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THE MAPLE BRAND

Several years have elapsed since the Reporter first advocated that concerted action be taken by producers of first-class maple syrup and sugar to protect their product and secure the price that its superiority deserved. The results, so far, have been rather disappointing. A few leading makers in this district have placed labels on their cans and have been benefited thereby in the receipt of direct orders from city consumers at a good price, but the great majority sell and ship their goods without placing thereon a distinctive mark of any kind.

The whole question is now receiving due attention in another quarter and we hope results will follow.

M. F. Goddard, of Montreal, who was in charge of the maple sugar and syrup department of the Canadian exhibit at St. Louis, was in Toronto recently and declared himself on the maple sugar business.

"Those interested in the maple sugar and syrup industry of Eastern Ontario and the eastern townships of Quebec, are taking steps which will likely lead to the formation of a Canadian Maple Sugar Makers' Association to protect their business from ruin."

"The operations of a number of Toronto and Montreal syrup manufacturers are injuring the legitimate sugar-makers' industry. They are compounding and adulterating maple syrups and selling them as the real article at a price at which the farmer cannot compete. The result is that many farmers both in Ontario and the eastern Provinces are cutting down their maple orchards and going out of the business."

"We will not be satisfied until we have regulations prohibiting the use of the term syrup or sugar on a compound or 'adulterated article, or even the lithographed representation of a maple orchard, a sugaring camp, or any sugaring operation that might lead the public to believe that the syrup contained in the package was maple syrup or sugar. Without such misrepresentation they cannot dispose of their goods in quantities large enough to harm the industry. Several states have legislation equally as stringent."

"That the industry is an important one to Canada is patent to anyone familiar with the matter. In 1900 Canada produced 18,000,000 pounds of sugar or its equivalent in syrup."

The Reporter is confident that no where in Canada is better maple syrup and sugar made than in Leeds county—perhaps there is none quite so good—and while an association embracing a large part of Eastern Ontario and Quebec may do good work along the lines outlined by Mr. Goddard, we think that the interests of the farmers of this county would be best promoted by a county association. Of course, it could be affiliated with the larger society. The cost attending the formation of a county association would be small. A distinctive trade mark would be the first consideration, and this could be designed and registered at a cost of about \$12. Then the labels, if ordered in large quantities, would not exceed \$1.50 per thousand. The details of the association, such as the qualification for membership, the standard weight of syrup, etc., could be easily arranged.

At present, Leeds county farmers each season suffer a heavy loss by reason of having their gilt edged goods mixed up with syrup made on the deep soils of Western Ontario, the whole being invariably labeled "Eastern Townships Maple Syrup."

Every argument in favor of the cheese brand applies with equal force to the necessity of a trade mark for our maple products.

Fishing and Shooting

A new region, now accessible for the first time by rail, and known as the "Temagami" (pronounced Tem mog-ame) District, is being brought to the notice of the public as one of the finest fishing and hunting confines in Canada. Excellent sport is assured all who take advantage of a trip to this magnificent territory which is situated 300 miles north of the city of Toronto at an altitude of 1,000 feet above the sea. Black bass, speckled trout, lake trout, wall-eyed pike and other species of fish are found here in abundance, and large game such as moose, caribou and deer abound in the forests. A handsome booklet, profusely illustrated, giving all information including comprehensive maps can be had free on application to J. Quinlan, D.P.A., Bonaventure Station, Montreal.

TOWN HALL

The work on the interior of the town hall has now reached a point where a correct idea may be obtained as to its design and arrangement. It is not to be expected that everyone will be satisfied with the manner in which it is laid out, but it is apparent that it will fully meet the purposes for which it was erected. The basement affords abundance of room for all purposes. The first floor contains four rooms, two of which may be used for school rooms, one for a council chamber and one, possibly, for the post office. On entering the auditorium on the second floor one is struck with the apparent decrease in size effected by the stage and gallery. Of course, this decrease is only apparent; the seating capacity will be ample. The stage is large and extends six or seven feet beyond the line of the drop curtain. There are no ventilators in the roof, dependence being placed altogether on the windows, and particularly upon the window opening into the tower. These will probably be sufficient for the body of the hall, but will hardly serve to ensure a supply of fresh air to the back seats in the gallery. A little fire in the furnace already serves to demonstrate this, and we respectfully submit that the building committee of the council should at once arrange to have one large or two small ventilators placed in the ceiling at that point. Athenians have so long suffered from meeting in poorly ventilated rooms that it would be a great disappointment to find that a part of the new hall was lacking in respect to a supply of pure air. The lathing and wood-work, in the opinion of the architect, is being well done. Stairbuilding and the finer finishing work is now being done by the contractor, R. A. Sheldon, assisted by I. M. Kelly.

And when will the hall be finished? "Search me," says the small boy, and he knows just as much about the exact date as anyone else. It is already evident that the frost has done some damage to the centre wall, and it will not be advisable to proceed with the plastering until spring has well advanced and every part has settled to what, let us hope, will be a permanent bearing.

TEMPERANCE RALLY

On Monday evening a temperance rally was held in the Methodist church, which was attended by a representative gathering of all denominations. The pastor, Rev. S. J. Hughes, M.A., presided, and on the platform with him were Rev. I. N. Beckstedt and Rev. Geo. Stafford of Westport. In opening, the chairman gave a short address, in which he answered several of the chief objections offered to the enactment of local prohibition. Rev. Mr. Beckstedt followed, dealing with the evils of the liquor traffic in a general way and expressing his sympathy with the efforts that were being made to secure total abstinence for the individual and prohibition for the state. Rev. Mr. Stafford was then introduced, and, taking for his subject "Principles and Methods," dealt in a very lucid and logical manner with temperance sentiment as it exists and finds expression to-day. He spoke hopefully of the future, and, arguing from past successes and advancement, said he thought that, notwithstanding the desperate efforts being put forth by the liquor interest, prohibition for Ontario was within measurable distance. The special music rendered by the choir was exceptionally fine. In the duet by Mr. B. S. McConnell and Rev. Mr. Stafford and in the quartette by Mrs. Lamb, Miss Maude Wiltsie, Messrs. Stafford and Clow, as sweet and true notes were sounded as were ever heard in Athens. The service of song was a rich treat, and the chairman expressed the sentiments of all in the words of appreciation he spoke respecting the choir and its leader.

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Sunday School.

INFERNAL LESSON NO. 1 APRIL 5TH, 1905

Jesus the Good Shepherd—John 10: 1-15.

Commentary.—I. The shepherd and the sheep (vs. 1-6). In these verses Jesus lays the foundation for the discourse which was to follow.

II. Christ the door (vs. 7-9). Then said Jesus—Jesus was talking directly to the men who had excommunicated the former blind man, and the application of His words was to them as spiritual thieves and robbers who had usurped authority over the flock of God.

III. The thief and the hireling (vs. 10-13). To steal, etc.—False teachers steal the hearts and affections from Christ.

IV. Christ the good shepherd (vs. 14-18). I, I am the good shepherd—Jesus, as the good shepherd, was foretold by God in the prophets.

V. Christ the true Christians (vs. 19-30). The sheep—True Christians. Those who, like sheep, are innocent, trustful, teachable, obedient.

sheep—in the East in a flock of hundreds each sheep would have and know its own name.

VI. Lay down my life.—The Oriental shepherd must face storms, hardships and dangers for his sheep.

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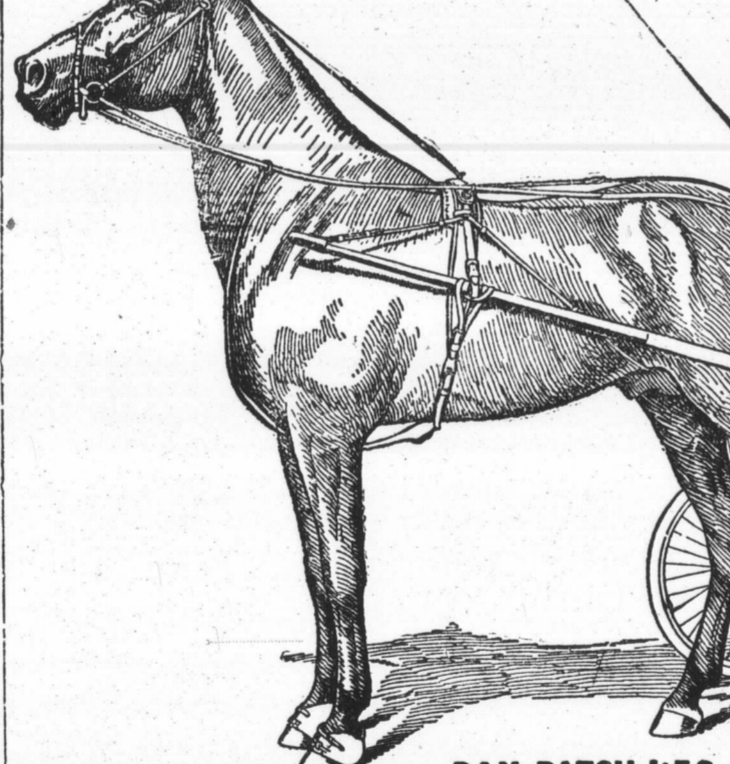


Mrs. J.W. Lang and Mrs. S. Frake

Of all the diseases known, with which women are afflicted, kidney disease is the most fatal. In fact, unless early and correct treatment is applied, this weary patient seldom survives.

