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THE ADVERTISER,
London, Ont.

Births, Marriages, Deaths

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

MARRIED.

GRAY-SMITH—On Jan. 2, 1899, by the Rev. Robt. Johnston, at 780 Eliza street, the residence of Mr. Arthur, brother-in-law of the bride, David Gray, youngest son of the late Sergeant-Major Gray, R. C. R., to Annie, youngest daughter of Wm. Smith, Esq.

PRICE-MANLEY—On Dec. 31, 1898, at St. John the Evangelist Church, by the Rev. W. T. Hill, Ernest H. Price to Ada G. Manley, both of this city.

DIED.

WILSON—On Jan. 3, Edward Norman, only and beloved child of J. Fred and Ada Wilson, aged 9 months and 10 days.

PRITCHETT—In this city, on Jan. 4, 1899, Edward Adams Pritchett, aged 18 years and 9 months.

Funeral from his father's residence, 29 Byron avenue, on Friday, Jan. 6, at 3 p.m. Service at 2:30. Friends please accept this intimation.

HENDERSON—At Chatham, Ont., on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1899, Alexander J. G. Henderson, formerly of this city.

Funeral from the G. T. R. Station here, on Thursday, Jan. 5, 1899, on arrival of 4:30 p.m. train.

HAWTHORNE—In this city, on Jan. 4, 1899, Joseph Hawthorne, late of Kettering, Northamptonshire, England, aged 74 years and 10 months.

Funeral will take place on Friday, from his late residence, 692 Oxford street, at 3 p.m. Services at 2:30 p.m.

Amusements and Lectures

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

MATINEE TODAY AND TONIGHT
"The Darktown Swells."
Popular prices, Matinee—15c, 25c. Night—15c, 25c, 35c, 50c. Seats now on sale.

Grand Opera House.

FRIDAY, JAN. 6.
The "laughiest" of all farcical comedies—
"THE GIRL FROM CHIL"
(By Wm. L. Roberts).

A wholesome story, amusingly told, in a series of seemingly anti-social situations. Wit sparkling in every line. Presented by a company of supreme merit. Prices, 25c, 50c, 75c.

BEVERIDGE CARNIVAL (EX-METROPS).

Jan. 6, Jubilee Ring. Nine valuable prizes.

JUBILEE RINK-HOCKEY MATCH

postponed until the 11th of January. Skating as usual tonight.

AUDITORIUM—POPULAR CONCERT

Courtesy, Sunday, Jan. 5, Col. Copeland, "Seeing the Elephant." Plan now open.

ALLAN LINE—NEW FOLDERS OUT IN

a few days, giving sailings for entire winter season. Parisian sails from St. John, Jan. 1, Halifax, Jan. 3. Fastest new steamship, Castilian, largest ship on the Canadian route, will sail in February. F. B. Clarke, Richmond street, next Advertiser.

VOICE CULTURE.

EVA N. ROBLYN.
Studio, Bell Piano Parlor. Residence, No. 320 Dundas street. Concert engagements. Telephone 1770.

DANCING CLASSES WILL RESUME

this week, as follows: Tuesday evening, ladies; Wednesday evening, advanced; Thursday evening, gentlemen; Friday evening, Glencoe; Saturday afternoon, children; Monday, Jan. 9, gentlemen's primary. Dayton & McCormick.

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING

Rapid teaching; low rates. All who desire a thorough knowledge of the art of dancing should avail themselves of this opportunity. Lessons any hour. R. H. Millard, teacher of dancing, 346 Princess avenue.

Meetings.

THE EAST MIDDLESEX FARMERS'
Institute will meet at Liddon, on Friday, Jan. 13, and at Lambeth, on Saturday, Jan. 14, afternoon and evening sessions. Addresses will be given by Messrs. Simpson, Rennie, Milliken, Postoffice, Duncan C. Anderson, Rugby Postoffice, and other local speakers. All are welcome. A. M. Munro, Sec.

I. O. O. F.—DOMINION LODGE, NO. 48,

meets every Wednesday evening. Visitors always welcome. Geo. E. Logan, N.G.; Thos. D. Hastings, R.S.

A REGULAR MEETING OF ST. GEORGE'S

will be held on the 4th inst., 7:30 p.m., in the blue room. Conferring sessions. Visitors welcome. M. W. Althouse, Wor. Master; A. Ellis, P. M.; Secretary.

MEETING OF WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN

Association, at the "Y" rooms, Dundas street, on Thursday, 5th inst., at 3 p.m.

You'll Not Feel Cold

If you are on the inside of one of those fine heavy overcoats we are making. Large assortment of cloth to select from at prices that are right.

DEEKS & CO.,

Merchant Tailors.
393 Richmond Street.

Begin It and Be In It

Start the new year well. That is start trading with us for your footwear, and reap the benefit of cash trading. Why squander your money in a credit shoe shop, when you know that you are paying some "dead beats" debts, in the long price that is being charged you? You owe it to yourself to get your money's worth, and if you have doubts about the advantages we, and we alone in London can offer you in this respect, bury them, and try us once.

J. P. Cook
173 Dundas Street.

Male Help Wanted.

WANTED—BUTCHER, GOOD STRAID
man; continual employment. E. Bourne & Son, 423 Hamilton road. 32c & w.

YOUNG MEN, OUR ILLUSTRATED CAT-
ALOGUE explains how we teach the bar trade in eight weeks and pay commission from start, also guarantee positions at \$15 weekly when competent. We furnish transportation to our colleges at Chicago or Cincinnati, where we have splendid facilities, positions for 300. Write for catalogue. Moler Barber College Representative, Detroit. 32c

MERCHANTS EMPLOYMENT BUREAU.
834 Richmond street. Stationary engineer, salesman, laborers, teamster, general servants, cooks, housemaids.

WANTED—WRITERS TO DO COPYING
at home. Law College, Lima, Ont. 30c

WANTED—ONE CITY CANNASSER
to take orders from private individuals, either for cash or on credit; must be a good salesman; no other need apply. 238 Dundas street, city.

Female Help Wanted

GIRLS WANTED—LONDON STRAM
Laundry, 234 Dundas street. 33c

Agents Wanted.

AGENTS WANTED—WE WANT LIVE
agents everywhere. No trouble selling our high-grade nursery stock and seed potatoes. Write us before anyone else does. It will pay you. Blackford & Co., Nurserymen, Toronto. 25c

Lost and Found.

LOST—FRIDAY—TWO NATIONAL RE-
GISTERED dogs, between London Junction and Oxford street. Reward at Advertiser. 33c

STRAYED—ONTO THE PREMISES OF
Richard Whetter, Westminster, aged bay mare. Owner can have same by paying expenses. 33c

LOST—TUESDAY EVENING, MINK
ruff, between Threasa street and 77 Askin street. Please return to Advertiser. 33c

LOST—ON MONDAY AFTERNOON, A
gold brooch with black enamel with a small emerald. Finder rewarded by returning to this office. 32c

LOST—BLACK ROBE, SUNDAY NIGHT—
Finder rewarded at 19 York street. 25c

Real Estate.

FOR SALE—HOUSE AND LOT NO. 11
Lester street, cheap, \$700. Apply on premises. 33c

Articles For Sale.

MINING STOCK—
5,000 Cracker Jack, make offer. 1,000 Minnehaha, call. J. F. SANDEY, 408 Richmond street.

LARGE ASSORTMENT OF SCRIB-
BLERS, exercise books, copy books, readers and other school supplies, at Cunningham's, 778 Dundas street, East London.

FOR SALE—ONE SLIGHTLY USED UP
HIGHT metronome piano, 73 octaves, only \$200, and one Thomas organ, slightly used, \$35. Easy terms. Heintzman & Co., 217 Dundas street.

Genuine POCAHONTAS COAL FOR
kitchen ranges and furnaces. Bowman & Co. now handle this coal in addition to the world-famed Scranton. Prompt delivery for all orders at R. B. Clarke's, Richmond street, next Advertiser. Bowman & Co. 25c

EXPRESS MONEY ORDERS ON ALL
parts of the world. Surest way to remit money. F. B. Clarke, Richmond street, next Advertiser. 25c

STOCK-TAKING SALE—SOME PRICES
about 6 in two for one week only. Keene Bros. Cash Bargain Furniture Store, 127 King street.

FIRST-CLASS WOOD—HARD AND SOFT—
stave lengths or cordwood. Prompt delivery to any part of the city. Prices reasonable. Phone 1,312. S. Gilles & Son, Sawmill, East London.

JEWELRY REMOUNTED AND OLD
jewelry made up to date at small expense. J. T. Westland, 340 Richmond street, up stairs.

FOR SALE—PO. KET KNIVES, DOOR
keys. Sewing machines repaired at lowest prices. D. McKenzie & Co., 314 Richmond street.

ELECTRIC BELLS KEPT IN PERMANENT
order. Only 50c per year. R. M. Millar, 434 Talbot street. 25c

PORK SAUSAGE AND BOLOGNA, FOUR
pounds 25c; smoked ham and bacon, 10c; pickled bacon, 8c; shoulders, 6c; long clears, 8c; at Park's, corner Market Lane.

BEST HARD COAL AND WOOD DE-
LIVERED IN all parts of the city. W. G. Endley, 771 Dundas street. Phone 1,134.

KENNER'S MASONIC TEMPLE, IS THE
cheapest place to buy stoves or furniture. Large stock on hand.

Houses, Etc., To Let.

TO LET—GOOD BRICK AND FRAME
stable. Inquire A. N. Uby, over C. P. R. ticket office. Phone 733.

TO LET—NO. 427 KING STREET—APPLY
at 383 King street. 95c

TO LET—BRICK HOUSE—FOUR BED-
ROOMS, parlor, dining-room, kitchen and basement. Apply 128 Queen's avenue. 95c

TO LET—COVERED MOVING VANS—
When moving have your furniture and pianos carefully moved. Address W. Carling street. Phone 1,182 and 1,187.

Wanted.

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

Swedish Massage.

MISS MILLAR, 340 PRINCES AVENUE
is a Swedish therapeutic massage, graduate of the Hugo Oldenburg Institute, Chicago.

The Plan for Young Men.

Assuming you are 30 years of age, a policy of \$10,000 will cost \$237 each year for thirty years. At the end of twenty years your accumulated dividends are expected to pay the next ten premiums and yield you a cash return each year of \$208 for ten years. At the end of that period you may withdraw in cash the last ten years' dividends estimated at \$1,250, and thereafter receive an annual income for life (guaranteed) of \$400. At your death the full \$10,000 is payable. Make a calculation and see what a magnificent investment this is.

