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British military rule at Bloemfontein is working smoothly, and private property is everywhere respected. Lord Roberts reports the return of the Guards Brigade from Norval's Pont, the surrender of several guns at Belmont and Colesberg, and the gradual disbandment of the Free State forces. The resolutions sent to the Queen by loyal Irishmen at Cape Town, with her message in reply, are striking proofs of the new era of good feeling for which her tact and sympathy have opened a way.

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### BOERS ARE ENTRENCHING

The Boer forces are entrenching on the Biggarsberg Range. About 300 rebels have surrendered to Brigadier-Brabant, near Allwal North, which is now in railway communication with the coast. The Dutch population south of the Orange River is settling down, and the lower half of the Free State is under *pax Britannica*.

British military rule at Bloemfontein is working smoothly, and private property is everywhere respected. Lord Roberts reports the return of the Guards Brigade from Norval's Pont, the surrender of several guns at Belmont and Colesberg, and the gradual disbandment of the Free State forces. The resolutions sent to the Queen by loyal Irishmen at Cape Town, with her message in reply, are striking proofs of the new era of good feeling for which her tact and sympathy have opened a way.

6 a.m.—The military correspondent of the News records an interesting prediction by Lord Wolseley. Bloemfontein, he said many weeks ago, would be occupied on March 15th, and Pretoria, if the Boer resistance was maintained, on May 14th. Lord Wolseley's reputation as a military prophet stands high, so that his guess with regard to the duration of the war in South Africa is of considerable interest.

News from Cape Town indicates that General Methuen has had a sharp engagement at Fourteen Streams, on the north bank of the Vaal River. He succeeded in driving the Boers from their position, and only a few casualties were sustained by the column, which he is leading to Mafeking.

### A Pleasant Home.

A call at Mr. Robert Barlow's comfortable, fine residence resulted in a few hours pleasantly spent. Mr. John M. Percival successfully runs about all the branches usually conducted on a good farm. He has made three brooders with accommodation for 150 chickens. He has a strong fancy for fine fowls and honey bees. Mrs. Addie Barlow-Percival has four pupils in oil-painting and water colors. Her rooms are not only richly decorated with paintings but are literally crowded with works of domestic art. And, what is more interesting, she possesses a quiet, easy disposition to entertain, a gentle unassuming manner, and a full share of common sense which has won for her a reputation for fidelity and kindness.—Com.

The farmers have been doing an immense amount of teaming lately. As this is March, the month in which it is possible for good sleighing to be spoiled in the course of a single night, they realize that it would be folly to put off till to-morrow what can be done to-day.

Mrs. C. Brown and Mrs. W. R. Brown left Athens on Tuesday morning for Estherville, Alberta, where Mr. Brown had gone about two months ago to prepare for their coming.

A blazing chimney on the house of Mr. B. DeWolfe, Reid street, caused an alarm of fire to be sounded on Sunday evening about 8.30. The services of the fire engine were not required.

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IN SPIRE OF HIS BIRTH.

CHAPTER I.

"Get out, there, blast yer! I tell yer to get out—yer hear?" "I won't get out. I have just as much right here as you have, Bill Bunting, and you need not think that I am afraid of a bully like you."

"Ye little fool! I can smash every bone in yer body, an' I'll do it, too, if ye don't look out. D'ye know who yer talkin' to? Take it back! Take it back! quick! or I'll—"

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eyes, you know; then his face is clean and his hair was neatly brushed before that naughty boy pushed him down. He took off his hat so politely to you, too, and—then he grew red and smiled at me."

"The horses had finished drinking by this time, and, after checking up their heads, the small boy again doffed his hat to the party in the carriage and stood modestly awaiting the customary nod for his services."

"The gentleman beckoned for him to come forward, and the boy sprang nimbly to the side of the carriage, upon the little girl and her fall-blinded pug as he did so."

"What is your name, my lad?" the gentleman asked, in a kindly tone, as he scanned the fine, frank face of the child.

"Ned, sir."

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BILIOUSNESS AND DYSPEPSIA

Have a Common Origin in Liver Complaint—Dr. Chase's Treatment For the Liver.

Carlyle justly attributed the ill-temper, which made him a monster in the eyes of the world, to a bad liver. He was bilious and dyspeptic, suffered with stomach pains and headache, was depressed in spirits and had gloomy forebodings of the future."

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CONUNDRUMS AND ANSWERS.

- 1. Why does a negro not have the cap on his knee that a white man does? Because he has one of his own. 2. When does a cow become real estate? When she is turned into a field. 3. When did the rooster crow where everybody in the world heard him? In the ark. 4. What two letters do boys delight in, to the annoyance of their elders? T's to tense. 5. What relation is the door mat to the scraper? A stepfather, (father.) 6. Why was Paul like a horse? Because he loved Timothy. 7. What is the best way to make a coat last? Make the pants and vest first. 8. How did Jonah look when he saw the whale coming to swallow him? He looked down at the mouth. 9. If you suddenly saw a house on fire, what three authors would you name? Dickens—Howitt—Burns. 10. How do you know that they had beer in the ark? The Kangaroo was in with hops, and the bear was always bruin. 11. What comes after cheese? Mice. 12. When was pork first introduced into the navy? When Ham entered the ark. 13. Why was Joseph the straightest man in the Bible? Because Pharaoh made a ruler of him. 14. Why is a pair of skates like an apple? They have both caused the fall of man. 15. When does a bed become a vehicle? When it is a little buggy. 16. What should a clergyman preach about? About half an hour. 17. What is worse than raining cats and dogs? Hailing cabs and omnibuses. 18. What would you rather kiss than the Pope's? Mrs. Harriett Beecher Stowe. 19. Why was Dickens a greater man than Shakespeare? Because Shakespeare wrote well, but Dickens wrote Weller. 20. Why is a like twelve o'clock? Because its the middle of day. 21. What is smaller than an ant's mouth? What goes into it. 22. What table has not a leg to stand upon? The multiplication table. 23. Why is gooseberry jam like counterfeit money? Because it's not currant. 24. When may a chair be said to dislike you? When it can't bear you.

SOPERTON

MONDAY, Mar. 19.—The members of the Ladies' Aid will give a pie social at the residence of Mrs. Luther Washburn on Wednesday evening next. Lovers of pie should seize this opportunity, for the ladies have promised an abundance. Admission, 15c; children, 10c. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Murphy moved into their new home in Oak Leaf last week. Their friends wish them much joy and a life of prosperity. Mr. Will Flood and bride, Seely's Bay, visited among friends here last week. Mrs. Angie Barber and Miss Katie Cavanaugh visited at Lake Side recently. Miss Sadie Stafford spent last Sunday with friends at Charleston. Mr. and Mrs. S. Rowsome have both been on the sick list. The many friends hope for their recovery. Mr. Clate Huffman renewed old acquaintances here before starting for the West, where he intends to try his fortune. Mr. Harry Williams, of Cardinal, visited his many friends in this vicinity last week. Miss Maggie Frye has returned from Forfar, where she has been spending a few days with friends. Miss Clara Taber arrived home on Sunday last from an extended visit with friends at Battersea and Sunbury. The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. Wm Godkin on Wednesday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. E. Halladay, Elgin, were guests at Mr. John Fries' on Thursday last. The Misses Taber entertained a few of their young friends at tea on Thursday last. Rev. A. G. Robertson, Oxford Mills, called on a number of his old friends this past week. Miss Belle Johnson and H. Richards were guests at Lake Side recently. A number from here attended the concert in Elgin on Friday night. The Hamilton Herald says: "The fact that the school population as well as the birth rate of the province is decreasing looks ominous. Defective registration cannot account for both decreases. It is much to be feared that they indicate a growing disinclination on the part of the Ontario wives to assume the duties and responsibilities of maternity. This is one of the causes of decadence in France. It is a bad sign."