Paris.—The Foreign Office here has not been advised of the action of President Castro towards the French Cable Company.

Montreal.—Chief Detective Carpenter and the members of his staff made a raid last night on the establishment of Israel Capovitch, corner of Dorchester and Cadutz streets.



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PILLAGE AND MURDER.

Russian Peasant Disorders Causing Anxiety to the Government.

St. Petersburg, March 20.—There is reason to believe that the Government has resolved to re-establish the censorship on out-going news despatches, which was withdrawn about a year ago.

THE SUPREME CIRCLE.

Question of Investment of Funds Discussed.

Halifax, March 20.—The Supreme Circle of the Order of Canadian Home Circles met in the City Hall here this afternoon.

British Cattle Markets.

London.—Live cattle are quoted at 11 to 12 1/2c per lb.; refrigerator beef, 8 1/2 to 9 1/2c per lb.

Leading Wheat Markets.

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Receipts of live stock at the City Market were light. 37 cattle, 150 hogs, 34 sheep and 1 calf.

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Market Reports OF The Week.

Toronto Farmers' Market.

The Grain Market is dull, the only offerings being 200 bushels of oats, which are lower at 47 to 48c.

Table of market prices for various commodities including wheat, corn, and livestock.

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A New Woman!

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Blue Ribbon

TEA. It chases away that old tired feeling and fills her with new life. SO DELICIOUS, TOO. ONLY ONE BEST TEA. BLUE RIBBON'S IT.

The Unknown Bridegroom.

"During the voyage Mr. Merrill showed himself quite an adept in arranging living pictures," Mr. Leighton continued, with a scornful curl of his lips, "and amused himself upon one occasion by cleverly reproducing a tableau representing the secret marriage which I have described. Ah!" he interposed, with a start and quick look at Florence, "that was what caused your fainting fit—it never occurred to me until this moment!"

"How strange!" and I did not once dream, until now, that you knew the secret of that tableau," the fair girl responded, with a flush and a smile.

"Now, ladies and gentlemen," Mr. Leighton observed, with a sweeping glance that included his whole audience, "you all understand the meaning of the words which I uttered as I entered the room. I asserted that if Miss Seaver were a girl of any one's wife—she is as free as the air; that ceremony was only the rankst farce, and I have always deeply regretted my share in it; ought to have revealed my identity and openly denounced the impostor the moment I realized the great wrong he was doing, and there has been no time since when, if I could have learned who the unfortunate lady was, I would not have sought to and frankly confessed to my share in it."

"Yes, everything that you see for miles around you, besides a great deal of money; and you are a baronet now—you are Sir Arthur Vincent Page, and those portraits over the mantel are the likenesses of your father and mother."

"I can tell you," gravely observed the boy, "I want to stay with you, just the same as before, I must have somebody to take care of me, shall I?" he concluded, turning to the attorney, who had seemed to understand, had some authority in the matter.

"Yes, my boy, for a good many years yet," replied Mr. Wellington. "Then I will engage for you, I will never, never go away from him," asserted young Sir Arthur, with some excitement, and clinging appealingly to his friend.

"I am inclined to think that is well thought of, if you will accept the trust, Mr. Leighton," said the attorney, turning inquiringly to the young man.

"And so, after some discussion, it was arranged, greatly to the delight and relief, and later, Carol Leighton was legally appointed the youthful baronet's guardian, and to be educating the little ward in connection with the events that had occurred so recently, and they all agreed that the Towers would be the best place for their consultations."

"Accordingly, a groom was dispatched to the station for August, who it will be remembered, had time for the three-thirty train, and after all business arrangements had been completed and the attorneys had taken their departure, it was a very happy and congenial party that sat down to dinner in the elegant dining-room at the Towers."

"A very quiet but pleasant evening followed, after the little baronet had been put to bed in a beautiful room which he was told he would share with his Uncle Carrol, and they chatted sociably until the clock on the mantel struck nine, when Mr. Seaver said he had some writing to do in connection with the coming train, and must be excused."

"Mrs. Seaver also had a letter to write, and the two went away together to the library, leaving the young people by themselves."

"Presently August and Monica slipped into the conservatory, and thus Florence and Mr. Leighton found themselves alone. Florence had been very quiet and shy ever since the recent revolutions; not once did she meet the young man's eye without feeling the hot blood tingles in her cheeks and her pulses leap with quickened throbbings, while now as they sat alone in each other's presence, it almost seemed to her as if he must read every thought of her heart, which, for so long had beat only for him."

"Presently the young man arose and came and stood before her, leaning one arm upon the mantel near which she was sitting. "Miss Richardson," he began in a low, trembling tone, "once I was a very strange being, and I feel

that I was excessively presuming in going through that ceremony with you. Are you sure that you forgive me?" "Have I not assured you that that act was my salvation?" she inquired, half reproachfully. "Ah, you are very good to say that," he eagerly responded, "and if I but dare to hope that I might be able to contribute toward your future happiness, it would be my beyond expression blessing." He went on, emboldened by the flush on her cheek, while his noble face was full of passionate yearning, "I have loved you ever since we stood that wonderful sunrise together from the upper deck of the Germanic; and, once since then, I have been encouraged to hope that you were not indifferent to me. There was never any special significance in your act when you laid your hand in mine as you bade me farewell the night before you started for Switzland, or was it my imagination that made me think so? Is there any answering affection in your heart for me dear?"

He laid out his hand as he ceased, and Florence, as if impelled by some irresistible influence, rose and stood before him, and laid her hand again in his, with the same confiding gesture that characterized her farewell on the night of which he spoke. "Ah! my beloved! Dare I hope that I may claim it?" the lover exclaimed, with a ring of joy in his tones.

"It is yours, if you wish it—that wonderful sunrise meant as much to me as to you," Florence whispered, and the next moment was folded close in her companion's strong, loving arms. "But I never can call you Walter," the fair girl asserted, when later, after they had become a little accustomed to their new happiness, and he had chided her for addressing him as Mr. Leighton; "that name will always be hateful to me, because of my cruel experience with that impostor. May I call you Carrol?"

"Anything you like, sweetheart," he fondly returned, "Yes," he added, gravely, "I think I prefer you should not call me Walter, for henceforth that name cannot fall to the lot of either of us. I shall be Carrol to you, and you shall be Flo to me. Can I ever get used to that change, I wonder?" he interposed, smiling, and so it will all be in harmony if I am Carrol to you."

"Carrol," said Florence, a few moments later, "I want to tell you that, somehow, I have been bound to you ever since we stood together at the altar in Rosedale chapel. I know, of course, that it was not a legal marriage; but from the moment that I looked into your eyes, just before I lost consciousness, I have felt that, since that time, you were, you possessed a claim upon me that I could never throw off."

"Then I was not far out of the way to-day, dear," said the young man, tenderly. "No; and I am so glad that it was you who stood beside me that night," she whispered, nestling closer within his embracing arms, "and that I shall be able to fulfill papa's wishes, after all."

"Mr. and Mrs. Seaver were very much gratified when informed of how matters stood. "It is a heart," said the lawyer, heartily, as he shook the young man warmly by the hand, "if you were my own son, or Florence my daughter, I could not be better pleased."

"There is but one drawback to my happiness," said Carrol Leighton, gravely—"the fact of my presenting myself to the world as a man who has climbed the ladder again, and it will not be very long before I can offer your ward at least a competence."

"It is high praise to say of anything that it is the most beautiful of its kind in the world, yet this claim goes unchallenged when applied to that matchless gem of architecture, the Taj Mahal. Shah Jehan, the builder of this 'dream in marble' as it has been called, ascended the throne as emperor of the Mogul empire in 1627."

He was noted for his taste in building, and for the fabulous sums of money he spent in his love of display. At a fête given to celebrate the first anniversary of his reign, he was weighed against gold, silver and precious stones, and then scattered them broadcast to be scrambled for by the eager crowd. This entertainment cost about \$8,000,000."

Notwithstanding his lavish expenditure, he conducted the finances of the country so judiciously that the treasury was in a better condition when he relinquished than when he received it, and this was without excessive taxation or oppression to his subjects.—From The Taj Mahal, by Austin Cook, in Four-Track News for March.

In a recent number of the Paris Figaro were found couched some characteristic remarks regarding the Czar and his position and find much current application: "When the Czar sits into a dish it breaks into five or six articles."

"The crown does not protect the Czar from headache."

"Even the lungs of the Czar cannot blow out the sun."

"When the Czar leaves a deep trace behind it, he is in good health."

"The Czar even covered with boils is declared to be in good health."

"When the Czar is bedridden a hired horse every step is regarded as a legend."

"The Czar may be a consist of God, but His brother he is not."

THE PRODUCTION AND CARE OF MILK IN WINTER.

(Press Bulletin from the Ontario Agricultural College, by Prof. H. H. Dean.) Canadian dairymen appear to have lessened their efforts in the production of winter milk; consequently we have a shortage and a period of high prices. Not many are in a position to avail themselves of the good prices now offered for their products of all kinds, and especially for fine butter.