The Ontario Mutual Life.
C. E. GERMAN, General Agent.

Domestics Wanted.

WANTED—NURSE GIRL, FROM 9 a.m.
to 7 p.m., to take charge of one child. Apply 800 Princess avenue. 33c

WANTED—GOOD COOK—GOOD WAGES
\$500. Apply Mrs. Regan, 234 Central avenue. 32c

WANTED—GOOD GENERAL SERVANT.
Small family. Mrs. Luscombe, 430 William street. 32c

Religious Services

WEEK OF PRAYER—TONIGHT SER-
VICE in every church. Preachers exhorting as follows: Revs. R. Johnston and P. Edgar, Revs. Dr. Smith and W. J. Clark, Revs. J. Smith and A. J. MacGillivray, Revs. C. Boone and G. Jackson, Rev. Dr. Saunders and T. Wilson, Revs. T. S. Johnson and Mr. Sinclair, Revs. J. Falls and W. H. Clark, Hikes, W. Moffat and Joseph Edges, Revs. Walker, Hobbs and Stuart. Subject, "The Nations." Collection.

Educational.

LONDON BUSINESS UNIVERSITY RE-
OPENS on Tuesday, Jan. 3, and evening classes will be resumed on Wednesday, Jan. 4. Large additions are assured in both the regular commercial and shorthand and typewriting departments. Charges are very moderate and instruction very thorough and practical. For information call at the College, Higgins Block, 210 Dundas street, or address W. N. Yerex, B.C., principal. 28c

THE HARDING HALL GIRLS' SCHOOL

LIMITED.
will be opened for pupils Jan. 4, 1899. Kindergarten branch was started Dec. 7, at room in Conservatory of Music building, Dundas street. For calendars and other information apply to Mrs. J. E. Wells, 661 Talbot street, London.

A BIG BLAZE AT WEST LORNE

Many of the Business Houses in East London, Jan. 4.—Fire broke out about 4 a.m. yesterday in a barber shop and consumed a large portion of the business houses on the west side of Main street. P. Sinclair's millinery shop, Skinner Bros. drygoods store, E. R. Mogg's store, Keifer's bakery and dwelling, Baldwin's barber shop, Zimmerman's barber shop, and Miss A. Gillies' dressmaking shop were totally destroyed.

The Elgin Hotel, Argyll House, Mack's furniture store, and Westcott's hardware stores were damaged by fire and water. For a time the whole village seemed doomed to destruction. The heaviest losses were: E. R. Mogg's store \$30,000, stock, \$1,800; Skinner Bros., on building and stock, \$6,000; Mrs. Sinclair, millinery, \$300; J. Keifer, bakery, \$700; W. Mack, stock, \$700. Messrs. Baldwin and Zimmerman also lost considerable. Mogg's and Skinner had their loss partially covered by insurance.

The heat was so intense that the large front windows of Hales' butcher shop were broken by it, and only the splendid efforts of the fire brigade kept the fire from crossing the street and sweeping the other business portions of the town.

Springfield, Jan. 4.—Sunday night, about 6 o'clock, the outbuildings of James Johnson, con. 9, consisting of two large barns, connected by an extensive shed, were entirely consumed by fire. Mr. Johnson and wife were doing the chores. In getting down from the loft one of the little ones threw the lantern from a beam and it exploded, setting fire to the place. The barn was released, but all the implements and fodder burned. Mr. Johnson's father, a man over 90 years of age, in attempting to go through the pig-pen was overcome by the heat and seriously burned. Much sympathy is expressed for Mr. Johnson who had recently rebuilt and had not yet insured.

COX'S CLOSE CALL

His Skates Melted by Electricity and He Was Shocked.

Hamilton, Times, Jan. 3.—Mr. Jas. Cox, letter carrier, had a close call yesterday afternoon, while returning from the bay, where he had been skating. He was standing on the rear platform, and his skates got behind the covering of the controller box. Sudden he felt as if a thousand needles were in his hand, he says, and in an instant his skates were melted away and the car was stopped. On looking at his hand he saw the metal eyelets of his glove had been melted and his wrist slightly burned. He soon got over the shock.

The fuse in the car was burned out and the traffic was delayed for a time.

Mr. Cox thinks the glove he wore saved his life.

Kolander Skin Food, a pleasant toilet preparation.

Great Liberal Rally.

Premier Laurier Makes Important Statements at Montreal.

A Plan for the Reform of the Senate.
A Joint Vote in the Case of Conflict with the Commons.
Mr. Fielding Announces a Magnificent Surplus.

For the Last Fiscal Year—Nearly \$2,000,000 to the Good—The Revenues Expanding—Mr. Tarte Also Speaks.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—A big and enthusiastic Liberal rally was held in the Monument National last night. It was organized by the Club Nationale to celebrate the Liberal victories in recent by-elections, and resolved itself into a farewell demonstration towards Sir Wilfrid Laurier on the eve of his departure for Washington. The immense hall was crowded, and though the speaking was not over until 11:30 few left before that time. The chair was occupied by Mr. J. A. Drury, the president of the club.

A DISTINGUISHED GATHERING.
Among those on the platform were: Sir Henri Joly, Hon. J. Israel Tarte, Premier Marchand, Hon. W. S. Fielding, Hon. Sidney Fisher, Hon. C. A. Geofront, Hon. Thos. Duffy, Mayor Prefontaine, Messrs. M. T. Stinson, E. Goff, Penny, M.P., T. Fortin, M.P., Dr. Cotton, M.P., Hon. Mr. Peridun, R. Bickerdike, M.P., Hon. Horace Archambault, Chevalier Dray, W. A. Weir, M.P., A. Brunet, M.P., R. Le-mieux, M.P., M. E. Bernier, M.P., and a large number of ladies. The entrance of Sir Wilfrid Laurier was the signal for a grand outburst of cheering, which lasted several minutes.

Mr. E. Goff Penny, M.P., for this division, the first speaker, referred briefly to the efforts which Sir Wilfrid and his colleagues are making to extend our trade with the United States. Mr. March, the new M.P. for Bagot, was warmly applauded, but excused himself from speaking at length, on the ground that he had just made his debut in politics.

THE PREMIER.
Sir Wilfrid Laurier met with a perfect ovation on rising. He spoke of the reforms which his government had carried out during the two years of its term, and then turned to the Manitoba school question, the inauguration of the preferential tariff, the reduction in postage, the extension of the Intercolonial, the attempt to capture the Yukon trade by the Stikine Railway, etc. With regard to this last point, he showed that the government's effort had been blocked by the action of the senate. "There are other reforms still," he said, "but I want to come to those which we have not been able to complete. We tried to extend the Intercolonial to Montreal, and if there was ever a necessary measure demanded by the highest policy it was that. The idea that the Intercolonial should have a terminus in the open country had been remarked, even under the Conservative regime. I need not tell you men of business that nowadays, if a man does not go for business, business will not come to look for him. It was necessary under the circumstances that the Intercolonial Railway should come to Montreal. A bill for that purpose was introduced and passed in the House of Commons. It was defeated in the senate. Last year we introduced a measure to build a road from Stikine to Teslin. Gentlemen, we have a rich and fertile country, but we did not know the extent of our riches at the time. We have since learned that we did not know that under the snows and the ice of the land of the midnight sun there were deposits of gold greater than those of Australia and California. Until the gold discoveries in the Yukon it had been imagined that gold was to be found in sunny countries only. It was indispensable to have a line of communication with the Klondike. We presented a measure, of which the wisdom must be apparent to every man who thinks; we proposed measures by which to give us that railway, and that railway would not have cost a single cent to the Canadian taxpayer. Our policy was that the Yukon should be built last winter we should now be in a position to have extended it to the Yukon, and we would have had a line of railway to the Yukon River, and controlled the whole commerce of that country."

REFORM OF THE SENATE.
But, thanks to the senseless action of the senate, you merchants of Montreal have lost the trade of the Yukon, which is now handled at Seattle and other United States ports on the Pacific coast. What shall we do with the senate? (A voice—Abolish it.) What has to be done with the senate is to reform it. (Cheers.) The time has come when we must occupy ourselves with that question of the reform of the senate. Gentlemen, I heard someone say that we should suppress the senate. It is not my opinion. I am in favor of suppressing the senate. I am in favor of a double legislature in a country like ours. If I was like my friend, Mr. Marchand, prime minister of the Province of Quebec, I should be, like him, in favor of the abolition of the legislative council, but there is a great difference between the Province of Quebec and the confederation of seven provinces, which forms the Dominion of Canada. In a country of different elements and interests like ours, where so many interests are at stake, where so many passions may come into conflict, I think a second chamber is a necessary safeguard. I am much less of a radical now than I was when I was a young man. Formerly I was for the abolition of the senate, but as I grow older and learn more of the coun-

try my radical ideas have become modified. I do not say that I am a Bleu (laughter)—but I have acquired conservative ideas in the broadest sense of the word, and I believe that we should not suppress, but reform, the senate. The reason I think the senate should be reformed is that it is an irresponsible body and an irresponsible body under our constitution is a complete anomaly. In England there is no irresponsible body. The sovereign is not irresponsible. The House of Lords is not irresponsible. The power of the sovereign is limited, because the House of Commons has the right to refuse supplies. Frequently in history the House of Commons has refused grants of money in order to bring the sovereign to respect the popular will. The power of the House of Commons is limited by the people. If it is disposed to act arbitrarily or to override popular rights, the sovereign can dissolve it. The House of Lords is not absolute, because the sovereign has always the right to increase the number of its members. In 1832, when the great reform bill was passed and rotten boroughs were abolished, the House of Lords cast out the bill which was first sent to them. On its being presented the second time, they were about to repeat their action, when they learned that the sovereign had decided to appoint a sufficient majority, and the House of Lords gave in. (Cheers.)

