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**MINER STRIKERS SHOT DOWN BY POLICE;
ARRESTS START BLOODY STREET FIGHT****Rioting Mob Two Thousand Strong Attempts to Storm the Jail and Release
Comrades—Deputies Use Bayonet and Ball—State Troops Called Out.**

Johnstown, Pa., April 17.—After weeks of anxiety the situation brought about by the controversy of the local miners with the operators culminated last night in a riot at Winber, near this city, which finally ended in bloodshed. Four men were killed and a number injured, and throughout the night the town was patrolled by armed guards. The shooting was brought on by an assault upon the jail made by striking miners who attempted to rescue comrades who had been placed under arrest. The riot occurred in the early hours of the night, and continued for several hours, working the residents to such a pitch that the night was one of terror.

Bodies Left in Street.

The dead are principally foreign miners, who were out on strike. They are Pietro Marini, Antonio Mazzuca and Paul Zills, who was the leader of the mob. Curtis Kester, 19 years old, a bystander, during the trouble was shot in the abdomen, and was taken to the hospital, where he died shortly after midnight. When the deputies fired on the mob, they fled, leaving three of their number on the ground dead, and the strikers refusing to permit the undertakers to remove the bodies, the latter remained where they fell until an early hour this morning. The strikers were for the most part of the foreign element, who had been celebrating Easter Monday, a holiday that has been greatly observed in this section by them. Yesterday the streets of Winber presented a carnival appearance. There was much liquor consumed, and many men were intoxicated. The influence of liquor. When the trouble broke out the state constabulary that was at Greensburg was immediately ordered to Winber, and a special train was procured and rushed toward the scene of the riot. A few miles west of this city, however, the train was blocked by a freight wreck, and the troops did not reach Winber until after 4 o'clock this morning. At that time the town had been in a collision with the police, and a demonstration was made. The constabulary relieved some of the deputies that were patrolling the town, and the beats were placed at 50 yards.

Chased the Sheriff.

There were many altercations and hysterical arguments on the streets throughout yesterday, but no serious clash occurred, and even a large mass meeting was held without any disorder, until Deputy Sheriff W. M. McCullen appeared. The foreigners are apparently antagonistic to McCullen, and have an old standing antipathy to him. He was for five years chief of police of Winber, and during his administration, it is said, made himself unpopular with the miners. The sight of McCullen infuriated some of them, and he was looked upon as a spy. Many of the men rushed for him, and threats were made against his life, and he fled, taking refuge in the home of Charles Davis. The crowd, however, gave chase and soon a mob of 2,500 surrounded the Davis home, and stoned it, until the occupants were obliged to seek refuge with neighbors.

During the riot about 20 of the miners were placed under arrest and landed in jail.

Under the leadership of Paul Zills, who was shot dead subsequently, the mob assailed the jail with stones and any missile that was at hand. The deputies surrounded the jail, and with the aid of the fire department tried to restore order. The mob was persistent, and refused to listen to cooler heads, who advised them to disperse, and go home, and closing in on the jail began to assault the deputies. The latter tried to stop the onslaught with bayonets, and when it seemed that the deputies and firemen were going down before the infuriated men, the deputies fired. This was not done, however, before knives and revolvers appeared in the hands of the strikers. But one volley was fired, and at the sound of the guns the mob broke and fled. More serious trouble was expected to occur when the strikers appeared this morning, and saw the state officers in charge. There were no developments, up to nine, but there was a feeling of anxiety as to the action that would be taken when the strikers saw their comrades taken from the jail to Somerset, which will be done some time today. There the prisoners are to be held until Winber has been restored to an orderly condition.

Sheriff Begley arrived at Winber this morning from Somerset. Deputy McCullen today made charges of rioting against eight men before a local justice. All of them are foreigners. Mining Engineer Delaney, who was hurt by a brick thrown while the rioters were storming the jail and was taken to the hospital, was reported this morning to be in a serious condition.

Farmer's Wife Suicides.

Brampton, April 17.—Mrs. Frank Ruston, wife of a farmer who lives five miles from here, ended her life with a shotgun on Sunday afternoon. She was suffering from temporary insanity caused by illness. A careful watch had been kept over her by her husband, but while he was at the barn getting a team ready to take her to Brampton to consult Dr. Sharpe she secured an old shotgun, and, placing the muzzle to her head, fired. The top of her head was entirely blown off. The family are well-to-do people and great sympathy is felt for her relatives.

**Honors For
The King**

Philadelphia, Pa., April 17.—King Edward VII. of Great Britain, through Sir Mortimer Durand, his ambassador, will receive the degree of doctor of laws from the University of Pennsylvania on Thursday at the university's observance of the bi-centenary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin.

**Canadians In
Monster Deal**

City of Mexico, April 17.—It is again reported that the electric street car lines of this city have been sold to the Great Canadian Light and Power Company here, which is reported to have bought the controlling interests of Wehner, Belt & Co. for eight million dollars in gold.

**THE RAILWAYS AND
PACKERS AT ODDS****Former Say Latter Have Not
Played Fair and Threaten
an Exposure.**

Chicago, April 17.—The Tribune today says: Railroad officials openly charge that the big packing corporations for years have been cheating the packers by misstating the character of the goods they were shipping, and by shipping heavier packages than the bills of lading called for. They assert that other big shippers in the east also are doing things that have helped to diminish the revenues which the railroads ought to receive. It has been estimated by the railroads that the packers beat the east-ern roads out of \$150,000 a year. What they owe all the railroads out of Chicago is problematical, but is estimated at \$5,000,000. The railway men say they have known all these things for years, and in a way have remonstrated with the packers, and other companies, which were cheating them, but within the last few weeks they have made a determined effort to bring about a great reform, and the intimate strongly that unless the shippers make restitution there will be an exposure before the inter-state commerce commission.

400,000 MINERS OUT**Mitchell Well Satisfied With the
Anthracite Situation.**

Indianapolis, Ind., April 16.—President John Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers, and Secretary-Treasurer W. B. Wilson have arrived at the national headquarters, and seemed quite satisfied with the outlook. The international executive board will meet tomorrow, and one of the matters to come before the board will be the proposition to levy a strike assessment on the miners, whose operators have signed the 1903 peace pact. At this time about 400,000 men are idle on strike. None of the men have yet drawn on the national treasury for support. "One would scarcely know that a great strike is on," said Mr. Mitchell. "The operators and the public have all the coal they want; the miners would not have had any work, any way, since April 1, and if the public is paying more than formerly for coal, someone is taking advantage of the situation."

BUDGET SPEECH IN SIGHT**Mr. Fielding Will Be Able to Deliver
End of Next Week.**

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, April 17.—Hon. W. S. Fielding will be present in the House today for the first time since his illness. The Finance Minister has been attending cabinet meetings for the past week, but has not been in the House. The expectation is that he will be able to read his budget speech about the end of next week or the beginning of the following one.

**TWO BIG STEEL STEAMERS
COLLIDE AND SINK AT SOO
BOTH CREWS ESCAPE. VALUABLE CARGOES LOST**

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., April 16.—The most disastrous collision in years in the Soo passage occurred this morning, when the steel steamers Saxona and Eugene Zimmerman, came together at the foot of the dykes. The Zimmerman sank at once in twenty feet of water on the Canadian side of the river. The crew is safe. The Saxona continued on down the river as far as Little Mud Lake,

**SOME HOTELMEN
IGNORED BOARD****Only Sixty Per Cent Made the
Needed Improvements Dur-
ing the Year.**

The local license commissioners completed their inspection of hotels yesterday. Chairman Greer was seen this morning by The Advertiser and was queried in regard to the condition in which the different places were found. "We found 60 per cent of the hotels greatly improved as compared with a year ago," Mr. Greer said. "The others were not improved, and the proprietors will hear from us." "Have you any idea as to who will be cut off?" Mr. Greer smiled. "I really can't say as yet," he replied. "Mr. Yates is out of the city, and nothing will be done for some time. But you may take it for granted that all the talk that is going around is mere guesswork. The commissioners have said nothing as yet, and I cannot tell when they will say anything." There was a meeting of the commission last night, but there will be no further meetings this week.

ALFONSO AND ENA**The Royal Lovers Meet on the Isle
of Wight.**

Cowes, Isle of Wight, April 17.—King Alfonso of Spain arrived here today and was met some miles outside by Princess Ena of Battenberg and her mother, who boarded the Spanish royal yacht, Giralda. The king and the princess subsequently landed and drove to Osborne. The young couple were warmly greeted by crowds of people. King Alfonso has personally appealed to the newspapermen to permit him to enjoy his visit to the island without being subjected to annoyance.

GOOD FOR THE VIGILANT**On First Cruise Makes Big Seizure
Near Pelee Island.**

Port Stanley, Ont., April 17.—The Government cruiser Vigilant, Capt. E. Dunn, arrived here last night on the first trip this spring. It seized 175 gill nets and about 600 pounds of fish, seized near Pelee Island.

THE PREMIER DENIES IT**Grand Trunk Not Negotiating for
Government House Property.**

Toronto, April 17.—Premier Whitney emphatically denies the revived rumor that the Grand Trunk Railway is negotiating with the Government for the purchase of the Government House property on King street west. "It is absolutely untrue," he said, when spoken to by a reporter yesterday afternoon in regard to the rumor. "Negotiations for the sale of the property are not being carried on between the Government and the Grand Trunk Railway or between the Government and any other parties."

where she filled and sank on the west side of the river. The channel was not blocked by the accident. The Saxona was bound down from Duluth with a valuable cargo of flax seed, and the Zimmerman was taking a load of coal to Lake Superior. Both steamers are among the highest class of lake craft, and the loss to insurance companies having risks on hulls and cargoes will be heavy. The Zimmerman was on her first trip, having left the Toledo shipyard but a few weeks ago.