CHARLESTON LAKE

R. N. Dowley of Athens was in Brookville on Tuesday, purchasing lumber for the repairs and additions to be made to Mr. Banta's house, recently purchased by him from Walter Beatty, Esq., M.P.P. It will take about 10,000 feet of lumber and 45,000 British Columbia cedar shingles to make the improvements contemplated by Mr. Banta. Ira M. Kelly has been engaged to superintend the work for Mr. Banta. It is reported that P. W. Strong has rented the Armstrong cottage at Charleston lake from W. G. Parish and will spend the greater part of the summer there. A wealthy New Yorker is anxious to secure one of the best cottages on the lake from May until October. R. N. Dowley has torn down and removed his ice house to a more convenient location near his cottage. Lev. Southworth has arranged to open Cedar Park Hotel about the middle of April, in good time for the spring catch of salmon. The old Kelsey homestead will be put in shape for tenants early in the spring. Justus Smith is getting his boat lively in order for next season.

Look Out, Young Man.

When it is said of a man, "He drinks," and when it can be proved, then what store wants him for a clerk? Who would trust him? What dying man would appoint him his executor? He may have been forty years in building his reputation—it goes down. Letters of recommendation, the backing up of business firms, a brilliant ancestry, cannot save him. The world shies off. Why? It is whispered through all the community, "He drinks! he rinks!" That blots him. When a young man loses his reputation for sobriety, he might as well be at the bottom of the sea. There are young men who have their good name as their only capital. Your father has started you out in city life. He could give you only an education. He gave you no means. He started you, however, under Christian influence. You have come to the city. You are now achieving your own fortune, under God, by your own right arm. Now look out, young man, that there is no doubt of your sobriety. Do not create any suspicion by going in and out of liquor establishments, or by any odor of your breath, or by any glare of your eye, or by any unnatural flush of your cheek. You cannot afford to do it, for your own good name is your only capital, and when that is blasted with the reputation of taking strong drink, all is gone.—Carriker's Advertiser.

"Ill weeds grow apace." Impurities in your blood will also grow unless you promptly expel them by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

A correspondent of the Orillia Packet worries over the cussedness of farmers in the matter of piling cord-wood. Might as well preserve his temper and save his time. A farmer who couldn't be paid to wrong you out of a cent in any other transaction will pile the wood in the way handed down by his ancestors since the first cord of wood was delivered to a customer in Canada.

Gen. Buller, over fifty years old and possessed of an enormous private income, leaves his beautiful Devonshire home to fight for his Queen and Empire in a hazardous campaign in which he endures all the cold and hunger and privations of the humblest soldier of his army. The spirit which inspires Sir Redvers Buller is characteristic of all in Her Majesty's service.

"A Lump Like Lead"—How often one hears the dyspeptic complain of this sensation in the stomach. Through neglect or overwork the digestive organs are weakened and this symptom is the common sensation after eating. The pineapple contains a large percentage of vegetable pepsin, and is a potent aid to digestion. This discovery has given to the world nature's delightful and positive cure, Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets—60 in a box, 35 cents. Sold by J. P. Lamb & Son.

Mr. Max. Goldberg, fur dealer of Ottawa, made a rare purchase in the Gatineau district last week when he secured four silver fox skins. These are the first he has secured in several years and it was thought none of these fur-bearing animals were in the district mentioned. Mr. Goldberg at once shipped the pelts to a leading fur house in London, Eng., where they will sell at a handsome figure. A shantyman at Gilmour's camp trapped one fox and the other three were secured at Birch Lake.

Times: A few days ago E. McCrae, a dealer living on the outskirts of the town, disposed of a cow to Thomas Burns, the butcher, who has since slaughtered the animal. Upon dissecting its stomach he found it contained a large ball of hair, a couple of handfuls of nails and a miscellaneous collection of articles. The ball of hair was about the size of a baseball, and was evidently the accumulation of years which had become matted and solidified in the stomach presenting a perfectly smooth surface which shone like polished mahogany.

IN THE BABY'S EYES

What is the dream in the baby's eyes As he lies and blinks to a quiet sorcery, With little we know that dimly he sees Either and neither, and so and fro; With little, we feel that shall lead him? God knows, But a prayer from my heart like a benison goes, Bundle of helplessness, yonder he lies, What is the dream in my baby's eyes? What does he wonder and what does he know That we have forgotten so long, long ago? Dashed in the dawn light, what does he see That slow years have hidden from you and me? Out of the yesterday seeth he yet, The things that in living he soon shall forget, All that is hidden beyond the blue daisies, What is the dream in my baby's eyes? Speak to me, little one, ere you forget What is the thought that is lingering there yet, Where is the land where the yesterdays meet, Waiting and waiting the morrows to greet? You were, funny bundle, who only will blink, What do you wonder, and what do you think? Bright as the moonlight asleep in the skies, What is the dream in my baby's eyes? —Tom Cordry in Minneapolis Messenger.

NEVER ATE FOREIGN MEAT.

It Doesn't Pay to Be Too Sure Until One Knows All the Facts. A certain Major Brownjones, who made it his boast that he never allowed American or colonial meat to be served at his table, recently visited an old comrade in Liverpool. One night at dinner a most delicious saddle of (apparently) Welsh mutton appeared, to which the major did ample justice. "Ah," he observed, "I wish that my butcher in London would send me stuff like that, and yet he deals only in the best British meat." "Well," said his friend, "as a matter of fact you have been eating New Zealand mutton. But it's only fair to say that I get it from a friend, who is a large wholesale importer." "By Jove, you don't say so!" exclaimed the guest. "I wish he'd tell me where I can get the like in town." "We'll go and see him tomorrow," said the host. The visit was duly paid to the meat monger, who smiled when he heard the Londoner's eulogy and explanation. "Tell me," he returned after listening to the epicure's remarks, "in what part of London you reside, and I dare say I can give you the address of a retail butcher who will supply you with exactly the same sort of mutton as that which you like so much." The major handed him his card. "Ah," observed the importer, "there's the very man within two streets of your house. We supply him with all his meat. Here's his address," he added, handing a slip of paper to the seeker after succulent joints. The major read, the major started, the major frowned, the major, truth to say, cried vengeance, and no wonder, for the address was that of his own butcher, who dealt only in home produce.—London Sketch.

The Bottle at Ship Launches.

Down to Charles II's time it was customary to name and baptize a ship after she was launched, sometimes a week or two after. The old Tudor method used for men-of-war was still in use. Peppy's "Diary" shows that. The ship was safely got afloat, after which some high personage went on board with a special silver "standing cup" or "dingy" of wine, out of which he drank, naming the ship and pouring a libation on the quarter deck. The cup was then generally given to the dockyard shipwright as a memento. When did the present usage of naming and baptizing a ship before she is sent afloat come in? I trace the last explicit mention of the old method to 1664, when the Royal Katherine was launched (see Peppy). The first mention of smashing a bottle of wine on the bows of an English man-of-war that I have found is in a contemporary newspaper account of May, 1780, describing the christening of H. M. S. Magnanime at Deptford, but nothing is hinted that it was then a new custom. —Notes and Queries.

To Fly in Your Dreams.

There is a peculiarity about the flying dream that seems to be constant. Of all those whom I asked about the matter and who are conscious of the flying dream at all not one has ever known himself to make any high flights in his dreams. One always flies low, with a skimming manner, slightly, but only slightly, above the heads of pedestrians. And one's critical attitude in a dream toward one's own performance is always interesting to note, both in regard to this particular class of dream and even more toward one of the other classes. It is an attitude that is well brought out in "Alice in Wonderland," where Alice is made to exclaim or to think while she is falling, "How brave they will all think it like me at home not to bind a great fall like this!"—Longman's.

Logical.

"What is a furrier, Tommy?" asked the teacher of a pupil in the juvenile class. "A man who deals in furs," answered Tommy. "That's right," said the teacher. "Now, Tommy, you may tell me what a currier is." "A man who deals in cures," was the unexpected but logical reply.—Chicago News.

The Coldest Country.