THE SENATE'S POSITION.
But what the House of Lords could not do, the Senate of Canada has done. The Senate of Canada, as constituted, can ignore all the bodies in the state, and cannot be obliged to submit to the popular will except by compulsion, and we want no revolution in this country. Our only course, then, is to reform the senate by limiting its powers and subverting it to some control. Now, what will this control be? It is a question of the greatest delicacy and difficulty. Shall we make the senate elective? I am not in favor of that system. We have but one electoral body in the country, and it is represented by the House of Commons. An elective senate would simply mean the doubling of the power of the electoral body. The reform we could make would be to limit the number of its members, to limit its term, and to limit its powers. The reform we propose is this: When there is a conflict between the senate and the popular house, then there should be a joint vote, and that, gentlemen, is carry. (Cheers.) That, gentlemen, is the reform that we have to propose to the people of Canada. When that question has received sufficient attention from the electorate, the electorate will see its wisdom and moderation. I wish to govern this as a constitutional state that all the bodies of the state shall be subjected to the control of the electorate; that there shall be nobody in the state that shall be above the law, and beyond the control of the popular will. The majority are sometimes mistaken, but when an appeal is made to the common sense, the sanity of the people, and the equity of the people at large, I have confidence that people at large, I have confidence that justice, equity and common sense will prevail in the end.

NEGOTIATIONS AT WASHINGTON.
It is my intention to leave commercial matters largely to be dealt with by other speakers, but you desire, no doubt, to hear a word about the negotiations at Washington. On that point I cannot give you much information, but let me tell you what the United States have not been such as they ought to have been. I am a patriot, I love my country; but I have never believed that to be a patriot, to love one's country, one should have an ardent admiration for our neighbors. I believe the American people are one of the great, one of the greatest nations of the earth, and I do not see why between two such peoples there should not be enough cordial understanding to enable them to act fairly by each other. We have gone to Washington to settle the difficulties between ourselves and our neighbors. We shall settle them, as the English say, by giving and taking. Treaties cannot be made without mutual concessions, but I believe when I shall return, whatever I have obtained, I shall have sacrificed nothing of the dignity of our country. (Loud cheers.) I have but one word to add, and let me address it to the young people of the Club Nationale. The interests they have to defend are so great, so lofty, that they should never descend to the petty quarrels by which the politics of our country can be brought into disgrace. Let their hearts be above all considerations of persons. Let them be patriotic to think to search out the defects of this one or that one with the aid of the microscope. Let them get to work and let their sole thought be the development of the future and the prosperity of our common country. (Cheers.)

MR. FIELDING'S ANNOUNCEMENT.
Hon. W. S. Fielding, minister of finance, announced that the accounts for the year had just been audited, and he was glad to say the surplus was even larger than expected. (Cheers.) The revenue for the fiscal year ending June 30 was \$40,555,238.03; and the surplus was \$1,722,712.33. (Cheers.) This was the first time in Canada's history that the revenue exceeded \$40,000,000. "I am glad to say that in the six months of the present year we are better off as between revenue and expenditure—(cheers)—than last year by \$2,556,000." (Cheers.) Mr. Fielding further pointed out that the surplus was brought about by expansion of trade, and not by increasing taxation.

MR. MARCHAND.
Hon. F. G. Marchand congratulated the Federal Government on its good showing, and wished Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his colleagues all success at Washington.

HON. J. I. TARTE.
Hon. J. Israel Tarte was loudly cheered when he stepped to the front to speak. He vigorously defended himself from the attacks of the Mail

and Empire and other Conservative papers, and pointed out how they were trying to rouse racial and religious prejudices against the leaders of the Liberal party. Referring to the Parry Sound route, he said that he was now negotiating with the Grand Trunk Railway for the improvement of the line from Collingwood to Toronto, so as to bring by the St. Lawrence as much as possible of the traffic now going to American ports.

Mr. M. E. Bernier, M.P., Hon. Sidney Fisher and others also delivered stirring addresses, and the meeting broke up with hearty cheers for Sir Wilfrid.

NEWS IN A NUTSHELL

Detroit dealers have commenced to "harvest" ice.

The United States Congress resumes its sitting today.

St. Catharines voted Monday to abolish the ward system.

Judge Doran, of the Nipissing district, died at North Bay.

Easter eggs in Vancouver have the very rare pleasure of sleighing at present.

Rudyard Kipling, with his wife and family, will leave for America on Jan. 15.

HELP FOR THE HELPLESS

Donations to Mount Hope Orphanage Gratefully Acknowledged.

The following communication from the Sisters of Mount Hope Orphanage fully explains itself:

Inasmuch as ye did it to the least of my brethren ye did it unto me. The high two thousand years since these words were spoken by lips divine, but still they warm the hearts of Christians in every clime; and here in our midst, these blessed words touch a responsive chord in the hearts of the people, and urge them to open-hearted and open-handed charity. In this way have they been able to do this holy Christmas to the inmates of the Mount Hope Orphanage and Asylum for the Aged: Mr. M. Twomey, Windsor, \$10; Rev. J. T. Aylward, \$5; Mrs. E. O'Brien, Turkey, Mr. G. H. Canadian, Packing Company, ham, \$5; Rev. E. Corcoran, \$10; a friend, 6 turkeys, 1 fruit cake; Mr. J. Flood, crock of butter; Mr. D. McIntyre, turkey; London Drug Company, box toilet soap; Mr. Hussy, Kingsbridge, 2 turkeys, 1 barrel apples; Mrs. J. Dewane, 1 turkey, roll butter; Mrs. J. B. Cox, turkey, \$10; A. Parfitt, 2 jars preserves, 1 jar pickles, 1 bushel of apples; Mr. Richard Payne, 3 turkeys; Mrs. John Pocock, turkey; Rev. T. J. Valentine, \$5; Rev. L. H. Heaney, \$5; W. Barrett, Waltham, large box of children's clothing; M. Masurel & Co., sack rice, mat of figs, box raisins, bag oatmeal, box laundry starch, palm mince meat, 10 pounds mixed nuts; Lockyer & Connor, 40 pounds beer; Mr. S. R. Brown, \$10; Mr. James Wilson, box raisins, 13 pounds candy and nuts, 5 dozen oranges; Mrs. S. Munro, 10 dozen caps; Mrs. McLeod, 1 dozen girls' hats, nicely trimmed; Mrs. Soap Company, \$5 worth soap; Mrs. Shore, \$5; Calumet Tea Company, Chicago, \$10; Sodality B. V. M., \$5 worth children's hose; Mr. John Daly, turkey, case tomatoes, box raisins, 10 pounds candy, jelly, maple syrup, 10 dozen oranges, 10 pounds butter, 10 pounds corn, case tomatoes; Mr. W. Corcoran, case corn; Mr. John McGregor, quarter beef, barrel apples; Rev. M. J. Tierman, \$5; Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson, 2 turkeys, web cotton; Mrs. W. T. Strong, turkey; Mr. Gould, \$5; Mr. M. J. Gould, \$1; Dr. Niven, 1 goose; Mr. C. G. Cruickshanks, 100 pounds flour, 50 pounds rolled oats; Hamilton & Son, 10 pound packages oatmeal, beans, split peas, barley; Rev. J. Bayard, \$5; Mr. D. Regan, \$5; Mr. J. E. Johnston, Chatham, turkey; Mrs. Tierney, plum pudding; Mrs. W. Moylan, turkey, fruit cake, preserves, pickles; Mr. John Garvey, quarter of beef; E. A. Adams & Co., 10 pound packages raisins, currants, cornmeal and wheat flour, 2 pounds cocoa, 2 bottles staminal beverage; Mrs. John Flynn, Asylum, 2 pairs chickens; Mrs. H. D. Long, turkey; Mrs. G. C. Gibbons, turkey; Mr. H. Boomer, 7 pounds candy, 4 pounds cake; Mrs. Kains, St. Thomas, cake and candy; Mr. M. Heenan, St. Thomas, a mammoth turkey; Mrs. E. Broderick, 1 dozen oranges, cabbage and cranberries; Mrs. William Harper, \$5; Mrs. C. V. McCarthy, turkey; Mr. Henry Beecher, turkey; Mr. R. Mountjoy, half-case oranges; Mrs. Jas. Butler, turkey, 3 dozen oranges; Mrs. Kennedy, quarter of lamb; Mr. Joseph Pocock, ham; Mrs. T. Gould, \$5; Mrs. D. McNeill, 100 pounds flour and a ham; Mrs. Jas. Ward, turkey; North Branch Mills, 25 pounds pastry flour; Mr. N. Kargus, 1 dozen loaves of bread; Mrs. Simpson, 2 jars preserves; Mrs. J. H. Baker, 10 pounds butter, 10 pounds corn, case tomatoes, crock of butter; Mr. B. A. Mitchell, package of oatmeal; H. J. Macfie, basket of cakes and buns; Mrs. T. McCormick, 200 1-pound boxes of choice cake and candy, and 23 pounds of Paris bon-bons; J. H. Chapman & Co., a large box of toys.

May he who marked with loving eye the "two mites" given of old for his sake, bless with his own beneficent hand, the hearts and homes of these kind people, one and all.

MOUNT BRIDGES.

Mount Bridges, Jan. 3.—R. Wor. Bro. J. P. Whitehead, P.D.G.M., of St. Clair district, Ontario, installed the officers of St. John's Lodge, 840, A.F. and A.M. G. R. C. Mount Bridges, on the evening of Dec. 27, 1898, as follows: Wor. master, Bro. Geo. Lipsett; J. P. M., Wor. Bro. A. Campbell; S. W., Bro. H. Badger; J. W., Bro. J. H. Vester, chaplain; Bro. P. Toles, treasurer; Bro. F. Thompson, secretary; Wor. Bro. T. C. West; Tyler, Bro. H. Gilliam; S. D., W. Dingman; J. D., Bro. F. Toles; I. G., Bro. G. Howe; et al. Wor. Bro. R. Wotton, Wor. Bro. D. Small, Wor. Bro. J. H. Badger, Wor. Bro. R. B. Betts, Wor. Bro. R. S. Bro. James Elsey, P.G.; P. S., Bro. James Bond, P.G.; treasurer, Bro. John Trotter.

At the regular meeting of Mount Bridges Lodge, No. 217, I. O. F., the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: N. G., Bro. Richard Steer; V. G., Bro. D. Blee; R. S., Bro. James Elsey, P.G.; P. S., Bro. James Bond, P.G.; treasurer, Bro. John Trotter.

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D. D. G. M. Willis will install the officers on Friday evening, Jan. 4, 1899. One of the liveliest school meetings ever held in Troop School took place on Wednesday last. Mr. Frank Heath and Mr. D. A. Forbes were nominated to fill a vacancy on the board caused by the retirement of Mr. J. B. Tilden. A standing vote was taken, and resulted in the election of Mr. Heath, who was elected on Wednesday next. A close vote is expected.

