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Born, Married, Died.

DIED.

HILL—In New York City, on Feb. 13, 1897, Mary, beloved wife of William Hill, formerly of London, Ont.

MURRAY—In Port Huron, on Wednesday, Feb. 25, 1897, Mr. Robert Murray, second son of the late Alexander and Mary Murray, aged 52 years.

Funeral Saturday, 2:30 p.m., from his mother's residence 423 Wellington street.

Amusements and Lectures

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

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

Matinee and night tomorrow,
"THE DEFAULTER."
Matinee prices—15c and 25c.
Night prices—25c, 50c, 75c.
Next attraction, Monday matinee and night, "My Friend From India." 53u

Grand Opera House
Brian Boru,
Tuesday, March 9th.
Original New York production. Subscription list now open at box office. Plan for subscribers will be opened on Friday, March 5, at 10 o'clock, and to the general public on Saturday, March 6th, at 9 o'clock. Prices 50c, 75c, $1, $1 50 52u

DAISY RINK—BAND SATURDAY afternoon. b

SEVENTH BAND SATURDAY AFTERNOON and night. Princess Rink. Grand skating tonight. b

BLACKFRIARS' RINK—GOOD SKATING afternoon and evening. Splendid ice. b

UNIVERSITY EXTENSION LECTURE in Y. M. C. A. Auditorium, on Friday evening, Feb. 26, by Surgeon-Major Keefer, of Galt. Subject, "The Compaign in Egypt." 51c

AGENT ALLAN, BEAVER, AMERICAN, Cunard and Red Star Atlantic lines, FRANK B. CLARKE, 416 Richmond street, next Advertiser.

PALACE DANCING ACADEMY—476 Richmond street. Classes meet: Gentlemen Monday evening; ladies, Tuesday evening. Ladies and gentlemen (advanced class), Wednesday evening. Ladies and children, Saturday afternoon, 3 o'clock. DAYTON & MCCORMICK.

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

Meetings.

One cent per word each insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

S. O. E.—CHELSEA LODGE MEETS THIS (Friday) evening; visiting brothers welcome; GEO. GREGORY, president.

I. O. O. F.—REGULAR MEETING OF Dominion Lodge, No. 48, this (Friday) evening. Visitors invited. JOHN BROWN, N. G.; THOS. D. HASTINGS, R.S. b

COMING—JOHN G. WOOLEY, THE greatest living temperance orator. St. Andrew's Church, March 9. b

Male Help Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

WRITERS WANTED TO DO COPYING at home. Law College, Lima, Ohio. 53c

WANTED—AN IDEA—WHO CAN think of some simple thing to patent? Protect your ideas; they may bring you wealth. Write JOHN WEDDERBURN & Co., patent attorneys, Washington, D. C., for their $1,800 prize offer and list of two hundred inventions wanted.

Female Help Wanted.

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LADIES WANTED TO PURCHASE pattern for Mrs. Park's Patent Self-Adjusting and Combination Bicycle Skirt. Can also be used for the street. Does not blow up when riding. Full instructions for making with each pattern. Price $1. Mail orders promptly attended to. Address Mrs. PARK, 85 Hadley street, London. 52bu

Domestics Wanted.

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WANTED—A HOUSEMAID, WHO would also have to assist with children. Apply before 11 a.m., or in the evening, at 525 Queen's avenue. 53c

WANTED—GOOD DINING-ROOM GIRL. Apply MRS. WOODLIFFE, Dundas street. b

RING 1,121 FOR THE OLD RELIABLE Dwyer's agency, for cooks, housemaids, generals, nurse girls to assist in housework, housekeeper, wanting, dining room girls for city and out. Good help always wanted at 591 Richmond street.

15 GOOD GENERALS FOR IN AND OUT of city, also kitchen, dining-room, nurse and chamber maids, housemaids and cook. The only reliable in the city. The Osborne Intelligence Agency, 36 Dundas. Telephone 386.

Lost and Found.

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FOUND, DIAMOND RING—OWNER CAN have same by proving property and paying expenses. 336 Ridout street; after 6. 53c

Agents Wanted.

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AGENTS NOT MAKING $10 PER WEEK and not asking $50 (no idlers wanted), write for particulars. J. L. NICHOLS & Co., 23 Richmond west, Toronto. 48d-dxw

FREE—75 COMPLETE STORIES—PACK of goods worth $2, and a big 100-page Picture Book that will surely put you on the road to a handsome fortune. Send 5c silver to pay postage. A. W. KINNEY, L. A., Yarmouth, N.S. 51n

WANTED—EXPERIENCED CANVASSER to call on private families, or lady or gentleman well acquainted in the city. State salary expected. Apply drawer 546 city.

Wanted.

WANTED—25 BICYCLE RIDERS TO get their low frames made high at HUTCHINSON'S, 651 Dundas street.

Legal Cards.

G. N. WEEKES, BARRISTER, HAS removed his office to Hiscox's new building, Richmond street, corner King.

T. W. SCANDRETT, BARRISTER, Solicitor, etc., 98 Dundas street, London.

Articles For Sale.

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FOR SALE—BULL DOG—YOUNG, GOOD size; thoroughbred. Address J, this office. 53u

IRON AND LEAD PIPE, STEAM AND water fittings of all kinds. SMITH BROS., 265 Dundas street. v

H. W. PETRIE OFFERS FOR IMMEDIate shipment, two Peerless Rock Drills, one Air Compressor, several Gasoline and Oil Engines, and over 100 Steam Engines and Boilers. Send for descriptive catalogue. H. W. PETRIE, Toronto. 48g

FOR SALE—MACHINERY, WOOD AND iron working, shafting, pulleys, hangers, machinists tools, blacksmith's tools, belting, gas fittings and pipes, steam pipes and fittings, cheap. PATTERSON & JOLLY, Ridout street. 48tf

FOR SALE—ONE 30 HORSEPOWER automatic "Brown" engine, built by Goldie, McCulloch & Co., Galt. Cylinder 10 inches, stroke 24 inches; can be run at 60 revolutions, or as high as 90 revolutions; also one tubular exhaust feed water heater. The engine can be seen at H. PORTER & Co.'s storage warehouse, Carling street, London, Ont. 6tf-3tf

A FEW GOOD RANGES, TWO ORGANS and general assortment of furniture at the Ark, Market Square.

FOR SALE—A VERY GOOD PIANO—OF excellent tone. Can be seen by calling at J. W. Jones' Auction Rooms, Dundas street. Can be had at a bargain. 43tf

TWO MANUAL PEDAL ORGAN CHEAP —Also Decker Bros. (New York) upright piano. Heintzman & Co., warerooms, 236 Dundas street. H. W. BURNETT, Manager.

A FEW SECOND-HAND STOVES—MUST be sold. At Keen's, Masonic Temple, Market Square.

PIANOS, PIANOS—NEW AND SECOND HAND, also a beautiful assortment of music and musical merchandise, and two good organs cheap. Anderson's Book Store, Nordheimer's Piano Agency, 183 Dundas street.

RUBBER STAMPS, SEALS—RAZORS sharpened; guns, rifles, revolvers and locks repaired. D. MCKENZIE & Co., 388 Richmond street.

GRENVILLE CANAL ENLARGEMENT. SECTIONS A AND B.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS ADDRESSED TO the undersigned, and indorsed "Tenders for Grenville Canal Enlargement," will be received at this office until noon on Saturday, 20th March, 1897, for the enlarging of about 1¼ miles of the Grenville Canal.

Plans and specifications of the works can be seen at the office of the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways and Canals, at Ottawa, or at Superintending Engineer's office, Montreal, where forms of tenders can be obtained on and after Thursday, 25th February, 1897.

In cases of firms there must be attached the actual signatures of the full name, and the nature of the occupation and place of residence of each member of the same, and further, an accepted bank check for the sum of $3,000 must accompany the tender; this accepted check must be indorsed over to the Minister of Railways and Canals, and will be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the work at the rates and on the terms stated in the offer submitted. The accepted check thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are not accepted.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

By order,
J. H. BALDERSON,
Secretary.

Department of Railways and Canals,
Ottawa, 19th February, 1897.

Newspapers inserting this advertisement without authority from the Department will not be paid for it. 52c

SOULANGES CANAL.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and indorsed "Tender for Soulanges Canal," will be received at this office until the arrival of the Eastern and Western Mails on **Tuesday, the 16th day March, 1897,** for the works connected with the reletting of Section No. 12, Soulanges Canal.

A map of the locality, together with plans and specifications of the works, can be seen on and after **Friday, the 26th day of February,** at the office of the Chief Engineer of Canals, Ottawa, and at the Engineer's Office, Coteau Landing. Printed forms of tender can also be obtained at the places mentioned. In the case of firms there must be attached to the tender the actual signatures of the full name, the nature of the occupation and residence of each member of the same; and further, an ACCEPTED BANK CHECK for the sum of TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS ($2 000) must accompany the tender. This accepted bank check must be indorsed over to the Minister of Railways and Canals, and will be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the work at the rates and on the terms stated in the offer submitted. The accepted bank check thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are not accepted.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. By order,

J. H. BALDERSON,
Secretary Railways and Canals.

Department of Railways and Canals,
Ottawa, 20th February, 1897.

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SOULANGES CANAL.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and indorsed "Tender for Soulanges Canal," will be received at this office until the arrival of the eastern and western mails on **Tuesday, the sixteenth day of March, 1897,** for the works connected with the reletting of Sections Nos. 4, 5, 6 and 7, Soulanges Canal.

A map of the locality, together with plans and specifications of the works, can be seen on and after **Friday, the 26th day of February,** at the office of the Chief Engineer of Canals, Ottawa, and at the Engineer's office, Coteau Landing. Printed forms of tender can also be obtained at the places mentioned. In the case of firms there must be attached to the tender the actual signatures of the full name, the nature of the occupation, and residence of each member of the same; and further, an accepted bank check for the sum of EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS ($8,000) must accompany the tender. This accepted bank check must be indorsed over to the Minister of Railways and Canals, and will be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the work at the rates and on the terms stated in the offer submitted. The accepted bank check thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are not accepted.

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Houses, Etc., To Let.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

STORE AND DWELLING TO LET—619 Richmond; baker's oven complete. Apply 201 Mill street. 53tf

PREMISES TO LET—153 CARLING street, near Richmond; good cellar, shop and two flats above, each 40x20 feet; suitable for workshop or dwelling. Rent moderate. SPITTAL & Co., 153 Dundas street. 48n

TO LET—A COTTAGE ON QUEEN'S avenue (No. 639), or for sale. It has been newly whitewashed and papered. Rent moderate. Apply at 521 Dundas street. 43tf

Situations Wanted.

DIPLOMAED NURSE DISENGAGED—Apply "Nurse" this office. 49n

Business Chances.

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FOR SALE—GROCERY STAND AND dwelling cheap for cash, or will exchange for city or farm property. J. F. SANGSTER, 403 Richmond street. 50n

Board and Lodging.

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FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED rooms, with or without board. 251 Queen's avenue. 50n

Real Estate.

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S. CHADWICK & SON—REAL ESTATE Agents. Homes. Investments. Speculation. Call Room 2 Albion Building.

Personal.

PERSONAL—WILL "A. B." WHO wrote Boarder about a furnished house on Feb. 16, again write Boarder, giving address. Boarder, Advertiser. 52u

Valuable City Property FOR SALE.

TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED UP TO **MARCH 1** for the purchase of that very desirable property, 531 Dundas street, having a frontage of 65 feet and a depth of 230 feet, with 10-foot lane in rear to William street. The present buildings will bring an immediate revenue, and the site is one of the most valuable in the residential portion of the city.

W. H. BARTRAM, Soliciter,
45tf 99 Dundas street, London.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

The London Gold Mining and Development Company, Limited.

Non-Personal Liability.

DIVIDEND NO. 1.

NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend of one cent on the par value of the stock in this company (1 cent per share), has this day been declared. All purchasers of stock on or before this date are entitled to share in such dividend. The dividend is payable at the office of the company's treasurer, A. A. Campbell, Molsons Bank Building, London, on and after Monday, Feb. 15, 1897. Checks will be mailed to shareholders living out of the city. Dated at London, the 12th day of February, 1897. A. GREENLEES, Secretary. 53tf

SUCKLING & CO

TRADE AUCTIONEERS,

64 Wellington Street West, Toronto.

Spring Opening

TRADE SALE,

Wednesday and Thursday

March 3rd and 4th.

New Drygoods.
British Consignments,
Dress Goods, Fancy Prints, Indigo Prints,
Navy, Fancy Spot Cretonnes,
Furniture Prints, Ptd. Flannelettes,
Velveteens, Handkerchiefs,
Braces, Worsteds, Tweeds, etc.

All new goods direct from

ENGLISH MANUFACTURERS.

Consignors intending shipping for this sale will do well to send in invoices early, as the catalogue was published on Thursday, Feb. 25. 53c

FLIRTING IS LEGAL.

New York's Court of Appeal Decides That Men May Dally With Women.

New York, Feb. 26.—The Court of Appeals has just decided in the case of Yale vs. Curtiss that flirtation is not actionable. The case was one of damages for breach of promise.

William R. Curtiss, of Norwich, N. Y., paid attention to Miss Nellie E. Yale, of the same place. He said to her about a proposed trip to Europe: "Husband and wife is party enough if I go." On another occasion he said, "I long to make you happy. If I live, I will make you happy."

Miss Yale got a verdict, and the general term affirmed, but the Court of Appeals said a man could pay attention to a woman, and also say serious things even with an intention at the time to make her his wife, but if he hadn't more distinctly expressed such intention he would not be bound to marry her.

TWO FEET OF SNOW.

Alba, Mich., Feb. 25.—There is now 24 inches of snow on the ground, and G. R. and I. plows are busy keeping the track clear.

Sheriff Murton, of Habilton, is reported to be dying.

King George Is Firm

Won't Recall His Troops While the Nation Supports Him.

Queen Olga's Angry Message to St. Petersburg.

Turks Brought to Time by an Italian Cruiser's Commander.

2,000 Greek Troops Massed on Turkey's Frontier Are Aching to Kill Some Turks.

GEORGE IS FIRM.

Athens, Feb. 26.—King George and his Government reiterate that it is impossible for them to retreat from their decision in regard to Crete, which is supported by the whole nation.

QUEEN OLGA INDIGNANT.

London, Feb. 26. — A dispatch to the Daily News from Vienna says that it is reported that the queen, Olga, who was an honorary admiral of the Russian fleet, has sent the insignia back to St. Petersburg, declaring that she cannot hold rank in a fleet that fired on the Greeks.

TURKS BROUGHT TO TIME.

A Canea dispatch says efforts were made to obtain the release of Christians held as hostages, but the Moslems persisted in their refusal to let them leave, acting on the belief that their presence would prevent the insurgents from making an attack on the town, as the latter knew that an attack would be the signal for the massacre of the helpless captives. Another aspect was put on the matter yesterday, however, and the Moslems learned that they were not to be allowed to do as they pleased under the sanction of the Christian powers. The Italian cruiser Etna arrived off Hierapatra, and notified the Turkish officials that if the Christians were not released she would bombard the town. Then a detachment of armed sailors and marines were landed, and the Christians were rescued, taken on board the warship and conveyed to Syra. The Turks are deeply chagrined, as they evidently thought that the foreign warships would uphold them in anything they pleased to do against the Christians.

A Canea dispatch says: The admirals of the foreign fleets have issued a proclamation declaring that the plain and Suda Valley, between Akrodiri and Canea, have been placed under the protection of the foreign warships. The proclamation adds that any act of hostility in sight of the warships will be repressed by force.

MR. GLADSTONE'S VIEW.

In reply to an inquiry from the Paris Temps, Mr. Gladstone has written a letter to the paper, saying: "The ideas which guided me at the time of the Bulgarian atrocities still dominate my mind, but Russia appears to have made a complete volte-face. I wonder what Alexander II. would have thought of Russia's conduct during the past two years, and now my feelings over the conduct of the powers during the past two years are sorrow and indignation. The powers are now applying themselves to filling the measure of their dishonor."

LIBERAL COMMENT.

The Daily News (Liberal), in its comments on the latest developments in the Cretan trouble, while welcoming the broad fact of autonomy being granted to the islands, emphasizes the necessity of a searching examination into the details, especially the proposal that the Greek troops shall be withdrawn prior to the Turkish troops. This proposal, the paper declares, must be reconsidered unless the international forces are ready to replace the Turkish garrisons. Apart from this, Greece, having extorted a settlement from the powers, can bow to superior force without disloyalty to the Hellenic idea.

It is presumed the article in the Daily News officially embodies the Liberal views.

A NOTE FOR GREECE.

The Paris Matin says a collective note will be prepared in London and Berlin, to be forwarded to the Government of Greece, announcing the autonomy of Crete, and demanding the withdrawal of the Greek troops from the island, and the abandonment of the plans which Greece has made for the mobilization of her army. The Porte is likewise requested to cease her warlike preparations.

BOTH SIDES BELLIGERENT.

A Constantinople dispatch says: War preparations are actively proceeding in Turkey. Quantities of Manser rifles and munitions of war have been sent from here to Salonica and Adrianople, the consignments to the latter place being for the Mussulmans on the Bulgarian frontier. Similar measures are being taken on the Servian frontier.

A special dispatch received from Larissa, Greece, says that 20,000 Greek troops are concentrated there, and that the greatest activity prevails. The dispatch further states that it is believed at Larissa that general hostilities will immediately begin on the frontier, in the event of Greece not being allowed to annex the Island of Crete.

King George Grieved.

Astonished at the Actions of the Powers.

But Decides to Accept Their Ultimatum.

London, Feb. 26.—A dispatch to the Chronicle from Athens says: During the interview with King George obtained by your correspondent yesterday (Wednesday) the King said: "I cannot but express my profound astonishment and grief upon learning that the representatives of the great Christian powers not only permitted Turkish force to employ as a military base a sphere they had taken under their protection in order to impose upon it neutrality and peace, but also positively caused their cannons to be fired upon Christian people, driven by outrage and massacre to struggle for life, liberty and religion. Nothing in the world till these events occurred would have induced me to believe in the possibility of such an act." His Majesty then added: "I utterly fail to comprehend why Europe, instead of following historic precedents in Italy and elsewhere, allowing the Cretans to declare by plebiscite what suzerainty they should desire, should attempt to force upon them a regime alien to their feelings and inevitably destined to result in further complications."

Mr. Henry Norman, the correspondent of the Chronicle, says that he is authorized to state that Greece is fully prepared to accept the decision of a plebiscite. The Chronicle publishes an editorial styling the Sultan "an arch cutthroat sitting enthroned with British bayonets at his call." The Chronicle also urges Greece to declare war and so "end the infamy."

Athens, Feb. 26.—It is stated that King George has sent the Prince of Wales an open-worded telegram, saying that the recall of the Greek forces from Crete by an ultimatum of the powers is impossible.

According to the official figures, 400 Turks were killed, wounded or missing in the recent fighting in Crete and 104 were taken prisoners.

GEORGE ACCEPTS.

London, Feb. 26.—A telegram received here from Athens this afternoon by a Greek firm of this city states that King George has intimated his intention to accept the demands of the powers.

Britain's Ultimatum.

Her Cretan Policy Plainly Laid Down.

It Provides Administrative Autonomy for Crete.

The Troops of Turkey and Greece Must be Withdrawn.

The British Resident and Several Miners at Mombare Massacred—Cable Notes.

London, Feb. 26.—In the House of Lords yesterday, the Marquis of Salisbury, replying to a question from Lord Dunraven, said that as the best means of placing the House in possession of the facts of the moment as regards Crete, he would read a telegram sent to the British ambassadors to the courts of the great powers. It was as follows:

"Inform the Government to which you are accredited that her Majesty's Government purposes to make the following declaration of the policy which they intend to pursue and which they believe is in accordance with the views of their allies:

"Firstly, the establishment of an administrative autonomy in Crete as a necessary condition for the termination of the international occupation.

"Secondly, that subject to the above condition, Crete ought, in their judgment, to remain a portion of the Turkish Empire.

"Thirdly, the Turks and Greeks should be informed by the powers of this resolution.

"Fourthly, if Turkey and Greece should, when required, persistently refuse to withdraw their military and naval forces from the island, the powers should impose their decision by force upon the state so refusing."

Lord Salisbury said it did not follow that the Turkish troops would be withdrawn from Crete at present; nevertheless, the practical withdrawal of her troops from the island was a necessary condition to the establishment of autonomy, and they would therefore be withdrawn. The Premier then gave an instance of autonomous administrations, the form of government which now existed in the island of Samos, a Turkish possession, which formerly prevailed in Servia, and proceeded to say he imagined that the powers would require the Greek troops in Crete to be withdrawn at an earlier date than the forces of Turkey. But he was unable to give any further details until he knew what decision had been reached by the powers. Still, it was his belief that the powers recognized the principles he had announced as animating their policy.

Lord Kimberley said the statement just made by Lord Salisbury was one of great gravity, and would require careful consideration on his part before he felt prepared to make any observations thereon. The House then adjourned.

In the Commons, shortly after the Speaker took the chair, Right Hon. A. J. Balfour made a statement similar to the one made by Lord Salisbury in the House of Lords.

Sir Wm. Harcourt, Opposition leader, said that the statement concerning the Cretan situation and the methods to be employed in its settlement, which had just been laid before the House by the Government leader, was of the gravest character. It affected the present and future relations with the powers in relation to their dealing with Turkey, and the gravity was especially shown in its last paragraph, relating to the employment of force in case of the persistent refusal of Turkey or Greece to comply with the demands of the powers. He requested the Government to fix an early date for debating the matter.

Subsequently the Earl of Kimberley held a conference with Sir Wm. Harcourt in a private room.

IN THE LOBBY.

The Cretan situation was about the only topic of conversation in the lobby of the House. The Conservatives upheld the Government's scheme, but many of the Liberals declared that Lord Salisbury's proposal would not have the effect of settling the trouble. They held that Greece would resist the pressure brought against her, or if she did not, half of the Greek army of occupation now in Crete would desert and join the insurgents in their warfare against the Moslems. The insurrection would soon spread to the mainland, and in a short time the whole of Macedonia would be aflame against the Turks. Francis E. Stephenson, M.P., and chairman of the Anglo-Armenian Association, declared that he believed that such result would follow the adoption of Lord Salisbury's proposals, and that in so declaring he voiced the opinion of James Bryce, an ex-Liberal Minister, and a well-known writer on international subjects.

CABLE BRIEFS.

Massacre of Miners—Kruger Gains His Point—A Scotch Farce.

Mr. Edward Wingfield has been appointed permanent secretary of the Foreign Office, in succession to Sir Robert H. Meade.

Advices received at Brisbane, Queensland, report that Papuans have massacred Mr. Green, the British resident at Mombare, and several gold miners.

The British steamer State of Georgia has been posted at Lloyds as missing. The State of Georgia (Capt. Stewart) was from Dantzic, Dec. 23, for Halifax and St. John, N. B.

The Globe Theater, London, was opened Thursday night with the production of Jerome and Philpott's "The MacHaggis," which proved to be the best Scotch farce seen in a long time.

A dispatch received at Madrid from Havana states that the brigades commanded by Gens. Gasco, Segura and Ruiz have successively defeated Gomez, compelling him to retreat with heavy losses.

The Times confirms the report that the Hereford collection of paintings has been bequeathed to the nation, on condition that the Government build a museum in Central London for the purpose of keeping it.

A Pretoria, Transvaal, dispatch says: The Volksraad today passed in its entirety the bill virtually placing the high court under the Volksraad. This action was believed to be necessary in view of the persistent attempts of Cecil Rhodes to undermine the republic.

At the Seine Assizes, Paris, there were heard the appeal of Emile Arton from the sentence of two years' imprisonment imposed on him for bribery in connection with the Panama Canal scandal. In the course of the proceedings Arton promised to explain completely the distribution of 2,000,000 francs among members of the Chamber of Deputies who were bribed to support the projects of the canal company. There was much excitement in the Chamber of Deputies.