The coldest inhabited country appears to be the province of Verchajansk, in oriental Siberia. A Russian savant passed one entire year in the inhospitable region and kept a daily record of the temperature, from which it appears that the daily mean of the entire year is 2.74 degrees below zero.

The first constitutional convention in Ohio contained as delegates five men who afterward were elected governor of the state and four who became United States senators.

In Madagascar silk is the only fabric used in the manufacture of clothing. It is cheaper than linen in Ireland.

ATHENS, ONT., MARCH 5TH, 1900. MR. W. G. McLAUGHLIN, Prop'r Asphalt Cement and Roof Paint, Athens, Ontario.

DEAR SIR,—Replying to your enquiry as to my opinion of the worth of your Roofing Cement and Paint, I cannot do better than to relate my experience with it during the last year. Early in the spring of 1899, I commenced building a houseboat for my use on Charleston Lake. The hull was 13x36 feet, built of 1 1/2 inch planks with grooves in each edge. These grooves were filled with your Asphalt Roof Paint and a slip-tongue inserted; then the planks were drawn together with clamps and spiked to two side pieces two inches thick. The outside and inside of the hull were covered with two coats of your paint, and the frame work of a house 13x21 built inside the hull. The roof was something that gave me considerable thought as to the best means to make a light, strong, water-tight roof. I could allow a pitch of only two inches in seven feet, as I wished to use it for a floor from which to handle the sail and rudder used in moving the boat from place to place. I first put on a covering of 3/4 inch cedar; then spreading a coat of your Asphalt Roof Paint on, I tacked on a covering of heavy sack linen and then put on two coats of your Cement Roofing. The houseboat, when completed, was computed to weigh about three tons. As you are aware, the houseboat was built on my premises in Athens, and when finished had to be drawn a distance of five miles to the lake over one of the roughest roads to be found in Leeds County. A couple of timbers were placed under the boat and two traction engines hitched to it. The night before starting, I poured 16 large pails of water into the hold, and although three weeks had passed since the paint was put on, and the bottom was up some two feet from the ground, I failed to find one single place that leaked. On the way to the lake I made frequent examinations of the bottom to see if there was any leakage, but found none. The boat was launched in the water on the 16th day of May and up to the 23rd of October, when it was dry docked, I never once had to use the pump procured to remove water from the hold, and I had the houseboat anchored out and sailed across the "big waters" several times when it would have been considered unsafe to be out with a good row boat. The roof, too, has met my most sanguine expectations. At times, there have been four and five persons walking around on the roof, and not a day passed when the houseboat was being occupied but what the roof was traveled over many times; still, not a spot has given away and it has never leaked; a drop to my knowledge during the past summer. When drawing the houseboat out of the water last fall, I made a careful examination to see if the water or contact with rocks or sand had worn off the paint in any place and could find none. In conclusion, I say emphatically that I am perfectly satisfied with the result, B. LOVERIN.

HE HAD A HEAVY LOAD.

The Colored Corporal Explained Why He Carried Part of It.

General Lawton never feared of telling the following incident which he witnessed during the war in Cuba and which, he said, illustrated the irrepressible good humor of the negro soldier. "The night of the El Caney affair, when my division was marching back to El Paso to take up a new position the next morning, I was sitting with Major G. Creighton Webb, inspector general of my staff and one of the pluckiest men I know, at the side of the road. My men were filing past, and we watched them. They were tired out, but full of ginger. The day was just beginning to dawn, when we heard some one coming down the road talking at the top of his lungs. He talked and laughed and laughed and talked, and the men with him were chattering and joking. "Here come the colored troops," said Webb, and sure enough the Twenty-fifth infantry came along. The man who was doing the talking was a six foot corporal. He carried two guns and two cartridge belts lashed full, and the man to whom the extra gun and belt belonged was limping alongside him. The tall corporal was weighted down with his blanket and haversack, but in his arms he carried a dog, the mascot of his company. "Here, corporal," said Webb, "didn't you march all last night?" "Yes, sir," said the corporal, trying to salute. "And didn't you fight all day?" "Sure, sir." "And haven't you been marching ever since 10 o'clock tonight?" "Yes, sir." "Well, then," shouted Webb, "what in thunder are you carrying that dog for?" "Why, boss, the dog's tired," was the reply. "Webb just rolled over in the dirt and laughed and cried like a boy."—Chicago Record.

No More Bowie Knives.

The latest bill introduced into the New York Legislature includes women's hat pins in the class of "dangerous weapons," which it is a misdemeanor for any person to have in his or her possession. The enactment of the bill will doubtless cause temporary inconvenience, but no doubt inventive genius will soon devise some means of keeping hats on without the use of bowie-knives or daggers.

One Use of Dreams.

Novallis, the savant, declares that if we did not dream we should age very much sooner than we do. Dreams, he says, are a shield against the monotony of life. In proof of his assertion he mentions the case of a lady 60 years old who dwelt on the remembrance of a dream as the happiest event in her life. In her memorable dream this unsophisticated old soul had visited the czar in his palace, and she minutely described in glowing terms the various incidents in connection therewith, and it must be admitted that this dream was the only poetical element in her isolated and monotonous existence. We often hear of people being advised before deciding on an important matter "to sleep on it." That appears to imply that in case we should dream we would arrive at a just appreciation of what we should do. It is but another authentic instance pertinent to this strange phenomenon, the relation of dreams to our spiritual being.—London Globe.

He Was a Mourner.

"Are you one of the mourners?" asked an Arkansas clergyman who had come over from a neighboring village to officiate at the funeral of a prominent citizen. "Ya-as," replied the dismal looking man addressed. "I suspected he was figuring beto' he took sick on rumm'n away with my wife."—Judge.

THIN



Lots of people have thin hair. Perhaps their parents had thin hair; perhaps their children have thin hair. But this does not make it necessary for them to have thin hair. One thing you may rely upon—



MAKES THE HAIR HEALTHY and vigorous; makes it grow thick and long. It cures dandruff also. It always restores color to gray hair,—all the dark, rich color of early life. There is no longer need of your looking old before your time.

Write the Doctor. He will send you a book on the Hair and Scalp free, upon request. If you do not obtain all the benefits you expected from the use of the Vigor write the Doctor about it. Address: Dr. J. C. AYER, Lowell, Mass.

Death of Mrs. Coleman Lewis.

On the morning of Saturday last, Mrs. Coleman Lewis departed this life at her home in Addison, aged seventy-six years. About three years ago, Mrs. Lewis, who had previously enjoyed good health, suffered a stroke of paralysis and has since been invalided, so that her death was not unexpected. Deceased was a life-long resident of Addison district and was widely known and highly esteemed. She was a daughter of the late Henry Taplin and relict of the late Coleman Lewis, who died in 1880. Of eight children, six survive, namely: L. S. Lewis, Newboro; C. H. Lewis, Belleville; G. T. Lewis, Brockville; W. T. Lewis, Mrs. R. H. Field, Addison; Mrs. A. A. Davis, Brockville. Three brothers and a sister are also living—Messrs. S. A. Taplin, Athens; Rufus and Augustus, Addison; and Mrs. C. A. Lane, Napanea. The bereaved family have the heartfelt sympathy of a wide circle of friends and acquaintances.

"Necessity Knows No Law."

But a law of Nature bows to the necessity of keeping the blood pure so that the entire system shall be strong, healthy and vigorous.

To take Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier, is therefore a law of health and it is a necessity in nearly every household. If never disappointed, and now recommend it to others." M. CHALMERS, Toronto, Ont.

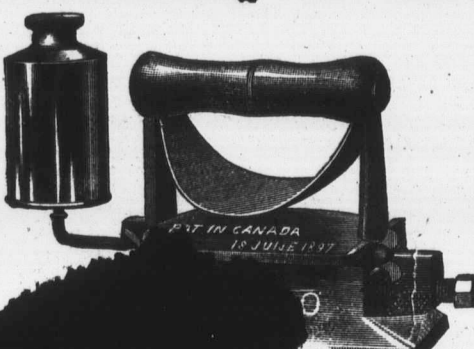
Tired Feeling.—Was all run down and had no appetite. Was tired all the time. Hood's Sarsaparilla was suggested, and a trial benefited me so much that now I would not be without the medicine." Mrs. G. D. BURRITT, Central Norton, N. B.



