

TORNADOES RAGE IN THE SOUTH

Mississippi and Texas Towns Are Visited by Fatal Storms

MANY DEATHS REPORTED

Additions to the List Expected When Communication is Restored

Meridian, Miss., Feb. 14.—Three Mississippi hamlets were demolished by a tornado today. Reports of the number killed range from six to ten. Mossville, Service and Soso are the towns destroyed. They are all in Jones county, and each consists of a few dwellings.

Deaths in Texas Town.

Tyler, Tex., Feb. 14.—Tyler was swept by the most disastrous tornado in its history before daylight today. Coming from the southwest, the storm swept over the main residential quarter of the city leaving a trail of death and devastation.

BUILDING TRADES

Organization Completed at Washington, to Be Substituted for American Federation

Washington, Feb. 15.—Organization was completed here today of the building trades department of the American Federation of Labor. This organization, which is to be subsidiary of the American Federation of Labor, is composed of members of the national and international building trades organizations, which are affiliated with the federation.

JAPAN WANTS PEACE

People Realize That War With United States Will Cost Country's Best Customer

San Francisco, Feb. 15.—Bishop T. A. Shontz, of the diocese of Cebu, Philippine islands, said yesterday that he believed there will be no war between the United States and Japan if the initiative rest with Japan.

Fatal Quarrel Over Money

Hattiesburg, Miss., Feb. 15.—As a result of a quarrel over the payment of \$2,500, J. F. Wilder, a wealthy sawmill operator, and one of the leading lumbermen of the south, shot and killed W. L. Booth today at Epps station, on the Gulf and Ship Island railroad.

Mr. Foster on Canada

Brantford, Ont. Feb. 15.—Hon. G. B. Foster, in replying to the toast of Canada at the annual banquet of the board of trade last night spoke on the resources of the Dominion, of the great heritage handed down by our forefathers and the responsibility that rests upon the present generation to see that these interests are conserved and that purity in political business and social life is maintained.

WEDS A DUKE

Miss Shontz Latest American Heiress to Capture a European Aristocrat

New York, Feb. 15.—Miss Marguerite Shontz, daughter of Theodore P. Shontz, formerly chairman of the Isthmian canal commission, was married at noon to Emmanuel Thorodic Bernard Albert de Lynes, Duc de Chaulnes, of Paris.

The wedding took place at the home of the bride's father, at 123 East Thirty-fifth street. The ceremony was performed by Monsignor Lavalle, rector of St. Patrick's cathedral. Although considerable interest has been aroused because of its international phase, it was planned to be an unostentatious home wedding, without unusual display or exceptional gathering of guests.

Little Boy Killed

Flesherton, Ont. Feb. 15.—Morris Sleda, a 6 year old child, was crushed to death by a load of logs upon which he was attempting to climb.

Regina Incinerator

Regina, Sask., Feb. 15.—The final report of the civic committee watching the test of the incinerator will be prepared this afternoon, and will be presented to the council. The plant built by the De Carlo Co. The cost of incineration will be larger than was estimated, owing to the quality of the garbage, but despite this, the cost in Regina will be only about half that which the Montreal city council pays.

SEVEN ARE KILLED AT LEVEL CROSSING

Toledo Electric Car Struck by Passenger Train of Big Four Road

Toledo, Ohio, Feb. 15.—Seven people were killed and a dozen injured when the Big Four passenger train struck a Toledo and Western electric car at the Michigan Central crossing in West Toledo tonight.

MINERS MAY CLASH ON TEXADA ISLAND

New Zealanders and Australians to Take Place of Former Workers

Vancouver, Feb. 15.—Fourteen New Zealand and Australian miners, hard-rock men who have worked in many of the local mines, left Vancouver for other countries, left Vancouver last night on the steamer Cassiar for Van Anda, Texada island, to work in the Marble Bay mines. It is just possible that there will be a clash between these men and the miners who about three weeks ago quit work at Marble Bay because the pay checks had been delayed in the mail.

Robbed of \$6,000

Paris, Feb. 15.—Charles Hastings, an American mine owner, was robbed here last night of a pocketbook containing \$6,000 by an expert English pickpocket.

Winnipeg Prosecutions

Winnipeg, Feb. 15.—One hundred and five cases against Sunday law-breakers were heard today, they being principally cigar and candy stores, saloons, bakers and repair workmen in big factories and hotel employees. The cases against journalists working on Sunday afternoon will be heard on Tuesday. Newspaper men are not supposed to work until after 6 on Sunday evening.

BIG STICK FOR HARRIMAN ROAD

Southern Pacific to Be Taken to Court on Charge of Rebating

REPORT OF COMMISSIONER

Many Instances of Law's Violation Discovered in California

Washington, Feb. 15.—Prosecutions are to be instituted by the government against the Southern Pacific company and against certain officials of that company on allegations that they paid rebates to shippers. The information which is to be used as a basis for these prosecutions was obtained by Franklin K. Lane, of the interstate commerce commission, last autumn in the course of an extensive inquiry made by him into the methods of the Southern Pacific company, by direction of the interstate commerce commission. Commissioner Lane visited the Pacific coast, and for several weeks conducted his inquiry into the alleged charges of rebating.

DRUG CASE WITNESS GOES TO ASYLUM

Daughter and Doctors Convince Court of Caldwell's Insanity

New York, Feb. 15.—Robert Caldwell, the principal witness in the famous Druce case in London, tomorrow will be taken to the Manhattan hospital for the insane, on Ward's island, to which institution he was committed today by Judge Clark of the supreme court in Richmond county.

Plumbers Indicted

New Orleans Master and Firms Accused of Violating Sanitary Trust Act

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Killed by His Own Rifle

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Actor's Sudden Death

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 15.—Vernon Sumner, an actor, who was a member of the Mack Davis company booked to appear at Shea's theatre, died suddenly in his apartments in the Genesee hotel of heart failure. He was a native of New Haven, and had been on the stage a number of years.

ILL IN POLICE STATION

Misfortunes of a Young Toronto Man Who Has Been Ripped Near Cochrane, Alberta

Calgary, Feb. 15.—Dick Score, of Cochrane, Alta., a young man of good appearance, was found by the city police on Thursday evening in apparently an intoxicated condition and removed to the station.

Sergeant Mill, who was in charge that night, watched the man very closely and he appeared to recover from the effects of the liquor, but later was taken ill again, and the sergeant called Dr. Crawford. The doctor gave him some medicine and left him. The sergeant noted that he was not recovering and called for the doctor again.

Receivers for Mutual Reserve

New York, Feb. 15.—Receivers were appointed tonight for the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance company, under the liquidation of a policyholders' committee.

Lions for the Pope

Naples, Feb. 15.—Two missionary priests have arrived here from Abyssinia, handing under their charge two splendid lions, in a huge cage, the gift of King Menelik to the pope. They will be delivered to the pope together with a message from the king expressing his desire to insure the safety of Catholic missionaries throughout Ethiopia.

Small Squadron's Progress

Tsachuanoo, Chili, Feb. 15.—The American torpedo boat flotilla arrived here today.

French Car Breaks Down

Utica, N. Y., Feb. 15.—The French motor car, competing in the New York to Paris auto contest, which left Albany early today, was towed into this city with a smashed engine. The car must undergo extensive repairs before it can resume the journey. It is believed disabled four miles east of this city.

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ON UNIVERSITY BILL

Nelson University Club Objects to Mr. Henderson's Proposed Amendments

Nelson, B. C., Feb. 15.—The University club of Nelson objects to Stuart Henderson's proposed amendments to the provincial university bill throwing open the convocation to other than British university graduates on the ground that if foreign universities be included convocation cannot exclude graduates of unrecognized institutions or men holding purchased degrees.

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WORK TOGETHER TO DEVELOP DISTRICTS

People of Colwood and Metchosin Are Acting in Unison

Wednesday evening, February 12, the residents of the Colwood and Metchosin districts met together to celebrate the first annual meeting of the Colwood and Metchosin association, which was formed in March, 1907, for the purpose of attracting new settlers and residents to the district.

The president, George Heatherbell, opened the meeting with the report of the first year's work, the following being part of his speech:—This is the annual meeting of the Colwood and Metchosin Development association, the aims and hopes of which are to improve the existing condition of things generally in these districts, and to make this more easily understood, the secretary will read you a portion of the by-laws adopted by your general committee.

After this had been read by the secretary, the president proceeded: "Now, as you will understand what the objects of the association are, you have no doubt that we will have the support of everyone interested in the general improvement of Colwood and Metchosin. The general committee have not, perhaps, been quite as successful as they could have wished, yet we can fairly claim to have made a start in the right direction, and as the association is in its first year, it takes time to get into line in these matters, and in a position to accomplish much, but we certainly expect to do more this year. And let me say right here that if we stand shoulder to shoulder in this matter of telephone and mail service which has been dragging the attention of your committee so much lately, we are bound to come out right, and like true Britons, the more we are opposed, the harder we will fight for what we have a just right to expect.

Your committee have especially been working hard to secure a public telephone for Metchosin which district is badly in need of some method of quickly communicating with the city, for at present there is no speedier method of reaching Victoria than by the road. Success seemed to have crowned our efforts in securing this telephone at Metchosin, but although for the moment we are put off, yet we confidently hope for success and very shortly.

We must have no political side to this association. Let us be broad minded and work for the good of all, and work hard first for those parts of the districts that in our opinion most urgently need it, having in mind the greatest good for the greatest number. There is no least doubt in my mind that we shall get a daily mail to Colwood and at least one rocky time a week to Metchosin and Rocky Point, as a matter of right considering the rapidly increasing population and growing importance of these districts.

As to the ferry across Esquimalt harbor, your committee, which is keeping this to the front, and still have hopes of obtaining at least a ferry of moderate cost and capacity. Also they have pressed upon the local government the urgency for a commission on building a public landing at "Belmont," Colwood, where the proposed ferry would land, and to where the present launch ferry runs. Many passengers are crossing now, especially in the morning and evening, many risks being taken in landing on the beach and rocks.

As regards the matter of getting out a pamphlet, a move has been made by the committee, but on account of cost and the difficulty of securing good up-to-date photographs of the country, this must rest over, but as soon as funds allow, which we hope will be in the near future, this will be got out. To avoid the cost of having the photographs made, an attempt is being made to collect photos already taken and to induce residents to provide others. Your committee have, however, got out a calendar which they hope will be approved of, and which will in a measure do some advertising for the districts. All subscribers to the association are entitled to a calendar, minimum fifty cents.

In conclusion, ladies and gentlemen, let me impress upon you the importance of electing for the first time a general committee, good live men, which there are plenty and from widely scattered portions of the district, and all working for the benefit of the district.

The president finished his speech by drawing the notice of all to the magnificent advantages offered by this country and the prosperity prevailing in the districts, specially noticeable when so much hardship is being felt by those in the great cities.

The secretary-treasurer in presenting his balance sheet pointed out that no officers of the association were paid for their services and that many times in the year expenses were incurred by members of the committee on the business of the association, but as when necessary had given their time and money most freely and ungrudgingly, most plainly pointing out the interest to be derived from their active in the affairs of the association.

Expenses are principally for stationery and cost of getting out calendars, this latter to some extent advertising in the districts and for the first time. Thus all subscribers to the association funds could see that the money was most economically expended and that there had been a production of 115,000 tons, but that during that time the lead market in Canada had only been 25,000 tons. Yet the consumption of lead during those years had not been less than 85,000 tons, showing that the foreign lead still had the greater by far, and the only increasing funds, but also the only influence of the association. The financial statement was as follows: Subscriptions received in 1907...\$17.50 Expenditure...\$34.50 Balance carried forward...\$36.50

The following officers were elected for the year: President, George Heatherbell. Vice president, H. Heigesen. Hon. secretary-treasurer, C. E. Griffiths. To represent Colwood on committee, Arthur Peatt, Capt. J. Y. Gosse, D. Henry, A. T. Luke, M. Porter. To represent Metchosin on committee, G. W. Smith, W. Sweatman, James Wallace, G. Ball.

The unusual amount of interest aroused in the districts shown by the large number attending, it being many years since such a crowd gathered in Metchosin, and the large number of new members who joined, should act as a spur on the executives' efforts

and show them plainly that the whole district is with them hand and glove in the fight for improvement.

After the business was over a most enjoyable evening was spent in dancing.

The secretary will be glad to hear of any wishing to become members and desiring calendars. Donations can be made through members or sent direct to the secretary, C. E. Griffiths, Royal Bay, Metchosin road, Colwood.

Knocks Out Railway Commission

Portland, Feb. 15.—A despatch to the Oregonian from Olympia, Wash., says: Judge Hanford of the Federal court has taken down the decision in the wheat rate case of the railroad commission against the Oregon Railway and Navigation company, which practically destroys the usefulness of the commission. Under his ruling the commissioners have no authority to fix the traffic rates on any commodities, the decision holding that the right to make rates is vested only in the state legislature. The case will be immediately carried to the Supreme court of the United States.

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Rome, Feb. 15.—A long report has been received by the government concerning the raid and investment of the Italian contingent rushing to the rescue of the pope's population and several British caravans which were being attacked by tribesmen.

VILLAGE BLOWN AWAY

Buildings of Mossville Stripped About the Neighborhood by the Tornado

Mossville, Miss., Feb. 15.—Four whole buildings and two halves of buildings are the only habitable abodes in this village today. The remainder of the structures were blown down and many of them swept outside of the town by yesterday's tornado.

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The buildings left standing here are two residences, the cotton gin and a school house. The buildings which the storm cut into are the Gulf and Ship Island railroad depot and a residence. The station agent happened to be in the half of the depot which was left standing, and he narrowly escaped destruction, when the other half of his habitation went down in a heap and then flew away in a pyramid. Inhabitants of Mossville, which is a village was scattered at least over four miles of territory.

Flag on the Schools

Edmonton, Feb. 15.—Premier Rutherford led the house in an attack on Mr. Robertson's resolution to compel all public schools in Alberta to fly the Union Jack. The premier did not think such necessary, but approved of the resolution in the sense that it must be voluntary. Mr. Robertson is leader of an opposition of two.

Peter Ryan's Suit Dismissed

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News of the "cutting out" of the trading ketch, the Solomon Islands, and the hacking to death of Captain McKenzie, a trader, who was the only white man on board, was received by the steamer Aorangi yesterday morning at the South Islands. Officers of the steamer Moreby, which had returned to Sydney from an island cruise learned of the tragedy when their steamer was at Tulagi. Captain McKenzie was in charge of the Minoia, which was recruiting labor for a plantation on the island of Guadalcanar. A number of bushmen came aboard, and suddenly overpowering the native crew, bound them hand and foot, then turned on Captain McKenzie, hacking him to death in a most brutal manner. The murderers then looted the vessel of practically everything in stores, trade, and ammunition, leaving her at anchor without further damage. She was sailed at Siofa (a mission station on the island of Florida) by some friendly natives, where Captain McKenzie received Christian burial. The vessel was brought on to Tulagi, the government station, and handed over to the resident commissioner.

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Vancouver, Feb. 15.—Speaking of the lead bounty, G. O. Buchanan stated that during the past five years there had been a production of 115,000 tons, but that during that time the lead market in Canada had only been 25,000 tons. Yet the consumption of lead during those years had not been less than 85,000 tons, showing that the foreign lead still had the greater by far, and the only increasing funds, but also the only influence of the association. The financial statement was as follows: Subscriptions received in 1907...\$17.50 Expenditure...\$34.50 Balance carried forward...\$36.50

FRASER RIVER CHANNEL

Engineer LeBaron Lays Elaborate Report Before Citizens of New Westminster

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(From Sunday's Daily)

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Central American Peace. Washington, Feb. 13.—Senator Don Luis of Corea, the Nicaraguan minister, late tonight received a cablegram from President Zelaya, announcing that the congress of Nicaragua has ratified all the treaties and conventions entered into by the Central American peace congress held recently in Washington. In conformity with the act of the peace congress, creating a Central American court of justice, President Zelaya has appointed Mr. Madrazo the Nicaraguan member of the court, with Mr. Jones and Mr. Coronel Matias as alternates.

Heavy Weather. Queenstown, Feb. 13.—The Cunard liner Lusitania arrived here tonight. She experienced four days of heavy weather, with high seas, and made the voyage at an average speed of 23 knots. Charles M. Schwab, who is a passenger aboard the Lusitania, was seen by an American Press representative, displayed great interest in the movements of Charles M. Morse, who is returning to New York on the Etruria. Mr. Schwab, it is understood, was a heavy loser in some of the deals Mr. Morse was also interested in. He said that he did not intend to visit Russia, but that he would return to New York in about a week.

Distressed Barbers. Vancouver, Feb. 15.—Barber poles on the streets of Vancouver are doing a good business. The police are determined that the by-law calling for their removal shall be enforced. This morning there were four barbers in court who had failed to comply with the by-law, and they were called upon to pay a fine of \$5 and costs. The barbers protest that the by-law is unusually severe. There is some talk of testing the validity of the by-law.

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It was Wednesday night when the Loudon Hill made Cape Beale, and was hauling around to the south-west. Instead of putting to sea, she had been done had the ship been almost wrecked. She was hoisted to. At 8 a. m., driven shoreward by the breakers, half a mile from the Seabird Islands, where the Michigan was lost and near where the Valencia broke up. All hands were called out to wear ship, and every stitch of canvas the Loudon Hill could scurry under was piled on. All too slowly, the ship wore, but the strong current again set her toward the Vancouver Island coast until at 6 p. m. Thursday Cape Beale was reached, bearing northeast. Again all hands toiling desperately wore ship, after crowding on the canvas, and at 8 p. m. a lighthouse beam lit the ship. All hands were again called to tack ship. Capt. Tilson gave her every stitch the masts could stand, and as she worked her way up the beach, she plunged into the lashing seas, sweeping seas over her, drenching the weary, worn-out, famished crew. Driven by the great press of canvas the ship plunged over the head under, fighting her way against the wind and sea for four hours. At 2 a. m., although she had been driving at the rate of several knots, she had only got over two miles of sea.

