Senior III.—Mabel Bourne 876, Willie Judd 869, Tommy McFadden 778, Georgie Duffin, 564. Junior II. — Stanley Mossop 800, Morley Rogers 618, Gordon Judd 523. Senior Part II. — Ernest Ashman 711. Junior Part II.—Chester Judd 641. Part I.—Irene Barber 449.

DIED AT NIAGARA FALLS.

A sad event occurred yesterday morning, when Mr. Alfred James Carter, until recently a resident of this city, passed away in Niagara Falls, N. Y., at the early age of 21 years. Mr. Carter had been ailing for some time. He is survived by his brother, Albert Carter, of this city. It was only last June that the death occurred of the father of the two young men. The deceased also leaves a widow, formerly Miss Blundy, of this city, whom he married only a short time ago. The late Mr. Carter left London four or five years ago, and pursued his trade as a pressman in Buffalo until forced to cease work last November by reason of ill-health. The remains will arrive in the city at 11:35 tomorrow morning, and the funeral will be held from 188 Sydenham street, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Rev. Mr. Hill, pastor of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, will conduct the services.

CHAMBERS—SULLEY.

A Vancouver paper gives the following account of the wedding in that city of Mr. Arthur W. Chambers, formerly of South London, and now of the Hudsons Bay Company, there, to a Vancouver lady: "Mr. Arthur Wilfred Chambers and Miss Alma Edna Sulley, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sulley, were the contracting parties at a pretty wedding celebration on Tuesday, Jan. 10, at 10 a.m., in Wesley Church. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. E. Pescott under an arch which was prettily decorated by some of the young people of the church with ivy and white chrysanthemums. The wedding march was played by Mr. Harpur. The bride, who came in on the arm of her father, looked charming in a gown of cream silk with silk yak lace and pearl trimmings, and carried a shower bouquet of white carnations. Her traveling suit was of brown cloth with white beaver hat. The bride was attended by two bridesmaids and one maid of honor. The bridesmaids, Miss Annie Cameron, of New Westminster, and Miss Maggie Macpherson, of Vancouver, were dressed in reseda green voile with cream lace trimmings and wore black picture hats and carried bouquets of pink carnations. Miss Myrtle Sulley, sister of the bride, wore a gown of white net with oriental lace trimmings. The little flower girls, Miss Isabel Cowherd and Miss Hazel Forbes, cousins of the bride, looked pretty in dainty white silk dresses and carried basket of flowers. The groom was attended by Mr. E. Furneaux.

DEATH OF MRS. W. COLE.

The death occurred here last evening of Mrs. Wilhelmina Cole of lot 10, concession 12, Yarmouth Township, and is a cause of great sorrow to the many friends of the family by whom she was much beloved. Deceased is survived by her husband, Mr. Emery Cole, by her mother, Mrs. James Anderson, of the 3rd concession of Westminster; also by three sisters and a brother, who are as follows: Mrs. Lewis Willsie, of the 5th concession of Westminster; Mrs. William Chittick, of Dorchester; Miss Lizzie, at home, and William, at home. The late Mrs. Cole was born in Westminster Township 35 years ago, and her father, the late James Anderson, was well known in this this neighborhood. The funeral takes place Monday morning at 11 o'clock from the family residence to the St. Thomas Cemetery, services being conducted under the auspices of the Methodist Church.

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And Olivia, with a faint smile of resignation, retained the bouquet and walked towards the house.

His lordship the bishop would have been rather surprised if he could have seen the bridegroom at that moment, for Bartley Bradstone looked anything but happy.

He, too, had lain awake and listened perforce to the record of the slowly-moving hours, and all night he had seen the defiant, mocking face of the woman called Bella, and heard the scornful tones of her voice.

He had promised to meet her at four o'clock, and he lay there and cursed himself and her, for he knew that he dared not break the promise. Four o'clock, and the wedding was to take place at two! How should he manage to get away from the party, and keep this appointment? For hours he tossed to and fro, scheming and planning, the mocking face of the woman dancing before him. He must slip away somehow, if only for an hour.

Now and again a shudder of terror ran through him, and he sat up and shook as if with some horrible fear. Then he would fling himself down again, wiping the perspiration from his forehead and muttering, "No, I'll go through with it! It's too late to draw back now!"

When his valet came to him at nine he found his master looking, as he expressed it afterwards, "like a man who had been drinking all night," and Bartley Bradstone bore out the resemblance by ordering a soda-and-brandy, which he took with a hot and shaking hand.

Then he went downstairs and drank a cup of coffee, and made a pretense of eating some breakfast; but the face of the woman hovered between him and the dish the butler handed to him, and his throat seemed dry and parched.

After breakfast he went into the library, and unlocking the safe which he had so delicately pointed out to his tool—Mr. Mowle—he got out a cash-box, and counting out £200 in notes, he placed them in his pocketbook. As he was putting the cash-box back he pushed some small, heavy article from a shelf, and picking it up, saw that it was a revolver.

It was one of the silverplated toys which nearly every man possesses, but for all its smallness it was deadly and dangerous.

He held it in his hot hand, looking down it absently for a minute or two, then he tossed it back into the safe, with a suddenness and force that made the iron side ring again, and shut the door with a clang. Then he packed and send the bouquets, and taking up his hat walked into the garden and stood watching the groom as he rode down the road towards the Grange.

He stood a long time looking in the direction of the village with his half-fearful, dreadful gaze, then turned and paced about the grounds, but always returned towards the gate, and his nervous watchfulness of the road; and the face of the woman still danced mockingly before his eyes.

One o'clock struck, and with a start he went back to the house. Luncheon was laid. He made no pretense of eating this time, but tossed off a glass of brandy and water, and, going upstairs, sent for his valet.

The man appeared with the wedding garments, and dressed his master in the regulation blue frock-coat and illac trousers.

For once Bartley Bradstone seemed quite indifferent to the effect produced by his clothes, and stared at the glass with lack-luster eyes.

He scarcely spoke, took the handkerchief and his various rings and jewelry from the man without a word, and when he had left the room sank into a chair and let his head droop on his breast, his eyes fixed with a strange expression upon the carpet.