The following will be the officers of the Mount Bridges Epworth League for the next six months: Honorary president, Rev. J. E. Holmes; president, Miss E. Healy (re-elected); vice-president, Mr. George Ringrose; secretary, Miss Eva Tuck; treasurer, Mrs. H. Badger; organist, Miss May West.

GLENDALE.

Glen Oak, Jan. 3.—At the annual school meeting last Wednesday, Mr. Thomas Wain was chairman, and Mr. E. W. Hixon, secretary. Noli Paterson was elected trustee by fifteen majority. David Toal was chosen auditor. The contract for supplying twelve cords of hardwood, 30 inches long was awarded to George Howe, at \$1.40 per cord.

These corners are well fixed for school teachers. No less than four on the immediate corners, and a fifth will soon be to the front. Miss Minnie Stephenson is engaged to teach the Glen Oak school. E. W. Hixon, who has been attending the Normal in Toronto, is engaged in an adjoining section, Sutherland's. Will Mackenzie is engaged to teach near Bothwell, Lambton county. Edward Stephenson is at Harrisville, salary \$250.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pullen and daughter Eva spent Christmas at Joseph Pullen's, Strathroy.

Misses Annie and Mary B. Mackenzie are home from London spending holidays with their parents.

A party of young people from here enjoyed a good time at the home of Mr. Adam Roemmel in Ekfrid last Thursday night.

LOBO.

Lobo, Jan. 3.—The anniversary services of the First Baptist Sunday school were held on Christmas Day. The Rev. Mr. Marshall addressed a large and attentive audience at both services. In the morning, the school led the singing. In the evening the choir rendered a beautiful anthem, "Glory to God in the Highest."

On the following evening a select programme was rendered: Chorus, by the school, "Pity the Poor"; vocal solos, by Misses Phillips, London; guitar solos, by Mr. Paul, of Poplar Hill; readings, by Miss Hodgins, of London; Cantelet, by Miss McArthur, of Old Springs; and Master Robert Cannon, of Hamilton. High appreciation was shown by the hearty applause that frequently recalled them. A beautiful cantata, "Santa Claus' Arrival," was given by the school and friends, consisting of readings, solos, double quartets, choruses, etc. Solos were well executed by the Misses McIntyre, Edith Irvine, and Mrs. Steinhoff. Special mention may be made of the songs by the Boyettes, Equimaux, workmen, parade, and the four newboys, and little Miss Mitchell as Molly; while the fairies, with Miss Lizzie Sharpe as queen, in their white and gauzy dresses, looped with roses, carrying wands and crowns, with long, holly and mistletoe, and the floral chariot, made a very beautiful picture.

Santa Claus was the delight to all, and was represented by Mr. A. Sharpe, who distributed a treat of oranges and prizes to each scholar. Misses M. and E. Irvine and Mrs. Edwards accompanied on the organ.

RAVENSWOOD.

Ravenwood, Jan. 4.—One of the liveliest Christmas tree entertainments ever held in Ravenwood came off in the Presbyterian Church on the evening of Dec. 30. In addition to numerous recitations and musicals by the children and church choir, Rev. Mr. Hadow, of Watford, delivered a very humorous lecture, entitled, "Musical Memories of Scotland." The reverend gentleman kept the audience in the best of humor for over an hour, and when not occupied with laughter, found time to applaud, showing that they fully appreciated his mimicry of the Scottish ballad singers. He interspersed his lecture with several songs, Miss Oleria, playing of the harp, and Mrs. Searia, playing the piano. The tree was beautifully decorated, and well laden with presents for both old and young. The children each received a Santa Claus brick, filled with candy and nuts, the bricks being imported from New York—no doubt the invention of some white-stick Yankee.

Orman Cairns acted as Santa Claus in character, and with an ample staff of assistants, did justice to the position. Rev. Mr. Currie discharged the duties of the chair in his usual happy manner. Rev. Mr. Hadow complimented the choir on the manner in which they acquitted themselves. "An' nee doot, he a pretty good feller, he o' music; he seems to be a gen'le gude at killin' the kist o' whistles himsel." Proceeds amounted to \$18.

BELMONT.

Belmont, Jan. 4.—Neal Brown died at the family residence on Sunday at 8:30 p.m., aged 75 years. The deceased was a native of the parish of Kilmarin, Argyllshire, Scotland. Having quit the land of the brown heath and shaggy wood in 1849, he settled on con. 5, North Dorchester. He succeeded admirably in the transformation of the almost unbroken forest into fertile fields, adding acres to acre until the estate included about 600 acres. He was a splendid type of Scottish character and endurance, and gave exhibition of wonderful feats of strength at barn-raising and

logging bees, which were frequent at the inception of the township. He met with a casualty about two years ago, when he was precipitated from a hay-mow, breaking one of his legs at the thigh, which precluded him from the active duties of the farm. His daughter, Annie Stewart, daughter of Elder John Stewart, of South Dorchester. They had twelve children, two of whom died. His sons are: Neal, of Avon; John, Archibald, Alexander, of New Dorchester; Duncan, of Delmar, and Hugh, at home. His daughters are: Mrs. Bone and Mrs. Hare, of Aylmer; Mrs. A. McVicker, of South Dorchester; and Miss Ellen, at home.

Alex. Blake Strachan, aged about 7 years, died on Friday morning. The informant took place on Saturday, when Rev. George W. Racey officiated, and preached a most appropriate sermon in the Methodist Church.

Nora, a year-old child of Frank Lusk, fell from a chair and broke an arm at the elbow.

UNION.

Union, Jan. 2.—The Methodist Church here was the scene of a pretty event—the wedding of Miss Bertha M. Sutton, and Adam Fulton, of Southwold. The edifice was thronged to witness the wedding. The happy couple, being presented with a fine family Bible as a souvenir of the occasion. The fair bride was attired in white silk, with pearl trimmings, and carried a bouquet of white carnations. Misses Mabel McIntyre and Gertrude Mello, who officiated as bridesmaids, were gowned beautifully in book muslin, with blue satin trimmings, and carried bouquets of roses and carnations. Hugh Fulton, brother of the groom, acted as groomsmen. The bride entered the church leaning on the arm of Mr. Cecil McIntyre (half-brother of the bride), followed by the retinue, to the inspiring strains of the wedding march, and stood beneath a canopy of evergreens. Rev. Mr. Going, of Port Stanley, performed the ceremony. At the close, 25 of the immediate relatives of the contracting parties repaired to the home of the bride's parents, where a menu of marvelous excellence was served, after which the happy pair left for Port Huron, Clinton and Goderich. The choice presents to the bride evinced her popularity. On their return they will take up their abode on Mill road, Southwold, where they will receive calls.

GLANWORTH.

Glanworth, Jan. 3.—Thomas Meadows fell upon the ice while returning from the residence of James Glen, and broke his thigh-bone, on Saturday night.

The trustees have secured services of Miss Mabel McIntyre, of Port Huron, for a salary of \$250.

J. C. Coughlin is prostrated through illness.

Miss Mary McInnis has returned from Chicago to her parental home.

STRATHROY.

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Strathroy, Jan. 3.—John Findlay Stewart, of East Wilmot, presented by the Bank of Commerce for the best team of horses on exhibition at the Strathroy fair.

Misses Edith and Maggie Dewar, of London, are the guests of the Misses Wright, Kilridge, London.

Mr. James Lavender and child, of Buffalo, are visiting in town. The assembly held on Monday evening in the Lyceum, under the auspices of the young bachelors of the town was largely attended, many being present from the Lyceum, and the music was furnished by the London Harpers.

Miss Mabel O'Neill and Miss Durand, of London, spent New Year with friends in town.

Mr. Arthur Wright, of Montreal, is spending a few days at his home here.

At the annual meeting of the Strathroy Loyal Orange Lodge, No. 537, the following officers were elected for 1899: W. M., S. Radcliffe; D. M., J. S. Newberry; chaplain, C. S. D. M., Thomas Wood; P. S., W. A. McIntyre; treasurer, George Norris; D. of C., A. Auterson; lecturer, E. Steele; auditors, Bros. Radcliffe and McIntyre; trustees, Bros. Radcliffe, Newton and Hopwood.

The annual meeting of the West Middlesex Electoral District Agricultural Society will be held in the firemen's hall, Strathroy, on Wednesday, Jan. 18, at 1 o'clock, to receive the annual report of the directors and to elect officers for the ensuing year. Immediately after the annual meeting of the West Middlesex Union Society will be held, to renew the union and receive the report of the directors and to elect officers.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Noble, of Detroit, spent Sunday with Mr. James Noble, of Oxford street.

Miss Jennie Pearce and Mr. Charles Pearce, of Toronto, are the guests of Mr. E. Pearce.

Ansbach will be at the Lyceum this (Wednesday) evening.

Canada's Future.

Canada's future is a subject which has been discussed for some time, but is again to the front in enlarged proportions. Again it is a question between the United States and Great Britain. In the January number of The Canadian Magazine, three articles on foreign relations are published. One of these, by John Canuck points out that our sales to the United States are not increasing like our purchases; while on the other hand our purchases from Great Britain are declining with increasing sales to the United States.

His well-handled statistics are startling. R. E. Kingsford makes an impassioned appeal to Great Britain not to neglect Canada in seeking United States friendship. He admits that Canada loves Great Britain, and that if British neglect makes Canada restive, then there will be an end of British rule on this continent. The third article is by Robert McConnell, editor of the Halifax Morning Chronicle. He makes an attack on the coteries of United States publicists who are actively endeavoring to force Canada into annexation to the United States. He exposes their methods and analyzes their arguments. He maintains that "there is room, scope and scope enough on this continent for the two Anglo-Saxon nations, Canada and the United States—daughters of a common mother, custodians of a common heritage, to work out their separate destinies without being jealous of each other or coveting each other's patrimony and birthright." These three articles when read together show that this question of Canada's future is raised in a peculiar and unexpected manner by the development of Anglo-American friendship, and they throw much light on this once-buried issue.

A proposal has been made by a French chemist to obtain easily assimilable iron tonics from vegetables, by feeding plants judiciously with iron fertilizers. Berlin used up \$11,918 tons of coal and coke during the first six months of this year. England furnished 132,622 tons of this amount. The total number of chemical works registered in all parts of Germany is 6,244, with 125,440 employees.