In the thick night mist and caught in the strange shoreward set the ship again drifted in to where Capt. Tilson heard the roar of the breaking surf beating against the rugged shore. Then, to his horror, a terrific light splashed in the fog, but three-quarters of a mile distant. The land loomed in the gloom, and it appeared as if there was no attempt to drive ashore with scant hope of life for any of the 28 men on board. The crew worked desperately to tack, but it seemed as if the big, fashioned waves were coming down. Fearing the end they got the anchors cleared and ready to let go. Capt. Tilson shuddered with the realization that as those a call to being lost as I ever wish to live, he said. In a heavy rain squall the ship suddenly shifted to west-south-west. That was the end of the fight. The head held she was bowled overboard. The Loudon Hill is a fast and good weathering ship, but tonight that strong current there was nothing to save her had the wind not changed.

When the Loudon Hill was tacked off shore she made her way back to the straits on Friday morning and was picked up by the Resolute. The trials were not over when they were over. Abeam of Cape Flattery the hatter parted. A new line was got but this also parted, and was lost. The tugboat captain went out to Capt. Tilson to set his jibs and get out to sea again, fearing he would be picked up by the Resolute. The Resolute hauled the ship to the ship, where the tug signalled to the Loudon Hill to anchor and moored her at the outer wharf.

The Loudon Hill left Liverpool May 24, 266 days ago, and all went well until when in 40 south she encountered a terrific sea which lasted for five days. The decks were swept, tarpaulins lifted from the hatches and everything moveable on board was lashed down. The mate was injured when endeavoring to make things snug aloft, and on several occasions seamen were swept into the water by the pumps. Considerable water broke into the hold, and much of the salt, carried forward, was sogged. The pumps could not lift it, and the vessel pitched down by the head, rolled so much that Capt. Tilson feared at times she would capsize. The ship sometimes threatened to make a dash for the shore, and the lives of those on board were considered advisable to make the eastern passage and run for Capetown, disabled. The terrific weather was experienced by several other vessels, some of which were obliged to crawl into Montevideo and other ports on the west coast, with men swept overboard and some parties dismasted. On the Loudon Hill none of the spars came down, but all chafed severely, yards working adrift in their hands, eyes rising, chafing and other damage being done. The reason topballast yard broke adrift, swinging from side to side, threatening the gear as it lashed about before the wind over. The iron deck-house was crumpled by the force of the seas.

August 17 the Loudon Hill reached Capetown, where she was docked and discharged 1,400 tons of her cargo. She then had thirteen inches of water in her hold. During the voyage to Capetown the pumps had broken down and the crew had formed bucket brigades on fine days. The South Atlantic was rebagged, the cargo generally overhauled and considerable repairs effected. On September 3 while the ship lay in the roadstead she broke her windlass and had to be towed to the South Sea. The ship's port is one where everything was done at a cost of \$10,000. The ship continued on her voyage with a crew of 28 men in 79 days. She had varied

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Burden is Bearing Heavily on the Subjects of the Mikado

Japan's foreign debt at present is not less than 2,300,000,000 yen. The amount required to meet the annual interest at a high rate on this enormous indebtedness is fast reducing the population to a condition of extreme poverty, says the New York Post. Already the limit of the nation's taxable capacity has been reached, but the giant burden has not even begun to move. How long the poorest people on the face of the earth can endure a per capita tax of 63 yen? Even now it is estimated that a vast social and industrial revolution is permeating the entire fabric of Japanese society, the threat of a new ed taxation is tightening the strain; in dozens of instances cords of restraint have given way with disastrous results. There has not been a single strike during the last twelve months in Japan that could be called ultra-financial stringency that could injure the people. In some instances these social and industrial revolutions have resulted in the wholesale destruction of valuable property and ruthless loss of life.

St. John, N. B., Feb. 15.—The provincial government is to introduce legislation to provide for the public safety in moving picture shows.

Minister Graham Wants Canals. Stayner, Ont., Feb. 15.—Hon. G. P. Graham, in a speech at a Liberal demonstration here, defended the policy of extending the Trent canal, and announced his intention of completing the Trent canal, and of entering upon the construction of the Georgian Bay canal when the opportunity offered.

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RECENT MOVEMENT IN REAL ESTATE MARKET Sales Completed Since Beginning of Year And Those Pending

Table with 2 columns: Sales Completed, Sales Pending. Includes entries for Pemberton & Son, B.C. Land & Investment Agency, A. W. Bridgman, Farming and fruit lands, Day & Boggs, P. R. Brown & Co., Bond & Clark, Grey, Hamilton, Donald & Johnson, Formed a syndicate, Lee & Fraser, Heisterman & Co., J. Musgrave, McCreesh & Taylor, Matson & Coles, Latimer & Ney, McPherson & Fullerton Bros., Robertson & Griffith, Howard Potts.

MEDICAL BOARD WAS ELECTED YESTERDAY

Entrusted With the Government of the Profession for Next Three Years

The election of the members of the British Columbia Medical Council for the next three years took place in this city yesterday. Voting was by ballot and all the doctors of the province, duly enrolled, were entitled to vote. The council is the same as for the preceding three years with but two changes. Dr. Tunstall, of Vancouver, Dr. Sutherland, of Revelstoke, replaced Dr. McKecknie, of Port Moody, and Dr. Fagan, secretary, Vancouver, replaced Dr. Jones, secretary, Vancouver.

Outlaw at Bay. Helena, Mont., Feb. 15.—Word was received here early today by Sheriff Shoemaker that William Mosney, the Indian outlaw who killed the officers for four months, has been completely surrounded in a thicket near Craig, this county. His pursuers are afraid to close on the outlaw because of his reputation as a marksman. Deputy Sheriff Hay has started for the scene. Police-men of Helena believe they will get the outlaw in the next few days. Mosney has been arrested several times lately for Mosney.

Nevada Orders Rifles. Reno, Nev., Feb. 15.—Lieutenant-Governor Dickerson yesterday telegraphed a Chicago firm to ship by express 50 30-30 calibre Winchester carbines, 50 latest model Colts pistols, 100 rounds of ammunition for each gun and 100 rounds of .38 Smith & Wesson in the new police force to be organized under the recent act of the legislature. Uniforms will be ordered by the police department in the next few days. It is possible that the new police force will be in the field to relieve the federal troops at Goldfield, according to the request of President Roosevelt.

WILL BE GUEST OF CANADIAN CLUB Sir Edgar Vincent, Diplomat and Financier, Now in the City

Sir Edgar Vincent, K.C.M.G., of London, England, is in the city. He has been touring the United States and after leaving the city for the republic to the south he is about to visit Canada on a route home. Though he visited America in 1887 this is his first visit to the Pacific coast. He is now in San Francisco, Seattle and other cities, and has impressed him greatly with the possibilities of the Pacific slope. He had heard of the possibilities of the Pacific slope and he is now in San Francisco, Seattle and other cities, and has impressed him greatly with the possibilities of the Pacific slope.

GREAT INCREASE IN ATLANTIC TRAVEL Nearly a Million More Passengers Carried By Steamship Lines Than In Year Previous

During 1907 the trans-Atlantic steamship companies carried a greater number of passengers than in any previous year. The number carried, both ways, was nearly double that of 1904, and was almost a million more than in 1906. The number last year was 1,957,323 passengers; in 1906, 1,954,688; in 1905, 1,662,624; in 1904, 1,593,177. One factor which materially assisted in bringing about the phenomenal development in 1907 was the huge increase in the tonnage of steamship business. Here the total for last year was 550,045, as against 307,339 in 1906. It is interesting to note, by the way, that it was the two final months of the year which were responsible for the increase, a fact which shows that the financial panic in the States was at the bottom of the matter. The westbound steamer traffic, however, also contrived to show a heavy forward movement, the number of steamer passengers landed at United States ports during the twelve months being 1,364,688, as compared with 1,210,182 in 1906, or an increase of 145,506. That steamer passengers going west during 1907 numbered 107,965, an increase of 10,494 over the total for the preceding year; while those coming east numbered 100,286, an increase of 8,147. In the second class department the advance was considerably heavier in both directions. Westward the total was 226,687, an increase of 37,682 over 1906, when it stood at 189,035; while eastward it was 107,687, an increase of 18,256.

Spirited bidding took place at Messrs Glendinning's rooms for a copy of the exceptionally rare postoffice Mauritius 1d. stamp of 1847, and it was finally bought by a private collector at a remarkable price of four hundred and fifty pounds.

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"THROUGH A GLASS DARKLY"

We are not absolutely sure of the present; we are far from being absolutely certain of the past. How, then, can we hope to be without doubt as to the future? Our sources of knowledge, eliminating natural instinct, of which something later, are three, observation, hearsay and reason. We know what we see, hear, feel, taste and smell; we know what others tell us; we know those things which reason shows must have occurred or must occur by reason of the inevitable sequence of events. It is obvious that in utilizing all these sources of knowledge the chances of error are many. Not many of us possess good powers of observation. A trained newspaper man can take the substance of a written or printed article in the time that most people require to read a paragraph. Talk with one of the city detectives, and you will be surprised to learn of the little things which he has trained himself to observe and they are mostly what may be called the minor, unconscious habits of the criminal class. But our powers of observation may be good and yet our deductions from them may be faulty; or our memory may be defective, and other causes make the evidence of our personal observation very often unreliable. When we come to hearsay, we find three obstacles to certainty. The person telling us anything is handicapped by the same difficulties as we are in the matter of observation; he may not be able to convey in words exactly what he thinks his observation taught him, and we may not always comprehend his words in exactly the sense in which he employed them. It is evident that hearsay evidence may be weakened in proportion to the number of persons through whom it passes before it reaches us. Knowledge derived from reason is in very many cases weakened because it depends to a certain extent upon both observation and hearsay, and in addition it may lose value because of defects in our reasoning power. In employing the other avenues we may be misled by our prejudices and preconceived ideas of things and in employing reason as a source of knowledge the chances of our falling into error from such causes are greatly increased. Thus we see that "we see through a glass darkly" not only as to the probabilities of the future, but as to the actualities of the past and present. Nevertheless, thousands of people demand greater certainty in regard to a life to come than they do in regard to the transactions in which they are engaged from day to day. In material things the sequence of mankind and the apparent logical sequence of things are their minds, but in regard to the spiritual we demand absolute proof. As to the truth of the first part of the last sentence let us take the story of the Deluge. When this stood upon the Bible story along thousands of people refused to accept it; but since it has been shown that all peoples have in their legends an event not unlike that of the Noahic flood, the occurrence of such an event is no longer disputed. Great and very reasonable doubts may be entertained as to the literal accuracy of the Bible story, but that mankind was once well-nigh overwhelmed by a terrific catastrophe is no longer a matter of doubt. Fossil bones are dug from the soil. Men of science study the conclusions drawn from them. From a small fragment of petrified bone they are able, by following what seems to be the logical sequence of things, to reconstruct a mighty animal, and even to tell us of the nature of the land in which the creature lived centuries upon centuries ago. If a man should find a fossil fish embedded in a rock, he would not hesitate to conclude that the rock was at one time under water. From the fish he would infer water, and the whole world, scientific and otherwise, would endorse his opinion. From the sense of hunger we infer the need of food; from the sense of thirst we infer the need of drink; from the sense of cold we infer the need of warmth. You may say that these are our natural instincts, but we do not know that they weaken the force of the argument, which we shall presently make. Indeed, it may strengthen it, for our unpurged instincts are infallible. There is a school of philologists who study the instincts, the manifestations of our sub-conscious self, but upon this point we shall not dwell just now. A belief in future existence is almost universal. Such a belief seems to be innate. If men depended upon reason alone the idea of a future existence pressed to hold only by those persons who had progressed to a very considerable distance in high intellectual development. The evidence available to the "untutored savage" is that death ends all. There is nothing upon which he ought to be absolutely certain that it is this. If any one could say with Omar, the poet, "The phantom caravan has reached its goal, and is set out from here," it would be the finality of death to the savage, who daily saw evidence of the finality of death to those possessing life. Yet this same savage believes in a future existence. Does that belief infer a natural instinct? And if that is its origin, we are as safe to accept its teachings as we are to drink when we are thirsty. As the evidence of observation upon the probability of a future life, it must necessarily be limited and imperfect for the reasons just set out. We dismiss, of course, any argument that may be based upon religious teaching, except so far as the statements in the Bible may be regarded as hearsay testimony to be weighed and estimated as all such testimony ought to be. Many people claim to have established by personal observation that individual existence does not end with death. Such claims are usually to be disapproved of the statements of those who claim to have had them. The telegraphic news has recently told us that Sir Oliver Lodge, a distinguished man of science, has been convinced of the fact of this existence. Hearsay testimony on such a subject is open to very many objections, which are so obvious that it is needless to specify them. The evidence of reason is favorable. To many this may seem like a strange statement, but this is because they mistake observation for reason. So-called scientific reason is only observation. The man in the laboratory declines to believe. "I do not know, therefore I decline to believe." For reason at its best, alone, such men as Lao-tze, of China; Zoroaster, of Persia; Buddha, of India; Paul and a great army of witnesses, which no man can number. We do not put Jesus, Christ, in this list. If we accept the story of His life, death and resurrection, there is nothing more to be said; but we wish to leave all such considerations out of the question. We would like there is nothing in instinct, observation, hearsay or reason to hear the voice, not of the God-man, but of common humanity. This demands a future life. It declares its faith in it, and although we must all be convinced that we only see "through a glass darkly," there is nothing in instinct, observation, hearsay or reason to compel us to believe that our life is simply a brief passage from "dust to dust."

THE FATE OF ISRAEL

Recently we spoke of the wanderings of Israel, and their final settlement in Canaan. Reference was also made to the fact that after a period of democratic government a monarchy was established. The first of the kings was Saul, the second David, the third Solomon, and the fourth Rehoboam. Saul was of the tribe of Benjamin, but the others were of the tribe of Judah. The supremacy of the family of Judah had for a long time been resented by the other branches of the Hebrew nation, except those who claimed descent from Benjamin, and in B. C.

975, as nearly as can be estimated, the kingdom was broken in twain by dissensions; whereupon Jeroboam, an Ephraimite, was proclaimed king of the North, Rehoboam remaining king of the South, and smaller part of the land. The latter the tribes of Judah and Benjamin acknowledged as their king, the remaining ten tribes accepting Jeroboam as their sovereign. The name of Israel was preserved by the larger kingdom; that of Judah being taken by the smaller. Israel entered at once upon a period of conspicuous prosperity, although it was almost constantly at war with its neighbors. The first severe blow, which fell upon it, was in B. C. 738, that is after two hundred and thirty-seven years of independent national existence, when the Assyrians were successful in occupying the greater part of the Israelitish territory, which lay east of the Jordan, and carried away many of the people, planting them by Assyrians, which was according to the practice of that nation in dealing with conquered countries. But the great catastrophe to Israel occurred seven years later than this, in B. C. 721. The most readily available account of this will be found in the Second Book of Kings, Chapter XVII. It is written from the standpoint of a hostile historian. This book was probably compiled by Ezra after the return of the tribes of Judah and Benjamin from captivity in Babylon. This captivity must not be confounded with what hereinafter be told of Israel. It occurred in B. C. 587, and lasted about seventy years. It was not a case of a nation being carried away into captivity by its conquerors, very well used by their conquerors. Indeed, they became the leading commercial element in the country to which they were taken, and so well satisfied were many of them with their new home, that they did not avail themselves of the privilege of returning. The Jewish account of the overthrow of Israel represents that event as being a punishment for the wickedness and idolatry of the people, who had sinned against the Lord their God, and had feared other gods. They did "things secretly which were not right against the Lord their God." They set up images everywhere, and built "high places" where they burned incense as the heathen did. After detailing some of their wickednesses, the writer of the book turns up their wrongdoings by saying: "They left all the commandments of the Lord their God, and made themselves molten images, even two calves, and made a grove, and worshipped at the host of heaven and served Baal, and they caused their sons and daughters to pass through the fire, and used divination and enchantments." Stated very more briefly, they became fire-worshippers, or followers of that remarkable cult, which at one time extended from the Indian Ocean to the British Isles. For these iniquities we are told "the Lord removed Israel out of his sight," and the writer adds: "So was Israel carried out of their own land to Assyria even unto this day." In the last quotation "this day" means about B. C. 450. At this point ends the history of Israel. We are without any definite account of what became of them. When Ezra wrote the Ten Tribes had been away from their home land for nearly three hundred years. He tells us that they went to "Halah and Habor by the river of Gozan and in the cities of the Medes"; but this conveys only a very indefinite idea of their ultimate fate. One hundred and thirty years after they had been driven away, the tribes of Judah and Benjamin were taken to the same country, but there is no evidence that they recognized the legends and traditions of the Israelites, and it seems very improbable that, if they had done so, anything would have been said about it in the writings of those who afterwards told the story of the Babylonian captivity. It appears to have vanished somewhere in the great region lying to the northeast of Palestine.