THE NEW GUINEA MASSACRE.

Brisbane, Queensland, Feb. 26.—Further details from New Guinea of the massacre by the natives of Mombare, in which the Governor-Resident was killed, say that in addition six miners and 40 natives were murdered.

Funerals Don't Count.

Death of Fitzs' Mother-in-Law and Julian's Mother.

They Can't Spare Time to Attend to the Obsequies.

New York, Feb. 26.—Mrs. Aimee Julian, 45 years of age, mother of Rose Fitzsimmons, the wife of Pugilist Bob Fitzsimmons, and of Martin Julian, the fighter's manager, died here yesterday afternoon. A telegraphic message was sent to Fitz at Carson City, asking him to break the news to Julian.

Mrs. Fitzsimmons said that her husband and brother would be unable to spare time from his training to come on to the funeral.

Six Victims.

Mother and Her Four Children Asphyxiated.

A Michigan Farmer Blew Out the Gas and Died.

Lake Preston, S. D., Feb. 26.—August Hansen and his wife and five children, living six miles from Oldham, were found last night unconscious, probably from flax straw gas and smoke from their stoves. The wife and four children are dead, and Hansen is in a critical condition. One boy is recovering.

Owosso, Mich., Feb. 26.—Henry Campbell, aged 40, a farmer from Vernon township, was found dead in bed at the National Hotel yesterday morning. Campbell registered and retired about 10 o'clock and evidently blew out the gas.

Arbitration Approved.

The Treaty Laid Before the Congress of Venezuela.

President Crespo Heartily Indorses It in His Message.

New York, Feb. 26.—The Herald has a cable from Caracas, Venezuela, which says the message of President Crespo on the boundary line treaty, negotiated by the United States with England, was read to the Venezuelan Congress yesterday.

The message is in favor of the treaty in all its points, and asks Congress to give its first consideration to the protocol.

President Crespo argues that the protocol is of the utmost importance to the country at large and is urgent in his request to Congress to give careful consideration to the matter.

Since Congress convened, on Feb. 20, the treaty has been widely discussed, and though there remains some decided objection to it, Senor Michelonas' recent virulent attack on the United States and his declaration that Secretary Olney had entered into a conspiracy with England against Venezuela, has had little effect.

If Your Hands Are Chapped

If your face is rough, red or painful, use Hazeline, the daintiest of all toilet lotions for the face, hands and complexion.

PRICE 25 CENTS.

Cairncross & Lawrence,
CHEMISTS AND DRUGGISTS,
216 Dundas St., London, Ont.
Branch—Corner Richmond and Piccadilly.

The C. O. F. High Court

Adopts New Rates for Sick and Funeral Benefits.

Officers Chosen for the Ensuing Year. Organizers for the Lower Provinces.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Feb. 26.—The C. O. F. High Court resumed work yesterday morning. The credential committee made its final report, showing 311 delegates present, with total votes of 350.

Rates of sick and funeral benefits were adopted as follows: Eighteen to 25 years, 25 cents; 25 to 35, 30 cents; 35 to 45 years, 35 cents per month.

The committee on grievances and appeals made their report, which was adopted, as was also the report of the committee on good and welfare, in which a valuable suggestion was made to appoint organizers to work in Lower Provinces, where the order is not extended.

The finance committee's report was adopted.

F. T. Frost, of Smith's Falls, who was nominated for the office of High Chief Ranger, withdrew from the contest. On the first ballot the present H. C. R., H. Gummer, of Guelph, received 205 votes, his opponent P. H. C. R. C. E. Britton, of Gananoque, receiving 213 votes.

The first ballot for H. V. C. R. showed H. D. Henderson, of Whitechurch, 254 votes; R. Dowling, of Harriston, 251 votes.

Thos. White, of Brantford, was elected high secretary by acclamation; John Neeland, of Wingham, high treasurer, by acclamation; Dr. U. M. Stanley, Brantford, chairman medical board (acclamation); D. R. Kennedy, of Montreal, was elected high chief registrar, receiving 445 votes out of 518 cast. P. H. C. R. Rev. D. McRobbie, of Shelburne, was elected high chaplain; Thomas Gibson, Toronto, high auditor.

In the contest for place of next convention, Peterboro got it.

For the executive committee of five, Robt. Elliott, of Ingersoll, captured first place, P. H. C. R. C. E. Britton, of Gananoque, second place; J. R. Allen, Toronto, third place; F. Jameson, Peterboro, fourth place, and R. Dowling, Harriston, fifth place.

BLOWN TO ATOMS.

Steubenville, Ohio, Feb. 26.—By an explosion of nitro-glycerine at the magazine of the Gould oil field, three miles south of here, Louis Graty and Eugene Ralston, employes of the Milliken & Lehley Torpedo Company, were blown to atoms.

HON. MR. FISHER'S VIEWS.

Montreal, Feb. 26.—At a meeting of the Quebec Alliance yesterday Hon. Sydney Fisher said that a plebiscite law was now in course of preparation, and he believed that if temperance carried a prohibition bill would follow.

SAVED BY A CAT.

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 26.—A screeching cat in the house of Mrs. Julia Culhane, Russell street, saved that lady's life yesterday morning. The house was ablaze. The smoke affected the imprisoned cat and its yell awoke the woman, who escaped with singed hair.

DELICIOUS ENGLISH MUFFINS.

To make English muffins, scald one pint of milk, and while hot add two ounces of butter. When lukewarm add half a teaspoonful of salt, half an ounce of compressed yeast, dissolved in two tablespoonfuls of warm water, and two cups of flour. Beat thoroughly and stand aside for two hours; bake in greased muffin-rings on a hot griddle. —Mrs. S. T. Rorer, in Maroh Ladies' Home Journal.

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Our Neighbors.

Byron Dogs Win Prizes at the New York Bench Show — Interesting Farewell Gathering.

Mr. Robert McEwen, of Byron, has secured two third prizes and a very highly commended for his collies at the New York dog show. The competition was the keenest in years.

The arbitration committee, appointed by the county council, to settle the Melbourne Union school matter, will meet there on Tuesday next. The arbitrators are Messrs. Gilmour, Robson and McLeod.

Mr. John Carlton, of Parkhill, will succeed Mr. Zinger, who has sold out the Metropolitan Hotel at Exeter, and will take possession about March 1. Mr. John Leathorn has also decided to give up the Mansion House at Exeter. Mr. R. O'Neil, of Lucan, is to be the new tenant, and will take possession about May 1.

At the residence of Mr. James Burrows, Lambeth, on Wednesday afternoon, his daughter Emma was married to Mr. J. W. Hunt, of the firm of Smith & Hunt, merchants, Dorchester Station. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. Quance, of Lambeth. The bride's cousin, Miss Orr, of Hamilton, acted as maid of honor. On their return from their wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Hunt will settle in Dorchester.

A very interesting time was spent the other evening at the residence of Mr. F. Hunt, con. 7, East Nisouri, where the young people and neighbors gathered to bid farewell to Miss Hunt, who, with the family, leave in March to live in London. In the course of the evening Miss Hunt was presented with a handsome gold watch and address, read by Miss Jennie Conn, on behalf of those present. Miss Hunt and her father each made suitable replies.

The recorder of Ilderton Lodge, No. 168, A. O. U. W., reports a very prosperous year for 1896, and notwithstanding that Ilderton is represented in nearly all the fraternal societies, the A. O. U. W. still continues to keep the lead, with a membership of 65, and a steady increase to the members. The officers for this year were installed by Bro. Thomas Oliver, district deputy, and a member of this lodge, in the following order: Master workman, E. T. Caverhill; past master, Wm. Charlton; foreman, James McNair; recorder, W. P. Charlton; financier, Alex. McLean; receiver, Arthur McRae; guide, Francis McAndless; overseer, George Avery; inside watch, James Prudem; outside watch, Henry Story.

COURTRIGHT.

The Dog Poisoner Got in His Deadly Work.

Courtright, Feb. 25.—A few days ago C. Howes had a valuable Russian boar hound poisoned, and A. Morrison lost a fine dog on Sunday evenisg in the same way.

The Glass family, of Corunna, visited this town on Tuesday and gave good selections of music.

Mr. Richardson, a representative of the People's Building and Loan Association of London, was here on Tuesday on business.

Mr. Busha has received a number of orders for ice from towns on the M. C. R. branch, and will start filling the contracts at once. The ice is from seven to nine inches thick.

E. E. Nightingale, of London, was in town on Tuesday.

DELAWARE.

Meeting of Caradoc Branch of the W. O. S. S. Associations—No Oil as Yet, But Lots of Gas.

Delaware, Feb. 25.—The ninth annual convention of the Caradoc branch of the Western Ontario Sunday School Association was held in the Methodist Church here on Tuesday. The attendance was very good, considering the weather. Many were somewhat disappointed at the absence of Mr. Day, provincial secretary, who was unable to attend, being confined to his bed with a severe attack of la grippe. The Rev. Mr. Leitch was elected president for the ensuing year, and Mr. E. Bodkin, secretary. The convention meets next year in the Methodist Church, Melbourne.

Death clealms another victim in our quiet village in the person of Miss May Heattey, who passed peacefully away at 7 o'clock Wednesday morning. The funeral will leave the house on Friday, at 2 o'clock, and proceed to the Methodist Church, where services will be held.

The Gold Oil Medicine Company gave their last exhibition in the hall last night. The attendance was large and the programme was very good. Strathroy is the next place they visit, after which they go to Komoka, which place Prof. Stuart says he visits for spite.

Mrs. C. Thrower, who has suffered a severe illness, is recovering nicely.

Miss Ferry Parfitt, of London, is visiting her old friends of this place.

The newly-married brother of Mrs. John Wickey is stopping here on his wedding tour.

Rev. Frank Heatly and wife, from Iowa, are here at present.

The Oil Company have not struck oil yet; lots of gas, though.

GLENCOE.

Loses a Popular Young Man — Change in the Advertiser's Delivery.

Glencoe, Feb. 25.—Glencoe loses a popular young man, now that Mr. Charles Macdougald, who has for several years clerked for Mr. Doble, the well-known banker, is removing to Detroit, where he will embark in the mining brokerage business. "Charley" has a large circle of friends in Glencoe and surrounding country who will wish him every success in his new home.

The Advertiser will, after March 1, be delivered by E. A. Stevenson, who succeeds John McNeil, and customers will continue to enjoy the prompt service given by the former manager. "Ed" will always be found willing to add a name to his list, which he intends to swell considerably.

BELMONT.

Disastrous Runaway Accident — Hog Trade Regulations — Off for Rossland.

Belmont, Feb. 24.—Mr. White, of Mapletown, had the misfortune today to have a new cutter broken all to pieces. His horse shied while crossing Kettle Creek, and ran away.

Hogs can be sold by North Dorchester, and South Dorchester, and also Westminster farmers, while just four rods away, in Yarmouth, they can't sell them without going to the clerk of the peace at St. Thomas, and getting an order, on account of quarantine. Why not the same regulation all over? Belmont's hog market is at the four corners of the above township.

Fred and Phillip Mohr, Lewis Boyd and Mr. Falls, leave on March 2 next for Rossland, B. C.

Mrs. J. A. Brandon returned to Galt yesterday, after visiting Mrs. Nugent, her mother, a week.

Parties are looking for a room here to start a boxing school.

KOMOKA.

Death of Mrs. McBain After a Long Illness.

Komoka, Feb. 25.—Another sad death occurred in this place on Monday morning, when Mrs. McBain, widow of the late James McBain, and daughter of John Lamont, who had been ailing for some time with consumption, passed quietly away. The funeral took place from her late residence, lot 1, con. 3, Lobo, Thursday afternoon. The burial took place at Ivan. Deceased leaves one son.

Rev. A. McVicar, of Caradoc, graduate of McGill University, occupied the pulpit of the Presbyterian Church for two successive Sundays, and preached able and eloquent sermons on both occasions. Rev. Mr. Jeffery will preach next Sunday.

Mr. Daniel Sinclair, of this village, is slowly recovering.

Mr. Crombie is around again, and able to attend to his duties.

Mr. Will Walcot, merchant, is on the sick list.

Mrs. Lince, who has been visiting in St. Marys since last fall, is expected to return in a few days.

ON THE WARPATH.

Muncey and Chippewa Indians Organizing for Battle.

Muncey Feb. 25.—The Leuni Leunapa, or Munsees of Thames, Branch of the Delaware tribe, met and organized the Liberal Club, on the Caradoc Indian reserve, on Feb. 23, at the central school house. This association is to be known as the Lower Muncey Liberal Club. Mr. McGuigan, M. P., and Mr. Howe were present.

Mr. C. Logan was appointed as chairman (pro tem.), and opened the meeting by making a short address.

The first business in order was the election of officers for the year, and the choice of the meeting was that the ex-chief, W. J. Waddilove, be the president; for first vice-president, Mr. Mylis McDougall, Chippewa, was elected by acclamation; second vice-president, Moses King, Chippewa, acclamation; secretary, Nelles F. Timothy, acclamation; treasurer, Charles H. Timothy, acclamation. This concluded the full staff of officers for the Lower Muncey Liberal Club.

Just at this moment the celebrated Tecumseh Cornet Band struck up a lively march, well worthy of the name, "Cheer! Cheer!"

The rules and regulations placed on the table, which had been prepared by N. F. Timothy, were read and adopted by the L. M. L. C. The next annual meeting will be held on the third Tuesday in February.

Then a few shots were made by several of the newly-appointed officers, the president, ex-Chief W. J. Waddilove, beginning by making an excellent speech. The Tecumseh Band again favored the audience with another selection, which was heartily applauded.

Mr. C. H. Timothy was next called upon, and made a short speech. Secretary N. F. Timothy made a capital speech, voicing his loyalty to the great Liberal party, our country, Canada, and to our beloved Queen.

Our visitor, Mr. Howe, favored the audience with a good address, and then came the loudest shot, from our esteemed friend, Mr. McGuigan, M. P. for South Middlesex. He was listened to with great attention, and showed that he was indeed a real friend to the red man. The remarks he made gave great satisfaction to all present, and evoked rousing cheers.

The Tecumsehs again rendered one of their grand selections, and a vote of thanks was given to Mr. McGuigan and to Mr. Howe for their assistance in organizing the L. M. L. C. Each of these gentlemen made a suitable reply. Three rousing cheers were then given for the Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, three cheers for Mr. McGuigan, M.P., and three for the Queen.

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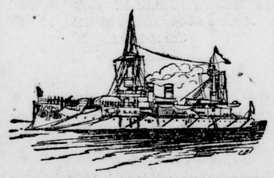
(Special Correspondence.)

Berlin.—(Special.)—Of the naval powers of consequence Germany is the youngest. Practically, too, the German navy is untried and untested. The further fact that Germany is a poor country, when compared with France, England or the United Statees, and that she is financially unable to support, without seriously crippling herself, the double burden of taxation which the maintenance of her matchless army and of a navy of first-class dimensions would necessitate, has bred the opinion generally held, even by the majority of the German press and people, that the German navy is of not much account, and hardly able to make a decent showing, if the need should ever arise.

This opinion, however, is an erroneous one. It is true that as to size the German navy occupies the fifth place, being outdone in this respect by England, France, Russia and Italy, and only slightly exceeding—at this hour—that of the United States, whereas it is certain that, in conformity with the naval plan and the naval resources fixed under the present administration, the United States will exceed, in the size and fighting quality of her navy, Germany ten years hence. But it is just as certain that Italy will drop behind with each recurring year, her financial embarrassment rendering it impossible for her to keep up the size of her navy on the present scale. As to the Russian navy, it is also, practically, an unknown and untested factor, and marine experts declare to-day that much of Russia's naval strength, like that of her army, exists only on paper.

Be that as it may, I in this instance merely wish to emphasize the fact that the German navy is no mean opponent. At the Kiel naval demonstrations, in June, 1895, I heard an experienced impartial American naval commander express himself to the effect that in point of readiness, in point of admirable discipline and actual fighting power, the German navy of to-day comes, in his opinion, in the second rank—directly behind England. Since then several occasions have arisen which tried the mettle of the German navy, or at least vessels and crews forming part of it, and in each case the German vessels and their crews have borne themselves gallantly and worthily. I refer more particularly to the loss of the Itis in Chinese waters, the little crew meeting its doom with cheers for their emperor and the singing in chorus of a patriotic hymn. Whenever the German navy forcibly interfered during the past 15 years, it did so efficiently, unflinchingly, and in a spirit of Spartan bravery.

It is known that the German Emper-



NEW GERMAN IRONCLAD WOERTH.

or has the ambition of evolving a German navy of such unexceptionable quality and of such fine fighting powers as did his grandfather with the German army. This, in fact, is the pet idea of William II., and hardly a day passes when he does not find time and opportunity to do something for his young navy—examining new models in ordinance or equipment, in some constructive part or machinery. He has so zealously devoted himself to the task of becoming a naval expert, both theoretically and practically, ever since he ascended the throne, that he has, according to the statements of all the German, English, French, Russian and American naval officers who have met him, really attained his goal.

There is no ruler of the present day who is a match for him in this respect. Nothing new and interesting in naval things escapes his keen eye and shrewd attention. Just to cite a point in illustration, I may say that the Emperor was one of the first to discern the great importance of Capt. Mahan's (U.S.N.) books on the influence of navies on national greatness, and that he at once carefully studied these books and had copies of them incorporated in the libraries of the naval academies and schools throughout Germany. It is a further proof of the great virtue he attaches to the growing prestige of his navy that he made his only brother, Prince Henry, adopt the naval career, and that, in the course of time, a number of German princes will follow suit in this respect, for some younger members of several reigning houses in Germany—those of Baden, Mecklenburg and Ogdenburg, for instance—are now serving as naval cadets, and two of the Emperor's own sons are intended to enter the navy.

Whenever the Emperor will succeed in realizing all his naval plans, at least so far as size of the navy is concerned, remains to be seen. Probably he will have to defer a part of them, for to carry them out now, at a time when the military budget is becoming larger each year, would place an almost unbearable burden of taxation on the already tax-ridden German people. But in the end he will doubtless succeed in the main. The German war vessels of the latest type, the ironclads of the Woerth and Sachsen class, are certainly marvels of mechanical ingenuity and monsters in formidable fighting capacity. The casemate guns, with which the vessels of the class to which the ironclad Sachsen belong are partially armed, are said to be beyond anything of the kind on other vessels. But the chief improvement now decided upon for the Germany navy, their being supplied with quick-firing guns of a new and unrivaled pattern, is of even vaster importance.

At the Krupp works in Essen, where experiments are being made all the time, a foreman in the ordinance department, Krause by name, made the invention and the multi-millionaire owner of the establishment purchased this invention of his outright. Not many weeks ago the Emperor visited the Krupp works at the special invitation of the owner, and afterwards witnessed the tests made on a large scale with those new quick-firing guns on the enormous shooting territory of Meppen, near Essen. These practical tests occupied one whole day and the forenoon of the succeeding one, and they were successful beyond anything the Emperor had imagined. The great need not only of the German navy, but of all navies of the present day, had been to make quick-firing guns of a caliber large enough to give the projectiles that amount of destructive, penetrative power necessary in a naval engagement between vessels of large and medium size. Such genius had not existed thus far. Technical difficulties which it seemed impossible to overcome had prevented the construction as well as the placing of them on board ship. Beyond the ten and twelve centimeter caliber none of these quick-firing guns could apparently be safely made. On the shooting territory of Meppen this fall, however, Krupp produced quick-firing guns of 15, 18, 21 and 24 centimeter calibre, and the work they did was so magnificent and exact as to earn the enthusiastic encomiums of the imperial eyewitness.

An arrangement has now been entered into with Krupp, by the terms of which he will manufacture these quick-firing guns for the German army exclusively during a term of years, thus giving Germany an important start over the other navies of the world.

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PHILIP MELANCHTHON.

The Celebration of the 400th Anniversary of His Birth.

Lutherans in every part of the world celebrated the four hundredth anniversary of the birth of Melanchthon, who was born at Bretten, in the Grand Duchy of Baden, Feb. 16, 1497. Melanchthon holds a place only a little below that of Martin Luther in the history of the Lutheran Church. He was Luther's associate in the reformation, and is regarded as the greatest of Lutheran scholars and theologians. Luther himself thought Melanchthon the ablest man of his time and superior to the great men of any church.



PHILIP MELANCHTHON.

Melanchthon assisted Luther in nearly every important work. It was he who wrote the Augsburg confession. He helped Luther translate the Bible, and was prominent at the famous diet of Worms. Although one of the greatest of theologians, Melanchthon was never ordained, had no degree of D.D., and never delivered a sermon in any pulpit, although he wrote important sermons for others.

The famous theologian was a remarkably precocious boy. At the age of 15 he graduated from Heidelberg University, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy, but in spite of the fact that he was at the head of his class the university refused him the master's degree because of his youth, so he entered the University of Tuebingen, from which he received the master's degree in 1514. Then, at the age of 17, he began to lecture to the students on Aristotelian philosophy and the classics. At the age of 21 he was appointed Professor of Greek at the University of Wittenburg. He was the most popular professor at the university, and pupils came from every part of Germany to learn from him. It was at Wittenburg that Melanchthon met Martin Luther. They became lifelong friends and co-workers in the reformation. He was emphatically a theologian, and his advice had great influence on Luther and the other reformers.

Conciliation and moderation were his characteristics, and he used all of his influence for peace and toleration. He was modest, gentle and peaceful. Until the end of his life he cherished the hope of reconciliation between the branches of the Christian Church which could be accomplished by concession, and this made him unpopular with all the doctrinaries. Luther and Melanchthon, however, remained friends until the older man's death, when Melanchthon delivered a magnificent funeral oration on the dead leader, in which he called him the prophet Elijah and lamented his death as a great calamity to the Church of Christ.

Opposition to his policy increased after Luther's death, and when Melanchthon died, on April 19, 1560, he welcomed death as a release. He was buried at Wittenburg by the side of Luther.

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	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Leave London	6:25	10:05	2:30	7:00
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Galt	6:00	9:58	6:32
Guelph	.....	.....	7:45
Toronto	8:10	12 m	8:35
Peterboro	11:22	.....	11:35
	p.m.		a.m.
Kingston	4:30	.....	.....
Ottawa	8:55	.....	3:50
Montreal	7:20	.....	7:40
	a.m.	.....	p.m.
Quebec	6:30	.....	3:00
Portland, Me	8:25	.....	8:10
Boston	8:02	.....	8:30
Halifax	10:10	.....	

Trains arrive from the east at 11:18 a.m., 8:00 p.m., 11:20 p.m.

Going West.

Depart—	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
London	8:15	11:25	8:10
Arrive—		p.m.	
Chatham	12:30	1:02	10:15
Detroit	.....	1:50	11:15
Chicago	.....	9:45	7:55
		a.m.	
St. Louis	.....	7:32	7:02
		p.m.	a.m.
Kansas City	.....	6:20	7:00

Trains arrive from the west at 4:10 p.m., 4:25 p.m. a.m., 2:40

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GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY. Southern Division.

MAIN LINE—Going East.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART.
*Lehigh Express (B)	3:30 a.m.	3:35 a.m.
Wabash Express	4:15 a.m.	4:20 a.m.
Accommodation	.....	8:20 a.m
Atlantic Express (A)	12:25 p.m.	12:40 p.m.
Day Express	10:25 a.m.	2:25 p.m.
*Wabash Express (A)	3:20 p.m.	4:25 p.m.
Mixed (C)	7:10 p.m.	7:55 p.m.
Detroit Express	11:20 p.m.	.....

MAIN LINE—Going West.

	ARRIVE	DEPART.
†Chicago Express (A)	3:03 a.m.	.....
Accommodation	.....	7:00 a.m.
††Lehigh Express	11:07 a.m.	.....
Wabash Express (A)	11:20 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Accommodation	12:40 p.m.	2:20 p.m.
†Pacific Express (A)	6:25 p.m.	6:45 p.m.
Mail	9:50 p.m.	.....