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Buenos Ayres is the London, the New York, the Paris of the Argentine Republic. It is even more. It might almost be called the Argentine itself. It controls the country as no capital of the world does the land it is supposed to dominate. It is an old saying that Paris is France. She is not so to the extent that Buenos Ayres is the Argentine. There are half a dozen different cities in France which are independent commercial centers. Paris is by no means all France industrially. She is so artistically, socially and perhaps intellectually. Buenos Ayres is the political capital of the Argentine. It is its commercial capital, its industrial capital, its financial capital. Politically the most of the Argentine Congressmen are Buenos Ayres citizens. Many of them who represent far-away districts practice law here. They live in the city the year round, although they may now and then go to see their constituents. The republic is composed of rotten boroughs supplied by Buenos Ayres men. The result is that when Buenos Ayres takes snuff the whole Argentine sneezes.

Industrially, Buenos Ayres has 95 per cent. of the factories of the republic. It has more than 800, employing over 12,000 hands. The great volume of foreign trade, now amounting to more than \$200,000,000 a year, passes through it. Its wholesale houses supply the republic with goods. There are, in fact, only two places in the Argentine—Buenos Ayres and the Camp. Buenos Ayres is Buenos Ayres. The Camp is all of the Argentine outside of Buenos Ayres.

Commercially and financially Buenos Ayres is the Argentine. It has the banks which supply the republic with money; big banks, with fine buildings; banks



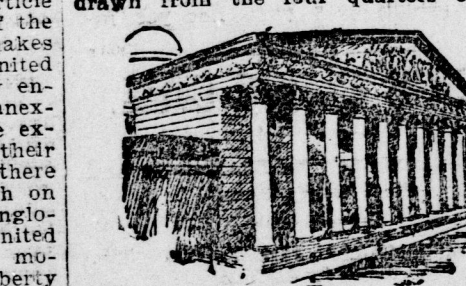
IN BUENOS AYRES.

with deposits of from 80,000,000 silver dollars down. It had one with a capital of \$50,000,000, but this was closed by the failures which started the financial trouble, the depositors losing \$70,000,000 by its breaking. Buenos Ayres has its stock exchange, where "The Argentine" is bought and sold in parcels, and where stocks and bonds rise and fall as Buenos Ayres thinks them good or bad. On this exchange more than half a billion dollars' worth of stock was floated during the ten years ending in 1889. When the panic came 90 per cent. of the companies failed, and most of the shares are now not worth 1 per cent. of their face value. Nevertheless, both city and country are in a good financial condition.

As a social center Buenos Ayres is the Argentine. The most of the money made in the Camp is spent here. The city has scores of millionaires, nabobs who own their half million acres of land, and who count their cattle and sheep in thousands. They have their farms in the Argentine, but their winters are spent in their palaces here, where they give royal entertainments and pay \$1,000 for a season box at the opera house. The Argentine is growing fast in population. It has on its seven-league boots. It triples its population every 30 years, and it now has more than 4,000,000 people. Buenos Ayres grows even faster than the rest of the country. It is jumping upward at the rate of about 30,000 people a year. It covers more than an acre, and by the end of the century its people claim that it will number more than a million. One-fifth of all the people in the country live in Buenos Ayres.

The city grows like a green bay tree. Long ago it began to take in all the adjoining territory. When it had its great boom on the edge of the panic all other doors were plotted out in lots, and within five years the real estate transactions amounted to about \$400,000,000. Still enough land has been built upon to make a vast city, and that a most solid one. The houses are not detached, as ours. They are built in blocks of four acres, each surrounded by narrow streets. Some of the sections are so crowded that the people swarm in them like bees. In others there are wide stretches of bare fields. The city as it is laid out is 11 miles from end to end. Within its borders there is twice as much ground as in Paris. You find stores everywhere. There are miles of them. The reason is that there are few stores outside.

Buenos Ayres is a Spanish city. It is the biggest Spanish-speaking city of the world. It is almost twice as big as Madrid and three times as big as Barcelona. Its Spanish character, however, belongs to the past, and it is fast developing a municipal individuality of its own. It will always have the Spanish language, but the population will be a mixture drawn from the four quarters of the



THE CATHEDRAL.

earth. To-day more than half of the population is foreign and the city itself is fast losing its Spanish character. The houses on the new avenues, which have been recently made, are more like Paris than Madrid. The Avenida de Mayo is a wide boulevard, with an asphalt pavement. The buildings upon it make you think of those of the Champs Elysees, and there is a total absence of the flat, low, one-story structures of old Spain. It is the same with some of the business blocks which have been erected since Buenos Ayres began its rapid growth.

The most of the buildings, however, are low. For a century or so there was not a two-story house in the city. The town was laid out in the Spanish style in rectangular blocks along narrow

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streets. It was founded away back in 1535 by a Spanish freebooter, Pedro de Mendoza. He named it "Buenos Ayres." The words mean "good air," but Mendoza did not name it thus because air here is especially good. It is not. Its death rate is high. The average is over 33 per cent. For a long time the air was so bad that lockjaw was almost epidemic. Until recently you could get it here by simply opening your mouth. No Buenos Ayres did not get its name from its superior ozone. Mendoza, like Cortez, Pizarro and the other adventurous Spanish cut-throats of his time, had a deep regard for the saints, and he named the city after the Virgin Maria de Buenos Aires, whose aid he invoked for his expedition before leaving Spain.

Bueno Ayres is a queer city. A city made up of shreds and patches, both as to architecture and man. As to man, it has people of nearly every race. Three hundred thousand of its residents are Italians, 90,000 are Spanish, about 80,000 French and the remainder Germans, English and Argentines. The Argentines proper do not probably number over 150,000, and they are the only real citizens in the sense that they vote and take part in the Government. The rest prefer to keep out of politics and the army, and the foreign residents here have every property right of the citizen with none of his military obligations.

Architecturally Buenos Ayres is a patchwork city. I have rooms high up in one of its biggest hotels, writes Frank G. Carpenter. They are high in price as well as in altitude. They cost me eight Argentine dollars a day. I am on the fourth floor, and from my balcony I can see over most of the roofs of the city. Step out of the window with me and take a bird's-eye view of Buenos Ayres. Below and about us lies a vast rugged plain of one and two-story houses, whose flat roofs are made of brick tiles or corrugated iron. Some of them rise high above the others, and the whole looks like a lot of great store boxes jumbled together along narrow canons, which are the streets. Away to the south you see a few smokestacks, the masts of ships and big warehouses. That is Barracas, the part of the city where meat, wool and hides are prepared for shipment to America and Europe. To the north there is a spot of green wood. That is Palermo Park, where all the swells go to ride and drive every afternoon. You may see a thousand carriages there at a time.

To the east beyond that thicket of masts and spars lying the docks, extending on and on until they meet the horizon, are the muddy waters of the Rio de la Plata, which connect Buenos Ayres with the rest of the world. The river here is 23 miles wide, and in the foggy, misty air we cannot see its opposite banks.

Buenos Ayres is only 48 feet above the Atlantic Ocean, and back around and beyond it extends the vast plain of the valley of this river, as rich as that of the Mississippi. It is cut up by railroads and spotted with farms, some of which support cattle and sheep in herds of thousands.

There are a few open spaces in the city of roofs. These are the plazas or parks. There are 13 in the city, varying in size from four to 13 acres. The Plaza de Mayo covers eight acres. The finest building upon it is the cathedral, which looks more like a Government structure or an art gallery than a church. It covers more than an acre, and it will hold 9,000 people. It is seldom full, however. Buenos Ayres is the largest Catholic city of the world. Ninety-six per cent. of all the people in the Argentine are Roman Catholic. Still, the men are not ardent church-goers, and the women who attend the cathedral do not usually fill it. There are in the city 24 other Catholic churches. There are only four which are Protestant. Protestants are freely tolerated.

The Stride of the Ostrich.

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WHEEL.

THE CHAIN WHEEL WON.
New York, Jan. 4.—The indoor bicycle races on the Madison Square Garden track, under the auspices of the American Cycle Racing Association, were continued Tuesday night. The feature was a 50 mile paced race between Harry Elkes, of Glen Falls, New York, and Frank Waller, of Boston. Waller received a concession of a start of two minutes. The prize was a purse of \$1,000—\$500 to the winner and \$400 to the loser. Summary:

One mile handicap, professional, final heat—Waller, R. A. Miller, New York, 30 yards; second, Oscar Hedstrom, Brooklyn, scratch; third, Iver Lawson, Chicago, 60 yards; fourth, O. V. Babcock, New York, 50 yards. Time, 2:20.

Five mile handicap, amateur, final heat—Waller, P. L. Kramer, East Orange, N. J., scratch; second, J. H. Lake, Port Richmond, S. I., 15 yards; third, G. Schrieber, New York, scratch. Time, 1:04.5.

Waller rode a chainless machine. When the Flying Dutchman started off he did not catch his pace very quickly, and nearly went a lap before settling behind his tandem. He made 8 1/2 laps in the two minutes conceded him, and then Elkes started out in pursuit. At 35 miles Elkes had gained 1 minute and 45 seconds of his allowance, and was riding beautifully. When each had ridden 20 miles, Elkes was only three-fifths of a second behind in actual time. At 31 miles and 3 laps Elkes overtook Waller and shot ahead of him. At 35 miles Elkes was one lap ahead, and still going nicely. At the end of an hour Elkes had covered 27 miles, 7 laps. Elkes' time for 30 miles was 65 minutes. Waller's time was 67:40.5, and Elkes was 2 1/2 laps ahead. At 40 miles Elkes was five laps ahead, and he made his 40 miles in 1:59.4.5. From this point to the end of the race Elkes gained continually, and at the end was nine laps and ten yards to the good, and Waller did not ride out the distance. His time for 50 miles was 1:52:13, and Elkes' time for the 50 miles was 1 hour, 50 minutes, 46.2.5 seconds.

HOCKEY.

AT PRESTON.

A hockey match was played at Preston between the Preston and Kingston hockey clubs at Preston on Monday night, and resulted 9 to 6 in favor of Kingston club.

AT GUELPH.

The champion Frontenacs of Kingston were defeated in a hockey match at Guelph on Monday night, by the Guelph Nationals. Score: Nationals, Frontenacs, 3. W. H. Ponton, of Napanea, bank notoriety, played point for the Frontenacs.

AT BERLIN.

Waterloo and Berlin lined up Monday evening. Scarcely had the puck left the center when Berlin scored. Waterloo soon followed with one to their credit. Berlin scored No. 2, then 3, in quick succession. Texas Billy, of the Berlin team, was ordered off for ten minutes for striking one of the Waterloo men. He refused to do so, as it was claimed to be accidental. Referee Snyder, of Waterloo, would not yield, and declared the game in favor of Waterloo, with all bets off. Waterloo only played three of their regular men. The other four, it is said, were imported from Ottawa.