JANE PORTER AND JANE AUSTEN

Jane Porter was a novelist whose name will be long remembered because of her great works, "Thaddeus of Warsaw," and "The Scottish Chiefs." She was born at Durham in 1778. Her father was a surgeon in the Dragoon Guards. He died when she was quite a child, and she was brought up by her mother in Edinburgh. Afterwards she removed to London, and it was there that her first novel appeared. It was the first above named, and it was given to the world when its author was twenty-seven years of age. The story had a great vogue, and has taken a permanent place in literature. It has been translated into most European languages. Six years later appeared "The Scottish Chiefs," upon which her popularity in Great Britain chiefly rested. It is a novel of deep interest, especially to young readers, for it abounds in striking incidents. Though a hundred years or less have passed since it appeared, it is as popular today as when it first appeared. It was the admiration of other novelists from her pen were, "The Pastor's Fireside," "Tales Around a Winter's Hearth," and "The Field of Forty Foot-steps." This does not by any means exhaust the list of her works, but they afford a good illustration of the scope of her writings. The well-known poem, "Scotts Wha Hae Wf Wallace Bled," is from her pen. Miss Porter's literary style is just a little verbose and tedious. For example, when she has occasion to speak of sunrise, she calls it "the appearance of that orb." Of course it is to be remembered that she is telling of things which happened a long time ago, when men and women are supposed, by novelists, at least, to have conversed in full-mouth words and rolling sentences. She died in 1850. Porter. Her father was an English clergyman, who lived in Hampshire, where Jane was born in 1775. He was a man of remarkably handsome appearance and brought up his family in an atmosphere of high refinement, wit and delightful conversation. There was plenty of money for all reasonable purposes, and her home was a scene of joyfulness and good humor, which at times verged on the boisterous. It is said of her that she wrote under circumstances, which caused her to be interrupted twenty times a day. Before she was twenty-five she had produced three novels, "Pride and Prejudice," "Sense and Sensibility," and "Northanger Abbey"; but they were written more to give vent to her spirits than as a serious employment, and were not published. She herself says her time was chiefly occupied in dressing, dancing, flirting, learning a new stitch in embroidery or a new piece of music. For a time the family lived in Bath and Southampton. In 1809, her father having died, she removed with her mother and sister to the little village of Chawton, and then engaged seriously in literature as novels and wrote others. She was of an exceedingly jovial disposition, delighting in innocent fun, and quite as fond of making herself the victim of it as of turning the laugh upon others. She seems to have thought very little of her own talents, and ridiculed the idea that she was capable of great things. Extracts from her letters disclose her as a lady of a delightful temperament, whom it must have been a great pleasure to know. Her whole life was simple, tranquil and fortunate. Her dramatic power was great. Lewes, the greatest critic of her time, places her beside Pieling as one of the two greatest of English novelists, and even compared her with Shakespeare in respect to dramatic skill. Her versatility was sweeping. No two of her characters are alike. She had exceptional opportunities of observing men and women, and all her people are true to their type. Her greatest stories were "Northanger Abbey," "Persuasion," "Mansfield Park," "Pride and Prejudice," and "Emma." Upon these her fame rests secure. She never married, and died in 1817, as greatly beloved as any lady in all the length and breadth of Eng-

SOCIAL REFORMERS OF THE CHRISTIAN ERA

DANTE.—II.  
The Divine Comedy.  
(By N. de Bertrand Lugin.)  
"There are few other works of man," writes Charles Elliot Norton, "perhaps there is no other, which afford such evidence as the 'Divine Comedy' of uninterrupted consistency of purpose, of sustained vigor of imagination, and of steady force of character, controlling alike the vagaries of the poetic temperament, the wavering of human purpose, the fluctuation of human powers, and the untowardness of circumstance. From beginning to end of this work of many years, there is no flagging of energy, no indication of weakness. The shoulders, burdened to the breaking point under their load of mortal strength, never tremble under their load." The idea of Dante in this his greatest work, is to show that the evil which is the lot of mankind, is due to the false direction of the desires, through the ignorance and the misuse of the will. The reason, under Divine guidance, is able to save man from all wretchedness, and to lead him to the truth, to prove to him the eternal consequences of his conduct in this world and to show him the path of salvation was Dante's aim. He felt that in undertaking this work he had been commissioned of God. He realized that the surest way to appeal to the people was through their imagination, and he embodied in his narrative in the most beautiful poetry, probably the most ever written in any language. The poem is an allegory, and in it Dante makes himself not only to represent its hero, but to symbolize man in general. Virgil, who is the guide of Dante through Hell, is the type of reason, and he has been commissioned by Beatrice to aid Dante in his perilous journey. Hell itself is supposed to be the type of all the evils of the world, and reason is thus represented to be sufficient guide against all sin, temptation, and even against the Prince of Darkness himself. After he has finished the first part of his difficult, toilsome journey, reason guides him up the steep ascent to the height of moral virtue. Here he realizes the security and the joy of having overcome all temptation. Then begins the journey along the heavenly paths to the attainment of the Divine virtues, by which the soul is prepared for Paradise. Reason now is no longer a sufficient guide, and Virgil leaves him. Then appears to Dante the vision of Beatrice, who is the type of the knowledge of the things of God, or of Divine inspiration. She conducts the purified and redeemed soul on its return to its Divine source, even to the bliss of beholding the vision of God. In the first canto of the Comedy, Dante is astray in a wood. He reaches the foot of a hill, where he begins to ascend. Wild beasts assail him, and he is about to turn back, when he is met by Virgil. "The time was in the beginning of morning," he tells us, "and the sun was mounting up, and he bids him follow him, saying, 'I will be thy guide and will lead thee hence, through the eternal place, where thou shalt hear despairing shrieks, shall see the ancient spirits woful; who each proclaim the second death, and then they shall see those condemned in the fire, because they hope to come, when ever it may be, to the blessed ones; to whom they will thereafter ascend, there shall be a soul more worthy than I for that. With her I will leave thee at my departure.'" Dante follows Virgil, but becomes discouraged, Virgil tells him that he was sent to guide him by a blessed spirit from Paradise, and he describes Beatrice and the words she spoke to him. Dante writes: "As I went on, then, and closed by the chill night, after the sun shining first, then straight themselves all open on the stem, so my weak virtue became, and such good daring hastened to my heart that I became like one enfranchised. 'Oh compassionate she,' I cried, 'and thou courteous who dost speedily obey the words that she addressed to thee! Thou hast returned unto my heart with desire to going back to the world, and I have returned unto thee now, for one sole will is in us both; thou leader, thou lord and thou master!' and when he had moved on, I entered along the deep and savage road." The twenty cantos which follow describe Dante's journey through the nethermost Hell, when he sees in terrible punishment all the sinners of all time; and among them many famous ones, who tell him their pitiful story, so that Dante's heart is heavy with sorrow and his eyes do not cease to weep. Finally they reach the Lake of Purgation, and he thus describes their approach to, and their passage through it. "The day was just departing when the light angel of God appeared to us. Outside the flames he wore a purple robe, and he sang, 'Blessed are the pure in heart, who shall see God far more living than ours; then 'No ones goes farther, ye holy souls, if first the fire stings not; enter into it and to the song beyond be ye not deaf.'" Dante hesitates to step into the burning lake, but Virgil says, "Behold thou! bethink thou! and if I, even upon Geryon, guided thee safe, what shall I do now that I am a weaker God?" Seeing Dante who tells him, he speaks to him of Beatrice waiting for him upon the other side. Thereupon they plunge into the flames, while upon the opposite shore, sweet voices sing, "Come ye blessed of my father." Having passed through the fiery ordeal, they come out upon the shore to find before them a long stairway cut in stone. Night comes on, and they sleep in the following words. Dante describes his meeting with Beatrice. "I have seen ere now, at the beginning of day, the eastern region all rosy, while the rest of the heaven was beautiful with fair, clear sky; and the face of the sun rise shaded, so that through the tempering of vapors, the eye sustained it a long time. Thus within a cloud of flowers, which from the angelic hands was ascending, and falling down again within and without, a lady with olive wreath above her white veil, appeared to me, robed with the color of living flame beneath a green mantle. And my spirit that now for so long had not been broken down, trembling with amazement at her presence, without having more knowledge by the eyes, through occult virtue that proceeded from her, felt the great potency of ancient love." After the passage through the waters of Lethe, Beatrice unveils her face and leads him along the heavenly paths of Paradise. Here she leaves him in charge of Saint Bernard, while she takes her place among the blessed ones. That it is that he beholds the vision of the Light, which is the knowledge of God. "And I," he writes, "who to the end of all desires was approaching, even as I ought, ended within my heart the ardor of my longings. Bernard was beckoning me and waving his hand, and I should look upward; but I was already, of my own accord, such as he wished; for my sight becoming pure, such a thing as he had said, but he had not said, was entering more and more through the radiance of the lofty Light which of itself is true. Thenceforward my vision was greater than our speech, which yields to such a sight, and the memory yields to such excess." In the depth of the Light I saw that whatsoever is dispersed through the universe, there included, bound with love in one volume; sub-

stance and accidents and their modes fused together, as it were, in such wise, that that of which I speak is one simple Light. . . . Thus my mind, wholly rapt, was gazing fixed, motionless, and intent, and ever with gazing grew enraptured. In that Light one becomes such that it is impossible he should ever consent to turn himself from it for other sight; because the Good, which is the object of the will, is all collected in it, and outside of it that is defective which is perfect there." But language and thought are incapable of giving expression to Dante's vision of the Light, and he writes: "To my high fantasy here power failed; but now my desires and my will, like a wheel which evenly is moved, the Love was turning which moves the sun and the other stars." Some writers class Dante with the religious teachers, and compare his "Divine Comedy" to the Upanishads, the Suttas, Paul's Epistles and the Gospel of Jesus. But in whatever category we may place him, the wonderful truths he taught must have been God-inspired, and his life was consistent with his teaching. No one can read this beautiful poem without being the better for its without feeling the consciousness of his own moral responsibility, without attaining to the majestic, uplifting knowledge of his oneness with God.

THE STORY TELLER

Dr. C., who always employs two servants, a man and his wife, was talking to a patient about a couple he had just discharged because the man drank. "It is so strange," he remarked, "but it is always the way with a man and wife. If one is good, the other is no good." The patient inquired: "How is it with you and Mrs. C.?" "An English tourist, accompanied by a friend and wearing a brand new top hat, entered a restaurant in Berlin one evening. The food, music, and proceedings were so interesting that the two visitors lingered on and on until it was very late. When at last they rose to go, the Englishman's hat was not to be found. "What sort of a hat was it, mein herr?" inquired the stolid person in charge. "It was a new top hat," said the Englishman, somewhat annoyed. "Ach, but mein herr, all the new hats have been gone for half an hour," said the German placidly. A successful oculist last fall put in a day or two with his new shotgun in the reed-bird marshes. He soon noticed that the only thing that would barrel he generally brought down the game, but that when using the other barrel he invariably missed. He finally tackled a small target to a bush near the river's bank, and fired it several times with each barrel, in order to bring the matter to a test. The result confirmed his suspicions. One barrel was all right, or nearly so, and the other was all wrong. "Well," said the oculist to a friend who was with him, "as nearly as I can make out, this gun has a severe case of strabismus, with strong symptoms of astigmatism." The late Senator Hoar was extremely fond of what, which he played with remarkable skill. A friend says that the only time that he ever knew the usually placid and genial man from Massachusetts to be absolutely impatient was when on one of his trips to the States. He was on a train with a stupid partner. Notwithstanding this handicap, the pair were winning right along even against good players. In the middle of one game, some one paused behind the Senator's chair and asked, "Well, Senator, how are you getting on?" "Very well, indeed," was the reply, "in view of the fact that I have three adversaries."

WITH THE POETS

TWO POEMS.

"I Vex Me Not With Brooding on the Years"  
I vex me not with brooding on the years  
That were ere I drew breath; why should I then  
Distrust the darkness that may fall again  
When life is removed from other spheres—  
Dead planets—I once tasted mortal tears,  
And walked as now amid a throng of men,  
Pondering things that lay beyond my ken,  
Questioning death, and solacing my fears.  
Of times indeed, and other stars, I oft have seen,  
Vague memories that hold me with a spell,  
Touches of unseen lips upon my brow,  
Breathing some incommunicable bliss!  
In years foregone, O Soul, was all not well?  
Still lovelier life awaits thee. Fear not thou!

Death Defied.  
There dwells one bright immortal on the earth,  
Not known of all men. They who know her  
Go hence forgotten from the House of life,  
Sons of oblivion.

To her once came  
That awful Shape which all men hold in dread,  
And she with steadfast eyes regarded him,  
With heavenly eyes, and sorrowful, and then  
Smiled, and passed by. "And who are thou," he cried,  
"That lookest on me and art not appalled,  
Thou seem'st so fragile, yet defiest Death?  
Not thus do mortals face me! What art thou?"

But she no answer made; silent she stood;  
And she in holy meditation stood,  
And then moved on thro' the enamored air,  
Silent, with luminous uplifted brows—  
Time's sister, Daughter of Eternity,  
Death's deathless enemy, whom men name Love.  
—By Thomas Bailey Aldrich, reprinted from the Century for May, 1890, and January, 1892.

"Lead Kindly Light."  
Cardinal Newman's exquisite hymn, "Lead Kindly Light," is usually printed as consisting only of three stanzas—a fourth and very important one being omitted. The following is the hymn in its complete form, and we are sure very many of our readers will be thankful to have the last verse:

Lead, kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom,  
Lead Thou me on;  
The night is dark, and I am far from home,  
Lead Thou me on;  
Keep Thou my feet; I do not ask to see  
The distant shore; one step enough for me.

I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou  
Shouldst lead me here; I loved to choose and see  
My path; but now I leave it all to Thee,  
Lead Thou me on;  
I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears,  
Pride ruled my will; remember not past years.

So long Thy power has blessed me, sure it still  
Will lead me on;  
O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till  
The night is gone,  
And with the morn those angel faces smile,  
Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile!

Meanwhile, along the narrow, rugged path  
Thyself hast trod,  
Lead, Saviour, lead me home in child-like faith,  
Home to my God,  
To rest forever after earthly strife,  
In the calm light of everlasting life.

For Whom?  
For whom those color-beams we cannot see—  
The under-red—the over-violet?  
For whom the rainbow that none hath listened yet,  
No player yet enthralled in melody?

Those unheard waves of sweetness wander free,  
They rise round strings that we ourselves have made,  
Those beams of color, mute as rain, to them  
They cross our path, on unseen errantry!

The teasing Fancy vainly makes her plea,  
The eager Sense no clue to these may trace.  
Shut with the treasuries of mysterious space,  
They are not for such mortal men.

For whom? Who, then, shall turn, at length, the key,  
And wander into Beauty we forego?  
I dream, those tones shall sound, those colors glow,  
For men of subtler sense—men yet to be!  
—Edith M. Thomas, in The Smart Set.

Reverie.  
Your home and mine, Dear Heart!  
A long, low window looking to the west,  
O'er softly sloping fields to mist-crowned hills that start  
From out the peaceful scene like guardians of the best.

A long, low window looking to the west,  
A cushioned window-seat wherein to rest  
At eventide, and watch the night come down—a welcome guest.

Your home and mine, Dear Heart!  
A garden fashioned old and running wild with roses blooming red,  
An Eden removed from city mart,  
A fenced nook wherein the rosary of love is laid;  
A garden filled with roses blooming red,  
The summer sky soft blue up overhead,  
And in the whole world only you and I—when all is said,  
—Woman's Home Companion.

To My Valentine  
There shines afar  
A star,  
Whose luminous light,  
Fair as white beams  
In dreams,  
Makes bright the night.

Love, like that star  
You are  
Its counterpart;  
Come weel or woe,  
You glow,  
Star o' my heart!

—Owen E. McGillicuddy, in the Canadian Magazine.

In Charlie's Pocket.  
"What's in your pocket, Charlie?" I asked,  
"Oh, nothing much," he said,  
That night I sewed a button on,  
And just investigated.

I turned the pocket inside out—  
It scarcely took a minute—  
You'll think I'm joking, I've no doubt,  
But this is what was in it:

A top, a handkerchief in rags,  
Some marbles and a whistle,  
A pencil and two paper bags,  
Some chalk and a toy pistol,  
Five nails, a screw, a hammer head,  
Two candles stuck together,  
Some cigar bands, a bit of lead,  
Some scraps of soiled leather;

A cookie—stale, no longer round,  
A knife, an old brass locket—  
This is the "nothing much" I found  
In Charlie Forge's pocket.  
—Christian Observer.

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# BATTLESHIPS AT VALPARAISO

### Arrive After Pleasant Voyage Through Straits and Up Coast.

## DESTROYER FLOTILLA ALSO

### People of Chili Are Preparing to Extend a Heartly Welcome

Valparaiso, Feb. 14, 2:10 p. m.—The fleet of American battleships, under Rear Admiral Evans, has just been sighted off Point Curumilla of the Chile coast. The fleet consists of the battleships Oregon, Texas, California, and Colorado, and the destroyer flotilla consisting of the destroyers Albatross, Thetis, and others.

The passage of the fleet from Punta Arenas, in the Strait of Magellan, whence it sailed February 7, was made to this point without great difficulty or incident. The Chilean fleet, which accompanied the American fleet, left Punta Arenas until it had passed through the strait and was well into the Pacific.

Puerto Monte, Chili, Feb. 14.—The United States torpedo destroyer flotilla arrived at this place today, after a safe and pleasant passage through the channels from the Strait of Magellan along the coast of Chili.

## BOMB FOR KING CARLOS

### Was Placed Under Landing Stage, But Failed to Explode Because of Defect

Lisbon, Feb. 14.—It has been learned that a bomb was found under the landing stage where King Carlos landed on the day of his assassination. It had failed to explode because of a defect in the fuse. A number of persons have called at the late home of Bulssa, one of the dead assassins, to give money to his mother-in-law for the support of his children. The proprietor of a department store has opened a subscription for them with \$1,000, also giving them the free use of his house.

Winnipeg Finances Sound. Winnipeg, Feb. 14.—With the exception of the fact that it has a large amount of unsold debentures on hand, the city's financial position is an eminently satisfactory one. This, in effect, was the statement made by Mayor Ashdown this morning after receiving from F. A. Ross, who has been conducting a general audit of the city's books, a statement showing the liabilities and liquid assets of the city.

Winnipeg's Busy Magistrate. Winnipeg, Feb. 14.—The prosecution of violators of the Lord's Day act was continued this morning, and although new convictions were made, dates were arranged for the hearing of over 90 cases. The prosecution moved that the first of the cases be left over for a week, and the magistrate marked many of the cases down for hearing on February 21 and 22. Over one hundred cases will be on tomorrow's docket, many of them having been remanded from yesterday until that time.

Large Bequests to Charities. London, Feb. 14.—The will of Mrs. Rylands, widow of John Rylands, of the famous Manchester cotton firm, bequeaths \$2,365,000 to various charities, including \$1,000,000 for the Rylands library at Manchester, on which during her lifetime she spent \$750,000 in building and equipping and in purchasing many of the famous Lord Crawford and other collections.

Found Frozen. Orangeville, Ont., Feb. 14.—Mrs. North McLeary, an old woman who lived alone, was found at her home frozen stiff.

Veteran Clergyman Dies. Syracuse, N. Y., Feb. 14.—The Rev. Daniel C. Tyler, 99 years old, died at Onondaga today. He was one of the oldest graduates of Yale. He was a Presbyterian clergyman for more than half a century.

Duties On Russian Goods. St. Petersburg, Feb. 14.—According to the press dispatches received here the Chinese authorities have established custom houses on the Manchurian frontier and reinstated the collection of custom duties on Russian imports.

## MUST KEEP ORDER

### U. S. Marshal at Fairbanks Gets Instructions From Attorney-General Bonaparte

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 14.—A special cable to the U. S. marshal at Fairbanks, Alaska, says: "The U. S. marshal at Fairbanks is to be instructed to keep order in the Yukon Territory. He is to be instructed to keep order in the Yukon Territory. He is to be instructed to keep order in the Yukon Territory."