Essentials for Economical Production. 1. Fresh cows. It is unsatisfactory, trying to produce milk with a herd of cows most of which have been milking during the past summer. At least one-half the cows should freshen between the first of November and the last day of February.

2. A moderately warm, clean, light, well-ventilated stable is a great aid in the economical production of winter milk. Cold and badly ventilated stables must be closed up for feed.

3. Cheap, succulent feed is needed. This is best got by providing corn silage, mangels, clover hay, and suitable meal. A very good ration for a cow giving 40 pounds of milk daily, or making 11-2 to 2 pounds of butter per day is 30 to 40 pounds corn silage, 30 pounds mangels, 8 to 10 pounds clover hay, 4 pounds bran, 3 pounds ground oats, and one pound oil-cake. If possible, cut the hay, cut the roots, and mix the bulky feed together a few hours before feeding. Add the meal to the bulky part at the time of feeding. The foregoing amounts may be divided into two portions, and one-half given to each cow night and morning.

The cows should be fed regularly, and each animal should be under close observation by the feeder in order to note her appetite, response in milk flow, and other conditions. If the feeder finds that the cow can profitably consume more than eight pounds of meal daily, then extra meal may be given. Careful feeders who weigh the milk from each cow will soon learn the limit of profitable feeding for each animal.

Care of the Milk. If the cow be kept clean and the milk be drawn in a clean manner into a pail by a clean person, and removed shortly after straining from the barn, there is no reason why winter milk should have a "sweaty odor." This "sweaty odor" is usually caused by filth which drops into the milk during the milking, or is absorbed by the milk from the foul air in the stable.

Milk should be removed from the stable before it cools to the temperature of the stable air; otherwise it will absorb taints rapidly. After straining the milk does not usually require any special cooling other than that which takes place from the cold air, if it be stirred occasionally to prevent the cream rising and to insure uniform cooling throughout the whole mass of milk. It is also necessary to prevent the milk freezing in order to obtain the best results.

If sent to a winter creamery, it should be delivered at least three times a week. If manufactured on the farm, it should be made into butter as soon as possible after it is drawn from the cow. The longer that milk is kept before being made into butter, the poorer will be the product.

AN AID TO MOTHERS.

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LONDON'S WINTER FOG.

London fogs have been legislated against, have been bottled, analyzed, dissected, incised, and "set upon" by endless committees, but we still know no more about them than from the aurora borealis. A couple of years ago the London County Council took them in hand. A committee of experts was formed to investigate the causes, cure, distribution, and all other eccentricities of fogs. Their report stated that fogs could not be traced to any special locality; that they seemed to be rather the result of general atmospheric conditions; that a London "perthaler" was usually formed by sucking in suburban fogs and mixing them up with the pall of smoke that invariably hangs over central London; that fogs rarely occurred when the temperature was over forty degrees F., and that they were most frequently after a night ten degrees colder than the preceding day. I have seen estimates which place the direct and indirect loss to London by fogs at over \$25,000,000 a year. One day of really bad fog will cause the metropolis to consume enough gas and electricity, in excess of her ordinary requirements, to supply a town of 50,000 for a whole year. Moreover, a fog means a heavy casualty list. The great fog of 1891 increased the mortality of London by 2,994 in three weeks. The fog which ended on January 2, 1892, after overshadowing London without interruption for a fortnight on end, caused an excess of 1,484 deaths in one week.—Harper's Weekly.

THE NIMBLE SAILOR.

Admiral Dewey, at a dinner in Washington, praised the quickness and the nimbleness of the well-trained sailor. "Did you ever hear," said Admiral Dewey, "of the sailor who turned shepherd?" "Well, this sailor, wearing of the bleak, cold seas, gave up his ship, packing his kit, and journeyed into Scotland; for his grandparents had been Scottish, and the love of the heather ran in his veins like wine. "So the towns of Scotland there was little to do, but in the country, he was a demand was plentiful. There was a town in the country for good shepherds. "So the sailor went into the wild, for-foren Scottish upland, and at the farm along the way he asked for a shepherd's place. One farmer, the fourth one, need-

ed a shepherd, and he looked the sailor over. "Man," he said, "ye're bonny and strong and intelligent and all that; but, man, whaur's yer sheep dog?" "I have no sheep dog," said the sailor. "I am no lumbering lubber that must have his herding done by a dog for him. I can herd sheep without a sheep dog." The farmer laughed a dry laugh. "Ye may have a try at it if ye like," he said, "so ye see, on yon mountain, all the sheep like little white balls of cotton wool? Weel, man, I want all these sheep—an' there's just three hunderd o' them—brought into the pens here by six o'clock to-morrow morning." Can ye do it?"

"To be sure I can," said the sailor, and without wasting any more words he set off for the mountain to herd the sheep into the pens. "Well, at six the next morning, when the farmer came to the sheep pens, he expected to find them empty and the sailor gone. The sailor, though, sat on a fence smoking his pipe, and in the pens a great multitude of sheep were gathered. "Man," said the farmer, "ye've done weel without a dog. I'll count 'em." "He counted the sheep, and they were all there. But a big, brown active hare, wild with fright, hindered his counting somewhat, it ran so swiftly to and fro. "What is this chap doing here?" the farmer said.

"Oh," said the sailor, taking the pipe from his mouth, "you mean that little brown fellow? Well, sir, to round him up gave me more bother than all the rest of them put together."

Mark Twain on the Czar.

The March number of the North American Review opens with a grim and satirical criticism of the Czar, from the pen of Mark Twain. Mark's pen seems to have been dipped into vitriol for the purpose, and every word burns. As may be inferred from the title, "The Czar's Soliloquy," the criticism is put into the mouth of the "Little Father" himself. The place where the soliloquy occurs, is in the Czar's dressing room, and the time is the hour immediately following his morning bath, which, according to an English correspondent, it is the habit of the ruler of the Russias to devote to meditation. Viewing himself in his pier-glass before he has begun to dress, he flouts himself as "a lank, skinny, spider-legged lebel on the image of God," and confesses to himself that the hundred and forty millions of his devoted subjects do not worship such a spectacle as that. They bow down to the clothes which cover and conceal his uncomely nakedness, and to the high sounding titles which give meretricious dignity to actual nonentity. The imperial soliloquy, even despite the fact that it is addressed to the ruler of the world, is a plea of the moralist that it is wrong to use violence against himself and his family—since, being above the law, they are outlaws, and outlaws are a proper mark for any one's bullet. The soliloquy proceeds: "There is no power without clothes. It is the power that governs the human race. Strip its chiefs of the skin, and no state could be governed; naked officials could exercise no authority; they would look (and be) like everybody else—commonplace, inconsequential. A policeman in plain clothes is one man; in his uniform he is ten. Clothes and title are the most potent thing, the most formidable influence, in the earth. They move the human race. A willing and spontaneous respect for the judge, the general, the admiral, the bishop, the ambassador, the frivolous earl, the idiot duke, the sultan, the king, the emperor. No great title is efficient without clothes to support it. In naked tribes of savages the chief of some kind of rag or decoration which make sacred to themselves and allow no one else to wear. The king of the great Fan tribe wears a bit of leopard skin on his shoulder—it is sacred to royalty; the rest of him is perfectly naked. With-out his bit of leopard skin to awe and impress the people he would not be able to keep his job."

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Probable Mail Changes
Mr. C. Plumb, inspector of railway mail service, was in Athens yesterday in connection with an application for change in the service given post offices in this neighborhood. As a result, it is probable that the following arrangements will be made:—
Instead of leaving Athens at noon, the mail for Charleston and Oak Leaf will leave here on arrival of the evening trains.
The contractor on the Brockville-Elbe route will carry mail from Athens to Elbe, leaving here at 7.30 a.m.
Instead of the Irish Creek service, Toledo will run a mail stage to Fort-ton in the morning, returning in the evening.

Death of Mrs. Norton Marshall
The Phoenix (Arizona) Republican of Feb. 19th announces the death in that city of Mrs. Norton Marshall, and says: "Mrs. Marshall was born in Lanark, in Ontario, Canada, in 1881, and has for the last seventeen years been a resident of this city. She leaves her husband, Mr. Norton Marshall, and five children; Mrs. Neil MacIntyre and Mrs. J. Wesley Walker. Dr. Alice M. Givens and Mr. J. G. Marshall, of Phoenix, and Mr. I. N. Marshall, barrister, Brockville, Canada.
Mr. and Mrs. Marshall were at one time residents of Toledo, and for several years prior to their departure for Arizona Mr. Marshall conducted a mercantile business in Brockville.
Extra value is given in auction bills printed at this office.

OAK LEAF
The Oak Leaf people soon expect to have the privilege of a daily mail and a telephone system.
Mr. and Mrs. Byron Beale are rejoicing over a boy.
We are glad to learn that Mrs. D. Johnson, who has been ill, is now recovering.
Miss Mabel Green is on the sick list.
Mr. Roy Richard has taken Mr. Myers place at Mr. Pete Johnson's.