**HERESY TRIAL
IN P. E. CHURCH****Dr. Crapsey Charged With
Unorthodox Utterances.****LAWS OF CHURCH VIOLATED****Says Belief in Miraculous Birth of
Christ is a Great
Misfortune.**

Batavia, N. Y., April 17.—The first trial for heresy in years in the Protestant Episcopal Church is scheduled to begin here today, when the Rev. Algeron Sidney Crapsey, for 25 years rector of St. Andrew's Church in Rochester, will be placed on trial before an ecclesiastical court, charged with utterances from the pulpit of that church, which are alleged to be in violation of the laws of the Protestant-Episcopal faith. There is no dispute as to what Dr. Crapsey said. The question is, whether or not his questioned preachings do or do not violate the doctrines of the church. In 1904 and 1905 Dr. Crapsey delivered a series of sermons. These were afterwards published under his authority, under the title, "Religion and Politics." The presentment against him contains fifteen extracts from this book, which are the basis for the charge that he intentionally expressed disbelief in these doctrines of the church. The utterances attributed to him in his December sermon are these: 1. Jesus was born of parents belonging to the middle class. 2. He was born of a simple father and mother. 3. He was the son of a carpenter. 4. The fact that the Holy Scriptures predicted a marvelous birth to Christ was to be regarded as one of the greatest misfortunes that had ever befallen mankind. The truth or falsity of the church's doctrine is not to be argued at the trial. The sole question is whether the things that Dr. Crapsey said are contrary to these doctrines, and did he so intend them. It is understood that Dr. Crapsey's defenders will hold that, under a liberal interpretation of the creed, he has not contradicted his doctrines. If he is found guilty of intentional denial of the tenets, there is but one punishment—dismissal from the church.

MADE NOTHER RAID**Round-Up by County Officers Netted
Over \$120.**

A disorderly house on Egerton street, formerly kept by May DeMille, was raided last evening by three county constables, and a festival was ended abruptly. The officers captured three women and five men in the round-up. Mable Johnson was listed as the keeper. The other women and the five men were catalogued as frequenters. When Squire Taylor got through with the party he had enriched the county exchequer by over \$120.

THE KEARSAGE DISASTER**Another Officer Dead and Ten Sailors
In Serious Condition.**

Guantanamo, Cuba, April 17.—Another officer, according to reports, has died as a result of the explosion on board the United States battleship Kearsage, on April 13. Ten sailors, who were injured at the time of the explosion, are in a serious condition. The United States armored cruiser Maryland is conveying northward the body of Lieut. Graeme, the umpire, who succumbed to the injuries which he sustained on board the Kearsage. The bodies of seven of the victims have been buried at the naval station here.

THE WEATHER.**Tomorrow—Fine and Warm.**

London, Tuesday, April 17. Sun rises, 5:32 a.m. Moon rises, 2:49 a.m. Sun sets, 7:02 p.m. Moon sets, 1:07 p.m. Fine weather has been general throughout most parts of Canada today, but rain has fallen in some localities in Nova Scotia, and scattered showers have occurred in New Ontario and British Columbia. In the Northwest Provinces it has been decidedly warm, with temperatures between 70° and 80°.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 14-42; Atlin, 28-44; Port Simpson, 26-50; Victoria, 48-60; Vancouver, 45-65; Calgary, 32-50; Edmonton, 40-54; Qu'Appelle, 42-58; Winnipeg, 42-56; Parry Sound, 32-44; Toronto, 30-49; Ottawa, 35-44; Montreal, 32-48; Quebec, 30-44; St. John, 40-52; Halifax, 36-48.

FORECASTS. Tuesday, April 17.—5 a.m. Today—Southwesterly winds; fine and a little warmer. Wednesday—Fine and comparatively warm.

TEMPERATURES. Stations. 2 a.m. Min. Weather. Cloudy. Winnipeg, 32. 24. Fair. Port Arthur, 32. 24. Fair. Parry Sound, 32. 24. Fair. Toronto, 42. 38. Cloudy. Ottawa, 42. 34. Fair. Montreal, 42. 34. Clear. Quebec, 35. 33. Clear. Father Point, 42. 32. Cloudy.

WEATHER NOTES. The temperature was between 70° and 80° yesterday in the Northwest Provinces. The weather is fine this morning in Ontario and Quebec, with a tendency towards higher temperature.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Monday were: Highest, 49°; lowest, 30° above.

GAMBLERS EXECUTED**Armed Men Shoot Five on Boat
Plying from Moscow.**

Warsaw, April 17.—Eight armed men boarded the steamship Wawel, plying between Warsaw and Plock. At the vessel was approaching the landing stage at Jablonna they went into the cabin and, warning the passengers to keep quiet, ordered five notorious gamblers to walk on to the deck. There the band executed them, firing over 50 shots. Three of the gamblers were killed on the spot and the other two were mortally wounded. The band then ordered the captain to stop the vessel, and left her, disappearing among the bushes growing along the bank.

REAL MESSAGE FROM DEAD**Note from Captain of Sunk Bannock-
burn Is Genuine.**

St. Catharines, April 17.—Friends and relatives of the late Capt. Woods, of Port Huron, who went down with the steamer Bannockburn three years ago, are inclined to believe that the message found in a bottle in the canal at Port Robinson the other night was genuine. The bottle had, by its appearance, evidently been in the water a long time. The note was written in lead pencil, and in a hurried hand, Mr. S. B. Perry and Mr. Alexander Abbey, of Port Robinson, knew Capt. Woods' writing well, and they are satisfied that the note in the bottle was written by him. The Bannockburn was a Kings-ton boat, and both her captain and mate, Alex. Graham, were Port Huron men. Joseph Dawson, a St. Catharines man, was a member of the crew.

TRIPLE ALLIANCE MAY END**The Relations Between Germany and
Italy Somewhat Strained.**

Rome, April 17.—The relations between Italy and Germany are very much strained. Emperor William recently hinted to the Italian ambassador at Berlin that since Italy had acted independently at the Algeiras conference the Triple Alliance was unnecessary. The policy of the Italian government, and this, coupled with Germany's intentional unsympathetic attitude during the eruption of Mount Vesuvius, has led to a decision to consider the Triple Alliance as a thing of the past. Meanwhile Count Lanza, the Italian ambassador to Germany, will shortly start for Rome to confer with Marquis Visconti Venosta, ex-minister of foreign affairs, who was Italy's chief delegate to the Algeiras conference. He will not return to Berlin.

CASE WAS DROPPED**Selling on Sunday Could Not Be
Proven Against Hotelman.**

Jerry Fitzpatrick appeared in the police court this morning on a charge of horse stealing. The charge was made by John Delaney, who claimed that Fitzpatrick stole a horse from him. No evidence was offered, so the case was dismissed. W. P. Brown was charged with allowing gambling on his premises. The case was adjourned until next Friday. P. Hanford, proprietor of the Queen's Hotel, appeared on a charge of violating the liquor act by selling on Sunday. The information was given by Inspector Galpin. Mr. Galpin suspected that liquor was being sold in the hotel, and when he dropped in during the morning, he found the bartender at work cleaning up the bar-room. Two or three glasses and bottles were on the work board between the dining-room and the bar-room. One of the glasses contained a quantity of beer. When these glasses had been used was the question. Mr. Galpin did not swear that they had not been left there from the night before, while the bartender accounted for the glass of beer, by saying that it was stale, and was to be used to clean the brass-work. All the witnesses swore that they did not see any drinking going on. The case was dropped.

Artillery Ordered Out.

London, April 17.—The Exchange Telegraph Company's correspondent at Aldershot states that the Eighth Brigade of the Royal Field Artillery, stationed at Deepcut, in the Aldershot command, has been placed under orders for South Africa.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

April 16. Reported at. From. La Bretagne, New York, Havre. Carthage, New York, Palermo. Prinz Oskar, New York, Genoa. Nieuwa, New York, Amsterdam. Zealand, New York, Antwerp. Republic, New York, Naples. Algeria, New York, Marseilles. Molle, New York, Genoa. Gallia, New York, Marseilles. Amherst, New York, Marseilles. Kron Prinz Wil., New York, Bremen. Bremen, New York, Antwerp. Eturia, New York, Antwerp. Ryndam, Rotterdam, New York. Offa di Milano, Genoa, New York. Gallia, New York, Marseilles. Naples, New York, Marseilles. Canopic, New York, Marseilles. Virginian, New York, Halifax.

**ANNEXATION OF SOME OUTLYING
DISTRICTS VIEWED WITH FAVOR****City Hall Considers It Would Be Advisable to Take
in Sections North and East of Limits.**

The assessment department will have completed the assessment of No. 1 ward by the end of the week. Though the totals are not yet obtainable, Assessment Commissioner Grant stated that the ward will show a very favorable increase in both assessment and population.

"We should have a population of fully 45,000 this year," Mr. Grant said to The Advertiser. "I think the increase in ward one warrants this statement."

No vacant stores are to be met with anywhere. As far west as Ridout street, Dundas street stores are at a premium, while in the east end it is impossible to rent a store at any price.

Real estate men report that the demand for houses from outsiders continues unabated.

The assessors also state that the congestion in the downtown boarding-houses is very great.

"It is no uncommon thing to meet with from from fourteen to twenty boarders in one house," one assessor told The Advertiser today. "I believe that if the people who live just outside the city were taken into consideration, it would be found this year that there are over 50,000 people in London. It was stated at the city hall that it would be a good move on the part of the city to consider the advisability of annexing such places as Chelsea Green, that section of the city lying between Huron street and the river,

and also the very important district lying directly east of the city for at least a mile.

It is understood that the people of the north end are agitating for annexation to the city for school purposes—that is, they would pay school taxes to the city of London, but would still remain a part of the township of London. It is not likely, however, that the city of London would agree to this. The city would probably insist on the district being annexed to the city as a part of the corporation.

As far as Chelsea Green is concerned there appears to be a division of opinion as to the advisability of taking in that section. Around the city hall the fear is expressed that it might prove another West London, and that a costly breakwater might be needed. However, the houses in that section are all very fine, the people are of a most desirable class, and new factories are likely to locate there, so that sooner or later the city will be glad to annex Chelsea Green.

The district lying just east of the city appeals strongly to the city as an annexation scheme. It is thought that if the district was annexed, the city could very easily secure some sites for factories, and an agreement could be reached whereby the city could assess the land at a very nominal figure. Then the city would have something in the way of an inducement for industries, and there would be no quibbling over the water supply or fire protection.