A quarter of an hour afterward the valet came in again.

"The carriage is at the door, sir," he said.

Bartley Bradstone looked up with a start, and the valet, who hated him—as all the servants did—glanced at his white face curiously.

"Shall I get you anything before you start, sir?" he said.

"No — yes," was the response. "Get me a glass of champagne. Bring it here. And"—he hesitated a moment—"and ask the butler if anyone has been here this morning. Any man—or woman—to see me," he added with assumed carelessness.

The man came back with the champagne.

"No one has been, sir."

Bartley Bradstone drank the wine and drew a long breath.

"It's fearfully hot," he said, "and I had a bad night. If—if anyone should come, tell her—I mean him—that I will see him later in the day."

"Yes, sir," said the man. "Any name?"

Bartley Bradstone interrupted him with a curse.

"Just do as I tell you, will you?" he said, angrily. "That's enough for you to do!"

Then pushing past him he went downstairs.

As his foot was on the step of the brougham he paused, stood for a moment or two, looking at the ground, then turned, and, re-entering the house, went into the library.

He came out again almost immediately, and getting into the carriage, was driven to the church.

A crowd had collected round the ivy-covered porch, and lined the path to the church door. All the villagers were in their Sunday best, and some of the young men had spent the early morning in decking the road with flags and banners.

As the brougham pulled up there was a stir of excitement, and when Bartley Bradstone got out a cheer rose, but it was forced and faint, and his appearance did not increase his enthusiasm.

"D——n me, if he don't look as if he was going to be hanged, instead of wed," said one man in an almost audible whisper.

He looked around him with a sickly smile, and with the restless suspicion more marked than ever in his glance, and just raising his hat, went into the church. The clergyman and the clerk were in the vestry, and the latter greeted him with the stereotyped remarks:

"The bridegroom first! Quite right, Mr. Bradstone. Ah, here they are! The bells are just starting. What a lovely morning! 'Happy is the bride,' etc.," and he laughed.

Bartley Bradstone went to the door, stood a moment till the first carriage came dashing up, then returned to the vestry and paced up and down.

Other carriages followed, the little room began to fill, and guests were taking their places in the pews near the altar.

Bartley Bradstone shook hands with one and another, and a faint flush began to rise on his face, but it looked haggard and anxious, and several times the remark which the man in the crowd had made was echoed by the young fellows who envied him.

Presently a cheer, loud and hearty, burst from the crowd outside, and the bishop, with a bland smile, said:

"The bride!"

[To be Continued.]

PAYS $100,000 FOR THIS BALL

Bachelor James H. Hydes' New York Function Unrivaled in Many Years.

New York, Feb. 2. — The sixteenth century ball, given by James H. Hyde, the wealthy bachelor, at the Sherry restaurant, altogether eclipsed in picturesque and entertaining qualities any entertainment, public or private, New York has known in years.

The best measure of the elaborateness of the decorations and of the programme arranged for the entertainment of Hyde's guests will be found in the general opinion among those accustomed to festivities of such extreme elaboration. Nothing heretofore known in the social diversions of New Yorkers, except the ball of the Bradley-Martins in 1897, is worthy to be mentioned in the same breath. Certainly no festivity of the present season will approach Hyde's party in the chronicles of the year's more aristocratic diversions.

There were those who, after a superficial survey of the general preparations for the ball, guessed Hyde's bills, when all settled, would amount to more than $100,000.

The scenes of the entertainment were set on the second and third floors of Sherry's. The third floor is the great ballroom, to which was applied a Versailles scheme of decoration. The upper room represented the interior of a tent on the palace lawn.

Hyde has a most daring invitation list. The coveted cards were not limited to the "four hundred." Most of the opera stars were present, and among the guests were Mme. Nordica, Aino Ackte, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Saleza, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Story (Emma Eames), Antonio Scotti, Francisco Nuibo, Elsie De Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. James S. Metcalf (Bessie Tyree), and Clyde Fitch.

The fete opened at 11 o'clock with a gavotte by Misses Catherine Barney, Gwendolin Burden, Nora Iselin, Annah L. Ripley Stewart, Natica Rives, Gladys Vanderbilt, Charlotte Warren, Clinton Gray, Monson Morris, Harry Telham Robbin, John Rogers, W. F. Whitehouse, Worthington Whitehouse, Lucius Wilmerding, and Mr. Gillespie.

The girls wore pink satin gowns trimmed with pink roses. Their hair was dressed with wreaths and roses and was powdered. The men wore wigs and queues, white satin coats and knickerbockers. The ballet, with Mlle. Varasi as premiere danseuse, followed.

The Mme. Rejane in a Vernis Martin Sedan chair was brought into the ballroom, in which a stage was erected. There was only a canopy of crimson velvet embroidered with gold fleur de lis separating the stage from the audience room. Mme. Rejane and her company played a new comedietta written for the event by Dario Niccodemi, called "Entre Deus Portes."

Following the play the guests had supper in a room decorated to represent the gardens of Versailles, with green decorations, marble statues, and fountains playing under colored lights. Mme. Rejane recited a poem when the guests were seated.

Mrs. Potter Palmer was conspicuous in white brocade, cut square at the neck, and a diamond tiara, dog collar and a plastron of the same gems.

Mrs. Alice T. Pillsbury, of East Wallingford, Vt., has received a silver ring, formerly worn by her first husband, Corporal D. A. Patch, who was killed at the "Bloody Angle" in 1864. It had lain on the battle field for 40 years.

A correspondent of the Scientific American suggests that the dark-skinned races may owe some degree of their ability to withstand the heat of the sun better than white nations to the resisting power of the pigments in their skin to the sun's invisible rays. It has long seemed anomalous that the races living in the hottest regions should have the darkest skins, notwithstanding that black absorbs heat more readily than any of the colors.

The Russian Board of Merchant Shipping intends to build a new port at Sukhum, in Transcaucasia, on the Black Sea, and at Temruk, on the southern coast of the sea of Azov. The port of Reval, on the Baltic, whence the fleet for the east sailed some time ago, will also be considerably enlarged. It is said that over 10,000,000 rubles will be spent on the new Reval harbor.