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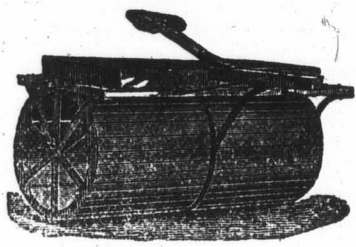
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### Local Notes

This week the Gananoque Reporter enters upon its 29th year of publication.

Mr. Charlie Giff has been confined to the house for ten or twelve days—a heavy cold and symptoms of grip the cause. Mrs. Charlie is also ill, which makes an item in the case.

Fred Stone, who so brutally assaulted his step-father, Mr. Copeland of Lombardy, at Perth, was tried for the offence before Judge Sankler last week and sentenced to one year in the central prison.

We are all anxious to get news from the seat of war, but if we had to foot the bill, we should not be so eager. The ordinary rate for cables from South Africa to London is about \$925 a column. "Urgency" despatches cost \$3 a word, or about \$4,600 a column.

The Times says that an unusually large revenue was collected in the police court during the months of January and February, being a few dollars short of \$600. Nearly all of this sum was made up in connection with violations of the Liquor License Act.

Mr. R. C. McHenry of Brockville has received a letter from an alleged Spanish relative who is anxious to place in his custody a young girl and several thousand dollars. A citizen of Athens is possessed of all necessary information relative to this Spanish fake, having developed the whole scheme by correspondence, and as souvenir possesses a stock of "official" documents and the photograph of a young lady.

On Saturday last, Archibald Ferguson, an aged and highly respected resident of Caintown, was found dead on the road near his residence. He had been to Andrew's blacksmith shop, and on his way home it is supposed that he received a fall that produced concussion of the brain. Deceased was widely known and his sudden death causes general regret and has called forth deep sympathy for the sorrowing relatives.

The Attorney-General of Ontario has introduced a game protection bill, which provides, among other things, that "where any class of game birds is in danger of extinction, and the hunting, shooting and sale has been forbidden in the States of New York, Michigan and Pennsylvania, along the southern frontier of Ontario, for a reciprocal close in this province, in case the further protection of any game animal or non-migratory game bird, which is diminishing in numbers, is required, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may pass prohibition regulations. The hunting, killing or taking of any cow, moose or any fawn or young deer, moose, reindeer or cariboo under one year is prohibited."

### CHEESE QUOTATIONS.

The Montreal Gazette says: "There is no change in the situation, and while it is clear that British buyers would like to get values materially lower, it is doubtful if they can do so. The statistical position favors holders too strongly for this, as there is no reason to doubt that the small available supply remaining both here and in England will all be wanted to meet actual consumptive requirements before the make of the new season has assumed sufficient volume to lead to any sensible decline in price. Trading in finest white cheese was done over the cable at a figure which netted 13c. here, and holders were bid 12 1/2c. by shippers for other lots, so that a fair range on these goods is 12 1/2c. to 13c. Colored is very firm, and a good sized line was sold over cable on Saturday at the equivalent of 13c. There have been offers of new fodder cheese already, and the strength of the market is attested by the fact that they have sold all the way from 11 1/2c. to 12c. Last spring the opening range on these goods was 9 1/2c. to 10c. The Liverpool cable was unchanged on Saturday at 60s. 6d. for white, and 65s. for colored."

### ESCAPE FROM THE BOERS

Mr. Winston Churchill, war correspondent for the London Morning Post, was captured by the Boers, early in the Natal campaign, while he was accompanying a reconnoitering party on an armored train. He was taken to Pretoria, and his escape there from and return to Natal forms one of the most interesting events of the war. On the night of December 12th he had arranged to escape from the Model School (the improved prison) with another officer, and of this part of his adventure he writes as follows:

"Night came again. Again the dinner bell sounded. Choosing my opportunity, I strolled across the quadrangle and secreted myself in one of the offices. Through a chink I watched the sentries. For half an hour they remained stolid and obstructive. Then, all of a sudden, one turned and walked up to his comrade and they began to talk. Their backs were turned.

Now or never. I darted out of my hiding place and ran to the wall, seizing the top with my hands, and drew myself up. Twice I let myself down again in sickly hesitation, and then, with a third resolve, scrambled up. The top was flat. Lying on it, I had one parting glimpse of the sentries, still talking, still with their backs turned; but, I repeat, fifteen yards away.

"Then I lowered myself silently down into the adjoining garden and crouched among the shrubs. I was free. The first step had been taken, and it was irrevocable.

"It now remained to await the arrival of my comrade. The bushes of the garden gave a good deal of cover, and in the moonlight their shadows lay black on the ground. Twenty yards away was the house, and I had not been five minutes in hiding before I perceived that it was full of people, the windows revealed bright-lit rooms, and within I could see figures moving about.

"This was a fresh complication. We had always thought the house unoccupied. Presently a man came out of the door and walked across the garden in my direction. Scarcely ten yards away he stopped and stood still, looking steadily towards me. I remained absolutely motionless. For a long time the man and I remained opposite each other, and every instant I expected him to spring forward.

"After a spell another man came out of the house, lighted a cigar, and both he and the other walked off together. No sooner had they turned when a cat pursued by a dog rushed through the bushes near me, making a horrible rustling. Both men stopped at once. But it was only a cat, and they passed out of the garden gate into the town.

"I looked at my watch. An hour had passed since I climbed the wall. Where was my comrade? Suddenly I heard a voice from within the quadrangle say, quite loud, 'All up.' I crawled back to the wall. Two officers were walking up and down the other side jabbering Latin words, laughing and talking all manner of nonsense—amid which I caught my name.

"I risked a cough. One of the officers immediately began to chatter alone. The other said slowly and clearly: '... cannot get out. It's all up. Can you get back again?' But now all my fears fell from me at once. To go back was impossible. I could not hope to climb the wall unnoticed. I said to the officers: 'I shall go on alone.'

"The gate which led into the road was only a few yards from another sentry. I strode into the middle of the garden, walked past the windows of the house without any attempt at concealment, and so went through the gate and turned to the left.

"I passed the sentry at less than five yards. Most of them knew me by sight. Whether he looked at me or not I do not know, for I never turned my head. But after walking a hundred yards I knew that the second obstacle had been surmounted. I was at large in Pretoria.

"I walked on leisurely through the night, humming a tune and choosing the middle of the road. The streets were full of burghers, but they paid no attention to me. Gradually I reached the suburb, and on a little bridge I sat down to reflect and consider.

"I was in the heart of the enemy's country. I had £75 in my pocket and four slabs of chocolate. I formed a plan. I would find the Delagoa Bay Railway. Without map or compass I must follow that in spite of the pickets. After walking south for half a mile I struck the railroad.

How Mr. Churchill boarded a passing train and eventually arrived at Delagoa Bay has already been reported.

- Frankville Honor Roll.
- Fourth Sr.—Blanche Easton, May Steacy.
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  - Second Jr.—Dalton Leve.
  - Second Pt.—Webster C.
  - First Pt.—Breezie C.
  - Richard Aley.
  - Ethel Riddle.

### ADDISON

MONDAY, March 19.—Mr. William Hay is spending a few days with friends in our village.

Miss Myrtle Reid is visiting friends at Glossville for a few days. Palace factory opened this morning for the season. Mayor Kelly says the prospects for this season are far in advance of any year yet. We wish him every success.

Mr. William Hewitt of Kitley is engaged as foreman at the Model farm at Reynard Valley for this season.

Dr. Brown was quite indisposed last week, but is able to be around again.

It is rumored that wedding bells are soon to ring in our village.