**MUST SETTLE ALL
AT SAME TIME****Canadian Policy in Regard to
the International Water-
ways Commission.**

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, April 17.—When the waterways commission meets again, it is said that the American end of the commission will try to arrange some treaty with the Canadian end in regard to Niagara Falls. The position of the Canadians is that all the different questions must be dealt with at the same time. The policy of the United States has been to settle matters which they are immediately interested in and leave the others aside.

A GALICIAN MYSTERY**Man Said by Compatriots To Be
Sick, Was Dead.**

Winnipeg, April 17.—Another Galician mystery has occurred in Winnipeg. Saturday afternoon two unknown Galicians took a seemingly unconscious countryman to the C.P.R. freight sheds and laid him on the platform, saying that he would send a carriage for him, as he was ill. Sick or drunken Galicians being a common thing in the north end, the clerks paid no more attention. Tonight it was discovered that the man was dead, his "friends" not having sent for him. According to papers found on the body his name was Feodor Lywaczewski. The body was buried profusely from the nose when found by the police, but no other marks of violence were found thereon. A similar occurrence happened in November last, when two unknown Galicians took a maltreated countryman to the general hospital for treatment, saying they would see to his care. He died shortly afterwards from wounds received, and the mystery was never solved.

THE PRINCE GOLFS**Lunches With Society and Will Attend
Theater Tonight.**

Ottawa, April 17.—Prince Arthur was the guest of the Ottawa Golf Club this morning. The trip was made by special cars, and there was a large representation of society people. His royal highness took part in a game, playing a foursome. Luncheon was served at the clubhouse at 2 o'clock. This evening there will be another dinner at Government House when the members of the press gallery will be entertained. Afterwards the prince will attend the theater.

**U. S. TEA MEN KICK ON OUR DUTY;
CONGRESS PETITIONED TO LIFT IT**

Washington, April 17.—American tea traders have lodged an appeal to the state department against the application to their goods of the Canadian law, imposing a duty of ten cents per pound on tea entering Canada from the United States. Not only have written representations been made on this point, but a delegation representing the tea importers has appeared at the state department and presented argument to the officials to induce them to take up the subject with the British foreign office. Careful consideration has been given to these arguments, but it may be

**WIDOW GETS \$6,000
FROM GRAND TRUNK****Railway Settles Suit Brought
on Account of Death of
Conductor Moore.**

The spring assizes opened this afternoon, with Hon. Chancellor Boyd presiding. His lordship, in accordance with the time honored custom, was presented with a pair of white kid gloves, there being no criminal cases on the docket.

The grand jury is as follows: Septimus Bourne, West Nisour; Robert Brown, Westminster; John S. Coaling, Westminster; Philip P. Cornhill, E. F. Davis, Westminster; Michael Fenn, Parkhill; Richard T. Hughes, London Township; H. Line, George Logan and Lowdown, Merivale; Archibald McGowan, Lobo; John McPherson, Lobo; F. A. Ryan, Biddulph. The work of the jury will not be very exacting this assize.

The first case on the docket was that of the London and Western Trusts Company against the Grand Trunk, for \$15,000 damages for the death of the late Jason Moore, a street railway conductor, who was killed at the Richmond street crossing in a collision in February last. The case was settled out of court, however, the company paying the Trusts Company \$6,000 and costs.

OLD SERVICE RESUMED**Pere Marquette Again to Have Daily
Freight Out of London.**

It was officially announced by the Pere Marquette Railway today that a daily freight service as far west as Sarnia has been re-established on that road.

When the big strike in the soft coal mines was first threatened, the Pere Marquette cut off many trains in Canada and Michigan in order to save coal, but now it appears that the company has made up its mind to continue to not going to assume serious proportions, and as a consequence the former train service has been resumed.

The freight train which formerly left here each night for St. Thomas and the west, and which was cut off, will again run nightly as usual, and freights shipped via the Pere Marquette will be delivered to points west the same day.

Earthquakes in Caucasus.

Platnarsk, Caucasus, Russia, April 17.—Two strong earthquake shocks were felt yesterday in North Caucasus.

Michael Davitt Ill.

Dublin, April 17.—Michael Davitt, the Irish leader, is seriously ill with blood poisoning. He is at his home in Dalkey.

L. & P. S. R. Needs Repair; Rails and Bridges Are Bad

The City Seeks to Make the Lessees of the Road Pay the Shot.

The London and Port Stanley Railway Board met last night, and after considering a report from City Engineer Graydon as to the condition of the line, and also a report from City Clerk Baker, who had sought information from local coal dealers and others, appointed a committee to wait upon the city solicitor this morning for the purpose of compelling the lessees, the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway Company, to place the line in proper repair, if it is within the power to the city to do so.

The report of Mr. Graydon showed the road to be in a badly run-down condition, and Ald. Gillean made the statement that citizens have complained to him that the line is not safe.

"It is the duty of this board to see that the road is put in proper shape before the excursion traffic begins," he said. "I believe the road is unsafe, and there is no time to wait. If there is any way to compel the company to make the repairs, let us start the machinery going at once. If the city must do the work, then let the city get down to business before any lives are lost."

Who's to Pay?

The members of the board appeared to be pretty well divided as to whether the agreement with the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway Company is worded so as to make the company put the road in shape, and the reading of the agreement did not clear matters any.

Mayor Judd was of the opinion that the company cannot be compelled to build a new bridge over the Thames, which is now, owing to the weight of modern coal cars, an absolute necessity.

The whole trouble appears to lie in the fact that while heavier locomotives and cars are being used on all lines every year, the L. & P. S. R. has not kept pace with the times, and the consequence is that the rails and also the bridge over the Thames are not altogether too light, and need to be replaced.

Engineer's Report.

The city engineer's report was as follows:

"The buildings and roadbed appear to be in good condition. Several of the wooden culverts which I reported as being worn out two years ago, are still out of repair, and should be replaced at once."

"The steel rails between London and St. Thomas are in a very poor condition, being worn out and unfit for the service required of them. These are so badly down at the joints that it will be impossible to put the track in good condition with the old steel. It is expected too light to carry the traffic expected of it, with the exception of about a mile and a half between Westminster and Glenora, which is laid with 45-pound rails. But the rails of the track between London and St. Thomas should be replaced immediately, if the road is to be operated with safety."

The Bridges.

"The bridges at this city and at Port Stanley, as has been pointed out to your board before, are unfit to carry safely the traffic which is going over them. The other bridges on the line are in good condition with the exception of some slight repairs required to one of the abutments of the bridge at Kettle Creek."

"I would also draw your attention

TEN PER CENT OF TOTAL WATER SUPPLY AT SPRINGBANK IS LOST

Commissioner Saunders Makes Statement—Blames Construction of Ponds for It.

At the regular meeting of the board of water commissioners yesterday afternoon, Mr. Saunders made the statement that ten per cent of the supply is a small estimate of the loss occasioned by the absence of impervious bottoms and sides to the collecting ponds at Springbank. Mr. Saunders claimed that earth alone comprises the ponds at present, and that the capacity of the leakage is only limited by the capacity of earth to such a loss. To avoid such a heavy loss of water, he wanted the ponds constructed of some watertight material, the cost of which will be about \$25 a yard. Mr. Saunders intended to include the reservoir, but he had been assured there was no loss of water there, occasioned by leaks.

Before deciding to undertake any part of the work advocated by Mr. Saunders, the board decided to get an estimate of the cost of changing one pond. On the recommendation of Superintendent Moore, the board decided to lay a main on Queen's avenue, east of Quebec street, at a cost of \$150. The request for the main was made by Mr. J. W. Bartlett, who must agree to pay not less than \$15 a year rates. The report of the auditor for the quarter ending Feb. 28 showed receipts of \$32,023.26, of which \$24,439.67 was in rates. The expenses, including a payment of \$10,000 to the city on revenue account, amounted to \$21,063.57, leaving a balance in the bank of nearly \$11,000.

The street railway notified the board that it intended to terminate the in-

**Easy to Take
Easy to Operate**
Because purely vegetable—yet thorough, prompt, healthful, satisfactory—
Hood's Pills

ALL OR NOTHING FOR HOME RULERS

Policy Bodes Ill for Good of Emerald Isle.

COCK FIGHTS IN BALLROOM

The Practice Flourishes as Form of Entertainment for Lords and Ladies.

Dublin, April 16.—It must be acknowledged that the debate in the House of Commons on the Catholic university question has left that matter in a decidedly unsatisfactory position. Mr. Dillon openly boasted that his tactics had "made the problem insoluble in the present Parliament." The overtures for an agreement on the basis of leaving Trinity College untouched, while the Catholic grievances were redressed, he scornfully rejected. By taking refuge in silence Mr. Redmond seemingly gave his tacit adhesion to the policy of "home rule or nothing."

The question which Irish Catholics are now called on to answer is whether they are willing that five or six years more should pass by before any real attempt is made to remove the disability under which they suffer. Will they subscribe to the doctrine that it would hinder home rule if a grievous injustice were done away with as speedily as possible, and out Catholic youth were allowed to start in life under fair conditions? It is hardly conceivable that such a doctrine would receive the support of a majority of the Nationalist members of Parliament. But meanwhile, it cannot be denied, there is a widespread feeling that the Irish party is not playing the political game so as to secure the greatest possible advantages for Ireland.

This finds ominous expression in the fact that the last list of subscriptions to the parliamentary fund contained contributions from only three branches of the 1500 or 2000 or more musters roll. The policy of home rule or nothing must give way to that of home rule by instalments. The country wants results.

When the spirit of the Gaelic league is allowed to penetrate into such a temple of exclusiveness as St. Patrick's Cathedral in Dublin, it is safe to assume that the movement is in a flourishing condition. St. Patrick's has an intensely interesting history dating back many centuries, its rector being at one time the famous Dean Swift. It has always been militantly Protestant with its congregations being always sternly antagonistic to every popular feeling in Ireland. On last St. Patrick's Day, for the first time in its history, an Irish sermon was preached from the pulpit, and it was announced that such sermons will be continued from time to time. Of course, many of the men and women active in the Irish revival are themselves Protestants, including Douglas Hyde, W. B. Yeats, Alfred Perceval Graves and Emily Lawless.