Methodist Missions. Toronto, Feb. 14.—The executive of the Methodist missions was in session all day yesterday. The committee decided to continue the plan in operation during the past year of paying stipends to preachers \$10 a week for 30 weeks for work in the Northwest also paying expenses. Another matter dealt with was the question of church property in different parts of the Dominion. Various grants for mission purposes were made, and a readjustment was effected of property at points from Montreal to the Pacific coast.

Mission Co-Operation. Toronto, Feb. 14.—Rev. Dr. McKay, secretary of the Presbyterian foreign missions, has received a communication from Victoria, Australia, proposing a general gathering in London, England, for the purpose of organizing all Protestant bodies in their mission enterprises.

Presbyterian Missions. Philadelphia, Feb. 14.—The Presbyterian Men's Foreign Missionary convention concluded its work here last night.

night. The records of the meetings show that 1,601 delegates were in attendance. The most important business of the convention was the adoption of a resolution at the afternoon session appealing to the Presbyterian churches throughout the country to raise \$2,000,000 for foreign missions next year. The amount is almost double that asked for last year and the resolution was adopted after considerable protest. The resolution also called upon the members to pray at noon each day for the evangelization of the world.

West Wellington Candidate. Drayton, Ont., Feb. 14.—The Wellington Conservatives nominated Jas. Tucker, M. P. P., for the next Ontario elections.

Shah's Murder Reported. Vienna, Feb. 14.—A report is in circulation here that the Shah of Persia is assassinated. No confirmation of the report is obtainable in any quarters.

Must Have Wheel Guards. Winnipeg, Feb. 14.—As a result of the accident which occurred in the city last Wednesday when Little Rebecca Ward was run over by a street car and had her leg severed, the board of control decided this morning to take immediate action in regard to the question of having wheel-guards placed on every street car. Accordingly a resolution was passed by the board instructing the city engineer to immediately notify the Winnipeg Electric Railway company to place wheel-guards on all its cars.

Classed As Poisons. Winnipeg, Feb. 14.—In the legislature today a change was made in the pharmaceutical act, placing carbolic acid among the list of restricted poisons and absolutely forbidding the sale of cocaine without a doctor's prescription.

## LONGBOAT WINS AGAIN

### Great Indian Defeated Three Men In Relay Race In Fast Time

Boston, Feb. 14.—Tom Longboat, the Indian long-distance runner, who is to represent Canada at the Olympic games in London next summer, won the ten-mile relay race at the Park Square coliseum last night, defeating three men. His time was 50:52.3.

The three men who ran against the Indian were Percy Selien, holder of the Canadian five-mile record; Claude Pierce, also of Canada, and Bill Cummings of Scotland. At the finish Longboat was two feet ahead of Pierce.

Longboat is now under suspension by the Amateur Athletic union, and under similar conditions could not be allowed to compete in the United States, but this difficulty was overcome by racing against Canadians and obtaining a permit from the Canadian Amateur Athletic association.

Statute of Montclair. Yverville, France, Feb. 13.—The citizens of this town have started a subscription for the purpose of erecting at Quebec a statue of General Montclair, the French commander, who was mortally wounded at the battle of 1759.

## TEN SEAMEN LOST

### When Ship Founders Off Oregon Coast—Six Persons Emily Reed Wrecked Off Oregon Coast—Six Persons Are Saved

Portland Ore., Feb. 14.—The American ship Emily Reed foundered last night off the Oregon coast and broke in two.

She was out 113 days from Newcastle, N.S.W., for Portland with coal. Ten seamen were lost, while six were saved, including the captain and his wife.

## VANCOUVER Y. M. C. A.

### Erection of New Building to Cost \$250,000 in Plans—Membership Increasing

Vancouver, Feb. 14.—The directors of the Y. M. C. A. plan the erection of a new building to cost at least \$250,000. This step has been rendered necessary owing to the rapid increase of membership, now exceeding one thousand, and the prospect of a continued growth of the city. Construction work will not be undertaken for a year and a half. Meantime a vigorous plan to raise funds will be carried out.

The question was discussed at a meeting of the board on Wednesday night. The members will have the active co-operation of S. A. Budge, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., and C. R. Sayer, traveling secretary in the West. Both gentlemen attended the meeting and strongly urged the wisdom of erecting a home worthy of the Y. M. C. A. and the city. A felicitous address was also delivered by Mr. Whiston, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Beilingham.

Mr. Budge, who has been connected with the Montreal Y. M. C. A. for nearly thirty years, was on the work accomplished by the association in Montreal. He said eighteen hundred members were enrolled in the educational classes.

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# NEW INSURANCE BILL UNDER DISCUSSION

### Changes Made at Instance of Confederation Life Manager

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—J. K. Macdonald, general manager of the Confederation Life Insurance company, continued his criticism of the government insurance bill before the commons banking and commerce committee this morning. Mr. Macdonald suggested that the limitation of investments included in the bill should be amended by abolishing the stipulation that bonds to qualify for insurance should be in existence for five years, that the period for which debentures and preferred stock must have been paying interest to qualify as an investment be changed from ten to five years.

Mr. Macdonald suggested the widening of the geographical field for investments. Section sixty of the bill is a provision to forbid companies employing insurance funds to underwrite property of any kind. Mr. Macdonald thought this should be amended so as not to prevent different insurance companies from investing in real estate up to the issue of city bonds or debentures. Mr. Fielding agreed to this suggestion.

Dealing with section 8, which provides for the distribution of surplus or profits tri-annually, Mr. Macdonald argued that it was impossible to estimate profits in this period. He argued that the section be eliminated, and suggested an amendment which would provide for distribution of profits or surplus at not less frequent intervals than quarterly. This led to a discussion on the funding system, which several members of the committee objected to. Mr. Macdonald said there was a good deal to be said in but he did not wish to discuss the misuse of accumulations of profits under this plan that had led to the trouble in New York state. Mr. Fielding agreed to Mr. Macdonald's suggestion.

## POWERS MAY RANGE IN DIFFERENT LINES

### German and Austrian Action Likely to Break Up Old Grouping

London, Feb. 14.—What is practically the break-up of the European concert on the Macedonian question has come as a shock to the chancelleries of the continent, and England and Italy, who had anticipated a common front with the ambassadors at Constantinople appeared to be going on smoothly, when a bomb thrown into the air by the announcement made by Baron Marschal von Bieberstein, the German ambassador, that Germany would no longer act with the other powers and would insist that Turkey come to their demands, has clouded the prospect for the projects for railroad extension in Macedonia of the latter state, the right of Austria-Hungary to secure a concession for the Novi Bazar railroad line and the justice of Germany supporting her ally, are recognized in England. "But it is contended that the raising of this point is now said that the official breaking up of all these international understandings is in the air, and that many of these international understandings are being broken up, and that many of these international understandings are being broken up, and that many of these international understandings are being broken up."

## ORDERS REVERSED

### Further Steps in Lawsuits Arising Out of Equitable Trust Company's Case

New York, Feb. 14.—The appellate division of the Supreme Court today reversed an order obtained by Bainbridge Colby, counsel to the Equitable Life Assurance Society, restraining and enjoining the merger as planned by the Equitable Trust company and the Equitable Life Assurance Society, and for others upon the ground that such a merger was illegal and unfair to the shareholders of the latter company. The order was reversed on the ground that the restraining order preventing steps towards the proposed merger was illegal and unfair to the shareholders of the latter company. A like injunction obtained by Chas. W. Morse, as a stockholder in the Equitable Life Assurance Society, was dissolved today by the appellate division, the case being on a par with the Colby case.

## VICTIMS OF GAS

Hamilton, Feb. 14.—Mrs. Martin and her son, 188 Henson street, were found dead in their beds today, asphyxiated. Two other children are in a precarious condition. The Marjorie family recently arrived from Portage la Prairie.

## VENER MILLS BURNED

Burnsville, W. Va., Feb. 14.—The Burnsville mills, the only ones of the kind in the United States, were burned here tonight, causing a loss of \$65,000, with insurance of \$35,000. Scale boards and veneer, chiefly for piano cases, were made by the plant.

## NEBRASKA REPUBLICANS

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 14.—Following the indicated vote of the Nebraska primary vote, the Republican county convention tonight adopted a resolution declaring for Theodore Roosevelt for president, and instructing its delegates to support Roosevelt, and to that end. The two men endorsed for delegate at large and district delegates to the national convention were instructed to support Roosevelt, and in turn pledge themselves if chosen to vote for him first, last and all the time.

## MORSE LITIGATION

Continental Finance Company Takes Action in Regard to \$600,000 Note. New York, Feb. 14.—The Continental Finance company today began an action against Charles A. Hanna, an American, and Chas. W. Morse, of Vienna, that the court prevent the receiver from collecting a \$600,000 note or disposing of the three thousand shares of Continental Finance company until an accounting may be had in connection with the same. The Continental Finance company alleges that Morse, who is a resident of Vienna, under misapprehensions in connection with a syndicate of the American Ice Securities company. The court has granted an injunction similar misrepresentations, and were hypothecated by the National Bank of North America.

President Hadley at Berlin. Berlin, Feb. 14.—Arthur T. Hadley, president of Yale university, who has been visiting in Europe, is at the university of Berlin, where he delivered his final lecture today before a large audience composed of students and professor. His subject was the difference in the conception of private property in the United States and Europe. He said that private property in the United States is more sacred than in either Germany, England or France. Mr. Hadley left tonight for America.

# Winnipeg's Power Engineer BRAVELY MET DEATH

### Tragic Death of "Big Hearted Charlie," New York's Deputy Fire Chief

New York, Feb. 14.—"Big Hearted Charlie," best beloved of New York's fire fighters, today met the death he had defied for 36 years. From the day in 1872 when, at the age of twenty years, he entered the department, Deputy Fire Chief Chas. W. Kruger had never known physical fear. To his mates he seemed to be a man of iron. Something of this feeling may have possessed the deputy, for when his uniform was removed from the lifeless body today a newspaper clipping fluttered from a pocket that had covered his heart. The clipping told of a seemingly miraculous escape from death in early boyhood. The story bore the headline, "This boy was not born to be killed."

It was a common remark that he never "sent," but always "led," and when his chery call, "come on boys," rang out for the last time, a dozen men were at his heels.

The situation was desperate. The buildings at 215 and 217 Canal street were in flames, and the whole block was threatened. Chief Croker had refused to order his men into the buildings, but had consented to Kruger's venture. "Chief, there is no hope of escape," Chief Croker had said. "our only chance is to go down into the cellar of 215 and cut a hole through the separating walls. Come on boys!" and with smoke and overwhelming fumes from melted gaspises, the men threw themselves. Gropping in advance, Kruger stumbled through a trapdoor, and presently was drenching helplessly in six feet of water. Unable to see, the other men heard a splash, and then a cry, "save me, Andy."

## PLAQUE IN ECUADOR

Quayaquil, Ecuador, Feb. 14.—The announcement is made that this city is positively invaded by the bubonic plague. Already one death has occurred from this disease and there are a number of suspected cases under observation. The authorities are taking all necessary measures for mitigating the dread disease.

## COTTON INDUSTRY DEPRESSED

Boston, Feb. 14.—Information received here by interests prominently connected with the cotton manufacturing industry, indicates that the industrial depression in their line has not been dissipated, and that many manufacturers are still having difficulty in securing ready money. It is claimed that there has been a falling off in orders of the mills, and that prices received for cotton cloth have been declining. There are about 135,000 persons employed in the cotton mills of New England when all the machinery is in motion.

## NANAIMO CONSERVATIVES

### Association Elects Officers and Appoints Delegates to Nominating Convention

Nanaimo, Feb. 14.—The annual meeting of the Conservative association was held here last night. E. Quennell, the president of the association, was in the chair.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, E. Quennell; vice-president, A. E. Planitz; secretary-treasurer, E. G. Cavalry; executive council, Messrs. Bevor, Potts, and Galloway.

## DOMINION COAL LANDS

### Large Area Sold or Leased by Government to Various Parties in Past Year

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—Since March 1, 1907, the government has sold to some extent, by public auction, 7,500 acres of coal lands. In addition 7,360 acres in Rocky Mountain park have been leased to different parties. The annual rentals are generally \$12 for each 640 acres. In addition 6,400 acres of coal lands have been leased to different parties for coal mining purposes, the royalty to be paid being ten cents per ton.

## IMMIGRATION BONUS

### Canadian Booking Agents on Continent of Europe Get Large Increase

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—According to a return brought down by Hon. F. Oliver, the bonus paid booking agents on the continent of Europe has been increased from ten shillings to one pound for each adult, and from five to three shillings for each juvenile immigrant. Booking is to be restricted to farmers, farm laborers, gardeners, stablemen, carters, railway surface men, navvies, miners and female domestic servants.

## CALGARY DOMINION FAIR

Calgary, Feb. 14.—Manager Richard White of the Dominion fair, who has been in the annual meetings of stock associations and securing attractions for the fair, has secured the 91st Highlanders' band of Hamilton, Ont. He also secured the services of Harry Goode, of Toronto, as judge of the coming race meet. The Dominion fair will now pay union wages to all men employed on the works.

# BOILER EXPLOSION IN PUBLIC SCHOOL

### Teacher and Sixty Pupils Are Thrown to Basement—Many Injured

Adrian, Mich., Feb. 14.—An explosion of a boiler in the basement of the public school at Adrian, Mich., today precipitated the teacher and sixty pupils into the basement, burning and scalding many of them. The teacher and half of the pupils sustained severe injuries.

Many of the children were taken out of the school building, and some of the larger boys engaged in the work of rescue were overcome by the smoke. A son of M. D. Spangler suffered serious injuries, his hand being blown almost off and his body scalded.

Miss Maude Morgan, the teacher was found under a pile of hot cinders and was severely injured. Her son, Wm. Bullock, was thrown through a window and severely cut. The older boys of the school were rescued by the firemen at the risk of their lives and continued the work of rescue, until every child was found.

The cause of the explosion is unknown. The building is a two-story brick, containing ten rooms. The property damage was \$2,000.

## HINDUS ON MONTEAGLE

### Vancouver Paper Says Two Hundred Are Being Brought by the C. P. R. Liner

The Vancouver World says: "According to advices just received in the city, the steamer Monteagle, due in Vancouver on February 22, has on board 200 Hindus who expect to disembark here. The coming will be watched with more than ordinary interest, as it is understood that the recent order-in-council of the secretary of state does not apply to them, and that the local Dominion immigration agent should take any steps to prevent their landing, provided they do not meet the usual requirements of that department."

## BOY KILLED

Prince Albert, Sask., Feb. 14.—Earl McLeod, the eight-year-old son of J. D. McLeod, proprietor of the Prince Albert hotel, was instantly killed this morning. He went to the station on

# AUSTRALIAN TRADE

### Inability of Canadian Manufacturers to Fill Orders is the Chief Impediment

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—J. S. Larke, Canadian trade agent at Sydney, Australia, says that the chief changes in the new Australian tariff as originally proposed was to increase the customs duties by two million sterling, but that one and a half millions sterling were taken off by amendments made by the lower house. The new tariff will be on an average about five per cent higher than the old one, but on one line is prohibitory. If Canada can secure the advantage of the preference granted to Great Britain, Mr. Larke believes the Dominion position will be materially improved, in that which she occupied under the old tariff, on many lines of goods which Australia must continue to import. Mr. Larke says the greatest impediment to Canadian trade is the inability of Canadian manufacturers to fill orders.

C. P. R. Sudbury Branch. Montreal, Feb. 14.—The C. P. R. line from Toronto to Sudbury, which has been under construction for some time, is announced to be completed by June. The company will then be able to reach the city of Sudbury, Canada over its own tracks.

New Scandal at Calgary. Calgary, Feb. 14.—Another scandal case came to light in civic affairs. The light committee last August required a horse, and were offered one for \$125. They turned down, but agreed to hire a horse, and since that date have paid \$25 for the hire of an animal. The deal is creating considerable interest here following the Horsey horse deal of two years ago.

Took His Own Life. Toronto, Feb. 14.—James Feehley, Euclid avenue, shot his wife this morning and then committed suicide by turning the weapon on himself. The woman is expected to recover. Feehley and his wife have not been on good terms for some time, owing to the former's dislike of work, and a week ago the woman, who runs a grocery store, told her husband that she was going to leave him. Feehley made several attempts to be taken back, but his wife refused. This morning he made a final attempt, and upon his wife's refusal Feehley shot her, and turned the weapon on himself. Mrs. Feehley has four children by her first husband.

## SMALPOX IN MONCTON

Moncton, N. B., Feb. 14.—Three cases of smallpox were discovered here today in the family of M. L. Bourgeois, father, mother and son being stricken. The mother, last night gave birth to a child, which died. She is in a precarious condition. One of the family was taken to school yesterday. The school has been closed.

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## LOGGER DROWNED AT COMOX

Comox, B. C., Feb. 14.—A sad drowning accident occurred about a mile from Comox this morning. A logger was crossing a boom of logs when his foot slipped and he fell into the water. The body was recovered shortly afterwards. The unfortunate man was a native of Ireland, and unmarried. A brother of the deceased resides at Albert, B.C., where he is proprietor of a saloon. The body of the deceased was held pending telegraphic instructions from him.

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# MEMBERS SHIRK THEIR DUTIES

### Slow Progress is Made With Business in the House of Commons

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—The house of commons was in session for the greater part of today, but practically no progress was made. There were many questions present, and Mr. Brodeur had great difficulty in getting through an order of \$130,000 for ocean and river services.

Mr. Lemieux brought up the question of the charge in the postage rate on newspapers with the United States. The change has brought about a great deal of difficulty in getting through an order of \$130,000 for ocean and river services.

Mr. Borden said the government had evidently been compelled to retrace its steps. He hoped it would be a salutary lesson to the government.

Mr. Roche asked what were the duties assigned to Mr. Leech in regard to the seed grain distribution. Mr. Oliver replied that Mr. Leech was in charge of the Dominion land agencies, and that his duties in the present case were those of a home steersman. For that reason it was thought that Mr. Leech might be in charge of that part of the work.

Mr. Daniel, Conservative member for St. John, N. B., gives notice of a resolution to amend the B. N. A. Act so as to provide for the appointment of representatives of any province which at any time be reduced below that which was assigned to it at Confederation.

Hon. Mr. Oliver gives notice of a bill to amend the Immigration Act. Mr. Oliver also gives notice of a resolution favoring the granting of two adjoining quarter sections of Dominion land available for homestead entry to every volunteer, who at the time of enlistment for military service in South Africa in 1899-1902 was resident in Ontario, Quebec, Saskatchewan, Alberta or Yukon. In lieu of land the volunteer may receive scrip for \$160, which will be accepted at face value in payment for Dominion land.