Quite a gloom was cast over our village on Saturday last when it was announced that Mrs. Lewis, relict of the late Coleman Lewis, had passed over to the great majority. The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Shortt in our church, after which the remains were placed in the family cemetery at Mt. Royal. The bereaved family and friends have the sympathy of all in their hour of sorrow.

Mr. Ernie Neddo is engaged for this season with Mr. John Maille of King street.

It is rumored that Mr. George Evans of Kitley is about to move into our village. We extend a hearty welcome.

Mr. William Langdon and lady of Lyn spent a few days with friends in this vicinity last week. Mr. William Wright has moved to the Cedar Grove farm at Mt. Royal. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Wright to our community.

Farmers say that the large fall of snow came at a very opportune time, and that if it remains it will be the means of saving a large amount of the wheat crop from the frost. The wheat so far has wintered well and if there is no more severe weather a bountiful harvest may be expected.

### "His Money in the Streets."

Catarrh Remedies Cost Him Hundreds and No Cure—Two Bottles of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder Cured Him.

Fred H. Herb, jr., distiller, Railroad, York Co., Pa., on January 31st last wrote Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder like this: "I had catarrh of the head and stomach for two years, and had it in the worst form. I spent several hundred dollars in remedies and might as well have thrown my money in the street. I was recommended to try Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder, and two bottles of it have already cured me. I am a well man, and wish its makers the greatest of success." Sold by J. P. Lamb & Son.



### Sale Register.

Parties getting their auction bills printed at this office will be given a free notice of same in this column. We have arrangements with D. Dowley, Frankville, and E. C. Siler, both auctioneers to list dates for sales without parties going to see them.

On Friday, March 23rd, Mr. Michael Aley will sell by public auction at his farm, one mile east of Frankville, his farm stock, including a team of horses, colt, 5 milk cows, 4 two year-old heifers, 2 yearlings, 6 sheep, 3 pigs, brood sow, vehicles, implements, household furniture, etc. D. Dowley, auctioneer. Sale at 1 p. m.

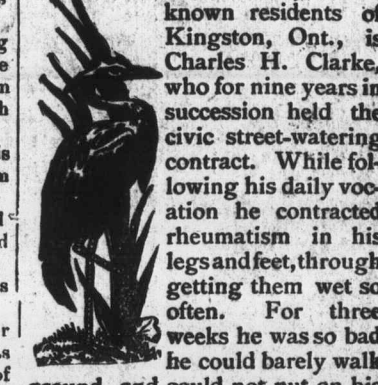
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### THREE BOTTLES CURED HIM

One of the best known residents of Kingston, Ont., is Charles H. Clarke, who for nine years in succession held the civic street-watering contract. While following his daily vocation he contracted rheumatism in his legs and feet, through getting them wet so often. For three weeks he was so bad he could barely walk around, and could not put on his boots. He had almost lost the use of his legs, and was unable to obtain any relief from the terrible pains until he gave Dr. Hall's Rheumatic Cure a trial. It worked like magic, and before he had taken the contents of three bottles he was as well as he ever was at any period of his life. He took the contents of only three bottles, and is completely cured, with no sign of a return of the old complaint. He says Dr. Hall's Rheumatic Cure is a marvelous medicine for the cure of rheumatism.



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LOW DISEASE RATE.

Our Boys Seem to Have Better Health Than Expected.

We may congratulate ourselves upon the extraordinarily low mortality from disease in this South African campaign. Even including deaths from typhoid and dysentery in the besieged towns, the total so far is barely 600, as compared with 1,400 deaths by wounds. Usually disease causes two-thirds of all war losses. In the Spanish-American war, as we are told this week by the expert appointed to investigate the matter, the ravages of typhoid fever were appalling. One-fifth of all the soldiers in the great base and collecting camps contracted the disease, and 75 per cent. of these died. In Camp Chickamauga alone there were 9,000 cases, and nearly 600 deaths. Such a camp is worse than two Spion Kopps. Finally typhoid fever caused 80 per cent. of the entire death-rate. In the Transvaal to date it has caused barely 250 deaths, all told, and most of these have been in Ladysmith. The American experts, of course, point to neglect of sanitary precautions and fouling of the water supply as the cause of this terrible fatality, and the secret of our escape, says the Outlook, both in the Transvaal and the Sudan, has been the scrupulous protection of the water supply, or, where this was not readily attained, insistence upon the use of the filter and the teakettle.—Biddford Weekly Gazette.

A WOMAN'S ADVICE

To Sufferers From Nervousness and Headaches.

Mrs. Robins, of Port Colborne, Tells How She Found a Cure and Asserts the Belief That the Same Remedy Will Cure Other Sufferers.

Mrs. Daniel Robins, of Port Colborne, Ont., is one of those who believe that when a remedy for disease has been found, it is the duty of the person benefited to make it known, in order that other sufferers may also find the road to renewed health. Mrs. Robins says: "In the spring of 1897 my health gave way and I became completely prostrated. Nervousness, palpitation of the heart and severe headaches were the chief symptoms. The nervous trouble was so severe as to border almost upon St. Vitus' dance. The least exertion, such as going up stairs for example, would leave me almost breathless, and my heart would palpitate violently. My appetite was very fickle and I was much reduced in flesh. The usual remedies were tried, but did not help me, and eventually I became so weak that I was unable to perform my household duties, and the headaches I suffered from at times made me feel as though my head would burst. I was feeling very discouraged when a cure in a case much resembling mine through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills came to my notice, and I decided to give them a trial. After using two boxes I found so much relief that I was greatly rejoiced to know that I had found a medicine that would cure me. I continued using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills until I had taken eight or nine boxes, when I considered my cure complete. The palpitation of the heart, nervousness and headaches had disappeared; my appetite was again good, and I had gained in weight nicely. I regard myself as completely restored, and I would urge others who are suffering to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial, and I am sure they will have equally good reason to sound their praise.

There are thousands of women throughout the country who suffer as Mrs. Robins did, who are pale, subject to headaches, heart palpitation and dizziness, who drag along frequently feeling that life is a burden. To all such we would say give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a fair trial. These pills make rich, red blood, strengthen the nerves, bring the glow of health to pale and sallow cheeks, and make the feeble and despondent feel that life is once more worth living. The genuine are sold only in boxes, the wrapper bearing the full name "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People." May be had from all dealers or by mail at 50c a box or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

DEFALCATIONS DECREASING

Report of Provincial Municipal Auditor is an Optimistic One.

Mr. J. B. Laing, Provincial municipal auditor, has issued his annual report. He suggests that as a result of the creation of his department there has been a large decrease in defalcations. Three years ago these amounted to \$100,000. In 1898 they fell to \$12,000, and last year were only \$1,000. He comments unfavorably on the practice of allowing aged and incompetent men to fill the post of municipal treasurer, and recommends a more general teaching of bookkeeping in the schools.

Ladies and gentlemen who take Miller's Compound Iron Pills always grow younger in appearance and improve in spirits.

Opportunity Not to be Missed.

He had called on her several times, and finally mustered up courage and assurance to be somewhat more affectionate than the circumstances warranted, perhaps. "You must not do that," she said, somewhat nervously. "Do what?" was the innocent query. "Put your arm around my waist." "Why not?" "My brother might come in suddenly and see you." "Well, what of it? He couldn't kill me." "No, I suppose not; but he would try to borrow some money from you, and I have lost two chances already by his doing that."—Pearson's Weekly.

Miller's Grip Powders cure.

The assessment of London, Ont., is nearly \$17,000,000. The question of banding grain at Buffalo has not yet been decided. Mrs. Toohy, of Biddulph, is dead. She was the mother of Policeman Toohy, who was murdered at London.

53rd Annual Report

CANADA LIFE.