Sarnia Branch.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART
Lehigh Express (B)	3:30 a.m.	.....
Accommodation	8:05 a.m.	.....
Atlantic Express (B)	11:30 a.m.	.....
Accommodation	2:20 p.m.	.....
Mixed	5:35 p.m.	.....
Accommodation	7:50 p.m.	.....

Sarnia Branch.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART.
Chicago Express (B)	.....	3:10 a.m.
Accommodation	.....	7:40 a.m.
Lehigh Express (B)	.....	11:12 a.m.
Accommodation	.....	2:30 p.m.
Pacific Express (B)	.....	6:30 p.m

London, Huron and Bruce.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART
Express	10:00 a.m	8:15 a.m.
Mail	6:30 p.m.	4:45 p.m.

St. Marys and Stratford Branch.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART
Express	9:45 a.m.	7:15 a.m.
(b) Passenger	.....	11:10 a.m.
Express	1:10 p.m.	.....
Express	5:40 p.m.	2:40 p.m.
Express	10:35 p.m.	3:55 p.m.
(c) Mixed	.....	8:30 a.m.

Toronto Branch.

Hamilton—Depart—							
a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	----	p.m.	p.m.
*7:00	9:10	11:20	12:30	3:40	----	*7:00	8:35
Hamilton—Arrive—							
----	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.
----	†8:40	9:05	10:10	n 3:20	5:35	6:30	8:15
							†11:50

* These trains for Montreal.
† These trains from Montreal.
(a) Runs daily, Sundays included.
(b) Runs daily, Sundays included, but makes no intermediate stops on Sundays.
(c) Carries passengers between London and Paris only.
(d) Runs to St. Marys only, connecting for points on main line west.

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MICHIGAN CENTRAL RY.

LONDON TIME.

Canada Southern Division—Going East

	Leave London.	Leaves St. Thomas.
American Express (daily except Monday)	9:30 a.m.	11:05 a.m.
Atlantic Express (daily)	9:30 a.m.	2:30 p.m.
Mail and Accommodation (daily except Sunday)	2:50 p.m.	3:45 p.m.
New York and Boston Special (daily)	7:40 p.m.	10:05 p.m.
Fast Eastern Express (daily)	7:40 p.m.	3:30 a.m

Canada Southern Division—Going West

North Shore Limited (daily)	.....	6:25 a.m.
Fast Western Express (daily)	9:30 a.m.	10:35 a.m.
Detroit Accommodation, except Sunday	.....	7:35 a.m.
American Express (daily except Monday)	9:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Mail and Accommodation (daily except Sunday)	2:50 p.m.	3:40 p.m.
Pacific Express (daily)	7:40 p.m.	8:35 p.m.
Boston, New York and Chicago special (daily)	7:40 p.m.	4:10 a.m.

Trains arrive at London 7:55 a.m., 1:10 and 6:05 p.m.; depart 9:30 a.m., 2:55 and 7:40 p.m.

[NOTE.—No trains to or from London on Sundays.]

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Western Ontario.

Serious Charges Against Two Sons of a Respectable Norwich Farmer.

A Raleigh Township Farmer Drowned — While Guests at a Wedding Party Tried to Save a Haystack Their Host's House Burned Down.

Mr. John Wilson, of Atwood, died this week aged 99 years.

Brantford has raised $800 from private sources for the India famine fund.

Otto Becker, Aylmer, left for Hamilton to attend the wedding of his sister, Miss Emma Becker.

The annual meeting of the South Perth Reform Association will be held at St. Marys on Thursday, March 4.

Walkerville council refused to make a grant to the Indian famine fund, but donated $25 to the Windsor Humane Society.

The induction of Rev. Neil McPherson as pastor of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, took place Thursday evening.

John Soutar, a Raleigh township farmer, was drowned by driving into a creek while returning home from Chatham the other evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, of Paris, celebrated their golden wedding Wednesday. Mr. Jackson is connected with the Bell Telephone Company.

The congregation of the Norwich Avenue Methodist Church, Woodstock, have decided to erect an addition to their church, at a cost of $2,000.

The Waterford Bicycle Club intend building a third-mile track this year, and for the purpose of raising funds will have a concert on Saturday, Feb. 27th.

George Carey was before P. M. McDermid, of Aylmer, charged with shooting at some boys who were molesting him. On paying a fine he was allowed to go.

Reeve Wilson, of Tilbury East, has posted notices, by order of the Department of Agriculture, quarantining that township on account of the hog cholera scare.

At St. Thomas on Thursday, Miss Ruth Munro was united in marriage to Mr. G. C. Wiley, M. C. R. brakeman, The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. McIntyre.

Pearson Bros., of Cairngorm, have disposed of their farm, known as the Cadman farm, Mr. Grosvenor being the purchaser, and they have bought the 100-acre farm, previously owned by Mr. Neil McLean.

Acting Referee Hodgins, Q.C., held court at Tilbury, to hear the case of Hopkins and Vipond against the township of Romney. On Thursday he gave judgment for plaintiffs, reserving the question of damages and costs.

The committee of management of the Macnab Street Baptist Mission, Hamilton, have asked Mr. W. J. Cameron either to forego his Sunday afternoon addresses at the Star Theater or resign his pastorate of the mission.

The report of Inspector Dickey upon the charges against Bailiff Thornton, of St. Thomas, has been approved, and Mr. Thornton will be dismissed. Mr. D. Macnish has recommended the appointment of Mr. Robert Foster, G. T. R. engineer, as Mr. Thornton's successor.

There was a wedding party at the Hunters' Home Hotel, Sandwich East, Wednesday, when a haystack close by caught fire. The guests all ran out, and while they were working at the hay the hotel caught fire, and was totally destroyed. It was owned by Fred Laforet, and was partially insured.

At the annual meeting of the Goderich Knitting Company, the election of directors resulted as follows: Dr. J. R. Shannon, George Acheson, E. Downing, C. A. Hamber, D. C. Strachan, C. A. Nairn, and James Clark. Dr. J. R. Shannon was elected president, C. A. Nairn, treasurer, and R. C. Hays, secretary.

A warrant was issued one day this week for the arrest of a well known and highly respectable young man, near Lutton, on a serious charge. The officers of the law went to make the arrest, but found the house under quarantine for diphtheria, and are unable to proceed further, and await the expiry of the quarantine.

The annual meeting of the Dominion and local associations of the Southwood Liberals will be held in the town hall, Fingal, on Tuesday, March 2, at 2 p.m. Chairmen and officers of both associations will be elected. A general discussion of matters of importance will take place, and a large attendance is desired.

Capt. Wm. Robinson, of Goderich, while working on the big tug from a platform twelve feet from the ground, stepped back, and in so doing came in contact with a block, which caused him to stumble and fall to the ground. He appears to strike on his head and shoulders, and when picked up it was thought he was seriously injured, but he is now at work again, apparently as well as ever.

A very pretty wedding took place at the residence of Mr. Wm. Tapsell, con. 8, South Dorchester, Wednesday evening, when his eldest daughter, Miss Linda, was united in marriage to Mr. James McNeil, a well-to-do farmer of the same place. The groom was supported by the bride's brother, George, and the bride by Miss A. McNeil. Miss M. Hawes, of St. Thomas, played the wedding march. Rev. Mr. Thompson officiated.

The following subscriptions have been received at the Bank of Commerce, Tilsonburg, for the India famine fund: Miss Elizabeth Wood, Port Rowan, $5; Capt. Wm. Morgan, $5; Rev. R. Calvert, $3; George Perrie, $1; Fred Fuch, $1; a friend, $1; Stella Stenabaugh, $1; Methodist Church, Walsingham Center, $7 29; Mrs. Shoup, Carholme, $1; Rev. Samuel Krupp, Glenshee, $5. At the Bank of Hamilton Col. Tisdale has subscribed $5.

Charles and William Humphreys, sons of a respectable farmer in North Norwich, were committed to Woodstock jail on Wednesday morning, and warrants charging them with the theft of harness, robes, wheat and other farm stuff, alleged to have been stolen by them from several farmers in the south of the county. The brothers rented a house near Otterville, stating that it was the intention of one of them to get married. Since then a series of thefts have occurred in North and South Norwich, East Zorra and East Oxford, and it is alleged that they were perpetrated by these young men. They were taken before the police magistrate at Otterville and sent for trial.

Mamma—I don't see why you call Daisy Martin selfish. I think she is a very nice little girl. Daughter—Oh, mamma, but she is selfish! She's always at the head of the class, and she won't let any of the rest of us get ahead of her.—Harper's Bazar.

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Liberal Rally.

Annual Meeting of the West Middlesex Association.

Officers Chosen for the Coming Year.

Stirring Addresses by W. S. Calvert, M. P., and Others — County Council Act and Other Important Measures Discussed — Large and Representative Gathering at Mount Brydges.

The routine of the west riding hamlet, Mount Brydges, was broken in upon yesterday considerably. The occasion was the annual meeting of the Liberal Association, and representatives of every part of the riding were present. Local Reform voters turned out strong to welcome their friends from adjacent municipalities. The absence of the representative of West Middlesex in the Ontario Legislature, Hon. Geo. W. Ross, Minister of Education, was greatly felt. Owing to the session of the Legislature being now in progress it was impossible for him to attend. Their Dominion representative, Mr. W. S. Calvert, M.P., was present, however. Among others were Messrs. John Watterworth, ex-M.P.; Thomas Harold, Mosa; A. Stuart, Glencoe; D. Ross, London; Dr. McKillop, Wardsville; B. L. Moorehouse, Newbury; A. Douglas and Geo. Elliott, Exfrid; Chas. McPhee, Appin; Wm. Sutherland, Napier; James Cox, Dr. Whitehead, John Healey, D. Gillies, J. Thompson, Strathroy; Jos. Howlett, A. Sutherland, H. Johnson, Delaware; P. Fitzpatrick, F. Banghart, Strathroy; Wm. Sifton, Metcalfe; John P. Grigg, N. Mitchell, Thomas Faulds, Rev. J. Blakie, John Bond, W. Y. Snellgrove, F. F. Loudon, H. Hardy, Asa Luce, Caradoc.

The meeting was opened at 11 a.m. by President A. P. McDougall, and after the usual reports officers for the ensuing year were chosen. Mr. McDougall would not stand for re-election as president, as he had held the office for two consecutive terms and wished the honors passed around.

Following was the result of the election:

President—Dr. Whitehead.
Vice-President—Geo. C. Elliott.
Secretary — Emerson Vokes (re-elected).
Treasurer—A. Douglas (re-elected).

Chairmen of the different municipalities—Delaware, B. Cornell; Ekfrid, Chas. McPhee; Mosa, John Watterworth; Wardsville, Wm. Sparling; Newbury, John Bain; Metcalfe, Thos. Warren; Strathroy, L. H. Smith; Glencoe, J. H. Tait; Caradoc, Thos. Faulds.

Mr. A. Stuart rose to impress upon the electors the necessity of thorough organization and immediate work in connection with the voters' list now being prepared. The provincial election of 1898 would be upon that list, and the more rightful names entered by the assessors the easier work would be when the revision before the judge took place. A man was not doing his whole duty, not only to his party, but to himself if he did not see to this matter.

Messrs. Watterworth and Elliott spoke along the same line, and action was decided upon.

A letter from Hon. Geo. W. Ross, announcing his regret at being unable to attend the meeting was read by the president.

Someone observing the presence of Mr. Duncan Ross, barrister, of this city, and son of the Minister, called upon him for a speech. He responded modestly and eloquently, and was very warmly received. He thought that as one of the youngest members, any suggestion from him would be impertinent. He was but just entering into politics, he said, and wishing a lesson, knew of no abler masters than the supporters of his father in West Middlesex. Referring to the affairs of the Local Government, he said the greatest confidence was reposed in the veterans who had waged fierce battles there in the interest of right principles. He also referred to his father's improvement in health. He was better now than he had been for years. (Cheers.)

The following resolutions were then passed with great enthusiasm:

"Moved by Mr. A. Stuart, and seconded by Dr. Whitehead, that this association of the Liberal electors of the west riding of Middlesex as constituted for the purpose of representation in the Legislative Assembly of Ontario desire to express their unabated confidence in the Government of Ontario, as led by the Hon. Arthur S. Hardy, in whom they recognize a statesman of broad and genuine Liberalism, and whose great ability, and long and distinguished services as the senior lieutenant of Sir Oliver Mowat has made him a most worthy successor of that eminent statesman, and they look forward with pleasure to the prospect of his administration being as long and as brilliant as that of his eminent predecessor in the Premiership, to whose unparalleled success the honorable gentleman's eminent abilities are so largely contributed."

"Moved by J. P. Grigg, seconded by Joseph Howlett, that the Liberal Association of the west riding of Middlesex here assembled desire to place on record our confidence in and allegiance to our distinguished representative, the Hon. Geo. W. Ross, who has so long and ably represented this riding in the Legislature of his native province, and who has filled one of the leading positions in the Liberal Cabinet of Sir Oliver Mowat, with credit to his constituents and great advantage to the whole province, and we believe that as first lieutenant in the present Government of Hon. A. S. Hardy, he will continue to administer the affairs of this province with the same regard for economy, uprightness and progress that has characterized the Liberal Government since its inception, and we humbly pledge our hearty and continued support in sustaining our honored friend in the position which he has filled so eminently."

In speaking to the latter resolution, Mr. Howlett strongly emphasized the success of Hon. Mr. Ross as Minister of Education. That Ontario's schools were second to none was largely due to his efforts.

Mr. Elliott, in glowing terms, moved a resolution of confidence in the distinguished Premier of Canada, and included in the resolution their worthy representatives. Mr. W. S. Calvert, M.P., and Mr. M. McGugan, M.P.

This was seconded by Mr. Watterworth.

Mr. Calvert, who was received with enthusiasm, then addressed the meeting. Speaking of Ontario politics, he said there is every confidence in the Hardy-Ross Government throughout the Province. But every man who is in favor of an honest Government should, when election time comes, be ready to return to power the present Administration, against which no charge of maladministration has ever been brought. Some have found fault with the County Councils Act, recently passed, but there has long been a disposition amongst a large class of people that the local legislative bodies were too large. The best mode of reducing the number of county councillors was a question that had been urged by a great many electors. The result of the change is that sixteen members took after the affairs of the county council as well as 48 did, and at a large saving. The expenses of Lambton county council were thereby reduced from $600 to $200. The duties of county councilors are limited now, compared to the time when many large bridges and roads had to be built. There is a scheme in connection with the County Council Act whereby county debts will be wiped out. We will be assessed in connection with the various bylaws authorizing debentures. We will buy a part of our own debentures, and be taxed for the interest on them also, so that in time we will be able to buy up all our debentures. In view of the facts," said Mr. Calvert, "I see no reason why any should feel aggrieved because of the new act. However, it is necessary in electing men to the county council you select the very best men you can."

In Dominion affairs, the late Government tried for a long time to pass cattle into the United States without quarantine, but unsuccessfully. Hon. Sydney Fisher, in six months, succeeded in removing the restriction, thereby improving our cattle trade. Some think it a good thing to retain the stockers in this country, but all cannot afford to. Fifty carloads of Canadian cattle were shipped into the Buffalo market alone one day last week. In consequence our market is relieved, and better prices rule. The cattle is not the class to send to the old country, and it is better to ship them to the United States, despite the 20 per cent duty. It is understood, though, that the McKinley Government will increase the duty on cattle, and on potatoes to 25 cents a bag; on hay, to $4 a ton; on eggs, from 3 to 5 cents a dozen. Hon. Mr. Davies and Sir Richard Cartwright have been at Washington inquiring as to what the United States Government is prepared to do in the matter of reciprocity. If they refuse, let us say we will endeavor to lok after ourselves. Just as did Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, when referring to the United States alien labor law, he said, unless they gave our people the rights of citizenship, the same as we do them, we will pass a law similar to theirs.

Mr. Calvert proceeded to deal with the question of hog cholera. Elgin, Kent and Essex counties, Caradoc, Ekfrid and Mosa townships, in Middlesex county, have been under quarantine. This was but the enforcement of a law passed by the late Government. Hog cholera had been troublesome in Essex county for ten years past, and though there had been spasmodic efforts against it, nothing effectual had been done to eradicate it until the action of the present Government. Reports showed that the disease has now been successfully combated.

Mr. Hardy followed, with an excellent speech, in which he strongly approved of the reduction of the number of county councilors.

Mr. Logan, an Indian of the Caradoc reserve, told of his deep interest in the Liberal party.

Dr. Whitehead, the newly-elected president, was introduced by the retiring president, Mr. McDougall. Both gentlemen acquitted themselves in their respective parts very creditably.

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Makeshift Settlement in Crete.

The great powers have spoken. Through the British Premier, the world learns for the first time what the European rulers believe to be the best means for providing a temporary respite to the Turk in Europe. Lord Salisbury last night announced that the Island of Crete is to have autonomous government, but that it is to remain under the control of Turkey.

The most liberal explanation of this declaration would be that Crete is in future to sustain the same relation to Turkey that Canada bears to Great Britain.

Let us suppose that the rule of Queen Victoria was absolutely rotten and corrupt, that there was no proper system of responsible government in Great Britain, and that Queen Victoria had proved that she could not be trusted.

Would not the Canadian people be justified in seeking to be entirely emancipated from British rule?

And if the overwhelming majority of the Canadian people, under those circumstances had declared that they would not remain in alliance with an effete and corrupt monarchy, and desired to join themselves to their own kindred in race and religion, would anyone blame them, if they resented the declaration of one power, or a dozen powers, that they must remain allied with those who have hitherto been their persecutors?

Putting ourselves in the place of the Cretans, we must reach the conclusion that the announced disposal of the plucky and progressive islanders will be resented by them and by their kinsmen in Greece. The settlement is a mere makeshift.

The Toronto Star very pronerly emphasizes the fact that for the first twenty years after Confederation the provincial lists were used, and it has never been shown that any harm to political life resulted. What is more, the taxpayers were saved a couple of millions of dollars that would have been spent on revising barristers, etc., if the discredited act of 1885 had been in force from 1867 onward.

A Dog Nuisance

Several householders in London have recently directed the attention of The Advertiser to the very large number of dogs in this city, many of them of a vagrant, or semi-homeless type. They tell us that in some parts of the city night is made hideous by the howling of ill-bred curs, no exception being made even in localities where sickness prevails.

These complaints open up a wide question as to the rights of taxpayers. No one has any objection to the warning bark of a faithful watch-dog. If he is so trained that he will protect a neighborhood from nocturnal marauders by timely protest, he is a useful animal. The objectionable dog is not so constituted. He barks all night. A passer-by on the public street, a late train's whistle, a neighboring cur's whine—any excuse is sufficient to set him howling, and it is not his blame if old and young throughout the entire neighborhood are deprived of the power to sleep for hours at a time.

Is there no remedy for a nuisance of this kind?

If a man were to get on his neighbor's fence in the dead of night, and keep shouting at the top of his voice for hours at a time, he would be arrested and heavily fined or imprisoned. When the offender is the man's dog, the disturbed citizen is told that he has no remedy—that when a dog howls, whether at night or in the daytime, he is engaged in his natufal occupation, and the community must grin and bear it!

In many cities, they now have an association for the suppression of unnecessary, nerve-racking noises. In this London of the new world we have no noise that is more exasperating than the aimless howling of uncontrolled dogs. Will dog owners make some effort to abate the plague?

A tractable, well-bred dog is a delight; but his opposite deserves no quarter.

Vacant Seats.

The Government is taking a very long time to issue writs of election for the vacant Quebec constituencies. What is it afraid of?—Winnipeg Nor'-Wester.

In Bonaventure, where the vacancy was caused by the death of the late member less than a month since, the writ for a new election has already been issued. Is that not an improvement on the system under the late Government, which permitted seats to be vacant for six months at a time? In Champlain the seat has only been vacant a few months, and would have been filled ere now but for the fact that hundreds of its electors are away in the lumber woods. Would our contemporary have the election rushed on so as to disfranchise these men?

The temporary break up of the steel rail combine in the United States has moved the C. P. R. president to buy a large consignment from the Carnegie Company. When the combines fall out, the consumer has his opportunity.

Dairymen Should Make the Most of Their Opportunities.

Ontario dairymen will be interested in the industry which has been established at Bainbridge, N. Y., for the utilization of skim milk in making "sizing" for hard-finished paper for fine magazine work. Since the advent of the half-tone engravings, there has been a great demand for a harder and yet smoother finish, to enable a still finer impression to be made, and all sorts of material have been tried, when by chance the idea of a skim milk sizing was thought of, and today nothing equals it for giving paper a hard, glossy surface for taking a half-tone impression. As the great gathering creamery at Bainbridge has about 30,000 pounds of skim milk a day, the idea was taken advantage of, and this refuse turned into "sizing" and is all taken by one mill, which makes the paper for one magazine that has attained great notoriety for its half-tone work, although it would be wholly unfair to say that it is in any respect a skim-milk publication. If paper is given great additional keeping qualities by this milk sizing, as it is now claimed, it will be seen there is no end of the possibilities that may follow in this new demand for skim milk, and Hoard's Dairyman hints that it may become too valuable to tempt the western people to make filled cheese.

How thankful we in Canada ought to be that our dairymen and legislators have united not only to prevent under penalty, the production of filled cheese, but to prohibit the manufacture of oleomargarine or imitation butter of any sort. What is now needed is united action to bring Canadian butter up to the Danish standard, and to obtain for it the highest price payable in the British market. This can be done if the method of production and marketing is first-class. It cannot be done if butter is to be accumulated in the cellars of country stores, good and indifferent samples mixed indiscriminately, and only sent to market at long intervals. The same remark applies to eggs. Canadian hens produce the most nutritious and best-keeping eggs in the world. But too often little care is taken to keep separate newly-laid eggs and eggs which have been found in hidden-away nests, or to market with promptitude. Thus, Canadian eggs have not been able to uphold the good name of the country, and the price of all our shipments has been depressed because of the carelessness of a few.

Even in this city of London, eggs that are advertised as new-laid and fresh always bring higher prices than those which cannot be guaranteed.

The Patrons of Industry have decided to throw open their doors to all comers, with the exception of members of combines. In other words, the Patron order becomes simply a chunk of the general public.

Vacant Public Offices.

The Ontario Government promptly appointed a sheriff to fill the vacancy in Kent county, and everybody was satisfied. Might we respectfully suggest that all vacancies be filled with as great promptitude. Nothing but trouble to an Administration and to its friends comes of keeping public offices long vacant. And what is of greater moment, the public interest is not served.

One month, in our opinion, is a long enough period to keep any office vacant, whether in the gift of the Dominion authorities or of the Ontario Government.

Mrs. McKinley will appear at the Presidential inauguration in a "cloth of silver gown." The gold bugs over the border will have a fit!

Canada's Mineral Production.