Lord Donoughmore, if he had his way, would have every Irishman who dared interfere with the growth of Ireland becoming British soldiers, hanged, drawn and quartered, like the rebels of preceding generations. Lord Donoughmore's brief authority at the war office entitles him to speak with some force on the subject, but it is believed that his father-in-law, Michael Grace, late of New York, but now of Battle Abbey, does not altogether sympathize with the former war secretary's violent attitude toward his countrymen. Nine months on a plank bed and without ham and eggs for breakfast for simply saying "Don't do it," ought to satisfy his lordship's sense of severity. The Marquis of Ripon says that Irish soldiers have shed lustre on the empire, and that it would be unwise to adopt Lord Donoughmore's methods, lest it lead to retaliation and that the world might awake in morning to find his lordship hanging from an Irish gooseberry tree.

It is lamentable that among a people like the Irish, who are noted for possessing the kindest hearts, there is so much barbaric sport, cockfighting, still flourishes. The revolting part of it is that not only is it carried out by youths on country roadsides, but it is encouraged by those who ought to know better. There are a few well-known houses in the county Kildare where lords and ladies congregate to see birds which have been especially reared for the occasion, fight to the death. The performance takes place in the ballroom on the largest apartment in the house, and men and women and children applaud the combats, which usually have tiny spurs fastened on to their legs. The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals is doing all its power to do away with this so-called sport, but as much of it is carried on in private and among friends, the mission is a difficult one.

A great event in Irish commerce is the reopening of the Waterford copper mine, situated at Bonmahon. This was once a flourishing industry, but owing to competition in other countries and the exceedingly primitive mining methods in use it had to be closed down 25 years ago. Brief has been the time since taking over of the mines by the copper mines development syndicates. Bonmahon has blossomed into a flourishing light-house village, the past three months ago it gave the idea of a derelict poverty-stricken syndicate.

A remarkable feature of the Bonmahon mine is that the copper is found on the ground and in the ditches. Millions of money are spent elsewhere in the hope of finding copper thousands of feet below the surface, yet there was a certain amount of difficulty in forming a company to undertake the working of this remarkable mine, and even now the capital is only \$150,000. Had it been anywhere except in Ireland there would have been no difficulty in finding a capital of \$1,000,000.

The company is fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Cooney, who has had thirty years' experience as a mining superintendent in Butte. As a matter of fact, Mr. Cooney had resigned, but a spirit of patriotism prompted him to return to work when he found he could be of use to his countrymen in a national enterprise.



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A GREAT BILL

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Manager Bennett has secured for the Vaudeville this week a Swede sketch which for irresistible humor is in a class by itself. A Swedish servant girl is the leading character of the sketch, which is known as "Minne from Minne," and it is put on by Mr. and Mrs. Allison. To those who are acquainted with the vagaries of Swedish emigrants, the sketch is intensely humorous, while to all other classes of theatregoers it is also one long laugh. Mr. Allison sings and acts well, and Mrs. Allison is so clever in part of the Swede girl that she will never get back across the line without paying an immigrant fee if she wears the servant girl outfit.

Sylvester, Jones and Pringle, three men with voices far above the average, sang an instantaneous hit last night. Their solo and trio work is of a very high order. It is worth the admission fee to hear them sing the chorus of "In Dear Old Georgia."

Three Weston sisters have the cleverest musical act ever put on by a female trio in London. They play half a dozen instruments and also sing very acceptably.

A rural sketch far above the usual run is that of Fred Wyckoff & Co., entitled "Plain Folks." It, too, has a brand of humor not to be denied, and it certainly makes good with the audience. The cast is a good one.

Axtell and his dog Helma do some clever things, but Axtell should profit by the lesson that his dog makes a hit without talking.

Doyle and Granger, novelty dancers, are not up to the average. One of the films shown by the Benettonograph, "Summer Boarders," is very fine. There will be a matinee every day and a performance each night this week.

King Edward III. of England was practically the first of the sovereigns to inaugurate the use of the "wool-sack" into which the lord high chancellor sits, which is a large bag of wool covered with a red cloth, and into which that its use might help in the friendly relations with Flanders, whose wool trade at that time England was cultivating.

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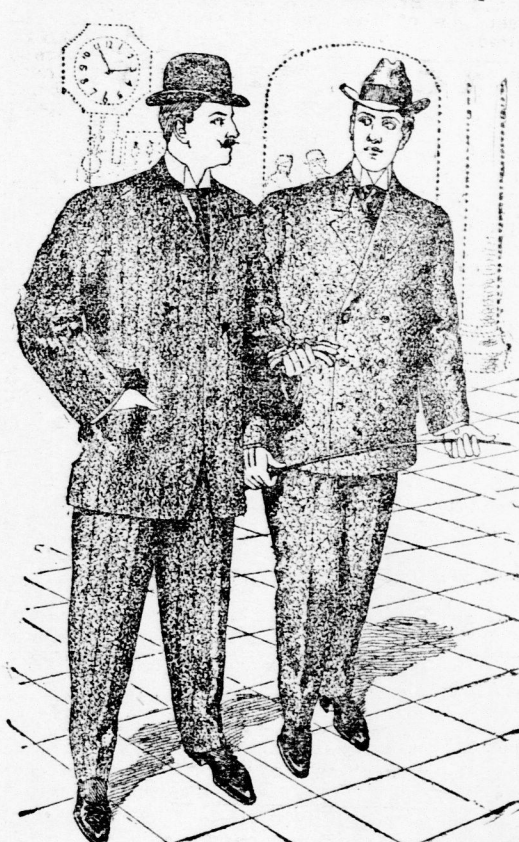
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The Grand Trunk's Improve-
ments.

It is to be hoped that the City Council will be able speedily to come to an amicable arrangement with the Grand Trunk Railway Company, in the matter of the improvements contemplated by the latter in London. It is quite proper for the aldermen to take a reasonable time, and understand the situation fully, before committing themselves; and it is also proper that they should guard the city's interests and secure the best terms possible. But the matter is too important for "grandstand play." That is a failing some of our city fathers have. They try to pose as the opponents of corporations, and as the friends of the taxpayer, and sometimes do more harm to the city than good to themselves.

The discussion between the representatives of the company and of the city have now been going on for some time. The company might have submitted its view of the situation earlier than it did, and given more time for consideration; and the aldermen were justified in not jumping to conclusions too soon. But now that they have had opportunity to consider the matter in all its phases, and have secured the expert opinion of capable engineers, there should be no further delay.

That the proposed alterations will be a great benefit to the railway, may be taken for granted. The company would not otherwise consider them. But because the railway will be benefited there is no reason why the city should not be equally advantaged. And it is the latter view of the question that is of chief interest to our people. There are two decided defects in the Grand Trunk's local affairs that cry out for a remedy. In the first place, there is the evil of level crossings. This is a constant menace to life, besides being a detriment to the ordinary street traffic. The lines of the railway do not, as in Toronto and Hamilton, run along the outskirts of the city; they pass almost through its geographical and business center. They separate the northern part of the city from the southern. Whether driving or walking, or riding in a street car, the citizens are being continually held up and delayed. And, more serious still, life and limb are imperiled, and accidents are occurring all too frequently. Then, as the city grows larger and more populous, and the railway traffic becomes greater, the danger will increase. To remedy this evil, any reasonable concessions would be justifiable.

Another defect is the miserable, antiquated station—a vermin-haunted, unsanitary and uncomfortable pest. The sooner this is wiped out, and its place taken by a clean, commodious building, the better for the citizens who have to use it, to say nothing of the improvement in the city's appearance.

Now, the concessions asked are not unreasonable. We are not asked to put up a bonus, when other cities have done. We are not asked to close up completely any of the streets. The only question seems to be the width of the various subways. So far as that is concerned, the council should get them as wide as possible, though a foot or two more or less should not imperil the agreement. William street, of course, is naturally a bone of contention. It seems both the railway's engineers and the expert assistance we have secured are agreed that a subway for general traffic is not possible, except under a complete alteration of the plans made, and at a greatly increased expense. It is to be regretted that such should be the case. But it is not an unmitigated evil, for there will be ample passageway for people on foot, so that the street will not be entirely closed.

As to the objections raised to an embankment, instead of an iron superstructure for the elevated tracks, we do not think they are well founded. Of the two plans suggested, the embankment will certainly be the best for the city. And there is no reason why it should be unsightly. The company will not have any room to spare on its roadway, and will be compelled to support it with retaining walls where necessary, and in other sections will have to keep it well and carefully sodded in order to preserve it. We will soon get accustomed to the appearance of the embankment, just as they do in other cities, and will find nothing displeasing to our aesthetic tastes. Even if there were, the safety of the people by the removal of the murderous level crossing would be worth it.

All the improvements suggested will be worth the concessions asked, while the expenditure of the large sum involved in the construction will be a boon to citizens of all classes. Therefore, we say, let our civic representatives come to terms as soon as possible, for the sooner all is settled amicably, and construction commenced, the

better for all. And let it not be forgotten that while the Grand Trunk Railway authorities want these alterations for their own convenience, if they cannot come to terms with the city, some other arrangement can doubtless be made—no so convenient for the company, probably, but it may be less costly than the granting of modifications in the original plans which might be asked.

The Sunday Observance Bill
May Be Amended.

The special committee of the House of Commons, to which has been assigned the consideration of the bill relating to Sunday observance, meets on Thursday next. As the House unanimously assented to the principle of the measure by passing it on a second reading without dissent, the work of the committee will be confined to a consideration of the proposed legislation in detail, and to hearing such members of the community as may believe they have a grievance under any of its sections.

It must be borne in mind that the Dominion Government did not seek for the opportunity to take up this special question. Many eminent jurists, including the late Hon. David Mills, have held strongly that whatever legislation was required should be passed by the provincial legislatures, and this view was generally entertained until the British Privy Council—the highest court in the empire—decided to the contrary. The necessity for dealing with this important subject was thus forced upon the Dominion, and Hon. C. Fitzpatrick, minister of justice, did not hesitate to become sponsor for the very reasonable measure which is now before Parliament.

