

Births, Marriages, Deaths

Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths which are inserted in The Daily Advertiser also appear in The Western Advertiser. Births 25c, Marriages and Deaths 50c.

DIED.
THIRLWALL—At Souris, Man., on Saturday, Dec. 10, 1898, Christopher V. Thirlwall, aged 35 years.
Funeral will be held today, from the residence of Arthur Thirlwall, con. 12, Lobo township, at 2 o'clock.

Amusements and Lectures

GRAND OPERA HOUSE
An Important Engagement.
Matinee and Night.
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21,
By special arrangement with Mr. E. A. Sothorn, the great Lyceum Theater success,

"AN ENEMY TO THE KING,"
BY.....
Mr. John Griffith,
the celebrated Canadian actor. The play will be given here with the same scenic and electrical effects as in New York, where it ran 300 nights.

MATINEE—Prices, first two rows circle, 75c; balance lower floor and balcony, 50c; gallery, 25c; children, 25c.
NIGHT—\$1, 75c, 50c, 25c.
Seats on sale Monday.

Music Hall

19th and Week.
20—REFINED ARTISTS—20
Nights, 8 p.m.
15c & 25c
M. Uinees,
Thursday,
Saturday,
15c

"IRELAND AND THE IRISH" ON MONDAY evening in King Street Presbyterian Church, Rev. Wm. Patterson. Choice Irish programme. Admission, 50 cents.

BYSPECIAL REQUEST THE CANTATA "Santa Claus on the March" by Talbot Street Baptist Church Sunday school last evening will be repeated on Thursday next. Full announcement later.

JUBILEE RINK—WEATHER MILD. But in splendid condition. Band tonight. b

SKATING—RED LIGHT RINK. Splendid ice. Carnival next week. b

P. D. A. NOTICE—MEMBERS OF GEN. TLEMEN'S primary class will meet Tuesday evening, Dec. 20, instead of Monday. Dayton & McCormick. b

M. S. ETHEL WEBB, THE TALENTED and versatile entertainer, graduate and medalist, Toronto Conservatory of Music and School of Elocution, will appear at the Auditorium, on Monday, Dec. 19. All should see and hear them. Admission 25c. b

SEVEN DAYS SEVEN HOURS AND SIXTY MINUTES. The Partisan, Alan Line, artist and model, will appear at the Auditorium, on Monday, Dec. 19. All should see and hear them. Admission 25c. b

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PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING. Rapid teaching; low rates. All who desire a thorough knowledge of the art of dancing should avail themselves of this opportunity. Lessons any hour. R. B. Millard, teacher of dancing, 345 Princes avenue. b

Meetings.

NOTICE—NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the General Annual Meeting of Shareholders of the London Street Railway Company will be held at the Head Office of the Company, Bank of Commerce Building, Richmond street, on Wednesday, January 12th, 1899, at 3 o'clock p.m. C. E. A. Carr, Secretary. Dated at London this 17th day of December, 1898. b

Domestics Wanted.
WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT. NO washing. Apply 380 Dufferin avenue. 15c
WANTED—EXPERIENCED GENERAL servant. Apply 450 William street. 16c
WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT where nurse is kept. Apply, after 6 p.m., 286 King street. 14c

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HIGHEST PRICE PAID FOR GENTLE MEN'S cast-off clothing. A. P. Sainsbury, 90 King street. Mail orders attended to.

Educational.

A SCHOLARSHIP IN THE LONDON Business University is the best Christmas present parents can make their sons and daughters. Holiday prices for the next few days. W. N. Yerex, E.C., Principal, Higgins Block, 210 Dundas street. 10c

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL MEN supplied with office help without charge for their services. Apply W. C. Co., court reporter, 76 Dundas street. b

THE HARDING HALL GIRLS' SCHOOL, LIMITED,
will be opened for pupils Jan. 4, 1899. Kindergarten branch was started Dec. 7, at room in Conservatory of Music building, Dundas street. For calendars and other information apply to Mrs. J. E. Wells, 601 Talbot street, London.

8 SITS.

Last week we announced six situations secured by our graduates. This week we have placed Miss Noble with Fried, Wright & Co., wholesale furriers, and Miss Thompson with R. Greene & Co., manufacturers, each, making eight graduates of two weeks secured by graduates of

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Sunday in London

What Is Going On In The Leading Churches Of The City.

NOTICE—CHANGES FOR CHURCH SERVICES MUST BE HANDLED IN BY FRIDAY EVENING.

DELAIDE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH—The pastor, Rev. Thomas S. Johnson, will preach, morning, 11 o'clock; 7 p.m. Sabbath school, 2:45 p.m. Everybody welcome.

SKIN STREET METHODIST CHURCH—Rev. Richard Hobbs, pastor. Services tomorrow as usual.

CENTENNIAL METHODIST CHURCH—Morning, 11 o'clock, subject, "What Is the Mote and the Beam," by the pastor. Evening—Rev. J. W. Robinson.

COLBORNE STREET METHODIST CHURCH—Rev. G. Jackson, pastor, at both services. Evangelistic service in the evening. Good music as usual.

CHALMERS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Rev. Walter Moffat, pastor. Services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Pastor's Bible class and Sabbath school, 3 p.m.

DUNDAS CENTER METHODIST CHURCH—The pastor, Rev. Dr. Saunders, will preach, morning subject, "A Prisoner's Prayer." Evening subject, "Danger Signals: Amusement, Marriage and Business." Morning—11 o'clock, subject, "The Mote and the Beam." (Stationer); 7 p.m. subject, "Jesus Is Mine" (Marston). Evening—7 p.m. subject, "Ye Shall Dwell in the Land." (Stationer); 9:30 p.m. subject, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul." (Westcott); 10:30 p.m. subject, "My Faith Looks up to Thee" (Bassford).

EMPRESS AVENUE (WEST LONDON) METHODIST CHURCH—10 a.m.—Classes. Morning service, 11 o'clock. Sabbath school, 2:45 p.m. Pastor, Rev. J. W. Robinson. All welcome.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST (SCIENTISTS)—Dufferin Block—Sunday services, morning, 11 o'clock, subject, "The Universe, including Man." Evening, 7 o'clock, subject, "The Captivity of Judah." Wednesday evening meeting, 8 o'clock. Sabbath school immediately after morning service. All welcome. D. S. Robb, C.S., first reader; Mrs. Edna Robb, C.S., second reader. Residence 263 Princes avenue.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH—Morning—Rev. John Morrison. Anthem—"Heaven Unto Me" (Sullivan). Solo—"The Way of Peace" (Lloyd). Evening—Rev. Dr. Smith. Anthem—"By Babylon's Wave" (Gounod). Quartet—"Beautiful Isle." Chorus—"The Golden Threshold" (Lohr). J. Truman Wolcott, organist.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—REV. W. J. Clark, pastor, will preach 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sabbath School and Society for Bible Study, 3 p.m.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH—Rev. J. W. Pedley, morning—"How It Was Done." Evening—"The Hopefulness of Jesus Christ."

HIS LORDSHIP THE BISHOP OF HURON will preach in St. Matthew's Church, tomorrow, at 11 a.m.

HAMILTON ROAD METHODIST CHURCH—The pastor will preach at both services. Subject at 11 a.m.—"Put on Christ." Evening, 7 o'clock, subject, "The Bright Side of the Cloud." Miss Holmes will preside at the organ. Seats free.

KING STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—The pastor, Rev. Wm. Patterson, will preach, morning, 11 o'clock, subject, "The Mote and the Beam." Evening, 7 p.m., subject, "The Most Dangerous Way." Singers welcome. Monday evening—Lecture by Rev. Wm. Patterson, of Toronto.

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (South London)—Rev. J. G. Stuart, pastor. Subjects—Morning—"Antidivians." Evening—"The Touch of Faith." Mr. W. Graham Hodson will take part in the musical service.

LATTER DAY SAINTS—11 AND 7—ALL welcome.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, SOUTH LONDON—Rev. Archibald Davis, pastor. Services tomorrow as usual.

SOUTHERN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Horton street. Rev. W. H. A. Clark, pastor. Services, morning, 11 o'clock, subject, "The Mote and the Beam." Sabbath school and pastor's Bible class, 2:45 p.m.

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Rev. Robert Johnston, B.D., pastor, will preach at both services. Morning, 11 a.m.—"No More Sea." 7 p.m.—"The Young Man In the Church." 9 p.m.—Sabbath school and pastor's class. Monday—Y. P. S. C. E. Wednesday—Prayer meeting.

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL—MORNING—Venite (Bucknell); Benedicite (Gregorian); Benedictus (Goss); Preacher, the Dean. Evening—Cantata Domino (Brugnot); Deus Misereatur (Bridgewater); Anthem—"God Is Love" (Robinson). Preacher, Rev. Canon Lamb, B.A. Holy Communion at 8:30 a.m.

ST. JAMES' PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Rev. A. J. Macdonald, M.A., pastor. Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., by the pastor. Visitors welcome.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, WEST LONDON—His Lordship Bishop Baldwin will preach at the evening service.

TALBOT STREET BAPTIST CHURCH—Smith, pastor. 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. as usual.

WELLINGTON STREET METHODIST CHURCH—Rev. J. Edge, pastor. Rev. A. G. Harris, morning. Sermon to young women, by the pastor.

Male Help Wanted.

WANTED—SMART BOYS AT REASON'S Paper Box Factory, 30 Dundas St. 18c

WANTED—TINSMITH TO GO TO MANITOBA. Must be qualified in furnace work and possess a general knowledge of plumbing; steady work the year round for a good temperate man. Apply to the McClary Manufacturing Company, city. 10c

YOUNG MEN, WE FURNISH TRANSPORTATION to Chicago or Cincinnati for anyone wanting to learn the barber trade. Also don't forget to get a good education. Pay wages Saturdays from start. Eight weeks completed. Positions guaranteed. Have places for 300 graduates. Send for particulars while offer is good. Moler Barber College Representative, 33 Lafayette avenue, Detroit, Mich. 13c

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London, Ont.

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WANTED—GENERAL AGENT—EVERY town—burner fire any lamp no chimney smoke or smell; outfit free. Canadian Agency Company, Toronto Junction. 100c

AGENTS WANTED—TO SELL NURSERY stock for the old reliable Fountall Nurseries, established over 25 years ago. Our goods are of the highest quality, and our prices are the lowest. Permanent place. Good pay. Supplies free. Stone & Wellington, Toronto. ywt

Articles For Sale.

SNAPS FOR CHRISTMAS—TISSUE Children's White Wool Muffs 25c, worth 50c. Ostle Feather Ruffs 50c, worth \$1. A few old sizes in Ladies' Kid Gloves 50c and 75c pair. Men's and Boys' Gray and Black Astrachan Cloth Caps 35c, worth 50c. Ladies' and Children's Long Sleeve Winter Undervests 15c. Ladies' Wool Hose 15c. Iron Toys 10c and upwards. Toy Watches 30c and upwards. Boys' Tool Sets and saws, large assortment of Games very cheap. 124-inch China Dolls 3c. Nine-inch Unbreakable Dolls with hair 3c. Ten-inch Kid Body Dolls, bisque heads with hair 10c. Large Picture Story Books 25c, worth 50c. Small Cups and Saucers 5c. Cup, Saucer and Plate 15c. A full line of Christmas presents, including Toys, Books, Cery Holders, Spoon Holders, Cheese Dishes, Handkerchief and Glove Boxes, Albums, Companion Sets, etc. b Cunningham's, 778 and 780 Dundas street.

FOR SALE—SIX HORSE-POWER UP-RIGHT Boiler, with fittings complete; also 60-gallon Steam Jacketed Kettle and Cooler. John Moore, 134 Tecumseh avenue. b

FOR SALE—TEN HORSE-POWER AND boiler, suitably fitted if wanted. Address 98, Advertiser office. 18c ywt

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AMHERSTBURG STONE QUARRY—Building stone, crushed stone, dimension stone and lime. Estimates furnished. Shipping facilities by rail or water. J. A. H. Campbell, Manager, Windsor, Ont. b

FOR SALE—FRET SAWING MACHINE, also patterns. 165 Albert street. b

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LOST—SATURDAY MORNING, IN CEN-ter part of city, purse containing about \$2.50 in bills, silver and coins. Kindly return to Advertiser. 18c

FOUND—ON KING STREET—OPPOSITE market, wool mitt with money in pocket. Finder can have same by proving ownership. Apply this office. b

LOST—ON WELLINGTON STREET, BE-tween Dundas street and Queen's avenue, Wednesday, Nov. 30, lady's dog skin collar. Reward this office. 1c 21c

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GOOD BUSINESS FOR BRIGHT YOUNG man, paying a steady weekly income, \$1000 at once. Address C. B. Advertiser office. 18c

FOR SALE—SAWMILL MACHINERY, saws and carriage complete. A bargain. Apply J. W. Cawse, 93 York street, London. 14c 21c

Personal.

PERSONAL—WESTMINSTER TOWN-SHIP Tax Notice—I will be at the Fraser House, London, each Thursday and Saturday of this month, to receive the unpaid taxes. All taxes must be paid by the 31st inst., or notice will be given. E. N. Hunt, Collector, Scottville, b 21c

Houses, Etc., To Let.

TO LET—UNFURNISHED FRONT ROOM, ground floor; 50c per week, more if required, on Malind street, north Dundas. Apply B. B. this office. b

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TO RENT—HOUSE WITH STABLE ON William street, north of C. P. R.; in good repair; \$8 per month. For particulars apply to J. W. G. Winnett, Barrister, etc., 424 Talbot street. ywt

HOUSE TO LET—NO. 80 TALBOT STREET—Immediate possession. Alex. Harvey. 18c

TO LET—PARLOR AND BEDROOM unfurnished; with or without board. Also accommodation for two boarders. 406 Queen's avenue. 16c

TO LET—GOOD BRICK AND FRAME stable. Inquire A. N. Udy, over C. P. R. ticket office. Phone 735. b

TO LET—NO. 427 KING STREET—APPLY at 353 King street. 20c

TO LET—BRICK HOUSE—FOUR BED-rooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen and basement. Apply 123 Queen's avenue. 95c

TO LET—COVERED MOVING VANS—When moving have your furniture and pianos carefully moved. Address 97 Carling street. Phone 1,102 and 1,167.

Real Estate.

A SNAP—THAT HANDSOME NEW modern residence, 230 Central avenue, near park. Has been reduced in price to insure quick sale. Ten rooms, closets, bathroom, lavatory, all modern appointments. Open for inspection from 4 to 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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Wellington, City Trusts survey, 1,100
Grand ave., 140x510 (most eligible), 2,800
College, 60x150, lane, 400
Dundas, corner Wharncliffe, 400
Etc., etc., etc.

COTTAGES.

Arthur, corner lot, frame, 6 rooms 800
Academy, frame, 7 rooms, 1,000
Princess, brick, furnace, gas, 1,900
Center, frame, 5 rooms, monthly payments, 500
Horton, brick, 7 rooms, 900
John, brick, new, 8 rooms, 1,700
Clarence, frame, 6 rooms, 600
Etc., etc., etc.

RESIDENCES.

Queen's ave., brick, modern, 10 rooms, 3,200
Waterloo, brick, modern, 9 rooms, 3,000
Wortley, brick, modern, corner lot, 3,500
Elmwood ave., brick, modern, large lot, 4,500
Albert, brick, large, modern, inquire Queen's ave., brick, modern imp'v'ns., 4,500
Dundas, brick, central, modern, 4,000
Dundas, attractive, brick, modern, 4,700
Grand ave., brick, lot 100x510, 3,500
Midland, brick, corner, suitable for physician, 6,700
Queen's ave., brick, very central, 3,100
Atrium, attractive, brick, 4,000
Queen's ave., new brick, modern, 2,200
Etc., etc., etc.

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Richmond, 3-story, central, dividend payer, 9,000
Dundas, central, brick (unusual investment), 11,500
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P. Walsh's Bulletin.

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697 Waterloo street—A neat frame cottage; small barn; with one acre choice land; fruit and shade trees; at a low figure to close.

456 Piccadilly street—A new 2-story brick house, stone foundation, 9 rooms, modern; lot 52x130 feet; at a bargain. Inspection invited.

735 Elias street—A new brick cottage, 7 rooms, in perfect order; frame barn; good lot; at a bargain.

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Business Chances—First-class store and dwelling, 516 Adelaide street, to sell, rent or exchange. Building sites on Clarence street, near King, the future wholesale center of London, cheap. W. D. BUCKLE.

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Miscellaneous

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS—ALL KINDS OF contributions received at Children's Aid Society's office, City Hall, where ladies are in attendance to receive them. Contributions called for if necessary. Mrs. R. M. Graham, convener. 18c

NOTICE—PARTIES ARE CAUTIONED herewith against giving goods to Julia Tooley, my wife, as I will not be responsible for any goods purchased without my written order. Timothy Tooley, butcher. Dec. 17, 1898. b

ST. GEORGE'S XMAS CHEER—ALL DR-servicing persons desirous of participating of above will please apply to the members of the relief committee: H. C. Smith, 383 Dufferin avenue; John Pannell, 30 William street; H. J. Carter, 177 Albert street; Jos. Perry, 208 Mt. Pleasant street; Wm. Skinner, 322 York street; T. Brenton, 189 Bruce street; R. Caldwell, Sec. 18c

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A Number of Players Bought and Sold.

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BASEBALL.

BROOKLYN AND BALTIMORE AMALGAMATE.

New York, Dec. 16.—At yesterday's meeting of the National Baseball League, it was announced that the Brooklyn and Baltimore clubs had amalgamated. As a business venture the deal is regarded as a promising one financially for both clubs. Neither has been making money of late. On the contrary, they have been losing. By the terms of the amalgamation the respective clubs pool all gains and losses. The players likely to be transferred from Baltimore to Brooklyn are: Kelly, Keeler, Jennings, McGinn, Demontreville, Corbett, Maul and McJannet. Manager Ned Hanlon will have charge of the Brooklyn aggregation, and Wm. Barnie is talked of as his successor in Baltimore.

TWO EIGHT-LEAGUE CLUBS.

Many persons who claim to have inside information say that there will be two leagues of eight clubs each, under the governing hand of the National League next season. They say the twelve-club schedule has been found to be unwieldy, that a ten-club circuit would prove quite as difficult a proportion; that the eight of the leading clubs should be brought together in a major

league, and four remaining should form the nucleus of a minor body.

SUNDAY AND NON-SUNDAY

It was said today that J. Earl Wagner, of Washington, favored a non-Sunday playing and a Sunday-playing league, the former to be made up of the New York, Boston, Washington, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Detroit and Chicago clubs, the other to be composed of the Brooklyn, Philadelphia Athletic Club, Baltimore, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Providence, and Louisville, or Indianapolis clubs. Mr. Wagner will make this proposition.

The delegates were occupied yesterday in discussing the Philadelphia agreement, which has just expired. By it all visiting clubs receive 12½ cents for every person who entered the grounds during the last six years, and Col. John I. Rogers is anxious that this arrangement should be continued.

BOUGHT AND SOLD.

The Philadelphia club bought Pitcher Fraser from the Louisville club, but the price was not given out. Buck Ewing has made a money offer, in addition to some players, for Pitcher Rube Waddell. Messrs. Rogers and Hart were appointed as a committee on amendments to the constitution.

Two deals were made, by which Walter Milnot, manager of the Minneapolis club, secured the services of St. Louis' Eassey Abbatichio from Philadelphia and Shortstop George Smith from St. Louis.

TORONTO'S FUTURE.

Buffalo, Dec. 17.—President Franklin, of the Buffalo baseball club, yesterday said he was perfectly satisfied as to the way things went at the Eastern League meeting, and will at once begin the work of getting his Western League team into shape. Asked as to what Toronto proposed doing, Mr. Franklin said he could not say. He was puzzled about the Canadian city. "Arthur Irwin," he said, "did not show up at either the Eastern or National League meetings, notwithstanding the fact that he was in New York at the time the meetings were held. I cannot imagine what his reason was for now showing up. I don't think the chances for Toronto coming into the Western League are very good."

WRESTLING.

ROSS DOWNS THE TURK.

Indianapolis, Dec. 17.—Hall Adel, the "Terrible Turk," got a surprise party Thursday night. Duncan C. Ross pulled him over in the collar-and-elbow bout, and got the fall. Adel, however, got the next two, simply crushing his man to the mat in both falls.

THE CANADIAN WON.

Montreal, Dec. 17.—In a wrestling match last night between Quinn, the Canadian champion, and Comstock, the American, Quinn won easily, taking two falls out of three Graeco-Roman.

HOCKEY.

ST. KITT'S TO HAVE A NEW RINK.

St. Catharines, Dec. 17.—The St. Catharines hockey club has been reorganized for the hockey season with the following list of officers: Dr. Jessop, M.P.P., honorary president; James D. Chaplin, president; H. O'Loughlin, first vice-president; Charles Southcott, second vice-president; H. D. Henderson, captain; Frank McCordick, secretary; treasurer; Norval Douglas, curator; Fred H. Leach, manager; the officers and Messrs. A. Bogardus, Art Bate and Charles Conn comprise the executive.

The St. Catharines club will again affiliate with the Southern Ontario Hockey Association.