The Dominion Government has issued the annual preliminary statistical statement of the mineral production of Canada for the calendar year 1896. It contains much that will interest investors and prospective investors in our mineral resources. Herewith we give a statement of the various products and their value:

Product.	Quantity (a).	Value (a).
Metallic—		
Copper (fine, in ore, etc.) (b), lbs.....	9,385,556	$1,021,148
Gold	———	2,810,206
Iron ore, tons	88,206	184,313
Lead (fine, in ore etc.) (c), lbs 24,199,977		721,384
Nickel (fine, in ore, etc.) (d), lbs	3,500,000	1,155,000
Silver (fine, in ore, etc.) (e), ozs.	3,205,343	2,147,589
Total metallic ..		$8,039,640
Non-metallic—		
Asbestos, tons	12,256	$ 429,856
Chromite, tons	2,382	25,982
Coal, tons	3,743,234	8,006,305
Coke (f), tons	49,817	111,560
Feldspar, tons	480	1,368
Fire clay, tons	667	1,427
Graphite, tons	———	2,455
Grindstones, tons*.	3,663	32,810
Gypsum, tons	205,203	174,403
Manganese ore,tons	12	900
Mica, tons	———	60,000
Mineral pigments—		
Baryta, tons	145	715
Ochres, tons	2,250	10,925
Mineral water, gals	706,372	111,736
Natural gas (g)....	———	276,301
Petroleum (h), bbls.	726,822	1,155,646
Phosphate (apatite) tons	570	3,990
Pyrites, tons	33,715	101,155
Salt, tons	43,956	159,677
Soapstone, tons ...	410	1,230
Tripolite, tons	664	9,960
Structural materials and clay products.	———	
*Bricks	———	1,600,000
*Building stone	———	1,000,000
Cement, natural, bbls	69,705	60,500
Cement, Portland bbls	78,085	141,005
Flagstones	———	6,710
Granite, tons	18,717	106,709
*Lime	———	550,000
Marble, tons	74	905
Pottery	———	163,905
*Sands and gravels tons	———	120,000
Sewer pipe	———	152,875
Slate	———	53,370
Terra-cotta	———	110,855
*Tiles	———	225,000
Total non-metallic		$15,087,665
Total metallic .		8,039,640
Estimated value of mineral products not returned		500,000
1896, Total		$23,627,305
1895 "		22,000,000
1894 "		20,900,000
1893 "		19,250,000
1892 "		19,500,000
1891 "		20,500,000
1890 "		18,000,000
1889 "		14,500,000
1888 "		13,500,000
1887 "		12,500,000
1886 "		12,000,000

* Partly estimated.

(a) Quality or value of product marked. The ton used is that of 2,000 lbs.

(b) Copper contents of ore, matte, etc., at 10.88 cents per lb.

(c) Lead contents of ores, etc., at 2.98 cents per lb.

(d) Nickel contents of ore, matte, etc., at 33 cents per lb.

(e) Silver contents of ore at 67 cents per oz.

(f) Oven coke, nearly all the production of Nova Scotia.

(g) Gross return from sale of gas.

(h) Calculated from inspection returns of 100 gallons crude to 42 refined oil, and computed at $1 59 per barrel of 35 imperial gallons. The barrel of refined oil is assumed to contain 42 imperial gallons.

It is highly satisfactory to note that since 1886, the total value of the mineral product of Canada has nearly doubled. When compared with 1895, there was an increase in 1896 in the production of coal, copper, gold, lead, and silver, while the output of iron ore, natural gas and nickel has fallen off to a considerable extent. The increase in coal is altogether due to Nova Scotia, which produced 296,153 net tons more than in 1895, but this increased output is offset in a large measure by a decrease of 104,629 tons in the production of British Columbia. Copper shows a large decrease in Ontario, and a small increase in Quebec, while British Columbia's contribution is 3,818,556 pounds, which amount is 1,848,193 pounds more than in 1895. In gold, large increases are to be credited to Nova Scotia and Ontario, but British Columbia heads the list with an increase over the previous year of $497,675.

Owing to the dull state of the iron market during the year, the production of iron ore has fallen off to a considerable extent in all the provinces, with the exception of Ontario. The exception is directly due to the erection of the blast furnace at Hamilton, Ont., the company obtaining all the Canadian ores smelted from that Province. The production of lead is altogether that of British Columbia, and has increased in the year by over 1,000,000 pounds, but a decrease in the market price of some 8 per cent lessens the total value by $28,582. Natural gas shows a decrease in value of $146,761, or about 34 per cent, which would seem to be due to a heavy falling off in the productions of the Welland gas field. Ontario's nickel production is reduced during the year by nearly 400,000 pounds, and shows a decrease in the value of over $200,000. British Columbia shows an output of silver amounting to 3,135,343 ounces, valued at $2,100,689, an increase during the past twelve months of 1,429,660 ounces, in quantity, and in value of nearly a million dollars.

It is expected that in the present year there will be a large increase in the production of iron ore, gold, silver, copper and lead.

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SIXTY YEARS A QUEEN.

Celebrations in England Soon to Begin and Others to Follow Them.

Queen Victoria, born in 1819, is by no means the oldest of living monarchs or potentates. The King of Denmark, Christian IX., is one year older; there are three German sovereigns older than Queen Victoria, and Pope Leo XIII. was 9 years old when Queen Victoria was born. But in respect of the duration of her reign, Queen Victoria is the oldest living of sovereigns, for she ascended the throne of Great Britain in 1837, and on June 20 next will complete the 60th year of her reign. The next oldest of the sovereigns of the world is Franz Joseph of Austria-Hungary, who ascended the throne in Vienna in 1848.

Sixty years' reign for one monarch is an unusual thing, even in England where revolutions have been rare and where the present royal family is of great longevity. George I. reigned 12 years; George II., 33 years; George III., 59 years and 3 months; George IV., 10 years; William IV., 7 years; Edward III. reigned 50 years; Henry VIII., 38 years; Mary 5 years, and Elizabeth 44 years. In honor of the Queen's 60 years' reign many patriotic Englishmen are already preparing celebrations and festivities designed to show the increase of England's influence and her progress in commerce and the mechanical arts since 1837. Great preparations have been made for the international electrical and engineering exhibition at Newcastle-on-Tyne. The progress and development in electrical and other branches of industry since 1837 will be illustrated there. Newcastle is well chosen for this purpose, because not only is it a great center of manufacturing industry, but it is representative of many of those interests which have grown most notably since 1837. Beginning in April a similar exhibition will be held at Blackpool. This exhibition will be less representative of the mechanical advance in England than of the growth of the country in other directions. Since 1837 the increase in the population of England, including Wales, has been from 15,000,000 to 29,000,000. The population of Scotland in 1837 was 2,700,000, is now 4,000,000; but Ireland, which had at that time a population of 8,000,000, has now only 4,700,000.

From 1837 to 1897 the population of London has increased from 1,700,000 5,000,000. Liverpool has grown from 220,000 to 405,000; and Newcastle, where the first of the celebrations are to be held, from 68,000 to 190,000. The commerce of England has increased in even greater ratio, and the material wealth of England has more than doubled during the 60 years. But the value of land, particularly agricultural land, outside of the great cities, is less now than it was 60 years ago, and the falling off is so great as to offset even the increase in some of the large cities.

DOG DRIVES A BARGAIN

Prefers One Kind of Bread and Always Gets It.

I was going down a little side street in the French quarter in New Orleans recently, says a correspondent of the Philadelphia Times, when I saw a dog—apparently a cross-bred setter that had come down in the world—trotting gaily along the banquette in front of me, carrying a partridge in his mouth. Presently he came to a queer little bake shop letting upon an old-time court. Stopping before the shop window, the dog reared up on his hind legs and tapped with his forepaws upthe closed pane, whereupon the baker came and raised the window.

"Bon jour, monsieur," said the man, quite cheerily, as if he were speaking to an old acquaintance. At the same time he took a small round loaf of bread from the shelf and put it down on the sill. The dog, wagging his tail the while, deposited his bird on the window ledge, picked up his loaf and trotted back the way he came.

"You are wondering at my queer customer?" asked the baker, seeing my astonishment at the transaction. "Well, all I can tell you," he went on, "is that the dog has been trading with me so for nearly a year now. Where he comes from and to whom he belongs I know not. I think it is more than likely that he is a stray, making his own living. I have fancied sometimes that he must rob the stalls in the French market for the things he brings me. But I do not know and nobody complains. Sometimes he brings a bird, as you see; sometimes a fish or a crab; now and then only a potato or a sprig of parsely or thyme. Now and then, although very rarely, he comes without anything at all. Then I know, poor fellow, he has had a hard day, so he gets his loaf just the same. Why not? Even a dog must live, and often he overpays anyhow, so it all comes right in the end.

"It is queer, though," the man continued, "he always must have the same sort of bread; no other will he take. See, I keep his loaf here always, and if I start to get one from another shelf, he barks, you don't know how, and will not put down whatever he has brought till I get the right bread. Oh, he is sharp, that dog," added the little baker, and I think that most people will agree with him.

A female burglar, 21 years of age, recently sent to jail in London, was proved to have worked her way through an opening 9 1-4 inches square, and on a previous occasion had wriggled through a hole 8 inches square.

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HOSE—Children's All-Wool Hose, double heels and toes, worth 18c,
Saturday Night 12 1-2c

GLOVES — Ladies' All-Wool Cashmere Gloves, worth 15c,
Saturday Night 6c

GLOVES—Ladies' Tan and Cream Undressed Musquetaire Kid Gloves, worth 75c,
Saturday Night 50c

GLOVES—Ladies' Colored and Black Kid Gloves,
Saturday Night 25c

TIES—Fancy Plaid Silk Windsor Ties, worth 25c,
Saturday Night 18c

VESTS — Ladies' Heavy Ribbed Vests, worth 25c,
Saturday Night 19c

CORSETS—Steel-Filled Corsets, E T brand, worth 75c,
Saturday Night 58c

TIGHTS—Ladies' Black All-Wool Equestrian Tights, worth $1,
Saturday Night 73c

SHIRTS—Men's Fine Cambric Shirts, fast colors, worth 75c,
Saturday Night 50c

UNDERWEAR — Men's Heavy Ribbed Underwear, worth 50c,
Saturday Night 37 1-2c

JACKETS — Men's All-Wool Cardigan Jackets, worth 75c,
Saturday Night 42c

MITTS—Men's Heavy Home-Made Mitts, worth 40c,
Saturday Night 25c

SOCKS—Men's Black Ribbed Wool Socks, worth 25c,
Saturday Night 3 for 50c

SHIRTS — Men's Black Sateen Shirts, worth 60c,
Saturday Night 43c

UNDERWEAR—Men's Fine Fleece-Lined Underwear, worth 50c,
Saturday Night 38c

CAPS—Men's Gray and Black Astrachan Caps, worth 50c,
Saturday Night 35c

CAPS—Men's Fine Sealette Caps, worth $1,
Saturday Night 60c

MUSLINS—One table of Art Muslins, worth 10c and 12½c yard,
Saturday Night 7 1-2c

MUSLINS—One lot choice designs in Art Muslins, 58 inches wide, worth 20c and 25c,
Saturday Night 15c

DRAPERY—Very fine lot Art Drapery, worth 20c a yard,
Saturday Night 15c

SILKS—One table of Silks, worth 25c,
Saturday Night 12 1-2c

SILKS AND SATINS—One table of Silks and Satins, very special lot, for
Saturday Night 25c

SKIRTING—Ten pieces Moreen Skirting, in two-toned effects, worth 50c,
Saturday Night 35c

BLANKETS — All-Wool Blankets, large size, worth $4,
Saturday Night $3 25

SHEETING—Bleached Sheeting, 2¼ yards wide, worth 30c,
Saturday Night 22c

COTTON—White Cotton 36 inches wide, worth 10c,
Saturday Night 8c

TABLE COVERS—Tapestry Table Covers, worth $1,
Saturday Night 50c

DAMASK — Unbleached Table Damask, wide and fine, worth 45c,
Saturday Night 39c

FLANNELETTE—Plain and Fancy Flannelette, great snap, worth 10c,
Saturday Night 5c

QUILTS—Colored Quilts, new designs, full size, worth $2 50,
Saturday Night $1 50

DAMASK—Bleached Table Damask, 62 inches wide, only 47c,
Saturday Night

WRAPPERETTE—German Wrapperette, good patterns, fast colors, worth 12½c,
Saturday Night 8c

MUSLINS—Check Muslins, fine quality, worth 12½c to 15c,
Saturday Night 10c

SHIRTING—Oxford Shirting, fast colors, good patterns, worth 10c,
Saturday Night 8 1-2c

SHEETING—Bleached Twill Sheeting, two yards wide, worth 25c,
Saturday Night 20c

SERGE—Navy Serge, for boys' wear, all wool, worth 30c,
Saturday Night 25c

ON FIRST FLOOR.

ULSTERS — Men's Very Heavy Frieze Ulsters, worth $7,
Saturday Night $4 95

OVERCOATS — Men's All-Wool Beaver Overcoats, chamois lined, worth $12,
Saturday Night $8 50

SUITS—Men's Genuine Tailor-Made Scotch Tweed Suits, worth $15,
Saturday Night $9 50

SUITS—Men's Double-Breasted All-Wool Tweed Suits, worth $7,
Saturday Night $4 69

SUITS—Men's Black Worsted Suits, striped pants, worth $12,
Saturday Night $8 50

PANTS—Men's Gray Twill Tweed Pants, worth $2 25,
Saturday Night $1 50

ULSTERS—Any Boys' Frieze or Tweed Ulster in the House, worth $4 50,
Saturday Night, $2 48

SUITS—Boys' Two-Piece Fine Tweed Suits, worth $3,
Saturday Night $1 98

SUITS—Boys' Three-Piece Heavy Tweed Suits, worth $4 50,
Saturday Night $3 75

PANTS—Boys' Heavy Tweed Serge Pants, worth 50c,
Saturday Night 29c

JACKETS—Your choice of any Ladies' Jackets in stock, worth from $12 50 to $16 50,
Saturday Night $5 95

JACKETS—Your choice of our $10 Ladies' Coats for,
Saturday Night $3 95

JACKETS—24 Coats worth from $4 50 to $5,
Saturday Night $1 99

WRAPPERS—Your choice of 100 Ladies' Wrappers, flannelette and elderdown worth $2 50,
Saturday Night $1 49

WRAPPERS—Our lot of Print Wrappers, worth $1 75,
Saturday Night $1 23

WAISTS—3 only, Flannelette Blouse Waists, worth $1 25,
Saturday Night 90c

WAISTS—8 only, Plaid Waists, worth $3 75,
Saturday Night $2 50

CAPES—Great snap in Capes, your choice of 18, worth from $16 to $40,
Saturday Night Just Half

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Commercial.

Local Market.

(Reported by A. M. Hamilton & Son.)
London, Friday, Feb. 26.

Wheat, per bu	72c to 75c
Wheat (red), per bu	72c to 75c
Oats, per bu	13 1-2c to 19 1-2c
Peas, per bu	36c to 42c
Corn, per bu	25c to 31c
Buckwheat, per bu	24c to 26 1-2c
Rye, per bu	22c to 28c
Barley, per bu	20c to 29c
Beans, per bu	25c to 40c

The receipts were light, as is usual on a Friday.

One load of corn sold at 50c.

Two loads of wheat brought $1 23 per cental.

Several loads of oats sold at 42c to 50c for feeding, and 52c to 57c for milling.

Hay in good supply at $7 to $7 50 per ton.

Quotations:

GRAIN.			
Wheat, white, fall, per 100lbs	1 20	to	1 25
Wheat, red, fall, per 100 lbs	1 20	to	1 25
Wheat, spring per 100 lbs	1 20	to	1 25
Oats, per 100 lbs	40	to	57
Peas per 100 lbs	60	to	70
Corn per 100 lbs	45	to	55
Barley, per 100 lbs	42	to	60
Rye, per 100 lbs	40	to	45
Beans, bu	25	to	40
Buckwheat, per 100 lbs	40	to	50
PROVISIONS.			
Honey	8	to	12
Cheese, per lb	10	to	12
Eggs single dozen	14	to	15
Eggs fresh, basket, per doz	12	to	13
Eggs, fresh, store lots, per doz	12	to	12
Butter single rolls per lb	16	to	17
Butter, per 1 lb rolls, baskets	15	to	16
Butter per lb, large rolls or crocks	14	to	15
Butter, per lb, tubs or firkins	10	to	14
Lard, per lb	6	to	7
MEAT, HIDES, ETC			
Beef, quarters, per lb	3½	to	5
Mutton quarters, per lb	5	to	6
Veal, quarters, per lb	3	to	5
Lamb, quarter	8	to	9
Dressed hogs, 100 lb	4 00	to	6 00
Live hogs	3 00	to	4 25
Hides, No. 1, per lb	6	to	6
Hides, No. 2, per lb	5	to	5
Hides, No. 3, per lb	4	to	4
Calfskins, green	4	to	6
Calfskins, dry, each	..	to	..
Sheepskins, each	50	to	80
Lambskins, each	50	to	70
Wool, per lb	18	to	18
Tallow, rendered, per lb	3	to	3
Tallow, rough, per lb	1½	to	2
HAY AND SEED			
Hay, per ton	7 00	to	8 00
Straw, per load	2 00	to	2 50

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The Oil Market.

PETROLEA.

Petrolea, Feb. 26.—Oil opened and closed at $1 52.

OIL CITY.

Oil City, Pa., Feb. 25. — Prices of crude oil today, per barrel, are as follows: Tiona $1 01, Pennsylvania 91c, Barnesville 81c, North Lima 56c, Corning 81c, Newcastle 66c, South Lima 51c, Indiana 51c.

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TORONTO HIDE MARKET.

Toronto, Feb. 25.—Hides are in good demand, and there was an advance of 50c per 100 this week. The market is firm at the advance, and all offerings met with a ready sale at outside prices. Local dealers are paying 7c for green and are asking 8c for cars of cured.

Sheepskins are 10c higher, in good demand, and owing to moderate offerings the market is firm. The best skins are quoted now at $1 10, and country skins at 50c to 75c.

Tallow—The market is demoralized, and prices are nominally unchanged. Dealers here are offering 2 3-4c and 3c, and are asking 3c.

English Markets.

London, Feb. 26.

Cargoes off coast—Wheat steadier; corn quiet but steady.

Cargoes on passage—Wheat steadier; corn steady.

Country markets—English, steady; French, steady.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 26.—12:45 p.m.

Wheat—Spot quiet: demand poor: futures steady; near positions ½d lower, and distant positions ½d lower.

Corn—Spot dull: futures quiet: near positions ½d lower, and distant positions unchanged.

Bacon — Firm: demand fair: Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs. 27s 6d; short ribs, 20 to 24 lbs. 25s 6d; long clear light, 35 to 38 lbs. 25s 6d; long clear heavy, 40 to 45 lbs. 24s 6d; short clear backs, light, 18 lbs. 24s 6d; short clear middles heavy, 45 to 50 lbs, 24s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs. 26s 6d.

Shoulders—Square, 12 to 18 lbs. 25s 6d.

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

Tallow—Fine North American, 18s.

Beef—Extra India mess, 58s 9d; prime mess, 48s 9d.

Pork—Prime mess, fine western, 45s; medium western, 40s.

Lard—Steady; prime western, 21s; refined in pails, 22s 9d.

Cheese — Dull: demand poor; finest American white (Sept.), 58s; finest American colored (Sept.), 58s.

Butter—Finest United States, 90s; good, 55s.

Turpentine spirits—20s 9d.

Rosin, common—5s.

Cotton seed oil—Liverpool refined, 15s 6d.

Linseed oil—15s 6d.

Petroleum—Refined, 6½d.

Refrigerator beef—Forequarter, 3⅜d; hindquarter, 5½d.

Bleaching powder, hard wood, f.o.b., Liverpool, £6 15s.

Hops—At London (Pacific Coast), £3 15s.

The receipts of wheat during the past three days were 126,000 centals, including 37,000 centals American. Receipts of American corn during the past three days were 229,200 centals.

Weather—Cloudy.

American Produce Market.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 25.—Wheat prices scored an advance where a decline was generally expected today. The early news was adverse to holders, and the early trading was therefore at depreciated values, but as the session advanced the tone hardened, and in the last hour a sharp upturn took place. Liverpool cables were lower and English consols higher, these facts giving the market a weak start. The Cincinnati Price Current was bearish in its summary, that adding to the weakness. St. Louis sent a number of crop damage reports, however, accompanying them with buying orders. New rumors of war in Europe gave shorts a fright near the close, and on the buying thereby induced the final bulge resulted. Disquieting talk regarding the situation in Cuba was partially responsible for the early weakness. Closing continental cables were all lower. May wheat opened 73¾c to 73½c, sold between 73¾c and 74¼c; closing at 74⅛c to 74¼c—½c higher than yesterday. Cash wheat was irregular, closing ½c to ⅝c higher. Corn was a shade higher than yesterday. Oats advanced ⅛c for May, and declined ⅛c for cash. Provisions were steady.

The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—No. 2 Feb., 73⅛c; May, 74⅛c to 74¼c; July, 72c to 72⅛c; Sept., 70½c.

Corn—No. 2 Feb., 22⅛c to 22⅜c; May, 24⅛c to 24⅜c; July, 25⅜c; Sept., 23⅜c.

Oats—No. 2 Feb., 15⅝c; May, 17¼c; July, 18⅛c.

Mess pork—May, $8 02½; July, $8 15.

Lard—May, $4 10; July, $4 17½.

Short ribs—May, $4 15; July, $4 22½.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour steady; No. 2 spring wheat, 72c to 73⅛c; No. 2 spring wheat, 72½c to 75½c; No. 2 red, 82½c to 84⅛c; No. 2 corn, 22⅛c to 23c; No. 2 oats, 16⅛c to 16⅜c; No. 2 rye, 32½c; No. 2 barley, 33c; No. 1 flaxseed, 75c to 77c; prime timothy seed, $2 65; mess pork, $7 90 to $7 95; lard, $4; short rib sides, $3 95 to $4 25; dry salted shoulders, $4 50 to $4 75; short clear sides, $4 25 to $4 37½.

Receipts—			
Flour	7,000	Wheat	9,000
Corn	73,000	Oats	226,000
Rye	5,000	Barley	47,000
Shipments—			
Flour	8,000	Wheat	9,000
Corn	110,000	Oats	228,000
Rye	....	Barley	32,000

Chicago, Feb. 26.—Opening — Wheat May, 74⅛c to 74⅜c; July, 71⅞c to 72c. Corn, May, 24½c; July, 25⅛c; Sept., 26⅛c. Oats, May, 17⅛c. Pork, May, $7 97 to $8. Lard, May, $4 05. Ribs, May, $4 10; July, $4 17.

THE GRAIN SUPPLY.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 25.—The Price Current summarizes the crop conditions for the past week as follows: The disappearance of snow discloses an encouraging position of wheat generally. There are some exceptions, however, in sections of Illinois, Missouri and some other States. The unmarketable supplies are manifestly larger than generally recognized. The Government estimate of farmers' grain in store is not thought to be overestimated.

Live Stock Markets.

NEW YORK.

New York, Feb. 25.—Beeves—Receipts, 972; none offered for sales; feeling steady.

Calves—Receipts, 47,000 head; feeling steady to firm: inferior to choice veals, $4 50 to $7 25; no barnyards on sale.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 6,551 head; demand slack and prices weak for both sheep and lambs; common to very choice sheep, $3 50 to $4 62½; ordinary to choice lambs, $4 80 to $5 50: Ohio and State spring lambs, $3 to $3 50 per head.

Hogs—Receipts, 1,622 head; firm and a fraction higher, at $3 80 to $4 20 for good heavy to light hogs, and $4 to to $4 30 for pigs.

Cables from British markets quote American steers at 10½c to 11½c, per lb, dressed weight; American sheep, 9c to 11c, dressed weight; American refrigerated beef, 7½c to 8½c per lb.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Feb. 25.—Hogs—Receipts, 27,000; left over, 4,000; market active and generally 5 cents higher; light, $3 55 to $3 75; mixed, $3 50 to $3 65; heavy, $3 35 to $3 67 1-2; rough, $3 35 to $3 40.

Cattle—Receipts, 9,000; market steady to firmer; beeves, $3 50 to $5 25; cows and heifers, $1 80 to $4 15; Texas steers, $3 10 to $4 15; stockers and feeders, $3 20 to $4 20.

Sheep—Receipts, 11,000; market is steady.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 25.—Cattle Five cars on sale; all Canadas; opened slow; general quality of Canadas coming in not so good as they were a couple of weeks ago, and are less desirable for western feeders. Five cars of Canadian feeding cattle bought yesterday were consigned to western parties—two cars to Harrodsburg, and the same number of Canadian feeding cattle were bought for shipment west today, three cars going to Harrodsburg, Ind., one car to Indian-Ind., and three cars to Cleveland, apolis, and one car to Beaverdam, O. Three cars of stockers sold at $3 15 to $3 35; only a few heads at $3 15; others bring top price. Two cars of feeders sold at $3 60 to $3 65; a few heifers at $3 20, and bulls at $2 50—all sold.