Though great care was exercised in formulating the proposed law, it has never been contended that its provisions are incapable of amendment, and it is for this reason that it has been placed in the hands of a committee, the members of which are experienced parliamentarians, who may be expected to give to the bill their very best consideration, so that every reasonable grievance for which a remedy can be devised may be met.

The rolling mills men claim, for example, that if the new law is not amended so as to let some of their men attend to the fires on Sunday, they will have to go out of business. The bakers are also afraid that the bill as it now stands would prevent their men "setting their ovens" on Sunday, and thus prevent the introduction of fresh bread on Monday. The railway men, too, have shown that the bill, as drawn, might result in great loss to the country when the rush to get the grain to the seaboard before the takes freeze up sets in. But it is not necessary to destroy the bill to remedy such defects, if defects they are proved to be to the satisfaction of the parliamentarians. And those who are interested will be given every opportunity to be heard before the measure is reported to the House for consideration in committee.

A less important question has been raised by the owners of the Grimsby camp grounds, who are probably right in the belief that under the bill, as it now stands, they would not be able to charge their accustomed admission fee at the wharves and gates on Sunday.

They explain that the fee has been charged to prevent the noisier element of Sunday excursionists from entering the grounds; but, be that as it may, it will be difficult to discriminate in favor of the camp. The bill (section 7) enacts that "it shall not be lawful for any person on the Lord's Day to open to the public any park or pleasure ground or other place maintained for gain, to which an admission fee is charged directly or indirectly, or with-in which a fee is charged for any service or privilege." In all probability, it will be found that under this section, managers of camp grounds charging an admission fee would be held liable for the penalty imposed on those contravening the act. But though it may curtail their revenues and make their Sunday audiences less select, it would not be advisable to open wide the door for Sunday performances in the endeavor to meet the wishes of the camp managers.

The question has been asked if under this measure the municipalities would be prevented from having Sunday street cars. There is express provision made to meet this supposed difficulty. If legislation has been passed by the legislature of any province to authorize Sunday cars in a municipality, or may hereafter be passed, the Dominion act will not stand in the way.

Very properly, the measure does not assume to deal with the differing religious views that exist as to the observance of the Lord's Day. What the legislation is intended to do—as was well set forth in the speech of Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick, in moving the second reading—is to provide a rest day in seven for the Canadian people, leaving it to the conscience of the individual Canadian how the day shall be spent, but providing, as far as possible, that no man shall be compelled to work on that day except such work can be reasonably held to be work of necessity or mercy.

Other Valuable Babies.

[J. W. Foley, in New York Times.]
John D. Rockefeller III, is worth more millions than any other baby in the world.
—Daily Paper.

She isn't worth a fortune, and she hasn't any socks.
Her wealth is all in little shoes and pinafores and frocks.
In little rings of curling hair, and big blue laughing eyes.
In leaves and grass and buds and flowers and bees and butterflies.
But when she comes in tired from play and crawls up on my knee,
She's worth a hundred millions to her mother and to me.

She sits among her dolls and toys, and doesn't seem to care
If wealth is all in rosy cheeks and locks of curly hair.
She toddles up to me and like an artful monkey clings to me.
A coupon bearing love from off the sweetness of her lips.
And when she pulls her arms around my neck and goes in glee,
She's worth a hundred millions to her mother and to me.

And when she's in her crib at night and daintily tucked in,
The wealth of Croesus couldn't buy the dimple in her chin.
And when she blinks her roguish eyes to play at peek-a-boon,
She chuckles me a fortune with each archly spoken word.
And though she has no fortune, I am sure you will agree
She's a fortune, more than money, to her mother and to me.

The Dignity of Labor.

[Puck.]
The Fireman—Go wane downstairs outter the hou.
What's the matter wit yer?
The Maid—No, a foot till ye carry me! The fire's in the kitchen an' I'm the upstairs girl!

Knew What She Wanted.

[Chicago News.]
Mrs. Young —What is this?
Grocer—That is egg plant, ma'am.
Mrs. Young—Is it fresh laid?

Noise of Old London.

[New York Globe.]
Modern cities are not so noisy as those of other days. For example, in London in the time of King George II. the streets were still cobble and the pack horses of Elizabethan memory had been replaced by heavy carts and wagons. Barrels of beer and heavy cases were dragged about on drays of iron without wheels, and to add to the tumult heavy signs in immense frames of ironwork hung out in front of shops and houses and created interminably. Street cries never ceased for a moment all day. All the smaller necessities, such as pins, thread, string, ink, straps, fish, milk, cakes, bread, drugs, herbs, matches, were hawked in the streets.

A Lesson in Kindness.

[Chicago News.]
From teasing poor, dumb brutes refrain.
It's very wrong to give them pain.
If near you a bulldog should lie
Asleep, it's best to pass him by.

Don't kick him in the ribs, at least;
That's cruel to a slumbering beast.
To mules you always should be kind,
And never tickle them behind.

You ought to know how queer it feels
When you are tickled on the heels.

Be kind, my child, I say again;
Don't feed the elephant cayenne.

I early was convinced that we
Should not annoy the humble bee.
As old Time makes these decay,
So his flames must waste away.

But a smooth and steadfast mind,
Gentle thoughts and calm desires,
Hearts with equal love combined,
Kindle never-dying fires;
Where these are not, I despise
Lovely cheeks, or lips, or eyes.

Be kind to all created things—
Particularly those with stings.

Before you hurt them always pause
To see if they have teeth and claws.

His Saving Virtue.

[New York Sun.]
Knicker—Why don't you think the millionaire is as bad as he is painted?
College President—Because his check is as good as it is drawn.

Ornithology vs. High Finance.

[Hart's Weekly.]
A certain Pittsburg millionaire visited Philadelphia not long ago, and his business leading him to the splendid Academy of the Natural Sciences, he found himself walking in and out among the cases of stuffed birds. There are thousands of lifelike feathered creatures gathered there, and the collection is considered one of the finest in America. The custodian could not help praising it all with exuberant warmth.
"I've never figured it out," said he, at last, "but it is safe to say, at a guess, that these stuffed birds are worth not less than \$200,000."
"Heavens!" exclaimed the man of money, "is it possible? What are they stuffed with?"

Ruskin and His Mother.

[Dundee Advertiser.]
Mr. Kingsley tells of a visit to Ruskin once when the critic-artist indulged in an argument with his mother. It was from his mother, he says, that Ruskin got his brains. George Richmond, the artist, was one of the company, and some point raised brought on a lively debate, in which Mrs. Ruskin joined. "Ruskin," says Mr. Kingsley, "was right. I think, but whenever his mother seemed inclined to that belief, and feared getting the worst of the argument, she always closed the discussion by saying, 'Hold your tongue, John!'"

Damaging Evidence.

[Chicago Journal.]
The young man—And do you really love me?
The pretty girl—Of course, I do, George.
"You love me as much as you used to do?"

"Why, certainly. Why do you ask?"
Oh, well, I notice that your clock is always fast now.

The Preacher's Dog.

[Black and White.]
There is a story which the late Dean Hole was fond of relating.

A vicar went to preach for a friend, and in the vestry afterward he said: "I must apologize for the brevity of my sermon, but our fox terrier got into my study last night, and ate several pages of my manuscript."

At this the wardens glistened, but one of them, bolder than the rest, remarked: "You couldn't let our parson have a pup, could you?"

Canadian Enterprise in
Mexico.

[W. E. Curtis in Chicago Record-Herald.]

The street car system has been "electrified." The quaint little bottled vehicles on four wheels which were slowly dragged along by hungry and forlorn-looking mules have disappeared and have given place to large, first-class trolley cars made in Philadelphia, which go whizzing through the streets at the rate of eight and ten miles an hour, the very symbols of modern enterprise and energy. On most of the lines trains of two cars are run; one for first and the other for second-class passengers, the fares for the latter being about one-third less than those for the former class. This is a practical and satisfactory reform for several reasons. In the first place, persons of limited means can get cheap rates, while people who are willing to pay a little more are not crowded and are not compelled to rub up their greasy clothing or dripping dinner pails. There is very little difference in the appearance of the cars. Both are the same size. The first-class car has wicker seats, holding two persons, facing the front, while the second-class cars have single wooden seats along the sides like those we are accustomed to in the United States.

The funeral cars have still been retained. Sidewalks are placed in front of nearly all the churches and a funeral car or hearse car draped in black, for the coffin, and as many other ordinary cars as may be needed can be hired to carry the mourners and the friends of the dead to the cemeteries which lie outside the city. The economy of this arrangement is very important and the cost of funerals has been very much reduced thereby.

The entire city is now brilliantly lighted with electricity. I do not know any city that is so well supplied with electric street lamps, although the policemen or "serenos," as they call them, carry lanterns as they did long before gas or electricity was dreamed of, and put them down at the intersection of the streets as a warning to knaves who may thereby know the whereabouts of the officer and avoid arrest. The electricity for the street cars and the lights is brought from the Nexaca waterfall in the State of Hidalgo, about 100 miles distant, where a Canadian company is now producing about 3,000 horse power and expects to increase the supply to 40,000 as fast as there is a demand for it. The plant is being constructed with a view to enlargement to a maximum of 80,000 horse power eventually. The company has already invested about \$7,000,000 and expects to invest at least \$2,000,000 before they have completed their plans.

POEMS THAT LIVE

He That Loves a Rosy Cheek.

He that loves a rosy cheek,
Or a coral lip admires,
Or from starlike eyes doth seek
Fuel to maintain his fires,
As old Time makes these decay,
So his flames must waste away.

But a smooth and steadfast mind,
Gentle thoughts and calm desires,
Hearts with equal love combined,
Kindle never-dying fires;
Where these are not, I despise
Lovely cheeks, or lips, or eyes.

"DELIVERED" BY POST

Human Charges May Be Conveyed to
Destination in Odd Manner.

London, April 16.—I have just discovered that it is possible to send a person to his destination by post; indeed, it is a privilege which has been open to the public for some time.

But the postoffice is not the only organization that delivers people when required. The District Messenger Company does quite a thriving business in guiding strangers and children about London.