Notice to Creditors
In the matter of the Estate of Alice Earl late of the Township of Leeds in the County of Leeds, Spinster, deceased.
Notice is hereby given pursuant to "The Revised Statutes of Ontario" 1897, chapter 129, section 38 and amending acts that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Alice Earl, who died on or about the twenty-first day of January, 1905, are required, on or before the sixth day of April, 1905, to send by post prepaid or deliver to the undersigned, solicitor for Annabel Moulton, the administrator of the estate of the said deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, the statement of their accounts, and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them, duly verified.
AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that after the last mentioned date the said administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have notice, and that the said administrator will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof to any person or persons whose claims notice shall not have been received by her at the time of such distribution.
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AN INFANT'S BATH.
The Way the Baby Should Be Carefully Cleaned Every Day.
An infant should be bathed once a day all over, and the groins and buttocks should be sponged as often as is necessary.
The temperature of an infant's bath should invariably be tested with a bath thermometer. The hand is never a safe judge. One hundred degrees F. is the proper temperature for a tiny baby's bath. When three months old a temperature of 95 degrees is preferable. A bath should never be too hot. The temperature of the room in which baby is to be bathed should be about 70 degrees F., and there should be no drafts. The infant should be undressed quickly and laid on nurse's or mother's lap on a double bath blanket and scaped all over with a piece of flannel, special care being exercised to get between the folds of skin where secretions are apt to accumulate. After soaping the infant is placed in the bath and the soap quickly washed off. This should not require more than one or two minutes, though the time may be lengthened for the baby to remain in the water as it grows older. After bathing the baby should be dried with a soft towel and quickly and comfortably dressed. After this operation the baby is usually ready for breakfast and then a nap. Infants should be kept out of doors as much as possible in the daytime, and if they are properly clothed there will be less possibility of their taking cold than if they are kept indoors, coddled and raised as hothouse plants.

KITCHEN ECONOMY.
Neither Bar Too Close Nor Have Too Many Leftovers.
A story is told about a woman who was a famous cook and who was asked, "What do you do with leftovers?" She replied: "Leftovers? I don't have any. Men won't eat them, and women really don't care for them, though they like to fuss over them beforehand." This may remind you of the woman who was asked by a man at the back door, "Have you any scraps, lady?" She replied, "No; I eat them all." Then the man went away, wondering if the rest of her neighbors were wasteful in providing him with a quantity of garbage every day and asking himself if she ate even the potato parings. The woman who always has just enough and none to spare may have the conviction that she is a good manager and may be economical in her purchasing, but what would she do if she happened to have an extra appetite at some meal? It isn't always wise to measure too closely. At the same time it isn't wise to purchase things in such large quantity that the members of the family are forced to sing a parody on the old song, "Beef for breakfast, beef for dinner and cold roast beef for tea." Cold roast meat is nice occasionally and is much to be preferred if one is given a choice between it and some elaborate concoction which means the same cold meat spiced past recognition, but still bearing the label of being made over. Don't make a practice of spending as much time on the reconstruction of a made over dish as would be necessary to plan a whole meal of new materials.

THE GIRL THAT LAUGHS.
Not the Giggler, but the Girl That Laughs and Means It.
Girls spend considerable time trying to find out how to be popular. It is natural that a girl should seek approval and admiration. Her popularity means a good time, boxes of candy, theaters, dances, flowers—everything that the hearts of the young delight in. The girl that is popular is the girl who laughs—not the girl that sippers and puckers or giggles, but the girl that laughs and means it. The girl that laughs can have candy and flowers and theaters every day in the week. Men flock about her. They adore her. She laughs herself straight into the hearts of beaux and admirers and straight into all the good times that a girl can dream of. She laughs, but she is careful when she laughs. She laughs with her beaux, but never at them. She laughs at what they say when they say it, but never afterward. She laughs at their jokes, but never about them. She never laughs at any one's blunders or misfortunes.
Women forget to worry when they hear the cheerful girl's laugh. Old men are warmed at the sound of it. Young men listen and follow it, pay court to it, marry it, for it is the laugh that keeps the heart young, the laugh that keeps the face bright.—Kansas City World.

HOW SHE KEEPS YOUNG.
She eats three warm meals at regular hours.
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She never lets herself moan over the past nor worry about the future, but makes the best of the present and keeps sweet and cheerful.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Managing Servants.
In the first place, don't find fault; that is, do not complain or whine or nag. Do not say: "Mary, I don't see why you can't remember. I am sure I get tired of telling you again and again. Now, if I were in your place," etc., whereupon Mary replies saucily, and there is a scene from which you depart incensed, yet humbly, lest Mary leave then and there. Guard your tone. Be firm and businesslike, but cheerful. Impart an air of finality to your remarks. "It would please me to have you do so and so" or "I think it would be better that this be done in this way." If it is said kindly, but firmly, it usually commands respect and, moreover, gives little occasion for reply. Finally, don't always enter the kitchen with a complaint. It creates an unpleasant relation between employer and employer.—Boston Cooking Magazine.

Treatment of Burns.
In a serious burn as soon as the fire is extinguished the clothes must be removed. If not already thoroughly wet, the injured part should be drenched with water and the clothes cut away. Everything must be sacrificed to getting them off without pulling, as the slightest dragging may bring the skin off too. If patches of the clothing adhere and will not drop off, they must be allowed to remain. Dip cloths in a thick solution of common washing soda in water and lay them over the burned surface, hanging lightly to keep them in place. As soon as a dry spot appears on this dressing, wet it with the soda and water by squeezing some on it. There will be no smarting while it is continued and includes the skin.

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Forthton	*10.33	4.12
Elbe	*10.39	4.17
Athens	10.58	4.24
Soperton	*11.18	4.41
Lyndhurst	*11.20	4.48
Delta	11.28	4.54
Elgin	11.47	5.07
Forfar	*11.55	5.18
Crosby	*12.08 p.m.	5.18
Newboro	12.12	5.28
Westport (arrive)	12.80	5.40

GOING EAST		
	No. 2	No. 4
Westport (leave)	7.30 a.m.	2.40 p.m.
Newboro	7.42	2.55
Crosby	*7.52	3.06
Forfar	*7.58	3.12
Elgin	8.08	3.22
Delta	8.16	3.41
Lyndhurst	*8.22	3.48
Soperton	*8.29	3.56
Athens	8.46	4.24
Elbe	*8.52	4.30
Forthton	*8.58	4.37
Seeleys	*9.08	4.48
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DISTRICT NEWS

GLOSSVILLE

Mrs. S. Weightman of Ohio and her daughter, Christine, are visiting J. W. Brown. Miss Ethel Osborne is visiting Mrs. J. M. Percival. Miss Katie Lowery spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents in Brookville. Miss Mabel Brown spent Sunday in Greenbush. Colds are prevalent in this section.

FORTHTON

A Western horse buyer and a pilot from New Dublin were here on Monday of last week. The horse they described had been disposed of at a sale held a few days previously, but they declined to follow up the careful directions as to its location given at the toll gate, and pushed on to Athens. From which it is inferred that the article they really wanted was in the classic village.

CHARLESTON

The sawmill is running full blast. Logs are coming in rapidly. A. Foster had the wood sawyers on Thursday.

Services are held on Wednesday and Friday at Trinity church, Oak Leaf, and will continue during Lent.

The population of Charleston is increasing. A son has arrived at D. Wood's.

D. Heffran has moved from Phillips'ville to his mother's farm.

GREENBUSH

We are pleased to have mild weather, after months of storms and frosts.

Master G. R. Kerr of Frankville is visiting friends here now. Both saw mills have been kept busy this winter.

Mr. A. Root is preparing a very large shipment of measures.

On Thursday a large number of young people assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Kerr and passed away the evening very pleasantly with a pancake social, which was very much enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. G. F. Moore is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Anglin of Brewer's Mills.

The Rev. Mr. Burnett has canvassed the neighborhood for subscriptions to build a shed and hall, and his efforts were crowned with success.

It is reported that our Indian friends intend to soon remove from our midst.

It is rumored that Mr. J. W. Hannah is about to remove from his present place of business on Broadway to the Smith block, 814 King st.

T. Webster has purchased the old Foster stand, and will conduct a general and flour and feed store.

LYNDHURST

Last Friday evening, being St. Patrick's Day, Rev. Mr. Fitzgerald, the Anglican clergyman, gave an interesting address in the English Church, on the life and writings of St. Patrick. Mr. Fitzgerald was fitted for the ministry at Dublin University and lived in Ireland up to within six years ago. Accordingly, he is a good authority on the subject. By way of preliminary remarks, Mr. Fitzgerald dwelt a few minutes on the contributions of Ireland towards the welfare and advancement of British arms, after which he went at once into the subject of the evening. During the course of his address, Mr. Fitzgerald showed clearly that St. Patrick was not, as has been supposed by a great many, a Roman Catholic, but that he was a member of the ancient Celtic Church, now the Church of Ireland, and that his ancestors were also of the Celtic religion.

A second point that Mr. Fitzgerald proved beyond a doubt was, that the Roman Catholic Church was not the first Church in Britain, but that when the Roman Catholic missionaries first came over they found the Celtic Church had already been established for a number of years previous to their landing.