Sheep and lambs—20 cars on sale; steady; about all sold at yesterday's values; sales of good to choice lambs generally $4 90 to $5 10; several decks of the best at $5 15 to $5 20; choice to extra mixed sheep, $3 90 to $4 15; choice heavy ewes, $3 75 to $4; prime handy wethers, $4 25 to $4 45.

Hogs—24 cars on sale; active and 5c to 10c higher; early sales of Yorkers, $3 95 to $4; closed at $3 90, with light mixed at the same price; pigs, $3 80 to $3 90; choice mostly selling in with Yorkers; mediums, $3 80 to $3 85; roughs, $3 15 to $3 50; closed easy, but all were sold.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Feb. 25.—About 550 cattle, 175 calves and 150 sheep and lambs were offered for sale at the cattle market today. There was a good demand for first-class stock. A few cargo steers were sold for shipment for 3 3-4c per lb; pretty good butchers' stock brought 3c to 3 1-2c; common, 2c to 2 3-4c; a large calf sold for $15, two others for $21 and eight for about $5 each. Small "Bobs" brought $1 50 each.

Sheep for shipment sold at 3c; mixed lambs and sheep, 4c to 4 1-4c; choice lambs, 4 1-2c.

Hogs—Fat hogs, 4 1-2c to 4 7-8c.

TORONTO HOG MARKET.

Toronto, Feb. 26.—Hogs—Receipts, 1,416; singers, 4 7-8c; thick, fat and light, $4 25, off cars.

CURIOUS CASE

That Led to the Annulment of a Michigan Marriage.

Lapeer, Mich., Feb. 26.—William McGrory, of Clifford, was married last September to Gertrude Trumbull, formerly of Cadillac. Upon proof that she was under proper age, Justice Barber held the marriage illegal and void, and bound McGrory over to the Circuit Court, on the charge of improper relations.

DANGEROUS FUN.

A Kingston Schoolboy Fatally Injured With a Snowball.

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 26. — Harvey Perry, son of Norman Perry, Wellington street, was struck on the ear by a snowball, thrown by a playmate at school.

On Friday last brain fever set in. Wednesday evening hope vanished, and the medical attendants agree that the case in all probability will prove fatal.

FAGGED OUT.—None but those who have become fagged out know what a depressed, miserable feeling it is. All strength is gone, and despondency has taken hold of the sufferers. They feel as though there was nothing to live for. There, however, is a cure—one box of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills will do wonders in restoring health and strength. Mandrake and Dandelion are two of the articles entering into the composition of Parmelee's Pills.

Japan has one leather sole mill.

Arizona Indians are buying bicycles.

A Prominent Lawyer Says:

"I have eight children, every one in good health, not one of whom but has taken Scott's Emulsion, in which my wife has boundless confidence."

The License Question.

Ontario Liquor Law to be Amended.

The Government Measure in the Legislature.

Hours of Closing in Town and Country Fixed.

Toronto, Feb. 26.—Provincial Treasurer Harcourt introduced the new measure for the better management of the liquor traffic. Mr. Harcourt briefly explained the provisions of the measure, which, he said, were called for by a well-settled public opinion. It was only in deference to a well-defined public opinion that any legislation could be passed in the House, and that remark applied particularly to legislation of the kind under consideration. Under the act of 1876 the unit of population in cities, towns and villages for granting a license was 250; that is not disturbed. Under the old law for the first thousand of a population four licenses might be granted. It is now proposed that for the first thousand of a population three licenses shall be granted. Under the old system for the next 400 of population an additional license might be granted. The new proposition is to make that 600 instead of 400. The municipal councils will have power under the bill to still further reduce the number of licenses. There is, however, this limitation, that when a council passes a bylaw reducing the number of licensed places that bylaw must remain in force three years. This is not a new principle, as it is found in the local option law. This feature of the bill touches cities, towns and villages. There are 268 of these municipalities in this Province, and it will be found that a small percentage of this 268 will be affected by the reduced limit. In making this provision the Government is following the Duncan Act of 1864, and the Canada Temperance Act.

THE SALOONS.

An important provision is that which abolishes saloons. The House is asked to decide that within two years from a month or so hence there shall be no saloons in the Province. The word saloon does not appear in the license law now, but by it is meant a house in which liquor is sold but which has not tavern accommodation. There are 37 of them in the Province. The proposal is to abolish them by instalments—half in the license year 1897, and the others in the license year of 1898-9. It was suggested that half the licenses be designated by the license commissioners as wine and beer licenses, under which bars would be forbidden and the sale restricted to the selling of liquor at the dining table when meals are obtained. This wine and beer license will not be continued when the regular license is disposed of, but will be abolished in toto within two years, excepting in the case of restaurants at large railway stations. Another feature concerns residental districts in cities. The House is asked to consider whether it will not be well to enable a large number of the residents in a thickly populated district of a city to petition against the granting of a license. The number is fixed at 350. The power to determine what a residential district is it is proposed to vest in the license board of the license district in question.

CANCELLATION OF LICENSES.

The bill deals with the cancellation of licenses. There are now two modes of procedure. A justice of the peace may cancel a license when it is shown that there has been gambling, riotous and disorderly conduct in a licensed house, to the knowledge of the keeper. Another procedure is to apply to the county judge, who, for sufficient reasons proved in court, may cancel the license. It is now proposed that if a licensee is personally guilty three times in two years of the infraction of the law he shall not be entitled to have his license renewed. A provision of the bill deals with the hours of closing. At present in 46 license divisions, the hour of closing is 11 o'clock, in ten 10 o'clock, and in one 9 o'clock. It is proposed that in township municipalities the hour of closing shall be 10 o'clock, not interfering with the Saturday night or Sunday law, and in cities 11 o'clock. There are 816 municipalities in the province. In 706 of them the hour of closing under the bill will be 10 o'clock and in 110 the hour will be 11 o'clock. The sale of liquors to minors is dealt with. In 1884 the act prohibited the sale of liquor to anyone apparently under the age of 16. In 1890 the age limit was extended to 18 years. Now it is proposed to go further and make the age limit 21 years. This, according to a calculation of the Provincial Treasurer, will place more than one-half of the population of the province under total prohibition. Local option bylaws have been adopted in seventeen or eighteen municipalities, but difficulty has been experienced in some cases in enforcing them. In a great many cases no fines are collected. The Government proposes that the municipalities in which local option bylaws are in force shall contribute to the license fund of the district an amount to be determined by the license commissioners as a fair proportion of the cost of enforcing the bylaws. Druggists are, under the existing law, permitted to sell up to six ounces of liquor without a doctor's prescription being handed to them. Each sale, however, must be registered. Now the law will be changed. It is proposed that no matter how small the sale, there must be a preliminary medical certificate, and under no circumstances shall the quantity exceed six ounces. The bill contains a number of minor amendments intended to faciliate the administration of the law.

OTHER BILLS.

Mr. German introduced a bill to amend the electric railway act by providing that the act shall not apply to lines wholly operated within villages or extending more than one and a half miles beyond a village.

THE BUDGET DEBATE.

Mr. Howland resumed the debate upon the budget. He claimed that $3,874,000 of the capital of the province had been dissipated into free air in the easy-going, short-term-tenant manner of the Government, with nothing to show for it. He predicted that in a short time the people would demand a change of government.

Mr. Gibson, the venerable member for East Huron, twitted the members of the Opposition with endeavoring to prepare ammunition for the next election. The claim that the John Sandfield Macdonald Government had left a cash surplus of over $4,000,000 was an exaggeration. He compared the expenditure of the Macdonald Government with that of the Liberal Government, showing that the higher expenditure of the Mowat Government was due to the maintenance of public institutions, many of which Mr. Macdonald projected, but none of which he had to maintain. Mr. Gibson compared the expense of the Central Prison, against which the heavy artillery of the Opposition had been directed in the public accounts committee last year—and he did not think the result would pay for the powder and shot—with the expense of the Kingston Penitentiary, showing that the Ontario institution was carried on at less expense. He challenged Mr. St. John's criticisms of the Agricultural College at Guelph. The expenditure upon it was $28,000, which he compared with that of $34,000 on the Experimental Farm at Ottawa, where they had not a pupil, while the college at Guelph had 250 pupils, not 100, as Mr. St. John had said. Mr. St. John had charged up against the Agricultural College such items as the cost of the traveling dairy, which should not be so charged, and had overlooked the Dairy School, which had been established there and which was doing excellent work. Experiments carried on at the college had resulted in the advance of 5 cents a pound in the price of butter, an addition to the return from the whole export of butter of $200,000.

The adjournment of the debate was moved by Mr. Miscampbell.

Mr. Macnish brought in a bill to amend the Assessment Act; bill to amend the Municipal Act.

The Ontario Ship Canal Company are asking for an extension of time for the commencement of the railway.

GRAND LODGE, P. OF I.

Suggestions for the Good of the Order Officers Elected.

Toronto, Feb. 26.—At yesterday's sessions of the Patrons of Industry Grand Board a resolution was passed condemning Government use of the free pass system.

The committee on the good of the order urged the Patron leader in the Legislature and his associates to force a straight vote this session on: (1) The abolition of the Government House; (2) on the resolution providing that the emoluments of sheriffs and registrars shall be graded to a scale proportionate to that of school teachers, clergymen and officers of private corporations; (3) the election of all county officials, except judges, by the people; (4) the introduction of the contract system in purchasing supplies for public institutions.

The report of the committee on legislation demanded that the jurisdiction of division courts be increased from notes and open accounts, and also $200 to $500 in civil cases, including from $60 to $200 for debt; that mortgages, bonds, stocks, etc., be taxed, and that interest in loan on good security be limited to 5 per cent; that boards of arbitration be established for rural districts similar to those legalized in connection with the Board of Trade of Toronto, to be composed of any three justices of the peace within the county, provided they are in no way interested in the case.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Grand president, Mallory (re-elected); grand vice-president, T. O. Currie (re-elected); grand secretary-treasurer, W. L. Smith, vice George Wrigley, who declined to stand; grand trustees, Messrs. Gifford, J. Lockie Wilson and Duncan Anderson; sentinel, J. W. Patton (re-elected); auditors, Messrs. Valens, Lucknow, and Duncan Marshall.

After some amendments to the constitution the association adjourned.

STRATHROY.

Death's Doings—Marriage of Miss Edith Paine.

Advertiser Agent, J. D. Meekison.

Strathroy, Feb. 27.—The services of Evangelist D. H. Palmer in the Baptist Church here will terminate at the close of this week. Mr. Palmer will commence work in Waterford on Feb. 28.

Mrs. Catharine McBane, daughter of John Lamont, died at her residence in Lobo, on Monday morning, at the age of 49 years. One son survives.

R. H. Coutts and Joseph Alexander are representing the Strathroy Canadian Foresters this week at the High Court in Niagara Falls.

The Rev. A. G. Bryan, B.A., B.D., of Kingston, will conduct the services in St. Andrew's Church next Sunday.

The marriage of Edith, eldest daughter of Thomas Paine, of Strathroy, to Arkless E. Duffield, of Port Huron, took place at the residence of the bride's father, on Wednesday, Feb. 17. The Rev. Jasper Wilson performed the ceremony.

Mr. Geddes, of the People's Popular Cash Store, has returned from his business trip to Europe.

The Belle Rose Emslie Company made its first appearance before a Strathroy audience on Wednesday evening last, under the auspices of the Strathroy Baseball Club. The entertainment throughout proved entirely satisfactory, the frequency of the encores showing the appreciation of the audience.

A meeting was held in the town hall here on Saturday to formally organize an Agricultural Board of Trade among the farmers in the vicinity of Strathroy. The object of the board is to seek, devise and develop judicious economical and advantageous ways and means for the proper fitting, preparing and placing on the market of, the obtaining desirable markets for, the disposing of agricultural products and the control and management of the commercial branch of the agricultural industry generally. Owing to the unfavorableness of the weather, the attendance was not as large as expected, but those present were eager for the formation of such a board. After discussing the various points as to the object and essentials in the formation of the board, a provisional board of directors was elected and arrangements made for the holding of the meetings at several central places within the vicinity, to place before the farmers the aims and objects of the farmers' board and to solicit their assistance and co-operation. Meetings will be held in the town hall, Adelaide village, Tuesday evening, March 2; town hall, Mount Brydges, Wednesday evening, March 3; and Kerwood, Thursday evening, March 4, beginning at 7:30 o'clock each evening. The members of the provisional board of directors and others will be present to address the meetings. These being held in the special interests of farmers, every farmer within reach should endeavor to be present, as their presence alone if nothing more will be helpful. Let there be a full house, therefore, at each place. Thos. Bogue is president, and L. A. Welch, secretary.

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Winter Pastime.

London Curlers Fail to Capture the Malahide Medal.

Fergus Won in the Contest for the Guelph Tankard.

Racing on the Ice at Brantford—Other Sporting Matters.

CURLING.

IT STAYS IN ST. THOMAS.

The three rinks of Forest City curlers that went to St. Thomas yesterday to bring back the Malahide medal, which St. Thomas curlers took away from London last year, were unsuccessful in their attempt. The score was as follows:

FOREST CITY.	ST. THOMAS.
Rink No. 1.	
J. B. McKillop,	W. R. Jackson,
H. G. Johnston,	D. M. Laws,
C. W. Davis,	S. May,
R. Inglis, skip.......16	S. Perry, skip.......16
Rink No. 2.	
J. H. A. Pope,	A. N. C. Black,
A. Talbot,	A. A. Drake,
W. M. Goodwin,	A. Murray,
W. T. Strong, skip..17	J. Mickleborough, s..24
Rink No. 3.	
J. I. A. Hunt,	G. Ellison,
C. E. Sterling,	J. McAdam,
J. Burnett,	C. Demsey,
R. Reid, skip.......11	W. K. Cameron, sk..22
Total..........44	Total..........62

Majority for St. Thomas, 18 shots.

FOR THE GUELPH TANKARD.

Guelph, Ont., Feb. 26.—Brantford was defeated by Fergus, by 7 shots, and Royal City was defeated by Plattsville, by 2, for the Guelph tankard. Score: Fergus, 19; Brantford, 12; Plattsville, 20; Royal City, 18.

The final was played yesterday afternoon between Fergus and Plattsville, Fergus winning by five shots. Score—20 to 15.

SHOTS.

Two rinks from Glencoe played two Detroit rinks skipped by J. Bucknell and J. D. Hawks, on Wednesday, in Detroit, the visitors winning by 2 shots.

THE KENNEL.

At the New York Dog Show the smooth-coated champion St. Bernard, Melrose King, owned by R. H. Burrows, of the Seaforth Kennels, was sold to J. W. Churchill, of the Wyoming Kennels, Melrose, Mass., for $2,500. W. C. Hearst, of New York, paid $1,000 for the Boston terrier Consul.

GOOD CANADIAN DOGS.

Mr. O. Hendry, of Simcoe, sold his handsome pair of black cocker spaniel puppies, "Victoria" and "Albert," for a big figure, and shipped them to New York.

Mr. George Douglas, of Woodstock, who is attending the New York Kennel Show with his dogs, has sent home the following message: "Pickpana, first; Gaiety, first; Havoc, first in open, first in sweepstakes; Silk Gown, first in reds; Premier, first in puppies, second in novice, second in sweepstakes; Black Duke, cup."

THE TURF.

DIAMOND CUT DIAMOND.

Chicago, Feb. 26.—The pool rooms of Chicago, Elmhurst, Roby and Washington Heights were hard hit by the betting fraternity, and dropped fully $75,000 on one race. The coup was made in the third race at New Orleans, where those in the secret plunged heavily on Ondague. Nearly all of the money went to what is known as the "Featherstone-Ryan combination" of bettors.

BASEBALL

THE POWERS IN SESSION.

Baltimore, Feb. 26.—The opening session of the regular spring meeting of the National League and American Association of Baseball Clubs was harmonious. The committee on telegraphic contracts recommended that telegraph companies be required to cease sending out over the ticker or telegraph wires to their subscribers the results of the games in the home city. This report was adopted. Report on umpires laid over for the present. After the rules and the report of the committee on control of umpires have been disposed of, the schedule prepared by President Young will be taken up.

GROUNDERS.

Pitcher Carney has signed with Minneapolis.

If the baseball grounds over the Don are available, it is said certain parties in Toronto stand ready to put a club in the Canadian League.

The second general meeting of the directors of the Maple Leaf Baseball Club, of Guelph, will be held on Tuesday evening next, when the report of the organization committee will then be presented.

Scranton is now the only city in the Eastern League that will not play Sunday ball, either at home or away from home. Toronto, Springfield and Wilkesbarre will play on Sundays while away from home. Buffalo, Rochester, Providence and now Syracuse will play Sunday ball at home.

The New York club has prepared an exceedingly handsome souvenir pass, which will be issued to a few friends of the club this season. The pass is of solid silver, encased in black leather, and is about the size of a railroad pass. It bears the words extending the courtesy of the polo grounds to the recipient of the pass in raised letters. In the upper right hand corner is a laurel wreath encircling the seal of the club, also raised. Altogether it is the finest and most tasteful thing in the way of a baseball pass ever designed.—New York Press.

Corcoran is making his annual objection to play without an increase of salary. Last year it was Brooklyn that had all the trouble; this year it is Cincinnati.

Amos Rusie has declared he would not go to Philadelphia under any circumstances.

Patsy Tebeau has been sworn in as a deputy sheriff in Cleveland. He says he took the position so as to be able to make Jim Hurst behave himself.

According to the draft of a schedule by Van Derbeck, the Western League teams will travel about 8,145 miles on the average next season. Last year the mileage was much greater.

Cleveland has on its staff of pitchers Young, Cuppy, Wilson, Wallace, Powell, Pappolan, Gear, McAllister and McDermott. Great things are expected of the latter by Capt. Tebeau. Zimmer, Creiger and O'Connor are the catchers. Tebeau has enough catchers and pitchers to form a regular team.

ICE RACING.

AT BRANTFORD.

Brantford, Ont., Feb. 26.—The Brantford ice races started at Parkdale race course. Attendance not very large. Summary:

2:30 class—

Maude Thorne, Kenny, Brampton	1	1	1
Frank D., Young, Caledonia	2	4	2
Paddy, McLaughlin, Brantford	5	2	5
Peruno, Richardson, Saginaw	4	3	3
Equal, Gilroy, Brantford	3	5	4

Time—2:41, 2:36, 2:44.

Named race; half mile—

Royal Midget, Campbell, Brantford	1	1	1
Little Flo, Hunter, Onondaga	4	2	2
Hazel Wilkes, Webling, Brantford	2	3	3
Good Friday, Stewart, Brantford	3	4	5
Blanche N., Learn, Brampton	5	5	4

Time—1:18, 1:20, 1:15.

At today's races the attendance was small. The track was in good condition. Races concluded with two events, as follows:

Named race—

Equal, Gilroy, Brantford	3	1	1
Florence C., Crandal, Brantford	1	3	3
Little Flo, Hunter, Onondaga	2	2	2

Time—2:46, 2.48; 2:50.

Free for all—

Dick French, Jackson, Toronto	1	2	1	1
Syrena, Richardson, Saginaw	4	2	1	3
Johnny Carver, Rattenburg, Hamilton	2	3	3	2
Cap Sheaf	4	dr		

Time—2:36, 2:38, 2:39, 2:39.

ATHLETICS.

BLOWS.

Young Griffo, on his release from prison, will be under the management of the backers of Peter Maher.

Joe Choynski, the heavy-weight, will probably not be able to box for some time. He broke his collar-bone while exercising in the gymnasium of the Knickerbocker Athletic Club one day last week. Choynski had been secured as boxing instructor of the club, and frequently wrestled with the wrestling instructor. While indulging in this exercise he suddenly felt a sharp crack in his neck. He went to see a physician, who told him that his collar-bone had been broken.

Tom O'Rourke will try to outbid the National Sporting Club, of London, for the contest between "Peddler" Palmer, the champion bantam-weight of England, and George Dixon. The National Sporting Club is willing to hang up a purse of $3,500 for the bout, but O'Rourke cabled he would give $4,000 and allow Palmer $500 for training expenses, to have the bout decided in the Broadway Athletic Club. O'Rourke says that if the National Sporting Club offers more than he does, he will then give a $5,000 purse for the boys to box for, and allow Palmer $500 for training expenses.

WHEEL.

BIG PURSE.

bicycle riders is to be offered the com-
bicycle riders is to be ocered the coming season by Henry E. Ducker, of the Charles River Park, Boston. The purse will be nearly $5,000. The race is to be a one-mile handicap, and to be run in heats, a new handicap being framed for each heat. The race is to be in the nature of a sweepstake, and the guaranteed purse $3,000, with an entrance fee of $10. It is expected that nearly 200 entries will be received, which, with the purse, will bring the amount up to nearly $5,000.

AGED 123.

St. Louis, Feb. 26.—Mrs. Caroline Woods, aged 123, died Wednesday. Her mental faculties were unimpaired. She was almost the first white child born on the present site of Louisville, where she married in 1800. Mrs. Woods had a remarkable memory, and has related many incidents of life on the frontier. She saw George Washington three times.

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Montreal Stock Market.

MONTREAL, Feb. 26.

	Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	56	55
Duluth, common	6½	3½
Duluth, preferred	12	7
Commercial Cable	165½	164¾
Wabash, common	..	..
Wabash, preferred	..	..
Montreal Telegraph	170	165½
Richelieu and Ontario	100	..
Montreal Street Railway	225	224
Montreal Street Railway, new	190½	189¾
Montreal Gas Company	194	193¾
Bell Telephone	159	157½
Royal Electric, xd	143	138¼
Toronto Railway	71	70⅜
Bank of Montreal	231	225
Ontario Bank	85	83
Banque du Peuple	..	..
Molsons Bank	..	185
Bank of Toronto	231	227½
Merchants Bank	170	169
Merchants Bank of Halifax	171	166
Quebec Bank	..	119½
Union Bank	..	102½
Bank of Commerce	130	127½
Northwest Land	..	..
Montreal Cotton Company	128½	124
Canada Colored Cotton	..	..
Dominion Cotton, xd	87½	81
Postal Telegraph	98¼	97½

SALES—Mont. Gas, 300 at 194; 50 at 193¾; Bank of Mont., 2 at 227.

Toronto Stock Market.

TORONTO, Feb. 26.

	Ask.	Off.
Montreal	231	225
Ontario	87	83
Molsons	..	..
Toronto	231	229
Merchants	171	168½
Commerce	128	127
Imperial	180	179
Dominion	234	232
Standard	170	165
Hamilton	159	156
British America	118½	116¾
Western Assurance	157	156¼
Canada Life	..	..
Confederation Life	..	..
Consumers' Gas	..	200
Dominion Telegraph	126	124
Montreal Telegraph	..	..
Northwest Land Company, pref.	50	40
Canada Pacific Railway Stock	55½	54½
Commercial Cable Company	164½	164
Postal Telegraph	97¾	97¾
Bell Telephone Company	158½	157¼
Montreal Street Railway	225	224
Montreal Street Railway (new)	..	..
Toronto Street Railway	70¾	70
Dominion Savings and Invest.	..	75
Farmers Loan and Savings	95	..
Farmers' L. and S., 20 per cent.	70	..
Huron and Erie L. and S.	..	159
Huron and Erie, 20 per cent.	..	148
London and Canada, L. and A.	90	..
London Loan	..	..
London and Ontario	100	..
Ontario Loan and Debenture	..	119

SALES—1 p.m.—Commerce, 8, 2, 20 at 127½; Com. Cable, 25, 25, 25, 50 at 164⅝; Postal 25, 25 at 97¾. 11:15 a.m.—British America, 30, 30 at 117; Western Assurance, 75 at 156½; Com. Cable, 25, 25 at 165, 100 at 165½, 25 at 165⅝, 3 at 164¾.

New York Stock Market.