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ANOTHER BIG DAY'S CURLING; MATCHES FOR THE DISTRICT CUP

St. Thomas and Thedford Survive for the Finals—Some Good Scores.

Another busy day was put in by curlers from different parts of Western Ontario in this city yesterday, when good progress was made in the contest for the district cup in group 6 of the Ontario Curling Association. The matches were played at both the local rinks. Rinks from eight towns were in the competition, and the result was that Thedford and St. Thomas are left in the finals.

The first match was between Thedford and the Thistle Club, and the former came out with a majority of 11 shots. The score:

Thistles.		Thedford.	
H. Ranahan,		F. Jennings,	
Dr. Scott,		W. N. Ironside,	
B. W. Glover,		T. Molloy,	
James Burnett,		W. J. Rattray,	
skip	15	skip	18
W. F. Boughner,		R. Rae,	
W. Bartlett,		Thos. Parkinson,	
H. J. Lamb,		Geo. Thompson,	
W. R. Miller,		R. Thomson,	
skip	10	skip	18
Total	25	Total	36

Majority for Thedford, 11 shots.

St. Thomas and Forest met in the afternoon and the closest match of the day resulted, St. Thomas winning by three shots. The score:

St. Thomas.		Forest.	
J. R. Burkholder,		Ed O'Donnell,	
Walter Ross,		Geo. Monroe,	
F. Sutherland,		J. Gordon,	
D. McDonald,		D. Coultis,	
skip	18	skip	24
A. Barber,		D. Weir,	
H. McPherson,		F. Steele,	
D. R. Drummond,		M. A. Smith,	
A. Graham,		G. M. VanValk'n'b'g	
skip	21	skip	12
Total	39	Total	36

Majority for St. Thomas, 3 shots.

In the Windsor-Parkhill game, Parkhill won by six shots. The score:

Windsor.		Parkhill.	
A. E. Griffith,		A. K. Hodgins,	
W. J. Renwick,		R. Jackson,	
W. T. Carty,		O. A. Griffeth,	
W. Boug,		W. J. Mitchell,	
skip	19	skip	16
A. Piggott,		T. Grieves,	
A. Farrow,		E. A. Dickson,	
C. J. Wall,		T. Magladery,	
A. D Bowlby,		H. Ellis,	
skip	11	skip	20
Total	30	Total	36

Majority for Parkhill, 6 shots.

The second draw saw Thedford and Sarnia matched. The former won out by eleven shots. The score:

Sarnia.		Thedford.	
R. Galloway,		F. Jennings,	
John Dowson,		W. N. Ironside,	
Wm. Gilchrist,		P. Molloy,	
F. McGibbon,		W. J. Rattray,	
skip	12	skip	20
S. Hitchcock,		R. Rae,	
D. C. McGibbon,		J. Parkinson,	
J. Farquharson,		Geo. Thompson,	
A. J. Chester,		R. D. Thompson,	
skip	14	skip	17
Total	26	Total	37

Majority for Thedford, 11 shots.

Parkhill was also defeated by Thedford by four shots. The score:

Thedford.		Parkhill.	
F. Jennings,		T. Grieves,	
W. N. Ironside,		E. A. Dickson,	
T. Molloy,		T. Magladery,	
W. J. Rattray,		H. Ellis,	
skip	16	skip	15
Robert Rae,		A. K. Hodkins,	
Thos. Parkinson,		R. Jackson,	
Geo. Thomson,		O. A. Griffeth,	
R. Thomson,		W. J. Mitchell,	
skip	16	skip	13
Total	32	Total	28

Majority for Thedford, 4 shots.

The finals between St. Thomas and Thedford are being played today.

BOTH DARK HORSES.

Toronto Telegram: London won out in Group No. 3 from Ingersoll yesterday, and will be down for the finals on Tuesday. Both London and Ingersoll are of the dark-horse variety. They may have been here before, but neither of them ever got the tankard or figured as runner-up. However, they must curl fairly well to beat out such clubs as Galt. And now the returns are all in, and the 31st annual competition for the Ontario Tankard finds the following in the finals: 1, Toronto Caledonians; 2, Dundas; 3, London; 4, Orillia; 5, Lindsay; 6, Sarnia; 7, St. Marys; 8, Harriston.

WON TROPHY FOR GOOD.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 2. — Dr. Ashburgh's Windsor rink came over last night to play off the finals for the Russell House trophy, laid over from last Saturday, the closing day of the Detroit bonspiel. Such a clip did the Canadians hit up that they exceeded even their expectations, and departed to the Land of the Beaver with the vase, which for all time in future will decorate the quarters of the Windsor Club. The score was 22 to 13.

STRATFORD WON OUT.

St. Marys, Ont., Feb. 2. — In the western tankard primary only Stratford and St. Marys competed. Score:

Stratford—		St. Marys—	
J. Steele,		J. Oddy,	
skip	22	skip	17
D. Ferguson,		C. Meyers,	
skip	22	skip	23
	44		40

Majority for Stratford, 4 shots.

ONLY THREE GROUP CHAMPS NOW REMAIN TO BE DECIDED

Klondikers Win Another Game—The Woodstock-Stratford Controversy.

All the O. H. A. group championships but three are now settled and the trio will be determined one way or the other tonight. In some sections the second round is being played already.

A remarkable feature of the first round was the continuity of the cold weather. Only one of about 225 scheduled games was postponed for lack of ice, and that was played within the time limit, Jan. 31. The group winners:

SENIOR.

Group No. 1—Morrisburg.
Group No. 2—Smith's Falls or Kingston Frontenacs.
Group No. 3—Marlboros.

INTERMEDIATE.

Group No. 1—Smith's Falls.
Group No. 2—Peterboro.
Group No. 3—Markham or Newmarket.
Group No. 4—Orangeville.
Group No. 5—Grimsby or Welland.
Group No. 6—Victoria Harbor.
Group No. 7—Parry Sound.
Group No. 8—Thessalon.
Group No. 9—Gore Bay.
Group No. 10—Berlin.
Group No. 11—Woodstock.
Group No. 12—Goderich.