It is simply astonishing the popularity hockey has assumed. A game vir-

tually unknown here up to three years ago, it is now one of the best patronized of sports, and so confident is the feeling that the popularity will continue, that a number of ambitious young business men are about to erect a \$5,000 hockey and skating rink. It is expected ground will be broken on Monday next, and the building completed by Jan. 10 next. The building will be located opposite the St. Catharines and Niagara Central Railway station, corner of Raymond and Beach streets.

TURF.

AT INGLETSIDE.

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—Track good at Ingletside yesterday.

First race, 6 furlongs—Los Medanes won, Tirade 2, Glen Gaber 3. Time, 1:18½.

Second race, purse, 1 mile—Rubicon won, Top Mast 2, Cromwell 3. Time, 1:43½.

Third race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Major Hooker won, Hohenlohe 2, Durward 3. Time, 1:53.

Fourth race, selling, 7 furlongs—Dr. Bernais won, Imperious 2, Lady Britannic 3. Time, 1:30.

Fifth race, handicap, 6 furlongs—Novia won, Valenciennes 2, Miss Howena 3. Time, 1:16½.

Sixth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Dick Behan won, Prince Tyrant 3, Schmitz 3. Time, 1:17½.

AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, Dec. 17.—Yesterday was the twentieth day of the Crescent Jockey Club winter meeting.

First race, selling, 7 furlongs—Disturbance won, Peretta 2, Hampden 3. Time, 1:30½.

Second race, 6 furlongs—Dr. Vaughan won, Our Clara 2, Blue Lick 3. Time, 1:17.

Third race, selling, 7 furlongs—Marlton won, Debride 2, Locust Blossom 3. Time, 1:30.

Fourth race, handicap, mile and 20 yards—Hansel won, Dr. Sheppard 2, Judge Mage 3. Time, 1:45.

Fifth race, 13-16 mile—Henrietta won, Lady Callahan 2, Hanton 3. Time, 1:22.

PISTIC.

KNOCKED OUT.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 17.—The star attraction at the boxing bout here was a 25-round go between Jim Janey, of Baltimore, and Tom Williams, of Australia. In the third round a stiff left-hand hook on the jaw floored Williams and he had to be carried to his corner after being counted out.

BRODERICK VS. GOLDSTEIN.

New York, Dec. 17.—At the Waverley Athletic Club, in York, Tom Broderick, of New York, was given a decision over Hiram Goldstein, of Buffalo, in the 5th round of what was to be a 20-round fight. Broderick made a punching-bag out of Goldstein from the start.

GODDARD AND MCCOY.

Philadelphia, Dec. 17.—Joe Goddard and "Kid" McCoy were the features last night at the arena in a six-round bout, which came to an end in the 5th round by the referee disqualifying Goddard, and giving the fight to McCoy. Up to that period the fighting was most wonderful. McCoy did the better work. In the 5th round Joe was knocked down twice, then they wrestled about the ring for some time, when the referee interposed, and disqualified Goddard.

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GIVE THEM THE VERY BEST

In Remembering Your Friends at Christmas Time.

Many Months of Careful Preparation for This Joyous Season—Suggestions for Suitable, Useful and Beautiful Gifts.

There is something fine in the instinct which prompts one to set the best one has before a guest. It is not a mere vanity, but true hospitality; and so if one would offer a gift it must be, no matter how simple, the best of its kind. Above all, it must be genuine, because it is a symbol of the giver's sentiment. A gift that is intended as a sham is a humiliation to both giver and receiver. But this is the day of cheap imitation, and one is apt to be imposed on at every turn unless protected by the honor of the dealers. There is nothing else in which deception is so easy, so profitable, and so securely so widely practiced as in the matter of perfumes and toilet articles generally. A bottle of perfume not worth ten cents may be put up to look like one worth ten dollars. Of course, careful people have learned to look for such standard names as Roger & Gallet, of Paris, and J. & E. Atkinson, of London. These makers, with the jealousy-guarded secrets, worked out during centuries of perfume manufacture and with unlimited resources at their disposal, are practically without rivals. Cairncross & Lawrence, the well-known druggists of this city, who carry the best of everything in their line, say that the people of London generally have of late grown much more particular in their purchase of perfumery and toilet articles. Formerly they would simply ask for some certain odor, leaving the dealer to give whatever make he chose. Now, however, they have become positive about the name of the maker. This plan does not leave as large a profit for the retailer, but is much more satisfactory to the purchaser. However, the fact is pleasant to note, because it is another indication of a growing refinement and taste among London people. There is a true refinement and good breeding shown more clearly than in the niceties of the toilet. That the manufacturers realize this is evident in the beauty and perfect taste shown in the package in which the goods come. They appeal to the eye as pleasantly as their fragrant contents to the other senses; and so it is with everything pertaining to the toilet to be found in Cairncross & Lawrence's store. The toilet and manicure sets fresh from Paris and London are marvels of elegance. The materials are richer and the designs more chastely beautiful than those of last season. There is a pleasant innovation in the matter of monograms on ebony brushes and mirrors. Delicately engraved monograms, with hair-lines of ivory, have largely replaced the silver and gold mountings. Some of the atomizers shown are beautiful gems. The delicate shadings of color are revelations of the glass blower's art.

Another article in which many an imposition is practiced is that of sachet powders. Those imported from England are the best manufactured. There is a delicate, fragrant and lasting odor to the sachet powders of real merit. Many sachet powders have the odor, but they are of an evanescent nature, and are sadly a disappointment. The stock of sachet powders now on hand and for the Christmas trade, by Cairncross & Lawrence are incomparable in their fragrant fragrance and variety.

But it is idle to attempt to describe a fraction of the beautiful things displayed. A visit to Cairncross & Lawrence's handsome store, corner Dundas and Lawrence streets, will be infinitely more satisfactory.

OVER THE TEACUPS

"Surely a woman's affection is not a thing to be asked for, and had for only the asking."

—Longfellow.

A woman never uses the well-known expression "a man's woman" without a note of contempt in her tone. It implies so much, that phrase. It means that the one referred to is of those who are never their own sweet interesting selves unless one of the opposite sex is present, who think that to put themselves out to be agreeable to anyone but a man is a matter of "wasting their sweetness on the desert air." At least that is how a "woman's woman" looks on them. But the path "a man's woman" follows is a dangerous one. Oh! yes, it is. Those people see through her. They notice how she brightens up when a man approaches, how she turns from her female companions (and a sneer is implied in the word "female") with her prettiest smile, and how she at once makes use of all those dainty little ways which should be part and parcel of her charming personality at all times. The younger men perhaps do not understand her. They only feel flattered and gratified, and several inches taller, but they whose hair is getting just a wee bit grey and who have made an exhaustive study of the "female animal" see through it all. Although, perhaps, they do not think much about it; for the average man can conceive most things to a woman who knows how to amuse him. But, oh, her female companions! They are her enemies for life. And, pardon, madames, etc., you draw your silken skirts aside to let the approaching man sit beside you. Think, I pray you, how

"He that hath one enemy will meet him everywhere."

And all the more so if that enemy be a woman—one of the irrepressible sex.

Mrs. Warren Rodney, who has been the guest of Mrs. Herbert Gater, at the drawing-room last Friday afternoon, where a tea for girls in honor of Miss Marion Council, of Hamilton, was in progress. Of course, everyone was talking of the dance the night before, all agreeing that it was as nicely performed as anything in this city of old world can be. Verily the post was right in declaring:

"One waiting is life, then one looking back."

In another room, Mrs. Adam Beck, in

Always—get the best. The pound package of MONSOON (Indo-Ceylon) TEA costs no more than the pound packets of other teas—but, coming direct from the growers, every package of Monsoon Tea embodies the growers' choicest quality for the price and the growers' special care to reach consumers with a tea that looks as clean and appetizing as it tastes.

MONSOON

Monsoon Tea Sold in Lead Packets Only, at 25c, 30c, 40c, 50c and 60c.



THEY'LL work while you sleep without a grip or gripe, curing Biliousness, Sick Headache, Constipation and Dyspepsia, and make you feel better in the morning.

"I have had Dyspepsia and Stomach Trouble for the past two years," said Miss Ellen Whalen, Niagara Falls, Ont., "and took various remedies. Nothing did me any good except Laxa-Liver Pills, which cured me promptly and effectually."

PRICE 25c. A BOTTLE AT ALL DRUGGISTS.

a charming gown of pale violet cloth, and a small hat of velvet of a deeper shade of violet, presided over the pretty tea table with its vases of pink carnations. Hamilton was well represented for I caught a glimpse of Miss Crerar, looking bright and pretty as usual.

Alas! how easily things go wrong. A sigh too deep, or a kiss too long. And there follows a mist and a weeping rain, And life is never the same again.

Alas! how hardly things go right 'Tis hard to watch on a summer's night! For the sigh will come and the kiss will stay And the summer's night is a winter's day.

And yet how easily things go right, If the sigh and the kiss of a winter's night Come deep from the soul in a stronger ray. That is born in the light of a winter's day.

And things can never go badly wrong, If the mist be true, and the love be strong. For the mist if it comes, and the weeping rain, Will be changed by the love into sunshine again.

—George MacDonald.

A Christmas Carol Up-to-Date.

"The Grocers! Oh, the Grocers!" Again the scales descending on the counter make a merry sound, the twine and roller part company more briskly than ever, the canisters are rattled up and down like juggling tricks, the grateful accents of tea and coffee are grateful to the nose, the raisins are plentiful and pure, the almonds white, the sticks of cinnamon long and straight, the other spices delicious, the candied fruits caked and spotted with molasses sugar, the figs moist and pulpy, the French plums bluish in modest taintness from gaily decorated boxes, and everything is good to eat and in its Christmas dress. If Charles Dickens had not written his Christmas Carol so long ago one would be tempted to believe he must have had a glimpse of the interior of T. A. Rowatt & Co.'s store, at 234 Dundas street, and drawn his inspiration thence. There is the general shadowing forth of a thousand Christmas dinners in that splendid store, where everything is so fresh and clean and bright, so tempting and appetite-provoking. But Dickens never knew the fragrant joys of Rowatt's famous coffee blend, nor the deep delights of Kitch's imperial Table Jellies. No such delicious olives were brought from sun-kissed southern hills in his day. He had no such luscious table raisins to inspire his muse. Such French peas and mushrooms and beans he was not of. Truly those days are better than the former. T. A. Rowatt & Co. have been in the grocery business in this city for eleven years. They have always catered to the best family trade. By keeping only the best goods, buying in the best markets, and by fair dealing and frank, courteous treatment of customers they have built up one of the most desirable grocery businesses in the city. They can help you make this Christmas dinner what every Christmas dinner ought to be—the best that anybody ever eat down to.

W. F. BROCKENSHIRE, East End Gallery, is still making those beautiful cabinet photographs at \$2 per dozen. 666½ Dundas street. ywt

Feather and Down Cushions, 50 cents each—the best value in London. Goose-feather Pillows a specialty. Bedroom Suits, Fancy Rockers, Tables, Spring Beds, Stoves of every kind, at the Bed and Mattress Factory, 583 Baymond street north. JAMES F. HUNT & SONS. Telephone 997.

Mrs. Percy Nelles, of Woodstock, has been the guest of her mother, Mrs. Howell, of Askin street, for a few days this week.

Miss Lena Graydon returned home this week from a lengthened visit in New York and Brooklyn. Her many friends will be glad to have her back again. GYP.

The following poem of George MacDonald's is well known, but very few

Doctors Say

"Use Dr. Chase's Ointment for Piles."

Dr. Chase's Ointment is not a patent medicine, and physicians feel free to recommend it to their patients. The cured ones writing about their cures say: "The family doctor told me there was no treatment so good as Dr. Chase's Ointment."

The old way—the cruel, expensive and dangerous way—was to perform a surgical operation. Dr. Chase's Ointment is surer, easier and cheaper, and the best physicians endorse it as an absolute cure for piles and all itching skin diseases.

Dr. C. M. Harlan, writing in The American Journal of Health, says: "We know that Dr. Chase's Ointment meets all the requisites of the highest standard of worth, and consequently we endorse it to every reader."

For Sale by All Dealers, or EDMAN SON, BATES & CO., Toronto, Ont.

London Advertiser.

(ESTABLISHED BY JOHN CAMERON IN 1863.)

Managing Director and Editor, John Cameron

London, Saturday, Dec. 17, 1893.

A Word to Christmas Shoppers.

The Advertiser today presents manifold attractions for the Christmas shoppers.

This is a season of special enterprise and activity among the merchants, and nowhere is it more strikingly shown than in these pages today. The practiced buyers will consult them to save time and money. The unpracticed buyers—especially those who are puzzled about what to get in the line of Christmas presents, will find spread before them in The Advertiser an array of the choicest gifts, from which they may choose with deliberation. There is nothing like being posted in advance. The advertisements suggest many articles which might not be seen in a cursory inspection of the stores.

A word of advice to readers: Do your shopping early. The early shopper gets the cream of the holiday stock. There is always bound to be a crush at the last moment, no matter how advantageous early shopping is. This is another reason why the judicious buyer should take our advice.

The Christmas display of the London merchants is in the highest degree creditable. They offer a range of goods as varied and attractive as can be found in any of the great cities. There is no need to go out of London for anything.

A World's Fair at Detroit

Major B. H. Rothwell, of Detroit—a former Canadian, and proud of his nativity—has been in these parts in the interests of the World's Fair, which it is proposed to hold in Detroit in 1901. At first sight it might seem a bold enterprise for Detroit to undertake a fair that shall rival, if not eclipse, the famous exposition at Chicago, but influential and wealthy people of the City of the Straits are entering into the project with extraordinary enthusiasm. One idea of the promoters is to send a strong deputation to the Paris Exposition of 1900, so as to secure all its principal attractions for Detroit in the following year, in addition to everything that American ingenuity and enterprise can furnish at home.

The matter is of special interest to the people of Ontario, and particularly of Western Ontario. This World's Fair will be at our very doors. Cheap railway fares will bring it within the reach of all. It will afford a vast amount of instruction and pleasure. For several months in the year, Ontario will be traveled by thousands from all countries, going to and from the Fair. The incidental advertisement to the Province will be great and beneficial. Canadian railroads will get an enormous share of the traffic. Never again may we have a World's Fair so close, unless some time we hold one of our own.

Canada's duty is very plain. We must be adequately represented at the Detroit exhibition. The new and improved relations with the United States should be signified by a special effort on our part to excel even our magnificent showing at the Chicago fair. With our increasing development, the task will be easy. The proximity of Detroit is peculiarly favorable to us.

The occasion of the Fair is the 200th anniversary of the foundation of Detroit by Cadillac and his party, who, on Feb. 17, 1701, established a rude fort on the river bank. The Fair will consequently open on the same day—Feb. 17—and will continue from four to six months. The promoters have already picked out an admirable site on the water-front, extending eastward from a point near the foot of Woodward avenue. The corporation propose to buy this property, tear down the present buildings, which are not costly, and cover the area with the exhibition structures. After the Fair, the land will be laid out in building lots and sold. A second Venice will be built on the water, and it is intended to make this floating city one of the great spectacles of the exhibition.

As a financial preliminary Congress has been asked for \$500,000, and Detroit will doubtless get it. It is calculated that \$2,000,000 will be spent on a great hall, which would be a permanent building, useful for conventions and large gatherings.

Canadians cordially wish their neighbor every success in their giant undertaking.

The Passing of the Horse.

The horseless carriage has conquered Paris, has invaded London, and is now making its New York debut with great success. The favorite automobile in New York is the electric cab. Regular electric cab stations have been established throughout the city, and may be hailed on the street or ordered by telephone. A vehicle of this kind is rather striking in appearance. The forebody is similar to an ordinary hansom-cab, but rearwardly projecting from this part of the vehicle is a box in which the batteries are housed. These batteries are composed of a multitude of lead plates carried in boxes and immersed in dilute acid. They are inserted or removed by taking off the rear end of this so-called battery-box. For obvious reasons the running gear is composed of four wheels instead of two, as in the ordinary cab. The wheels are small in diameter and massive in construction and are fitted with immense pneumatic tires five inches in diameter, made up

of rubber stock from five-eighths to one inch thick. These tires are pumped to a pressure of about 80 pounds. Another radical departure from ordinary practice is embodied in the arrangement of the front wheels as drivers, the vehicle being steered by the rear wheels. Each cab is fitted with two two-horse power electric motors, one of which is geared to each driving wheel. The motors are entirely enclosed, and are attached to the axle adjacent to the wheels.

The up-to-date "cabby" is seated on top of the battery-box. Under his seat is the so-called controller. From this device a handle projects upward on the left side of the driver's seat, so that by moving this lever forward from its normal position the batteries and motors are variously connected, and several speeds result. In front is a long lever which is connected with the steering gear. A movement of this lever forward or backward moves the steering wheels correspondingly to the right or left. Close to this steering lever is the brake treadle, which is moved by the cab operator's foot and causes a strong brake to be applied directly to each motor. The vehicle may be stopped within its length even when running at full speed. The automobile cabman needs no hitching-post. Should he leave his seat, he carries away with him the safety-switch-handle, by removing which the connection between the battery and motor is broken, and the cab cannot be started. As long as cabby attends to this part of his duty, runaway electric cabs will probably remain a rarity. This switch also serves as an emergency stop when running. In case of necessity, it is operated by a kick, thus instantly stopping the motors.

The electric cab carries enough power to send it from 25 to 30 miles in the streets of New York. It returns periodically to the central station to have its batteries re-charged. This is a speedy operation. A writer in Harper's Weekly says he has seen a cab come in from the street, enter the loading platform where the batteries are charged, and go out again all inside of four minutes.

The automobile fashion must soon spread to other large cities, and this generation may even see the complete passing of the horse.

The Montreal Gazette says Conservatives will not be discouraged by the bye-elections. "They can afford to wait," adds the Gazette. So can the country.

Norway objects to lying in the same bed with Sweden. If they come to blows, and Russia takes a hand in, it may result in Norway and Sweden lying in the same grave.

Sir Charles Tupper is spending the winter holidays in Europe. We hope the veteran will have his merry Christmas before the news of the bye-elections can reach him.

The mercantile interests of Spain are clamoring for financial reform. This is one result of the war. Perhaps the shock is already beginning to revitalize the decadent old state.

There is a big grain blockade at Buffalo, and eighty steamers are waiting to unload their cargoes. Buffalo will be troubled by no more such blockades when we get the St. Lawrence Canal deepened.

The Conservative party of Canada and the Liberal party of Great Britain are in one sense alike. Both are without a real head. But the British Liberals have plenty of brains at the top. That's the difference.

It is reported that Tolstoi will be expelled from Russia. If the grand old man should seek refuge in Canada it is likely that some of the Opposition papers would denounce him as a Douk-"hobo" or a shirt-wrestler.

Complaint is made that many Mexican quarter-dollars are in circulation in the city. The Mexican quarter is worth only 16 cents in our cash, because Mexico's currency is on a free silver basis. Those who have accepted the quarters at par have lost money, but gained a lesson in currency.

The Toronto World had a cartoon yesterday, picturing Sir Wilfrid Laurier as handing over Canadian interests to Uncle Sam. Editorially, it expressed the belief that negotiations between Canada and the United States had been broken off, and that there would be no treaty. Thereupon it abuses the Liberal party. That is about as consistent as the attitude of the Opposition press throughout.

Mr. Sifton has been enthusiastically honored in his own riding, Brandon, Man. There was no sign of the Liberal disaffection about which the Opposition papers have been prating. The Manitoba people naturally have a local pride in Mr. Sifton and his success is certainly a warrant for it. The admiration for the young Minister is, however, not confined to Manitoba. It is as wide as the Dominion.

Despite the preferential tariff, American iron and steel is still getting the better of the British in the Canadian market. We also read that one thousand tons of American ship plates have been delivered at Glasgow. If the Americans can undersell the British in Great Britain they can do it in Canada. The fact is, that the United States, with its inexhaustible iron mines, has gained the iron and steel supremacy

which Great Britain held so long. The British mines are nearly worked out.

Mr. Bertram, the Liberal M. P. for Center Toronto, told his constituents on Thursday night that prospects for a reciprocity treaty were extremely doubtful. Mr. Bertram had just come from Washington, and had talked with Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Perhaps it is not policy to be sanguine. If a treaty is evolved, it will be a pleasant surprise. If it is not forthcoming, Canadians will not be disappointed.

A great deal is printed about the Napane bank robbery trial that is ill-founded. A number of our contemporaries, for example, are arguing that there was something very extraordinary about the conduct of the jury in unanimously finding Mackie guilty and disagreeing in the case of Ponton. "Apparently," remarks the Toronto Register, "a larger discount upon the story of the approving thieves was allowed in one case than in the others." Contemporaries that go reason cannot have read the evidence in the case. It may be that Ponton will again have to stand his trial for the robbery, therefore The Advertiser will say nothing that would tend to prejudice the public mind; but it is perfectly fair to all parties to point out that the evidence against Mackie was much more conclusive than that against the bank teller. The evidence of the Misses French was strongly confirmatory of that given by the crooks, Pare and Holden, and there was other testimony tending to show that Mackie consorted with the two other robbers immediately prior to the theft. There was no such proof against Ponton, though his financial transactions were liable to raise a suspicion as to his innocence.

WHAT OTHERS SAY.

A Change of Position.

[Hamilton Herald.]

Dr. Willoughby used to be a Tory whip. Now he is only one of the Tory whippers.

A Conservative Compliment.