In numbers present, keen interest manifested, harmony and enthusiasm displayed, the annual meeting of the Canada Life Assurance Co., which was held on Wednesday last, was without exception the most successful in that Company's history of over half a century. The President, Hon. Geo. A. Cox, read the Directors' report, as follows: In submitting their fifty-third Annual Report the Directors of the Canada Life Assurance Company have to record results and events of more than usual interest and importance.

THE REMOVAL

Following out the resolutions passed at the last annual meeting, the Head Office of the Company has been removed to the City of Toronto, the commercial centre of Ontario, where suitable quarters for the transaction of its ever increasing business have been fitted up in the Company's large fire-proof building.

SPECIAL LEGISLATION.

Pursuant to the decision of a special general meeting held in March last, the Directors applied for and secured from the Dominion Parliament an amendment to the Company's charter, by which the policy-holders are entitled to elect six of the Directors upon the Board. The signal approval of the Banking and Commerce Committee, as well as of both Houses of Parliament, of the course pursued by the Directors has been still further emphasized by the results upon the business of the year recently closed.

THE RESULTS.

The application for assurance during 1899 were 4,176 for \$8,662,924.83, of which 401, for \$695,298, were either declined or not carried out, leaving the actual issue of the year 3,775 policies for \$7,967,626.83. This is the largest amount of business ever transacted by the Company in its history of over half a century, and it is also a matter of satisfaction that the increase is due almost entirely to purely Canadian business, which exceed that of any other company doing business in the Dominion. The total business in force now amounts to \$80,229,688, under 37,100 policies, being an increase of almost \$5,000,000 over that of a year ago. This is the largest increase ever made by the Company in any one year. The total payments to policy-holders during the year (details of which will be found in the Financial Statement), were \$1,357,350.85, which is \$61,980.40 greater than for the previous year. A careful revaluation of the properties owned by or mortgaged to the Company has been made, not only by our own valuers, but also by independent valuers, and after making all reasonable provision against loss, the assets now stand at \$21,364,062.06, being an increase of \$1,325,244.73 over the amount as reported a year ago.

QUINQUENNIAL INVESTIGATION.

A valuation of the Company's policy liabilities has been made by the Actuaries upon the Actuaries' Table of Mortality and interest at 4 per cent., this being the basis of valuation required by some of the States in which the Company does business. This valuation, which amounts to \$18,964,390.00, has been confirmed by certificates of the Commissioner of Insurance for Michigan. After providing for these and all other liabilities, there is a surplus of \$1,968,712.85, but last year it was decided, on the recommendation of the President, to set aside a special reserve of \$225,000 towards a 3-1-2 per cent. standard. Since then the Dominion Government, recognizing the permanent fall in interest rates, has wisely amended the Insurance Act, so that all companies must now proceed to make provision for placing their policy liabilities upon a 3-1-2 per cent. basis. Until the transition is effected it will be necessary for the companies to apply a considerable percentage of their surplus on old policies in this way. The Directors have, therefore, recommended that an additional sum of \$275,000 be set aside for this purpose, making in all a special reserve of \$500,000 in excess of the Actuaries' 4 per cent. basis. Deducting this amount from the above-mentioned surplus there remains a surplus over all liabilities of \$1,468,712.85. Of this amount it is proposed to credit to policy holders \$1,381,132.03 as surplus to them, and to shareholders \$87,580.80, out of which dividends for the next five years may be paid. The Directors, keeping in view the unusually large amounts of profits distributed to policy-holders in the past, and the fact that interest rates have so fallen as to make it imperative that the Canada Life should be placed upon an actuarial valuation basis relatively comparable with that of leading companies in the United States, Australia and Great Britain, have unanimously recommended that at quinquennial divisions the permanent interests of the policy-holders should be conserved by dividing a Bonus Account of 3-4 of 1 per cent. per annum, and a slight amount of reserve impudence in the name of ignorance, with a period of

THE PLETCHER CASE.

A Petrolia Lady Vanquishes a Stubborn and Persistent Enemy.

She Was for Months a Martyr to Inflammatory Rheumatism—Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured Her.

Petrolia, March 12.—No lady resident in this town is more widely known, and more highly esteemed for her many good qualities, than is Mrs. A. Fletcher, of the Fletcher House. Throughout the adjacent country district also she has a very wide acquaintance.

All who know this estimable lady, know that for months past she has been a ceaseless sufferer from inflammatory Rheumatism. So severe did the disease become that her finger joints and fingers were so terribly swollen that she could not bend them. She was unable to get downstairs without assistance, every impending change of weather brought her the most indescribable agony.

Many remedies were used in efforts to effect a cure, but all medical men were called in to attend her, but all failed miserably.

At length Mrs. Fletcher, having read of Dodd's Kidney Pills, decided to give them a trial—as a final effort. She did so and the only possible result followed. The first dose soothed her awful pain. Every succeeding dose did more and more good, and five boxes left her a sound and healthy woman. Not a vestige of her old disease remains.

Rheumatism has no terrors, when Dodd's Kidney Pills are used. Dodd's Kidney Pills cure Rheumatism (and all other Kidney Diseases) just as certainly, easily, quickly and naturally as a drink of water cures thirst.

Presbyterian Century Fund.

Reports from all sections of the Presbyterian Church indicate the successful prosecution of the century fund. The Rev. Dr. Warden reports receipts from nearly every missionary in Honan, China.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by rebuilding the constitution, and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address, E. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

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The Cake He Wanted.

"I'm going to get married," he said, as he placed a hand as large as a Dutch cheese upon the counter, "and I want a wedding cake. It is customary, nowadays," said the pretty confectioner's assistant, "to have the materials of the cake harmonized with the coloring of the bridegroom. For a musician, as we have an oak cake; for a man who has no calling, and lives upon his friends the sponge cake; for a newspaper paragrapher, a pink cake, and so on. 'I'm a pugilist!'" "Then you'll want a pound cake." "—Tid Bits.

Alas! That It Should be So.

"Young man," sternly remarked the overworked copy reader to the new reporter, whose chief recommendation is a college training, "I notice that you persist in referring to marriages as having occurred. You should know that weddings are not accidents."

Ladies! Take Miller's Compound Iron Pills, if you would have nice, clear complexions.

Interpreters are Used.

There are so many languages spoken in the Provinces of Austria-Hungary that interpreters are employed in the various Parliaments, to interpret the speeches of the delegates and make them intelligible to all the members.

Minard's Liniment cures Dandruff.

He Had Fixed That.

Hewitt—So you are engaged to Miss Grant? Hewitt—Yes. Hewitt—She looks so much like her twin sister that I don't see how you can tell them apart. Hewitt—I don't have to; I'm engaged to both of them.—Harper's Bazar.

A Sad State of Affairs.

Mrs. Benham—It's hard on the people of Greenland to have nights six months long. Benham—Yes. Just think of the sufferings of the poor man whose wife's mother drops in to spend the evening.—Harper's Bazar.

Minard's Liniment for sale everywhere.

The resting place of Daniel Defoe is in the heart of one of London's busiest quarters, about a quarter of a mile from the Bank of England.

The Bank of Montreal is a subscriber to the thirty million pounds British war loan to the amount of one million pounds.

WOMEN BEING CALLED HOME.

A Detroit Paper Says That is the Trend of the Times.

A signal has been flung out calling women home. At least that is the conclusion arrived at by persons who claim to have detected the trend of the times. For many years woman has scrambled along the highways and byways of the business world, side by side with men. In many cases she has risen to high positions of trust and in some achieved renown by her mental strength and executive ability. She has rushed forward in numbers until the commercial market has been filled with her voice, and until there were more of her than there were places to fill.

But now it is asserted that even women agitators are beginning to notice the stemming of the tide, and the fact that many women are being dismissed from business positions and the same being filled by men. The United States Government at Washington will hereafter employ only male stenographers. The United States Post-office Department will confine its female help to unmarried women. Many vacancies of the Government bureaus are being filled by men. A canvass yet incomplete shows that in New York, Boston and Chicago alone, during the last three months, over 8,000 women have been dismissed from business positions and the places filled by men.