JUNIOR.

Group No. 1—Queen's III.
Group No. 2—Cobourg.
Group No. 3—Uxbridge.
Group No. 4—St. Andrew's.
Group No. 5—Parkdale.
Group No. 6—Owen Sound Wellingtons.
Groups Nos. 7 and 8—Stratford.
Group No. 9—Gravenhurst.
Group No. 10—Meaford.

Ridgetown, Ont., Feb. 2.—An exhibition game of hockey between Blenheim and Ridgetown at Blenheim last night resulted in an exhibition of rowdyism little short of the Thamesville-Blenheim lacrosse episode of last year. Until the last four minutes of play the game was straight, fast hockey; then a mix-up between Emes and Shillington brought the scum on the ice, and it was only through the prompt action of the Blenheim team that the Ridgetown players escaped being mobbed. The game stood 6 to 5 for Ridgetown. The referee called the game, giving it to Ridgetown. The Blenheim team are genuine sportsmen, but until they furnish some guarantee that a visiting team shall have some hope of personal safety there is little likelihood of them securing home games from neighboring towns. The teams lined up as follows:

Blenheim—Goal Warden; point, Dean; cover, Bannon; center, Irving; left, Hunter; right Shillington.

Ridgetown — Goal, Chapman; point, Emes; cover, Ridley; center, Plett; left, Montgomery; right, Morrison. Referee—Dr. T. W. Walker.

Hensall, Feb. 2.—The fastest game of hockey ever seen in this town was played last night between the Lucan Crescents and the home team. The game resulted in a score of 5 to 2 in favor of Hensall. The line-up was as follows:

Hensall—Goal, Taylor; point, Blackwell; cover, Cameron; forwards, Buchanan, Blackall, Shepherd and Blackall.

Lucan—Goal, Bence; point, Gibson; cover, Downing; forwards, Neil, White, Hawkshaw and Shields.

Referee—J. Donley, Lucan.

St. John, N. B., Feb. 2.—The second game between the Klondike hockey team and all St. John hockey team here tonight resulted in another victory for the Gold Diggers. Score, 5 to 0. The Klondikers leave here for Fredericton, N. B., tomorrow morning, where they play tomorrow evening. After playing Fredericton the team go to Montreal.

Tilbury, Ont., Feb. 2.—Tilbury defeated the Windsor Hockey Club here last night in a game for the championship of the western peninsula by a score of 13 to 4.

Toronto, Feb. 2. — The controversy which arose some time ago between the Stratford and Woodstock intermediate O. H. A. teams over the game at Woodstock, in which there were veiled charges of professionalism and the importation of five players from Cornwall for the Woodstock seven has at last taken definite shape. This morning Secretary W. A. Hewitt, of the O. H. A., received a letter from Stratford asking that the status of the Woodstock players be investigated. Woodstock are the winners of the district.

The dispatch from Port Hope yesterday to the effect that Belleville would ask the O. H. A. to investigate the age of Bond, of the Cobourg juniors, correct enough at the time, is not so now. There are three Bonds in Cobourg hockey and the junior is a young lad whose age is no longer questioned by Belleville.

Today the Belleville representative called at O. H. A. headquarters and questioned the age of Wilfrid McLean, of Port Hope. It was Port Hope that defeated Belleville and they hope to show McLean to be over age, thereby throwing out that game and giving them a chance to tie Cobourg in the district.

The hockey game tonight between the London Ramblers and Ingersoll O. H. A. intermediate teams should be one of the best of the whole season. Ingersoll has at least three star players well-known to Londoners—Montgomery, Dominee and Gregory—and London has Leddy and Lawlor back upon the team, with McMahon, McGuffin, McLellan, Gauthier and Jimmy Carruthers, will make a combination that Ingersoll can scarcely beat. The game is sure to be fast and exciting.

THE TURF.

YESTERDAY'S WINNERS.

At New Orleans—Triumvier, 2 to 1; Redman, 6 to 2; Matador, 1 to 2; Kickshaw, 2 to 1; Jake Sanders, 5 to 1; Fox Hunting, 15 to 1.

DATES FOR GRAND CIRCUIT.

New York, Feb. 2.—The stewards of the Grand Circuit today adopted a revised schedule for the coming trotting season. The new schedule includes Cleveland, which has of late been out of the circuit. The schedule: Detroit, July, 24-29; Cleveland, July 31-Aug. 5; Buffalo, Aug. 7-12; Empire City, Aug. 14-19; Readville, Aug. 21-26; Providence, Aug. 28-Sept. 2; Hartford, Sept. 4-9; Syracuse, Sept. 11-16; Columbus, Sept. 18-23; Cincinnati, Sept. 25-30, and Memphis, Oct. 16-28 (two weeks). Last year's rules were adopted.

WRESTLING.

GOTCH WON BOTH FALLS.

Cleveland, Ohio, Feb. 2. — Tom Jenkins won the first fall in 28 minutes from Frank Gotch. Gotch won the second fall in one minute with a crotch and wrist hold, and the third fall and the match in twelve minutes, with a crotch and arm hold.

BASEBALL.

PREPARE FOR TRAINING.

Chicago, Feb. 2. — President Hart, of the Chicago National League baseball team, has sent a notice to all players to prepare for the training season, and to be ready to start for Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 25. This will be the earliest start of any National League team this year.

SKATING.

RACES AT JUBILEE RINK.

The first heats for the handsome gold and silver Jubilee rink medals, take place at 8:15 Saturday evening at the Jubilee rink. There are two races, the men's two-mile and the boys' (under 18 years) one mile. There have been sufficient entries in each race to warrant keen contests and those who witness the first heats will no doubt have plenty of excitement.

PREMIER-ELECT AT MORRISBURG

Dundas County Supporters of Mr. Whitney Celebrate His Recent Victory.