[Hamilton Spectator.]

Well, if West Lambton must go Grit, we do not know of a better man than Dr. Tom Johnston to represent it in Parliament.

Aldermen at a Price.

[Hamilton Times.]

Winnipeg aldermen get \$300 a year salary. That is equivalent to an addition of \$100,000 to the city debt. Some aldermen would be cheap at that figure; many would be dear at any price.

A Roast on Dingley.

[Detroit News.]

And yet Mr. Dingley and his backers would stand in the way of a reciprocity which would settle all these trade obstructions and would improve both the trade relations and the general intercourse between the people of North America, in order to give a few wealthy lumbermen the chance to add \$2 a thousand to the natural market price for their pine lumber. The American workman who builds a home and the farmer who fences his land are the men who must pay the additional \$2. A reciprocity treaty which will increase our commerce with Canada is worth more to this country than the possession of the Philippines, for which we are to pay \$20,000,000.

Libeling Our Representatives.

[Simcoe Reformer.]

Some of the newspapers are still declaring that the interests of Canada are being sacrificed to cement Anglo-American friendship. The Toronto World advises Sir Wilfrid Laurier to pack his valise and come home and not make a fool of himself by a longer stay at Washington. It was hoped that this attempt to adjust differences with our neighbors was a national matter, and that Reformers and Conservatives alike had an equal interest in the result. To deal with it in the spirit of party is ignoring both wisdom and patriotism. If Canadian interests have been sacrificed, the duty of the House of Commons and the Senate is clear. Will any of the croaking prophets of evil be good enough to tell us what possible object

SCALES COVERED

Head of Six Months' Old Baby. They Would Peel Off Taking The Hair with Them.

Doofer & Remedies Did No Good Tried Cuticura. Hair Grew and Now No Trace of Eczema.

My baby was about six weeks old when the top of her head became covered with thick scales, which would peel and come off, taking the hair with it. It would soon grow again and be as bad as before. I tried several things and then went to the doctor. He said it was Eczema and prescribed an ointment, which did not do any good. A friend spoke of CUTICURA SOAP. I tried it and read on the wrapper about CUTICURA (ointment) as a remedy for Eczema. I bought a box and washed her head in warm water and CUTICURA SOAP and gently combed the scales off. They did not come back, and her hair grew out fine and thick. She is now a year and a half old and has no trace of Eczema. You have my permission to publish my letter.

Mrs. C. W. BURGESS, Feb. 21, '93, 55 Warren St., Bridgeport, Conn.

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Specials For Today and Monday

Ladies' Jackets and Furs.

You'll hardly allow Saturday and Monday to go by without getting your New Jacket, such strictly up-to-date goods as we offer you in this list—desirable, seasonable, merchandise—and at marvelously low prices, must give this store the preference in your buying.

Four Bargains in Fur Jackets.

Four very exceptional bargains in Fur Jackets.

- 1 Gray Lamb Sackie, satin lined, very best manufacture, 30 inches long, was \$60, reduced to \$49.
- 1 Gray Lamb Sackie, satin lined 28 inches long, storm collar, was \$52 50, reduced to \$40.
- 1 Black Persian Lamb Sackie, fancy silk lining, 30 inches long, fancy collar and front, was \$110 reduced to \$75.
- 5 only 34-inch Black Astrachan Sackies, quilted farmers' satin lining, were \$22, reduced to \$15 each.

Mantles and Jackets.

After a most successful season's business we offer the balance of our stock at greatly reduced prices. Goods all new and up-to-date.

Children's New York Jackets and Gretchens, only 9 left, were \$8 to \$17 each, we offer them at just one-half price.

12 only Ladies' Satin and Silk lined 22-inch New York Styles were \$20 and \$25, all at \$15 each.

33 Sample Jackets, New Blue, Fawn, Brown and Black, newest styles, worth \$10 to \$15. We offer the lot, your choice \$8 each.

62 only, Last Season's Styles, good, comfortable Jackets in Tweeds, Beaver and Frieze, were \$6, \$7 and \$9, choice at \$3 each.

17 only, Beaver, Frieze and Vienna Cloth Jackets, 24 inches long, some lined, others one-half lined, were \$8 and \$10. A great bargain choice, \$5 each.

Underwear, Hosiery, Gloves.

25 dozen Fleece-Lined Vests and Drawers all sizes, regular 45c goods; very special, 25c each.

10 dozen Ladies' Fleece-Lined Vests and Drawers, all sizes, regular 60c; very special at 35c each.

15 dozen Boys' and Youths' Heavy-Ribbed Hose, sizes 5½, 9, 9½, regular 45c; very special, 25c pair.

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The throng of customers you find

daily—and particularly on Saturday—in our Men's Section is demonstration, pure and simple, of our success in meeting men's needs.

We intend that today (Saturday of cold December) shall outstrip all previous Saturdays this season. The values that follow will do it. Take the starting item of Men's Ulsters, for example.

Men's Clothing.

\$5—Men's 4-Button Sackie Suits, in dark and light tweeds and serges, plain and fancy patterns, Italian linings, good value, all sizes, 30 to 42; worth \$8 50; very special at \$5.

\$7—Men's 4-Button Double-Breasted Sackie Suits in heavy all-wool tweeds, all sizes, worth \$8 50; very special at \$7.

\$10—Men's Suits in Single and Double-Breasted, all-wool tweeds, Scotch effects, also in plain frieze, black and brown colors, well and strongly made, all sizes, worth \$12; special at \$10.

\$4 50—Men's Heavy Frieze Ulsters claret color, heavy tweed linings, well and strongly made, with large storm collars, worth \$6; very special at \$4 50.

Men's odd pants, in extra heavy all-wool tweed, worth \$1 75; special at \$1 25.

Men's odd pants in extra fine all-wool tweed, half-line stripe, regular \$3 50 goods for \$2 75.

Boys' Sailors and Reefers.

50 Boys' Sailor Suits in Navy Serge, well made, neatly trimmed, worth \$1 to \$1 15; very special at 75c.

Boys' Fancy Sailor Suits, in fine worsteds and serges with fancy detachable large sailor collars, beautifully trimmed. These are a very choice lot, ranging in price from \$3 to \$5. Mothers should see them.

27 Boys' Fancy Vestee Suits, in the latest cut and style, well made and trimmed, beautiful goods, sizes 20 to 26, worth \$4 50; very special at \$3.

Boys' Knicker Pants, odd, in good strong tweed and serges, sizes 22 to 32; very special at 19c, 25c, 35c, 50c, 65c, 75c, 90c and \$1.

50 Boys' Reefers in navy blue cloth, with brass buttons, strong linings, sizes 23 to 29, ranging in price from \$1 50 to \$4.

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Dress Goods.

It will pay you to visit the Dress Goods Section on Saturday and Monday—pays to visit it at any time when in want of Dress Goods. But Saturday and Monday prices are to be more than usually enticing for some of our most seasonable goods.

Black Dress Goods.

44-inch Irish Poplin, all wool, very special at 50c.

44-inch plain Satin Cloth, all wool, beautiful finish special at 50c.

48-inch Paris Cord, worsted finish. They are \$1 goods, for 60c.

44-inch Mohair Crepon, pure, all wool, in fine stripes, regular 75c goods, special at 50c.

44-inch Cashmere Serge all wool, fine twill, all sizes, 30 to 42; worth \$8 50; very special at \$5.

50-inch Serge, all wool, hard finish, extra, special at 50c.

44-inch Poplin, extra weight, at 75c.

44-inch Mohair Crepons, heavily raised designs, regular \$1 goods, for 50c.

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44-inch Mohair Crepons, fancy weaves, in Brocades and Beadear stripes, Priestley's celebrated blacks, special at \$1.

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Sir Wilfrid Laurier would have in sacrificing the country's interests? The very idea is absurd, and the imputation a scandalous libel.

LIGHT AND SHADE.

"Is the new hotel elegantly furnished?" "Elegantly furnished! They have gilded cockroaches!"—Chicago Record.

Independent.

"What a bad cold you have, Benedict!" "Yes; my mother-in-law got to dictating when the family should put their winter flannel on." "Did you put yours on?" "No—that is, I had them on, and when she got so arbitrary I rent and took them off!"—Puck.

Still a Novice.

In childhood days we played together, I kept a store, she came to buy; Sometimes I was her little husband, And she would cook and make mud pie.

Ah! that was long ago, and many A country have I wandered through; Today's she's married to another And settled down and happy, too.

Last night they had tea in, dinner, I ate a piece of pie she made—She knows no more about pie-making Than she did when we, as children, played.

—Chicago News.

As It Seems to Him.

Caraway—The elopement of Cheney's wife was in the nature of a boomerang, wasn't it? Hooks—How so? Caraway—She returned the next day. —Utica Press.

The Reserves of Life.

It is drudgery to try to make one's self comprehended. Indeed, there is something radically wrong with us when we incline to do it. That which people have a right to know about us we should make loud by our acts and our daily speech. Beyond this we

great reserves, the soul's debatable ground, where he basks, chameleonlike, changing his hues according to the wind, the sun strikes, and responsible to no man for his conceits.

HELD FAST IN A BEAR TRAP

Wonderful Fortitude Displayed by a French Halfbreed—Rescued by His Wife.

Prince Albert, Dec. 17.—Last spring there occurred in Green Lake, 120 miles northwest of Prince Albert, Sask., an accident which illustrates the stoical character of the Indian or half-breed. A French breed named Merasty was settling a bear trap near Green Lake. He accidentally sprung the trap, and was pinned fast by the logs intended to catch bears. He was knocked prostrate, and his right arm and right leg were so held fast by the heavy logs that to move was impossible. He was sustaining the weight of 25 logs. That is a very sparsely settled part of the country, and the probability of being rescued from his agonizing position was very small indeed. The bones in his arm and leg had been crushed. But he did not despair. With his free hand he managed to secure the butcher knife he always carried, and at once began cutting the log. But as he was so much exhausted, and being able to use only his left hand, and that only with extreme difficulty he made slow progress. With fortitude equaled by few he succeeded in cutting the six-inch pine log half in two, but he could do no more, and lost consciousness. He remained in the bear trap three nights and four days with nothing to eat nor drink, and nothing but death staring him in the face. In the meantime Merasty's wife wondered what detained her husband so long, and at last, thinking some accident must have happened, she started out to the bear-trap. Of course, she believed Merasty dead. But she speedily lifted one by one the logs from the trap, and happily to relate, she arrived in time to save the life of her

husband. Marasty is still alive, and lives at Green Lake, but will always carry the marks of the adventure, which undoubtedly would have proved fatal, but for the fortunate assistance from his wife.

\$100 FOR A TOOTH

A Hamilton Dentist's Alleged Negligence Proves Costly.

Hamilton, Dec. 17.—Miss Alice Leaver's suit against Dr. T. Baxter, dentist, for \$200 damages for injuries caused by alleged negligence in the treatment of a tooth, commenced Thursday afternoon, and was not concluded until after 1 p.m. yesterday. Many dentists and doctors were interested listeners during the trial.

After being out less than an hour the jury returned a verdict for the fair plaintiff for \$100 and costs. Several of the dentists called as witnesses for the defense admitted that the members of the dental profession of this city would contribute towards paying any expense the defendant might be put to in the case.

George Wheeler, a 14-year-old boy, was killed on the railway near Lansdowne.

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THE SIRDAR

In an article quoted in Blackwood's English this pen picture of Sir Herbert Kitchener, major-general of her Majesty's forces in Southern Egypt: He stands several inches over six feet, straight as a lance, and looks so imperiously over most men's heads; his motions are deliberate and strong; slender but firmly built, he seems built for tireless, steel-wire endurance rather than for power and agility. Steadily, passionately, eyes, shaded by decisive eyebrows, brick-red rather full cheeks, a long mustache beneath which you divine an immovable mouth; his face is harsh, and neither appeals for affection nor stirs dislike. Neither age nor force, nor face, nor any accident of person, has any bearing on the essential sirdar. He has no age but the prime of life, no body but one to carry his mind, no face but one to keep his brain behind. The brain and the will are the essence of the whole of the man, a brain and a will so perfect in their workings that, in the face of extreme difficulty, they never seem to know what struggle is. You cannot imagine the sirdar otherwise than as seeing the right thing to do and doing it. His precision is so humanly unerring, he is more like a machine than a man. You feel that he ought to be patented. The sirdar is never in a hurry. With immovable self-control he holds back from each step till the ground is consolidated under the last. Fighting men may chafe and go down with typhoid and cholera; they are in the iron grip of the machine, and they must wait till the turn of its wheels. Deserves wait and wonder, passing from apprehension to security. The Turks are not coming—the Turks are afraid. Then suddenly at daybreak one morning they see the sirdar advancing upon them all sides together, and by noon they are dead. Patient and swift, certain and relentless, the sirdar machine rolls conquering southward. In the meantime, during all the years of preparation and achievement, the man Herbert Kitchener owns the affection of private friends and of old comrades of fifteen years' standing; for the rest of the world there is no man Herbert Kitchener, but only the sirdar, neither asking affection nor giving it. His officers and men are wheels in the machine; he feeds them enough to make them efficient, and works them as mercilessly as he works himself. If you suppose, therefore, that the sirdar is unpopular who always beats the enemy. Other generals have been better loved; none was ever better trusted. Of one human weakness the sirdar is believed not to have purged himself—ambition. He is a man who has failed in his own; the sirdar's if apparently personal, is legitimate, and even lofty. Naturally, he has awakened jealousies, and he has bought permission to take each step on the way only by brilliant success in the last. If, in this case, he is not so to the low, who shall blame him? He has climbed too high not to take every precaution against a fall. But he will not fall—just yet, at any rate. So far as Egypt is concerned, he is the man of destiny—the man who has sifted experience and corrected error; who has worked at small things and waited for great; marble to sit still and fire to smite; steadfast, only indelible; the man who has cut out his human heart and made himself a machine to retake Khartoum.

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THREATENED WITH A CRISIS!

Stormy Debate in the French Chamber of Deputies.

Salisbury Talks About Britain's Foreign Policy.

Spanish View of the American Commissioners' Course.

The Matter of Arresting Leading Carlists Under Consideration—The British Liberal Leadership—Oom Paul for Peace—Row in the Reichsrath.

Paris, Dec. 17.—A stormy debate took place in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday on the corruption that characterized the recent election at Narbonne, practised by a candidate who was a protégé of the Meline cabinet. The discussion nearly led to a ministerial crisis, M. Guilleme, minister of the colonies, and M. Deloncle, minister for commerce, both of whom were identified with the Meline cabinet, threatening to resign. M. Dupuy, the premier, after an interview with the incensed ministers, succeeded in mollifying them, and the chamber dropped the matter. The discussion has revealed friction that is likely to come up on a future occasion.

A committee, describing itself as representing "the royalist house of France," placarded the streets with a manifesto yesterday, expressing the indignation of royalists at the attack being made upon the army by the partisans of Dreyfus revision. The manifesto has fallen absolutely flat.

GOOD-BYE.

United States Ambassador Porter and other officials of the United States embassy, a representative of the French foreign office, and the members of the American colony of this city, bade farewell to the American peace commissioners at the railroad station yesterday evening, as they started on their homeward journey. A special saloon car had been provided by the railroad company for the use of the members of the commission. The friends of the departing commissioners gave three cheers, and waved their hats and handkerchiefs as the train started.

SALISBURY TALKS.

London, Dec. 17.—The Marquis of Salisbury, the premier, at a banquet given last evening in his honor at the Constitutional Club, devoted his speech in reply to a toast to his health, to home affairs and to the general principles for the conduct of foreign policy, without direct reference to any particular question. Dwellings upon the necessity for discussion, Lord Salisbury said it would be a relief if he could discuss and explain certain general principles for the conduct of foreign policy, without direct reference to any particular question. Dwellings upon the necessity for discussion, Lord Salisbury said it would be a relief if he could discuss and explain certain general principles for the conduct of foreign policy, without direct reference to any particular question. Dwellings upon the necessity for discussion, Lord Salisbury said it would be a relief if he could discuss and explain certain general principles for the conduct of foreign policy, without direct reference to any particular question.

A SENSATION.

Madrid, Dec. 17.—A sensation was caused here by the discovery in the ante-room of Senor Sagasta's official residence of an intoxicated soldier, repatriated from Cuba, armed with a knife. The man was asleep.

The Paris correspondent of the London Times telegraphs this morning a long account of the Spanish official the Spanish peace commission, Senor Montero Rios, in the course of which he represents the Spanish commissioners as complaining that "the Americans have acted as vainglorious parvenus, who do not yet know misfortune or defeat. Senor Montero Rios remarked that "when later on they have also suffered reverses, they will be less inflexible to those who have suffered defeat." The Spanish commissioner contended that the Philippines are still unconquered, and that their conquest would not be accomplished quickly.

THE CARLIST SCARE.

The government is considering the question of arresting the principal Carlists. The most rigorous censorship of telegrams is maintained, and all messages with regard to Carlist movements are stopped. Accounts of the recent disturbances in the Basque are strictly prohibited. El Heraldo this morning, painting a gloomy picture of the financial situation, shows that the interest on all the public debts amounts to 685,000,000 pesetas, while the revenue is only 585,000,000. Of this revenue the civil list, civil pensions and other irreducible charges absorb 74,000,000 pesetas, leaving only 157,000,000 pesetas available for the army, navy and all other demands. In view of this situation El Heraldo urges an equitable reduction in the interest on the debts.

Count Casa Sola, brother of the Marquis Cerralbo, in an interview, has confirmed the reports that savage cruelties similar to those inflicted upon the anarchists confined in the fortress of Montjuich at Barcelona, have been applied to the Carlists arrested at Bilbao, in order to extract information from them regarding the armament and designs of the Carlists. It is apprehended that these tortures will lead to terrible reprisals should the Carlists take the field.

THE LIBERAL LEADERSHIP.

London, Dec. 17.—At the meeting at Birmingham yesterday of the National Liberal Federation, Mr. Spence Watson moved a resolution expressing deep regret at Sir William Vernon Harcourt's resignation of the leadership of the Liberal party, tendering him heartfelt thanks for his brilliant services, and expressing pleasure at the fact that he will continue to devote his pre-eminent powers to the cause of Liberalism. An amendment, asking Sir William to reconsider his decision, was defeated, and Spence Watson's resolution was adopted almost unanimously. A motion to consider the leadership of the Liberal party was withdrawn.

ANGLO-ITALIAN AGREEMENT.

The Rome correspondent of the London Daily Mail says: "In the Chamber of Deputies today Signor Del Bono asserted the existence of an agreement equivalent to a formal treaty between Italy and Great Britain for the maintenance of status quo in Africa along the Red Sea and the Mediterranean and in the Hinterlands of Tripoli and Abkhazia as well as in the Sudan. It was noteworthy that his statement was not contradicted by the government."

NIGER CONVENTION POSTPONED.

London, Dec. 17.—An official note, issued by the foreign office at Paris, states that the ratification of the Niger convention between England and France has been postponed for six months from Dec. 18.

ANOTHER BIG BATTLESHIP.

The first-class battleship Irresistible was successfully launched from the dock yards at Chatham yesterday. She was named by Princess Christian. The launching crowd weighed 300 tons. Seven tons of Russian tallow and soft soap, besides a large quantity of train oil, were used in lubricating the ways. A great crowd witnessed the launching.

MORE CABLES.

The morning newspapers print a letter addressed to the Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, by Sir Sanford Fleming, the chancellor of Queen's University, Canada, and a leading expert in telegraph communication and the unification of time reckoning throughout the world, advocating the adoption of a system of cable-owned and cable-operated British possession and all Great Britain's naval coaling stations. Sir Sanford Fleming proposes three sections of cables, in the Pacific, Indian and Atlantic Oceans, and estimates their cost at \$2,000,000. The first step, he suggests, is a state-owned Pacific cable. He contends that if his proposal were carried out the cost of cabling would be enormously cheapened.

CAESAR'S ASHES.

Rome, Dec. 17.—Ashes, supposed to be those of Julius Caesar, have been unearthed at the base of a column in the Roman Forum. The column marked the spot where Caesar's body was cremated.

The trial of Signor Favolla, formerly manager of the Bologna Bank, for embezzlement of the bank's funds, ended at Bologna in the conviction of the accused, who was sentenced to two years and three months' imprisonment. This case was connected with the Bank of Naples scandal, of which the political enemies of ex-premier Crispioti took advantage in their efforts to ruin him.

GONE TO PIECES.

Falmouth, England, Dec. 17.—The hull of the Brinkburn has been badly damaged, large holes having been knocked in it by the rocks, and the vessel is a wreck. The cargo of cotton and cottonseed meal is washing out of the hold.

ROW IN THE REICHSRATH.

Vienna, Dec. 17.—Another disgraceful scene has taken place in the Reichsrath, growing out of the protests of Herr Wolf, of the German Nationalist party, against the confiscation of his new paper, the Osterreichische Rundschau. The various parties participating indulged in scandalous language. It is expected that the affair will result in a duel between Dr. Fuchs, president of the chamber, and Herr Wolf, who has already fought half a dozen duels, besides the one with Count Badeni.

OOM PAUL IS FOR PEACE.