Is this sign of the times a signal, calling women home? The reason given for this turn of affairs is that women have, in a measure, proven themselves incapable of meeting the requirements of business—that they are feeling the strain that they are unrelieved, and physically collapsing.—Detroit News-Tribune.

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Never put a wet cloth on oiled or varnished furniture. Rub dry with a clean cloth if obliged to wipe off any kind of dirt. If an article needs oiling, use oil on one cloth and rub dry with another. It will take a bright polish. Never leave oil on articles, as it catches the dust.

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Young Girls

How easy it is for young girls to go into the "decline." They eat less and less, become paler and paler and can hardly drag through the day. They are on the steady downward course. Iron does them no good; strychnine and biters all fail. They need a food that will nourish them better, and a medicine that will correct their disease.

Scott's Emulsion

is both of these, elegantly and permanently combined. The Cod-Liver Oil makes the blood richer, and this gives better color to the face. The hypophosphites of lime and soda act as a strong tonic to the nerves. Soon the weight increases, the digestion improves and health returns.

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That we have been successful in our efforts to please, we believe will be your verdict when you see our new Spring Goods and learn the prices.

Our Clothing is such Clothing as you would take pleasure in wearing—it is satisfactory clothing in every way. We have no desire to exchange our clothing for your money until you are satisfied; for, until you are, we are not.

We know how to hold old customers and win new ones: right goods, right prices, and right treatment does the work.

Our new Spring Goods will be arranged in a few days for your inspection and we will be pleased to receive a call from you, whether you wish to buy or not. We want you to feel at home in our store. Whatever you may need, that we, as men's outfitters, may furnish you, shall and must be right in every particular.

Trusting that this early spring announcement may receive your consideration, and that when thinking of Spring Clothing and Gents' Furnishings, we may be first and foremost in your mind, we are very truly yours.

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Table Sauces

This season of the year, when domestic supplies are running low, the good housewife naturally turns to a consideration of

Canned Goods

We have a full range in the following standard lines: Apples Peaches Pineapples Blueberries Pears &c., &c.

Dried Fruits

Evaporated Apples, Dried Apples, Prunes.

Fresh Fruits

Oranges and Lemons.

Our stock of general groceries, especially our Teas and Coffees, are worthy of your attention.

Choice Salmon for Lenten season. Prompt delivery of all orders. G. A. McLARY

Local Notes

Dress-making apprentices wanted—Miss BYERS.

Mrs. S. Darling and children leave Athens in a few days for Edmonton, Alberta.

Remember the Ladies' Aid tea at the home of Mrs. Tapin this evening—5.30 to 7.

St. Patrick's Day was observed in Athens by the display of only a few shamrocks.

A company of volunteers was last week organized at Lyn by officers of the 41st battalion.

Miss May Berney left Athens last week for Carleton Place where she is visiting friends.

Mrs. C. P. Bishop, who has been visiting friends in Toronto for several weeks, returned home last week.

Miss Miriam Green has now permanently located her music rooms in the Green block, over A. M. Chasels's store.

Rev. Mr. McFar of Westport, returning from mission work to his parish, was a guest of Rural Dean Wreight yesterday.

Miss Breese, who moved to the Fitzsimmons farm above Brockville a short time ago from Delta, died on Monday of last week, aged about forty years.

It is announced that Mr. O. K. Fraser will succeed the late Samuel Reynolds of Brockville as registrar of the surrogate court, county court clerk, etc.

Captain J. L. Adams, a frequent visitor to Charleston Lake, has been appointed private secretary to General Otis, military governor of the Philippines.

It is announced that Mr. H. Wickwire of Brockville has leased the Brownbridge hotel, Frankville, and that Mr. Brownbridge has leased a hotel in Lyndhurst.

Dr. Dixon and Bourns are reported to have last week purchased the hotel property of the estate of the late W. A. Edgers at Frankville with the intention of converting it into a private hospital.

Mr. W. Forest, for several years employed in the blacksmith shop of S. H. McBratney at North Augusta and Athens, left last week for a week's visit with friends, after which he purposes going to Manitoba.

Mr. Bert Wood of Toledo, whose musical talents have been freely used for the advantage of the people of that district, was tendered a benefit entertainment on Thursday last. There was a large audience and the evening was passed very pleasantly.

Hon. John McMillan, M. P. for South Huron, has given notice of a bill providing that eggs shall be sold by weight. The bill will provide that the standard weight for a dozen of eggs shall be one and a-half pounds.

It will doubtless surprise some people to learn that any soldier of the British army who is captured by the enemy gets his pay stopped at once, therefore, the 2,000 English warriors who are now playing football on the race course at Pretoria are in no sense of the word wage earners.

A youth and his best girl were out driving one afternoon. They had come upon a fine stretch of road. "Do you believe in palmistry?" he asked, "the reading of one's hands?" "I believe," she replied, "that if I could see in only one of your hands, I could tell that we would have a hard drive." He grasped one hand and the—

Mr. Robert Soper and family of Frankville have moved to Brockville. Brockville's rate of taxation this year will be 2 1/2 mills on the dollar.

Mr. Jean Robinson of Smith's Falls is visiting friends in Athens this week.

Miss Dier of Westport is in Athens this week, the guest of Miss Ray Boyce.

The Rideau Record says that Mr. T. L. Kelly is "running a first-class hotel" at Jasper.

Mr. Alt. Layng of North Williamsburg is visiting old friends in Athens after an absence of four years.

Miss Annie Joynt of North Augusta has been visiting friends in Athens for a few days and is the guest of Mrs. H. L. Joynt.

Miss Madge Ferguson of Easton's Corners (formerly of Athens) is now a student at the Brockville Business College.

Mrs. (Dr.) C. M. B. Cornell of Brockville is visiting friends in Athens this week, the guest of Mrs. G. W. Beach.

We are pleased to be able to report that Mr. D. Fisher is recovering from the serious illness that has prostrated him for several days.

The bear proverb and weather tally all right this year. We have had the six weeks winter since candlemas, and a few extra days thrown in.

Prescott Journal: We understand that Rev. J. H. Hagar, formerly pastor of the Prescott Methodist church, will be transferred to the London Conference this year.

A bill has received its second reading in the Ontario Legislature which has for its object the giving of representatives in village and township councils a two years term.

The Portage la Prairie town council has passed a by-law charging churches a license fee of \$10 per annum, where they have entertainments for the purpose of raising money.

J. Singleton of Newboro was presented on his 74th birthday with a beautiful gold-headed cane. Neatly engraved on it are the words, "Presented to John Singleton, Sr., by his sons."

An Irishman asked a Scotchman one day why a railway engine was always called "abe." Sandy replied: "Perhaps it's on account of the horrible noise it makes when it tries to whistle."

The cable reports that France is preparing for war with Britain and that the British government is quietly straining every nerve to be ready for the outbreak. It is said that hostilities may break out inside of three months.

The residence of Archibald Stevens, near Delta, last week, was destroyed by fire. It was a well built frame structure. The fire is supposed to have started from the chimney and spread to all parts of the house, burning it to the foundation.

A young man in a neighboring town recently got even with a girl who had jilted him. He sent her a request to go driving, and when she had joyfully accepted and rigged herself out in her best clothing he sent her a hammer and a lot of nails with the information that she could drive all she pleased.

The liquor interest is asking for a change in the law which will allow bona fide travellers to obtain liquor on Sundays. They all ask that it shall not be necessary to close their bars during municipal bye-elections. A further request is that fees for rural licenses be made payable half-yearly.

Two ladies, one from Gannanogue and one residing in New York, being correspondents, were fined \$750 by jury at the assizes at Brockville for scandalizing an English church clergyman, Rev. Mr. Fenton. The correspondence from the New York lady to the Gannanogue lady was shown by the latter to other Gannanogue ladies.