Morrisburg, Ont., Feb. 2.—Mr. J. P. Whitney, the Conservative leader and Premier-elect of Ontario, was the object of an enthusiastic demonstration here this afternoon and evening. There was a large gathering of Mr. Whitney's supporters from all parts of Dundas County, special trains being used to accommodate the many who desired to honor their leader. Mr. Whitney was presented with a beautifully illuminated address, suitably worded, by the Conservative electors of the county. When he stepped forward to receive it he was greeted with prolonged cheering.

After bowing his acknowledgments, Mr. Whitney said that when he stopped to consider what he should say, the recollections of past days were too much for him. He realized that it was impossible to appreciate the expressions of goodwill which the people of Dundas had so lavishly accorded him. He referred feelingly to the strong ties that bound him to his fellow-citizens. Regarding the address just presented him, he would not answer it by a political speech, but would rather look on the gathering as a fellowship meeting. He dealt reminiscently with the political history of the Province since he entered the Legislature, referring particularly to his close personal friendship with the late Hon. A. S. Hardy and the confidence that gentleman had reposed in him in asking his opinion as to the date of a general election. He could recollect of no similar instance in the political history of any country.

Mr. Whitney characterized the great change that had come over the people in the matters of the information they now possessed on all great public questions as a good augury for the future, and also paid a striking tribute to the influence woman has in the affairs of the world. Happy is the nation, he declared, in which women take interest in its affairs.

In closing Mr. Whitney asked his audience never to forget the privileges and liberties enjoyed by people in this British country. Each party has a part in working out the great system of constitutional government. When anything becomes wrong with one party, the whole state suffers. We should all feel pride in the fact that each party is molding the destiny of the country. With such a spirit animating the people there is no danger that posterity will blush at reading our history. In accepting the position which the people had given him Mr. Whitney said he fully realized his defects, and needed his friends' sympathy in the responsible position he was about to occupy.

In concluding, he wanted his administration to be judged by the standard he had now set up.

The singing of the National Anthem brought the meeting to a close.

ADVISES DROWNING IDIOT YOUNG

Startling Advice by a New York Physician.

SAYS NO HOPE FOR THIS KIND

But Classes for the Imbeciles and Weakminded Produce Excellent Results.

New York, Feb. 3—"Idiot children should be put in a dog pond and drowned."

This is the disposition that would be made of unfortunate human beings if Dr. Brown, of the board of health, had his say. In explaining the system of classification recently adopted by the school board for the disposal of backward children, Dr. Brown made this statement yesterday:

"Every child with the slightest deficiency receives a special examination, and if he be blind or deaf he is sent to an institution where that deficiency is given special treatment and possibly cured. In like manner an imbecile often is made into a useful citizen. But for an idiot there is absolutely no hope. When it is found that he is too far gone for the surgeon's knife to help his life had better be extinguished.

"Idiot children should be drowned. We then have more time and energy to spend on children in whom there are the possibilities of success.

"For imbeciles who have less mental depravity and the weak-minded pupils we have training classes. In these a great deal of manual work is taught, and the boys are trained to be expert carpenters, while the girls learn to cook and to sew.

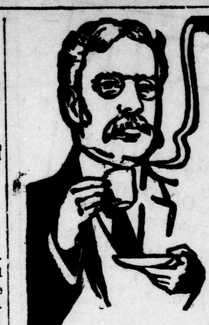
"In another class we teach the 'slow.' This is called the coaching class. Boys and girls in these classes often make the best students and the biggest successes in later years, but they are for some reason slow of comprehending. By separating them from their classmates the normal children are allowed to go ahead and learn as fast as they please.

"Then there is the unruly, lazy pupil who is put in the disciplinary class. There are great hopes for him when he wakes up and sees the useless trouble he has caused. Nevertheless, his place is not with the real student, whose ambition is to lead his class.

"It is a noticeable fact that the deficiency among the poor children who are placed in the backward class is due to a dullness which is often brought on by drinking beer and coffee. With wealthy children, whose trouble often is due to a high-strung mental condition, coffee has exactly the opposite effect and instead of dulling their senses makes them nervous wrecks.

"Tests of various kinds are made on every child. If a child is superaffectionate then the chances are that he is weak-minded. If he is unable to comprehend or reason rapidly and if his memory is poor, then, too, he is in need of the backward class.

"Besides this mental test, a physical test also is made. A great deal can be told about a child by the shape of his ears and the formation of his mouth, his palate and his tongue. Almost any child that keeps the lower jaw dropped, and tongue hanging out, and eyes half closed, is weakminded. Then, too, the child who, instead of partaking in the games at recess, hangs off by himself in a corner, is abnormal, and can bear watching, and in general is a fit candidate for the backward class."



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Roosevelt Tells Railroads They Must Submit to Supervision.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 3.—President Roosevelt, in an address to the Union League, told the corporate interests of the United States that they must submit to Government supervision, even if the constitution had to be amended to give the Government the necessary power.

"Neither this people nor any other free people," he said, "will permanently tolerate the use of the vast power conferred by vast wealth—and especially by wealth in its corporate form—without lodging somewhere in the Government the still higher power of seeing that this power is used for and not against the interests of the people as a whole."

At the present moment, said the President, the greatest need was for an increase in the power of the national government to keep the great highways of commerce open alike to all on reasonable and equitable terms.

There must be lodged in some tribunal the power over rates, and especially over rebates, whether secured by means of private cars, of private tracks, in the form of damages, or in any other manner. In some such body as the interstate commerce commission there must be lodged in effective shape the power to see that every shipper and every railroad owner shall be given justice and required to do justice.

President Roosevelt uttered the following significant warning:

"We do not intend that this republic shall ever fail as those republics of olden time failed, in which there finally came to be a government by classes, which resulted either in the poor plundering the rich or in the rich exploiting and, in one form or another, enslaving the poor; for either event means the destruction of free institutions and individual liberty.

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FEAR THE BLACKS

Jamaica Whites Disturbed by Proposal to Withdraw Troops.

London, Feb. 3—The Daily Express publishes the following from its Kingston, Jamaica, correspondent: Consternation has been aroused here by an official intimation which has been received by the Governor that all the British troops are to be withdrawn from the West Indies.