London, Dec. 17.—A cable dispatch from Johannesburg has been received from the London office of the Johannesburg Standard, recording President Kruger's latest attitude toward the Uitlanders. The dispatch says that the president sent a new year message of good-will to the residents of Johannesburg, and his desire that all should endeavor to live in peace and harmony. He added that the state would make no distinction in regard to nationalities, and only asked the residents to conform to the laws of the land, and prove that they were worthy of confidence. He promised that there shall be a reduction in the cost of living, and declared that the state would protect the poor from the assaults of capital and procure for them a more prosperous existence.

CABLE NOTES.

A British soldier has died from bubonic plague at Bangalore, the capital of Mysore.

The Khedive has headed the local subscription for the Gorham Memorial College at Khartoum, giving \$500 for the purpose.

Princess Henry of Prussia arrived at Hong-Kong Thursday. She will spend Christmas in Hong-Kong with Prince Henry, proceeding in February to Kiou Chaou.

Reports of a revolution in the Bolivian republic are confirmed.

The Rome correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says: "In response to the Vatican's inquiry on the subject, president McKinley has sent an assurance to the Catholics in Cuba and the Philippines will enjoy the same ample liberty as Catholics in America."

The native chiefs who have risen against Turkish rule at Yemen, Arabia, are becoming formidable. Thirty thousand Turkish troops have been mobilized in that district. Madhi Din, the insurgent chief, is said to resemble the Mahdi, the Mohammedan warrior prophet, and his religious fanaticism, and rules his followers despotically. A similar outbreak fifteen years ago, under the Mahdi swept the Sudan, and ended in the massacre of Gordon.

Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet without any pain. What it has done once it will do again.

GOOD HOLIDAY BUSINESS

State of Trade in Canada and the United States.

Roseate Reports From Over the Border.

New York, Dec. 17.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s review says:

Canadian traffic is on the whole only changed about as seasonal influences would indicate. The movement in fancy and light groceries at St. John are well sustained and retailers report a good holiday trade. The weather conditions favor holiday trade at Quebec, and Montreal retailers would indicate a good holiday trade, with payments satisfactory, and the situation is healthy, with wholesale trade seasonably quiet.

At Toronto the wholesale business is rather quiet, but retail trade is good and manufacturers are busy. Good at Hamilton wholesale business is active in groceries and drygoods, manufacturers are busy and retail trade is fair.

Receipts have fallen off somewhat at Winnipeg, and jobbers report only fair trade in staples, for wheat moving is not active and country business is restricted. General business at Victoria continues fairly good, with prompt collections, and retail trade quite satisfactory in most lines. The outlook is favorable for a brisk season. Vancouver reports a good demand from outside points, though local business is less active, and some lines disappointing.

Bradstreet's says: Cool weather continues a stimulating feature in an active trade in the Dominion of Canada. Toronto reports an active distribution on immediate account, but spring orders are also of good volume. Grain orders have been enlarged by good roads, and the demand for lumber is good, particularly for use in railway building and in the mining sections. Retail distribution in the Maritime Provinces have been improved by better weather, and lumber is advancing in price. Alaskan trade is developing at Victoria and Vancouver. Business failures for the week number 32, against 29 last week, and 43 in the week a year ago.

OVER THE BORDER.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s review: December is adding a surprising close to the most surprising year of American history. November had surpassed all other months of the century in volume of business and production, and thus far December is doing even better. In business through clearing houses, in railroad earnings, in foreign trade, in output of pig iron, and in activity and strength of securities. But that is saying a great deal, for in all these and other tests November was the greatest month of American financial history.

The woolen industry comes to the front with very extensive purchases of wool by large houses and small, helped by material concessions at Boston, so that sales of the wool of the year to date are 17,963,700 pounds, of which 13,860,200 were domestic, against 15,307,100 last year, of which 7,433,000 were domestic, and 18,504,100 in the same weeks of 1897, of which 12,399,600 were domestic. The transactions show a demand fairly up to the mark of the most prosperous years heretofore. The exports of wheat continue heavy—from Atlantic ports, flour included, 5,492,690 bushels, against 3,568,805 last year, and from Pacific ports 1,391,000 bushels, against 1,520,613 last year, so that for two weeks the output has been 11,871,530 bushels, against 9,311,555 last year. As the wheat output in December of last year was close to the largest on record, the returns this year are remarkably surprising gain. While prices have been 8 cents stronger for cash, the western receipts for two weeks of December have been about 5,000,000 bushels greater than last year.

The most astonishing feature of the business, the exports for three weeks have been 1,787,302 bushels, against 9,326,894 bushels last year, and the price has advanced 1 cent for the week. Should such demand for American corn continue, it would be of enormous value to western farmers. Failures for the week have been 261 in the United States, against 329 last year, and 31 in Canada, against 28 last year.

Bradstreet's review: Likening the general business of the country to that of a watercourse, it may be authoritatively stated that nearly all the channels of seasonal trade are at the present time running full, and in some lines the stream is virtually out of the banks. This is practically the case in iron and steel, where the production and consumptive demand are alike going on at an unprecedented rate, at a time, too, when it is usual to look for quietness and even dullness in this industry. Shipbuilding, too, contributes its proportion of activity to the iron trade by its urgent calls for material. In other lines of business the situation as regards price is a favorable one. Following the slight recession shown in wheat values of last week, an improved demand for export has again developed, which is evidence of the fact that stories of keen competition from Argentina and Russia have been more or less discontinued, the United States remaining, as for some time past, the principal source of supply of the world. Corn and oats are higher on decreasing visible supplies, growing out of good foreign and domestic demand. Increased interest is being taken in cotton at the advanced price. Seasonable quietness is reported in the lumber trade, but prices retain all their old strength, and an active demand is looked for with the turn of the year. Holiday trade is reported extremely active at most markets, and clear, cold weather is still a stimulus to the retail movement of winter clothing and foot covering. The country's export trade is of the largest volume ever known, that for November surpassing the total for December a year ago, with the indications favoring a total trade for the calendar year at least one-sixth larger than a year ago, and our sales abroad aggregating two dollars to every dollar's worth we buy.

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CONSUMMATE CUSSEDNESS

Promptly Jersey City Hoodlums to Deface a Number of Costly Cars.

New York, Dec. 16.—One of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company's new trains of palace cars for the Chicago limited service, standing in the yards at Jersey City, has been the object of malicious mischief by unknown vandals. In the dining and buffet cars crockery was smashed, tables split, and the leather backs of the seats were ripped out.

Nothing was left intact of the handsome observation car except the floor and desks. The big windows were smashed to pieces, the plush of the seats was gouged out and the decorations of the ceiling were scratched and otherwise spoiled.

Several parlor cars were defaced in the same manner. Nothing was taken away. Last Saturday night a train lying in the Erie Railroad yard at Jersey City was similarly ruined. There is nothing to indicate the identity of the vandals in either case.

A NEGRO TOWN

To Be Founded Within Sight of New York for Southern Negroes

New York, Dec. 17.—Means are being taken to make public a statement that Rufus L. Perry, a negro lawyer of Brooklyn, backed, it is declared, by several well-known Tammany officials, is to form a negro settlement of 6,000 people within sight of the Greater New York.

According to the statement given out, a tract of land comprising 1,500 acres has been secured upon an option which will today be taken up. The families will be at once brought to their new homes from North and South Carolina and Georgia.

The projectors of the scheme say they have the assurance that several large factories will be put into operation as soon as the colored folks are settled. A town is to be formed and the projectors say they will not only be able to elect a mayor, but an assemblyman as well. Each lot holder will receive a check for his plot, for which he will be charged \$5. It is said that the colony will be located in the new county of Nassau.

LOST A NECKLACE

Valued at \$10,000—At Least That Is the Jewellers' Price.

New York, Dec. 17.—J. Frankel's Sons, jewelers, at 68 Nassau street, have reported to Capt. McClusky, of the detective bureau, the disappearance from their store of a pearl necklace, said to be worth \$10,000. They said they were willing to pay \$1,000 for its safe return.

The necklace is marked with the number 2,413. It is composed of 63 pearls, weighing 300 1/2 grains. The pearls are strung on blue silk, and are arranged with large ones in the center and smaller ones at the ends. There are three pearls weighing 17 1/2 grains, twelve weighing 6 1/2 grains, 37 weighing 17 1/2 grains, and eleven weighing 50 1/2 grains.

The members of the firm say they do not know how the necklace got out of the store. It is their custom during holiday sales to take a few necklaces each day, and it was in this manner that the loss of the necklace was discovered. They reported the disappearance to the New York Jewellers' Board of Trade, and that body sent out a general notice warning jewelers not to purchase the necklace in case it was offered for sale, and asking that the person or persons offering it be detained until the police could be notified.

A HIPPO'S BITE

Doctors Fear Blood-Poisoning Will Make Amputation of the Arm Necessary.

New York, Dec. 17.—Michael Ferns, one of the keepers in the Central Park menagerie, was bitten on the hand a few days ago by Iris, the youngest of the hippopotamuses, and the doctors at the Presbyterian Hospital fear that blood poisoning will set in and necessitate the amputation of the arm.

Ferns threw a loaf of bread at the opened mouth of Iris, which is the usual way of feeding the hippos. The bread missed the mark and fell in the water. Ferns put his arm through the iron bars to recover the loaf. The animal reached for the bread at the same time and her jaws closed on his arm. His hand was caught between the two back teeth and badly crushed.

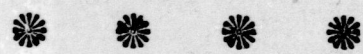
The keeper cried out with pain and another keeper ran to his assistance. When prodded with a pitchfork Iris opened her jaws and released Ferns.

AT WILLIAMS' POPULAR MUSIC HOUSE

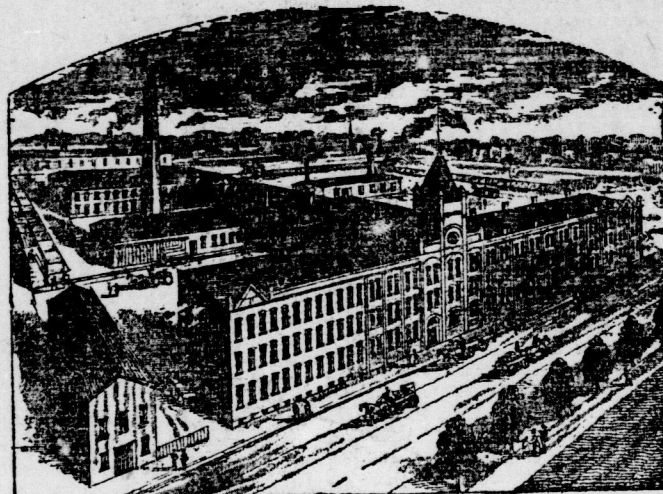
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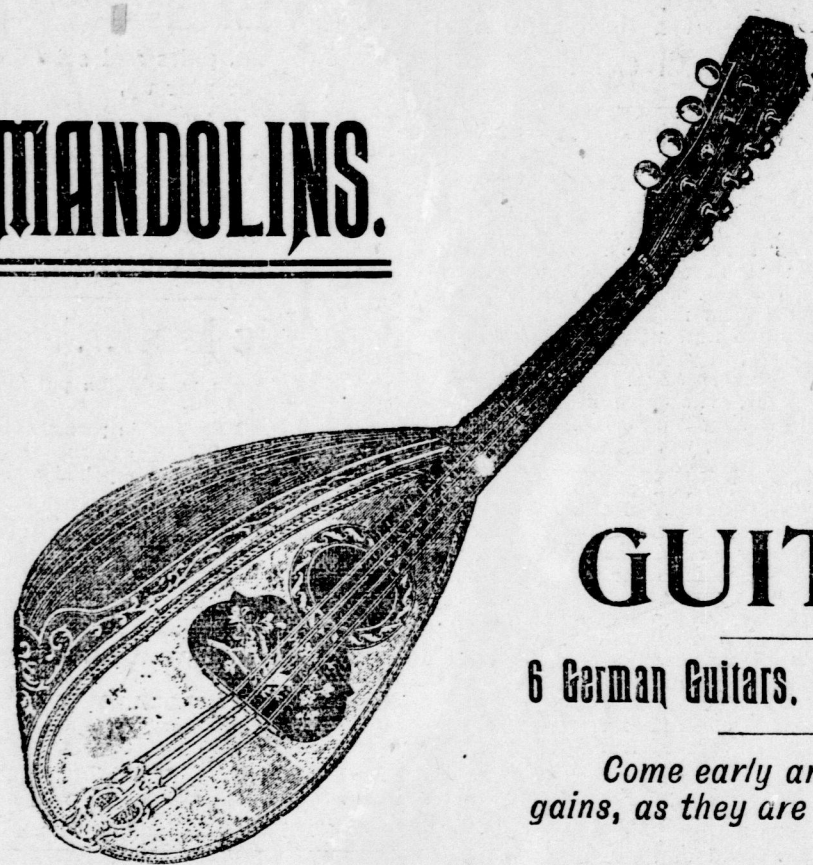
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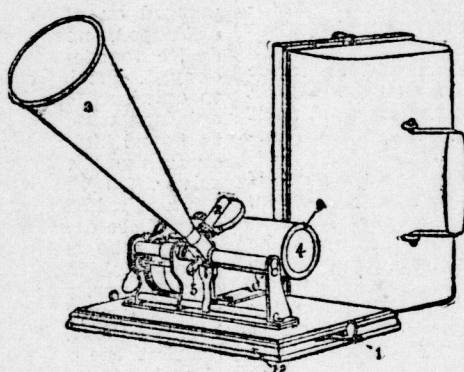


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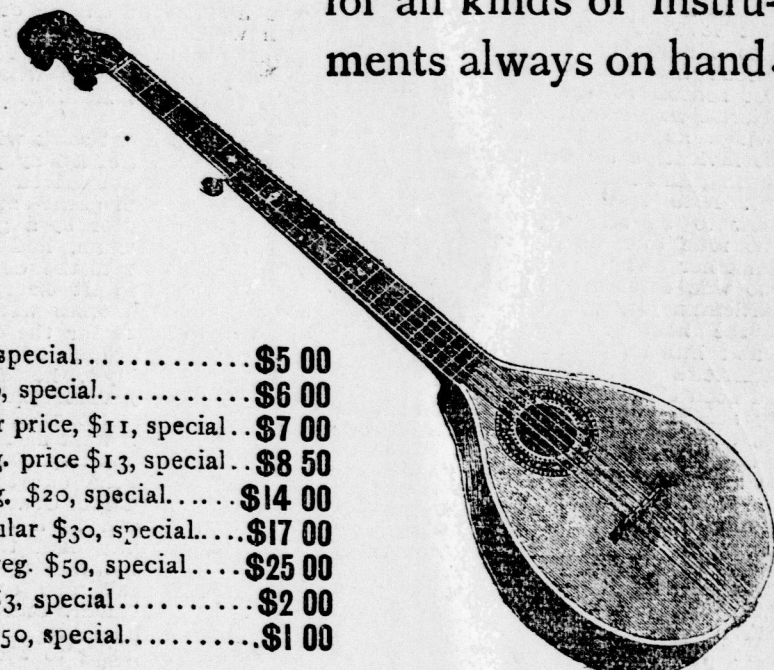
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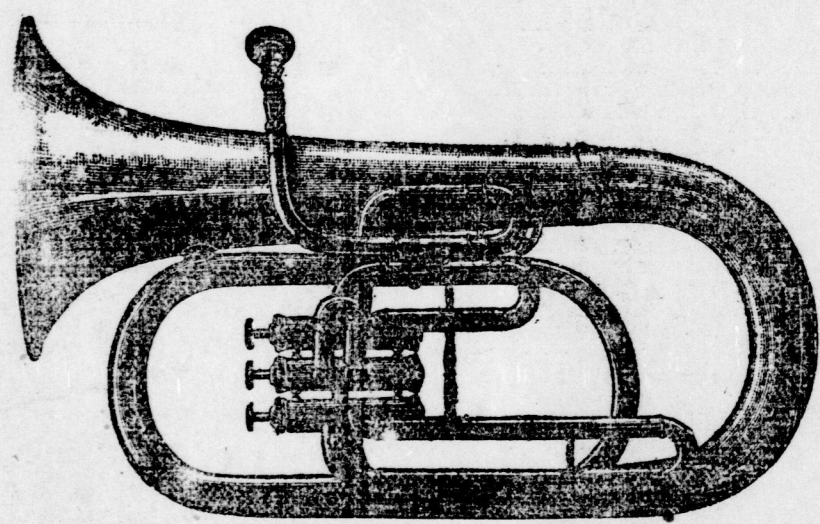
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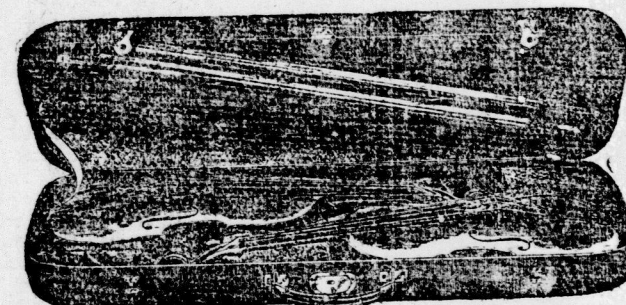
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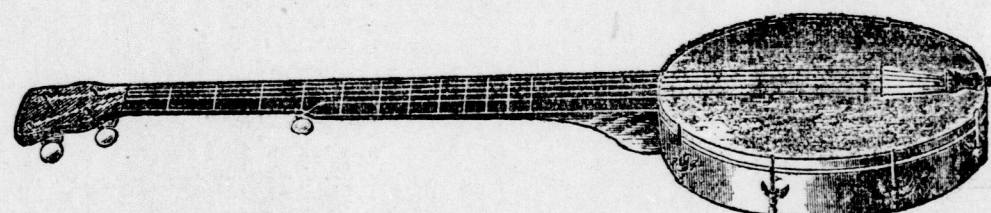
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NEWS ABOUT NOTED PEOPLE

Three Men Who Can Keep Their Hats On Before the Queen.

Statue of the Author of Tom Brown's School Days.

A Waterloo Veteran Who Knew Bill Adams—Slatin Pasha's Joke.

London, Dec. 15.—Lord Forester, who has accepted the office of mayor of Wenlock this year, possesses an extraordinary privilege, and one that he is hardly likely to avail himself of. By a grant from King Henry VIII., which is now among Lord Forester's family archives, he has the right of wearing his hat in the presence of the Queen. Lord Forester is the only English nobleman who enjoys this privilege, which was conferred on his ancestors as commoners. The Forester peerage was created at a comparatively recent time—July, 1821. Lords Kingsale, the Premier Baron of Ireland, enjoys also the hereditary privilege of wearing his hat in the royal presence—a favor granted to his ancestor, John de Courcy, by King John.

A MASTER REBUKED.

The master of Trinity, it is said, is another person who has the right to remain covered in the presence of the Queen. A story is told of a certain master who on one occasion found himself in a position to exercise the privilege, and who, in singularly bad taste, availed himself of it. The Queen inquired who it was that wore his head covered in her presence, and on being informed that the master of Trinity did so by right of office, made one of those caustic remarks with which her majesty can so well reprove the slights against royalty. "The master of Trinity may possess the right of wearing his hat in the presence of his sovereign," said the Queen; "but I have yet to learn that a gentleman may do so in the presence of a lady."

SIR JOHN FOWLER AND GARIBALDI.

Some good stories are going round in connection with the career of Sir John Fowler. One of the best told is that relating how on one occasion Sir John got the Italian Government out of a fix. A serious difference of opinion had arisen between that government and Garibaldi regarding the mode of dealing with the Tiber to prevent the damage from floods. Sir John was telegraphed for and told by the then prime minister, M. Minghetti, that Garibaldi's position was one of indifference, and it would be dangerous to quarrel with him. When Sir John went to see Garibaldi, the latter said: "I am a pessimist; the Tiber is a danger to Rome; therefore, I say, remove the Tiber. This was rather startling; but Sir

John explained that, being an engineer, he could only give an opinion on facts, and must first get at the cost and consequences of removing the Tiber, as Garibaldi had proposed, from Rome to near Tivoli. Garibaldi assented, and engineers were obtained and surveys made. Later Sir John again called upon Garibaldi to state the result of his investigations, which was that the suggested work would cost about nine millions sterling, and an equal amount for compensation. Garibaldi at once frankly admitted the impracticability of the scheme, and Minghetti and the Italian Government were very grateful to Sir John for relieving them from a position of considerable embarrassment.

ONE ON BIRRELL.

At the recent Fife dinner, Mr. Augustine Birrell "birelled" delightfully. He told the story of a Scottish member for an English constituency, who met him in the lobby soon after the general election and said: "I want you to tell me something that puzzles me sorely. How is it that you have been returned by many thousands for West Fife, while in East Fife a really clever man like Mr. Asquith has only scraped in by a bare majority?" Mr. Birrell said he had no difficulty in explaining the matter to the tactful Scotchman, "but what I told him it is not necessary for me to repeat."

ELVIS S. NMOH KOL.

Mr. Thomas Brock, R. A., has now finished his life-sized statue of the late Judge Thomas Hughes beloved of boys as the author of "Tom Brown's School Days." The unveiling of the statue, which is to be erected at Rugby, by old Rugbians, and others, will take place as early as possible next year after a suitable site has been selected. The remainder of the money subscribed—between £200 and £300—will be handed over, in accordance with the decision at the preliminary meeting which was held in the Jerusalem Chamber, Westminster, under the chairmanship of the dean, to the Boys' Clubs which have been established in London and Birmingham in connection with the Rugby School Mission.