Reported by Frank Butler, broker, Masonic Temple.

Feb. 26.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
C. B. and Q.	73¾	75	73¾	75
C. and N. W.	104	105	104	105
Chicago Gas	75¾	76¾	75¾	76⅝
Gen. Electric	34⅜	14⅛	13	14
L. and N.	49½	50	49½	50
Manhattan	88	89½	88	89½
Missouri Pacific	20½	21⅛	20½	21⅛
Pacific Mail	25	25½	25	25½
Rock Island	66¾	67½	66¾	67½
Reading	21½	24¾	24½	24¾
St. Paul	75¾	76⅝	75⅝	76⅝
Tenn. Coal and Iron.	26½	27¼	26½	27½
Western Union	82½	83⅝	82¾	83½
Distillery Trust	13½	14⅛	13½	14
Leather Trust	57½	59½	57½	59¼
Sugar Trust	114⅝	116½	114⅝	116⅝
Tobacco Trust	74½	75¼	74½	75¼

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

New York, Feb. 26.—Noon.—Money on call nominally 1 1-2 to 1 3-4 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 3 to 4 per cent; sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.87 to 4.87 1-4 for demand, and at 4.85 to 4.85 1-4 for sixty days; posted rates, 4.85 1-2 to 4.86, and 4.87 1-2 to 4.88; commercial bills, 4.84 1-2.

COMMERCIAL.

Toronto Grain Market.

Toronto, Feb. 26.—Wheat—There is rather better inquiry, and the market is steadier; cars of red wheat sold north and west freights today at 74c, and 75c is quoted for red; Manitoba wheat is quiet; No. 1 hard is quoted at 75c, f. o. b. cars Fort William, at 91c to 92c, all rail west; 85c to 86c Midland, and No. 2 hard at 83c to 84c, Midland.

Flour—Dull; cars of straight roller are quoted at $3 70 to $3 75 west.

Millfeed—In fair demand and steady; shorts are quoted at $8 to $8 50 west, and bran at $7 50.

Barley—Quiet, at 30c to 31c for No. 1 outside; 32c to 33c for No. 1 extra; 27c to 28c for No. 2; 24c for No. 3 extra, and 22c for feed.

Rye—Steady, at 33c to 34c outside.

Corn—Steady, with sales of cars of yellow west at 19 1-2c to 20c.

Peas—Dull, at 38c north and west;

Oats—Offering freely at 18c for white west, with 17c bid.

Seeds—Dull and prices are nominal; unchanged.

Baled Hay—Quiet, at $8 50 to $10 50 for cars on track here.

Straw—$5 to $6.

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Latest Montreal Markets.

Montreal, Que., Feb. 26.

GRAINS AND FLOUR.

Oats—In store No. 2 white, 22c to 22c.

Peas—47c to 47c.

Feed barley—29c to 29c.

Corn—30c to 30c.

Buckwheat—32c to 32c.

Flour—Manitoba strong bakers $4 25 to $4 75; spring wheat patents, $4 90 to $5 05; winter do., $4 45 to $4 70; straight roller, $4 20 to $4 30.

Feed—Bran, $9 to $10; shorts, $11 to $12.

PROVISIONS.

Canadian short cut, clear, $10 to $10 50.

Ham—9c to 11c.

Bacon—8½c to 9½c.

Lard—Pure, 5½c to 6c; compound, 4c to 4½c.

PRODUCE.

Cheese—No change in market here.

Butter—Dull, easy; local creamery, 18c to 19c as to quality; dairy, 11c to 13c.

Eggs—Weak; new laid, 16c to 17c; Montreal limed, 10c to 11c; western do, 8c to 10c.

English Markets

Liverpool, Feb. 26—4:15 p.m.

Wheat—Spot quiet; demand poor; No. 2 red spring, 6s 2½d; No. 1 Cal., 6s 5½d; futures opened steady, with near positions ½d lower and distant positions ¼d lower; further weakened and closed steady, with near positions 1d lower, and distant positions ½d to ¾d lower; business about equally distributed; Feb., 6s 1½d; March, 6s 1½d; May, 6s 3½d; July, 6s 3d.

Corn — Spot dull; American mixed new, 2s 6d; futures opened quiet, with near positions ¼d lower, and distant positions unchanged; closed steady, with near and distant positions unchanged to ¼d lower; business about equally distributed; Feb., 2s 6d; March, 2s 6d; April, 2s 6¾d; May, 2s 7½d; June, 2s 8¼d; July, 2s 9d.

Flour—Steady; demand poor; St. Louis fancy winter, 8s 6d.

Peas—Canadian, 4s 4d.

American Produce Markets.

NEW YORK.

New York, Feb. 26.

Flour—Receipts, 15,000 bbls; sales 1,500 packages; state and western dull and lower to sell; city mills patent, $4 85 to $5 05; do clears, $4 80 to $4 85; Minn. patents, $4 30 to $4 45; winter patents, $4 60 to $4 85; winter straights, $4 35 to $4 40.

Rye Flour—Quiet.

Wheat—Receipts, 43,475; sales, 1,620,000 bu; opened weak under bearish cables, but rallied later on bad crop news; May, 79 13-16c to 80 7-16c; July, 78¼c to 78¾c; Sept., 75 9-16c to 75⅝c.

Rye—Quiet.

Corn—Receipts, 129,675; sales 140,000 bu; quiet and affected by lower cables and cold weather; May, 29⅝c to 29¾c; July, 31c to 31⅛c.

Oats—Receipts, 94,800 bu; sales, 10,000; dull and featureless; May, 21½c to 21⅝c; track white, 21c to 30c.

Beef—Steady.

Pork—Quiet.

Lard—Dull.

Butter—Receipts, 4,819 packages; steady; state dairy, 10c to 18c; state creamery, 13c to 18c; western creamery, 12c to 19c; Elgins, 19c; factory, 7c to 13c.

Cheese—Receipts, 569 packages; quiet; state large, 9c to 12½c; do small, 9c to 12½c; part skims, 5c to 9½c; full skims, 3c to 3½c.

Eggs—Receipts, 6,223 packages; quiet; state and Pennsylvania, 17½c; western, 17c; southern, 16c to 16½c.

Sugar—Raw; firm; refined; steady.

Petroleum—Dull.

Coffee—Quiet and steady.

Hops—Steady; state, common to choice, 1895 crop, 5c to 7c; 1896 crop, 8c to 13c; Pacific Coast, 1895 crop, 5c to 7c; 1896 crop, 9c to 13c.

Lead—Strong; bullion, $3 05; exchange $3 30 to $3 35.

Potatoes—Quiet.

Tallow—Firm.

BUFFALO.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 26.—Spring wheat—Dull; No. 1 hard, old, 85½c; do new, 84¾c; No. 1 northern, 81¾c to 82¾c; No. 2 northern, 80½c. Winter wheat—Quiet; No. 2 red, 88½c on track and in store; No. 1 white, 89c on track.

Corn—Stronger; No. 2 yellow, 26¾c; No. 3 yellow, 26½c; No. 4 yellow, 25½c; No. 2 corn, 26½c; No. 3 corn, 25½c on track.

Oats—Firmer; No. 2 white, 21¾c; No. 3 white, 20c to 20½c; No. 4 white, 18c to 18½c; No. 2 white, in store, 21¼c.

DETROIT.

Detroit, Feb. 26.—Wheat—No. 1 white cash, 86c; No. 2 red cash, 86c; May, 86½c; July, 74⅝c.

TOLEDO.

Toledo, Feb. 26.—Wheat—Cash, 87c; May, 88c; July, 74¾c.

Corn—May, 24⅜c; July, 25½c.

Oats—May, 17¾c.

MILWAUKEE.

Milwaukee, Feb. 26.—Wheat, cash, 72¾c; May, 74¾c.

Chicago Exchange.

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

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—May	74½	74⅝	73¾	74½
July	71¾	72½	71	71½
Corn—May	24¼	24¾	23¾	23⅞
July	25⅜	25½	24¾	25
Oats—May	17¼	17¾	16¾	16⅞
July	18⅛	18¼	17¾	17¾
Pork—May	7 97	8 10	7 95	8 07
July	8 07	8 22	8 07	8 22
Lard—May	4 5	4 10	4 05	4 10
July	4 15	4 20	4 15	4 17
Ribs—May	4 10	4 20	4 07	4 17
July	4 17	4 27	4 17	4 27

Puts, 73¾; calls, 74¾.

Live Stock Markets

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Feb. 26.—Hogs—Receipts, 31,000; left over, 4,000; fairly active; 5c lower; light, $3 50 to $3 70; mixed, $3 45 to $3 65; heavy, $3 30 to $3 62 1-2; rough, $3 30 to $3 35.

Cattle—Receipts, 2,500; market slow but steady; nothing good here; quality inferior; beeves, $3 50 to $4 90; cows and heifers, $1 80 to $4 15; Texas steers, $3 15 to $4 10; stockers and feeders, $3 20 to $4 20.

Sheep—Receipts, 8,000; market barely steady.

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Steamship Arrivals.

Feb. 25.	At	From
Germanic	Queenstown	New York
Assyrian	Halifax	Glasgow
Nordland	New York	Antwerp
Feb. 26.	At	From
Traave	New York	Bremen

A telephone wire .08 of an inch in diameter and 7,900 feet long has been stretched across the Wallenstadt Lake in the canton of St. Gallen, Switzerland.

Around the City

—Col. Leys is in Berlin today.

—Capt. Gowan, of the Salvation Army Refuge Home, is seriously ill.

—Dr. George C. Davis has been confined to his room since Tuesday last with a severe cold.

—Mr. James Calvert, M. P. for West Middlesex, was in the city last night, and left for Toronto this morning.

—The Collegiate Glee Club has been reorganized under Mr. Fred L. Evans. They will take part in Mr. Nicholas Wilson's anniversary.

—Messrs. Irwin & Sons, of Hamilton, contractors for the slating at the car shops, completed their work last night. The other contractors are still busy, but will soon finish.

—The meeting at the Salvation Army last night, illustrating the parade of "The Ten Virgins," was a very unique affair. The ten virgins were robed in white gowns, and marched through the streets with the procession before the performance.

—The Toronto World says that Charlie Maddock will put a team in the Canadian Baseball League. It adds: "Mr. Maddock has the correct backing, he says, and thus he will certainly be received with open arms by Hamilton, London and Guelph."

—The Grand Trunk have made their proposal to Ald. Bennet for the purchase of a portion of the Bennet Company's land, adjoining the car shops but the matter had to be considered by members of the firm in Great Britain before any deal is made.

—Capt. H. A. Kingsmill has received from Major Wilkes, of the Thirty-eighth Battalion (Dufferin Rifles), a letter expressing the sincere sympathy of the officers and men of that corps with the Seventh Fusiliers on the death of their late esteemed comrade, Surgeon-Major W. J. Mitchell.

—Surgeon-Major Keefer's lecture at the Auditorium tonight will be a rare treat. The theme will be personal reminiscences of Tel-el-Kebir. The surgeon-major is an entertaining speaker, and there should be a large audience present. The proceeds are in aid of university extension.

—Lovers of comedy will be pleased to know that arrangements have been made for the reappearance next Monday afternoon and evening at the Grand Opera House, of the company presenting "My Friend from India." There are none who have seen this piece who will not be glad of an opportunity to see its vagaries repeated, for it is one of the plays that is full of innocent fun without any suggestion of impropriety, and there is no doubt that the return visit of the company will be heartily welcomed.

—The members of the Mutual Fire Underwriters' Association of Ontario, who have been in session for the past two days at the Walker House, finished their business yesterday. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, John I. Hobson, Mossborough; first vice-president, Wm. Turnbull, Paris; second vice-president, Capt. Robson, London; secretary-treasurer, Hugh Black, Rockwood; executive committee, L. Stauffer, Waterloo; P. S. Armstrong, St. Marys; J. McEwing, Drayton; R. S. Strong, Galt; E. J. Pearson, Kintore; auditors, L. Leach, London; J. N. McKendrick, Galt.

—"The Defaulter" will be the attraction at the Grand, matinee and night, tomorrow. It possesses striking melodramatic features, and many dramatic and sensational situations, which rouse the audience to a high pitch of enthusiasm. The play, which is founded on George Manville Fenn's fine story, "This Man's Wife," has its scenes laid in England and Australia, and draws upon convict life in the penal colony for some of its most interesting and thrilling incidents. The scenery is said to be very handsome and realistic, and includes some great sets. The scenic effect for the last scene is a fine reproduction of a gorge in the mountains, across which the hero and heroine plunge on horseback.

THE GRAND MASTER'S VISIT.

Grand Master Gibson, of the Masonic fraternity, having chosen Monday, March 8, as the date on which to be the guest of the Past Masters' Association of London, Wor. Master W.C. Fitzgerald, of Union Lodge, 380, which holds its regular meeting on that evening, has considerately arranged to have no initiations, but to close down after routine. In order that no past master or master may be absent from the reception to the grand master, Union Lodge had to ask the Wor. Master and officers of Corinthian Lodge to postpone their intended fraternal vist on the date named, and the East End brethren have cordially agreed. The Past Masters' Association will thoroughly appreciate the kindness of the brethren of these two lodges.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SOCIABILITY.

The officers and teachers of the Dundas Street Center Methodist Sunday school gave a social evening last night, at which four hundred persons were present, including many of the senior pupils. The programme, which was entertaining and profitable, was as follows: Hymn, "Bringing in the Sheaves"; invocation, Rev. E. B. Lanceley; chairman's address, Supt. D. A. McDermid; "The Relationship of the Scholar to the School," Bert Dickson; quartet, Messrs. Zeigler, Goodge, Noble and Lanceley; "The Relationship of Teacher to Scholar," Mrs. A. E. Bennett; instrumental, Miss Noble.

Refreshments were served by the ladies. A diverting feature was the microscopic exhibition by Prof. Bowman, Inspector Dearness and others, who had many fine specimens under the lenses.

DIVORCE MADE EASY.

Bismarck, N. D., Feb. 26.—The Senate, by a vote of 14 to 13, has killed the bill increasing the residence requisite to a divorce from 90 days to one year.

City Hall News.

The Charities' Society Discuss Work for the Unemployed.

Want Stone Piles Again—The Gypsies on Deck—Other Notes.

A meeting of the Charities' Organization Society was held in the City Hall yesterday, Mr. J. S. Pearce in the chair. The problem of the unemployed was discussed and Mr. Pearce, Rev. J. G. Stuart, H. E. Gates, Fred. Matthews, and Inspector Sanders were appointed a committee to devise some scheme and lay it before the mayor and council. It was suggested that those who were willing to work be given employment breaking stones, the same as last winter. The committee realize that the cost of breaking stone by hand is about $3 a cord and by machinery 75 cents; but they think the difference in the cost might be charged to the relief fund by the city.

THE GYPSIES AGAIN.

The gypsies were on deck again today, and called on Inspector Sanders. Their horses have been stabled at the county's expense, but funds have run out, and Inspector Sanders stopped paying for it today. The gypsies asked a two-weeks' extension of stabling accommodation, as their horses could not survive in the open air this weather. They said they could not pay for the stable, as they had only a few dollars left.

"Well, if you turn the horses out I will send you to jail for cruelty to animals," said the inspector.

"Jail! That's nice. Plenty to eat," said the gypsy John, pointing to his mouth.

The inspector said he would send the men and women to jail, but the children would have to go to another place.

"Ah, better kill me," said John, in a melodramatic tone, drawing his finger over his throat. "Must have children."

The inspector decided to grant them a week's further stabling for the sake of the poor horses. He advised the gypsies to go south as soon as they could.

NOTES.

Treasurer Pope has received $100 from the Y. M. C. A. and $75 from the King Street Presbyterian Church for the famine sufferers.

The school teachers were paid today.

The Board of Works meets tonight and will open tenders for the new sewage section in South London. Mr. Grant, of Toronto, who secured the first contract, is trying it again.

AN IMPOSTER TRAPPED

By Secretary Sanders—Necessity of Organized Charity

A good deal of imposture on charitable people is prevented by the Charities Organization, and less would be practiced if the inspector of the society was consulted before giving aid to strangers.

An imposter was neatly trapped the other day by Inspector Sanders. He asked the inspector for a written certificate of character, in order that he might collect alms. He had a paper on which were the names of several people who had given him money. Mr. Sanders' certificate, he said, would greatly aid him. The inspector took the paper, and, on turning it over, saw the address 491 English street, written on the back.

"Have you been at that place?" he asked.

"Yes," said the man, readily; "they promised me work there."

Asked to describe it, the man said a coal and wood dealer lived there.

"You are lying," said the inspector; "I live there myself."

The man was confounded and "made his sneak." Somebody had evidently referred him to the address of the inspector, and he had made a note of it on his paper.

In another case Mr. Sanders found that some charitable gentlemen were paying to a landlord the rent of a sick man in need, while equally charitable ladies were paying the rent to the sick man himself.

NEW CHURCH EDIFICE.

South London Baptists Decide to Erect a $9,000 Building.

South London Baptists have decided to erect a handsome new brick church on the site of the present frame structure. The new building will have a stone basement, and be about forty feet wide by sixty feet long. It is estimated that the cost will be in the neighborhood of $8,000 or $9,000.

The pastor, Rev. W. M. Walker, started to work in South London just about seven years ago, and since that time has retained the strong hold he early obtained upon the affections of his people. His ministry has been marked by success, and for some time past the talk of the erection of an edifice more modern, and in harmony with the tastes of the congregation has been more than idle rumor.

A meeting will be held next week to award the contracts. Quite a number of tenders have been submitted. Messrs. Burke & Harwood, of Toronto, are the architects.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

TECUMSEH HOUSE.

W. A. Murray, Glasgow, Scotland.

J. Podleski, Chicago.

C. S. Slater, Montreal, the "Slater Shoe" man.

Edmund Yeigh, of the Toronto Globe.

Thomas Bilton, merchant tailor, Toronto.

E. W. McTear, Toronto.

GRIGG HOUSE.

J. E. Carr, Le Roy, N. Y.

C. A. Treble, Buffalo.

Jas. Stevenson and wife, Toronto.

John Galt, Montreal.

D. A. McDonald, Minneapolis, The Defaulter Company.

John Lucas, Toronto, contractor for sewer work. He is one of the tenderers for the section of the new sewer soon to be let.

H. C. Arnold, Toronto.

Wm. Milne, of Milne & Heffernan, Trout Creek.

W. L. Cannon, of the Eagle Cigar Company.

CITY HOTEL.

R. C. Eldridge, proprietor of a large hardware factory at Niagara Falls.

E. B. Morey, Ingersoll.

J. S. Graham, Hamilton.

S. A. Moffatt, Varna.

F. S. Hicks, Toronto.

Miss Carlisle, of Toronto, inspector of factories in which women are employed. She completed her tour of inspection here this afternoon.

Woman's Art Club.

Settling Preliminaries for the Coming Exhibition.

A Rare Treat in Preparation for the London Public—Some of the Contributors.

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Art Club, which is increasing constantly in interest and numbers, was held on Thursday afternoon, in the old rooms on Richmond street. A large number of ladies were present, and discussed the rare treat which is being prepared for the public of London by the indefatigable workers for the cause of art, who are banded together in the Woman's Art Club.

One of the finest loan exhibitions ever held in the city of London will be opened in the new club rooms, over the public library, on March 18 Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Reid, of Toronto, will send pictures, also Mr. Wylie Grier, and choice masterpieces from the private collections of Mr. E. B. Osler, Jardine, S. H. Janes, J. H. Plummer, Mr. B. E. Walker, Mr. Carroll, of this city, and others. At the same time an exhibition will be given of the work done by members of the London club during the winter, in which outsiders will contribute, a large box of sketches from Montreal having been received for that purpose this morning.

It should be remembered that the object of the Woman's Art Club, in thus securing for London the benefit of a carefully selected art loan, is not primarily the pecuniary advantages which may accrue to themselves; but for the sake of the educating and refining influence, which the contemplation—even for a few minutes—of what is best in art, must unconsciously exert over the mind. It is well also to remember that not one in a million is born with taste, but that not ten in a million need despair of creating within themselves a genuine appreciation and pleasure in the work of higher minds, if they will but remember the words of a well-known artist who said: "I have never from the first allowed an opportunity to go and see a good picture escape me, and I have always striven to take advantage of such opportunity, not only once, but many times."

Deadly Crash!

Two Trains and a Trolley Car in Collision.

Three Persons Mangled to Death and Several Injured.

Chicago, Feb. 26.—A north-bound train on the Chicago and Eastern Illinois road and the Columbia Heights race train, south-bound, on the same road, simultaneously struck a Calumet electric car at One Hundred and Third street crossing yesterday afternoon.

The motorman and two passengers were instantly killed, two other passengers probably fatally injured, and the car smashed into kindling wood. The three persons killed were so badly mangled as to be unrecognizable.

The injured are Mrs. Mansfield, wife of the editor of the Roseland (Ill.) Enterprise, thrown twenty feet, probably fatally injured; Robert Hines, a motorman on the road, probably fatally injured.

The railway people claim that the gates were down, and that the motorman lost control of his car, which crashed through the gates. The north-bound train and the race train meet at the crossing at the same time every day. They were due at the same time the electric car crashed through the gates. The car was squarely in the middle of the tracks when both trains struck it, completely demolishing it.

The Dons Displeased

With the Action of the U. S. Consul at Havana.

Proposal to Prepare Spain's Defenses by Sea and Land.

Madrid, Feb. 26.—Extreme reserve is maintained in official circles, and much importance is attached to the secret conferences between the Premier, Senor Canovas Del Castillo, and the Ministers, on the state of the war in Cuba. The procedure of the United States Consul-General, General Fitzhugh Lee, is regarded as being "intolerably high-handed."

The Imparcial says: "The Americans are availing themselves of the European troubles over Crete, and mean to precipitate McKinley into a quarrel with Spain." Continuing, the Imparcial advises the Government to prepare Spain's defenses by sea and by land, maintaining that Spain has less to lose than the United States in case of war.

CRUSHED TO DEATH.

A Kippen Farmer Killed While Felling a Tree.

Special to the Advertiser via G. N. W. Line.

Kippen, Ont., Feb. 26.—John McMurtrie, treasurer of St. Andrew's Church, Kippen, and a farmer, was killed while assisting his son Alexander in felling a tree.

The tree split when about to fall, and caught Mr. McMurtrie, completely crushing him to death.

THE HUNT BALL.

Decorations for Tonight's Swell Affair Very Elaborate.

The decorations for the Hunt Ball tonight are very elaborate. The walls and ceilings are almost covered with British flags of all sizes and shapes. Foreign flags are conspicuous by their absence. There are two or three Stars and Stripes and some nondescript ensigns, but they all pale before the red glory of the Union Jack. Some of the largest and finest flags in the city have been especially secured. The gallery fronts, the railings, and every bare spot is covered with masses of bunting. The council chamber has been draped off by Union Jacks, and will serve as the supper room. A corps of men has been working all day on the decorations, and arrangements.

Music will be furnished by the Italian Harpers, stationed in the south gallery.

Novel Suit.

What It Cost to Try to Get a Dominion Office,

But the Effort Failed, and Two Conservative Bosses Went to Law.

Brantford Expositor, Feb. 24.

On Monday next at the Division Court a somewhat novel, and to the actively working members of the Conservative party, rather interesting suit, will be tried. To put it briefly and simply, John H. Spence, late secretary of the Brantford Conservative Association, sues Robert J. McFadden, late president of the Brantford Conservative Association, for the sum of $63 60.

In his statement of claim, Mr. John H. Spence, through his lawyers, Messrs. Baird & Henderson, says that he was secretary of the association, and that Mr. McFadden was president of the same. Mr. Spence had his eye upon an office in the inland revenue department, and had, in fact, been promised the same. Mr. McFadden, he says, undertook to get the appointment. It was explained that the negotiations could not be carried on without money, Mr. Spence thereupon gave Mr. McFadden two sums of $25 each, and sundry other smaller sums at different times, amounting in all, it is said, to about the amount claimed.