Mr. Fitzgerald intends to give a series of lectures during the spring and summer months on the "History of the Bible and English Prayerbook."

George E. Roddick is suffering from an attack of measles. Which would you rather do or play ball, George?

The revival services which are being conducted by Rev. Mr. Meredith are a success in every way.

The young people of Lyndhurst intended having a driving party on Saturday night last, but were doomed to disappointment, as the weather man did not think it advisable for them to be out late at night.

The snow around our locality is slowly disappearing, it having gone down something like twenty feet in the last week.

Mr. E. Nicholson, who formerly

worked for G. E. Roddick, has moved back to town.

We hear that one of our popular town belles is going to be married ere many moons have passed.

DELTA

Smith & Davison, proprietors of Delta and Soperon cheese factories, had good success last season. Mr. William Smith of Harlem, one of the proprietors, has sold his interest to Mr. Monie Kilborn of Delta. Both factories will be managed by Davison & Kilborn, the proprietors.

There were glad tidings of joy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Lafche when a young son arrived to be one of the guests.

Miss Claudia Wilson of Oak Leaf is at present visiting at Mrs. George Morris'.

Miss Mary Maud Morris has returned home from Ottawa, where she attended the annual millinery opening. X. L. N. Phelps, hardware dealer and postmaster, bought out the property of Dr. J. G. Oreggan at the judicial sale conducted by J. W. Russell, auctioneer.

The roads being in fair condition, the farmers are now making up for lost time caused by the storms.

S. J. Kilpatrick of Brookville was in town in the interests of Ontario Mutual Assurance of Waterloo.

Hauling logs to Delta saw mill is at present the principal engagement of the farmers in this vicinity.

The weather and roads this winter have been all that could be desired, and the young people seem to take advantage of it. Never before was there such a number of evenings spent in driving.

One of the happiest men in town is our balliff and auctioneer. It is a fine baby girl. Mother and child are doing nicely.

Mr. F. H. Eaton of Brookville preached in the Methodist church on 19th during Rev. G. H. Williams' absence in Brookville.

NEWBORO

Mr. Preston Tett, cover-point of the Newboro hockey team, left on Thursday for Elgin, where he will spend the summer.

Miss Maud Simmons, who has spent the winter in town, left on Friday for the North-West.

Dr. Preston, who has been spending the week in Toronto, returned home on Saturday evening.

There is some talk here of forming a baseball league the coming summer.

The voting on the by law will take place on Monday next.

Mr. S. Bushfield has moved into town and is residing in the house vacated by Mrs. A. Steadman.

The annual band meeting, which was called for Saturday evening, did not take place on account of the inclemency of the weather.

Mr. Edward Kerr is dangerously ill at present. Slight hopes are held for his recovery.

A number from here attended the party at "Idylwyld," Chaffoy's Look, on 17th inst. All report a very enjoyable evening.

Mr. Wm. Bass, president of the Leeds Farmers' Institute, attended Institute meetings at Gananoque, Lansdowne, and Delta last week. The meetings were the most largely attended in the history of the Institute.

In the final game of the Leeds County Hockey League, the Strathconas of Smith's Falls defeated the local seven on Chantry rink on Tuesday by a score of 2 to 1, and thus won the championship. Both teams played six men a side, and the locals put up the best hockey but were unable to win out. Mr. E. Cameron, Portland, acted as referee but did not give an impartial ruling as usual, and in future the Newboro boys will not accept him as referee. The total result by score in the league was, Newboro 43, Smith's Falls 38, and Portland 34.

ADDISON

The snow is going and a robin has been seen, which heralds Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. David Wiltsie have moved to Addison again. We are pleased to have them with us.

Prof. Lewis spent a few days in Brookville last week.

Mr. R. H. Field and Mr. Jno. McConkey were in the village one day last week.

Mr. F. B. Blancher is moving to Brookville, and Mr. A. Davis, having purchased his farm some time ago, is now taking possession.

Quite a disturbance has been made in our quiet village recently by some unknown party or parties going into barns and stables and helping themselves to provender and oats as the case might be. One man reports the loss of quite a quantity of pork. Steps must be taken to rid the place of these troublesome marauders.

Notice to Students

Students who contemplate taking a business college course will find it to their financial advantage to communicate with the Reporter office. We can save you money.

Additional Local

Mr. W. C. Smith, in company with Mr. Jas. Ross, attended the A. O. U. W. grand lodge meeting in Toronto last week. The delegates present decided by a large majority to increase the rates to a point that places the society upon a sound business basis. There was no other sensible solution of the difficulty, and that it has been fairly met and honestly solved is creditable to the good judgment and loyalty of the delegates. No other fraternal society in the Dominion has conferred greater benefits on its members, and the general public will hope that the A. O. U. W. is now entering upon a new era of advancement and prosperity.

Considering the excellent results that follow the grafting of fruit, it is to be regretted that more of it is not done. Professionals all make more or less of a mystery of the kind of wax they employ, but in a government report just issued the formula for the "cheapest and best" wax is given as follows: resin, 4 parts, by weight; beeswax, 2 parts; tallow, 1 part. Melt together and pour into a pail of cold water. Then grease the hands and pull until nearly white. It should be heated before using if too hard. Almost every farm and garden has old trees that could be made productive by grafting, and the process as described in this report is very simple.

Last week Messrs. W. G. Parish and E. S. Clow carefully measured a mile down Charleston Lake, starting from Cedar Park wharf. When the last stick was dropped they found themselves on a line just a little beyond Mr. C. J. Banta's residence. Then Mr. Parish, to settle a guessing contest that he had been holding with himself for a score of years, suggested that they run a line from his wharf to Charleston wharf. This they did, and found the distance to be exactly 1/2 of a mile. We would like some enterprising pedestrian to supplement this information by ascertaining the exact distance to Donaldson's Point, to Slim Bay, the Outlet, Huckleberry Hollow, Crawford's Point and Sally's Hole. This last information would, of course, be for the exclusive use and benefit of low caste anglers who find pleasure in catching the barking, biting, fighting bullpouts. Then, next summer, further data of a hydrographic nature might be ascertained and recorded by some summer visitor, who was too lazy to fish, in relation to the depth of the various salmon grounds. Where is the deepest part of the lake? Probably no two oarsmen or summer visitors will give the same answer to this question, and it looks as if an interesting guessing contest might be indulged in. To awaken interest in the subject, the Reporter will offer as a prize to the successful guesser a large-size lead sinker suitably engraved. Send in your guesses and have them duly recorded. The Reporter says the deep part of the lake is between Tallow-rock Bay and Donaldson's Point.

Burned and Rebuilt

We have just been handed a long delayed letter, written to a friend, giving a graphic account of a \$4500 fire, written by Mr. R. B. McGregor, of North Hammond, N. Y., well known in Leeds county as a breeder of thoroughbred Holsteins. Lightning struck his barns while he was working in the field, and his loss was total, with only \$1,200 insurance. He at once commenced the work of re-building and in the shortest possible time had erected two barns 40x70 and 34x60.

We scarcely know which to admire most—his unimpaired patience in his severe loss, or his indomitable Scotch energy in rebuilding.

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CAPTURING COBRAS WITH MUSIC. The death-dealing cobra is passionately fond of music, and it is through this means that its capture is often accomplished.

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WHEN LAKES ARE IN BLOOM. Blossoming Appearance of Water Due to Blooming Water Plants.

Anyone who has ever been in any of the lakes in the middle and north of the United States will know that a certain time of July or August they are said to "flower."

JOKING OSLER. The Medical Record indulges in good-natured banter at the expense of the distinguished Dr. Osler, whose recent assertions that men do their best work before reaching the age of forty, and should be retired—not chloroformed—at sixty, have attracted more attention than they deserved.

DOLLS IN BABYLON'S RUINS. Children of Ancient Greece Amused With the Playthings.

The first dolls of which there is any knowledge were found among the treasures unearthed from the ruins of Babylon. They are small figures in terra cotta and ivory, beautifully carved and must have been fascinating playthings for the little Assyrian children.

Lifebuoy Soap—disinfectant—is strongly recommended by the medical profession as a safeguard against infectious diseases.

Twenty Tons of Klondike Gold. (Detroit Tribune.) Twenty tons of gold have been produced by the Klondike proper, the district within fifty miles of Dawson, since the output of the Klondike since the first of this year.