On Thursday the company's lads could be seen at nearly all the big railway stations, meeting the schoolboys coming home for the holidays, and conducting them safely to the paternal roof.

Another afternoon I saw a spruce-dressed young woman being piloted through the maze of traffic by a well-set-up messenger boy, who must have been at least a corporal from his carriage, and who was evidently proud of his charge.

Lord Carrington, who is a bright speaker, tells a good story on himself. When after a long stay in Wales, in 1881, he made his first official appearance at a dinner in Sydney, he made an exceptionally good little speech in reply to the toast of his health. It was a short, witty speech, but it was not to the liking of some nobody near him, and a very audible "aside" found its way to the governor's ears: "Trank goodness, he can't speak!"

The National Woman Suffrage Society received now about \$1,000 a month for its work.
About 1,200 miles of railways are likely to be constructed in South Africa within the next few years at a cost of \$30,000,000.

PAIN BETWEEN THE EYES.

A most direct evidence of catarrhal inflammation of the eye is a well-known French deputy while visiting his dentist recently, and the details have just become public at the trial. He had been suffering from toothache, and went to have the troublesome tooth extracted. He sat down in a chair, and he just began to explain his trouble when the dentist shouted out, "All right!" He had them all out for you in a minute.

The secretary attempted to state that he merely wanted one tooth taken out, but he stopped short when he saw the dentist produce a revolver. Pointing the weapon at the secretary's head, the dentist exclaimed: "If you move a muscle while I'm taking out your teeth you are a dead man."

The secretary saw that he was at the mercy of a madman, and remained perfectly still while the dentist put

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Paris, April 17.—A terrible adventure befell the secretary of a well-known French deputy while visiting his dentist recently, and the details have just become public at the trial.

He had been suffering from toothache, and went to have the troublesome tooth extracted. He sat down in a chair, and he just began to explain his trouble when the dentist shouted out, "All right!" He had them all out for you in a minute.

The secretary attempted to state that he merely wanted one tooth taken out, but he stopped short when he saw the dentist produce a revolver. Pointing the weapon at the secretary's head, the dentist exclaimed: "If you move a muscle while I'm taking out your teeth you are a dead man."

The secretary saw that he was at the mercy of a madman, and remained perfectly still while the dentist put

the revolver back in his pocket and proceeded to draw the teeth.

One by one they were pulled out, the madman drawing the revolver whenever the patient exhibited any signs of protest.

When eight teeth had been wrenched out, the madman said: "That will do. You have been very quiet. Three francs, if you please."

The secretary paid at once, staggered out of the room and went to the nearest police station.

A force of police was sent, and when they entered the room the madman opened fire on them.

He shot one of the constables in the arm and another in the leg before he was knocked down and handcuffed.

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Her Hidden Destiny

She sunk heavily into the chair from which he had risen. One hand lay listlessly upon it, the other hung heavily at her side. There was no need for any self-restraint now, no necessity for the face-mask which was so hard to wear; she might let her misery show itself without any attempt at concealment; only friendly eyes—eyes full of the tenderest compassion were looking at her now.

"You want for me," he said, after a pause. "I want for me to have to ask you to meet me here, but there were reasons why I could not go to Darley Hall, and there appeared to be no other way of seeing you but this. Had you much trouble in getting here?"

"Oh, no," she replied. "My mouth was parched and dry, my lips trembling, so that even those two short words were difficult of utterance. You are in trouble, Barbara," he went on kindly. "Tell me what it is, dear, and if I can help you, you may be sure that I will do it."

"I know," she responded in a whisper. "But you can help me only in one way."

"And that is?"

"By telling me that what he says is not true," she answered desperately, forcing out the words vehemently as she caught his hand in hers and looked up into his face with eyes which told him more than even her words had done.

He grew very pale, and the pity and tenderness deepened in his sad, kind eyes.

"Who told you, Barbara?" he asked, unsteadily.

"He told me. Is it true?" she said. "Is it true?"

Her hands clasped his with feverish strength, her eyes looked up warm with an agony in them which rent his heart.

"He swore to me that he would not tell you," he muttered, a great anger flashing for a moment into his dark-gray eyes.

"Then it is true?" she questioned, her hands slackening slightly their clasp of his, her body swaying backward a little, but her great wild eyes leaving his face for a moment as she stood waiting for his reply.

"It is true," dear, he said, in a voice full of sorrow and pity.

At the words her hands loosed their hold on his and fell open, and she staggered backward pressing her hands to her bosom, as if she had received a terrible blow, looked at him for a moment with unseeing eyes, then dropped like a stone at his feet.

He raised her in his arms and carried her to a couch which stood between the two windows of the room and laid her there. He could not summon assistance, knowing that her visit was a secret one; so, with gentle hands, he loosened the furs at her throat and removed her hat, then waited, eyeing her deathlike face as it rested upon the velvet cushions with a look which, if she had met it, would have revealed all his love and tenderness for her.

"Heaven help her!" he thought. "What a bitter mistake for her! He promised me not to betray her. She wrongs no one by holding her present position—she wrongs no one; and the old man loves her, and soon she will be Eversard Keith's wife. He might have left her in peace since—since I was willing. And now, how can I best help her, poor child?"

Her swoon was but a short one. Hardly three minutes had elapsed when she opened her languid eyes and looked around her. Her first glance at his face recalled everything to her. She held out her hands to him, then, covering her face with them, broke into low, pitiful weeping.

The sound of the stifled sobs fell upon his heart like a blow. He was powerless to console her, he could not find words. He felt what an awful blow this was to her—to her, who had been so proud of her birth, who had felt shame that her mother's position had been so lowly.

The low moaning sobs ceased at last from the girl's sheer exhaustion; then she raised herself from the cushions, and sat upright. Her face looked gray and changed in the dying light of the wintry day; and when she spoke, her voice was like that of one enfeebled by long illness and physical suffering.

"You knew this when?" she asked.

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er, poor unhappy girl, died. The woman in whose house she passed away told me much of the simplicity and self-denial of the sister who succored her, of the patient resignation of the dying girl who had been betrayed by a marriage with a man whose wife was living. Any girl might be so deceived, Barbara; you must not blame your mother."

"I blame no one," the girl said bitterly. "Only my heart is broken."

"Do you think hers did not break?" he asked huskily. "Oh, child, there can be no crueler pang than the knowledge of the unworthiness of one we love—and she bore it! You are spared that pain. Don't think I do not pity you, my child. My heart bleeds for you now. But you must think kindly of the mother who loved you."

The girl's head drooped, the misery in her eyes softened a little; she seemed to see the fainting woman baring her own form to the cold and rain that the child at her breast might be sheltered.

"That this trouble has come upon you I am much to blame," he went on, hoarsely. "Ah, you are generous not to reproach me, Barbara; but I reproach myself! And yet she committed you to my care I knew no better. That she had been Newell Hutton's wife I knew, since I had the proof, and there was nothing to tell that you were not her child and his. Barbara, forgive me for my share of this suffering which has come upon you. My child, my child, if I could have spared you, I could have spared you! If I could have spared you!"

"You have helped me," she said. "When I came to you I felt friendless, lost, desolate; now I feel that, whatever comes, I have one old friend who will never fail me."

"How did you come?" Mark asked, glancing out at the square, where the lamps were already gleaming in the winter dusk.

"He brought me," she answered. "He? Who?"

"Barbara," she answered, drearily. "Did you not know? It was he who telegraphed to you. He is at Darley Hall."

"As a guest?"

"A guest? Not exactly! Why are you so surprised? Lady Rose is going to have theatricals, and he is going as stage manager, and he is a gentleman by birth, is he not?"

"Yes, and he told you there?" he asked.

"Yes—this morning. And—and—nothing will ever kill me, Mark, since I live still."

A mist rose in his eyes at the words; he loved her so tenderly, so unselfishly; yet he was powerless to help her in her sorest need.

"Will they not miss you?" he asked.

"You return with him, of course? Does your hostess know?"

"No, of course not. She thinks that I am lying down in my room. And now, that I have seen you, I must go; and yet to go back there knowing what I know—oh, it is terrible—I cannot do it! And yet I must!"

She stood motionless for a few moments, her face bowed her hands pressed tightly to her bosom. When she spoke again her voice was comparatively calm. "Thank you for your patience," she said, in a low voice, as she put out her hand to him.

"I see this man for what he is, have no influence with him," he added, "he dislikes me; but—"

"You could do no good," she interrupted. "I am grateful for the kind thought, I must have time to think. You are not staying here?"

"Oh, no! I play tonight at Leeds. As he took her hands in his and held earnestly: 'Barbara, be true to me, I must say to you, do not let this man influence you. He is unscrupulous and not to be trusted; he promised me that he would keep your secret, which he discovered by a succession of accidents. He saw you once at Rose Cottage and again at Stourton, on—'

"The day when I passed you by," she carried my roses—that was pleasure enough for me, dear," he said, smiling at her with dim eyes, while her own face flushed with shame at the thought of the flowers she had let fall beneath the wheels of her carriage. "He saw you that day, but could not remember where he had seen you, I saw you a few days later, when your sweet compassion brought you to my what he only guessed before. It was he who sent Miss Courtenay, who was but a tool in his hands, to the castle to see you, to make you promise to appear at the theatre, where he would have an opportunity of seeing if the sight of you would make you betray yourself—he wished to make assurance doubly sure. And then a few days ago he came to me and told me that he knew that you, the accused me of wilfully deceiving Lord Eldscliffe of putting you in the position you now hold, to share with you some of its advantages. In short, Barbara, he accuses me of the unspeakable baseness of being bribed by you to let you retain your position at Eldscliffe castle."

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"Horrible! Indeed!" Mark rejoined. "He has used his knowledge most cruelly and ignominiously. Do not let him gain more power over you; and, whatever you decide to do, my child, remember that I am ready to help you."

The tenderness of his voice, the clasp of his hand on hers, almost broke down the composure she had striven so hard to regain. Great tears rose in her eyes and rolled down her cheeks.

"Dear," he continued tenderly, a great passion of love in the eyes which rested upon her, "do not grieve. Even if you must lose all that makes life so glad and bright for you now, there will still remain a great deal to live for."