AT SIMCOE.

The Woodstock hockeyists went to Simcoe Monday night, and played with the team of that place, the result being a tie, six goals to six.

AT LISTOWEL.

The Listowel rink was jammed to the doors Tuesday, when the home team played the celebrated Frontenacs of Kingston. When time was called the score stood 13 to 0 in favor of the home team.

BASBALL.

AN UMPIRE WHO SHOOTS.
Buffalo Courier: Bob Emslie, the National League baseball umpire, has won a trap shooting match at St. Thomas, Ont. Robert stood on the 28-yard mark and slaughtered 19 birds out of a possible 20. Mr. Emslie's future success as

an umpire is assured. No more will he have to be escorted off the field by the police. Before entering the ball field Mr. Emslie will merely hang his forty-nine-piece laundry across his shoulder, and make any decision he pleases with perfect sang froid.

TURF.

AT OAKLAND.

San Francisco, Jan. 4.—Track sloppy at Oakland yesterday.

First race, selling, 1 mile—Martello 1, Nonsuch 2, Nonchalant 3. Time, 1:47.5. Second race, selling, Futurity course—Clarendo 1, Good Hope 2, Cyril 3. Time, 1:22.5.

Third race, selling, 7 furlongs—Jerry Hunt 1, Malay 2, Dun Fraise 3. Time, 1:31.5. Fourth race, selling, 1 mile—Stamina 1, Robert Bonner 2, Alicia 3. Time, 1:44.5.

Fifth race, selling, 1 mile—Rubicon 1, Rosanette 2, Morning 3. Time, 1:42.5. Sixth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Montgomery 1, O'Connell 2, Sweet William 3. Time, 1:16.

AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, Jan. 4.—Yesterday was the 35th day of the Crescent City Jockey Club's winter meeting.

First race, selling, 7 furlongs—Flintan 1, Sir Blaze 2, Belle of Dublin 3. Time, 1:32.5. Second race, 6 furlongs—Banish 1, Our Nellie 2, Prince Harry 3. Time, 1:17.

Third race, 1 mile and 70 yards—Traveler 1, Covington, Ky., 2, Annie Taylor 2. Time, 1:50.4.

Fourth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Imp Lotterer 1, Loyalista 2, Minnie Weldon 2. Time, 1:18.

Fifth race, selling, 1 mile—Olethe Bard 1, Mintet Canet 2, School Girl 3. Time, 1:47.

IN THE FISTIC ARENA.

A DRAW.

New York, Jan. 4.—The Greenwood A. C. of Brooklyn held a boxing show yesterday and the house was uncomfortably crowded. The star event was a 20-round bout at catch-weights, between Owen Zeigler, of Philadelphia, and Matty Matthews, of this city, both welter-weights with good records. They fought the 20 rounds hard and fast, each displaying a good deal of science and good judgment. Sam C. Aspin, the referee, could not decide on either as a winner, and declared the bout a draw.

NOTES OF SPORTS.

Major Taylor, the colored racing cyclist, has joined the church at Worcester, Mass., and will do no Sunday racing or crap-shooting hereafter.

Harry Elkes, holder of the hour record, believes that with electric pace he can ride 36 miles in an hour, and that, too, without respite on the pacing machine to shield him from the wind. Burns & Waterhouse employ 15 boys about their stable at the Oakland track, and the turfmen have established a night school, engaged a teacher, and intend to have their boys know a few things besides how to cool out or exercise a horse.

The winnings of the Paquet-Whitney stable for the past season are figured as \$38,481, earned in 25 victories.

While Riley Grannan is reinstated, a member of the jockey club, who knows exactly what he is talking about, says that he should have been off the turf at least another year. "Grannan was not ruled off the turf for giving Taral \$500, but for putting up jobs," is the way he puts it.

Charles T. Patterson, who used to own and train Ornaments, believes he has a real gem in the Hanover—Workmate colt that he bought from Applegate & McKee for \$4,000. The colt is in the English Derby of 1900 and Patterson is said to be already casting his eyes across the pond.

Eddie Bald is said to be the best dressed rider on the circuit, but now that he is traveling with Tod Sloan he admits that he is beaten at it. Sloan is far in the rear at the half, and hopelessly distanced in the stretch when his raiment is compared to that of the famous jockey who hobnobs with the Prince of Wales and Lillian Russell. An increase in the value of the purse at New Orleans from \$350 to \$500 is under consideration by the managers of the Crescent City winter meeting. The club obtained a special concession from the turf congress permitting the giving of \$250 purses, but the present meeting has been so prosperous that horsemen clamored for more money.

A lawsuit is on over the services of Jockey Tommy Burns, as he signed one contract, and his father agreed to hire his boy out to another stable. Burns & Stine did the business with the father, while Schorr & Son engaged Tommy, who says he will ride for them or not at all. Burns paid \$2,500 to bind the contract, and he will probably make a spec by so doing, as Schorr wants the boy badly and will be willing to pay well for his services.

CALLED TO PLYMOUTH CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

Chicago, Jan. 3.—News was received here late last night that Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, pastor of the Central Church in this city, is to be called to the pastorate of the famous Plymouth Church of Brooklyn, as the successor of Dr. Lyman Abbott. Dr. Hillis, like his predecessors of Plymouth and Central Churches, is a writer. The four books he has published are "Fore-tokens of Immortality," "How the Inner Light Failed," "A Man's Value to Society," and "The Investment of Influence."

FLOGGED IN A POLICE COURT.

Evansville, Ind., Jan. 3.—Miner Garrett, Ed Garner, Elijah Scott, Frank Curt and Wm. Morris, boys ranging in age from 10 to 12 years, were given a public whipping in the police court for stealing some old wash-bowls yesterday. Their parents were given the option by Judge Winfrey of whipping the boys or having them sent to the reform school. The boys were led to the hall by the turnkey and given 25 lashes each. Their yells could be heard for two blocks away. One of the boys was so weak after the flogging that he could hardly walk from the police station.

HATES THE UNION JACK.

[Bangkok Depeche Colonial.]

When a Frenchman leaves his country for Tonkin his nerves are irritated and his eyes offended the whole way out by that hateful flag of England, which seems to give laws to the entire globe. You hardly meet with any other flag on the sea. You find it at Alexandria and at Port Said, in this land of Egypt, which lies under that hypocritical protectorate which the English foreign office is about to transform into a definite conquest. Then, again, you come across it at Perim, in the Red Sea, and at Aden, which commands the entrance of the Indian Ocean. Colombo comes into view; and, heavens! it is the same old rag over again! At Singapore you have come to regard the Union Jack as a matter of course; and you begin to speculate on how long it will take to fly from Singapore to Bangkok. One can hardly imagine, till he has experienced it, the relief felt by the arrival of Saigon and by the sound of French bugles and the sight of our beloved tricolor.

Pet dogs in London wear chamol shoes when in the house, to protect polished floors from scratches.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Taken to Task by the Medical Health Officer—Final Meeting of the Year—Routine Business.

The final meeting of the board of education for 1898 was held last night, and lasted about half an hour. The members present were Chairman Logan, Mrs. Boomer, Messrs. McRobert, Bayly, McCormick, Evans, Dr. Engle, Bayly, Boyl, Wilkins, Weldon, Dr. Teasdale, Hamilton, Regan, Gillean, Macpherson, Dr. Ziegler, Principal Merchant, Inspector Carson and Secretary McElhieran.

Dr. Hutchinson, medical health officer, wrote, denying the statement made at a previous meeting by Trustee Wilkins, that he (Dr. Hutchinson) had charged a Mrs. Stinson for a certificate as to her children's health. Principal Baker also reported that the case had not been properly laid before the board. The matter dropped.

Secretary Blackwell reported that the term of Dr. J. B. Campbell as Public Library representative of the board of education expires on Jan. 31, 1899. Filed for reference.

Principal Merchant reported the opening of the new addition to the Collegiate Institute.

A list of available substitute teachers, prepared by Inspector Carson, was referred to committee for consideration.

Miss Hoson was given permission to follow Miss Little to Queen's avenue kindergarten.

Misses Florence Nichols, Jennie E. Kilgour, Laura M. Claris, Minnie and foot and Emma Novack applied for positions on the teaching staff. Referred as usual.

The first meeting of the new board was fixed for eight o'clock on the evening of the first Wednesday in February.

The committee reports were adopted unchanged.

ELECTION IN WEST ELGIN

An Active Campaign—The Nomination on Thursday.

The Liberals of West Elgin are conducting a vigorous campaign on behalf of Mr. McNish. The following meetings have been fixed:

Jan. 4.—Lawrence, addressed by Hugh Guthrie, M.P.P.; A. D. McGregor and others.

Jan. 4.—Eagle, addressed by Dr. McKay, A. McCrimmon and others.

Jan. 4.—S. S. No. 4, Aldborough, addressed by Charles McDonald, barrister, Chatham, and others.

Jan. 4.—Wallace, addressed by M. K. Cowan, M.P., and others.

Jan. 5.—Shedden, addressed by M. K. Cowan, M.P., and others.

Jan. 5.—St. Thomas, A. Patullo, M.P. P. J. R. Stratton, M.P.P., Mr. Moscrip, M.P.P.

Jan. 5.—Dunbar, nomination meeting in evening, address by Hon. George W. Ross and others.

Jan. 5.—Crina, in John Dryden and others.

Jan. 5.—Pinal, in J. T. Garrow, A. Patullo, M.P.P.

Jan. 5.—Rodney, in George W. Ross, J. R. Stratton, M.P.P.

Jan. 5.—Campbell, Hon. John Dryden, Jan. 6.—Iona, T. T. Macbeth, J. M. Glenn.

Jan. 7.—Fleming's school house.

Jan. 7.—Kerr's school house.

Jan. 9.—Clachan.

Jan. 9.—S. S. No. 15, Aldborough.

Jan. 9.—Southwell Station.

Jan. 10.—St. Thomas.

Jan. 11.—West Elgin.

Speakers will be supplied to all meetings, including the above and local gentlemen as well.

Local Option in Lobo.