WATERLOO VETERANS.

Strange as it may seem, there are still a few Waterloo veterans left, if we are to believe the Colonial Press. There is one in the Liverpool Beethoven Asylum, near Sydney, and an enterprising Sydney reporter went up to interview him the other day. "So you were in the Battle of Waterloo?" queried the reporter. "Yes," said the old man. "I remember it as if it was yesterday." "Did you know Bill Adams, who got the V.C. there?" asked the pressman. "I should think I did," replied the veteran, "he was serving in the same company as me."

SLATIN PASHA.

The announcement that Slatin Pasha is henceforth to be Sir Rudolph Slatin has given universal satisfaction, for the Austrian officer is a favorite in many quarters. Slatin Pasha is an exceedingly handsome man—erect, medium height, thick-set, and as hard as nails. Years ago, during a skirmish, he had the misfortune to have one of his fingers disabled by a bullet, where-

upon, rather than bother about having it seen to and properly set, he promptly placed it on the nearest available rock and hacked it off with his sword. The reason he afterwards gave was that "it was in the way, and wobbled."

He speaks English well, is very witty in his remarks, and is a splendid company. Slatin is a good waltzer, and, consequently, a very great favorite amongst the gentler sex. It was doubtless this popularity that caused a lady sitting beside him at dinner a year or two ago to ask if there was any truth in the rumor that he was thinking of getting married. He set the whole table in a roar by immediately replying: "Married? What, me? Oh, no! I had already been prisoner fourteen years—never a more!"

ROSE FROM THE RANKS.

Colonel Hector MacDonald, C.B., D.S.O., who has just been appointed A.D.C. to the Queen, is generally thought to be the first officer thus honored who has risen from the ranks. This, however, is not really the case, for 50 years ago a similar distinction was achieved by Col. Charles Curreton, C.B. It was when serving as a sergeant with Wellington, in Spain, that this officer's first commission was granted him. Some twenty years later he found himself in India. Here his gallantry during the Sutlej campaign was specially rewarded by the bestowal upon him of an A.D.C.-ship to her Majesty. He did not, however, live long to enjoy the honor, for shortly afterwards he fell in action at Ramnaggar.

A HERO OF CRETE.

While the heroes of Omdurman are coming in for reward and decoration in recognition of their gallantry at the memorable action, the men who did the dirty work of Crete during the recent impasse have not been forgotten. Last week the decoration of Admiral Noel was recorded, and now it is pleasant to see that the Queen has been pleased to raise Colonel Sir Herbert C. Chernside to the rank of major-general, as a reward for his eminent services as British commissioner in Crete. Sir H. C. Chernside is a royal engineer, entering that corps in 1870. During his 25 years of service he has held many important Eastern appointments. He has twice acted as military attaché at Constantinople, and while holding that position served with the Turkish troops during the war with Russia, for which he was decorated by the sultan with a medal. He took part in the Egyptian Expedition against Arabi Pasha, and in 1894 was present in the Sudan operations. He then served for a period with the Egyptian army, was promoted brevet lieutenant-colonel for his services at Suakin in 1895, and became colonel for his services in command of the Frontier Field Force, at Sarra, two years later. On the occasion of the international occupation of Crete he was appointed to command the British troops, and the ability which he constantly displayed in upholding our rights in that island brought him the reward of a K.C.M.G. in the early part of last year.

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THREE GREAT ENGLISHMEN

A Famous Story Concerning Gladstone, Browning and Disraeli.

Browning's Indignation at Disraeli Ex-cites Gladstone's Mirth—The G. O. M.'s Generosity.

More light has just been given to the famous encounter between Browning, Disraeli and Gladstone. The story first saw the light of print through Geo. D. Russell; then it was corrected and expanded by Mr. Lionel Tollemache, whose authority was an "informant," now comes Canon McColl, who declares that he speaks as an eye-witness, and as he recites it, as an "ear witness," too. His version has an antecedent probability in making out Browning to be the rather obtuse and intolerant man instead of Gladstone. The canon publishes his account of the matter in the Observer:

At one of Mr. Gladstone's breakfast parties in Harley street, in 1873, I chanced to be one of the guests. I sat between Browning and White, and right opposite to me was Mr. Gladstone. Some one happening to refer to the then music-hall song, "We won't want to fight," etc., Browning exclaimed, "I'm dead sick of that doggerel. Besides, I have composed a much better version of my own." Asked what it was, he recited three verses, of which only the first has stuck to my memory. Here it is:

"I don't want to fight;
But, by Jingo, if I do,
The man whose head I'd like to punch
Is Beaconsfield, the Jew."

I believe the verses were impromptu. Having finished his verses, he declared emphatically that he regarded Lord Beaconsfield as "the greatest liar living," and then proceeded to tell the following story by way of illustration: "Two years ago," said Browning, "I was at the Academy dinner. Mr. Disraeli made the speech of the evening, and his theme was the extraordinary display of the imaginative faculty in the pictures of the year. After dinner he came up to me and said, 'How do you do, Mr. Browning?' I was taken aback, for we had never been introduced, and I had never spoken to him. So I replied: 'Very well, thank you, Mr. Disraeli; but I think you mistake me for somebody else.' 'Oh, no,' said he, 'it is impossible to mistake Mr. Browning.' What do you think of the pictures of this year's exhibition? I was so taken aback by his addressing me at all that, like a fool, instead of giving my opinion, I asked, 'What do you think of them, Mr. Disraeli?' forgetting that it was only half an hour before that I heard him give his opinion in his speech, stroking his chin, he replied,

"Well, Mr. Browning, if I had to make any special criticism it would be to say how woefully lacking the pictures of this year are in the imaginative faculty. I stood dumb and rooted to the spot. It was only half an hour before that I heard this man say that what particularly struck him in the pictures was the extraordinary display of the imaginative faculty. I repeat—with tremendous energy—"he is the greatest liar living."

Mr. Gladstone laughed, I believe, quite as much at Browning's vehement indignation as at the story . . . and then afforded the following vindication of Beaconsfield:

"I think you take Lord Beaconsfield too seriously, Mr. Browning. I have often known him to make false statements; but false statements are not necessarily lies. To begin with, you must remember that Lord Beaconsfield is, in the whole cast of his mind as well as by descent, an Oriental, and exhibits in his own person an extraordinary display of the imaginative faculty. I sometimes debate with myself whether he ever had in his mind a clear line of demarcation between truth and falsehood; but if he had, I am sure that for years past his mind has been in a state of baptismal innocence with regard to the difference. Men tell lies to serve a purpose; but I have known Lord Beaconsfield make false statements which could be of no manner of use to him, but rather the contrary."

Canon McColl goes on to say that Mr. Gladstone had a marked tendency to defend his political opponents when they seemed to him to be unfairly attacked. He adds:

"I once wrote an anonymous appreciation of Lord Beaconsfield which interested Mr. Gladstone. He asked me if I knew who wrote it. 'When I told him, he said: 'I think you are quite fair to him except on one point. You think him a man of political animosities.' I assented. 'I believe you are quite wrong,' he said. 'I have sat opposite him for a good many years, and my belief is that he has no political animosities. No doubt he would have scrupled at few things in order to trample upon me while I stood in his way as leader of the Liberal party. But now that I am no longer leader I don't believe that Lord Beaconsfield feels the slightest animosity towards me. And there are three things for which I shall always admire him—his devotion to his wife, his defense of his race, and his splendid parliamentary pluck."

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Shut In by the Lord

Uses of Adversity Illustrated by the Ark of Noah—
Lessons Drawn From the Great Flood
by Rev. Dr. Talmage.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Rev. Dr. Talmage this morning preached from the text, Genesis, vii, 16: "The Lord shut him in." He said:

Compassion has no more interesting chapter than the one which speaks of that catastrophe of the ages, the submersion of our world in the time of Noah, the first ship carpenter. Many of the nations who never saw a Bible have a flood story—Egyptian flood story, Greek flood story, of which Duclon was the Noah; Hawaiian flood story, New Zealand flood story, Chinese flood story, American Indian flood story, and the flood story of the flood story of the continents under universal rain, and that there was a ship floating with a select few of the human family and with specimens of zoological and ornithological and reptilian worlds.

All of these flood stories represent the ship thus adrift as finally stranded on a mountain top. Hugh Miller in his "Testimony of the Rocks" thinks that all these flood stories were inspired by the same geological fact, and that the traditions of the flood story were handed down from generation to generation. There was one door to the ship, but there were three parts to that door, one part for each of the three stories. The Bible account says nothing about parts of the door belonging to two of the stories, and I do not know on which floor Noah and his family voyaged, but my text tells us that the part of the door of that particular floor on which Noah stood was closed after he had entered. "The Lord shut him in." So there are many people now in the world who are as thoroughly shut in, some by sickness, some by old age, some by special duties that will not allow them to go forth, some surrounded by deluges of misfortune and trouble, and this sermon, which I hope may do good to others, is more especially intended for them. Today I address the shut in.

Notice first of all who closed the door so that they were shut out. A hand was stretched down from heaven to close that door. It was a divine hand as well as a kind hand. "The Lord shut him in." And the shut out you in, my reader or my hearer. You thought it was an accident, ascribable to the carelessness or misdoings of others, or a mere "happen so." No, no! God had graciously desired your betterment, for the strengthening of your patience, for the advantage you might gain by seclusion, for your eternal salvation, for he has said, "What I do knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter."

Those of us who are well, and can see clearly, and hear distinctly, and partake of food of all sorts, and questions of digestion never occur to us, and can have the snowbanks, and take an equinox in our faces, and ensure that thermometer at zero, sleep meets us within five minutes after our head touches the pillow, do not make so much of an impression when we talk about the consolations of religion, that world says right away, "I guess that man is taking his buoyancy of natural spirits for religion. What does he know about it? He has never been tried." But when one goes out and reports to the world that that morning he was shut in, and that he called to see you and found you, after being kept in your room for two months, cheerful and hopeful, and that you had not one word of complaint and asked all about your business, and that you were a standstill through your absence from store or office or shop, and that you sent your love to all your old friends and told them that if you did not meet them again in this world you hoped to meet them in dominions seraphic, with a quiet word of advice from you to the man who carried the message about the importance of his not neglecting his soul, but through this Christ seeking something better than this world could give him—why, all the business men in the counting room say, "Good! Now, that is religion." And the clerk who told the story and that sermon if preached in faith, will do good, but the most effective sermon preached by one seated in dressing gown in an arm-chair into which the invalid has with much care been lifted, the sermon preached from the bed, with medicine bottles, the pale preacher quoting promises of the gospel, telling of the glories of sympathetic Christ, assuring the one or two or three persons who hear of the mighty reinforcements of religion. You say that to such a sermon there are only one or two or three hearers. Aye, but the visitor calling at that room, then closing the door softly and going away, tells the story, and the whole neighborhood hears it, and it will take all eternity to realize the grand and uplifting influence of that sermon about

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under limp," as it was called, was
even taken up by some women in Amer-
ica.

When Fox, the first of the Quakers,
was sitting in church and the preacher
said anything which he didn't like,
he moved solemnly, put on his hat,
and kept it on until the disagreeable
remarks concluded. Hence arose the
Quaker custom of wearing hats in church.

Owing to a painful swelling in one
of her feet, Queen Victoria at one time
lengthened her skirts in order to con-
ceal the blemish. Key to the female
subjects at once imitated her and,
after walking in the street, carried
dust, garbage and potential disease
into drawing-rooms. That was in the
early 70's.

THE HAPPIEST PEOPLE

Max O'Rell Says They Are The French
—A Study of the Masses.

The more nations I make the ac-
quainted, the more deeply con-
firmed I get in this conviction, that the
Frenchman, with all his faults and
shortcomings, is the happiest man in
the world. Of course, the wealthy
classes have every advantage, but to
the observer of national characteristics
these classes are uninteresting. Good
society is good society everywhere. For
a study, give me the masses of the
people. As it is among the masses that
France shines, after all, I find the great-
est amount of happiness. The French-
man is a cheerful philosopher. He
knows best of all how to live and en-
joy life. Moderate in all his habits,
he partakes of all the good things that
nature has placed at his disposal,
without ever making a fool of himself.
He understands temperance in the
true acceptance of the word, which
means, not total abstinence, but moder-
ation. When you study the country
and temperate climate, you do not
mean that it has no climate at all;
you mean that it has a climate which
is neither too hot nor too cold. We
have no teetotalers, no fanatics. A French-
man would be astonished to find that
the law prevented him from enjoying
a glass of wine, because a few imbec-
iles use wine to get drunk with, as he
would find that the law prevented him
from enjoying his quiet and peace-
ful home, because there are a few im-
beciles who use knives to commit suc-
cide with or to kill their fellow-citizens.
—Max O'Rell, in North American
Review for December.

Principal Grant and Goldwin Smith on Prohibition.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

Immediately before the plebiscite vote
The Advertiser published two of Mr.
Grant's letters opposing prohibition,
and in an editorial we said that "there
was a split in the temperance party,"
Mr. Grant and Mr. Smith composing
one of the great sections. The two gen-
tlemen named should have been sur-
prised, as they were at that time the
great champions of the liquor interest.
Principal Grant, at the general assem-
bly of the cause, opposed prohibi-
tion and had but eight followers, and
with over 200 endorsing prohibition.
Every Protestant church body in Can-
ada endorsed prohibition except the
Church of England, which was divided.
Goldwin Smith is a man of letters,
and he is now championing prohibition
the advocates of prohibition as Chris-
tians and the opponents as non-Christians.
That advocate had probably
forgotten that he should judge no man,
and remembered that by the deeds
we shall know him. As he is looking
at the liquor party on one side and the
party on the other, it certainly did not
require an extraordinary amount of
imagination to lead to that very dis-
agreeable distinction. G. Smith says in
his letter in The Advertiser that
"the enemy of the home cannot be the
friend of the church. I have frequently
heard it said: 'A man is known by the
company he keeps,' so these two gen-
tlemen may not be much astonished if
they hear some unpleasant things about
themselves." Principal Grant too,
themselves. Principal Grant too,
classified the liquor party in Maine as a
"whole generation of law-breakers,
schooled in every evasion of law and
shameless," and he told us in his won-
derful letters that we could not enforce
a prohibition liquor law. All opponents
of prohibition tell us the same. Truly
that looks as if they were a generation
of law-breakers, and impertinent ones
at that. They certainly were sorely in
need of a Principal Grant and a Gold-
win Smith to champion their cause. As
other way of testing that Christian and
non-Christian Christians are told to
deny themselves, and the spirit of the
New Testament is "Shun the very ap-
pearance of evil," and "I will eat no
more meat while the world stands. If
it should cause a weak brother to
stumble." Have either of these gentle-
men denied themselves of this "let us
suppose a very small drop of liquor"—
for the sake of a whole generation of
weak, stumbling brothers? Principal
Grant puts a good deal of force on an
individual right and British subject, I
speaking of his letter in The Advertiser, Nov. 23,
says: "A man cannot be considered im-
temperate if he uses liquor without ex-
cess." It certainly looks as if these
gentlemen were hugging that individual
right and British liberty pretty closely.
The temperance party, which the church
recognizes, defines temperance as
"a moderate use of things beneficial,
but abstention from things hurtful." It
is quite possible that the split in the
temperance ranks is a very wide one,
viz., drinking and abstaining. We had
not expected to hear any more from that
section of the great temperance army, but on Nov. 23 there
was a letter from Mr. Smith, giving the
death knell to prohibition. It was that
stimulating drink he was drunk on
all times past and, of course, will be
drunk in the time to come. Many, many
things have been practiced in the
dark ages that cannot stand the light
of the nineteenth century. Slavery
was practiced from Abraham, the
patriarch, down to Abraham Lincoln,
but it had to be amidst its woe, and
it was blotted out.

The evil of intemperance may look to
its age and magnitude as security, but
its magnitude will only hasten its over-
throw. Smaller evils may find safety in
slightly hindering the progress of civil-
ization and religion. But this monster
vice, feeder of all other vices, is year
by year hastening on its doom. A
Grant or a Goldwin Smith may not be
able to read the finger writing on the
wall, but there are many Daniels who
can read the writing on the wall, and
thousands more who "dare to make it
known." Polygamy existed from Enoch
to Brigham Young, but the civilization
of this country would not permit it. I
suppose that the finger will tell us that
law has failed to prohibit, as not a
few men have been multiplying their
wives, and even women have been
known to have a plurality of husbands.
However, I have not heard of rescind-
ing the law and trying rescind in the
form of license. THEOS. B. SCOTT.

The Aping of Royalty.

[Chicago Chronicle.]

Charles VII. of France had scrawny
legs, and wore a long coat to hide
nature's ill-treatment. Everybody fol-
lowed his lead.

Alexander the Great had a twist in
his neck, and it was therefore fash-
ionable for everyone at that mon-
arch's court to carry his head awry.

Philip, Duke of Burgundy, was be-
coming bald, and his physicians ad-
vised him to cover his head with artifi-
cial hair. He did so, and the peruke
at once came into fashion.

During the reign of George III. his
royal highness, the Duke of York, had
one of his curls shot away in a duel
with Col. Lenox. Next day court gal-
lants appeared minus one curl.

One day Francis I. of France sus-
tained a slight scar on his chin as the
result of an accident. To hide the
scar he let his beard grow, and hairy
chins came into fashion again after
having been out for a century.

In 1846 the Princess of Wales suf-
fered from a lame knee. A slight
limp in her gait at that time was im-
mediately taken up by many women
of fashion in England. "The Alex-

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man's will be more and more attract-
ing to future generations.

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west, between the Missouri River and
the Rockies, was the Union Pacific, the
first rail of which was laid in July,
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fact were struck with the miracle of
western civilization today. It staggers
the mind to realize that only 30 years
ago this great territory, now teeming
with a population whose social orga-
nization is as highly developed as the
east, was the home of the buffalo
and the savage. That primitive state
and the irruption of the white man are
depicted by Mr. Warman in this fine
figurative strain:

"The West awoke, breakfasted, and
went about the day's work or the day's
pleasure. Up to that time the bound-
less land had supplied all the wants
of its creatures, and there was no
reason to fear for the future.

"All the men were red men: wild,
nomadic men, who gave no thought to
the morrow. They had found the earth
well stocked with the necessities of
life, and had helped themselves from
day to day with no perceptible dimi-
nution of the supply.

"Wild fowl filled the air, wild animals
the earth, and all the rivers were full
of fish. There was plenty, and the peo-
ple were content. Walled in on the
west by the Rocky Mountains, cut off
from the east by a mighty river, the
nomads' empire swept down from the
British possessions to the Gulf of Mex-
ico. All up and down the great plains,
from north to south, from south to
north, rolled billows of buffalo, the ap-
parently inexhaustible commissariat of
the red man, as irresistible as the gulf
streams of the ocean.

"Presently a white man stood on the
bluffs above the Big River, shaded his
eyes with his hand, and looked to the west.
Soon another joined him, and the two
looked long and intently upon the wild,
glorious scene beyond.

"Now the late comers looked back and
beckoned, and when they had been
joined by other adventurous spirits,
they let themselves silently into the
river and swam across.

"The red men saw them coming, and,
remembering the stories of the con-
quest of the East, strove to beat them
off. Some were killed, some were
safely while others, having been pushed
into the water, swam back for re-
inforcements.

"Meanwhile another band of white
men had crossed farther down, and
were trafficking with the dark men of
the southwest.

"The white men were a jolly lot, for
the most part, who preferred traffic to
war. They made friends and drunkards
of many of the red men, and while a
great many were killed, they got in
number and began building houses
as though they intended to stay."

The mighty drama ends in the sub-
version of the red man and the sover-
eignty of the white man, which was
sealed by the advent of the locomotive:

"Suddenly the stillness was broken by
the wild scream of an iron horse
along the Iron Trail. The few remain-
ing red men threw themselves trem-
bling upon the trembling earth as the
great black steed, with heart of fire
and breath of flame, roared by. The
white men watched it tip over the
crest of the continent, and the West of
yesterday was gone forever."

The story of the building of the
Union Pacific, as unfolded by Mr. War-
man, is a tale of heroism, of marvel-
ous energy and practical skill, of
strange adventure, of misfortune, of
tragedy and of final triumph. Here is
one touch of pathos:

"The stories of Indian fights along
the Union Pacific alone would make a
big book. Some of the men who passed
through these wild times on the plains
have never been able to shake off the
memory of those dreadful days. There
were days, weeks, months together,
when no man could say with any as-
surance of certainty that he would still
wear his scalp on the morrow. The
benighted native saw in the coming
of the pale-face, with his horse of iron
on a trail of steel, the end of all that
was dear to the heart of the Indian.

In number and in the slaughter of the
wild cattle of the plains the destruc-
tion of his chief article of food and
clothing. He saw in the change that
had come over the dusky daughter of
the desert some of the awful effects of
civilization, and began to guard
against it. Old traditions were being
forgotten, old customs ignored. These
and other things made the Indian des-
perate, and he took awful vengeance
on the white man."

The rails crept westward from the
Missouri River and eastward from the
Promontory, Utah, the last tie being
laid on May 10, 1869. Of the closing
scenes Mr. Warman writes:

"The people all over the country be-
gan to grow enthusiastic as the twin
threads of steel were about to be joined
away out there in the Utah desert,

bridging the continent. Nearer and
nearer came the engine from the East
to the engine of the West. Idle won-
ders, crowded out by the closing of the
gap, leaned upon their shovels; the
tired trail makers sat down to gaze in
silence upon the closing scene in the
great drama which they had followed
for five long years.