Mr. Martin, Liberal member for St. Mary's, division of Montreal, gives notice of a bill to amend the railway act so as to prohibit railway companies to back two weeks' pay from employees.

The third reading has been given in the senate to the bills incorporating Macleod, Cardston & Montana Railway Company, the Kamloops & Yellow Head Pass Railway Company, the Edmonton, Dunagan & B. C. Railway, the Boundary, Kamloops & Cariboo Central railway, and the Calgary & Fernie railway.

The railway commissioners in Ottawa this evening heard legal arguments in connection with the freight rates to be fixed by the C. P. R. and C. N. R. in the West. The Winnipeg & Portage la Prairie cases had been brought up, and the rates now suggested are based on mileage, to which the shippers are objecting.

There is every possibility that during the present session legislation may be introduced whereby "drop" letters or those posted to persons who live in the same city or town, may be mailed for one cent.

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# UNIVERSITY MEASURE

### University Measure Elected in Committee

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—The bill for the University Measure was elected in committee today. The bill provides for the appointment of a commission to inquire into the affairs of the University of Toronto. The bill will be reported on next week.

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HOUSE ADVANCES  
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JOHN OLIVER'S REQUEST

Asks That Evidence in Four  
Year Old Investigation Be  
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(From Saturday's Daily)

The session of the legislature  
yesterday was largely occupied with  
the consideration in committee of the  
university bill. Various amendments were  
proposed by Mr. Yule (Mr. Hender-  
son) and the leader of the opposi-  
tion, but while in one case the  
minister of education, Hon. Mr. Young,  
saw fit to modify the bill, in the other  
there were but few changes adopted.

The bill will be reported to the house  
the first of the week and will receive  
its third reading. It will be the next  
bill of importance to be dealt with in  
the house.

Mr. John Oliver (Delta) brought forward  
a motion asking that the evidence and  
reports of the committee appointed to  
investigate into the workings of the  
British Columbia Immigration  
act during the session of 1904 be  
printed forthwith, and that printed  
copies be returned to the house at the  
earliest possible date.

Reference has been made several  
times this session by the member for  
Delta to the evidence which was ad-  
dressed before the committee. The evi-  
dence was granted at his solicitation.  
The majority of those acting upon it were  
Liberals and the committee's report  
unanimous and completely in oppo-  
sition to the officials whom the  
charges were made. Mr. Oliver appar-  
ently disagrees with his conferees of  
that period, several of whom are still in  
the house. In the course of four years, he  
makes his present request.

Premier McBride expressed himself  
as having no objection to the proposal,  
but he pointed out the expense to  
which the province would be sub-  
jected, to absolutely no purpose. Upon  
the vote which was taken, the house  
supported the latter point of view.

Through the premier's support, a num-  
ber of Liberals voting against Mr. Ol-  
iver's motion.

Several petitions were presented. One  
from the British Columbia Electric  
Railway company was received. Price  
Ellison (Okanagan) protests against  
the sweeping powers sought by the  
City of Victoria in the private bill  
to amend the Water Works act.

A petition from the municipality of  
Oak Bay was also received, protesting  
against a number of the provisions  
of the bill. Both petitions were referred  
to the committee.

The chief point of interest which de-  
veloped in the consideration of the  
university bill in committee was the  
wording of the clause which authorizes  
theological colleges in affiliation with  
the university. The members of the  
D. and D. D. only to such persons  
should hold a degree in arts from the  
University of British Columbia or some  
other recognized institution of like  
nature.

Dr. Young expressed his willingness  
to modify the clause to which excep-  
tion was taken by Dr. White, principal  
of the Cambrian college. The latter  
feared the clause as amended would  
authorize the granting of the degree of  
B. D. to such candidates as are graduates  
of some faculty of the University of  
British Columbia or other institution. Hon.  
Dr. Young maintained that the clause  
should be adopted in that it would tend  
to raise the standard of education in  
affiliated theological institutions.

This drew from the member for  
Yale the somewhat startling statement  
that it was strange that such should be  
insisted upon in the case of theological  
colleges when it was not in that of a  
much more important faculty, the  
medical.

A considerable amount of routine  
business was transacted. Mr. Haw-  
thornthwaite's bill to regulate employ-  
ment in dangerous industries was in-  
troduced and read a first time. The  
bill is a very important one. It for-  
bids the employment of any one  
unable to pass an educational test in  
the principal industries of the province.

John McNeill (Yorks) introduced a  
bill providing for the universal  
eight-hour day.

The premier's bill to amend the Con-  
stitution and to extend the bills provid-  
ing for the separation of the land and  
works department into individual de-  
partments under separate ministers,  
were committed.

The member for Delta, to enliven the  
proceedings, which otherwise were  
rather dull, produced a jumping jack  
and a rubber band. The latter was  
used to great joy by the members on  
both sides of the house during lulls in  
the business.

The speaker took the chair at 2:30  
o'clock.

Prayers by Rev. George Kinney.  
Bill is Withdrawn  
Parker Williams (Newcastle) asked  
for permission to withdraw his bill  
further to amend the Deceased Work-  
men's act, and this was given.

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appointed to investigate into the work-  
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copies be returned to this house at the  
earliest possible date.

Mr. McBride: While there is  
no objection to the motion of my  
hon. friend on this side of the house,  
it does not occur to him, sir, that  
unless some good and substantial  
reason be assigned the expenditure  
of the amount of money that is in-  
volved in the printing of this evidence  
will not be justified; and so far,  
in my opinion, that my hon. friend  
has only asked rather poor rea-  
sons in support of his motion. He  
merely says that for the information  
of the electors, he believes that it  
is a good and wise thing to  
print this evidence. I say again that  
I do not intend to oppose the hon.  
gentleman's motion, but it does strike  
me that since nothing can be achieved

by the publication of this evidence  
which must moreover entail consid-  
erable expense, perhaps the hon.  
gentleman will see fit to withdraw  
his proposition. The evidence and  
reports of the committee appointed to  
investigate into the workings of the  
house, and in the custody of the house;  
and if the hon. gentleman wishes to  
access to it, he can easily, by making  
appropriate arrangements, have the  
documents placed in his possession.

What Would Be Expense?  
Mr. Hawthornthwaite: What ex-  
pense will be incurred in printing this  
evidence, which is evidently for use  
in the next electoral campaign?  
Hon. Mr. McBride: It will possibly  
amount to \$2,000, although I have no  
positive knowledge of the quantity  
of material involved. But with the  
explanation which I have made, do  
hope that my hon. friend will not  
insist on the resolution. If required,  
the documents will be placed in his  
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Mr. Oliver: I have no wish to put  
the province to unnecessary expense,  
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such influences, because in part  
such influences had in the past  
been found to be detrimental to the  
province, but in great measure, simply  
because they were engaged in the  
work of federation of a very un-  
versities, Anglican and Methodist  
one or two others, into one great  
provincial university with the result  
that a senate as has been outlined had  
been brought into existence, in which  
prominence was given to the acad-  
cal side and on which all these other  
colleges were given a certain repre-  
sentation. And it had become a  
matter of fact a very un-  
But in a state university the govern-  
ing board must of necessity be placed  
under the control of the government.  
The duties of the senate were care-  
fully defined in this bill, but the com-  
missioner's financial affairs was placed  
in the hands of the board of governors.  
In all other respects, however, the  
duties of the members of the senate  
were clearly set out and confined to  
the academic side of university life.  
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Must Be Up To Standard  
Mr. McPhillips observed that in the  
Manitoba act the qualification, with  
the political position. This evidence  
of the candidates proposed for de-  
grees; as if the authorities in control  
of a theological college might take it  
into their heads to confer degrees not  
in conformity with the wishes of the  
to which it belonged.

Hon. Dr. Young replied that they did  
not for one moment pretend to regu-  
late the granting of degrees in affil-  
iated theological colleges. The degree  
one particular; that the candidates  
mentioned must be graduates of some  
one of the university's faculties. The  
university would be absolutely non-  
sectarian, but, and not reasonably,  
he insisted upon these candidates com-  
ing up to the university's standard in  
confering their own degrees. But  
nevertheless, the candidates wished  
to confer distinction upon some of  
their own students, or to provide for  
any other course than that which was  
in all other cases, and he would like  
of D.D., they would be perfectly  
to do so. As a matter of fact, the  
majority of the students, who attend  
theological colleges, merely desired  
to obtain the degree of re-  
and a license to preach. The other  
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ANNOUNCEMENTS IN OFFICIAL GAZETTE

Various Appointments Made—Order-in-Council Regarding Crown Lands
The following appointments appear in the current issue of the British Columbia Gazette...

TIDE TABLE
Victoria, B. C., February, 1908.
Date Time High Time Low Time High Time Low

The time used in Pacific Standard for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 9 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight...

OTTAWA TO TEST THE NATAL ACT

Instructions Said to Have Been Sent to Department of Justice's Agent

WILL NOW GO TO COURTS

Constitutionality of the Measure Will Be Decided By the Judges

(From Friday's Daily)
It is stated that instructions have been wired from Ottawa to the agent for the Dominion department of justice in this city to take habeas corpus proceedings in any attempt made by the provincial government to enforce the recently enacted Natal act...

Dispatch From Ottawa.
Ottawa, Feb. 13.—It was learned this afternoon that the federal authorities will disallow the British Columbia Natal act...

Officers Appointed.
The following have been appointed by the local government officers for carrying out the provisions of the Natal act...

Regulations.
The following provisions of the act is contained in the issue of the British Columbia Gazette of yesterday:

1. When an officer examines a person whom he shall suspect of being a prohibited immigrant...

"This is to certify that... of... aged... years, by trade or calling a... a fit and proper person to be admitted as an immigrant into British Columbia."

"An Immigration Officer."
If the officer determines that a person is not exempt from the provisions of the act, he shall prevent such person from entering the province...

MORAL REFORM WORK

Formidable Union of Churches and Social Organizations To Fight Liquor and Other Evils

Toronto, Feb. 13.—The uniting of five leading evangelical denominations...

Wholesale Slaughter.
Woodstock, Ont. Feb. 13.—A carload of live hogs was smashed in shunting today...

Trichinosis In Quebec
Three Rivers, Que. Feb. 13.—Twelve cases of trichinosis, or as it is sometimes called, flesh worm disease...

MORE CRITICISM
Former Governor Black of New York Makes Attack on Both Roosevelt and Bryan

Boston, Feb. 13.—Former Governor F. S. Black, of New York, and Congressman Henry T. Bannan, of Portsmouth, Ohio...

VANCOUVER CHINESE KEEP WHITE SLAVES
Wretched Story Told By a Woman Who Had to Rescue Her Sister

Vancouver, Feb. 13.—In an effort to rescue her sister, who was held in bondage in a Chinese opium den...

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Tokio, Feb. 13.—After an exciting debate, lasting six hours, which developed into a riot on the floor of the house of representatives...

PITIFUL EXPOSURE
Letters Written by Minister's Wife to Millionaire Snell Are Read in Court

Clinton, Ill. Feb. 13.—When the trial of the two million dollar suit instituted by Richard Snell to have his wife's father, Col. Thomas Snell, was resumed today more love letters written the aged millionaire were introduced in evidence...

ST. LAWRENCE ROUTE

President of Shipping Federation's Reference To High Charges—Recent Improvements

Montreal, Feb. 13.—Hugh A. Allan was re-elected president of the Shipping Federation of Canada at their fifth annual meeting...

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Machine Shops Burned.
Fishkill Landing, N. Y. Feb. 13.—Fire tonight destroyed the roundhouse and machine shops of the Central New England Railroad company here...

Funds for Missions Short.
Toronto, Feb. 13.—Rev. Dr. McLaren, secretary for home missions of the Presbyterian church...

Salaries Reduced.
Boston, Feb. 13.—President Lucius Tuttle, of the Boston & Maine railway, announced that a reduction in salaries of ten per cent. will be made...

Severed An Artery.
New York, Feb. 13.—Lying across his bed in a hospital, it was concluded that the deed was done with deliberation...

Memorial Tablets
Boston, Feb. 13.—Six bronze tablets for the Bostonians who died in the Boxer outbreak of 1900...

POINTS TO ONLY WAY TO FIGHT STANDARD
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Washington, Feb. 13.—That the fight of the administration against the Standard Oil company...

Ontario Judge Finds It Full of Defects—Judgment Given On James McGuire's Appeal
Toronto, Feb. 13.—The divisional court has given judgment on the appeal of James McGuire...

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Destruction by Fire.
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Winnipeggers Who Worked on Sunday
Many Gathered Up By Police Dragnet Have to Pay Penalties

Winnipeg, Feb. 13.—Sixty-five of those reported for breaches of the Lord's Day act, were before the police court today...

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St. Petersburg, Feb. 13.—The Novoe Vremya publishes an article dealing with the breaking up of the concert of powers...

Winnipeg's Finances
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Winnipeg, Feb. 13.—A secret meeting of the city council was held for the purpose of discussing the civic finances...

THE HOME Garden Calendar
Dig and Manure Flower Beds, Prune Fruit Trees, etc.

POTATOES
How to Have Fine Keep A
HE most "new" those tubers be varieties for production as of large storage quality in potatoes varieties are bred for frying.

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Extra early varieties for two to four weeks earlier than the latest, but they are early, and the round, not oblong. The free from side branches and large leafage.

# THE SIMPLE LIFE

## THE HOME GARDEN

### Garden Calendar For February

Dig and Manure Flower Borders which have not yet been prepared:

Plant—Hardier Border Plants, Alpines, Hardy Climbers, Shrubs, Deciduous Trees, Fruit Trees, Vegetable Roots. And especially: Paeonies, Delphiniums, Pyracantha, Vines for Forcing, Gladioli, Young Grape Vines, Roses, Virginian Creepers, Clematises, Anemones, Ranunculuses, Forest Trees, Horse Radish, Early Potatoes, in frames, Garlic, Shallots, Forcing Asparagus, Forcing Rhubarb, Forcing Sea Kale, Start Begonias, Start Gloxinias, Start Achimenes.

Sow—Peas, Earliest, Early Horn Carrots in warm border, Frame Radish, Spinach, Mushrooms, Cucumber in heat, Melon in heat, Early Cauliflower in heat, Brussels Sprouts in warm border, Globe Beet in warm border, Lettuce, Cose and Cabbage, Onion, Mustard and Cress, Broad Beans, Cabbage, Leek in warm border, Capsicum in heat, Corn Salad, Parsnip in warm border, Parsley, Cress, Tronchuda in heat, Celery in heat, Early Turnip, Asters, Tender Climbing Annuals in heat, Begonia, Nicotiana, Cockscomb, Amaryllis, Gloxinia, A little Primula, Lobelia, A little Nerararia, Petunia, Phlox Drummondii, Jerusalem Artichoke.

Note—Some of the above sowings are probably a little early in some localities, but it is worth while to risk sowing a little seed in order to obtain an early crop of delicious spring vegetables.

### POTATOES WORTH HAVING

#### How to Have Fine Mealy Potatoes That Keep All Winter

THE most delicious potatoes are "new" potatoes, as opposed to those that are allowed to mature before being dug. And the varieties and cultural methods for producing these in perfection, as opposed to the supply of larger tubers for winter storage are quite distinct. But quality in potatoes goes deeper, since some varieties are bred for perfection in baking, while others are adapted for salads and for frying.

The baking varieties ought to cook to a fine, flour-like texture, in an hour or less, when baked or roasted in a hot oven. The salad varieties are of firmer texture, suitable for slicing, and do not break up into fine particles except when baked for a much longer time.

The mealy varieties will burst open and fall apart if cooked too long, but they are the best for general use, because they require less time for cooking and because baked potatoes are healthier than fried potatoes.

The solid varieties are not so convenient and economical for general use, because they require more time and fuel, and if underdone they are lumpy; but they are greatly valued for hotel and restaurant use in some sections, because when boiled in the skins they remain firm and solid a long time and are just what is wanted for frying and for salads, whereas a baked potato loses its hotness, meanness, and often its color five minutes after it is taken from the stove.

Quality in potatoes also depends on cultural conditions. The best mealy potatoes are produced on a warm, sandy soil; these will be of convenient size and keep well. The largest but poorest potatoes are produced on wet, heavy soil; these are coarse grained, soggy, too large for convenient handling, and quick to decay.

We ought to pay more attention to varieties. Some will cook dry and mealy as soon as they reach full size, even when freshly dug; others can be cooked more quickly and evenly after they have been dug for some time and the tubers have partially dried out, and yet others continue firm and solid when cooked even after they have been stored in the cellar all winter.

#### Varieties For the Early Crop

The extra early varieties will ripen from two to four weeks earlier than any of the main crop varieties and may be two months earlier than the latest, but they have to sacrifice size to earliness, and the potatoes are mostly round, not oblong. The plants are stiffly erect, free from side branches, and have heavy compact leafage. The potatoes lie closely together in the hill, thus permitting close planting in rich soil. And with an early planting, the growth is made and the crop matured before there is any danger of the foliage being attacked by blight.

The earliest and hardiest variety is Quick Lunch or Noroton Beauty, producing round tubers of a very pale brownish color with carmine splashes around the eyes. Enreka Extra Early and Early White Ohio are similar in form and growth, rather larger in size and a little later in season, with smooth white skins and very attractive in appearance. These varieties grow rather larger than the White Triumph and Red Triumph potatoes, which are extensively planted in the south for early Northern markets. All the varieties in this class cook firm and solid, but those named are free from any hard core, and in my estimation are much finer in flavor than the special

salad potatoes which are imported from Germany.

#### Varieties For the Main Crop

The main crop varieties produce larger potatoes and more of them than the earliest varieties, and the potatoes are generally oblong. Their stems are of a spreading or vine-like character and branch freely; and in a warm, wet season they develop a second growth of branches and foliage after having blossomed. The rows should be placed further apart, and there is a greater necessity to guard the plants from the blight and the potato bug.

The earliest of the main crop varieties may be two to four weeks earlier than the latest and heaviest yielders and they are distinct in that the potatoes cook to a dry, mealy, floury texture as soon as they reach full size. The earliest of this class is Burpee's Extra Early, an oblong, white or very pale brown tuber, with the finest cooking quality of any variety that I have ever known. Early Bovee, Early Rose and Early Beauty of Hebron are also excellent varieties, a little later in season.