The goods were not delivered to Mr. John H. Spence. Time went past with reckless haste, but there was no sign then, and there has been no sign since of the promised appointment. Messrs. Spence and McFadden wrote each other, but the outcome was unsatisfactory, Hence the present action.

Mr. McFadden has lodged his answer through his lawyers, Messrs. Brewster, Muirhead & Heyd. In the first place, Mr. McFadden disputes the entire claim in full. In the second place, he has a counter claim from which it would appear that defendant had gone to Ottawa twice, and once to Toronto in connection with the matter. Mr. McFadden's counter claim is as follows:

Expenses of first trip to Ottawa	$ 5 00
Fare on train, return	16 25
Pullman berth, return	4 00
Wages for lost time	7 50
Hotel	5 25
Telegrams	1 00
Hackman	50
Second trip, incidents	5 00
Fare, return	16 25
Pullman berth, return	4 00
Wages for lost time	7 50
Telegrams	75
Hotel	6 25
Trip to Toronto	5 50
Fare, return	3 25
Wages for lost time	2 50
Telegrams	75
Hotel	2 00
Hack	50
For services rendered in connection with above trip	50 00
Total	$143 55

TURKISH ACTIVITY.

Hasty Assembling of Troops on the Frontier.

Salonica, Feb. 26.—The massing of Turkish troops and munitions of war on the frontier is proceeding with feverish haste. All the soldiers on furlough have been recalled and eleven batteries of artillery, a regiment of cavalry and two battalions of infantry have gone to Elassona. Two additional battalions of infantry have reached Katerina. The reliefs from Smyrna, Drusa, Trebizond, and elsewhere in Anatolia are on their way here, and for the frontier, where a total of six divisions will be formed with headquarters at Elassona.

SEVENTEEN SAVED.

Captain and Crew of a Sinking Ship Brought to Port.

New York, Feb. 26.—The Atlantic transport steamer Mohawk (Capt. Gales), which arrived early this morning from London, had a tempestuous passage of fifteen days, and was three days overdue. During the worst of the weather, the Norwegian bark Persia was sighted flying signals of distress, and the Mohawk took off Capt. Gjertzn and his crew of sixteen. The Persia was bound from Cardiff to St. John, New Brunswick, in ballast, and was in a sinking condition when the Mohawk sighted her. She was formerly the famous British Blackball Packet of the same name, and was built at Quebec in 1853.

WORK AND WAGES.

Ten Thousand New York Cloak Makers May Strike.

New York, Feb. 26.—Ten thousand cloak makers in this city threaten to go on strike for higher wages. "The spring season has now commenced," said Secretary Klein, of the United Brotherhood of Cloak Makers, "and we will have to strike for the wages we had last year, or work for starvation wages." Committees have been appointed to organize the cloak makers in all shops.

Chicago, Feb. 26.—The tanners' strike is to be settled by the State board of arbitration. The men will return to work on Monday, probably, pending the finding of the board.

MRS. BEECHER.

Stamford, Conn., Feb. 26.—Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher was still alive this morning.

LORD ABERDEEN.

New York, Feb. 26.—Lord Aberdeen, who is passing through this city, will leave for Ottawa this afternoon by the 6:30 train.

ATHLETICS.

BLOWS.

Frank Erne, Buffalo, stated Thursday morning that he will fight no more. He has been offered several good positions, and there is no money in fighting.

Secretary Wheelock now roughly estimates the seating capacity of the pavilion at Carson at from 17,000 to 18,000.

Andy Powers, of Australia, matched against Van Hest, in a 25-round contest at Visitors' Athletic Club, Hot Springs, Ark., was knocked out in the second round Thursday by a vicious righthander in the neck.

THE WHEEL.

THE SIX DAYS' RACE.

Chicago, Feb. 26.—The following was the score of the six day bicycle race at 10 a.m.: Schinner 1,417 miles, Miller 1,355, Lawson, 1,336; Ashinger 1,330, Hansen 1,196, Stewart 1,194, Hannant 1,143. Bradis dropped out at 5 a.m., and will not appear on the track again. Smith left the track at 2:30 this morning, and it is not likely he will re-enter the race. The remaining contestants are all in good condition.

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Telegraphic Brevities.

Toronto millers are talking of erecting a mill at Fort William, with a capacity of 1,000 barrels.

C. N. Paquin, postmaster, of St. Cuthbert, Berthier county, Que., is reported to be $2,000 behind in his payments.

North Grey Conservatives have nominated George M. Boyd, of Owen Sound, as their candidate for the Legislature.

The Hocking Valley Railroad has gone into the hands of a receiver, on the application of the Central Trust Company, of New York.

For robbing Solomon Fogler's jewelry store on Queen street west, Toronto, Frank Edwards was on Thursday sent to jail for eighteen months.

The old established firm of Young & Bro., Hamilton, manufacturers and dealers in plumbers' supplies, have assigned. The firm was established in 1855.

At Montreal on Thursday, Thomas Clark, aged 29 years, was sentenced to five years in penitentiary for stealing overcoats in St. James' Methodist Church.

The blacksmith shop, carpenter shop and engine room in connection with the St. Viateur Brotherhood's deaf and dumb asylum, Montreal, were burned yesterday. Loss, $25,000.

Alice Ray, the Belleville girl who poisoned herself on Wednesday, and who was thought to be out of danger, died on Wednesday night. She was 21 years of age, and had no relatives in Canada.

Mr. John Fahey, proprietor of the Imperial Hotel, Hamilton, who is lying critically ill from blood poison, which resulted from being struck with a cuspidor, is still alive, but cannot recover.

While attending to some of the machinery yesterday, Mr. Alex. Mitchell, proprietor of the Red Wing Mills, Clarkesburg, Ont., had his right hand caught in the rolls and completely torn off.

David Wright, the oldest member of the Cayuga, N. Y., county bar, died last night, aged 91 years. He was the father of Mrs. D. M. Osborne, of Auburn, and Mrs. William Loyd Garrison, of Boston.

Scott Jackson, who, with Alonzo Walling, will hang on March 20, for murdering Pearl Bryan, is writing a confession, which it is reported will be forthcoming in two weeks. He will sell it to the highest bidder.

The Grand Association of the Patrons of Industry passed resolutions in favor of a reduction of freight rates by Government intervention, and against Government aid to a private railway through the Crow's Nest Pass.

John Nicholas, at one time inspector of state prisons, died in Watertown, N. Y., on Wednesday, aged 76. He was born in Scotland, and in his youth shipped to this country as a stowaway. He lost track of his brother at Montreal, and was separated from him for 30 years.

Mr. Luke Bradley, sen., a loom fixer in the employ of the Canadian Colored Cotton Mills Company, Hamilton, died very suddenly Thursday morning. He was in about his usual health, and had just washed his face and hands preparatory to going out, when he fell over and expired.

On Wednesday, at Salem, Mr. Johnston, blacksmith, hearing his horse running on the street, went to see what was the matter. On entering the stable he was horrified to find the body of his apprentice, Robert Simpson, lying in the stall. He had been crushed against the door, his neck being broken.

A. F. Stranger, 50 years old, inherited $40,000 recently from his father, who is said to have been rector of a fashionable church in England. Stranger has been on a big spree ever since, and is now in Harper Hospital. He drew $1,000 at the beginning of last week. On Saturday night, when he was at the central station he had $500 left.

It is stated that 8,000 fanatics are now concentrated in strong positions in Brazil, and are receiving daily from sources unknown to the Government great quantities of arms, ammunition and provisions. The chief of the Federal troops has demanded reinforcements from the Brazilian Government to make an attack on the fanatics.

Horseflesh is now sold in London for beef and goat's flesh for mutton, according to the report of a Government meat inspector.

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Wooing of Nell.

Clifford started up. He had heard nothing. But Nell's patient ears were keener than his. In another moment there was a knock at the door. And then a tap at the door of the room. He looked round wildly, and, seizing her arm, would have had her hide herself behind the little sofa. But she smiled sadly and shook her head.

"Come in," she said.

And, as she had foretold, with uncannily correct prophecy, a sergeant of police from Stroan, very civil, very apologetic and humane, presented himself.

"Very sorry, miss, to have to intrude," said he. "But I must ask you to come along with me as far as Stroan, just to tell the magistrate something that will help us on a bit."

"This is not an arrest?" said Clifford, trying to hide his anxiety.

"No, sir."

But Nell's white face seemed to betray the belief that it was.

CHAPTER XX.

There was just one ray of consolation for Clifford in the misfortune which had befallen Nell. She seemed to him, in spite of the trembling of her limbs and the pallor of her face, to be more relieved than depressed by the arrival of the police.

It was with perfect self-possession that she turned to the sergeant and said:

"May I speak to Mr. King alone before I go?"

"Certainly, miss. Perhaps you would like to walk as far as Beach with Mr. King; and we will have a cab waiting there to take you on to Stroan."

This course was agreed upon, and Nell and Clifford left the house together. They walked in perfect silence until they had passed through the unlovely back streets of the town, and had reached the village of St. Marys, with its gray old church on the high ground. They stopped for a moment in the shadow of the tall square tower. Clifford looked at the girl at his side, and was amazed to see that the gloom which had hung over her on his arrival had melted away.

"Why, Nell," said he, with a puzzled smile on his face, "I told you that you would soon be your own self again, but I didn't guess how quickly the transformation would take place."

Her face clouded a little, but the sigh she gave was one of relief more than pain.

"Can you imagine what it would be like," she asked gravely, as they turned and continued their walk down the crooked village street, "to live for months in perplexity and dread of you didn't quite know what? And then to find yourself groping your way to a dreadful, shameful secret, which was bound to bring misery and disgrace upon yourself and everybody you cared about? Supposing that you were presently forced to confess everything, forced to do it, mind? Wouldn't it be a relief to you, even if you brought upon yourself a dreadful punishment?"

Clifford was silent. He was alarmed by her words, indicating as they did that she was involved in the horrible story; yet he did not wish to acquiesce in the idea of her guilt, or even in the notion of her having been a passive agent in the tragedy.

Nell insisted, however, on getting an answer from him.

"I think, darling," he then said, very tenderly, "that you have been troubling yourself a great deal more than you need have done; and that you will find plenty of other people as ready as I am to say that Nell Claris would never merit a dreadful punishment, even if she tried."

These words were not said merely to satisfy her. He began to feel, as she did, that the threshing out of the whole matter, horrible as the process must be, was better for her in every way than the suspense from which she had been so long suffering. Whatever her share in the affair might have been, it had certainly been a passive and unwilling, if not an altogether unconscious one. His answer seemed to content the girl, for she walked on by his side without any further remark, while a more placid expression began to appear in her wan face.

It was almost in silence that they went on walking briskly in the direction of the bay, which they reached by the short way, over the fields. A cab was waiting, as the police sergeant had promised, on the road outside the village. As soon as Nell saw it she stopped short and said:

"I was forgetting what I wanted to say to you. I want you to go to Shingle End. And I want you to tell them there—to tell the colonel—that the police have come for me."

"To tell the colonel?" echoed Clifford, stupidly, struck with a remembrance of the vague suspicions he had had, on his recent visit to that gentleman's house.

"Yes."

He wanted to ask her more questions, but she saw his intention and walked briskly on. A few paces further she was met by the police sergeant, who saluted her respectfully, and held open the door of the cab. Nell turned and gave her hand in silence to Clifford. But as he pressed it for a brief moment in his, she again looked up in his face with the flicker of a smile on her lips and in her eyes.

"Surely," thought he to himself, "it is hope, and not despair, which I see in her eyes."

The cab door was shut, and Clifford, who had a long walk before him, walked briskly past, in the direction of the Stroan road. But before he had gone many steps he heard the voice of the police sergeant behind him.

"I beg pardon, sir——"

Clifford stopped, and the sergeant overtook him.

"Might I ask, sir, whether it's to Col. Bostal's you're going?"

"Well, yes."

"Might I suggest, sir, that you shouldn't say anything about Miss Claris to the old gentleman and his daughter for the present? The poor lady and gentleman have been in a fearful state of nervousness lately; and if this news was to come on them quite sudden it might bring on a stroke, perhaps, or something of that sort."

Clifford hesitated. He had promised Nell to take her message, but on the other hand he quite agreed with the sergeant. He temporized.

"Well, I shall be as careful as I can, and I shan't be in any great hurry."

Clifford walked on, therefore, at no very rapid pace. Indeed, as the cab passed him with the sergeant on the box beside the driver, he saw Nell's face at the window, with a little surprise and reproach in her eyes at the slow progress he was making in carrying out her behest.

She, poor girl, sat upright, and listened to the sound of the horse's hoofs and to the wheels upon the road like a person incapable of steady thought. She had known that this blow was coming; she had passed hour after hour of many a weary night in trying to devise means of escape from it. But every plan had ended in failure, even before she could put it in practice; for day after day she had found that she was watched by the police, and it had become clear to her that wherever she went she would be shadowed, and that at the time they chose she would find herself in their grip.

It was to the house of one of the local justices of the peace that she was being taken. The cab soon took a turn to the right, and presently arrived at the lodge gates of Horne Park.

Horne Court was a large building, brand-new and many-gabled, built of brilliant red brick. It had so many little turrets and towers and steeples springing out from the main edifice in all directions, that it looked like a puzzle, and set the onlooker wondering whether one could get from one portion of the building to the other without the aid of a plan.

It was in the study, an oddly-shaped apartment with an imposing gallery filled with books, that Nell was brought before the local magistrate.

Sir Neville Bax was a bland and imperious gentleman, with a loud voice and a dominant manner, who, having married the ugliest woman in the county, sought to palliate this misdeed by posing as a great admirer of the rest of the fair sex. He stared at Nell with an approving eye.

"Well, Miss Claris, and so I hear you have a statement to make to me?" he began in a benevolent tone which made Nell wince.

Nell did not immediately answer.

"Well, don't be afraid. Only speak out, and speak the truth. It's the best way; in fact, it's the only way, when, as I understand, the police know so much already."

Nell shivered.

"I understand," continued he, "that you have some important information to give concerning the robbery at your uncle's inn, the Blue Lion?"

"It's only a very little thing that I know," pleaded Nell.

"Ah, but little things sometimes lead to great results," retorted Sir Neville, buoyantly. "You know that there was sleeping on the premises at the Blue Lion, on the occasion of the first robbery committed there, a person whose presence there was known to you only?"

"Yes," faltered Nell, and burst into tears.

CHAPTER XXI.

In the meantime Clifford was proceeding slowly on his way to Shingle End. It was dark by this time, and the road seemed even longer than it had done when he was on his way to Courtstairs that afternoon. There was a faint light over the gray sea, but on the right, over the marsh, and away as far as the ridge of the hill on which old Fleet Castle stood, there was inky blackness. It was a lonely road at night, this long, dreary stretch of straight, hedgeless highway, with only an occasional bit of ragged bush, or a still more infrequent wayside cottage, to break up its wearisome monotony.

Even the cry of the sea birds was startling, as it came to Clifford's ears on the clear air. An ugly fancy took possession of him, too, as he drew near to Shingle End at last, that the cries he heard were not all those of the sea birds; that it was a human cry, shrill and weird, which came to him over the flat meadowland by the sea.

He stopped. He heard the sound again. And, forgetting his promise not to hurry, he went on towards Col. Bostal's house as fast as his tired feet could carry him. He was sure now that the cries had not been those of the birds; sure, too, that they had proceeded from the direction of the spot to which he was hastening.

There was a ragged plantation of untrimmed trees and thorn bushes on the right side of the road, before he came to Shingle End. Just as he approached this, the darkest part of the whole road, a man sprang out upon him from the shade of the overhanging trees and seized him from behind. Clifford shouted, struggled, trying in vain to turn, so that he might see the man's face. But his assailant, who did not utter a word, frustrated all his effort, and held him fast.

(To be Continued.)

Humors, pimples, boils are very annoying. They quickly disappear when the blood is purified by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Sheffield has been given up as one of the bishop's seats in the proposed division of the diocese of York, because the wealthy laymen of the town refuse to contribute to the support of a bishop.

GOOD NEWS

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Britain's Princess.

The Wife of the Heir to the Throne at Home.

A Day Amid the Royal Surroundings Where She Entertains Her Friends.

The Princess Is a Great Favorite and Lives in a Charming Neighborhood.

"The Princess of Wales at home." Those words upon a card, when supplemented with the date and the phrase Marlborough House, are eagerly sought and greatly prized when obtained by London society. When the Princess is housed at Sandringham she is not, according to social etiquette, at all "At Home," although she is then more at home in the truest sense of that phrase than when at Marlborough House.

By rights of primogeniture and nomenclature Marlborough House should be the London residence of the master of Blenheim Castle, who is also by strict construction of English law master of his American duchess, who holds in her veins the Knickerbocker blood of the Vanderbilts and the Kissams.

Any of the ladies of the diplomatic set or of that exclusive one in aristocratic circles who enjoy intimacy with the Princess of Wales, and who call upon her, must enter from the Pall Mall side, after touching the electric bell cap, and also giving to a knocker of the eighteenth century that aristocratic rat-tat-tat used in all Mayfair districts. They next find themselves by a magical response waited upon by two royal flunkeys of the Thackerayan stamp of Rameses, and are by them ushered through wide portals to the reception room, and thence either in the main 65x25 great drawing-room, or into the India room, or perhaps into the boudoir of the Princess; all according as their transmitted cards may have seemed to require. There would be observed separate corridors leading to the business chambers that are set apart for the Prince for his own retinue and his own callers.

The main great drawing-room has upon the walls paneled hangings of crimson silk, and is carpeted with a whole piece of Axminster, together with an embarass de richesse of rugs. A tall and wide dazzling white mantel surmounted by a plate glass beveled mirror is the principal feature of the apartment, and then the eyes dwell upon the tasteful high frescoed ceiling, or perhaps wander away to observe the two grand rosewood pianos, exquisitely carved, and next, in another corner, an Erard harp of stately proportions. The usual complement of sofas, divans, assorted chairs and fauteuils are also observable.

If a caller be, through intimacy, shown into the private boudoir of the Princess, in which are various doors opening to the bedchambers of herself or the Prince, and to their respective dressing and wardrobe rooms, she will step upon the velvety pile carpet of another and cosy looking room of square proportions, measuring twenty-five feet, furnished in Marqueterie, and with every possible pretext for rest, repose and abandon. On all sides are flowers of the season and globes of gold fish. There is an aviary for an assortment of singing birds. Perhaps, near to the wood fire that blazes in the ample chimney place, may be seen one or two of the rare Persian cats that are favorites of the Princess; or one of her pet dogs that naturally, in the Marlborough House, might be of the Blenheim breed. These dumb favorites have their especial attendant.

Perhaps the arrangement of the flowers brought here from the nearby conservatory will be the most striking feature of the boudoir. An intense floral worship by the Princess has made her popular with the florists. Society copies all her floral fads.

When Prince or Princess give a large banquet it is held in the dining-room, which adjoins the drawing-room, but if there is a dinner to only a few, then the India room is used. The 5 o'clock teas are given in the boudoir. A retinue of servants saves the ever young face of the Princess from even one wrinkle of care or worry. In constituting the household service come the steward and the housekeeper, the groups of butlers, valets and footmen, dressers, wardrobe women and maids, and the chef with his kitchen cabinet. Inasmuch as the Prince is socially already King, and the Princess as socially a Queen-consort, she possesses small leisure for supervision of household duties. Probably she and the Prince live most of their time outside of the walls of either Marlborough House or the Sandringham estate.

No doubt the wardroom of the Princess is, as a chorus in the opera of the "Mikado" runs, "a wonderful sight to see." As the arbiter of fashion in dress the Princess has much to say and do in toilette matters. If the caller of intimate habit find the Princess indisposed in her bedroom off the boudoir, this sleeping apartment would be found carpeted with a three-pile velvet fabric patriotically of British weaving, and of variegated neutral colors. The bedsteads and dressing-tables are of Hungarian oak.

It is not to be wondered at that while now nearing her half century of life the Princess of Wales presents the appearance of a matron only 35 years old, for there is no other woman in the world so free from worry or cares and who leads so equable a life. Although the death of the Duke of Clarence proved a shock, yet she soon rallied from it. She does not suffer from responsibilities, for these are few and not harrassing in the slightest. In the drama of royalty she plays the role of "walking lady," and surveys its acts and scenes from a proscenium box.

The grounds surrounding Marlborough House are capacious and well wooded, while there is a fine garden. Refreshment marquees and tents as rendezvous for guests are erected at the Marlborough garden parties, and the method of conduct at these becomes the model for those in other parts of London. To say "the Princess of Wales does so and so" precludes in the circles of Mayfair and Eaton Square any argumet to the converse.

Walking around the Marlborough garden one cannot fail to see in a corner of it four petite tombstones sacred to the memory of "Tiny," "Muff" and a Japanese dog "Joss," all of whom died while household pet spaniels; "also a stone to commemorate rabbit" Bunney," once the joy of the childish dukes and princesses in Marlborough House. Then, there is also a headboard for Boxer," the larger dog, who had been a favorite of the Prince.

Baby Prince George enjoys his daily drives. And one only realizes the apparent irony of calling the Princess of Wales a grandmother when her yet juenile face and figure are stndied.

OAKEY HALL.

"Now for another Arctic exploration," said Fogg, as he started on a search for his overshoes.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade in Canada.

Toronto, Ont., Feb 25.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly statement of trade in Canada says:

The volume of trade at Montreal shows no material increase since a week ago, but in one or two special lines there has been some improvement of demand in a moderate way. Sugars have recovered somewhat from their long-continued dullness, and an advance of an eighth of a cent has been established by refiners. Teas and other staple lines of groceries remain dull. Drygoods orders are reported moderately numerous, but are as a rule small in extent, and show that careful buying is being practiced.

General business at Toronto is hardly as active at the present time as merchants had anticipated. In some lines there is reported an improvement, while in others the movement is limited. Dealers, however, are hopeful that the turn for the better will come soon.

The number of business failures is smaller than for several weeks, and the prevailing sentiment has improved. Failures for the week are 50, against 50 for the same week last year.

A Smile: A Laugh.

So you had your clothes made by Worth. Did you get a good fit?" "No, my husband had the fit when the bill came in."

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"You, Mose, you black rascal!" "Yes, papa?" "Quit swarin' yo's 'spenders crossed in front; half de time I dunno whedder yo's comin' or fiwine."

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"Uncle Simon, what is a phenomenon?" "A phenomenon is a man who gets so rich that he won't accept a pass on a railroad."—Chicago Record.

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"It," said the grinning savage, as he turned the machine gun on the discomfitted Christian civilizers, "is a poor Maxim that won't work both ways."

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Rector—You see things in a different light since you married, do you not? Mrs. Newed—I ought to. There were fifteen lamps among our wedding presents.

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He (cautiously): "If I should propose, would you say 'yes'?"

She (still more cautiously): "If you knew I would say 'yes,' would you propose?"

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"Do you rectify mistakes here?" asked a gentleman as he stepped into a chemist's. "Yes, sir, we do, if the patient is still alive," replied the urbane clerk.

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Approbation. — He — There is one thing that I particularly like about our minister. She—What is that? He —His practice of frequently exchanging pulpits.—Puck.

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Tommy—I think mamma is an awful gossip. Ethel—O, Tommy, how can you say such a thing? Tommy—Well, she is; everything I do she goes right off and tells papa. I hate gossip.

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She—Here is the story of a man who says he never made love to a girl in his life. Do you believe it? He—It may be true. Some fellows make a specialty of widows, you know.

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"Shall you go to the ball, Major?" asked the sweet young maiden. "Ah, no, my dear," returned the Major. "My ball days are over since I lost my right leg." "Too bad. But you'll go to the hop, won't you?"

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A Doubtful Compliment—Mudleson (a budding fictionist)—I hope you liked my new novel? It has a happy ending, at all events. Miss Stumbles (enthusiastically)—Yes; I was so relieved when I came to the last chapter.