The tolling task of the pathfinders
was finished. They were not all there
at the end. Some had fallen away
back on the plains, others west of the
Sierras, and those present peered into
each other's faces, as if still doubting
that the thing was done.

"Looking back over the steel trail,
they knew that, long as it was, there
were not mileposts enough along the
line to mark the graves of the path-
finders and other pioneers who had fall-
en in the great fight for this new em-
pire of the people. More than one man
here had grown gray in the five years
that he had stood in the snow and sun
of the mountains and plains. The deep
furrows upon their faces were battle
scars."

The author also gives a succinct his-
tory of the other early railroads of the
west. A generous chapter is devoted
to the Canadian Pacific, and Canadians
will appreciate the complimentary re-
ferences it contains. Among other
things Mr. Warman remarks:

"While the climatic conditions were
more or less against the builders of the
Canadian Pacific, the Indians were not.
Either they had a better breed of
diplomats, or a better way of hand-
ling him. At all events, they seem to
have made little or no trouble for the
trail makers. Only when fired by a
dash of the blood of the paleface or an
overdose of firewater did her Majesty's
red children make trouble."

Great praise is due to the author for
the selection and arrangement of his
materials. He has not burdened his
volume with irrelevant and uninter-
esting details. While it is sufficiently ex-
act and complete for historical purposes,
it is more than a dry record of facts. It
is vivified with a human interest. It
is a narrative of thrilling events, a
picture of strange moods and condi-
tions of life, and a revelation of curious
types and shades of character. The
pathfinder, the surveyor, the trackman,
the engineer, the trapper, the scout, the
wild hunter, the savage, the cowboy,
and the other figures of that period
stand out with a realism which could
only be imparted by one who knows
the west as Mr. Warman does. Much
of his career has been identified with
the scenes which have inspired him
to write these valuable and fascinating
pages.

The volume is exceedingly handsome,
inside and out, the illustrations being
distinctive features. Mr. Ripley
Hitchcock, the editor, contributes a
gracefully-written preface. "The Story
of the Railroad" has proved one of Mr.
Warman's most popular efforts, and the
publishers report an active sale on both
sides of the Atlantic.

Why American Women Marry Abroad.

Another of our rich American women
is reported as engaged to an English-
man of title. The list goes on increas-
ing, and the wonder never seems to
cease. Many persons find it difficult to
understand the preference of woman
for exalted stations, but they forget
altogether the horizon which a title
opens to her. There are, in most cases,
the great estates to preside over, the
house to rule—houses which are often
centuries old, and therefore rich in tra-
ditions and old customs which no new
country can know. Then there is the
political life to which titles entitle a
man and with that life there is the
coming in contact with many minds,
with the possibility of being herself a
highly endowed mind, nothing can take
the place of it. Companionship with a
great statesman, and those who have
enjoyed it at Washington find a strange
death in their lives when a new ad-
ministration forces husband or father
out of office.

Scissors are apt to say that beauty
or fat bank account is accountable for
all the brilliant marriages which
our women make, and the fact is also
ignored that a certain qualification,
if not exactly necessary, is a
house to rule—in them, Take,
for instance, the case of Miss Leiter,
now the wife of the viceroy of India,
with a position to hold in the English-
speaking world which only Queen Vic-
toria herself can rival. One is sometimes
amazed to learn that she has studied so hard,
or received so careful an education.
She has been cultivated in all the
graces of mind and body, equipped, in
other words, for any role she might be
called upon to fill. One is sometimes
inclined to ask whether this can be
said of many of our young women.—
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In Woman's Interest

The Grand-Daughter of General Grand Makes Her Debut.

Washington society paid its homage to the youngest child of Gen. Grant's only daughter, Miss Rosamary Sartoris, Wednesday, when, on her 18th birthday, she was introduced by her grandmother and mother. The Washington Post describes the event.

All day long flowers were arriving from friends far and near, an immense basket of roses, chrysanthemums and orchids coming from the White House, with a personal note from Mrs. McKinley. Old friends of General and Mrs. Grant, and new friends of the debutante received was lined with bouquets of every choice flower of the season. In the second drawing room, Mrs. Sartoris, assisted by Miss Jane Fuller, Miss Glover, Miss Blanch Emory and Miss Poulke, added to the entertainment of the company. Mrs. Grant wore a rich gown of gray. Sartoris white silk, and her young daughter an exquisite creation of white dotted mail over white tulle, with the round waist trimmed in a profusion of silver spangles and lace insertion. She is a tall, fair girl, with the same fresh coloring that has placed her sister among the beauties of the capital and has a charming name in person to welcome this last addition to the world of society, and for more than half an hour occupied a place in the receiving line. She wore a handsome blue brocade gown of delicate silver and white, with a small bonnet to match. She was accompanied by the vice-president, Mrs. Hobart, and their guest, Mrs. Burkalow, of Paterson, N. J. Ex-Senator Sherman and his daughter, Mrs. McCallum; all the members of the cabinet, the British ambassador, and the ladies of their respective families called during the afternoon, as did Mrs. Miles and Miss Miles, Mrs. Logan, Senator and Mrs. Elkins, Senator and Mrs. McMillan, and representatives of every legation in town.

A Movement for Earlier Hours

We can return to some of the primitive ways of our ancestors and find in them an improvement on modern practices. According to the Philadelphia Times, the society people of the Quaker City are going to go back to early hours for their fashionable functions. An extract from that daily says:

"Late hours are doomed and the sun will no longer rise on dress-coated and ball-gowned beaux and debutantes returning from the social rout. A number of house of Mrs. Charles C. Harrison, 1,618 Locust street, and decided to start a movement tending to establish earlier hours for entertainments during the coming season. Announcements of Philadelphia society, this is in line with the belief of many that balls and other functions last year went past all bounds in the lateness of hours. It is particularly desired that the bigger affairs will take place immediately after the dinner, instead of two or three hours later, as usual. Many business men favor this project and it will be a great boon to those who, of necessity, have to rise early." The committee that is directing this reform, which might be called the early-closing-social movement, includes Mrs. John Cadwalader, Mrs. Alexander J. Cassatt, Mrs. George W. Childs Drexel and others of the very cream of Philadelphia society and members of the oldest and most influential families. Doubtless there will be some fun poked at "slow and sleepy Philadelphia" because of this departure; but it is not really a commendable undertaking.

Beauty of Tulle.

Any woman, say the wisecracks, looks the better for wearing white or cream white tulle next her face, and acting on this suggestion every woman who studies her appearance wears a tulle stock and a big tulle bow under her chin. Some of them button up their black, brown or dark green cloth walking coats to not only a tulle collar, but a small tulle dicky that spreads down below the bow. They get by this means the same crisp charm of linen, with none of its harshness, for in cold weather linen is a cruel trial to the tender flesh of feminine throats. Tulle bows

and stocks are not after all so fragile as they sound, and not a woman but wears them but adds something to her looks—by their aid.

Grandmother's Hood.

A novelty for the coming social season is shown in the swell shops in the shape of real old-fashioned garden sunbonnets, such as grandma used to wear, only made of heavy satin and brocades instead of commonplace calico. These new hoods have sprung into instant popular favor, and no wonder, for they are vastly becoming to old and young alike.

These hoods sit loosely on the head, and are turned back in the front, displaying the different colored lining. In playing the different colored lining, in fact, it is their day—quite devoid of fullness. Long strings of tulle or chiffon give an added touch of daintiness as well as expense to this woman's latest whim.

A Company Dessert.

Company dessert is difficult; you want something that is easy to prepare, quick to obtain and very decorative, and at the same time new. Here is something which only the epicureans have tasted. Five minutes before your dessert goes to the table open a jar of preserved pears, whole and sweet. Get a quart of vanilla ice cream frozen very hard. Lay a spoonful of cream on an ice cream plate, bury the pear in the ice cream and cover up with another spoon of the cream. The pear will be out of sight until it is discovered in the cool recesses of this delightful dessert.

Broiled Tenderloins.

Cut the tenderloin in inch slices, brush both sides with melted butter and broil over a clear, bright fire. Serve with the following sauce: Melt two tablespoonfuls of butter without browning, add two tablespoonfuls of flour and stir until smooth. Add one pint of white stock and stir until thick and smooth. Set over hot water, add the strained juice of one-half of a lemon, four tablespoonfuls of freshly grated horseradish and one tablespoonful of melted butter. Season to taste; cook for four minutes. Pour a portion of the sauce on a heated platter; arrange on the broiled tenderloin, garnish with slices of lemon cut in fancy shapes and serve with the remainder of the sauce in a boat.

Social Reminders for Your Card Case.

A first call is made on the newcomer by the older resident without waiting for the formality of an introduction. It is returned within ten days. If the acquaintance proves undesirable, it may cease after the first interchange of calls.

The fashionable calling hour for ladies is from 11 to 12 and from 3 to 5. For men, from 8 to 10 when the day is occupied.

A formal or first call lasts fifteen minutes, a friendly call twice as long.

A man must ask permission before he may call, or bear a letter of introduction from another city.

An invitation to any entertainment, whether accepted or not, necessitates a call from the recipient within a month.

Calls should be made on the hostess's day, if she have one.

The guests of a dinner call upon their hostess within a week.

A bride does not call upon her friends until they have called upon her after the wedding reception.

Persons in mourning receive but do not return calls during the first year after their bereavement.

Calls of congratulation are made on the young mother, the fiancée or a friend to whom unexpected joy or success have come.

A ROAST ON THE KAISER.

[From the London Chronicle.]

The telegrams which announce the hollow splendours of the kaiser's visit to the sultan are painful reading, especially when we judge them in the light of the amazing extracts from the Post and other influential papers which are telegraphed to us from Berlin. An emperor who rules over a country less free than any Christian land except the Russian has broken through the

European tradition and gone conspicuously out of his way to do honor to a barbarian whose crimes against humanity are as notorious as they are horrible. At the very moment when the annals of the other powers are at last giving effective expression to their contempt for this "unspeakable" tyrant, the master of the most powerful army in Europe declares himself his familiar friend and allows his emissaries to walk through Constantinople "on the sultan's arm." It is not the first time in recent German policy that a cynical friendliness for Turkey has been displayed. But the present demonstration, by its very fact of its dramatic singularity, surpasses in effect all the former diplomatic favors itism.

Boys and Girls.

A Winter Sing-Song.

Sing a song of snowflakes
Flying in the air,
Sing a song of sleigh-bells,
Tinkling everywhere.

Sing of feath'ry snowbanks,
Earth in dazzling white,
Sing of gleaming ice-fields,
Sparkling in the light.

Sing of merry maidens,
Sing of blithesome boys,
Skating, sliding, coasting,
Full of fun and noise!

—E. Louise Liddell.

How a Doll Saved a Kitten.

[By Alice M. Weeks.]

Donald and Dorothy were twins, and lived on a farm. It was a large farm, and the children had a great many pets. There were the two white lambs that papa had given them on their last birthday; Donald's six rabbits with pink eyes; Mrs. Cackle and her ten fluffy chicks (which were Dorothy's own); the two dogs, Jack and Gyp; and last, but not the least important in this story, Mrs. Muff, the large white cat, and her kitten, Puffball. Puff for short, who looked just like her mamma.

Dorothy also owned a large family of dolls, but Donald, though he could sometimes be coaxed to play doctor, and give bread pills to them, openly despised dolls. Donald and Dorothy often mourned because she had no one to "play house" with her and the dolls. There came a time, however, when Donald's respect for dolls suddenly changed, for Polly, Dorothy's big rubber doll, saved Puff from drowning. She actually did, for Donald and Dorothy both saw her; and this is the way it happened:

There was a great horse-chestnut tree down by the creek, and under it the children's play-house was built. Here Dorothy had been giving her dolls a tea-party, when Polly, who had eaten a great deal too much cake, was suddenly taken very ill. Her small hands were out into the air and laid her on the grass as carefully as possible, then ran to find Dr. Donald and bring him back with her before Polly grew any worse.

Dorothy, who had just out of sight when Mrs. Muff and her kitten came stepping daintily through the grass toward the play-house. Seeing Polly, apparently asleep, lying motionless, Mrs. Muff walked over to her, sniffed at her, then sniffed at Dorothy. Meeting with no response, Mrs. Muff felt safe in bidding Puff be a good kitten and be careful not to go too near the creek, while she herself took a quiet little "rest-nap." She went into the play-house, jumped lightly up into the china doll's bed, and was soon fast asleep.

It was a pretty dull time for Puff, and, after chasing a stray butterfly or two, and running after the cat, she sat down and wondered what she should do next.

You know when little folks (and kittens, too) have nothing in particular to do, they get into mischief. This was exactly what happened to Puff. She commenced by dancing around Polly, making short runs and leaps at her, and playing with the tiny red tassel on her ear, as the breeze stirred it. Invitingly, in making one of these playful springs the kitten caught her little sharp claws in the cap itself, and before she could set herself free, had drawn Polly along a short distance over the grass.

This was a surprising and interesting. What had happened? Was Polly joining in the sport? Puff decided to try it again—with the same result. It was an easy matter for the kitten to drag the doll with her for, though large, the doll was made of rubber, and as all little girls know, was therefore hollow and very light. So Puff frisked along, pouncing on the tassel, and dragging the doll to the bank of the creek, which nearer to her play, had quite forgotten. Alas and alas! Before she had time to save herself, she made one spring too many, and over the bank they went, into the cold water! Puff was badly frightened, but she clung desperately to Polly's woolen dress, which she had clutched in her fall. Neither Polly nor Puff could swim, but Polly floated, and the kitten dug her claws into the dress, and mewed wildly.

Just at that moment Donald and Dorothy came back to the play-house. They heard the kitten crying, and rushing to the bank of the creek saw Polly flat on her face, floating on the water, with the miserable scared little kitten clinging fast to her.

How to get them out was the question. The bank was steep just there, the water pretty deep, and there was clearly no time to lose. Back to the play-house Donald dashed, and in a very short time had caught up the board which formed the front walk, dragged it to the bank, and laid it down carefully, with Dorothy's help, until one end rested on the creek bottom, while the other lay against the bank.

He crept very cautiously down the bank till within reach of them, then gently picked up Puff and Polly together—for even then Puff would not release her hold on the dress. With the two held carefully against his breast, Donald then handed them to Dorothy, who stood waiting breathlessly on the bank, while Mrs. Muff, who had come running on hearing her kitten's mewing, raced excitedly back and forth, very much alarmed by the mishap which had befallen her baby.

Finding that neither the doll nor the kitten was seriously hurt by the wetting, the children hastened with them to the house, where Puff was washed, fed, and comforted, and Polly was washed and petted by her fond mamma to an extent that would certainly have spoiled an ordinary child. Polly, however, only smiled serenely, and seemed to be in such good spirits that Dr. Donald said a cold bath was the very thing he should have prescribed for her late illness!

As for Puff, she was not a bit the

worse for her adventure, though for a long time she would not go near the children's play-house; and when she was older, she related the story to her kittens, as a warning to them always to remember their mother's advice, and never to disobey and go near the edge of the creek.—Outlook.

A Friend in Need.

This friend was a tame stag, who belonged to a lady living near Manila in the Philippine Islands. He was a great pet and allowed to roam around at his will.

The ponies did not have the same freedom. When they were taken out, they must be tethered. One day the man who fed the ponies tied one of them with a very short rope, and then carelessly put its bunch of hay beyond its reach.

The poor little beast strained at his rope to reach his meal in vain. His owner, standing from the window, was about to go to his help, when she saw the stag standing by taking in the situation. She waited to see what would happen.

The stag soon found a way out of the difficulty. He bent his proud head, lifted part of the hay on his antlers, and put it down under the pony's nose. Then he went back for more; in a few minutes the grateful little pony had his full meal before him, and was making a hearty breakfast.—Outlook.

A Difficult Question.

He passed his plate. "Oh, Teddy!" said I, "How many times have you had 'more pie'?"

He thought an instant, and then gravely spoke. "I can't tell. My pieometer's broke." —St. Nicholas.

A Smile: A Laugh.

In a car a small boy was observed to be suddenly agitated, but regained his self-control after a few moments. Soon after the conductor appeared and asked for fares. When he stood before the small boy there was a slight pause, and the passengers were surprised to hear the following: "Please charge it to my papa; I've thralloved the money."

A very just complaint was brought before a bishop that a certain clergyman in the diocese was wearing an Oxford master's hood, when, as a matter of fact, he had no such degree. "I call it, my lord," said the complainant, "wearing a lie on his back." "We need not use quite so strong a word, Mr. Smith," the bishop replied in his blandest manner; "call it a falsehood."

"How did this happen?" asked the surgeon, as he dressed the wound in the cheek and applied a soothing poultice to the damaged eye. "Got hit with a stone," replied the patient.

"Who threw it?"

"My—my wife," was the reluctant answer. "It's the first time I knew a woman to hit anything she aimed at," muttered the surgeon.

"She was throwing at her neighbor's hens," explained the sufferer. "I was behind her."—Detroit Free Press.

The following is an exact copy of a letter received by a young lady, who possesses a piano and being about to move to a small country town, advertised for room and board with a family "musically inclined": "Dear Miss, we think we kin suite you with room and board if you prefer to be where there is music. I play the fiddle, my wife the organ, my dotter Jule the akordion, my other dotter the bango, my son Hen the guitar, my son Jim the floor and koronet, and my son Clem the base drum, while all of us sing gospell hymns in which we would be glad to have you take part. Both coral or instrumental if you play on anything. We play by ear when we all git started there is real musick in the air. Let us know if you want to come here to board."

A clergyman was walking through the outskirts of his parish one evening, when he saw one of his parishioners very busy whitewashing his cottage. The parson, pleased at these somewhat novel signs of cleanliness, called out: "Well, Jones, I see you're making your house nice and smart." With a mysterious air, Jones, who had recently taken the cottage, descended from the ladder, and slowly walked to the hedge which separated the garden from the road. "That's not exactly the reason why I'm doing of this 'ere job," he whispered; "but the two last couples as lived in this 'ere cottage ad twins; so I says to my missus, 'I'll tak' an' whitewash the place, so as there mayn't be no infection. Ye see, sir, as 'ow we got ten 'em already.' Whether the whitewashing was effectual or not, I have not been able to ascertain.

That a brilliant array of facts calculatingly displayed may be made to pale before one of little or no light, handled haplazard, is amusingly shown by the following from the New York Tribune:

When a young man, a well-known civil engineer, surveyed the route of a proposed railroad. An old farmer with whom he stopped for a time admitted one day, when he saw him figuring in the field, that mathematics always seemed a wonderful thing to him.

Being young and enthusiastic, the engineer began to enlarge upon its wonders, telling him how we could measure the distances of different planets, and even weigh them; how we could foretell accurately the coming of a comet or an eclipse years in advance of its actual occurrence, determine the velocity of the fiercest projectile, ascertain the heights of mountains without scaling them, and many other things meant to astonish him.

"Yes, yes, those things does seem kinder curious," the old farmer replied; "but what allus bothered me was to understand why ye have ter carry 'em for ev'ry thin'. But if ye don't," he concluded, with conviction, "the plaguey thing won't come out right."

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The Poets.

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Master went a-hunting
When the leaves were falling.
We saw him on the bridge path,
We heard him gayly calling:
"Oh, master, master, come you back,
For I have dreamed a dream so black!"
A glint of steel from bit and heel,
The chestnut cantered faster;
A red flash seen amid the green,
And so good-bye to master.

Master came from hunting,
Two silent comrades bore him;
His eyes were dim, his face was white,
The mare was led before him;
"Oh, master, master, is it thus
That you have come again to us?"
"I held my lady's ice-cold hand,
They bore the bundle past her
Why should they go so soft and slow?
It matters not to master."
—A. Conan Doyle, in Little's Living Age.

Ferra Domus.

Above the deep-set valley,
The mountain ranges rise,
Above the clouded summits,
The boundless skies.

Beyond the crested surges,
Broad plains of ocean are,
Beyond the dim horizons,
The evening star.

Beyond, above, the limits
Of toil and pain and strife,
Gleams like a fitful beacon
The blessed life.

Beyond Earth's quick mutations,
Bright hopes and glooms of fear—
Ah! but high heaven affrights us—
Our home is here!
—Lewis Morris in Literature.

From a Far Country.

What shall I say if he, some day re-
turning,
Shall seek thee, knowing not?
Tell him I waited—till pale Death re-
membered
The life that Love forgot.

If he should ask to know thy place of
dwelling,
What shall my answer be?
Give him the ring of gold from off my
finger.
Give it him—silently!

But if, as with a stranger, he still
questions,
Say what then shall I do?
Speak to him, very gently, as a sister,
Perchance he suffers, too!

And if he ask why silent and deserted
The halls so bright before?
Answer no word, but show the lamp
extinguished.

The widely opened door.
And lest, perchance, he ask of that last
hour—
What message must I keep?
Smile in his face, and say I parted
smiling!

Yes, smile—lest he should weep!
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[Ayimer Maude, in The Outlook.]