Among the latest and most productive sorts I consider the Vermont Gold Coin the most satisfactory, being vigorous, blight-resisting to a great degree, and producing a large crop of large, smooth, white-skinned potatoes, which have a finer cooking quality than any I have ever grown, with the exception of the one just mentioned.

Other excellent large varieties are Carman No. 1 and Carman No. 3, Rural New Yorker No. 2, Green Mountain (or as it is locally known in this section, State of Maine), Sir Walter Raleigh, and Uncle Sam. Irish Cobbler, a second early variety, is quite popular in some sections on account of its strong, vigorous growth and productivity, especially when grown in moist soils, but it is decidedly inferior in quality to the other varieties named in this list. Nearly all these later varieties have long tubers which are also broad and thick, and of smooth, regular outline and show but little waste in preparation for the table.

It is worth while devoting some space in the family garden to a planting of potatoes for early use, although the main supply can be grown more cheaply under field cultivation. Special attention and extra feeding and frequent cultivation are necessary for the best results with the very early varieties, and these can only be given in a garden. It is usually better in small gardens of less than a half acre to grow the more succulent vegetables only.

#### How to Raise "New" Potatoes

The ground for the early planting should be well drained and on a warm, sunny slope, but if the garden is level with stiff, heavy soil, the ground can be made warmer and drier early in the spring by laying it off in raised beds with shallow walks or ditches at intervals. It is best to have the ground prepared in the fall by spreading a heavy coat of stable manure and plowing or digging it under before the ground freezes.

#### The Danger of Manure

Fresh stable manure plowed or dug under in the spring is apt to lead to scabby tubers. If the land was not manured in the fall commercial fertilizer had better be used for the garden plantings, or else a compost of hard wood ashes mixed with poultry droppings. Paradoxical as it may seem, heavy applications of long or strawy manure used in this way make a heavy soil lighter and looser in texture, while on a light, sandy soil they will make the land of heavier and more loamy texture. If manure is applied in large quantities, liberal applications of air-slaked lime should be given too. It is almost impossible to over-enrich the land if the fertilizing elements are thoroughly mixed with the soil before planting. The fertilizer manufacturers have for potatoes special brands which show a high percentage of potash, and they will also be found excellent for garden crops in general. Four quarts, or even more, of a good fertilizer can be used to a row one hundred feet long, or a large handful can be mixed with the soil in the hill where the plant is to grow; but if such liberal quantities are used, be careful to stir it into the soil with a rake or hoe before planting the seed.

As early in the spring as it can be worked in good condition, dig or plow the soil to a good depth, raking or harrowing the surface to a medium fineness. Mark out the rows, making furrows or drills with the hand plow or hoe about three inches deep and putting the fertilizer or compost in the bottom. Cut the seed potatoes into pieces having two eyes to each, and lay these pieces with the cut side down in the bottom of the drill or furrow, and twelve to fifteen inches apart. Small or whole potatoes, or large potatoes cut in halves

lengthwise can be planted in the same way, but are liable to throw up a greater amount of stalks. These must be thinned out when hoeing, as otherwise the potatoes will be comparatively small. For the best development of the tubers, leave only one or two strong stalks to a hill.

The space between the rows should be governed by the method of cultivation. For the hand or wheel hoe two feet apart will suffice, while if a horse cultivator is used, the rows should be fully three feet apart.

For the earliest crop, plant the seed near the surface, as growth will then start more quickly than if the seed pieces are covered deeply in the ground—as is done in the old-style field plantings where the seed pieces are placed in the bottom of every third furrow, to be covered by the plow. A depth of about two inches (covering with fine soil) will do for the early garden crop, the soil being thrown over by the hand plow, rake or hoe. The ideal depth for best average results is four inches; too shallow planting results in having tubers exposed.

#### When to Cultivate

Cultivate frequently throughout the growing season—once a week at least and oftener if convenient. In the home garden either the hand plow or wheel hoe may be used.

Extra care and labor expended in the preparation of the soil before planting give

the ground is wet so that the soil adheres to the tubers, it should be dusted lightly with fine dry lime or land plaster to improve the keeping qualities. A darkened place is the best for the tubers after they have been dug and stored, as strong light will turn the skins green.

#### Follow Potatoes With Cabbage

In the highly fertilized garden the aim is to keep crops coming on in as rapid succession as possible. Therefore, as soon as the potatoes show signs of flowering, or of having completed their growth, work up the soil between the rows (as deeply as possible) and set late cabbage plants or hills of sweet corn between the potato rows. Either will make a good start while the potatoes are maturing.

#### New Potatoes in Summer

While I have only referred to the earliest possible planting, other plantings may be made in the same way at any time during the spring months, while in the Southern States it is a common practice to make a planting the last of July or early in August to furnish a supply of "new" potatoes in the fall. If a continued supply of "new" potatoes is desired in the home garden, the period of production can be lengthened to include very nearly the entire summer, either by making several plantings of an early variety at different times, or by planting at the same time different varieties which will come on in succession. As a rule, the

late plantings (especially of early varieties) do not develop as large a growth of plant and foliage as the early plantings, and come on more quickly, yet produce nearly as large a crop of tubers.

The only really serious insect preying on the potato is the striped Colorado potato beetle, and this is easily held in check by frequent light applications of paris green. The old bugs which live in the ground all winter begin their attack as soon as the young plants appear above the ground, but do little damage. The soft worm-like larvae hatched later rapidly defoliate the plants, however. Therefore, treat the young plants early in the season.

The one serious fungus disease is leaf blight, which sometimes checks the growth of the plants. This appears when the hot weather sets in with sudden and marked changes. Spraying with Bordeaux mixture will check this; if paris green is added to the mixture (one pound to a hundred gallons), both bugs and blight can be treated in a single application.

The small home garden is seldom equipped with a suitable spraying apparatus, and in such cases both the poisonous insecticides and fungicides are most readily applied in dry powder form by means of bellows or gun.—E. D. Darlington, in Garden Magazine.

#### Herbaceous Border

The cultivation of hardy plants has become very popular during recent years, and there are so many to choose from that there need be no lack of variety. Those contemplating making new borders will do well to get the ground manured and trenched without delay, as thorough cultivation is very important if good results are to be obtained. The best position is one exposed to the full sunshine and protected by trees and shrubs. Failing this, borders on each side of a walk, or beds cut in the grass, will answer admirably. Herbaceous plants, with few exceptions, succeed best when divided and replanted every three years; such plants as Paeonies and Hellebores, however, are better left undisturbed. It is advisable to retain the outside portions of the roots, as these are more vigorous and give finer results than the exhausted central portions. To arrange a herbaceous border well requires a knowledge of the plants themselves and of their needs as to position and space. Do not plant all the tall subjects at the back, but place some in the centre and towards the front, arranging them in groups with dwarfier plants in between. This gives a more natural appearance to the whole arrangement.

The main groups should be formed of plants of bold and striking appearance, as these will form the features of the border. The following kinds will be especially useful: Delphiniums, Phloxes, Paeonies, Bocconia, Liliiums, Campanulas, Thalictrums, Trollius, Heilanthus and Rudbeckias. For the intermediate spaces, Aquilegias, Potentillas, Hesperis, Gaillardias, Aubrietias, Saxifragas, Iberis sempervirens and Funkia ovata are suitable. Such plants as Hyacinthus candicans, Veronica spicata, Spiraeas, Montbretias and Gladiolus should also be included. Some of the choicer varieties of Pentstemons are well worth a place. Masterpiece, pink with white centre; Lord Aldenham,

dark red with white centre; Royal Standard, pink with dark centre; Raphael, white and pink; and Crimson Gem are splendid sorts. As a general rule it is better not to plant Michaelmas Daisies in the ordinary mixed border when space can be set apart for them elsewhere, for they are dull and uninteresting all the summer. Such varieties as Ideal, Hon. Edith Gibbs and Enchantress are very beautiful when grown on single stems; while Delight, Sensation and Captivation form charming masses for the front of the border. With regard to staking the plants, the necessary support should be furnished in the early stages of growth, so that the young shoots may be secured while perfectly erect, otherwise they are likely to get twisted and broken. While it is necessary to use stakes that are strong and durable, it is undesirable to have them too heavy, for nothing gives a border a more unsightly appearance. During dry weather herbaceous plants require frequent soakings of water at the roots, and damping the borders over on hot summer evenings is beneficial to the plants.—James Gardner.

#### HERBACEOUS PAEONIES

The Paeony among herbaceous plants, like its ally the Tree Paeony among flowering shrubs, stands unrivalled. Time was when the Paeony was thrust into any out-of-the-way shrubbery border and huddled together with hungry Laurels and other shrubs. Today, however, it is given a position of prominence in the garden.

#### Planting Time

The best season of the year for planting is during the early autumn months. We have seen it stated that the "spring-time, when the plants have made about six inches of new growth," is the time to plant. Nothing is more opposed to ultimate success than this. The autumn is the best, because at that season the new main roots issue from the rootstock or crown, and planting now affords the Paeony a good opportunity of becoming quickly established. The Paeony is impatient of removal, and such impatience is manifested in greater degree when the work is done at an unseasonable time.

#### Preparing the Soil

Gross feeding and deep rooting, these plants are only seen to best advantage when the ground is thoroughly well prepared. In some kinds the root fibres will descend to 3-12 feet or more, hence the deepest cultivation of the soil is necessary. It is not every garden or locality, however, that can command so great a soil-depth, but where a Paeony garden is contemplated—and few hardy plants are more worthy of the honor—special provision should be made for their success. Plenty of manure must be incorporated with the soil, and be buried one foot deep or thereabouts. The poorer soils are liberally dressed, and wet or heavy soils may have an addition of grit or burnt garden refuse as well.

#### Planting and Position

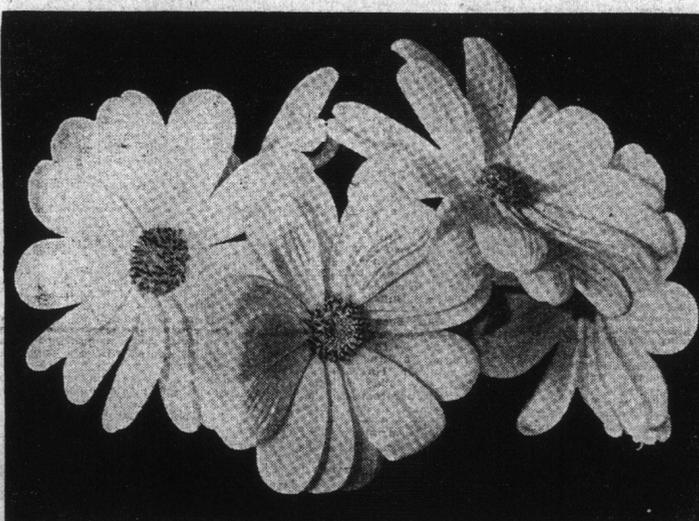
Where transplanting has to be done it is important that the plants be divided also, and there are few greater errors than that of planting the big clumps intact. A plant having three to six good crown buds apparent is suitable, and when setting in the plants these crown buds must be covered about two inches deep with the soil. Where an immediate effect is desired (three or more plants should be arranged over a large area, the individuals to be not nearer than 18 inches from plant to plant, and farther apart if possible. The best position is an open one, screened from wind it may be by shrubs not far removed, or shaded partly by distant trees, yet away from their roots. The Paeony, happily, is not prone to many diseases, but its leafage is nipped in spring-time by frost, hence the above suggestion. When established beds and clumps exist deluging with liquid manure and water will be found of the greatest assistance to the plants, and in dry seasons in perfecting the flowers. By adopting these few simple practical details these splendid fragrant flowering plants may be grown to perfection.

#### A Neglected Torch Lil

Although this Flame Flower, Torch Lily or Red-hot Poker has been cultivated in gardens for twenty years it is still one of the best free-flowering sorts and is especially fine in autumn. K. Saunders can be highly recommended as a border plant, and also for massing in the pleasure grounds. It is a form of K. aloides (syn. Uvaria), and has rich green leaves and bright orange scarlet flowers, fading with age to orange yellow. It is a robust grower, some of the stout flower-spikes being 5 feet to 6 feet in height.

#### A Good Fruit Tree Spray

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**HUSBAND AND WIFE DEAD**

Montreal, Feb. 13.—Rodolphe Robidoux of St. Jovite, who, with his wife, became lost last week in a snowstorm and was exposed to storm and cold for two days and nights, is dead. Robidoux died on Monday. Robidoux was 70 years old and his wife 45.

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### McPHILLIPS' BILL IN COMMITTEE

Measure Providing For Safeguarding Factory Employees Under Consideration

### RAILWAY BILL REPORTED

Preamble To Bill Incorporating Vancouver & Nicola Valley Ry. Passes Committee

(From Friday's Daily)  
The legislature was occupied yesterday with the consideration in committee of the bill entitled the Factories Employees Protection act.  
A considerable amount of routine business was transacted and in spite of the fact that there were numerous debates upon technicalities, the various clauses of the bill were passed in rapid order.  
The bill will probably be reported tomorrow and given its third reading. Several amendments will be brought down, which it now appears will be improbable before Monday, February 17th.  
The speaker took the chair at 2:30 o'clock.  
Prayers by Rev. George Kinney.  
First Reading.  
On motion of Mr. Davey (Victoria) the bill to amend the Municipal Clauses act was read the first time.  
Coal Regulations Act.  
On Mr. Hawthornthwaite's motion the Mines Regulation act being reached on the order paper, Hon. Mr. McBride: I would like if the house consents to have this matter set down for Monday next.  
The motion was allowed to stand over.  
Factory Act in Committee.  
The house went into committee on Mr. McPhillips' bill for the protection of persons employed in factories.  
On sub-section b of section 2, Mr. Brewster (Albion) inquired whether the rather elaborate wording of this clause could be made to include fish and salmon canneries, or if related to the preparation of any substance, and surely salmon was a substance. He wished to know whether this language could be so construed as to mean salmon canneries. He did not think that this was the intention.  
Mr. McPhillips: If the hon. gentleman thinks that it will cover canneries let him move an amendment. But I do not think that it does cover canneries. In fact I am quite satisfied that it does not do a reasonable construction of the act.  
In reply to Mr. Oliver, Mr. McPhillips: If an appeal be made to myself, such a wide construction as is advanced is not the construction which in a court of law would be placed upon it. When the committee learns that in following this wording in accordance with precedent elsewhere, what are you going to do? Evolve an act which is not founded upon precedent at all? Or shall we return to the best authorities on the subject and found our act upon them?  
Mr. Oliver maintained that the parsing was so wide that anything and everything could be included.  
Mr. McPhillips: Well, then, move an amendment. I have most carefully traced the act, and have followed the best precedents. (Hear, hear.)  
Mr. Oliver: Don't get excited! As it stands, it includes every industry in British Columbia.  
Wants Canneries Exempt.  
Mr. Brewster: In order to make it clear, I beg to move that after the word "place" the words "not including salmon canneries," shall be added. The methods employed in running canneries in British Columbia, he continued, differ entirely from those which prevail in any other industry. The salmon harvest is very short, sometimes lasting only a week. It is a spasmodic industry; and as the hours of labor are limited in another part of the bill, if these were strictly enforced, and as I presume that the act includes Indians, it would simply render it impossible for any cannery company to put up its pack. This work is done in spurts, and if the people engaged in it are tied down to eight or nine hours a day, the companies would be put out of business altogether. Moreover, the labor which is principally employed in this industry is Indian. These people do not attend schools, and it would be a hardship on them, as well as on the companies, if this act were applied to them.  
Inspection would, however be welcomed.  
Speaks For the Indians.  
Mr. Hawthornthwaite (Nanaimo): I oppose this amendment. It is the old story in relation to the employment of women and children. And then, we are further told that these are only Indians. Why, these are the most helpless of all people! And that is the very reason why they should be protected! (Hear, hear.) It simply amounts to this: that the Liberal members on this side of the house are doing what they should not be engaged in doing—trying to destroy the object of the act. (Hear, hear.)  
Mr. Hayward (Cowichan): I would like to ask whether these Indian women have asked for protection.  
Mr. McPhillips: That is purely one of the stock arguments that is so often advanced against this kind of legislation. The question is asked, have you petitions from women and children asking for protection in this manner? When it is the plain and bounden duty of parliament to find out the conditions in which people live and work. (Hear, hear.) We well know the intimidation that is exercised over men employees, and in this fact we can easily form an idea in regard to the extent of the intimidation that can and undoubtedly often is, exerted over women employees. It has ever been the duty of parliament to search for these wrongs that are perpetuated, and to remedy them. (Hear, hear, and applause.) And hence I hold that there is no force whatever in the quasi-argument of my hon. friends, and we ought to do our duty, wholly independent of such considerations.