A correspondent reviewing the recent vote in Lobo writes: "The local option bylaw was voted on in the township of Lobo. The voting shows quite a change in the opinion of the people as to the efficacy of local option. When the bylaw was first introduced in the township of Lobo it was originally voted on in 1893 there were 339 people voted for the bylaw, being about one-third of the electors, but as the other part of the electorate seemed to take very little interest in the matter this year the electors interested in the matter at that time that there were a greater number of blank ballots cast into the box than the number of the majority; in fact the great mass of the electors seemed to take no interest in the matter. On Monday a new vote was taken on the same question and local option has been voted out of existence as far as the township of Lobo is concerned. This time there were 333 voted for the bylaw, showing that although there was a larger vote was polled this time, 199 votes, being almost a half of the total vote polled against the bylaw at the last election.

"The general opinion among the people of the township of Lobo is, and has been for some time, that the law would not work well and that no particular good was coming out of it, and many people who believe in temperance and sobriety felt themselves compelled to vote against the continuance of the law.

"A considerable number of the people who voted for the bylaw five years ago refrained from voting at this election, while a great many people who refrained from voting at the first election (about one-quarter of the votes) refrained from voting at the last election."

LIFE SAVED.—Mr. James Bryson Cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the lungs and for some time, that the law neighbor advised me to try Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, stating that his wife had used it for a throat trouble with the best results. Acting on this advice, I procured the medicine, and less than half a bottle cured me; I certainly believe it saved my life. I was with reluctance that I consented to a trial, as I was reduced to such a state that I doubted the power of any remedy to do me good.

The Japanese chrysanthemums occur in 269 shades of color.

Adelaide Ristori, now 76 years of age, came out of her retirement for the first time in 1897, when she sang Carignano, in Turin. She recited the fifth canto of Dante's Inferno, the Francesca de Rimini canto.

A NEW LAKE GUNBOAT

What Uncle Sam Will Do if Joint Commission Agrees.

The Old Revenue Cutter Michigan, After Fifty-Four Years of Service Alone on the Great Upper Lakes, to Give Way to a Modern War Vessel—Record of the Old Craft—Dimensions of the New.

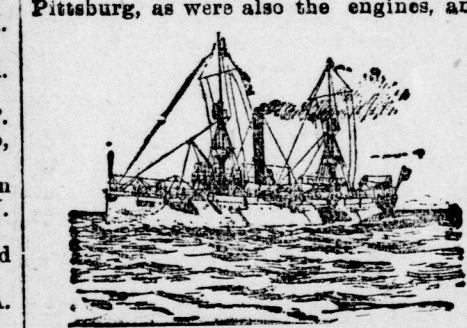
One of the most interesting landmarks in the history of the U. S. navy is the old iron sloop of war Michigan, which for 54 years alone has guarded the upper great lakes. The last session of Congress provided for the construction of a new gunboat to take the place of the semi-centennial Michigan, and, says the Chicago Times-Herald, plans have already been prepared in anticipation of the decision of the joint high commission regarding the forces hereafter to be maintained on the lakes.

An "arrangement"—but not a treaty—was entered into between the British minister, Mr. Bagot, and the then U. S. Secretary of State, Mr. Rush, with the verbal consent of their respective executives, whereby each nation was to have upon the lakes four gunboats of 100 tons burden respectively, with an individual armament of one 18-pounder cannon. These vessels were to be distributed—one on Lake Champlain, one on Lake Ontario and two on the upper lakes. This treaty was subject to abrogation upon six months notice by either party, and the records show that such was done during the civil war, but finally put in effect upon the cessation of hostilities.

The Michigan, with a rated tonnage of 582 tons and a single 8-inch smooth-bore gun, was at once a departure from the strict letter of the agreement, and with her variously increased armaments since then continued to be a violation, till her present force of six 6-pounders, two 1-pounders and Gatlings—all of the rapid-fire type—are the destructive equivalent of the proper complement of the whole outfit.

The record of the Michigan has been a curious one from start to finish, and today represents what might fittingly be called the middle ages of the last 100 years in shipbuilding. She was the first iron ship-of-war built in this country, and stands directly between the old "wooden walls" of the past and the present steel-clad leviathans.

After a deal of hawing she was begun in 1842, old Naval Constructor Samuel Hart being both her designer and superintending constructor, Commander Inman being the department's senior representative. The hull was fashioned by Messrs. Stackhouse & Tomlinson of Pittsburgh, as were also the engines, and



NEW U. S. LAKE GUNBOAT.

the body of the craft was set up in that city and then taken down and carried to Erie, where she was finally riveted up and launched.

On Dec. 5, 1843, the ship was advanced enough for launching, and the occasion was to have been a gala one. Dignitaries and their wives in their best bib and tucker gathered from far and near, despite the inclement weather. There was to be a banquet and speeches of course. At the appointed hour the shores were removed, the keel blocks cut away and the sole pieces sawed through. But the ship, as though fearful of her own novelty, remained fast and fast. Nothing could start her, and the gathered crowd, with many ominous doubts as to her future welfare, left disgustedly for home. In the dead of night the ship changed her mind, as it were, and without fuss or ceremony proceeded to launch herself upon the dark, cold waters of the lake.

Until within a short while of her launch the ship was officially spoken of as the Erie, and but for the presence of a store ship then in the service of that name there is little doubt the Michigan would have been so called.

Until the breaking out of the civil war the good ship went through a quasi routine that lasted in the early '60s to something just removed from only daily quarters for the major part of the crew, and it was not till the threatening hordes of ruffians in the lake cities and the dangerous thousands of his deserters from both armies—over on the Canadian side—became a critical menace that the ship was got in fighting trim by her commander, F. A. Roe.

A carefully matured plan, thought out in Richmond, contemplated the capture of the Michigan and the release of 9,000 Confederate prisoners at Johnson's Island, Ohio, together with the destruction of the lake commerce and the laying under tribute, if not the destruction, of the lake cities.

Commander Richard Rush, lately captain of the old ship, calls to the visit of a southern supreme judge, who was one of the party detailed to effect the capture of the vessel, and he laughingly described his early ambition to board the Michigan, his account agreeing with the official record from the navy war records.

The Confederate plot was frustrated by Mr. Stanton's telegram to the mayors of the lake cities to be on their guard against a Confederate raid which he had been notified by the Governor-General of Canada had been organized in Canada for operations on Lake Erie.

"The judge," said the judge, "and such a victory," within our grasp we were, and with the lake cities in a fever of excitement, and with the rapid advance of the re-enforcements, both naval and military, to augment the garrison at Johnson's Island against our compact little band of 52 Confederates, we had, as a matter of course, to abandon the design and leave Canada as soon as possible."

Fifty odd years of service are now to be closed as the ship turned over to the education of the lake battalions of naval reserves, while a fine new craft of good speed and very considerable gun power is to take her place.

This boat, known as yet as gunboat No. 16, will be a substantial duplication of the Marietta, now famous for her long run from the Pacific to the Island of Cuba.

Unlike the Marietta, because of the fresh waters of the lakes, No. 16 will not be sheathed with wood and coppered to keep off barnacles, and instead of two

pole masts with a light spread of canvas she will carry two military masts with guns in the lower tops and searchlights above.

Her general dimensions and principal features will be:

Length on load water line, feet..... 174

Beam, extreme, feet..... 32

Mean draft, feet..... 12

Displacement, tons, about..... 1,000

Speed, knots..... 14

Maximum indicated horsepower, about..... 200

Total bunker coal capacity, tons..... 200

Complement..... 140

She will have twin screws driven by two sets of triple expansion engines, making 200 revolutions a minute against the 22 of the old ship, while steam will be supplied by modern water-tube boilers at a pressure of 200 pounds in lieu of the fifteen carried at a pinch by the Michigan. She will be lighted by electricity and typically up to date in every particular. The battery—a powerful one indeed—will consist of six 4-inch rapid-fire rifles, four 6-pounders, two 1-pounders and one Colt revolving cannon. The ship will likely be named after some lake city.

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Managing Director and Editor, John Cameron

London, Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1899.

The Tribute to Mr. Tarte in the Way of Attack.

The letter which Premier Laurier wrote to Senator Dandurand the other day, in response to the invitation to address the great mass meeting of electors in Montreal last night, was a notable deliverance. It was timely, as all the utterances of the Dominion Liberal chief generally are. There has been a disposition on the part of a comparatively few persons in connection with certain political clubs in Montreal to attack Hon. Mr. Tarte, the Minister of Public Works, on one score or another. The number of such persons is small, but they have made up in noise what they lack in importance, and their vapourings have been gladly seized upon by Opposition newspapers as an excuse for not only attacking the Minister, but for building up a story of widespread revolt against the Liberal leaders in Montreal district. If anything were needed to silence these busybodies, it would be found in the record in recent Dominion bye-elections in the Province. Only the other day, there was an election in the historic Conservative county of Bagot—a constituency which was gerrymandered in 1882 to make it doubly certain to return a candidate favorable to the Conservatives. The Minister of Public Works went down into that county, and challenged the Conservative leaders to successfully assail the Liberal record and policy, but in this they signally failed, and for the first time since it was formed into a Dominion constituency, thirty years ago—for the first time in its history, in fact—Bagot is represented in Parliament by a Liberal.

Because Sir Wilfrid Laurier has chosen to say that he has no sympathy whatever with the attacks which have been made upon his colleague, we are treated to a series of jeremiads by the Opposition press on the deplorable condition of affairs which the conductors of these newspapers profess to believe exists in the Liberal party. It is all imaginary. The Premier has but taken a very opportune time to say a kind word for a most brilliant member of his Administration, who has done, and is doing excellent service for the Dominion, as well as building up the interests of the party with which he has cast in his lot. We frankly admit that some of the adherents of a couple of clubs in Montreal have been inclined to resent the prominence given to Mr. Tarte in Liberal councils, because of the fact that at one time he was a member of the Conservative party. But we believe that if it had been possible to gratify the ambition of these men to serve their country in the public employ, but very few of them would have had any fault to find with the Minister of Public Works. They should understand that in this regard there is not always a legitimate opportunity to gratify budding ambition, and that one of the very worst ways to secure the ear of the managers of public affairs is to unfairly attack them either individually or collectively.

For ourselves, looking at the matter with an unprejudiced eye, we believe which have been made on the Minister of Public Works are undeserved, that they emanate from but a comparatively few, and that if it were not for the poverty-stricken condition of the Opposition at the present time, we should hear but little about them. The Opposition is in a terrible straits. It has no policy. It is disgusted beyond measure because its prophecies of disaster and ruin, when the Liberals got power, have been falsified, and Canada has enjoyed such prosperity and progress as has never before been hers. Hence a little domestic tempest in a teapot—if it is even as much as that—has been magnified into a row of gigantic proportions and dilated on with greater malevolence, because the person who may be injured is the man who refused to condone colossal wrongdoing in the Conservative party, who, when a thorough party investigation was refused by his leader, entered Parliament and compelled a public inquiry, which not only proved that he was right, but showed how utterly corrupt had become the then management of public affairs.