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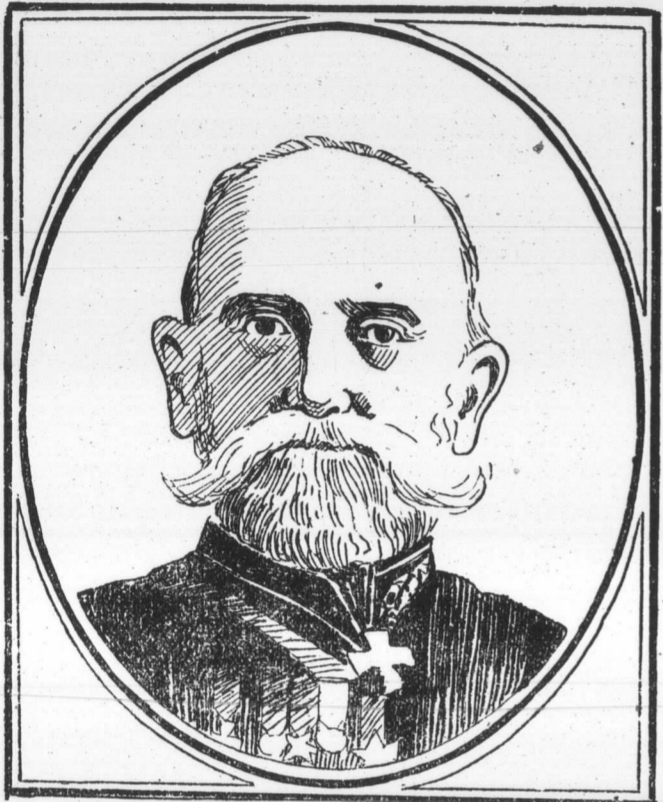
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THE CAPTURE OF TIELING SEVERE BLOW TO RUSSIA.

Nothing Definite as to the Result of the Fight Now in Progress North of Tie-Pass.

Gen. Linevitch, it is Reported, Will Succeed Kouropatkin in the Supreme Command.

Concessions That France Thinks Russia Should Make to Japan.



GENERAL LINEVITCH, Placed in Supreme Command of the Russian Forces at the Front.

It transpires that Emperor Nicholas upon the advice of Gen. Dragomiroff and War Minister Sakharoff determined that the step was necessary when it became apparent yesterday morning that Kouropatkin while concentrating for a stand at Tie Pass seemed unaware that the Japanese had worked around westward again and practically allowed himself to be surprised. Old reports brought by Gen. Gripenberg regarding Kouropatkin's falling mentality also had influence. Under the circumstances therefore it was considered imperative in view of the exceedingly perilous position of the army to turn over its command to Linevitch, who alone had been able to bring off his army in order after the battle of Mukden. His record during the Chinese war had also demonstrated his capability as a commander. Kouropatkin will return to St. Petersburg forthwith. The task confided to Gen. Linevitch, of withdrawing what is left of the great army of 450,000 men to Harbin, is a desperate one. He is hemmed in on all sides. Gen. Kawamura presumably is pressing northward through the mountains to the eastward ready to swoop down. Generals Nogi and Okuma are on the west of the Russian forces; the whole line of the railroad is threatened if not already out, and Chinese bands are even reported to be in the rear of Harbin. A consummation of the Mukden disaster is feared. Nogi's plight in retreat from Moscow with Kutsoff's Cossacks harassing the starving, freezing Frenchmen was hardly as bad or dangerous. Nothing further has arrived from the front, but it is feared that the demoralized battalions which had hardly recovered from the demoralization of the Mukden retreat, have again been thrown into confusion. Field Marshal Oyama's relentless, merciless pursuit. The War Office fears greatly that more of the siege and field guns which Kouropatkin managed to save at Mukden have been sacrificed in the hurried flight from Tie Pass. The question of ammunition and food is also vital as it is known that the Russians were compelled to burn further stores at Tie Pass where the commissariat was only beginning to feed the half famished troops when the new retreat was ordered. But even in the face of the possibility of the complete loss of the army and the advent of winter, the Emperor is already possibly lost, the Emperor still shows no signs of yielding. Preparations for continuing the war on a large scale than ever are proceeding. The die has gone forth that another army of 450,000 men is to be despatched to the far east and in order to avoid delay it has been decided instead of sending only reserve men to form new armies largely of regular units, leaving the reserves to replace the regulars in garrison duty at home. Many military men have contended that it is a fatal mistake to send reserve men to the far east. A division of the Imperial Guard will be sent to the front. It is not improbable that some of this year's conscripts will be sent. Separate armies are to be organized under Generals Grodekoff, Gripenberg and Kamouff. Even in the most optimistic quarters, however, it is realized that a general mobilization is likely to be accompanied by widespread disorders unless the composition and functions of the popular representation under the Imperial rescript are more satisfactory than now appears probable. Practically no progress is being made by the Boulgan commission. The emperor has been so much occupied with the war situation that he has since postponed action on Gov. Gen. Boulezan's recommendations, and the latter is represented to be so dissatisfied that he desires to resign and turn over his work to his assistant, M. Vatsatsi.

The war council, it is also understood, has definitely decided that Vice Admiral

even in winter. The most important Russian town between Tie Pass and Harbin, with the exception of Kirin, which is not on the railway, is Kwan-sung, (also spelt Kunchung). This town is a little over 100 miles north of Tie Pass.

Here were gathered great stores of provisions, alongside of which were erected Red Cross hospitals, the best by far that the Russians had south of Harbin. At all the other stations there were also hospital accommodations, so that if Kouropatkin escapes he has a good country to cross at the most favorable season of the year. Another few weeks and the roads would be impassable. But if he is hard pressed, there is not a defensible position, unless he abandons the railway and seeks safety in the eastern hills. Later in the year, of course, the rivers would afford some protection, but in winter, being frozen, they are as easy to cross as is the country. West of Harbin along the railway the first hills are encountered about midway between Harbin and the Siberian border. These mountains are most formidable, several switchbacks and tunnels being necessary to carry the railway over them.

A SEVERE REVERSE.

Times Correspondent Says Railway Has Been Cut.

A London cable: A despatch to the Times from St. Petersburg says that according to the latest reports, which the general staff does not confirm, the Russians have sustained a severe reverse at Tieling, compelling them to abandon their remaining stores and artillery. It is also reported that the Japanese have cut the railway north of Changtufu. It is not known which Japanese commander is conducting the pursuit of the Russians. One St. Petersburg correspondent says he learns that Gens. Sasselitch and Zarubaieff are commanding the rear-guard, and that Gen. Mistchenko is protecting the Russian right. This correspondent adds that he believes that Gen. Kouropatkin's entire command is now about three hundred thousand men, including the railway guards, the garrisons at Vladivostok, and the fourth army corps, which is just arriving.

According to the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Chronicle officials at the Ministry of War say that the Russian

army is not retiring to Harbin, but to Kirin and Vladivostok.

The Tokio correspondent of the Telegraph declares that the Russians are so shattered that the Japanese are now able to act independently.

The Telegraph correspondent at Simning quotes an eye-witness of the Battle of Mukden as saying that while the fighting was the hottest south and west of the city, a hundred thousand infantry and artillery belonging to a Russian centre started for Tieling in perfect order. Gen. Kellernberg, a Russian commander, is dying at Mukden, both his legs having been shot off. The Japanese losses were terrible. The slaughter on both sides is believed to outrival the records of the world's greatest battles.

FRANCE TO RUSSIA.

Concessions That Russia Should Make to Procure Peace.

A Paris cable: The attitude of the bankers is fully understood in political circles. While Russia's policy remains what it is the bankers realize the hopelessness of her efforts to obtain a Pacific empire. There is reason to believe that the French Government is advising Russia to relinquish the dream of reconquering Manchuria.

Two courses would meet with French approval—either withdrawal beyond the Amur River, leaving the strongholds garrisoned, or a declaration of willingness to accept peace, provided the whole of the Trans-Siberian Railway remains on Russian territory. The Trans-Siberian Railway must, at whatever cost, remain in Russian possession if the peace is meant to be permanent.

Politicians think the maintenance of Vladivostok in Russian hands would meet with the approval of the British and American Governments, as establishing an effective counterpoise to Japanese predominance on the Pacific. There is no reason to believe that France would advise the Czar to yield to peace suggestions were the possession of the Trans-Siberian Railway assured to Russia.

Los Angeles, Cal.—The violent storm that swept California since Sunday morning from San Diego to Tehachapi Mountains, interrupting all communication by wire with California and denaturing railroad traffic, and flooding the country with three to five inches of rain, shows signs of breaking.

Federal Life Assurance Company OF CANADA

23rd Annual Report and Financial Statement

For the Year Ending December 31, 1904.

The twenty-third annual meeting of the shareholders of this Company was held at the head office of the Company, in Hamilton, on Tuesday, March 7th, 1905, the President, Mr. David Dexter, in the chair. The following reports and financial statement were submitted:

DIRECTORS' REPORT

Your Directors have the honor to present the report and financial statement of the Company for the year which closed on the 31st December, 1904, duly vouched for by the Auditors.

The new business of the year consisted of two thousand two hundred and fifty applications for insurance, aggregating \$3,146,500, of which two thousand one hundred and seventy-seven applications for \$2,010,400.00, were accepted. As in previous years, the income of the company shows a gratifying increase, and the assets of the Company have been increased by \$285,970.52, and have now reached \$2,148,773.37, exclusive of guarantee capital.

The security for policyholders, including guarantee capital, amounted at the close of the year to \$3,018,773.37, and the liabilities for reserves and all outstanding claims, \$1,962,935.56, showing a surplus of \$1,055,837.81. Exclusive of uncalled guarantee capital, the surplus to policyholders was \$185,837.81.

Policies on eighty-two lives became claims through death, to the amount of \$157,040.00, of which \$12,585 was reinsured in other companies.

Including cash dividends and dividends applied to the reduction of premiums, with annuities, the total payment to policyholders amounted to \$198,911.34.