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Mr. Oliver Resents.  
Mr. Oliver somewhat warmly resented the remarks of the member for Nanaimo, in respect to the hostility shown by Liberal members to this legislation. It was a gross slander. Mr. Hawthornthwaite, in a matter of this sort, Mr. Chairman, it is absolutely impossible to slander the Liberal members of this house. (Laughter.) They are simply merciless when it comes to the employment of women and children. This is in accordance with their general policy on this subject (Hear, hear).  
Mr. Brewster: The effect of the act, in respect to the women and children, would be rather a hardship than a benefit.  
Mr. McPhillips—I would advise the hon. member for Alberni to let sleeping dogs lie. I, for my part, do not think for a moment that it includes salmon canneries, but at the same time if these are singled out in the act as an exception, it may prove very difficult to keep its provisions from being applied to them.  
I might, speaking for myself I do not think that they should apply; and further speaking for myself, I do not think that they do apply.  
Mr. Hawthornthwaite—I propose to move an amendment, later on in order to have this matter settled, and made perfectly clear. It is extremely touching to observe the keen anxiety shown by the hon. members for Alberni for the Indians in his fear, lest they should not be able to make enough a day; and be in consequence, enabled to live in idleness the rest of the year. (Hear, hear.) The fact, however, is that his apprehensions lie in directly the opposite direction. The hon. member does not really care a continental about them. The only desire of these companies is to obtain the utmost possible surplus out of their labors, and they would work them for 25 hours in the day were this done. (Hear, hear.)  
Mr. Brewster—I beg leave to withdraw the amendment.  
Leave was granted.  
Employment of Young Girls.  
Mr. McPhillips proposed to change the word "fourteen" to "fifteen" in sub-section E of clause 2, defining the exact meaning in this act of the expression "young girl," in order to make it conform with the preceding sub-section (d), which the word "child," as used in this act, is made to mean a girl under the age of 15.  
And further observed in regard to the general intention of the bill, that it was in the main, intended to deal with the protection of life and limb, as well as of children and women, and in making proper and full provision for sanitary regulations. (Hear, hear.)  
On clause 4: No child or children shall be employed in any factory.  
Mr. Hawthornthwaite: I beg to move that sub-section (a) of section 4 be struck out, as there is no earthly reason why children should be employed in these places. (Hear, hear.)  
Sub-section (a) is as follows:  
(a) A factory in which the provisions of this section are not complied with by the employer shall be deemed to be kept in such a manner as to be health of any child therein employed, and such employer shall, because thereof, be deemed to be guilty of a contravention of the provisions of this act.  
This sub-section was allowed to stand over.  
Section 5 makes the following provision:  
The lieutenant-governor may from time to time by order in council, notice of which shall be published in the British Columbia Gazette, prohibit the employment of girls under the age of eighteen years and of boys under the age of sixteen years in factories, the work in which is deemed by the lieutenant-governor in council to be dangerous or unwholesome.  
In Case of Fire.  
On clause 34, which provides that in all factories over two stories in height, a wire or other rope, not less than three-quarters of an inch in thickness must be provided in rooms above the ground floor.  
Mr. Williams (Newcastle) observed that one-quarter inch wire rope would be ample, in point of strength, as well as much more suitable in the circumstances.  
This matter will receive further consideration.  
Hours of Employment.  
Section 11 in sub-sections (a) and (b) makes the following provision:  
(a) It shall not be lawful for a man or woman to be employed for more than eight hours in one day, nor more than forty-eight hours in any one week, unless a different apportionment of hours of labor per day has been made for the sole purpose of giving a shorter day's work on Saturday.  
(b) In every factory the employer shall allow every young girl and woman therein employed not less than one hour at noon of each day for meals, but such hour shall not be counted as part of the time herein limited with respect to the employment of young girls and women.  
Such exemption from the provisions of this act, if any, shall be made by regulation is permitted by the inspector in the following manner, in section 13:  
No woman or young girl shall be employed before the hour of 8 o'clock in the morning nor after 8 o'clock in the evening; and  
The hours of labor for women and young girls shall not be more than nine in any one day, nor more than fifty-four in any one week; and  
Such exemption shall not comprise more than thirty days in any one year, and in any one week, and in reckoning such period of thirty-six days every day on which any young girl or woman has been employed overtime shall be taken into account.  
Relating to Laundries.  
On section 40, the relation of the act to laundries was considered.  
Mr. Hawthornthwaite: A deputation of ladies has been here, with the view of having this act made inoperative as far as women and children being employed only in laundries. I have been informed that a certain height, (The general tenor of this

owing to the severe competition to which they are subjected through the act is, I presume, to afford protection to certain classes in the community and to extend the protection to those people who are employed in factories in this province.  
Liberals Are Jealous.  
Mr. Hawthornthwaite: This rule 43 is like the alibi which is raised in my case—no good. (Some laughter.) The shops regulation act is precisely what I have in mind. It was introduced and passed through the house in the usual way. The fact is that the members who add it do not wish the house should assist and not impede, the passage of this important measure moved through the legislature. (Hear, hear.) But the truth is that a considerable feeling of jealousy exists among the Liberal members of the house, owing simply to the fact that the Conservative member has introduced a measure of such importance to the industry of this province. (Hear, hear.) And consequently the Liberal members are trying to kill the bill.  
Mr. McPhillips—I would like to remind the member for the Delta that the original authors of this kind of legislation in the old country. (Hear, hear.) I have been informed that we have it quite within our power to do away with all these rules, which are the result of our own creation. (Hear, hear.) And finally at the best it is nothing more than a very fine, thin and acedemical distinction. (Hear, hear.)  
Mr. Oliver—you will get all the assistance possible from this side of the house.  
Mr. McPhillips—it does not at all look like it. (Hear, hear.)  
The committee rose and reported progress.  
Rule 43 reads as follows: "No bill relating to trade or the alteration of the laws concerning trade, is to be brought into the house until it has been first considered in committee of the whole house and agreed to by a majority."  
Reports V. & N. Valley Bill.  
Mr. Ross, Fernie, chairman of the committee on railways, reported favorably on the Vancouver and Nicola Valley Railway company.  
No Extension.  
Hon. Mr. Fidler (Kerwin) of Kelowna, Skena, that no extension of time has been granted by the B.C. Development company since that granted March 7, 1907.  
Westminster Bridge.  
In reply to Mr. Oliver Hon. Mr. McBride said:  
When the legislature approved the grant for the construction of the Westminster bridge, it was understood that there should be tolls collected from travelers, vehicles, etc. On the opening of the bridge, the tolls were not collected, and since then reductions have been made in the schedule. It is the intention of the government to be able to make further reductions.  
Rossland and Phoenix.  
Mr. McInnis asked the minister of finance the following question:  
Is it the intention of the government to continue the operation of the Phoenix mine? The Phoenix mine is a portion of the Phoenix mine, which is a portion of the Phoenix mine.  
Hon. Mr. Tait (Alberni) replied as follows:  
I naturally do not propose to grant to any municipality a portion of the mineral tax collected from mines within the boundaries of the municipality, but a claim having been made by the cities of Rossland and Phoenix, and in order to cover the equivalent of the real property tax which these municipalities might have collected upon the assessed values of the surface rights and improvements of these mines within such municipalities, the statute prohibiting the taxation of such surface rights and improvements, taking into consideration the peculiar situation of the mines in relation to these municipalities, has now their claims under consideration.  
Notices of Motion.  
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Shipwrecked Men Taken to Santa Barbara—No Insurance Carried on Vessel

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The sealing schooner Ella G. of this city, with a catch of 42 sealskins, has been totally wrecked on the southern coast of California coast, January 25, when she had taken 42 sealskins. When the accident occurred Capt. Lomp endeavored to rig a jury rudder, and made toward Santa Rosa Island, where on February 2, during a storm, the vessel drove on to the rocks and broke up soon afterward. No particulars have been received regarding the experiences of the crew.  
Shortly before sailing efforts were made to insure the schooner for \$425 on an English insurance company's local policy. The application was referred to the home office of the company, which asked that a survey of the vessel be held before the insurance be granted. In the meantime the vessel had sailed. Efforts were similarly made to insure supplies and outfit placed on board, which was advanced by a local wholesaler, for \$400, but for similar reasons the insurance was not effected.  
The Ella G. was a small "pinkie" schooner of 20.77 tons gross, 16.17 tons net, owned by Capt. John C. Voss of Victoria, master; Wm. McNamee of Clydebank, Scotland, mate; J. Chapman of Victoria, hunter; Angus Hastings of Musquodibit, near Halifax, Nova Scotia, hunter; Charles Hansen of 5 Alfred street, Victoria, sailor and boatman; Harry Gordon, of Harrisburg, N. S., sailor and boatman; Alex. Lunn, of Edinburgh, Scotland, sailor and boatman; R. McClure, of Dartmouth, N. S., sailor and boatman, and Nakamura, of 202 Government street, cook.  
The Ella G. was formerly a fishing schooner owned in Seattle. Five or six years ago she was engaged in halibut fishing off the west coast of Vancouver island, and putting in Clayoquot during stress of weather. While anchored there she dragged her anchor and drove ashore on the sand spit near Stockton & Dawley's store. The fishermen abandoned her, and she was sold to Mr. Stockman for \$275. He floated her, and brought her to Victoria, where she was repaired and placed in good sea-going condition.  
Some time later she was sold to Percy Finch, of this city, and was again placed in the fishing business off the west coast with Capt. Alex. McLean and Edward Forrest, of this city, as master and mate, respectively. The venture was not a success, however. Some good trips were made, but afterward the delays were too long, and before the schooner made her way back to port the fish was unsalable. While in charge of Alex. McLean, who the world is said to have been the schooner Carmencia, afterward the Aquapulo, with an indictment for alleged illegal sealing, issued by a San Francisco court, hanging over him, the Ella G. was reported wrecked in January, 1908, shortly prior to the Valencia disaster. A derelict was seen from Carmanah, and it was believed the Ella G. had capsized, but shortly afterward she returned to Uchelet.  
While engaged in fishing in command of Capt. McLean the Ella G. was taken into North bay to shelter from a howling gale. While there a United States revenue cutter put in for shelter, and McLean, thinking the revenue officers were seeking him on account of the charges arising out of alleged illegal sealing in northern waters, set sail and ran out in the teeth of the storm, making his way to Uchelet.  
About eighteen months ago Capt. J. C. Voss, who not long before had returned from his memorable trip around the world in a small yacht of four crew, the Tilikum, fashioned from an Indian war canoe, bought the controlling interest in the vessel, and she was registered at the local customs house in his name. He made a successful sealing cruise in the vessel, and was making preparations to go out again this season when Capt. J. Lomp was arranged to charter the vessel for her out, and left last November for the southern coast, being unreported since then, until yesterday, when the news of the disaster reached the city.

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# ADVICE FOR YOUNG FOLKS

## CURRENT TOPICS

Children who have been brought up in British Columbia cannot understand the poverty of the large cities of the United States or even of Canada. In New York last week little children and old women were found dead of cold and hunger. In Toronto hundreds of strong men had to watch their wives and children starving, while they sat idle. In New York the rich and the poor live a short distance apart. It must make poverty still harder to bear to see all the money that is wasted in the fine houses of the rich. In Toronto reporters went to see the poor people. They told the story of their wants next day, and food and clothing were sent to the sufferers, and in some cases employment was found for those who were able to work.

In last Sunday's paper Berlin was put for Lisbon, which as you all know, is the capital of Portugal. France, the premier King Carlos, has fled from Portugal. The name of the new premier is Amal. He is an admiral. He will rule according to the laws of the country and the young king seems determined to act upon his advice.

Everyone should be ready to pay something, money, labor or goods for whatever he gets. It is the wish of the world to have its value that is at the bottom of most of the mischief that is done. All forms of this kind of wrongness is worse than gambling. No one can win unless his partner loses and he gains. The worst of this is that the passion for this kind of winning becomes a disease, and the gambler learns to hate honest work and will risk not only his own money, but the bread of his wife and children or even his employer's property. The best way to get out of a game that is first step in this way, which generally ends in the ruin of all who take part in it.

For some time, newspapers and magazines from the United States have been more expensive owing to the high rate of postage charged by Canada. This has been found to be foolish. Many of the magazines sent to the United States are very good and the poor ones, can be kept out without making the readers of the better class pay more than they should for them. The post office rates have been lowered, much to the satisfaction of most people.

The British officer Sir Harry Maclean, who was captured by the Moorish bandit Rasul, has been released. The British government paid a ransom of \$10,000 to have him restored to safety. The British prisoner was brought to Tangier and Rasul and his friends were allowed to depart peacefully.

There has been another coal mine explosion. This time it took place in Cape Breton and ten men were killed.

The Dominion parliament has voted a large sum of money to buy grain for seed for the farmers whose crops were frozen in Saskatchewan and Alberta. No one will complain at paying this money, but it is really needed to supply the needs of the people of these provinces. The farmers will return this money to the government as soon as they are able.

When the government of one country are about to send a man to do their business with another nation they are usually very careful as to the man they shall send. He must be wise and prudent, as well as learned, or he will make a blunder that will destroy the good feeling between the nations. The British ambassador at Washington, Mr. Bryce, is such a man. He has studied affairs in the United States as well as in Great Britain. He has had long interviews upon which Great Britain and the United States do not agree. It is not certain what rights Canada and the United States have to send ships into each other's inland waters, to fish in the Great Lakes or to use the waters of Niagara river. Then it comes to the still some boundary questions, although it was thought when the Alaskan boundary question was settled that no more of that sort could rise. On all of these things England and the United States have, after much study by those who understand these subjects, come to an agreement. But a treaty cannot be made unless Canada agrees. Ambassador Bryce is coming to lay the matter before the premier and his government. It has often been said that Canada has been obliged to give in to the United States when that country wanted territory that she claimed. This is not true. In the dispute about New Brunswick, Oregon and San Juan Alaska. It is to be hoped that this time there will be no doubt about the justice of the settlement.

The United States and France have agreed to leave future disputes to be settled by arbitration—that is, to call in some one who is not interested to say what is to be done.

There are some things that cannot be settled by a third party. If one boy knocks another down or calls him a cheat, there is no use in any one interfering. But if he loses his hat or tears his clothes the other fellows might say how much he ought to pay for them.

In the same way questions concerning the honor or independence of another country cannot be settled by arbitration. Twice before England and the United States could have made such a treaty as that which is talked of between France and the United States, but the Senate would not agree and no one seems to know how that body will act in this case.

The Natal act, which says that no Asiatic except those who are educated, can come into British Columbia, has become law. This shows that men of both parties have quite determined that if they can help it all the work in British Columbia shall be done by white men without help from Chinese, Japanese or Hindus. When we remember that this is the biggest province in Canada, and that on account of our great forests and many mountains the work is very hard to do, we will understand that our province is to prosper there will be no room in it for lazy or stupid men, or women either.

The Sultan has been sending soldiers into Persia and Armenia. Both these places are near the border of Russia. That country has become alarmed and will send large bodies of troops to guard her interests in Persia. Both Russians and Turks have proved themselves brave soldiers.

There is not a family in Victoria more to be pitied than that of the Russian emperor. The mother is ill and the father in terror of death. There is a traitor within the closely guarded home is certain, and no one knows who it is. Everyone in the palace lives in dread of sudden and horrible death. Do we ever think how thankful we should be for our peaceful, safe and happy homes?

The United States will build two large battleships this year instead of four as the president advised. In addition to this there will be a number of smaller and torpedo boats built. It costs a great deal of money. These terrible machines for killing which are not a warlike nation, will spend this year more than one hundred million dollars on her navy alone can form some faint idea of how much the world spends in her soldiers and sailors even in time of peace. Will the day ever come when nations can put one another, and will not be obliged to be prepared at a moment's notice to "let loose the dogs of war" to rend and destroy one another?

The cotton factories of Canada have been prospering this year. The government has a large revenue and the Canadian Pacific railroad has earned a great deal of money. This would seem to show that Canada is, on the whole, well off. The frost in some parts did damage to the grain and people who have been spending too much money have had to change banks and bring their money back to the banks. Money in the stores and deposit it in the banks.

There is nothing that people in Canada should be thankful for than that the laws against evil-doing are enforced. If a man does wrong in any part of the British Empire he is sure, if found guilty, to be punished. The consequence is that the punish-

ment of thieves and murderers is left to the officers of the law. In the United States this is not so. A man may, and often is, found guilty, and his friends hunt him with money or in some other way can get off or perhaps prevent his punishment. One dreadful consequence of this is that when any terrible crime is committed the people do not wait to see whether the person accused is guilty or not, but lynch him out of prison and put him to death. This lynch law, as it is called, makes murderers of all who assist in it.

Few worse things can happen in a country than that its judges should in any way be persuaded to allow injustice to be done. Canada should be jealous of the honor of those who carry out the laws of the land.

The High school boys won the football game last week and are naturally very proud of their victory. Well, it is rather good to find the boys best at studies and their turn at winning one of these fine days. Hard practice and perseverance will, in the end, make perfect at football, as in other things.

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"You're not goin' down today, o' course!" shouted Brent against the wind.

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He looked discontentedly round him at the sand bar, which produced nothing but bent grass and ground willows. Yet here the new lighthouse was to stand and dominate the shoal, guiding ships to the city's broad harbor behind it. Innes & Norton had the contract of building the light. So for weeks the sand bar had been home to a small army of men. And the squat, white tower was beginning to rise, and the planters' groins were pushing out into the water, to hold the light safe against the fury of the great lake.

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He was a sturdy lad of about fifteen, having that look of passive strength and quiet activity which against the moods of wind and water. Allan, looking toward the buildings together, liked him, as they often see you around the job," he said. "You'd've hall from."

"My name's Dick Bennet," said the boy. "And I live in the city. I—I wish I lived here, like you do."

"Ished!" grunted Brent. "But you seem in love with the lake. And you don't seem to fear much weather."

"We come through most things, the 'Kayoshk,' and I, was the answer, with a touch of pride.

At the door of the engine-house a man met them in a tall man with flapping raincoat, and trouble in his face.

"Mornin', Mr. Innes!" said Allan. "Nasty weather!"

"Bad for me, Allan," said Innes, anxiously. "Merrick's just told me that the launch isn't fit to face the city again this afternoon."

"Well, sir," said Allan, slowly, shaking the wet from his cap. "I say plain that I don't see how ye're there's no one who'd venture out in this."

"I'll be just as plain with you," answered Innes, for the firm. We stand to lose heavily by this job. There's a big bit of work on the upper lakes that we've got to do. I was to sign the contract for it this afternoon. If I don't sign it today, we miss our chance, and it'll go to Smith & Watson. And it's not work we'd lose over this time. Now, d'ye see?"

"Couldn't Mr. Norton sign?" asked Brent, now.

"No, he couldn't," snapped Innes, "because he's in Montreal."

"Oh!" said Brent.

"Ah!" said Allan.

They looked at the raging lake, at the scarcely quieter bay, then they looked at each other, and shook their heads, feebly.

A hand was laid on Innes' sleeve. He spun around, facing Dick Bennet.

"Well," he said sharply.

"I'll take you over, sir," said the lad, quietly.

"Eh?" cried Innes, amazed.

As one man, the three stared at the boy. Anger, impatience, doubt, surprise, showed swiftly on Innes' keen face. But they gave place to hope before Dick Bennet's steady confidence of look and bearing.

"You'll take me over?" he demanded. "You?"

"Yes, sir," said Dick, in his slow way. "I'll take you over, if you'll trust yourself to me."

"What in?" asked Innes.

"The 'Kayoshk,' sir; my mackinac," explained Dick.

Still Innes stared at him, frowning.

"H'll give you over if anyone can, sir!" cried Allan, excitedly. "He's more of a fish or a gull than a boy."

room to pay his respects. The evidence that he was a kind dog was so plain that the judge deciding once that the animal had only bitten the plaintiff in self-defence, and therefore that no damages could be collected.