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Maude—They say that Charley Goames is awfully sweet on you.

Clara—Nonsense! I wouldn't be seen in his company.

Maude—I suppose that is the reason you always turn the light down when he calls.

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He telling a hair-breadth adventure: "And in the bright moonlight we could see the dark muzzles of the wolves."

She (breathlessly): "Oh, how glad you must have been that they had their muzzles on!"

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Dealer—Here's a cyclometer I can recommend. It is positively accurate; not at all like some cyclometers which register two miles, perhaps, when you have only ridden one.

Young Lady—You haven't any of that kind, have you?

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Mr. Spriggins (gently)—My dear, a man was shot at by a burglar the other day, and his life was saved by a button which the bullet struck. Mrs. Spriggins—Well, what of it? Mr. Spriggins (meekly)—Nothing; only the buttons must have been on.

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"It must have been a very tender-hearted butcher who killed this lamb," said the Cheerful Idiot, pausing in the sawing of his chop. "Why?" kindly asked the shoe-clerk boarder. "He must have hesitated three or four years before striking the fatal blow."

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"What is your line of business?" whispered the editor to a man he was about to introduce to Northern capitalists. "I haul furniture," huskily came the reply. "Here, gentlemen," continued the editor, "is Mr. Jones, one of the moving spirits of our city."

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On the Lawn—The Professor (affably): "What an extraordinary mass of flowers in that small bed. I really never saw such vivid colors and unusual shapes."

The Hostess (coldly): "That is not a bed of flowers. It is my daughter's hat, left carlessly upon the grass."

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"A classical education," remarked the cynical professor, "is a good thing in some cases." "But don't you approve of it in general?" 'No. It strikes me as highly objectionable when it goes no further than to enable a young woman to put good Latin into bad English."

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

Things That Are Different in Mexico.

The hotel "chambermaids" are all men.

Fashionable calls are made until 8 p.m.

Mexicans are never too lazy to be polite.

Nine o'clock at night is a favorite dinner hour.

Everybody who has a turnout drives from 5 to 7 every evening.

Gentlemen smoke at all times—in the street cars, at table, anywhere.

Babies are carried by their nurses, and are seldom seen in babycarriages.

Railroads, street cars and hackmen all provide three grades of accommodations.

Men of rank doff their hats to each other and shake hands at meeting and parting.

Meals are served in courses, one meal or vegetable at a time, with a complete change of service for each.

Hotel offices are closed and elevators stop at 10 o'clock. If you want a room after that hour the porter will show you to one.

The luxury most desired by every Mexican peon is a sewing machine, and this modern device will be found in many like homes that have few pieces of furniture. The men use them as readily as the women.

It is not the custom of Mexico to do business—or anything else, for that matter—at the breakneck speed so often believed necessary in the United States. It is 8 or 9 o'clock before offices and important business houses are open, and the custom of closing stores for an hour and a half or two hours between 12 and 3 o'clock is still very generally observed. By 7 o'clock in the evening the windows and doors are boarded up again, and by the time it is fairly dark there is hardly a sign of the handsome display windows, but in their stead a solid wall of securely locked wooden and iron shutters that cover every bit of glass.—Modern Mexico.

THE FISHERIES.

Conclusions Arrived at by the International Commission.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.—The President has sent to Congress a report of the commissioners appointed under the act of 1892 to examine into the condition and recommend the best method of protecting fisheries in contiguous waters of the United States and Canada.

"Our observations," they say, "have clearly demonstrated the inexpediency of attempting to regulate any of the fisheries herein discussed by a rigid code of enactments, owing to their constantly changing character, and conditions, and we therefore urge, in the event of joint action by the two Governments, that a permanent joint committee, to be composed of competent experts, be provided, which shall be charged with the direct supervision of these fisheries, and shall be empowered to conduct investigations and modify regulations as circumstances require." The commission say no system of regulations can be properly administered except by the licensing or registration of fishermen as a basis of restricting the character and amount of apparatus employed in each locality. They also say much of the irritation between fishermen, especially in the region of the great lakes, has been caused by a misconception of the Dominion of the intervening water areas, the belief being widespread that beyond the three-mile limit the waters are neutral. They suggest the expediency of official maps of the great lakes, showing the boundary line, and the distribution of these maps among the fishermen.

The Little Christ Is Coming Down.

The little Christ is coming down
Across the fields of snow;
The pine trees greet him where they stand,
The willows bend to kiss His hand,
The mountain laurel is ablush
In hidden nooks, the wind, ahush
And tiptoe, lest the violets wake
Before their time for His sweet sake
The stars, down dropping, form a crown
Upon the waiting hills below,—
The little Christ is coming down
Across the fields of snow.

The little Christ is coming down
Across the city street;
The wind blows coldly from the north,
His dimpled hands are stretching forth,
And no one knows, and no one cares,
The priests are busy with their prayers,
The jostling crowd hastes on apace,
And no one sees the pleading face,
None hears the cry, as, through the town
He wanders with His small cold feet,—
The little Christ is coming down
Across the city street.

—Harriet F. Blodgett.

MR. JUSTICE GRANTHAM had no prisoners for trial at the last Flintshire Assizes. He congratulated the grand jury upon the entire immunity of the county from serious crime, and said that had been practically the condition of the whole of the principality, a circumstance which was very creditable to the Welsh people. If Wales continued as free from crime it was probable that some alteration would have to be made with reference to the attendance of judges at assizes, where there was no work to do. His lordship was presented with the customary pair of white gloves.

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Plates.

All the plates must be turned into cash. They're lovely printed goods and extra good ware. Here are the prices.

6-inch Plates, yesterday 70c dozen, today..... 45c

Soup plates that were 95c a dozen are now. ... 60c

8 inch plates, usually $1 a dozen, go at..... 75c

Sets.

Several different lines slaughtered for sacrifice. They'll soon go. Better hurry up. Here's some sample snaps.

A 99-piece Dinner Set, was $7, is..... $5 00

A $3 69 Tea Set, 44 pieces, now..... $2 00

A $9 set made of the very best ware..... $6 00

Sundries.

Can't tell you all about the store in a small space. It's just as impossible to tell you all about this sale. A few prices quoted on sundries will give you an idea, however:

Bakers, nominally 20c, at..... 10c

Larger ones, usually 25c at..... 15c

50c Vegetable Dishes or..... 35c

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THE BARGAIN TABLES

contain some rare good snaps that are being eagerly snatched up by prudent buyers. Come and share in the division of profits.

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A LIST OF MONEY-SAVERS

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Gilt Banded Saucers, odd, lovely goods, at 2c each; value 5c.

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18 bars of Washing Soap for 25c; a decided bargain.

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DRUNKEN BEES.

Bumblebees That Gave Evidence of Peeling Remorse.

Mr. T. L. Williams, in a note in the Journal of Botany points out certain facts about bumblebees which will be of interest to some humans. Their intoxicatng tipple is the honey produced by the crowded flowers of the capitulate heads of certain compositae and dipsasaetae. When the stage of intoxication is reached it is indicated by rolling on the back, striking the legs wildly in the air and general helplessness.

The bees rapidly recovered from the effects, and in most cases were eager to repeat the debauch; but one individual which had been shut up in a vasculum with copious supplies of centaurea scabiosa manifested the next morning a praiseworthy remorse and disgust, raising its head and forelegs as high as it could above the plants, then hurrying away as soon as released. The most dissolute species is the neuter of bombus lapidarius. The remorse probably indicates the presence of the headache, which in the highest animal of all is so provocative of good resolutions.

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FAIR AND COLD.

Toronto, Feb. 27—11 p.m.—An important area now covers the Northwest Territories and Manitoba, while the depression which was over the upper lakes last night has moved to the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The weather has been generally fair throughout the Dominion, and very cold in Manitoba. Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Esquimalt, 34—48; Calgary, 16—26; Edmonton, 2—20; Qu'Appelle, 22 below —14 below; Winnipeg, 40 below—14 below; Toronto, 26—28; Ottawa, 18—30; Montreal, 18—32; Quebec, 14—32; Halifax, 6—38.

PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Feb. 26—1 a.m.—Probabilities for 24 hours for lower lakes region: Northerly winds; fair and continued cold; local snow flurries.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory yesterday were 30 above and 13.5 above.

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A Mosaic map of Palestine, 30 feet long by 15 broad, has been discovered at a village between Salt and Kerak, east of the Jordan. The pavement is believed to belong to the fifth century after Christ.

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A Local Budget

—Miss Elliott, of London, is visiting with Mrs. Small in Sarnia.

—The millennium is approaching—no police court again today.

—Miss Winlow, of South London, is the guest of Miss Harris, Strathroy.

—London Masons have returned from Detroit, and report a welcome of the most cordial kind.

—Hand-bills and posters printed in most attractive designs at The Advertiser Job Department.

—The congregation of St. James' Church, South London, seriously think of erecting a new building.

—Up to date, $1,832 72 has been contributed for India famine sufferers by the Anglican Churches of the Diocese of Huron.

—On Wednesday evening a party was given at the residence of Mr. George F. Jewell, in honor of Mr. Harry Jewell, of Toronto, who is visiting here.

—Mrs. R. Kilgour and daughter, of Elmwood avenue, leave next week on a visit to Oaklands, California. Mrs. Edwards and grandchildren accompany them, and will remain there.

—F. and J. Hayman, George and Mrs. Hammett, Edward and Mrs. Martyn, and J. Barnes, all of this city, registered at the office of the Canadian High Commissioner, London, England, on Feb. 9.

—Walter Langridge, jun., recently with Graham Bros., left yesterday for Vancouver, B. C., where he has secured a position in the office of the Dominion Express Co. His many London friends wish him every success.

—Mrs. Jean Blewett, the Canadian poet, so well known on the continent, and daughter, with Miss Margaret Anglin, the Canadian actress, are the guests this week of Mrs. Peter White, at "The Beach," North Chicago.—Chicago Chronicle.

—It is said that electric wires near the chemical works are continually eaten by the chemical element in the air. Chief Roe has asked No. 3 committee for power to use a copper wire where the common wire is thus affected, and the other companies are doing the same.

—At the close of the French meetings of the Modern Language Club, of Toronto University, on Tuesday last, one of the most original and instructive essays of the term was read by Miss K. L. Mullins, of London, on Francois Coppee, the great living French poet and dramatist.

—The annual "At Home" of the Bell Telephone Company's employes, in the Duffield block tonight, promises to be a very pleasant affair for the guests and their hosts. Misses M. Laird, T. Barnard E. Taylor and J. Dibbs, and Messrs. C. W. Davidson, K. Wildern and A. E. Richards form the committee.

—Gorman Bros., who made their fame in minstrelsy, have cast off that form of entertainment, which is waning in popularity, and are now appearing in farce-comedy. They played twice to good business in the city yesterday. "The Gilhoolys Abroad" is the title of their production, and it serves to introduce a good deal of the singing and dancing which are the staples of minstrelsy. The play is cast in dramatic shape, and contains some good broad comedy, in which George and John Gorman shine. It is lively and amusing throughout.

—Mr. Joseph T. Marks, of this city, has started on an extended visiting tour of various directories of the Industrial Brotherhood, in the Western Province. He attended a big meeting in Woodstock on Monday night, when six candidates were initiated, and a large number proposed for membership. On Tuesday he was in Toronto, where there was a rousing meeting. Many candidates were initiated and proposed. On the evening following an open meeting was addresses by Messrs. Alf Jury, Sam Jones and Joseph Marks. Last night Mr. Marks was in Hamilton, and met with continued success. Matters in Industrial Brotherhood lines are booming.

INDIA FAMINE FUND

As sums of various amounts are coming in almost every day to the treasurer of the First Methodist Church for the India famine fund, it has been decided to wait a few days longer before closing the lists. These subscription lists will be found at the office of the McCormick Manufacturing Company and at Mr. T. R. Parker's C. P. R. ticket office, corner Richmond and Dundas. The full list will be published as soon as complete.

WHIST AT ST. THOMAS.

A party of twelve teams from the Oddfellows' Club in this city went to St. Thomas last evening, to play the St. Thomas Whist Club. Duplicate whist was the game, and 32 hands were played, the contest taking place at the Grand Central Hotel parlors. Although the "duplicate" game was new to most of the London players, they played well, and only lost by 6 points. After the conclusion of the game, the London boys were invited to the dining hall, where they were entertained to oysters and the etceteras. Mr. G. W. Babbitt, the president of the club presided, and the usual toasts were honored, and good nature held sway. The Londoners arrived home by this morning's train.

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FIRST HUSSARS HUSTLING.

The First Hussars intend to celebrate the diamond jubilee by turning out to the district camp this year in greater efficiency than ever. The officers have arranged for a voluntary course of drill once a week, under regimental Sergt.-Major Baxter. N. C. officers and troopers who wish to attend these drills should apply through their squadron officers at once. A few smart young men will be taken on as recruits, if application be made in time—they must own suitable horses. When the weather serves mounted drills and rides will be held, and the new system of cavalry attacks and defense practiced. The modern use of cavalry calls for the utmost skill and intelligence, and the training required cannot fail to be of use in any walk of life.

SUCCESSFUL CANADIAN INVENTORS.

The following list of patents, recently granted to inventors, residing in Canada, is reported for the London Advertiser, by P. J. Edmunds, international patent solicitor, London, Ont. Canada patents: C. Sandford, Madoc; bag holder; T. Whitcomb, Smith's Falls, horse rake; the Canadian General Electric Company, electric meter (extension of patent); James H. Mackenzie, et al., Toronto, baking powder (trade mark); J. C. Hopkins, Brantford, "Life of Queen Victoria" (book copyright). United States patents: F. T. Trebilcock, London, hood for bottles, etc.; John R. Brown, Harrison Hot Springs, Canada, gold amalgamating machine; Emma Q. A. McNutt, Amherst, retainer or guide for hatpins; John Strang, Quebec, clamp. British patents: Scribner Organ Company, London, pipe for combined reed and pipe organ.

GUIDING STARS

Revealed by Night—Noble Characters Developed in Adversity—Rev. J. H. Moorhouse's Lecture.

"Night Revealeth the Stars," was the subject of another able and entertaining lecture, delivered by Rev. J. Hopkins Moorhouse, rector of Christ Church, in the lecture hall of the church last evening. He is very popular as a lecturer, and on each of these occasions is greeted by a large audience, who listen in rapt attention. He introduced his theme by saying, as night revealed the stars, that were invisible during the sunshine, so had difficulties brought to view the men and women of sterling merit—statesmen, such as Pitt; soldiers, such as Wellington and Nelson. Great events furnished illustrations of this. Many benefits had come to the nations, in reforms, and the establishment of certain rights, and privileges which had sprung from difficulties in the first instance, as, for example, the Magna Charta, under King [illegible] the Petition of Rights, under Charles I. After speaking at some length about the nations, he dealt with society in a more limited sense. Every neighborhood had its stars—those to whom all turned for guidance, for counsel, for relief. Speaking of the individual he said, the night of difficulty, through which all men pass, serves to bring out their qualities of character, of mind, of heart, hitherto unknown.

The lecturer, in conclusion, recited Henry Kirk White's poem, "The Star of Bethlehem," with fine effect.

DOING GOOD WORK.

A Successful Foresters Benefit Concert in the East End Hall—Mayor Little Presides.

Mayor Little presided with his usual ability at a concert given in the East End Hall last night by Court Forest City, No. 5,744, A. O. F., for the benefit of Messrs. Isaac Briggs and Thos. H. Caslake. The mayor eulogized the noble work done by the order, and pointed out that over $2,300 had been paid to Messrs. Briggs and Caslake. The former had been drawing benefits since Dec. 30, 1889, and the latter since January, 1892. Both are members of about 25 years' standing.

The hall was filled, and the audience enjoyed a capital programme as follows: Instrumental selection, Mr. G. Watts; song, Mr. T. Robinson; recitation, Mr. A. Black; song, Mr. H. R. Macdonald; song, Miss E. Lightheart; Shaun Trews, Miss Annie Patton; selection, Messrs. Williamson and Corbin brothers; duet, Misses Scott; recitation, Mr. A. Dobbie; song, Dr. P. B. Wood; song, Miss N.McClain; recitation, Mr. H. F. Williams; song, Dr. Fred. L. Wood; sailors' hornpipe, Miss Annie Patton; song, Mr. H. Kibbler. Miss K. Richards acted as accompanist.

Afterwards the young people enjoyed an assembly, Mr. E. Gillett acting as master of ceremonies, and Mr. George Watts presiding at the piano. The committee in charge of the concert and assembly comprised Messrs. George Taylor, Walter Arthur, H. Porter, T. Chrysler, T. E. Barnes, J. Mills, Walter Toll, J. J. Brown, C. Baker, Ed. Young, W. Pugh, W. Standfield, G. Berry, T. Clift, and Walter Richards.

LONDON ASYLUM ARTISTS

Give a Fine Performance—Musical and Dramatic.

One of the greatest successes in the history of the Asylum Dramatic Club was achieved by them Wednesday evening in their rendition of the two-act comedy, "A Little Savage." The piece was put on in a manner that would be creditable to a professional theater company, and held the attention of the audience from the rise of the curtain to the close of the second act, the especially meritable parts of the play being applauded sufficiently enthusiastically to satisfy the heart of the most applause-loving of performers. The scenic setting of the stage was beautiful and the costumes were superb, the gowns of Miss Ina Bucke and Miss Cecelia Sippi being very rich and becoming. All filled their parts to perfection, and to individualize as to superiority would be impossible.

Preceding the comedy was a concert. Mr. E.P. Bucke sang "The Bandilero" in a rich baritone voice, with good tone and fine style. Mr. M. O'Rourke, of the Asylum Band, in his usual artistic manner played a clarinet solo, "Longing for Home," receiving the heartiest applause for his efforts. Miss Morris (her first appearance in the asylum music hall) recited "Claudius and Cynthia" in a way that proved at once to her hearers that she was master of the art of elocution, and her easy carriage on the stage showed her to have full control of herself before the footlights. Mr. George Angus followed with a violin solo, which he rendered with such skill as to hold his audience in perfect silence during his entire performance, at the end of which he received the unanimous applause, apparently, of the between 500 and 600 insane and sane people before him, proving that an asylum audience can appreciate artistic music when it comes within their hearing. During the evening the Asylum Brass and Reed Band, under the leadership of Dr. Sippi, played several seletions, each one of which was well received. This organization is always a favorite with the people of the asylum, and at all times it is greeted by them in an appreciative manner. Following is the programme of the evening's entertainment:

PART I.

Musical selections—(a) Bonnie Scotland.....Hartman; (b) Waltzes — Venus Reigen.....Gung'l

Song—The Bandilero.....Stewart
Mr. E. P. Bucke.

Clarinet solo—Longing for Home.....A. Jungmann
Mr. M. O'Rourke.

Recitation—Claudius and Cynthia.....Maurice Thompson
Miss Eila Morris.

Violin solo—Ballet and Polonaise...Vieutemps
Mr. George Angus.

PART II.

Grand march—Lewistonian.....Hull Asylum Band.

FARCE COMEDY—THE LITTLE SAVAGE.

Major Choker.....Mr. Benjamin Rogers
Mr. John Parker.....Mr. George Downey
Mr. Lionel Larkins.....Mr. William Thirsk
Jonathan, the Major's servant.....Mr. Geo. England
Lady Barbara Choker.....Miss Ina Bucke
Kate Dalrymple.....Miss Cecelia Sippi

Scene—Interior of one of the stately homes England. Time—The present.

SOUP MADE OF FRUITS.

Several Unique, But First-Class Dishes That Are New to Most Cooks.

In one of her lectures on cooking, Miss Annie Barrows spoke of fruit soups, which are quite common in foreign countries, particularly in Sweden, says the Philadelphia Times. They are appetizing and healthful, and offer a pleasing variety from those common to the American bill of fare. The one she made for purposes of illustration was delicious. For it she took one tablespoonful of raisins, two tablespoonfuls of raw rice, three whole cloves and one cupful of dried apricots which had been thoroughly soaked. To these was added three pints of water. This mixture was cooked for about an hour; then it was rubbed through a sieve, and afterwards half a tablespoonful of salt and a tablespoonful of sugar were added. The seasoning. Miss Barrows explained, would depend upon the fruit. Apples, being much more acid, naturally would require more sugar than the amount used for apricots.

Something new in the way of salads was made by combining apples, celery and nuts. For this dish, the lecturer said, there is an almost unlimited field for the exercise of one's ingenuity. There were almonds, pecans and walnuts in this particular combination, blanched first and then cut into small pieces. The apples were pared and cored and also cut up, as was the celery. A cupful of each was used, and over them was poured a tablespoonful of salad oil and a little smaller quantity of lemon juice. After that had stood a while a mayonnaise dressing was poured over all, made of a teaspoonful of paprika (a bit of cayenne would do), four tablespoonfuls of lemon (half may be of vinegar), a pint of oil and the yolks of two eggs.

The lecturer told how to vary breakfast farina by cooking it in fruit juices; to improve insipid pears by preserving them in grape juice; of the value of serving fried or broiled apples with fat meats, and how to make a filling for shortcake, which might do for a sauce as well, by cutting bananas and cooking in lemon and sugar.

One of the steamship companies of England has ordered a steamship to be built for the "sole use of invalids."

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New Shoes

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A few days ago we received from the celebrated J. D. King Company, Toronto, 480 pairs of their famous Ladies' $2 Turned Sole Dongola Oxford Tie Shoes, kid lined, silk sewn and patent toecap. These shoes are all up-to date styles, made in razor, Piccadilly and coin toes, sizes 3 to 7.

The mere description here of this shoe can but give to you a slight idea of what this shoe really is, so we take this opportunity of inviting everyone in search of "SNAPS" to call and examine this shoe. Our window display will give you an idea of what this shoe is. For three days this shoe can be purchased in any size or shape of toe for

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"BORROWING TROUBLE."

One might have expected children to be free from a special form of unhappiness to which their elders are prone—that of "borrowing trouble;" but there are instances on record of certain imaginative children who seem to have had a special faculty for conjuring up future calamities.

A certain little girl found great cause for unhappiness in the conviction that when she grew up she should be a widow, with a drunken husband, and a large family to support with her needle. Many were the tears shed over that picture of herself, haggard and forlorn, bending over her work at the attic window. This gloomy picture probably had its origin in some forgotten Sunday school book.

Less easy is it to trace the cause of the worry that assailed a little boy who, as Mr. T. W. Higginson relates, aroused his mother by a violent fit of crying after he had been put to bed. Questioned as to the cause of his grief, he sobbed:

"I'm—afraid—that when I grow up—that I shan't have money enough to pay my taxes!"

Still another example is mentioned by Miss Alice Brown in her recent biography of Mercy Warren, concerning the childhood of Mr. John Fiske.

That youthful sage, living peaceably in his New England home, one luckless day read of the massacre at Schenectady, and thenceforth shivered at night over the logical consequence of its repetition. No one could comfort him; the assertion that all the hostile Indians were hundreds of miles away brought no relief to his inflamed imagination. Did they assure him of his own safety? He shook his wise little head in a conviction stronger than the fact.

"Ah," said he, mourning over the futility of ready-made platitudes, "that's what they thought at Schenectady!"

THEY WORKED WONDERS

Two Years of Bladder Torment—Had Attacks of Inflammation—Cured by a Few Boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Owen Sound, Feb. 22.—The people of this town are talking again of another cure credited to Dodd's Kidney Pills. This is the case of Mr. W. Cruse, caretaker of town buildings, who, when seen, had this to say of the matter:

"For over two years I have been an intense sufferer from kidney disease, with occasional acute attacks of inflammation of the bladder.

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"I have taken eighteen boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills, and am satisfied with results, being perfectly relieved of all suffering."

Hopeful.—"I hear that you are a widow," said the one who had been abroad. "Yes, just at present," said the one in black.—Indianapolis Journal.

A guard on the Great Western road in England, who has traveled over 4,000,000 miles in 40 years, recently received a purse of 100 guineas for being the greatest traveler in the world.