The colored population of Jamaica is over three-quarters of a million; the white population less than 15,000.

In the smaller colonies there are only a handful of white men, and in the event of a rising they would be wiped out.

Trinidad and Tobago contain nearly 300,000 blacks to about 1,400 whites, who are to be left wholly unprotected. The colored population is excitable, and when out of control there are no limits to the excesses of the blacks. In their last outbreak they set fire to the Council House.

Here in Jamaica there are black troops, but they are not to be depended upon for a moment in the event of trouble.

The home Government wants volunteer forces to be raised, but the smallness of the white population of most of the West Indian colonies makes the proposal quite impracticable.

If the British troops are withdrawn it will give a most unfortunate impetus to the movement favoring annexation to the United States.

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LONDON AND DISTRICT

—Miss Stella Jackson, of Petrolea, is the guest of Miss Mabel Bennett, 716 Colborne street.

—Mrs. J. R. Sanderson, of Queen's avenue, has left for an extended visit with friends in Windsor.

—Drum-Mayor Cockburn, of the Seventh Band, goes to Toronto today to represent the Seventh Regiment sergeants at the ball to be given in the Queen City this evening by the sergeants of the Royal Grenadiers.

—Mrs. Charlotte Box, of Exeter, has removed to this city with her family.

—Miss Sutherland, of this city, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Jones, of Petrolea.

—Mr. S. K. Stewart, of this city, left for Toronto and other eastern points last evening.

—Miss Olive Hooper, of this city, is a guest at the home of Mr. W. G. Bissett, of Exeter.

—Mr. George C. English, of Petrolea, has taken a position as traveler with a drygoods house in this city.

—Miss Lucy Baker, of Talbotville, is the guest of her sister, Miss Gertrude A. Baker, Richmond street, city.

—Rev. Mr. Beer, of this city, will occupy the pulpit in the Alvinston and Ebenezer Methodist Church until further notice.

—Mrs. Orrell and Miss Summers, of Vancouver, B. C., and Dawson, formerly of this city, have left for a visit to the east.

—Rev. Richard Hobbs, formerly of South London, has been invited to remain another year as pastor of the Strathroy Methodist Church.

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THE SERGEANTS' HAPPY THOUGHT

Success of the Theater Party in Connection With the Armories' Opening.

The sergeants of the Seventh Regiment conceived a happy idea when they bethought themselves of adding a theater party to the festivities in connection with their annual dinner last evening. The sergeants with their guests occupied the first three rows of the orchestra circle at the London Vaudeville, and in the boxes were to be seen several of the officers of the corps. Every act of the performance was thoroughly enjoyed and encored, while the special features which were introduced were also much appreciated. Nothing was left undone that might add to the military atmosphere of the affair. Flags decorated the stage and the body of the theater, and each of the performers wore the Seventh's regimental colors.

A much-enjoyed feature of the programme was the lantern pictures of well-known officers which were thrown upon a screen. These included Lord Aylmer, Col. Little, Major Cronyn, Sergt.-Major Milligan and the popular drum-major, Sergt. Cockburn. Pictures were also shown of scenes photographed on the occasion of the Seventh's visit to Sarnia. Prof. Stevens' orchestra, meanwhile, played patriotic airs, and all joined in the singing of "The Seventh Fusiliers." Such an interest did the public take in "military night" at the Vaudeville, that there was scarcely a seat to be got when the performance had once opened.

When the performance was over, the sergeants repaired to the Tecumseh House and enjoyed a sumptuous dinner. Afterward a most enjoyable programme of songs and music was carried out. "The King" was honored with true military loyalty, as was also the toast of "Canada." Col. Young, of the Barracks, made an eloquent reply to "The Canadian Militia." City Clerk Baker replied to "The Mayor and Corporation," referring to the pride which the city felt of its splendid volunteer corps. The toast of "The Commanding Officer and Staff" called for a reply from Mayor Hayes. "Sister Corps and Veterans" brought replies from the guests who were present from the Queen's Own and Forty-eighth Highlanders, Toronto; the Twenty-first Regiment, Windsor; the Nineteenth, Hamilton; the Grenadiers, etc. Other toasts honored were "Our Guests" and "The Ladies." Mr. Bennett, manager of the London Vaudeville Theater, was one of the speakers.

During the evening solos were given by Messrs. Russell, Sam Friendship, Stewart Webster, C. Pink and Color-Sergt. Duckworth. The piano specialties by Prof. Stevens were much appreciated. Accompaniments were played by Mr. Even Ardiel.

The guests carried away with them at the close handsome souvenir menu and programme cards.

The mess committee who had charge of the arrangements and who are to be congratulated upon the success of the affair are Sergt.-Major Milligan, Color-Sergt. E. M. Insley, president; Sergt. P. G. Wyckoff, secretary-treasurer; Sergt. J. E. Sussex, recording secretary, and Sergts. H. J. McCredy, F. Newton and P. Penwarden.

The school children at Berlin were examined by health officers this year for the first time, and the results were astonishing. Ten per cent were found to be insufficiently developed, either mentally or physically, to do the school work, and had to be sent home to grow for six months. Sixteen per cent were found to lack strength to study, owning to the debilitating effect of scarlet fever and other diseases, and 5 per cent were suffering from tubercular troubles.

ELECTED CHAIRMAN, AND COMMITTEES

Public Library Board Organized for 1905—George C. Gunn to Preside.

The board of management of the public library organized for 1905 at a meeting held in the library last evening. Messrs. George C. Gunn, J. C. Hazard, O. Labelle, R. R. Bland, T. J. Murphy, Henry Macklin, E. Manigault, W. T. Hamilton and Mayor Campbell were present.

The election of a chairman resulted in the unanimous choice of Mr. George C. Gunn, who was nominated by Mr. Manigault and seconded by Mr. O. Labelle. There was no opposition whatever to Mr. Gunn.

Committees for the year were named as follows:

Library Committee—R. R. Bland, H. Macklin, T. J. Murphy and E. Manigault.

Finance Committee—J. C. Hazard, W. T. Hamilton, O. Labelle and Mayor Campbell.