Pirates, smugglers and others have often found caverns by the sea very convenient shelters. There is, however, no reason why caverns should be met with by the sea; and if the cliffs were always everywhere made of hard rock there would be far fewer caverns. For the caverns are hollowed out by the power of the sea—and terrible that power is; but the very presence of a cave shows that there has been some attack of the waves that has been less able to resist the attack of the waves than the rest of the rock has been. In process of time this weak spot has grown into a cavern, it may be of huge size, the sea working its way inland until the waves have become too weak to do further damage. One curious thing is that some rocks, though harder than others, are more easily broken up and removed, owing to the way in which they are put together, so to speak. As a rule, for instance, is a harder material than sandstone, but since it contains so many joints or cracks it is more readily shattered by the waves. But for this weakness it might not have been possible even for the sea to carve out such a vast and majestic retreat as Fingal's Cave in Staffa's lonely isle.

Mrs. Brown looked around her uneasily.

"Do you know," she said to Mr. Brown, "I'm expecting every minute to hear the doorbell ring, and to be told that Clarence has been in some dreadful mischief."

"What makes you think that?" asked Mr. Brown.

"Oh, he's been so good all day; and this morning he took down one of his lesson books and studied for nearly two hours."

Disheartening attendances at the evening school ambulance classes were most regular. He entered in the spirit of the thing with an enthusiasm and wholeheartedness that was really delightful to witness. But at last his enthusiasm seemed to wane, and he left the ambulance class in disgust.

"Ha, Tomkins!" said his instructor, meeting him one day. "Why did you leave the class? I always looked upon you as a most promising pupil."

"Well," said Tomkins, "nothing ever happens. I've thrown bits of orange and banana skins on the pavement opposite my house, but no accidents occur, so what's the good of going on?"

In the harsh old days when the Scottish church thought dancing was a sin, a pretty country lass was brought before the managers of the kirk she attended, to answer the charge of dancing at a wedding. She was a decent, well-behaved girl, a special favorite of the minister, who was in the chair at the meeting.

"Jessie," asked the minister, "were ye danchin'?"

"Yes, sir," she answered in tears.

"Ye must promise never to dance again, Jessie."

"Yes, sir, I will promise," she said with a curtsy.

"No, Jessie," began a stern-looking elder, "what were ye thinkin' o', when ye were danchin'? Tell the truth."

"Nae ill, sir," was the reply.

"The 'nae ill' woman," cried the delighted minister, "aye dance!"

In the schools in Holland every girl is taught to sew, not what is called "fancy" sewing only, but also plain, common sort. The needlework and embroidery that were required for the ornamentation of the carriage which the Dutch presented to their young Queen Wilhelmina on the occasion of her coronation, she showed with a sorrowful air for a day or two, until the family cat appeared, leading her little kittens out for an airing. The motherly instincts of the hen made her covet the kittens; and she attacked the cat with such vigor that she was glad to escape.

The hen, clucking to the kittens, gathered them under her wings, and gave them such affectionate attention that she won them completely. Although their own mother came to the yard occasionally and gazed on them wistfully from her respectful distance, they paid no attention to her, preferring to follow their feathered stepmother all over the place.

Did it ever occur to you that every boy reader could be a missionary?

An exchange, gives a practical suggestion in the following story.

"That fellow is a missionary," said my friend. Going to the window, I saw a man, with collar off, and coat swung carelessly over his shoulders, crossing the street. Near by stood a boy with an umbrella; for it was thundering and lightning, and the rain was descending in torrents. Small rivers fell from the gutters, and diminutive ponds stood in every depression of the pavement and sidewalks.

The man had stepped across the street, from the corner where he had been waiting for a car, and with his foot had pushed aside a bunch of rubbish that had collected in the gutter and was obstructing the flow of the water.

It was a little thing, and cost only a moment's effort; but it was backed by a great principle. As far as he knew, no one witnessed his deed who would interpret the motive in it. His name will never appear in the newspapers; the city council will not extend to him a vote of thanks for his benevolent act; but the lad who stood there with the umbrella saw it, reflected a moment, seemed to catch the man's stooping down, removed a big stick that lay in the way of the stream.

That man may never do anything great; yet if each day as he goes about his work, he performs these little thoughtful acts, the benefit of which may reach to one, or two, or a whole community.

A dog recently testified in a court at Prague, Bohemia, in a way that satisfied everybody except the beaten plaintiff, Emanuel Dastych, who having been bitten at night by the dog, had brought suit damages from him for keeping a vicious dog.

The defence was that the dog was not vicious, but had merely done his duty as a good watch-dog. Herr Deuk, a veterinary surgeon, showed the court and spectators that the dog was a good-tempered animal, for though he teased the dog in every possible way, it did not get angry, but finally, to escape further teasing, hid under a bench.

The attorney for Dastych claimed that the reason the dog was so quiet was that its master was in the room. Then, at the request of the judge, Herr Weinberger went out. The dog did not seem to notice the absence of its owner, and then the judge called him. He trotted up to the bench and gave the judge a paw, and then went to several other persons in the

Aim High  
Alm high!  
Watch the target with an eye  
Steady as the eagle's glance;  
Fit your arrow, let it fly,  
Fear no failure, no mischance!  
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Aim high!  
Though your arrows hurtle by,  
Miss the target, sail below,  
Pick them up, once more to try,  
Arms a-tingle, eyes aglow!  
Aim high!  
Aim high!  
Learn to laugh and cease to sigh,  
Learn to hide your deep chagrin;  
Life's a test at any hour,  
Where the true of heart will win!  
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# Inspiring Values for Monday's Shoppers

For to start the week going we have selected a few very enticing bargains from the various departments which will arouse the keenest interest of all economical persons. Especially is this true of the Shoe Department which gives every mother an excellent opportunity to save on little tot's footwear. Then too the Housefurnishing Dept. is well to the front which will enable all those wishing to brighten up the home during their Spring cleaning to do so at a very small expenditure compared with goods of the same quality at any other time. Come tomorrow and inspect these splendid bargains.

## Many Pleasing Pieces of Furniture Are to be Had Cheap at Our February Sale

Take Elevator to Third Floor

Our February Furniture Sale which is still going along offers many pieces of high grade furniture at substantial saving prices, and it only needs a visit from you to our furniture department, third floor, to convince you of the many savings that can be made at this sale. Furniture of every noteworthy period is to be seen here in pleasing array. All of the very best quality in its particular class, and we suggest that should you be contemplating purchasing furniture to partly furnish or furnish complete that you will find that you cannot do better than purchase while these opportunities are afforded. Take elevator to third floor.

## Our Mail Order Service Ensures Every Satisfaction and Promptitude

Out-of-Town Residents Please Note!

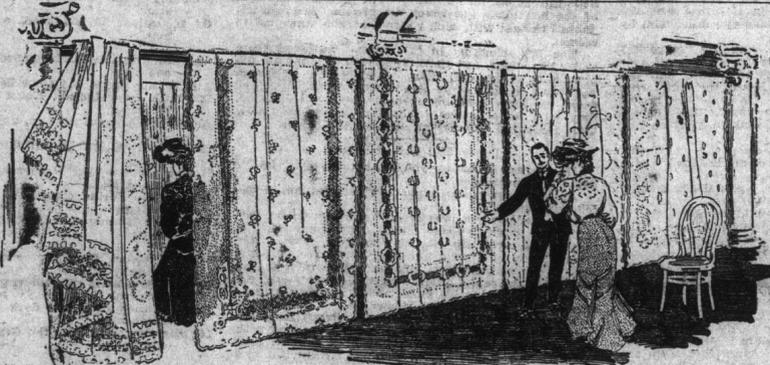
Our mail-order service meets with the requirements of all out-of-town residents. No worry or inconvenience when doing your shopping in this manner at this store. All orders are promptly looked after and shipped with the utmost care. An order from you will convince you of the fair and courteous treatment received at our hands. A trained staff of mail-order assistants does your shopping with the same preciseness and care as if you were attending personally.

## Our New Spring and Summer Catalogue is Free for the Asking

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and will be mailed to you without delay upon receipt of your name and address. You will find it a most interesting book on the latest tendencies of the fashion world, showing the most up-to-date styles in Millinery Costumes, Men's Ready-to-wear Apparel, besides containing a splendid list of daily needs in Staple Articles, Housewares, Stoves, etc. It is well worth the trouble of writing for, so do so today.

See Broad St. Window Display



## Timely Offering on Fine Nottingham Lace Curtains

Positively the best values we have ever offered in a sale are these. Home-Furnishers with half an eye will readily see their worth and buy quickly. They are in a large range of very pretty floral and conventional designs.

NOTTINGHAM CURTAINS—Regular price \$1.50. Sale price ..... <b>90c</b>	NOTTINGHAM CURTAINS—Regular price \$4.50. Sale price ..... <b>\$3.90</b>
NOTTINGHAM CURTAINS—Regular price \$2.00. Sale price ..... <b>\$1.65</b>	NOTTINGHAM CURTAINS—Regular price \$4.75. Sale price ..... <b>\$3.90</b>
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Many Excellent Bargains Are to be Had in the Staple Department

## The Undoubted King of Go-Cartdom

**\$8.75**

Our Automatic Collapsible Go-Cart  
Regular Values \$11.25  
Monday at

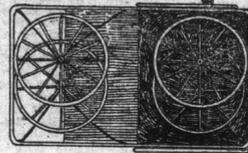
**\$8.75**



This is a very unusual bargain. These Collapsible Go-Carts are famous for quality, originality and simplicity, and are the most convenient Go-Cart on the market. They are so constructed as to allow the child to lay flat or sit upright. The collapsible and opening of this little vehicle is a most interesting one. By a forward operation of the handle bars the entire Go-cart goes into a complete package measuring 6 x 25 x 17 1/2 inches and by an upward operation the whole cart flies back into place, doing the whole thing in one movement. It can be taken anywhere, being carried like a valise. It has leatherette extension from end of seat to forward end of frame, making a full length bed when relieved. The frame is all steel, with steel tubing handles and finished in dark enamel, upholstered in leatherette in colors of blue, green, and maroon.

is of perfect construction throughout, and the simplicity and perfect operation being the results of a life-time study to the comforts of the little ones, at the same time making a go-cart that will fold as no other will, into the simplest compass known. The regular price was \$11.25. Special for Monday.....

The accompanying illustration shows it folded and upright, ready for use.



FOLDED, Size 6x25x17 1/2 inches.

**\$8.75**

## Special Bargains Monday in Ladies' Flannelette Night Dresses

Reg. \$1.35 to \$2.00. Special Monday 75c

Monday we are making a special clearance of Ladies' White Flannelette Nightgowns. These are of good heavy quality, nicely made in different sizes. Regular values \$1.35 to \$2.00. Special Monday, each..... **75c**

## Monday for Carpet Square Bargains

We want to emphasize the fact that a great saving can be made by purchasing Carpet Squares now, as every square in our stock has been marked at prices that mean dollars saved for the buyer. For Monday the prices are as follows:

BRUSSELS SQUARE, size 9 ft. x 7 ft. 6 in. Regular price \$10.50 and \$12.00. Sale price \$8.40 and..... <b>\$9.60</b>
BRUSSELS SQUARE, 9 ft. x 9 ft. Regular price \$16.80 and \$18.50. Sale price \$13.45 and..... <b>\$14.75</b>
BRUSSELS SQUARE, 9 ft. x 10 ft. 6 in. Regular price \$18.50 and \$21.00. Sale price \$14.75 and..... <b>\$16.80</b>
BRUSSELS SQUARE, size 9 ft. x 12 ft. Regular price \$21.50 and \$24.50. Sale price \$17.20 and..... <b>\$19.60</b>
BRUSSELS SQUARE, size 11 ft. 3 in. x 12 ft. Regular price \$27.50 to \$30.00. Sale price \$22.00 and..... <b>\$24.00</b>
BRUSSELS SQUARES, size 11 ft. 3 in. x 13 ft. 6 in. Regular price \$31.50 and \$35.00. Sale price \$25.20 and..... <b>\$28.00</b>
AXMINSTER SQUARE, size 9 ft. x 7 ft. 6 in. Regular price \$30.00. Sale price..... <b>\$24.00</b>
AXMINSTER SQUARE, size 9 ft. x 9 ft. Regular price \$21.00 and \$36.00. Sale price \$17.80 and..... <b>\$28.80</b>
AXMINSTER SQUARES, 9 ft. x 10 ft. 6 in. Regular price \$24.50 and \$42.50. Sale price \$19.60 and..... <b>\$34.00</b>
AXMINSTER SQUARES, 9 ft. x 12 ft. Regular price \$28.00 and \$48.00. Sale price \$22.40 and..... <b>\$38.40</b>
AXMINSTER SQUARES, 10 ft. 6 in. x 12 ft. Regular price \$56.00. Sale price..... <b>\$44.80</b>
AXMINSTER SQUARES, 10 ft. 6 in. x 13 ft. 6 in. Regular price \$57.50. Sale price..... <b>\$46.00</b>
ENGLISH VELVET SQUARES, size 9 ft. x 9 ft. Regular price \$21.00. Sale price..... <b>\$17.80</b>
ENGLISH VELVET SQUARES, size 9 ft. x 10 ft. 6 in. Regular price \$24.00. Sale price..... <b>\$19.20</b>
ENGLISH VELVET SQUARES, size 9 ft. x 12 ft. Regular price \$27.50. Sale price..... <b>\$22.00</b>
WILTON SQUARES, size 9 ft. x 9 ft. Regular price \$28.75. Sale price..... <b>\$23.10</b>
WILTON SQUARES, size 9 ft. x 10 ft. 6 in. Regular price \$32.50 and \$37.50. Sale price \$26.00 and..... <b>\$30.00</b>
WILTON SQUARES, size 9 ft. x 12 ft. Regular price \$37.50 and \$42.50. Sale price \$30.00 and..... <b>\$34.00</b>

## Monday is Going to be Children's Day in the Shoe Department



Children's Lace Boots.  
Reg. Values \$1.25, \$1.50  
\$1.75. Your Choice on  
Monday at

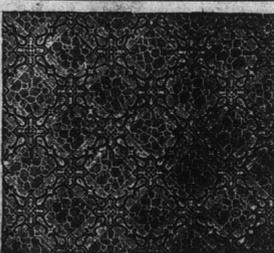
**90c**



Monday we place on special sale a varied assortment of Boots for the little ones. These are in sizes from 2 to 10 1-2 and include Children's Box Calf Lace Boots, Children's Kid Lace Boots, Children's Patent Kid Boots and Children's Kid Lace Boots, patent foxed. Every mother who wishes to solve the important question of supplying their little ones' needs in good footwear will be here Monday. Regular values were \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75. Your choice Monday..... **90c**

## Special Value in Linoleums on Monday

Regular 50c Values for 35c



Monday offers splendid values in Linoleums. These are in a large number of printed designs and are exceptionally good quality. A most timely offering too, just at house cleaning time, when you are contemplating brightening up the kitchen, etc. Regular values were 50c. Special Monday..... **35c**

## Brilliant Effects in Novelty Robes at Moderate Prices

The stock of beautiful novelty robes which we have on hand is simply dazzling in the extreme in unusual variety of fascinating styles, in fact they cannot be described in a word, each being different, distinctive, almost illusive, in their beauty, effects that the world's most renowned and cleverest designers have evolved out of their inner consciousness withal moderately priced.

## Pretty Ladies' Evening Gowns for the Empress Ball

The showing of Evening Coats which are to be seen on the second floor is indeed charming. An evening coat is a necessary part of every lady's wardrobe, there are so many times when they can be worn going to the theatre or social affair. These are all correct new models suitable for all social functions of the year. Any lady with a leaning towards beauty cannot help but comment on the loveliness of these garments. The most elegant and refined of expressions of artistic designing are richly represented in this array. The materials they are made of are fine broadcloth, Venetians in creams, light greys, fawns, biscuit, mauve and light tan lined with fine quality silk and satin beautifully trimmed with silk braid and fancy gimp, new kimona sleeves, coats in 7-8 lengths, at prices ranging from \$90.00 to..... **\$60**



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Ambassador Reid Situation at B Pilgrim

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New York, Feb. 19. utterances tonight of American ambassador who sees in the future of the ties that bind to the nation to which ed, and a vanishing of war bugaboos, aroused the United States to enthusiasm at Delmo hall. Just returned fr and about to sail for bassador Reid, who was chosen and delivered a deliberation, took on that strongly moved the lines whose aroused ridiculed the suggestion tween the United Sta was within the range of the ambassador's depart prepared speech to ad the knowledge and ad cers of the diplomat tands, there is absolut it."

The ambassador en mutual interests of Gre the United States, and that there was a British-Japanese treaty with a still closer un tween this and the m Toasts to the preside ed States and to the k were offered. British Bryce, who is in Canada bered in a toast to a Response for him was Howard, councillor of t bassy.

Mr. H. Choate, form to England, presided. Much of the fun of the furnished by Mark Tw mens said that was a congress was about the gold coinage the word "Trust." He continued: we would get into diffi those words, and the trouble came. The pr whole nation went do when we ceased to tru conspicuous and well. If Pierpont Morgan h in just them— Now resumed our tribute to discharge Mr. Morgan's office of honor."

Messages from Pres Vice-President Fairban Root and Governor Luv Ambassador Reid sa "The work of this so London twin is the sar work worthy the great with invoked. The old whose title you serve foundations of a larg better civilization. You, Pilgrims of to with your colleagues land for the same great harmonious relations, and progress of the English-speaking pe carry liberty and adva around the world.

"You probably know still the assurance will come, that everything between the two countries steadily as you would arbitrate the oldest outstanding sou between the two countr a century and a qu course of peaceful ac spite of the late ac conference of colonial p there was nothing in th tion that could properly arbitration, the propos of the United agreed to refer our diffe to The Hague tribunal. "In thus dwelling on and cordial relations, I ting the nonsense you I the sensational press gations of Great Brit Japan in war against States. If all that igno ish talk were not mi might dismiss it as me of yellow moonshine. is no war, and not the probability of war with more than there is of v via or Thibet or with Patagonia. We have e think the Japanese are friends as we are their not, there is one thing sure about—they certin fools, and you have to tirely without common you can imagine the seeking war with a friendly nation half w globe, absolutely witho or a motive.

"And, secondly, the Great Britain and Jap vides that in case of Japan's recognized terr the East, Great Britain her. Now what grown a lunatic asylum crea a hunger for more lan going to cross the Pacif rob one of our side friends in the Farthe land we introduced to world, and to which we to be useful in helping late lamentable strug You are right, no doub sensational press for policy to make halfpen and spreading the mis But I beg of you to be still more that section of people, inconsiderable I must think inconsider bers, who appear still