His words fell without meaning upon her ears; to her, life would be worse than valueless without riches and luxury and honor, without the love she had won. He held wealth too lightly to guess at its power over her.

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"Oh, child, don't!" he cried in a tone of anguish. She could have made him no crueler reproach; and yet it was not he who had sent her from him—it was she who had chosen to go.

Then, as in a dream, she passed out into the corridor of the hotel, leaving him alone in the dim room.

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Mount Vernon, N. Y., April 16.—While experimenting tonight at his laboratory in East Chester, Prof. Wurtenberger, the inventor of a new explosive said to be 20 times more powerful than dynamite, was fatally injured by an explosion.

The professor, who is a German, was brought to Mount Vernon hospital tonight, where a corps of physicians are working over him. His face and arms are terribly burned and the hair is completely gone from his head. The physicians say that if he survives he probably will lose his sight.

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Two months ago the professor gave a demonstration for the United States Government; and the officials of the Government, and the officials of the New York, Westchester and Boston Railroad, at the railroad excavations. A short distance from his laboratory with his new explosive at that time chemists attended the demonstration and decided that it was a success.

It is said that the Government officials wanted Prof. Wurtenberger to perfect his invention to be touched off by an electric spark instead of a fuse, and that if he could accomplish this the Government would pay him \$1,000,000 for the recipe of the explosive.

Prof. Wurtenberger, it is believed, was working with the electric spark when the accident occurred.

It is generally understood that prominent officials of the New York, Westchester and Boston Railroad were backing the professor's experiments. When seen tonight these officials claimed that the explosion was caused by the inventor accidentally igniting a varnishing compound with which he was experimenting by means of an electric spark.

Prof. Wurtenberger realized that the first test of the electric spark would mean either success or death, and rather than allow his life to be worked he decided tonight to apply electricity to the strongest chemical explosive known to the world. Intimate friends of Prof. Wurtenberger said he had an idea his explosive would revolutionize the warfare of the world.

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SNAP-SHOTS AT VARIOUS SPORTS

"The Double-Cross in Lacrosse" is a charming ballad by the managers of the Toronto and Tecumseh at present. The Toronto boys are all right to play little games with Brantford and St. Kitts, but when they get out of their class they are rather small potatoes.

Now listen to the Toronto bunch howl about Montreal and the Frenchmen. They should appreciate the position of other small towns now.

It was the frostiest night in Montreal last Saturday since '32, says Manager Querre, of the Tecumsehs. He has not gotten over the chills yet.

Brantford senior lacrosse men received only \$200 for a season's play. There is not much money in being a professional. It pays better to be an amateur.

Of all sad words of tongue or pen, the saddest are in statements to the effect that the Toronto Reubens are "professionals," and the Montreal artists are amateurs, says the Telegram.

That musical noise you hear from the east is the merry ha-ha-ha from Brantford and St. Kitts. They are enjoying themselves right merrily at the expense of the Tecumsehs and Toronto.

We are glad all the baseball managers are satisfied with the make-up of their teams. The season should end in a dead-heat.

The wife of a Philadelphia National League player bravely routed a burglar the other day. This makes Rubie Waddell look like the concert after the main show.

It is the same now as it was fifteen years ago and will be fifteen years hence. The baseball scribe, with his wit and his pen, sharpened at both ends, takes a day off to think up a striking sentence with which to open the baseball season. He eventually lands on this:

PLAY BALL!

Then he goes upstairs and camps on the foreman's hip until he sees it set in a box with a lot of "spinach" around it. It is an original idea with him and he wants to make sure it is tastefully displayed.

When he takes a slant through the exchanges he accuses 45 or 50 of his confreres of plagiarism.—Chicago Tribune.

Bat Masterson, formerly of Dodge City, Denver, Trinidad, and Cripple Creek, and now of Hot Springs, has become one of us, and he is going in for the roasting thing with the zeal and freshness of a neophyte. We were there once ourselves. We should remember that Col. Masterson, although old in gun plays and cat hops, is still in the sweet sixteen of journalism.—E. Change.

Now the Toronto and Tecumsehs are going to take all the Shamrock players to get even. What do you think of that? John Munro is always there with the blinding report.

It is hard for Toronto to learn that it is not the biggest bump on the universe. Hear them talk, almost dictating terms to the C. L. A. Guess they will have to get a few more bumps at the hands of the populace.

All the Toronto bunches are prosperous, but that's no salve for their wounded feelings since they were "turned down" by Montreal and Ottawa.

A boy fell off a bridge 90 feet in height the other day, and escaped unhurt, but a gentle little drop landed to Messrs. Munro and Querre at Montreal Saturday has made all Toronto sore as a snubbed society bud.

The eruptions of Vesuvius are over, but the Telegram is still talking, so we do not miss it much.

An expert on turf matters who has his lodging in this city recently expressed the opinion that American race horses have come forward remarkably within the last score of years, but that English horses had gone back. I remarked then that I thought the evidence was, if not exactly to the opposite, certainly against the suggestion that there had been any retrogression in English horses. Not only were they more sought after by foreigners than ever, as is proven by a statement with statistics published in these columns last week, but, although the highest priced stallions—one Rock Sand does not make a multitude—rarely found their way to the United States, imported sires invariably figured to the tune of fifty per cent, or little less, among the first twenty winning stallions in the end-of-the-year statistics.

Another bit of testimony in favor of my view is the fact that have recently been made in England, where the tracks are certainly not built on the high scientific lines that they are in America. In passing, it might be remarked that the significance of modern track-building improvements is well exemplified by the times made at the Woodbine last fall compared with those previously made there. Last year the Derby and the Oaks were both won in the best time on record, the former by Cicero in 2:39 3-5, and the latter by Cherry Lass in 2:38, and now we have Ascleto's Silver, whose past record by no means makes him a wonder, navigating the difficult and hazardous Grand National course in 2:34 3-5, or at the rate of about 2 minutes and 8 seconds for the mile.—Pop, in Sunday World.

The Tod Sloan's probably truthful admission that he is ill in body and broke in pocket is provocative of the trite epigram about the infernal qualities of this sporting life. Aged 36, old, indigent, this once famous figure of the Parisian boulevards and American white lights is a sad and sorry spectacle.

This sporting life. This life of the foyers, the race track, the summer garden and Delmonico's at 6. It is a life for which all of us have, more or less, hungered, a life which at one time or another, long or short, most of us have lived, a life which has killed and ruined many of us, a life which those of us who have, for a time, led and survived are duly thankful.

They can have their Maxims and their Moufins Rouge, their Champ Elysee and their Folies Bergeres, their Cafes Martin and their Martin's Restaurant, their Great White Way. It is a life fit only for some modern Frankenstein made of Pittsburgh wire and alligator-hide to live. It is not a life for a human being. Some animated product of the laboratory and factory may find such a life fit for the living; surely no man was meant to endure it.

Oh, lovely life of champagne and pate de foie gras, cigarettes, electric lights, cafe chantant and heated hereafter. Feet always on asphalt, lungs ever in carbon, eyes eternally in glare. Thunder of iron and quiver of steel, shooting of elevators and clanging of gongs. Terror of furnaces, murder of volts. Can it be possible that the sons and daughters of Eve were meant to live the sporting life? Life of sport, life of a dog. Eat like a hog. Mind all agog. Figure of frog. Stomach of ulcers. Die prey for the vultures.

Let your eyes follow them along that sporting life down the boulevards, through the cafes, along the Great White Way. The end spells always the same—illness, misery, poverty and dishonor.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

COVERPOINT.

ROOSEVELT WILL ROOT FOR SENATORS

Washington, April 15. — President Roosevelt has promised President Ban Johnson, of the American League, that he would be very glad to attend a few of the league games this season, when he could afford the time.

This promise was made during a visit of the American League president at the White House today for the purpose of presenting the President a complimentary pass for the season of 1906. The pass book is neatly bound in a sealskin case, with the gold monogram, "T. R." The printing is all in gold.

The pass book is for the President and party, thus enabling him to take in with him as many friends as he may desire. Among the President's closest personal friends there are several men who played college baseball, and no doubt the President will get them to accompany him to the Amer-

ican League Park on more than one occasion before the season is over. It is understood that the President is not an expert baseball student. He understands football thoroughly and played the game some while at Harvard, but on account of his eyesight he could not make much headway at baseball. However, he has a number of friends who can explain to him any of the points which he does not comprehend.

BILLIARDS.

WILL PLAY FOR \$10,000.

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ARTISTIC DOUBLE CROSS FOR THEM

Toronto Lacrosse Men Admit They Were Played for Suckers at Montreal.

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"We were played for suckers," said Manager Querre, of the Indians, "and we got it good and proper, hook, line and sinker. Then we were spooked when they got us out of the water."

"It's a long and sad tale, this 36 hours' trip to Montreal, but we obtained a lot of valuable experience in a certain line of procedure. When we arrived on the scene we found that the clubs had held a caucus the night before and had decided not to admit us. Their reason was that we were not represented on the meeting. They asked us to put in an application for admission to the meeting, which was to be held Saturday afternoon in the Windsor, but in view of the decision of the club, we decided to move slowly and find out where we were being played."

Cornwall, Nationals and Capitals were favorable to us, openly declared so. Montreal was opposed, and the Shamrocks—the great Shamrocks—were on the fence.

"There is a rule in the N. A. L. U. which requires the unanimous vote of the clubs for the admission of new clubs, and the way things stood it didn't look as if the Toronto team had a chance of being admitted, and we held out until the Shamrock representatives came to us and asked us to put in our application, assuring us of their support, and stating that Montreal could not hold out against the wishes of the other four. With admission practically promised, we allowed the applications to go in, and Mr. Harry McLaughlin, the Shamrock delegate, showed his hand.

"It seems the candidates for the presidency were Billy Foran, of Ottawa, and Tom Carling, of the Montreal Shamrocks. Foran's was the ticket, and he returned to the meeting with our applications, and then declared that if Mr. Carling did not withdraw from the contest for the presidency the Shamrocks would vote in favor of the admission of the Toronto club. Montreal accepted the alternative. Mr. Carling withdrew and the Shamrocks went back on their assurances to us, and with Montreal, we were in the clear."