Mr. Bland is chairman of the library committee, and Mr. Hazard chairman of the finance committee.

The International Correspondence School's request for the use of a vacant room in the library building was filed.

Reference was made by Mr. Henry Macklin to the loss sustained by the retirement from the board of Mr. James Egan, who had been a member since the institution of the library. Librarian Blackwell's report for January showed the circulation for the month to have been 6,715, of which 797 were magazines. Fiction led with a total of 3,315. The average daily circulation of books was 257, and of magazines 35, making a total of 292. The month's receipts totaled $32 43, the fines averaging 64 cents per day. Cards issued to date number 11,728.

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NO. 3 COMMITTEE FAVORS NO REDUCTION IN LICENSES

Petition of the Temperance People Dealt With.

Alds. Saunders, Gillean and Abram Vote Nay on It.

Lack of Hotel Accommodation One of the Grounds on Which Petition Is Turned Down.

No. 3 committee of the city council met last night and decided to recommend to the city council that no action be taken on the petition presented by the temperance people some time ago, asking that a reduction of ten liquor licenses be made in London. Those present at the meeting were Chairman Matthews, Ald. Saunders, Gillean and Abram, and Secretary Bell.

An influential delegation of temperance people filled the room, and several prominent workers addressed the aldermen in support of the petition. In the end, however, the aldermen took the view that the lack of accommodation in London does not warrant the council cutting off any licenses.

The License Reduction.

The matter was brought up by Chairman Matthews reading the petition presented to the council some time ago, asking for a reduction of 10 in the number of licenses in this city.

Mr. G. N. Weekes spoke in support of the petition, repeating the arguments put forth at the council meeting by the temperance deputation. He added that it would be to the interests of citizens at large if the places in the outside districts which now sell liquor were cut off. If these places were done away with there would be less temptation for the workingmen. If a man could not get liquor on his way home he was not likely to go down town to get it. Moreover, he declared, such places as he referred to are no accommodation to the traveling public, and some of the persons to whom he had reference were persistent breakers of the license laws. He asked the committee to recommend to the council that the ten licenses be cut off.

Mr. John M. Gunn said that the argument used in a local paper that the traveling public might suffer if the licenses are cut off does not carry any weight. In Toronto, with a population of 250,000 there were but 150 licenses, whilst in London, where there is but 40,000 population, there are over 40 licenses. Consequently London could cut a few off and still be well within the mark. To his mind there was no reason why the ten licenses should not be done away with.

A Moral Reminder.

Prof. J. H. Bowman reminded the committee that they were the custodians of the people's welfare, and as such they should grant this demand of the people of London their very serious consideration. There is a very great feeling, he said, in favor of the reduction. The good legislation kept in touch with the people, and he hoped the members of the committee would give proper attention to the importance of the deputation which had waited on the council three weeks ago—the most important deputation that had ever waited on any civic body in London.

Ald. Saunders then asked Mr. Weekes if it was correct that the council could not say who shall be cut off, but could only determine the number of licenses to be canceled.

Mr. Weekes replied yes.

Ald. Saunders then said that it would be better if the commissioners handled the whole business, and said how many licenses should be cut off, and who should be cut off.

Mr. Weekes said that probably Ald. Saunders was right, but as a matter of fact the license commissioners do not represent the people, whereas the aldermen do represent them. It was for this reason the temperance people came to the aldermen and asked for the reduction.

Ald. Saunders asked Mr. Weekes if he was satisfied that the reduction of the ten licenses would not affect the accommodation of the traveling public.

Mr. Weekes again answered yes.

Ald. Saunders remarked that it sometimes happened that the commissioners did not cut off the places that should be cut off.

Mr. Weekes agreed with Ald. Saunders, but he said the people must depend on the license commissioners to do what is right.

Will Name the Men.

Prof. Bowman at this point told Ald. Saunders that the temperance people will name the men whom the commissioners will be asked to cut off. They will name the men who have broken the law, and who conduct places which afford no accommodation to the public. The temperance people feared no one, he said, and they would perform their task faithfully.

Ald. Saunders replied that he was informed now that the hotels of the city are not adequate, and fail to supply accommodation for the boarding and traveling public. The cutting off of ten hotels appeared to him a very serious matter.

Mr. D. A. McDermid told Ald. Saunders that the temperance people, if it were figured out, had asked for a reduction of but nine licenses, instead of ten, and it was explained that though the city is entitled to another liquor license the city has never taken advantage of it. It appears that this license was issued in West London some years ago, but has not been renewed for some time.

The discussion continued along these lines for some time, when it took a different and somewhat unexpected turn.

Too Heavy for the Committee.

Ald. Gillean stated that the temperance people were placing a great responsibility on the members of the committee. They were asking the committee to decide a matter which had hung fire for some years, and which means, in the cutting off of the licenses, somewhere between $1,500 and $1,800 to the city of London each year. Then there will be the reduction in the value of the hotel properties which must be reckoned with if the licenses are cut off, and as a whole, it looked to him as though the temperance people's demands will mean not less than a mill on the taxation of the people of London, because if the licenses are cut off the city of London must realize the money some other way. Would it not be better, he asked, to refer the matter of the reduction to a vote of the people? It was too much to ask a committee of four men to settle this matter offhand. It was a very serious matter, and the arguments on both sides should be accepted in the proper spirit.

Mr. Weekes said the temperance people of London were perfectly willing to accept all the responsibility, legal and otherwise, if the council made the reduction. The aldermen were the proper people to deal with the petition. If it was found that the cutting off of the licenses was in the interests of the public morality, he did not think Ald. Gillean or any other alderman should allow a mill of taxation, or $1,500 or $1,800 in license fees to stand in the way of the public good.

Mayor Campbell explained that the committee's decision will not be final, as the council will have to act on it on Monday night. If the committee so decided, the delegation could be asked to withdraw. No one asked that the room be cleared, however, and the temperance people remained.

The Recent Change.

Ald. Saunders remarked that as there had been a change of Government, the matter might be allowed to remain over until it was seen if Mr. Whitney would bring in a temperance measure. If Mr. Whitney contemplates doing anything for the temperance people, the council should not do anything for awhile.