Careful attention has been given to the investment of the company's funds, in first-class bonds, mortgage securities, and loans on the company's policies amply secured by reserves. Our investments have yielded a very satisfactory rate of interest.

Expenses have been confined to a reasonable limit, consistent with due efforts for new business.

The results of the year indicate a most gratifying progress. Compared with the preceding year, the figures submitted by the directors for your approval show an advance of thirteen and a half per cent. in assets.

The assurances carried by the company now amount to \$16,647,806.23, upon which the company holds reserves to the full amount required by law, and, in addition thereto, a considerable surplus.

The field officers and agents of the company are intelligent and loyal, and are entitled to much credit for their able representation of the company's interests. The members of the office staff have also proved faithful to the company's service.

Your directors are pleased to be able to state that the business of the company for the past two months of the current year has been better than in the corresponding months of last year, and that the outlook for the future is very bright.

DAVID DEXTER, President and Managing Director.

AUDITORS' REPORT

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

The cash and journal vouchers have been closely examined and agree with the entries recorded.

The debentures, bonds, etc., in the possession of the company have been inspected, whilst those deposited with the Government or banks have been verified by certificate, the total agreeing with the amount as shown in the statement of assets.

The accompanying statements, viz. revenue, assets and liabilities, show the result of the year's operations, and, also, the financial position of the company.

Respectfully submitted, H. S. STEPHENS, CHARLES STIFF, Auditors.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1904

RECEIPTS.	
Hamilton, March 1st, 1905.	
Premium and annuity income	\$ 542,288 83
Interest, rents, and profit on sales of securities	56,220 51
	\$ 598,509 34
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Paid to policyholders	198,911 34
All other payments	191,620 70
Balance	238,186 20
	\$ 598,718 24
ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1904.	
Debentures on bonds	\$ 685,283 83
Mortgages	70,148 83
Loans on policies, bonds, stocks, etc.	400,815 33
All other assets	348,605 29
	\$2,148,773 37
LIABILITIES.	
Reserve fund	\$1,887,724 81
Death losses awaiting proof	20,070 75
Other liabilities	24,070 75
Surplus on policyholders' account	185,837 81
	\$2,148,773 37
Asset	\$2,148,773 37
Guarantee capital	\$2,000,000 00
Total security	\$3,018,773 37
Policies were issued assuring	\$ 3,010,400 00
Total insurance in force	\$16,647,806 23

The foregoing reports and statements were received and adopted on the motion of President David Dexter, seconded by Vice-President Lieut.-Col. Kerns. The retiring directors were re-elected, and at a subsequent meeting of the directors held at the office of the company, Mr. David Dexter, President and Managing Director, Col. Kerns and Rev. Dr. Poth were re-elected.

RUSSIAN PEASANTS WANT TO DIVIDE THE LAND.

Agrarian Troubles Increasing and Landlords Afraid to Live on Their Estates.

Taking Advantage of the Imperial Ukase to Petition the Emperor.

Recent Events Have Spread Panic Throughout the Russian Administration.

St. Petersburg, March 20, 2.38 pm.—The Zemstvos, Duomus, throughout Russia, are taking advantage of the imperial ukase issued simultaneously with the rescript conferring upon "individuals and institutions" the right freely to petition the Emperor through the committee of Ministers on all questions affecting the welfare of the empire, to demand representation upon the commission, which is elaborating the rescript. The importance of the ukase, which was largely overlooked at the time, has now become a powerful weapon in the hands of the Liberals, who contend that it necessarily carries with it a complete guarantee of freedom of speech and assembly, without which the right to petition on general questions would necessarily be a farce, and also freedom of the press for the discussion of such questions they now recognize in order to force a test of the Government's sincerity openly to organize clubs for the purpose of debating political questions.

The Moscow and St. Petersburg Zemstvos have already voted strong resolutions demanding representation on the rescript commission.

The strike situation seems to be everywhere improving. The Social Democrats here have advised the strikers who are without money, and confronted with starvation, to return to work and less than 1,000 workmen are now out. On the other hand the prospects of agrarian disturbances on a large scale are becoming decidedly more threatening, and are causing the deepest concern. Many landed proprietors are afraid to go back to their estates. The movement has not assumed a political phase, but is in the old form of a demand for a redistribution of the land. Agitators are shrewdly spreading the report that the Emperor has decreed such a division, telling the peasants that the proprietors do not want to submit and thus setting them against the landlords "in the emperor's name." The agitation has now spread to Simbirsk Province, where they are making ready to begin a division of the land as soon as the snow melts. It is reported that the terrorists have formally notified the Russian Government that they will cease their activity for a month and await the result of the rescript. A story is current that a plot in the aristocratic page corps has been unearthed, incriminating papers having been discovered on the person of a student named Verbofsky, son of the general of that name and on another student. The authorities however, deny all knowledge of the plot.

A Peasant Revolt.

New York, March 20.—A Paris despatch to the Times says: The Russian Socialist Revolutionary party is organizing the peasant revolt in Russia and admits responsibility for the assassination of the Grand Duke Sergius. It is represented here by M. Roubanovitch, a naturalized Frenchman, of Russian origin, who also is editor of the Tribune Russe, the organ of his party in France. In an interview M. Roubanovitch said a revolution of the peasantry had now begun and would be promoted by the revolutionary party with the utmost vigor. Recent events had already spread panic and demoralization throughout the entire Russian official administration, and the collapse would soon be complete, for further acts of an even more startling nature were being prepared by the revolutionists.

Regarding the war, M. Toubanovitch said it would be brought to a stop mainly owing to the lack of provisions. The Russian soldiers at the front were well supplied with war material, but had little or nothing to eat.

This said Mr. Roubanovitch, was due to the utter carelessness and corruption of the Russian general staff and in consequence of it the demoralization of the Russian soldiers was complete.

It would, said M. Roubanovitch, still be possible for the Russian government to mobilize reinforcements and send them to the front, but the men on arriving there would immediately be infected by the spirit of mutiny and despair prevailing among the beaten and starving regiment which had preceded them.

Such, however, added M. Roubanovitch, was the Russian character with which the government might manage to make the war drag on for years, were it not for the internal condition of the country.

AGED DETROIT MAN MEETS A HORRIBLE FATE.

Clothing Caught Fire and His Body Burned to a Crisp.

Detroit, March 20.—Pinned under a burning table, surrounded by angry flames that reached out from all sides and from the floor beneath him, aged Robert Carter slowly roasted to death, shortly before noon to-day, and his body now lies at his late residence, a blackened and unrecognizable human form.

The old man, who has been residing for several years with his niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. William Briggs, 371 Lansing avenue, was usually left alone in the house during the day, the husband and wife being absent at their occupations. At noon a 12-year-old daughter of Mrs. Briggs would come home from school and prepare dinner for herself and Mr. Carter.

It had been the custom of the old man to have the kitchen fire lighted and everything in readiness for the preparation of the noonday meal, and he was employed at this duty when it seems, his clothing caught fire from the coal stove, the lid of which was found removed. Being helpless from age and injuries received earlier in

life, Mr. Carter was vain endeavor to reach the door he fell under the kitchen table, which soon became ignited.

In the meantime, William Longmate, another nephew of the dead man, found him in his terrible predicament. Longmate stopped in to pay his uncle a friendly call. As he walked toward the kitchen, he heard the crackling of flames, and entering he was appalled at the sight before him.

The burning form of his uncle lay under the table, which was all ablaze. Underneath the old man was a bed of fire, and on all side of him tongues of flame shot out. He was already dead. The clothing had been burned almost entirely from his body, and in places the flesh was burned to a crisp. The features of the old man were so blackened and distorted as to be wholly unrecognizable.

The flames, which by this time were shooting through the windows of the kitchen and reaching out toward the front part of the house, were making rapid progress when the fire department arrived, but they were soon extinguished.

FAMILY OF FATHER JOHN.

U. S. Soldiers Say Nice Things at a Kingston Military Banquet.

Kingston, March 20.—Comradeship and good-fellowship were in evidence at the banquet last night given by the R. C. F. A sergeants, in the Tete du Pont Barracks, to the visiting sergeants of the 90th U. S. Infantry of Sackett's Harbor, N. Y. An address was presented by the visitors, in which they said:

"It is an honor to sit with you in a gathering which likely has never occurred before. Such a feeling of comradeship and good-fellowship never existed at any time as at the present between those in the British and American services. We call each other cousins, why not brothers? Are we not children of the same parent? True, the elder child got on his ear and set up in business for himself, and is doing pretty fair, but the other children have no cause to complain of their share in the old man's business."

extend it to the family business of Father John? Anyone that would try to prove this merger illegal would have a sorry countenance after he had been finished. If the elder child should get into trouble, does anyone doubt but that father and children all would come to his assistance? And does anyone think but that if the father or any of the other children needed any assistance the elder child would hesitate an instant? No. If not brothers, then what? First, our God; second, our country; third, our King and President; and then our family, the English-speaking nations."