Laughlin merely used us to further his own ends, and gave us the double-cross when he accomplished his object.

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ONTARIO LEAGUE ANNUAL MEETING

Reinstates Listowel Club, Which Was Suspended for Playing Ineligibles.

Toronto, April 16.—The fifth annual meeting of the Ontario Association Football League was held today at the Walker House, with the following officers and delegates present: President, Thomas Brownlee, East Toronto; F. H. Bridgen, Toronto, vice-president; D. Forsyth, Berlin, secretary-treasurer; Harry W. Brown, Berlin; R. C. Cheswright, Walkerton; Frank D. Woodworth, New York, committee.

Western Football Association—F. I. Weaver, Berlin; W. F. Kuhn, Woodstock; J. W. Ward, Stratford; L. Davidson, Dundas.

Ontario League—N. H. Resor, W. P. Reesor, Leamington; H. E. Sullivan, Peterboro.

Toronto Football Association—J. A. McPherson, C. J. Atkinson, J. A. Woodward, Garnet Lea, A. Holden, Toronto.

Chairman Woodworth, of the match committee, made a very comprehensive report on the work of the league during the year. In conclusion, he said:

"A visit by the Pilgrims of England during the past season was a feature of the year's sport. The contests were of great benefit to our teams and clearly showed that Association football could be played without rough work. This year the Cornishmen are making arrangements to visit us, and a strong committee should be appointed in order to assist in every way in making their tour a success. There are several teams now playing Association football in New York City and Philadelphia, and there is no reason why some of our senior teams should not play conclusions with other soccer clubs across the line. These international contests do much to increase the interest in the game."

Secretary Forsyth reported that there were 65 clubs affiliated with the league last year, an increase of 10 over that of the previous season. Mr. Forsyth said that the visit of the Pilgrims was productive of great good in that it demonstrated very clearly the superiority, from a spectator's standpoint, of a gentlemanly combination game, where the manifest object is to play the ball, over the present Canadian idea of football, which consists mainly in playing the man.

It was decided to reimburse the Listowel Club, on payment of \$5 expenses incurred by O. A. F. L. representative in final match last year. Listowel was suspended for playing ineligible players across the Broadwoods, of Toronto, last fall.

At the afternoon session, D. Forsyth, the retiring secretary, was presented with a gold-headed cane.

WANT GAME WITH CORINTHIANS.

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HIGHLANDERS TAKE \$5,500,000 PAID CHAMP'S MEASURE

Defeat Boston by Superior Batting and Fielding—Waddell in Form.

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The management of the local club donated its share of the day's gate receipts to the fund which is being raised here for the relief of Italians, who suffered injury or loss from the Vesuvian eruptions. The score:

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CANDLE CAUSED FIRE

Ignited a Quantity of Benzine, at King Street Factory.

Fire at the works of the London Spramotor Company, King street, caused about \$300 damage to building and stock last night.

About 9:30 a boy with a candle entered a room where a tank of benzine was stored. The flame of the candle ignited the benzine, and in an instant the room was a mass of flames.

The boy, though badly burned at the hands and arms, gave the alarm, and the fire department responded promptly. Chief Clark and his men were kept busy for a while, but they finally subdued the flames and prevented what threatened to become a serious fire.

Much of the damage was caused by water, as in order to successfully fight the blaze the chief found it necessary to drench the quarter of the building where the fire broke out.

AN EVERYBODY'S MOUTH—
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Near the town of Africa, on the coast of Northern Chile, there are still to be seen the huge boilers of an American man-of-war, the Wateree. This vessel was swept two miles inland on the crest of the tidal wave accompanying the great earthquake of 1868 and stranded there.

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The first fair held at Mount Brydges came off on the 15th inst., and was well attended by buyers, but there were very few sellers, those having stock to sell apparently thinking that, being the first fair, buyers would be scarce. The principal purchasers were: Messrs. McDougall, Lobo; Shipley, Williams, McGugan, Caradoc, McLane, Lobo, and Kroman, Caradoc. Mr. Charles Murray showed a combined reaper and mower and made sale of the same.

The sugar festival in the Methodist Episcopal Church last night was patronized by a respectable audience. The whole affair passed off in the most agreeable manner. Hot sugar and fruit were bountifully dispensed. Excellent speeches were made by Revs. Palmer, Griffith, Benson, Joffe and Lawrence. Mr. J. W. Jones, of the Commercial College, presided ably. The choir furnished first-class music. The proceeds, which must have been quite handsome, were donated to the pastor, Rev. S. Williamson, who has just completed his second year with this church. They expect to retain him another year.

We are glad to be able to inform our readers that the fences and gates around the cricket square are now thoroughly repaired. The old swing gates have been removed at each corner, and strong turnstiles substituted. The ground will be thoroughly cleaned today. The London Cricket Club will commence practice at once. The club has been at a great

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St. Paul's Cathedral vestry reported a reduction of \$1,000 in the mortgage indebtedness. It was expected that action would be taken regarding an invitation to Rev. T. B. Clarke, rector of All Saints' Church, to become curate of the cathedral, but it was deferred. At St. Matthews, East London, where the attendance formerly totaled about 40 at each service, it has increased under Rev. Wm. Lowe, the new rector, to 300, with every prospect of a still further growth.

The vestry of the Cronyn Memorial Church showed its appreciation of Rev. Arthur Carlisle's services by presenting him with a purse and an address book, and an advance in salary.

St. James', South London, also succeeded in making a very substantial reduction in its debt.

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With the rapid growth of the north end, St. John the Evangelist's Church has made such great strides that the edifice is now inadequate at times, and the question of making an enlargement has to be considered.

St. Paul's Church.

At St. Paul's Cathedral vestry meeting held last evening, a great deal of encouraging information regarding the progress of the church, was brought out. During the year ending March 31, the church debt was reduced by \$1,000. There is a cash balance remaining of \$855.

Mr. A. J. Daulton, rector, has pointed out that the number of communicants during the year was 3,492, while the previous year it was only 2,378.

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Heartly votes of thanks were tendered Mr. Howard for the gift of a beautiful carved oak lectern, and to Mr. F. A. Andrews for a communion table. The janitor's salary was also increased.

There was a large attendance, and much enthusiasm was shown.

All Saints' Church.
All Saints' Church, at the vestry meeting last night, chose the following officers for the year: Rector's Warden—John F. Harrison. People's Warden—Edward Kidner. Auditor—Walter Shide and J. R. Jones; alternates, T. Hogg and H. Watson.

The following compose the select vestry: J. Leno, Joseph Mann, George Pugh, John Pugh, Allen Farnick, Daniel Splice, R. H. Wesley, W. C. Rogers, F. H. Philp, Geo. Gempel, Fred Tempier, Geo. Burrows, Fred Hogg, T. Hogg, Geo. Holmes, George Graydon, Harry Watson, and J. R. Jones.

The retiring wardens are W. T. Rogers and H. H. Wesley.

All reports presented were of a most satisfactory manner, showing the church to be prosperous and progressive.

The wardens' report showed receipts of \$963 30 and expenditures of \$888 77, leaving a balance of \$74 53.

The rectory building committee have receipts of \$323 40 and expenses of \$304 56, which gives them a balance of \$19 84.

The Ministering Children's League have a balance on hand of \$2 25. Women's Auxiliary \$19 88. Sunday school \$34 28, and the Women's Guild \$54 55.

St. John the Evangelist.
At the vestry meeting of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, held last evening, the necessity of enlarging the building was considered. The congregation has grown so rapidly of late that it is almost overcrowding the church. A meeting was called for two weeks from last night, at which the enlargement, and also the increase in the rector's salary will be discussed.

The wardens' report was read and adopted. During the last year there was an income of \$4,370, an expenditure of \$4,207 31, and a consequent balance of \$1,162 69.

Mr. Henry Macklin and Col. Fisher were named as delegates to the synod. Judge Edward Elliott was elected rector's warden and Mr. J. E. Johnson the people's warden.

The following were appointed as sidesmen: Col. Fisher, O. Ellwood, S. Grant, J. Loughrey, H. B. Archer, C. B. Edwards, E. L. Guillemont, Robert Fox, H. Elliott, H. Macklin, and C. Mitchell. The auditors are David Wilson and H. B. Archer.

The select vestry is composed of the following: Messrs. Macklin, Grant, Edwards, Smith, Fox, Wilson, and James. Mr. Stephen Grant was elected vestry clerk.

The ushers selected are: H. B. Archer, Charles Mitchell, Robert Mitchell, E. L. Guillemont, and R. G. Collins.

The organist was granted an increase in salary and was highly praised.

It was decided to raise the pew rent \$1 per sitting. A grant of \$30 was given to the Sunday school.

St. James', South London.
The annual meeting of the congregation of St. James' Church, South London, was held last evening, prior to the meeting of the vestry. There was a large attendance of the members, and Rev. Dean Davis, the rector, presided.

Messrs. J. K. H. Pope and J. H. A. Beattie were elected lay delegates to the Synod of Huron. At his own request, Mr. Bax Cottom, who has acted as lay delegate for several years, was not re-elected. Mr. Cottom contemplates leaving London, and for this reason he could not act.

At the meeting of the vestry, the rector presented a report, which showed that while several families had removed from the parish during the year, others had come to fill their places, and while the losses were regretted, it was hoped the newcomers will endeavor to fill the places of those who have gone. The statistical report was as follows: Baptisms 24, confirmed 39, marriages 10, burials 17, visits paid by rector 1,321, total number who continued during the year 1,414, largest number on any one Sunday 248.

The financial statement submitted by Mr. John Shaw, the people's warden, was exceedingly satisfactory. The receipts from all sources amounted to \$4,118 73, while the expenses did not equal this amount by \$683 29. Special satisfaction was expressed at the payment of \$1,400 on the church mort-

gage, which now stands at \$4,600. The assets of the church amount to \$28,123 79, and the liabilities to \$4,623.

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Messrs. Frank Lawson, B. S. Murray, W. Wallis, W. Southern, James Clayton, Frank Millson, H. A. Sabine and E. W. B. Eardley, were elected sidesmen for east aisle.

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