The Russian "spirit wrestlers," of whom little was known in America until a few weeks ago, are now attracting widespread interest. Seven thousand five hundred of them are preparing to emigrate to this continent and to form a settlement in Canada. The dozen townships reserved for them lie, for the most part, within the borders of the Territory of Assiniboia, but reach over into Saskatchewan, and also into Manitoba.

The interest excited by this sect proceeds largely from its having been subjected, during the last thirty years, to a terrible persecution, carried on with the greatest secrecy. The strictness with which the Russian press was watched, to prevent its giving any publicity to the facts of this persecution, may be illustrated by a single case. This year the Russkaya Vedomost, the most liberal Moscow daily paper, was forbidden to appear for two months, merely because it ventured, at Leo Tolstol's request, to mention that three subscriptions had been received for the suffering Doukhobors. What is most curious is that this occurred after the emperor had consented to the migration of these people to America. Many of them had been ruined by the persecution, in the course of which some 4,000 of them had been compelled to sell their well-cultivated farms at a few days' notice, and had been reduced to the verge of starvation. Unless help were rendered to them, the permission to migrate was of little use; for how were a scattered, and for the most part illiterate, peasantry, many of whom were almost penniless, to find their way from the Southern Caucasus to any land where life and liberty would be theirs? But for help that reached them from abroad, it is hard to see how they could have escaped.

Much might be told of the sufferings of these Christians, persecuted for refusing to learn how to kill their fellow-men. How, for instance, Michael Scherbinin died in August, 1896, in the Ekaterinograd penal battalion, tortured to death by flogging and by being thrown with violence over the wooden vaulting-horse in the gymnasium.

Much, also, that is interesting remains to be told of the beliefs, though it should be borne in mind that the Doukhobors are to some extent a "secret sect." They have been persecuted at intervals for at least 150 years, or, if we accept the very plausible theory which links them on to the Judizers who played a part in Russian history in the fifteenth century, and with the "Pauicians" who figure in the history of the Eastern Church from the seventh century onwards, for upwards of twelve hundred years. Accustomed as they are to have their faith inquired into as a preliminary to banishment, imprisonment, or other punishment, or, at least, as a preliminary to having it misrepresented and perhaps sneered at in books made to sell, it is not surprising that they are somewhat reluctant to expose their innermost faith to the stranger who wishes to investigate. In the Doukhobor faith has again and again been misrepresented, both in England and in America, without their making any literary effort to justify themselves. Full justice has, perhaps, never yet been done to this, but this is what a careful investigator, Anatole Leroy-Beaulieu, who differs widely from them in his view of life, writes in his "Empire of the Tsars and the Russians": "The doctrine of the Doukhobors, in spite of its occasional obscurity, is probably one of the latest efforts of untortured popular thought."

And this is what Albert F. Heard, in his "Russian Church and Russian Dissent," says of the life of both the Doukhobors and the Molokans (who are a kindred sect): "The adherents have, by the testimony of all who, either in social or private capacity, have known them, always been distinguished for honesty, sobriety, industry and peaceful obedience to the law. The government has frequently interfered to prevent the extension of their doctrines."

Even a brave man shudders at the thought of being torn in the jaws of a ferocious animal, and in every walk of life, from that of the laborer to that of the professional man, there are thousands at the mercy of a tiger more relentless than any found in all India.

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and has transported their settlements hither and thither to isolate them, but, wherever established, they have invariably evinced the same docile submission and useful qualities. Agriculture is their favorite pursuit; they have been active pioneers in southern steppes, making the wilderness blossom like the rose, creating little republics, animated by a strong theocratic spirit, realizing, as it is possible only in small communities imbued with ardent faith and under strict moral discipline, the utopian theories of practical socialism."

It is well to make one's first acquaintance with such a people, not by reading what men who did not fully understand them or sympathize with them say they believe, but rather by noting how they act.

Much publicity has already been given to their "non-resistant" attitude. They try to obey the command, "Resist not him that is evil; but whosoever smiteth thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also. And if any man would go to the law with thee, and take away thy coat, let him have thy cloak also." They entirely disapprove of all physical violence done by man to man, as well as of all use of law courts. They appeal to their fellow-men, they think, be addressed to their reason and conscience—i. e., to the divine spirit dwelling in each man—and not to their fear of violence or compulsion.

Another side of their faith and practice, which has excited much less attention, but is not less interesting, is their communism.

Christ, whether rightly or wrongly, is certainly reported to have said many things which cannot be made to agree with the ideal of "getting on" and "being successful." The practice of the Doukhobor preacher who "had not where to lay his head," who is not recorded as having possessed a single coin, who had nothing to leave to his mother, and whose grave was borrowed from a friend, accords fully with the message he delivered when he preached good tidings to the poor, and said "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth"; "Beware of all covetousness, for a man's life consists not in the abundance of the things that he possesses." "Woe unto ye rich," "Blessed are ye poor," "Crave no man's master," and "The truth shall make you free."

What business man, in our "civilized" society, can carry on his affairs in accordance with Christ's advice, "Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away"? Quite naturally, a simple peasant-folk who take religion seriously, as something important, and intimately linked to daily life and conduct, find themselves obliged either to look out for a religion which shall suit them better than that of Christ, or to bring their lives more nearly into conformity with his teachings. This is not the case with those vast populations that have accepted the guidance of priests, of an infallible church, or of a creed—accepted not because reasonable, but as an act of "faith" (taking "faith" in what has become its most common significance, viz., credulity).

But the Doukhobors are a people who have no priest, no infallible church, and among whom credulity has not been elevated into a virtue. To them the saying, "Why call ye me, Lord, and do not the things which I say," appeals with full force. They have no priests, dogmas or ceremonies to save them from the full force of Christ's appeal to the reason and conscience which, dormant or active, are in each of us.

What, then, are the Doukhobors doing towards carrying out Christ's economic teaching? They disapprove of individualistic property, and aim at communism. They till their fields in common, and each village divides up the produce, after it has been gathered in, according to the number of members in each family. When, as during the late persecution, one or several village communities are impoverished, the other Doukhobor communities exert themselves very greatly to succor them. In their own dealings within the village they have recently ceased to make any use of money; and when it has happened, from time to time, that some families have fallen into want, the communal conscience has made itself felt to such a degree that a redistribution of property has been undertaken in order that all might be approximately on one level of material well-being.

Of course, like all things human, these attempts are not fully and completely successful. Not every Doukhobor lives his life free from the evils of covetousness. In their dealings with the rest of the world they are scrupulously honest and faithful in performing all that they undertake; but still the money element—which, by their own showing, is a sure sign that service is being rendered, not from love, but from some motive—is present in the transaction.

If, however, we realize that progress is the natural and proper condition in which humanity exists, the effort made by the Doukhobors assumes its proper importance. Some men, like the Pharisees, consider themselves religious and are satisfied with the kind of life they lead. Such men inevitably stagnate and hinder the progress of the race. They sit in the seat of Moses, neither entering into the kingdom themselves, nor suffering those that are entering in to enter. Others perceive the Christian ideal of perfect love, purity and devotion to the service of that divine spirit which actuates us at our best, and, seeing how far they are from being able to live fully up to this ideal, they despair and do not put Christ's teaching to the test of actual practice. At the Doukhobors, like the early Quakers, the early Christians, and many sects persecuted as heretics by the dominant churches, strive to bring their actual economic and social life as nearly into conformity with the demands of conscience as they can. And this is a progressive movement, never resting for many years on one level, sometimes even retrograding for a time, and then, under other circumstances, again advancing.

And what have been the practical results of this spirit of co-operation and mutual aid among the Doukhobors? Just this: that they have prospered wherever the government has left them alone; that, banished to the inclement Wet Mountains and the Caucasus, where even the fabled crop failed, they were not starved, and left at the mercy of wild hill-tribes who were continually fighting and stealing among themselves, these Doukhobors prospered, and inspired respect among their neighbors; that, when persecution burst upon them, they stood by each other, and though more than 1,000 perished in two years out of one community of 4,000, they survived under circumstances which seemed to insure their extermination unless they abjured their faith. Here again one has to be careful not to overstate the facts. There were, a few years ago, full 20,000 Doukhobors; there are now hardly 7,500 preparing to migrate. Of the 13,000 or 14,000 who are no longer in their ranks many have died, have been banished to Siberia, are in prison, or are in exile in the out-of-the-way parts of the Caucasus; but by far the

larger part have not had the moral courage to withstand the persecution, or have simply felt (as the great mass of our society feel) that, though things would be better if all men acted as Christ advised, and though we have sincere admiration when one man or a few men so act, yet personally we are not prepared to make the sacrifices which he calls on us to make. Thus we identify ourselves with the personal, bodily existence of our animal self rather than with that spirit within us which from time to time rouses us to an appreciation of the fact that Christ's life was not a failure, and that his theory of life is valid, while the lives of our "successful" men are, comparatively speaking, failures, and the theory upon which our society is built is breaking down before our eyes, just to the extent to which it relies on the motives of covetousness and self-seeking.

PAX BRITANNICA

[Alfred Austin.]

Behind her rolling ramparts England lay,
Impregnable, and girt by cliff-built towers,
Weaving to peace and plenty, day by day,
The long-drawn hours.

In peace Spring freed her flocks and
showered her grain,
Summer sate smiling under peaceful
leaves,
And Autumn plied on the unwearied
wain
Her sickled sheaves.

And white-winged keels flew fluttering
over the shore,
Laden with Eastern bale or Southern
freze;
And from the fields of far-off labor
came
The spoils of Peace.

Then, seeing her within her waves so
blest,
The jealous nations, panoplied alike,
Said: "Look, she wears no armor on
her breast,
What if we strike?"

But she, of their base greed and armed
array
Haughtily heedless, mocked by her
main,
Still across ocean plowed her peaceful
way
In strong disdain.

Then each to other muttered: "Now at
last
Her splendor shall be ours, and we
shall
Our envy. She is pillowed on her Past,
And will not wake."

Slowly as stir a lion from his bed,
Lengthens his limbs and crisp his
mane, she rose,
Then shook out all her strength, and,
flashing,
"Where are my foes?"

Thus to herself she did herself reveal,
Swiftly, yet calmly, put her armor on,
And, round her Empire, sentinels in
steel,
Like morning shone!

From field and forge there thronged
embattled hosts,
And that one struck the anvil, this
the lyre,
And from the furnaces of war her
 Were fringed with fire.

Dazed and dismayed, they valued their
futile vow;
Some fain would be her friend, and
some would nurse
Their hate till they could curb the
might that now
They could but curse.

But they who watch from where the
west wind blows,
Since great themselves, proud that
their
Said: "See what comes when England
with her foes
Speaks at the gate!"

Then back to boom and share her people
poured,
Chanting peace-paeans as they reaped,
While, gazing worldward, on her un-
drawn sword,
Watchful she leaned.

McClure's Magazine for December.

Three notable serials begin in the
December number of McClure's Maga-
zine. "Stalky," the story of Rudyard
Kipling's series of stories of English
school boy life, is as hearty and well-
known as a tale of school boy ingenuity
and adventure as one could wish to
read, and, while complete in itself,
leaves the appetite keen for more of the
same sort. The first of Miss Tarbell's
articles on the "Later Life of Lincoln"

is an even more distinguished beginning
than the first of Mr. Kipling's
stories. Finally, we have our first
of a series of papers by Capt. Mahan on
"The War on the Sea and Its Lessons—
a contribution to the literature of
the recent war that, coming from
a member of the strategy board and
the highest authority on the science
of naval warfare, cannot fail to be
read with eagerness in all parts of the
civilized world. The number derives
its Christmas quality from its frontis-
piece, "Shepherds Abiding in the
Field," painted at Bethlehem, especially
for the magazine, by C. K. Lin-
son; and from two excellent Christmas
stories. George B. Waldron gives a
thrilling tale of a Canadian incident
and tables of the growth of the Anglo-
Saxon in rule and territory in the
last five hundred years. Cleveland Moffatt
tells some good stories of hunting big
game on elephants, and Ray Stannard
Bald gives a thrilling chapter
from the records of the government
secret service. Capt. Jasper Ewing
Brady, writing from his own experience
as a train dispatcher, describes the
methods of running trains by tele-
graph, and illustrates it with a number
of strange incidents. S. S. McClure
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JOURNALISTIC ENTERPRISE.

The irrepressible reporter was never
less repressible than in Cuba last
spring. Capt. Sigbee promised Gen.
Blanco that no American newspaper
reporter should be permitted to make
any investigation of the Maine. What
must have been his amusement, then,
when he saw an American correspond-
ent, a few days later, seated in the
boat of the Spaniards' own divers! The
captain will narrate this incident at
the January Century, and describe his
reception of a floral piece, presented to
him by the correspondent, through
Gen. Lee, on his departure from Havana.
He had been able to do so little
for the republicans of the press that
his testimonial of their regard
for him took him completely by sur-
prise. The possibility of a misconstruc-
tion of his motives makes it difficult
for him to express his appreciation of their
courtesy, he says. But he does it, none
the less, with evident feeling.

BLOWING UP THE MAINE

Captain Sigbee's Graphic Narra-
tive of the Tragedy.

His Sensations at the Moment—Plunged
Into Darkness.

About an hour before the explosion I
had completed a report called for by
Mr. Theodore Roosevelt, assistant sec-
retary of the navy, on the advisability
of continuing to place torpedo tubes on
board cruisers and battleships. I then
wrote a letter home, in which I strug-
gled to apologize for having carried in a
my pocket for ten months a letter to
my wife from one of her friends of
long-standing. The cabin mess atten-
dant, James Pinckney, had brought me,
about an hour before, a civilian's thin
coat, because of the pouring rain. I
had taken off my blouse, and was
wearing their coat for the only time
during the cruise. In the pocket I
found the unopened and undelivered
letter. Pinckney, a light-hearted col-
ored man, who spent much of his spare
time in singing, playing the banjo, and
dancing jigs, was for some reason in an
especially happy frame of mind that
night. Poor fellow! He was killed, as
was also good John R. Bell, the colored
cabin steward, who had been in the
navy 27 years.

At taps ("Turn in and keep quiet"),
ten minutes after nine o'clock, I laid
down my pen to listen to the notes of
the bugle, which were singularly beau-
tiful in the oppressive stillness of the
night. The marine bugler, Newton,
who was rather given to fanciful ef-
fects, was evidently doing his best.
During his pauses the echoes floated
back to the ship with singular dis-
tinctness, repeating the strains of the
bugle fully and exactly. A half-hour
later Newton was dead.

I was inclosing my letter in the en-
velope when the explosion came. The im-
pression made on different people on
board the Maine varied somewhat. To
me in my position, well aft, and within
the superstructure, it was a bursting,
rending and crashing sound or roar of
immense volume, largely metallic in
character. It was followed by a suc-
cession of heavy, ominous, metallic
sounds, probably caused by the over-
turning of the central superstructure,
and by falling debris. There was a
trembling and lurching motion of the
vessel, a list to port, and a moment
of subsidence. The electric lights, of
which there were eight in the cabin
where I was sitting, went out. Then
there was intense blackness and smoke.
The situation could not be mistaken;
the Maine was blown up and sinking.
For a moment the instinct of self-pres-
ervation took charge of me, but this
was immediately dominated by the
habit of command. I went up the in-
clined deck into the starboard cabin,
toward the starboard air ports, which
were never somewhat against the
background of the sky. The ashes
were out, and the openings were large.
My first intention was an escape
through the passageway leading for-
ward through the superstructure, I
ward through the passage, and
along the passage to the outer
door. The passage turned to the right,
or starboard, near the forward part of
the superstructure.

When the turn was reached, someone
ran into me violently. It was Private
William Anthony, the orderly at the
cabin door. He said something apolo-
getic, and reported that the ship had
been blown up and was sinking. He
was directed to go out on the quarter
deck, and I followed him. Anthony
has been pictured as making an ex-
ceedingly formal salute at that occa-
sion. The dramatic effect of a salute
cannot add to his heroism. If he had
made a salute it could not have been
in the blackness of that compart-
ment. Anthony did his whole duty, at
great personal risk, at a time when he
might have evaded the danger without
question, and deserved all the com-
mendations that he received for his act.
He hung near me with unflinching zeal
and watchfulness that night until the
ship was abandoned.

I stood for a moment on the star-
board side of the main deck, facing
the superstructure, looking towards the
immense dark mass that loomed up
amidships, but could see nothing dis-
tinctly. There I remained for a few
seconds in an effort to grasp the situa-
tion, and then asked Anthony first in-
stance, "What happened?" The explosion
took place at 9:40, sir. It was soon ne-
cessary to retire from the main deck,
for that part of the ship was sinking
rapidly. I then went up on the poop
deck. Behind the Lieutenant-Com-
mander Walnwright and others were
near me. Everybody was impressed by
the solemnity of the disaster, but there
was no excitement apparent; perfect
discipline prevailed.

The question has been asked many
times if I believed then that the Maine
was blown up from the outside. My
answer to this has been that my first
order on reaching the deck was to post
sentries about the ship. I knew that
the Maine was blown up, and be-
lieved that she had been blown up from
the outside. Therefore I ordered a
measure which was intended to guard
against attack. There was no need for
the order, but I am writing of the pic-
ture. There was the sound of
many voices from the shore, suggestive
of cheers—Captain Charles D. Sigbee,
in the December Century.

Christmas Canadian Magazine.

A very handsome cover, in bright
warm colors, incloses the Christmas
number of the Canadian Magazine.
The frontispiece is a reproduction in
color of the famous picture, "The
Berry Pickers," by G. A. Reid, presi-
dent of the Ontario Society of Artists.
Grant Allen contribute a very good
Christmas story, which is thoroughly
illustrated. "Kit," writes another en-
titled "Holy Saint Claus," illustrating
the fact that Santa Claus is a German
saint, and that Irish children have dif-
ficulty in understanding him. All the
children in the world do not know of
our Santa Claus. This story by "Kit"
is one of her bright Irish tales, with
which nothing that is written in this
country can compare. Eva Hamilton
Young tells something about the origin
of Christmas carols, Christmas boxes,
and other customs peculiar to the
Anglo-Saxon. W. L. Edwards gives the
origin of the dried fruits which we
use at this season in our Christmas
puddings and other delicacies. Besides
these seasonable features, there are ar-
ticles and short stories in the usual
proportion. Capt. Bell continues his story
of Lord Wolsley's expedition. Julian
Durham describes the twelve-year-old
city of Vancouver. Florence Hamilton
Randal gives the history of Ridesau
Hall, and tells some good stories of for-
mer royal occupants—old and young.
Altogether the number is a most at-
tractive one, there being over 190 pages
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ANTARCTIC EXPLORATION

Epitome Up-to-Date Apropos of the
Latest Expedition

[London Times.]
At the London Institution Dr. H. R. Mill delivered a lecture entitled "The Story of the Antarctic," in which he briefly traced the history of Antarctic exploration. Beginning with the early Greek idea of the world as a flat disk surrounded by the river Oceanus, he showed how this was gradually modified by the notion of the spherical form of the earth and the increase of knowledge generally, till in the second century we found in Ptolemy's great map the first conception of that Antarctic continent which had given rise to so many daring expeditions. Then followed a long period of intellectual sleep, the depth of which was illustrated from two maps in which the earth was again represented flat as a cake. The lecturer then referred to the voyages of the Portuguese, and described how Vasco da Gama's discovery of the open sea route out of Africa from the Cape of Good Hope, and the discovery of the Antarctic continent. After a mention of the theories of the sixteenth century, including Leonardo da Vinci's lucky guess at the form of the land under the southern pole, he described the Spanish attempts to find an independent passage to the Spice Islands, and told how Magellan, who missed Australia by about 100 miles, showed that the continents of the north and south were separated by a continuous cut off from the Antarctic continent. In 1772 a French expedition was sent to look for the supposed fair southern land, and later the two expeditions of Kerguelen resulted in the discovery and occupation of the Land of Desolation. But it was not only the French who were seeking the land of the south. A Scotchman named Dalrymple was so convinced of the immense extent of unexplored territory in the south that he obtained the concession of the rights to exploit it. The first ship, however, to cross the Antarctic Circle was that of his rival, Capt. Cook. It was the latter who, in his second voyage, undertaken to find out whether there was any continent, gave the first real account of the southern ocean reaching up into the temperate zone. Thenceforward Antarctic exploration became a scientific, not a commercial, question. Between 1837 and 1843 three great government expeditions were dispatched—one American, one French, and one British, under Ross. The achievements of the last-named explorer, who was accompanied by Sir Joseph Hooker, the last survivor of the expedition, were briefly described, and it was mentioned that he reached as far south as Baffin and Hudson had reached north 300 years ago. A period of averted interest ensued, broken in 1892 by the visits of Dundee and Norwegian whalers to those southern regions. The Challenger expedition, too, got just within the Antarctic Circle, and its results were interesting, because they indirectly proved the existence of land within the circle. At the present time two expeditions were in the field—one sent out from Belgium, the other by Sir George Newnes. After showing some statistical diagrams, intended to make the audience realize the huge extent of the unexplored area lying under

the southern pole, the lecturer concluded by referring to the German expedition now being organized, and to the efforts put forth by the Royal Geographical Society, after failing to gain the aid of the government, to obtain the interest and support of the public for a British Antarctic expedition.