The visit was terminated this afternoon when the United States officers were again driven in vans across to Lorder to Cape Vincent, where they embarked for Sackett's Harbor. After a hearty farewell and many professions of warmest friendship, two vans started about 2 o'clock from the gates of Tete du Pont Barracks amid the resounding cheers of a large number of artillerymen. As the vans drove through the bugle corps gave a farewell salute. The visitors leave shortly for the Philippines on service.

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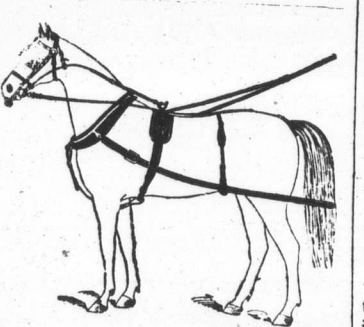


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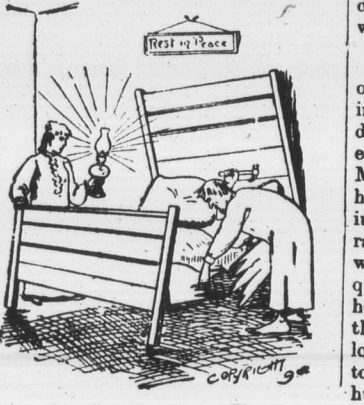
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LOCAL ITEMS
 The Ontario Legislature opens today.
 Miss Edith Falkner has returned to Athens.
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 Mr. James Ross has been re-elected D.D.G.M. of the A.O.U.W.
 Good milk cow for sale. Apply at once to D. Fisher, Athens.

George Haskins, Delta, is building a new gasoline launch, for his private use on Beverly Lake.
 Mr. M. B. Holmes has been ill for several days, confined to the house with an attack of la grippe.
 Last week, through Mr. J. R. Tye, an order was placed by Athens business men for a dozen telephones.
 We find it necessary to say once more that anonymous communications will not be inserted in the Reporter.
 The Rev. F. Dealtry Woodcock of Trinity Church, Brockville, will preach this (Wednesday) evening in Christ Church.
 After spending the winter with his parents here, Mr. George Bulford left last week for his location at High River, Alberta.

The public service in St. Paul's Presbyterian church next Sunday the 26th inst. will be held in the morning at 10.30 o'clock. The subject will be "Election."
 Milinery opening at Miss Falkner's on Saturday, March 25th and following days. All the latest novelties from Toronto, London and Montreal. All are cordially invited.
 Information is frequently asked as to what steps the school board are taking in the matter of erecting a new school. We are informed that nothing will be done until the weather moderates so that a thorough test can be made of the foundation and walls of the old structure.
 Miss E. M. Wilgress, missionary, home on furlough from Hay River Mission, Great Slave Lake, gave a very interesting address on the work in the Indian School to the ladies of Christ Church Women's Auxiliary, at the house of Mrs. T. Berney, on Thursday, March 16th. She related many interesting things regarding the climate, the Indians and the nature of missionary work. The lowest temperature is 58° below, the shortest day 5 hours—June is a spring month with them.

On Sunday last, Rev. Geo. Stafford of Westport, conducted both the morning and evening services in the Methodist church. He is one of the most earnest and forceful speakers in Montreal conference, and his addresses here made a distinctly favorable impression. As a vocalist, too, he ranks high, and in a solo and associated with members of the choir in a quartette his excellent singing was heard with pleasure. His discourses on the subject of temperance were clear, logical and convincing, moderate in tone, appealing to the Christian and humane sentiments of his hearers.

Notice—Prices reduced on flour at Athens Grain Warehouse.
 Children's hats 50c; Ready-to-wear hats \$1.00; Baby bonnets 25c. Call at Miss Falkner's.
 On the 20th of August next Canada will be treated to one of the grandest and most striking of astronomical phenomena—a total eclipse of the sun.
 Letters from West China announce the illness from typhoid fever of two missionaries, Dr. Service and Dr. Adams. They are now reported to be improving.
 Rev. J. de P. Wright, of Roelin, has been appointed to the Anglican rectory at Ameliasburg. Mr. Wright is a son of the late Rev. Rural Dean Wright of Athens.

Did you ever try to figure out the number of people who kick about council fifty-one weeks in the year? They are the people who spend the other week declining to run for office.
 As a result of the increased liberality of the church, the Presbyterian home mission committee have voted an increase of \$50 to the salary of every missionary in their employ.
 A petition is in circulation in Franklinville to induce the Government to create a new license district to be composed of the riding of South Leeds as at present constituted for Provincial purposes.
 Brockville's representative, Mr. D. Derbyshire, M.P., has piloted his first bill through the Dominion parliament. The bill extends for two years the time in which the B.W. & N.W. may commence the extension of the line westward.

The first thaw that has visited here since last fall commenced on Saturday last and continued for several hours. Considerable rain fell and the snow was greatly reduced. On Sunday the mercury was doing business at the old stand.
 The Reporter acknowledges with thanks the receipt from Mr. D. Derbyshire, M.P., of advance copies of the report of the select standing committee on Agriculture and Colonization. The report promises to be very practical and full of just such information as an enterprising farmer desires.

Now, when winter is slowly breaking up, is the time when people, both in town and country, cannot be too free in the use of disinfectants. In cellars, in back yards where rubbish has accumulated, in dark rooms and dark corners, use some disinfectant freely, and use it every day for a couple of weeks.
 After an illness of six weeks, Samuel Morris died at the home of his brother, John, Glen Morris, on Thursday last. Deceased was of a very quiet disposition, a regular attendant at the Methodist church, Athens, and was highly esteemed by all who knew him. The funeral service, conducted in the Methodist church on Saturday by Rev. S. J. Hughes, was very largely attended.
 The appeal case of Cardinal hotel-keepers to quash the local option by-law passed in that village recently came up for hearing at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, on Thursday and was enlarged for a week. The claim is that the By-Law was not advertised as required, that representatives on behalf of the By-law were not appointed and in attendance, that the voting was loose and irregular, and the whole proceedings were conducted in an illegal manner.

Athenians had this week the pleasure of meeting and greeting Mr. J. H. McLaughlin, our late post master, who now makes his headquarters at Winnipeg, Man. He is a traveling representative of the Winnipeg Paint and Glass Co., and came East on business for that firm, so his stay here is necessarily brief. He speaks highly of that country. They had a fine winter, and spring has opened in a way that promises well for the prosperity of the West.
 Temperance workers in Blenheim are somewhat excited over the outlook for prohibition in their town. Blenheim carried a prohibitory by-law under provincial Local Option legislation. The Council refused to give the by-law a third reading. Wisely and reasonably the License Commissioners, after consultation with the Provincial Government, refused to issue licenses in the town. The liquor men are hoping that they may persuade the new Commissioners to go back upon the method adopted by their predecessors. The situation is being watched with a good deal of interest.
 Just what the attitude of the new Ontario government will be towards temperance legislation, and particularly towards local option, is a subject of anxiety to many communities and individuals. The people will not be left long in doubt, as two questions are now before the cabinet that when answered will plainly show where the government stands. The first is the Blenheim case, referred to elsewhere in this issue, and the second the well-known North Toronto case. In both cases the government could adhere to the strict letter of the law, and thereby deprive the temperance people (temporarily, at least) of the fruits of their victory—but will this be done? That is the question.

On Wednesday evening last the ladies of the W.C.T.U. held a highly successful parlor meeting in the vestry of the Methodist church, which was attended by about 200 invited guests. Under the able presidency of Mrs. Johnston, a pleasing and interesting programme was presented, an instructive feature of which was the subject of Equal Franchise, presented by seventeen young ladies. Following the programme, refreshments were served in the basement, and there a number of useful and ornamental articles were sold. Both above and below, the rooms were very prettily decorated, and altogether the ladies of the Union afforded their friends a very pleasant evening.

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 Sole agent for Crighton's celebrated Teas and Coffees—once tried always used.
Cakes, Tea Biscuits and Scones
 Note—Order your baked beans the day before required.

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 The subscriber will pay cash for water-elm and basswood logs—delivered at his mill at Greenbush, also for a large quantity of birch timber not more than 10 nor less than 4 inches in diameter, cut 10 or 12 feet long.
 A ROOT.
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RUSHING THE SEASON
 Rush the season or the season will rush you. It is not too early to consider what articles you will require for household use and adornment after spring housecleaning, so we ask you to inspect what we have to offer in the following lines
Wall Paper Linoleums
Window Shades Oil Cloths
Lace Curtains Tapestry and Brussels
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 All our goods are new, and it will cost you no more to get the late designs we offer than is usually charged for left-over stock. You don't buy these goods every year, and it will pay you to buy up-to-date articles.
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Fashions in Furniture
 Change with the changing seasons, and we try to keep our stock modern in design and finish.
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 We carry everything to make home comfortable and attractive.
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Whitefish
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 And we carry a fine line of canned fruits and vegetables, pickles and relishes.
In Cereal Foods
 You will find all the leading lines here, in bulk and packages.
 Superior Teas and Coffees.
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 A choice line of
Easter Goods
 now in stock.
 Choice Confectionery
 Fruit, nuts, etc.
GROCERIES
 New stock just received, specially seasonable.
 You can have a midday meal or an evening repast served neatly and quickly at this restaurant.

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