The statement is made that the transports provided by the Admiralty conveyed 132,000 men to South Africa, without the loss of a life. The achievement is one worthy of mention, and speaks well both for the physical condition of the men when they embarked and for the medical care and provisioning of ships. The mistakes of the war will be few compared with its successes, when the score is made up.

The following from an exchange applies with equal force to almost every community:—"The trouble with some people in towns about the size of ours, is that they will not cast their bread upon the waters unless they are assured in advance that in a few days it will come back to them a full grown sandwich, all trimmed with ham, butter and mustard rolled in a warranty deed for one-half the earth and a mortgage on the other half."

It is significant, says a Boston paper, that the Basuto youths now studying at Wilberforce University, Ohio, are all intensely pro-British in their sympathies as they contemplate the contest now being waged on territory over which their fathers once ruled. They have bitter memories of Boer cruelty and persecution, and naught but praise for the fairness of British treatment of them as subjects.

Mr. and Mrs. Wickwire of Morrisburg were this week guests of their daughter, Mrs. N. I. Massey.

Cash paid for cow hides, deacon skins and sheep pelts at Wilson and Son's meat market, Main street. 2m

On Friday last a driving party from Athens and Mallorytown were royally entertained at the home of Mr. Archie Greer, Lyn.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Aokland, on Thursday evening, a party of Brockville young people were very pleasantly entertained.

Any person having inch ash, inch basswood, or 3/4 inch basswood, green or dry, and willing to exchange it for furniture, please call at T. G. STEVENS, Victoria street, Athens. 2in

The Epworth League are arranging for a sugar social to be held on the evening of Tuesday, Apr. 3rd. A good programme will be presented, which will include a chalk-talk by Mr. McLean of Brockville. Admission, 15c.

Jas. McIntosh of Harrison, Ont., has been in Athens and vicinity for the past two or three weeks looking after his property at McIntosh Mills, where he has changed tenants. He expects to leave for home about the first of April.

A scientist says "if the earth were flattened out, the sea would be two miles deep all over the world." After meditating, a Kansas editor gives out the following: "If any man is caught flattening out the earth shoot him on the spot, and don't be too blamed particular what spot. A great many of us can't swim."

"Opportunity is the Cream of Time." Now is your opportunity. There is no time when the system is so much in need of a good medicine, like Hood's Sarsaparilla, and no time when it is so susceptible to the benefits to be derived from such a medicine. By purifying, enriching and vitalizing the blood and toning up the system Hood's Sarsaparilla starts you right for a whole year of health.

Constipation is cured by Hood's Pills.

A Butter Famine. In its trade notes the Globe had the following:—

There are several reasons for the great and unprecedented scarcity of butter that at present exists. The flow of milk last fall was not large, the stocks of butter at the beginning of the winter were comparatively light, and owing to the active demand for both creamery and dairy butter for export to Great Britain all available stocks of butter suitable for shipment were bought up, leaving the supply for home requirements very small. Mention was made some time ago of the success Canada has met in the past year with the export butter trade, and the opinion is now general among commission firms that we shall never see butter as low in price in Canada as it was a year or two ago.

A Costly Place to Live in. The wonders of the Cape Nome gold fields in Alaska are just being heard in the East, and it is computed that 50,000 fortune-seekers are prepared to make the long journey of from 2,000 to 3,000 miles from Seattle or Victoria to the distant mining region on the shores of the Arctic Ocean. The trip is long and arduous, costing a hundred dollars for first-class passage and forty dollars a ton for freight. The American consul at Victoria points out that living expenses at Cape Nome are extravagantly high, and that fortune hunters should be prepared with an abundance of ready cash. The charge at the restaurants for a dish of ham and eggs is \$2, for three eggs the same; pork and beans, 75 cents; a loaf of bread, 25 cents; and for coffee and bread and butter, \$1. Beef and butter are \$1 a pound; potatoes, \$10 a hundred; tomatoes, \$3 a can. A shave costs \$1; a hair-cut \$1.50; a bath \$2, and washing a shirt, 75 cents. Carpenters receive \$1.50 an hour, and the hire for a horse, driver and wagon is \$10 an hour. In the rush for the new gold fields these simple practical facts should not be forgotten.—Leslie's Weekly.

PITY THE WOMAN. Who's a Nervous Wreck—But Glory in a Remedy that Will Cure Her, as South American Nervine Did This One.

Mrs. James A. Publicover, Lunenburg, N. S., was a wreck from stomach troubles and nervous prostration. After she had tried many remedies, only to be disappointed in a cure, she was recommended to try South American Nervine. She did so with the result that to-day, after years of suffering, she is a cured and happy woman and proclaims this great remedy saved her life. Sold by J. P. Lamb & Son.

The People's Column. Advt's of 6 lines and under in this column, 25c for first insertion and 10c each subsequent insertion.

LOST. On Sunday, the 11th of March, between Athens and Knapp's factory, a black valise containing ladies apparel, also a pocket book containing \$10.00. Finder will be suitably rewarded on leaving at G. P. GASTRON'S, Athens, or JOHN RAMS, Lombardy.

10,000 SORRY HEARTS.

La Grippe Has Made Them So—But Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart Will Bring Joy and Health.

La Grippe has left many a heart weak and diseased. Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart, because of its great merit as a heart remedy, the magical quickness in giving relief, and the almost incredible cures it performs, is snatching from death's door many who had been given over as hopeless cases. It's a wonder worker; it's a specific for all heart derangements, and no matter how acute or seemingly hopeless, will give relief inside of 30 minutes. Sold by J. P. Lamb & Son.

Refined Paraffine Wax. In every household it cleans, polishes, and odorizes—air, water and acid proof. Get a pound cake or a tin of it with a list of its many uses from your druggist or grocer. Sold everywhere. Made by IMPERIAL OIL CO., Limited.

DOG STRAYED. On Wednesday, March 13th, in the vicinity of Athens, a small fox terrier bitch, white and black, bob tail, answering to the name of Tina. Any person harbouring or trying to conceal this dog will be prosecuted, or anyone giving information as to her whereabouts or delivering her to Conductor Flegg, R. & W. train, will receive a liberal reward. W. W. PHELPS. Delta, March 21st, 1900.

THE Parisian Hair Works

OF BROCKVILLE are ready to do any kind of work in the hair line.

Switches, Bangs, Curls, Wigs, and Gents' Toupees a specialty. All orders by mail attended to promptly. Call when you go to Brockville and have your hair treated by A. B. DesROCHE, KING ST., 3 DOORS EAST OF BUELL.

"OLD RELIABLE" Fall and Winter Goods now in stock

A. M. CHASSELS, MERCHANT TAILOR has received his Fall and Winter stock of Fancy Worsted, Heavy Tweeds for Pants and Suits, also a fine line of Vesting materials including Fancy Corduroy, all of which will be made up in the latest style at moderate prices.

Ready-to-wear Goods

Now in stock a fine line of stylish Fall Overcoats, Pants, Bicycle Suits, etc. Be sure to see these goods and learn the prices.

Gents' Furnishings.

A full range of shirts, black and colored so-called, finest qualities of laundered goods—Caps, Cuffs, Tie Braces, Handkerchiefs, Caps, Woollen Underwear, etc. You can get just what you want in these lines here and at reasonable prices.

PRICES DEFY COMPETITION

The undersigned returns thanks to the general public for their patronage during the last 16 years and will endeavor to so conduct his business as to receive their continued trade and sustain the reputation of his store as "The Old Reliable" Clothing House.

Get Cloth bought at this store will be entire of charge. A. M. CHASSELS, Main Street, Athens.

Beauty and Glasses.

Women strain their eyes waste nerve energy and produce premature wrinkles, because they think glasses detract from their personal charms.

Properly fitted glasses positively improve the looks of those with defective eyes. We put beauty in glasses as well as behind them.

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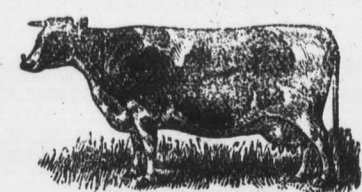
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