SEEN IN BETHLEHEM

J. James Tissot, the great French artist, who has made the remarkable illustrations for the "Life of Christ," writes of "Christmas at Bethlehem," in the December Century. M. Tissot says:

The town of Bethlehem is shaped in the form of a crescent, descending, terrace by terrace, the side of the hill on which it is built. On one of these terraces are grouped the massive buildings of the Latin and Greek convents, between which stands the basilica, charming the eye by the clarity of its lines. All the houses are distinctly Jewish in appearance, with flat roofs capped by cupolas, and with them have pointed arches which offer pleasant places for repose in hours of sun or shade.

This creeping of the houses down into the very gardens of the valley heightens wonderfully the beauty of the landscape; while in the background, toward the Dead Sea, the mountains of Moab tower majestically above the gentle undulations of hill and vale. Every feature of this never-to-be-forgotten scene is full of sacred significance. In front of the city you are shown the field where Ruth and Boaz met, and near by is the spot where the shepherds were told of our Saviour's birth. At a point still nearer the crescent-shaped city is the well from which David so desired to drink after doing battle. A little further on, and quite by itself, is the tomb of Rachel, beyond which are other battle-fields mentioned in the Bible.

The Best Ten Books.

What were the best ten books of the year? This question has been answered by the readers of the Outlook in a voting contest, the award to the successful contestant being copies of the ten books. The result of the vote, which is announced in the Outlook's Magazine Number for December, is as follows, the titles being given in order of precedence as shown by the total vote: "The Life and Letters of Tennyson," Mrs. Ward's "Hebe of Bannisdale," Justin McCarthy "Story of Gladstone's Life," "Caleb West," "The Workers," Busch's "Bismarck," Mrs. Wiggins' "Penelope's Progress," the letters of Elizabeth Barrett Browning, "Rupert of Hentzau," and John Flishe's "Old Virginia and Her Neighbors." In addition to an interesting account of this contest and a literary talk about the ten books and their authors, this issue of the Outlook, which is its tenth annual book number, contains an elaborate survey of the books of the season and other articles and features which are of special interest. \$2 a year. The Outlook Company, New York.

The largest bog in Ireland is the Bog of Allan, which stretches across the center of the island, east of the Shannon, and covers nearly 3,000 acres of bog in Ireland. About one-seventh of the total area of the country is bog.

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TODAY'S MARKETS

New York Stock Stocks.
Reported by F. H. Butler, 15 and 16 Masonic Temple, for the Advertiser, New York, Dec. 17.

Yesterday's Close.	Open.	High.	Low.	2.30.
Atchafalpa	122	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
C. B. & Q.	122	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
C. N. W.	122	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Hay State Gas	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109
Chicago Gas	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109
N. Y. Gas	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109
U. S. Steel	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64
L. & N.	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64
Man.	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64
Omaha	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64
P. M.	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64
Reading	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64
N. Y. Central	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
St. P.	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
W. U.	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Wabash	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
U. Pacific	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Leather Trust	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Lead	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Sugar	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Tobacco	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Southern P. Rd.	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Jersey Central	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
K. & T. P. Rd.	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
N. P. Rd.	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2

Toronto Stock Market.

TORONTO, Dec. 17.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Montreal	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Toronto	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Merchants	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Commerce	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Imperial	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Dominion	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Standard	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Hamilton	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
British America	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Western Assurance	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Consumers' Gas	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Montreal Gas	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Dominion Telephone	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Northwest Land Company, pref. 50	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Canada Pacific Railway Stock	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Commercial Union Assurance	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Commercial Union Assurance	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Com. Registered Bonds	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Bell Telephone Company	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Real Estate	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Richelieu and Ontario	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Montreal Street Railway	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Toronto Street Railway	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
London Electric	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Dominion Savings and Invest. 40	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Huron and Erie	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Huron and Erie, 20 per cent. A, 40	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
London and Canada L. and A., 40	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
London Loan	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
London and Ontario, 40	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Ontario Loan and Debenture	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2

Montreal Stock Market.

MONTREAL, Dec. 17.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Canadian Pacific	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Duluth, common	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Duluth, preferred	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Commercial Union	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Com. Cable Company Bonds	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Commercial Registered Bonds	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Montreal Telephone	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Richelieu and Ontario	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Montreal Street Railway	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Toronto Street Railway	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
London Electric	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Dominion Savings and Invest. 40	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Huron and Erie	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Huron and Erie, 20 per cent. A, 40	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
London and Canada L. and A., 40	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
London Loan	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
London and Ontario, 40	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2
Ontario Loan and Debenture	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2

Toronto Produce Market.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—Wheat is steady at 67c for red and white, Manitoba wheat steady; No. 1 hard, 79 1/2c; grinding in transit, and 75c, Midland. Flour is steady at \$3.20 for cars of straight roller in barrels west. Millfeed firm at \$14 to \$16 for shorts and \$12.50 for bran west. Barley dull at 40c to 47c for No. 1 west. Buckwheat firm at 45c to 46c west. Rye firm at 51c to 52c west. Corn firm at 35c to 36c for Canada yellow west, and 43c to 45c for American here. Oats firm at 28c for white west. Pans firm at 28c west. Eggs firm at 25c for new laid, 17c to 18c for held fresh, and 14c to 15c for limed. Butter in good demand, and prices firm at 13c to 14c for good large rolls, and 11c to 12c for dairy tubs, creamery steady at 20c to 21c for prints and 19c to 20c for packed. Dressed hogs—The offerings are free; there is a firm demand, and the market is steady at 45 lb and 55 lb asked for cars of mixed weights here.

English Markets.

Liverpool, Dec. 17.—Closing.
Wheat—Spot, No. 1 red northern, firm, 65d; No. 2 red western, firm, 62d; No. 1 Cal., 65d to 65 1/2d; No. 1 cash, 65d.
Corn—American mixed, spot, old, firm, 4s 10d; futures steady; Dec., quiet, 3s 12 1/2d; Jan., nominal; March, quiet, 3s 8 1/2d.
Flour—St. Louis fancy winter, steady, 5s. 6d.
Peas—Canadian, 5s 10d.
Pork—Prime mess, fine western, dull, 50s; 40, medium, western, dull, 47 1/2d.
Beef—Prime mess, dull, 60s; extra India mess, dull, 65s; do, medium, western, dull, 47 1/2d.
Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, easy, 34s.
Bacon—Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs, easy, 31s; short ribs, 29 to 31 lbs, dull, 28s; long clear middles, light, 35 to 37 lbs, dull, 28s; long clear middles, heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, dull, 27s; short bellies, 16 to 18 lbs, dull, 28s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, steady, 34s.
Shoulders—Square, 12 to 14 lbs, easy, 23s.
Lard—Prime western, dull, 28s.
Butter—Finest American, 88c; good, 65c.
Hosins—Common, steady, 42c.
Cheese—American finest white, steady, 47s 6d; do, colored, steady, 48s.
Tallow—Prime city, steady, 29s 3d.
Cottonseed oil—Liverpool refined, dull, 16s 1d.
Turpentine spirits—Strong, 30s 1d.
Hops—At London (Pacific coast), dull, 24 1/2s to 25 1/2s.

Chicago Exchange.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—Dec.	65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2
May	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2
Corn—Dec.	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2
May	36 1/2	36 1/2	36 1/2	36 1/2
Oats—Dec.	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
May	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2
Pork—Jan.	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
May	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
Lard—Jan.	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2
May	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2
Ribs—Jan.	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2
May	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2
Puts—60s.	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2

American Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Closing.—Wheat, Dec., 65 1/2c; Jan., 66c; May, 67 1/2c. Corn, Dec., 34 1/2c; Jan., 35c; May, 36 1/2c. Oats, Dec., 23 1/2c; Jan., 24c; May, 25 1/2c. Pork, Dec., 9 1/2c; Jan., 9 1/2c; May, 9 1/2c. Lard, Dec., 5 1/2c; Jan., 5 1/2c; May, 5 1/2c. Sugar, Dec., 4 1/2c; Jan., 4 1/2c; May, 4 1/2c. Coffee, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Tea, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Rice, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Beans, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Peas, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Lentils, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Mung beans, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Chickpeas, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Soybeans, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Sesame seeds, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Sunflower seeds, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Cottonseed, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Flaxseed, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Hempseed, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Linseed, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Castor oil, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Olive oil, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Peanut oil, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Coconut oil, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Palm oil, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Tallow, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Butter, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Cheese, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Eggs, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Hides, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Wool, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Fur, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Bones, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Horns, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Hooves, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Manure, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Compost, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Fertilizer, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Lime, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Cement, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Bricks, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Tiles, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Lumber, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Shingles, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. Siding, Dec., 15c; Jan., 15c; May, 15c. 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Brockville, Dec. 17.—As the question of the legality of a marriage ceremony performed by a foreign minister has been the source of considerable discussion, pro and con, during the past six months, the division registrar for the town of Brockville laid the matter before the registrar-general of Ontario, who referred the question to the department of the attorney-general.

The opinion given is "that a marriage ceremony performed in Canada by a minister resident in the United States is not legal." Two cases have come to light during the past year, which, in view of the foregoing opinion, are decidedly illegal marriages.

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A LOCAL BUDGET

—The Bishop of Huron will preach at St. George's Church, West London, on Sunday evening.

—Mrs. A. E. Cooper, who has been spending the past six months in Muskoka, has returned home, considerably improved in health.

—Mr. E. F. Kohl, of Brockville, formerly of St. Thomas, leaves today for Winnipeg to assume the management of the Molsons Bank in that city.

—Rev. J. W. Pedley will take as his subject tomorrow evening "Jesus Regarding the Future," being the fifth in the series of Sunday evening sermons.

—"The Most Dangerous Way" will be Rev. Thomas Wilson's subject, following his course to young people, in King Street Presbyterian Church tomorrow evening.

—Mr. W. Graham Hodsdon, the celebrated tenor singer, of Toronto, will take part in the musical service at Knox Presbyterian Church, South London, tomorrow.

—Oak Hall, London, has issued a calendar for 1929, and will send or give one to every person in Middlesex county who cuts out the advertisement on another page of this issue and fills in their name and address.

—Judging from the number of tickets sold for the lecture on "Ireland and the Irish," a large audience is assured for Monday evening in King Street Presbyterian Church. This lecture never fails to fill the house. A good Irish programme is provided.

—At the Auditorium on Monday evening next Miss Ethel Webb will recite the "Parting of Arthur and Guinevere" (Tennyson); also "A Great Grandmother's Story," by W. Graham Hodsdon will give the "Death of Nelson" and the "Hungarian Love Song." A few choice reserved seats can yet be secured at the Auditorium.

—In the county court yesterday afternoon only one non-jury case was disposed of—John Moffatt, of Bidulph, vs. Elizabeth McIntyre, of Toronto.

This was an action for damages for breach of covenant for quiet enjoyment of certain lands. The defendant's claim was that plaintiff had abandoned the place and that claim had been forfeited. Defendant also claimed \$200 arrears for rent. On the judge's advice a settlement was effected by which the plaintiff secured \$75, and defendant abandoned counter-claim. Jarvis & Vining for plaintiff; Thorne, Warner & Starr, Toronto, for defendant.

—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.: United States patents—R. Thompson and J. Young, London, steam or water cooled, D. Bernardin, et al., Winnipeg, automatic railway gate; W. J. Brown, Toronto, carriage gear; G. Butler, Palmira, axle lubricator; W. Clark, Galt, saw-setting machine; E. Ferguson, Montreal, fireproof door, shutter, etc.; J. L. Gill, Montreal, hysteresis meter; W. G. McKendrick, Toronto, apparatus for repairing asphalt pavement; W. J. Nagle, Ottawa, paper bag holder (patent sold); A. Ormond, Winnipeg, pin holder and lock; H. R. Shaw, Roseau, construction and propulsion of boats; J. H. Stone, Toronto, hot water boiler or tank.

PATENT REPORTS.

Below will be found a list of patents recently granted to inventors by the Canadian Government, through the agency of Messrs. Marion & Marion, solicitors of patents and experts, New York Life building, Montreal. This report is prepared specially for this paper: 61,789, George R. Chisholm, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, children's carriage; 61,814, and 61,815, E. P. Perry, Toronto, P.Q. shoes; 61,923, David Dalshay, White Point, N.S., lobster trap.

WILL CALL A LONDON PASTOR.

Guelph Herald: A meeting of the congregation of St. Andrew's Church was called by the moderator, Rev. David Strachan, Wednesday night, to find the position of the members and adherents in the matter of filling the pulpit left vacant by the death of Rev. J. C. Smith. There was but one name mentioned, that of Rev. A. J. McGillivray, pastor of St. James' Presbyterian Church, London, who filled the pulpit so ably for a short time last winter. The call was signed by nearly everyone present, and it will be presented at a special meeting of the Guelph Presbytery, to be held at an early date. Should Mr. McGillivray decide to return to Guelph, he will be warmly received, not only by the entire

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congregation of St. Andrew's Church, but by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintances during his short stay in the city.

ST. GEORGE'S KINDERGARTEN.

That was a delightful entertainment provided by the little folk of St. George's Kindergarten for parents and friends yesterday afternoon, and many words of praise and commendation were bestowed on the teachers—Misses Boyd, Wrighton and Laidlaw—for their tactful and pleasant efforts to entertain and instruct the children. A beautiful Christmas tree was laden with many pretty articles of kindergarten construction and distributed by the infantile artists to their grown-up friends. The regular day's work, exercises and songs were gone through, much to the instruction and pleasure of the visitors.

CHRISTMAS CHEER

Meeting of the I. B. S.—The Distribution Committee—"Nothing's Too Good for the Irish."

A meeting of the Irish Benevolent Society was held last evening, President T. W. Scandrett in the chair, and B. C. McCann acting as secretary. The report of the picnic committee was received. President Scandrett, in thanking the members for looking after the affairs of the society, said he was glad to know that the society had the picnic of the season, and providing for the comfort and pleasure of the people, yet a handsome surplus was left to make provision for the Christmas cheer.

A committee consisting of Messrs. T. H. Smallman, J. McDonald, Mayor Wilson, J. W. Pocock, Ald. McPhillips, John Forrestal, Thomas Beattie, Ald. O'Meara, P. Mulken, Stephen Grant, M. F. O'Mara, J. L. Fitzgerald, W. B. Phipp, W. P. Regan, President Scandrett and the secretary, will make all arrangements for the annual distribution. A portion of the committee will attend on Wednesday to give out tickets for the distribution on Friday. Advertisements will be inserted in the city papers giving particulars. Great care will be taken to give tickets to the deserving poor only, as the committee feel that it is an injustice to the poor to give to those that are not in need of it. The secretary will receive communication from members of any charitable society giving names of persons in need of relief, and send tickets.

HOW TO AVOID A PRACTICAL JOKER

Welcome, Winter, merriest of all the seasons, in spite of thy hoary head and frosted beard! A thousand joys are in thy train. A jovial, mirth-loving merry-maker thou! It must be because Christmas, the brightest jewel of the year, is in thy crown. But thou art a jolly old chap, and a rough, practical joker, needing to be handled with gloves from Spittal, Sabine & Co.'s big fur store at 146 Dundas street. Indeed, but for those good furs, thou wouldst handle our bodies rather roughly in thy sport. But, costly ensconced in furs, one laughs at and with Jack Frost, the mischievous sprite. There is nothing so becoming as furs to set off sparkling eyes and glowing cheeks. Everybody knows they are the most comfortable and the most stylish garments for winter wear, and everybody should know that one of the hand-somest stocks of furs in Western Ontario is to be found at Spittal, Sabine & Co.'s store. There is a wonderful variety of gauntlets, caps, capelines, ruffs, capes and jackets, in seal, sable, otter, Persian lamb, mink and other furs. There are gray lamb and opossum storm collars, fur-lined cloth circulars, black lamb and sable capelines and muffs, and children's white robes. Spittal, Sabine & Co. are the sole Canadian agents for the celebrated mountain and grizzly bear robes, of which they carry a splendid stock. They also offer rare bargains in gentlemen's gloves and umbrellas. Now that the generous Christmas spirit has relaxed the heart-strings and the purse-strings, remember that the most appropriate gifts for the season, the gifts that will make glad the hearts of the recipients, are to be found in Spittal, Sabine & Co.'s store. To make your Christmas purchases without first giving them a try would be the grossest folly. Remember the name and the place—Spittal, Sabine & Co., 146 Dundas street.

Any store can sell candy; but Barkwell, the druggist, gives away one pound of Pure Chocolate Creams to every purchaser, whether drugs, perfumes or Christmas presents. Go to Barkwell's.

The assessors of the town of Woodstock entered their Bill of Sale for the company's poles, wires, crossarms, etc., on the roll for \$2,300. The company want the figures reduced to \$352, claiming telephones and switchboards are personal property.

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Basket of Ribbons.....	5c per yard
Basket of Ribbons.....	10c per yard
Basket of Ribbons.....	15c per yard
Basket of Ribbons.....	20c per yard
Basket of Ribbons.....	25c per yard

Boxes of Laces.....	5c per yard
Boxes of Laces.....	10c per yard
Boxes of Laces.....	15c per yard
Boxes of Laces.....	20c per yard

Cartons of Veilings.....	5c per yard
Cartons of Veilings.....	10c per yard
Cartons of Veilings.....	15c per yard
Cartons of Veilings.....	20c per yard
Cartons of Veilings.....	25c per yard

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Real Lace Handkerchiefs.
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Silk Collars, Lace Ties,
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CHIFFONS—In black, white, cream, cardinal, turquoise, lemon, royal, coral, nile, maize, purple, pale blue, pink, moss and rose.

SHIRRED CHIFFONS—Lemon, mauve, pink, royal, rose, coral, pale blue, light green, moss green, burnt orange and cerise.

PLEATED CHIFFONS—

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Ladies' 2-clasp Monarch, white, black, ox-blood, new tan, blue.....	1.65
Ladies' 2-clasp Reindeer, tan, gray.....	1.65
Ladies' Tan and Black Suede Gloves.....	1.00
Ladies' Derby Gloves, Paris points, tan, ox-blood.....	1.50
Gentlemen's Derby Gloves, Paris points, tan, ox-blood.....	1.50
High-class Novelties in the finest quality pale mushroom tints and oyster shades.....	2.00
Ladies' Silk Mitts.....	.50
Ladies' Silk Mitts, wool lined, 60c, 65c.....	1.25
Ladies' Lined Kid Mitts, 30c, 45c, 50c.....	.75
Gentlemen's Wool Cuffs, 10c, 12 1/2c.....	.15
Gentlemen's Silk Cuffs.....	.40
Full line of Ladies' Evening Gloves, in suede and glace.	
Gentlemen's White Kid Gloves, 45c and.....	.70

OREGON CLUB'S CARNIVAL

A Big Success—Unique and Pretty Costumes.

Fortunate Winners of the Prizes, and Names of Those in Costume.

About 800 merry-makers attended the carnival of the Oregon Club at the Jubilee Rink last night, and made it one of the most successful carnivals ever held in this city. The ice was in excellent condition, while the costumes were unique and handsome. The queen and the tramp were in prominence, and were seen arm in arm whirling around the rink. The scene was a pretty one, with so many enjoying the exhilarating exercise with the ruddy glow of health upon their cheeks. It was enhanced by pretty decorations in all parts of the building. The prizes were handsome, and cost \$40.

The judging was done by Messrs. T. H. Drouney, ex-Ald. Fitzgerald and Ald. Wilkey, and the awarding of the handsome prizes gave general satisfaction. Following are the names of the winners:

Ladies—1, Mrs. Brierley; 2, Miss Pierce; 3, Miss Case; 4, Miss Finch; 5, Miss Grimeshaw; 6, Miss Lambert.

Gentlemen—1, C. Johns; 2, Mr. Cole;

3, Mr. Wedmore; 4, Mr. Nelson; 5, R. Brown.

Following is the list of those in costume, and their make-ups:
Ladies—Maggie Smith, Flower Girl; May Tukes, Flower Girl; Miss Grimshaw, Red Cross Nurse; Mrs. Brierley, Chariot Queen; May Deeley, Quaker; Alice Deeley, Quaker; Miss Case, Morning Star; Miss Warren Gipsy; Miss F. Chambers, Flower Girl; Miss Lambert, Red Cross Nurse.
Gentlemen—Thomas Oden, Peg-Leg; C. Johns, Gentleman of the 16th Century; George Heaman, Colored Gent; J. McNeil, Colored Gent; W. Westman, Olden Times; J. Jeffrey, Clown; J. Harris, Cowboy; Thomas Masson, John Plant, Mephisto; H. Harding, Valet; Suhr, Barber Pole; J. Savage, Boy Tramp; C. Nelson, Swell Irishman; Pailley, Negro; McConnell, and J. Brown, Knights of Robin Hood; Chas. Wattling, Satan; Shorty Barnett, Stranger in London; Frank Kernell, Colored Lady; Art. Stanfield, Colored Dude; Jack Wilkey, English Gentleman; Jack Hammett, Knight; Yellin Hood, Bert Fish; Wilkie Jockey; Charles Abbott, Silver King; Fred Deeley, Sailor; E. Howell and F. Corey, Colored Couple; Roy Cox and Bert Cole, Minstrels; H. Stapleton, Oregon Captain.

The officers of the club are: President, H. Drouney; vice-president, W. Stallard; secretary, J. Banks who, together with the other members of the club, spared no efforts to make the carnival the great success that it was. The club has spacious and handsomely furnished rooms in the East End, and has a large membership, which is constantly growing.