Ald. Matthews replied that Mr. Whitney has stated that he does not think the Province is ready for prohibition. He asked Mr. Weekes if the temperance people were ready to compromise the matter, and if they would be willing to accept say half the reduction asked.

Mr. Weekes, in reply, said that while the temperance people desire the full number cut off, they would not be found opposing the cutting off of any number less than ten.

Professor Bowman said he was firmly of the opinion that the council should cut off not less than the ten asked.

Ald. Matthews said he asked the question because of the feelings expressed by Aldermen Saunders and Gillean, that the cutting off of the licenses might seriously affect the accommodation for the traveling public.

Mr. Gunn said that years ago, when the twenty licenses were cut off, the same argument regarding accommodation was used, and the people are not suffering today.

Ald. Matthews told Mr. Gunn that his comparison of London and Toronto was unfair, as all the hotels in London could be put into one in Toronto—the King Edward. He asked Mr. Weekes what effect it would have if the council recommended that no licenses be cut off, but that the present license laws be more strictly enforced.

Mr. Weekes said this would have only the effect of a recommendation. It would not be going as far as the deputation desired.

Mr. Gunn pointed out that each year the number of places which cater to the traveling public and do not sell liquor, are growing. Plenty of people who do not sell liquor find it profitable to cater to the traveling public.

Mayor Campbell told the deputation that the committee would deal with the matter in a fair spirit, and for the common good of all.

Mr. Weekes thanked his worship and the aldermen, and after expressing the confidence the citizens feel in the deliberations of the committee and the aldermen, the deputation retired.

To Cut Off Five.

Mayor Campbell, when the room was cleared, stated that it was his opinion that the council could reasonably cut off ten licenses. But he was not trying to influence the aldermen in any way. He did not favor cutting off ten licenses.

Ald. Saunders again wanted to know what guarantee the council had that the commissioners will cut off the licenses which should be cut off.

The mayor replied that there was no guarantee but the faith the people must necessarily repose in the commission. Anyway, if the commission did not cut off the men who should be cut off, the council could not be blamed. In recommending that five licenses be cut off, he felt the aldermen would be doing their duty. His worship also explained that it will be impossible for the aldermen to please everybody, but they should just do as they thought best for the good of the people at large.

Ald. Abram suggested that the committee secure the opinion of the city solicitor before acting on the petition. There was a doubt in his mind as to whether No. 3 committee or No. 1 committee should deal with the petition.

The mayor and Ald. Matthews declared that No. 3 committee was the proper body to act upon it.

"You'd better face the music right now," said Ald. Matthews.

"Yes, better face the music and be done with it," said the mayor.

Against a Reduction.

Ald. Saunders said he was in favor of calling upon the hotelmen whose places are not now what they should be to put their houses in better condition, and to have the license laws enforced in a more thorough manner. But he didn't feel like cutting off any of the licenses, as he had been told that there is a lack of hotel accommodation in the city at present. He was under an obligation to neither the temperance people nor the liquor people. It was his honest conviction that no licenses should be cut off. He therefore moved that no action be taken in the matter.

"I may as well meet the axe, if anybody is to meet it," said Ald. Saunders. "This is my motion, gentlemen."

Ald. Gillean then expressed himself on the subject. He repeated his assertion that he did not think it was fair that a small body of men like No. 3 committee should be asked to settle the license matters.

"My opinion is that it should go before the people," he said. "I am not under an obligation to either party. I am acting as I think best, and I think it is not a fair deal that this matter should be settled by such a small body of men. It is my first year in the council, and on a great many matters I scarcely know what to do."

Give Whitney a Chance.

Ald. Matthews—You understand, of course, that the decision of this committee will not be final. The council must deal with our recommendation.

Ald. Gillean—I know that, but what this committee recommends is likely to go. I may or may not feel that we have too many licenses now, but just at present I am of opinion that I cannot support any reduction.

Ald. Matthews—I have always been a temperance man. Everybody knows where I stand on this matter, but I committed myself to neither party before the election. At the same time, I was led to believe, by what the temperance people told me, that they would be satisfied with a reduction of four or five licenses.

Ald. Saunders—As Mr. Whitney is now in power, the aldermen should go slow and give him a chance to do something for the temperance people. There may be four or five hotels that in their present condition could be dispensed with, but as a matter of fact I think these places will be needed for the accommodation of the public this summer, and instead of being cut off they should be put in proper condition. If the proprietors will not fix them up and conduct them as they should be conducted, then I say, cut them off; but I do not feel like voting here to ruin any man—to drive any man out of business—to take the bread and butter out of the mouths of four or five hotelmen and their families.

Ald. Matthews—That argument does not hold good. The licenses are issued for but one year. No man has a license clinched for a term of years. To cut off any license is a hardship to no one.

Ald. Abram—I am in favor of taking no action. I would like to put those fellows who promised both parties in a position where they will have to vote.

Mayor Campbell—This makes three in favor of no action being taken.

Then someone suggested that the vote be made unanimous.

"I am a temperance man, and I cannot vote for it," said Ald. Matthews.

The mayor also pointed out that his motion relative to the cutting off of five hotels prevented his voting.

A vote was then taken, Ald. Abram, Saunders and Gillean voting for the motion, which was consequently carried.

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"I have been fighting tuberculosis for some years and with a weak stomach was losing ground slowly every year. I had tried all kinds of food and finally got so far along with the disease that my stomach, liver, kidneys, bowels and lungs were affected. My stomach got to a point where it would retain no food but peptonized milk and I was down to 90 pounds in weight. The doctors said about two years ago that I had but a month or two more to live. About that time I was put on Grape-Nuts and cream. It never showed the first sign of coming up, but agreed from the start and in a few days I began to feel increased strength so I kept on, with the result that the healthy blood has driven the disease from every organ of my body except the lungs and is slowly driving it from them. I have gained greatly in vitality and strength and added 29 pounds to my weight. If I can keep on as I have been, it seems clear that I will get entirely well, thanks to old Dame Nature, whose work was made possible by food I could digest." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

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