Such being the circumstances or Mr. Tarte's advent in the Liberal party, can any just man say that it was not highly creditable to him? Mr. Tarte, as an independent member of Parliament, did what he could to drive the men from power who had betrayed their trust, and had refused to set on foot a reformatory process within their ranks without the public exposure which followed the denial of that measure of justice and party caution. What could have been more natural than that Sir Wilfrid Laurier should call to his side, as one of his Ministers, a man who, in the days when the Liberals were in opposition had done yeoman service to establish correct principles of administration? We have but to give this fair statement of the reasons which actuated the Prime Minister in choosing Mr. Tarte as a member of the Cabinet to show the reasonableness

of the course adopted. Mr. Tarte was a positive force when in opposition. For several years he gave a loyal support to the Liberal party in the capacity of an opponent of the late Administration. What has been his course since the present Administration came into power? To loyally aid his chief to carry out the declared policy of the Liberal party as a whole, and to especially promote the welfare of his native land by using every energy to make the lot of the people of Canada more tolerable than it has been in the past. As Minister of Public Works, those who have come in contact with him know that his first question has been, "Is the work which you advise the Administration to undertake in the public interest? If it is not, do not expect us to go on with it."

It is for the reason that the attacks on the Minister of Public Works have invariably proved to be ill-founded that we take no stock in these recent ebullitions which the Premier has incidentally severely reprobated in his letter to Senator Dandurand. Indeed, but for the anxiety of the Opposition to get some slender thread on which it could hang a complaint against the man who exposed wrongdoing among its leaders, but little attention might be given to these attacks, which, being ill-founded, can but increase Mr. Tarte's prestige.

We would be just as ready as any one to condemn wrongdoing, were it shown that such existed; but we will never be parties to an attempt to keep men of talent in the background simply because at some period of their lives they did not see eye to eye with the leaders of the party to which they may have subsequently given alliance. The Liberal party, when its opponents were preaching exclusiveness, intolerance and sectionalism, in hopes that by coercion they might make political capital, took a bold stand for fair play all round. Its view of the test to be applied to party membership is summed up in the declaration of the Scottish poet, that "A man's a man for a' that." And for that reason, whatever few local jealousies there may have been, or yet are, in Montreal, over the selection of so able a statesman as Hon. Mr. Tarte to take a seat in the Dominion Cabinet, there has never been any other sentiment in the great Province of Ontario but that of the warmest appreciation of the Minister of Public Works and honest recognition of his merits as an administrator. Indeed, when one watches how eagerly his own and political opponents endeavor to make capital, by far from fair means, against the minister, it can well be understood why many people in the Province love the Hon. Mr. Tarte for the enemies he has made.

Figures of Prosperity.

We are indebted to Mr. Irving, Ontario manager of Bradstreet's, for a statement of mercantile failures in Canada during the last seven years. It is no paradox to say that in this record of failures the prosperity of 1898 is very conspicuously written. The figures are:

	Failures.	Assets.	Liabilities.
1892	1,832	\$1,848,065	\$11,603,210
1893	1,781	7,383,492	15,690,404
1894	1,873	11,947,253	23,983,283
1895	1,923	6,299,177	15,793,569
1896	2,205	6,793,257	16,369,576
1897	1,927	5,224,897	13,219,379
1898	1,407	4,194,827	9,825,554

Another financial barometer, the Toronto Stock Exchange, tells the same story of progress. The total volume of business was larger than ever before, and in many cases record prices were made. The aggregate business during 1898 was 264,278 shares of bank, miscellaneous and loan company shares, against 246,615 in 1897. The total of 264,278 shares in 1898, however, does not include 623,277 shares of War Eagle and 96,317 shares of Cariboo.

The new stocks listed in 1898 were: National Trust, London Street Railway, Halifax Tramway, Hamilton Electric, London Electric, Traders' Bank, War Eagle and Cariboo, having an aggregate face value of \$4,900,000.

The only exception to the general buoyancy that prevailed in stock exchange values last year was in loan company shares. The downward tendency noticed a year ago continued during 1898. The exceptions were Central Canada, London Loan, Huron and Erie issues, Canadian Savings and People's, all of which did a little better than in 1897. The highest average of bank shares rose from 190 to 199, and the lowest average from 171 to 182. The highest average of ten miscellaneous stocks rose from 161 to 173 and the lowest from 141 to 147. On the contrary, the highest average of ten loan company stocks fell from 107 to 102, and the lowest average rose from 89 to 94.

The Value of Marksmanship.

Speaking at the annual distribution of prizes at a volunteer gathering in London, the other day, Lord Wolseley, the commander-in-chief, laid much stress upon the effectiveness of good marksmanship. All the officers who participated in the great slaughter of the Mahdi's forces at Omdurman, he pointed out, agreed that the long range rifle fire there had been exceptionally accurate, hence its destructive power. "If I were to describe the effect of the volley firing," said Lord Wolseley, "I would say that from the moment the enemies' line—an immense line, filled with the most determined soldiers—came within the zone of fire of 2,000 yards up to the time that they ceased to advance because they were knocked down and killed and wounded by hundreds and thousands—our line virtually pumped lead upon them."

The fire was so heavy that no one could live under it."

This declaration, while it emphasizes the fact that careful training at the butts greatly helps a soldier when he comes to participate in actual war, also proves how very deadly the modern weapon of warfare is. During the conflict between the United States and Spain, it was very soon shown that the nation with the newest and most scientifically equipped war vessels could always down, with ease, the old and poorly equipped ship. And so it is proved with regard to small arms. Once warfare, to be effective, was a matter of hand-to-hand personal combat. Now, we find the British soldiers standing up in the Sudan, a mile and a quarter away from the Sudanese, and literally mowing them down. What would have been the extent of the slaughter if the natives of the Nubian wilds had been equally well equipped with their British and Egyptian conquerors?

Stratford, Guelph and Barrie swept away the ward system on Monday by big majorities.

The Paris Temps draws a gloomy picture of the future of the United States. One would think that Paris papers had enough gloom at home to attend to.

The Joint High Commission resumes its sitting at Washington in a few days. This will be a relief to the Opposition press. It has had nothing to kick about during the holidays.

J. V. Teetzel, Q.C., was elected mayor of Hamilton by over 700 majority. Mr. Teetzel is the man who, in the face of vigorous opposition, did no canvassing and no organizing. He deserves his victory.

There were 90 lynchings in the United States last year, 76 of the victims being negroes. The United States has annexed a few million yellow men and should try to treat them better than the black men.

The Taber-Prang Art Company, of Boston and Springfield, Mass., have issued their annual holiday publication, containing an array of exquisite calendar designs. The company have a continental reputation for art productions of the highest class. The chromolithographic work is marvelous.

Madame Annie Grey, "the Queen of Scottish Minstrelsy," will make a tour of the United States and Canada this year. She is pronounced to be the foremost exponent of Scottish song. The fact that her tour is to be directed by Major J. E. Pond is in itself a guarantee of her merits. It is to be hoped that Madame Grey will include London in her travels.

The protectionist newspapers in the United States which are being fleeced by the paper trust have become free traders in paper, but still uphold monopoly on general principles. This affords a good opening for the Chicago Chronicle, one of the ablest free trade dailies in the country. It puts the case this way:

"The 157 newspapers representing the bulk of the total consumption of print paper in this country have no difficulty in seeing the iniquity of 'protection' when they are the immediate victims. They all see with one eye to this extent. Now, let them be consistent and plead the cause of other consumers—the great mass of the American people—as earnestly as they plead their own cause, and this huge iniquity—the monster iniquity of this otherwise tolerably free land—would be destroyed as swiftly and completely as was that other monster iniquity, that other slavery, which once cursed the land, and we would begin the new century with a clean page."

The Opposition papers that cry "French domination" are not only guilty of sectarianism and un-Canadian conduct, but of deception in trying to make their readers believe that the Dominion Government holds its power by the grace of Quebec alone. The Government has a majority in every province except New Brunswick. The parties in the House now stand:

	Government.	Opposition.
Ontario	62	40
Quebec	51	14
Nova Scotia	11	9
New Brunswick	5	9
P. E. I.	3	2
Manitoba	4	2
British Columbia	4	2
Territories	3	1
Totals	133	79

We now see what an independent press can do. Mr. Mulock proposed to keep the domestic postal rate at 3 cents. A fight in the press for the 2-cent charge has brought that Minister to time, and on and after Jan. 1, two cents will be the figure.—Toronto Mail and Empire.

How the Opposition does clutch at straws! The policy of the Administration has always been as now declared. It has not changed an iota, because of the clamoring of anyone. But by its timely extension of the penny postage system to Canada the Government has taken away one more grievance which the Mail and its allies were earnestly hoping might be theirs for some time yet. We commiserate our contemporary. It has so very little to kick about these days.

The New York Journal has some courteous things to say of Canada. It speaks of our backwardness and insignificance. It compares Canada to "a stagnant lagoon off one side from the rushing stream of American life." It calls the Dominion "anaemic," and pictures it as Lazarus, glad to catch crumbs from Dives—Dives, of course, being Uncle Sam. It predicts that the time will soon come when Canada will

beg for admission to the Union. What a yellow rag like the New York Journal says of Canada does not matter to Canadians, but it is not pleasant for them to reflect that the Journal finds its text in a Canadian paper—the Toronto World. The World's hysterical rubbish about Canada being in danger of absorption by the United States was unfortunately telegraphed abroad. The American newspapers didn't know the World, and took it seriously. They tell their readers that Canada is in fear and dread of the republic, and we are represented as a set of cravens. Hence the insults from such saffron sheets as the New York Journal. The World is probably proud of the advertisement it got.

The timely vindication of the founders of Great Britain's trade policy, from the cultured pen of Prof. Goldwin Smith, has been followed by the republication of the declaration of Mr. Cobden in favor of the maintenance of the British navy at the highest point of efficiency. The exact words which Mr. Cobden used when he spoke of spending £100,000,000, if need be, to maintain Great Britain's naval prestige, are interesting at this stage. They were uttered in a speech at Rochdale on June 26, 1861. "I have said it in the House of Commons," said the famous English economist, "and I repeat it to you—if the French Government show a sinister design to increase their navy to an equality with ours, then, after every explanation to prevent such an absurd waste, I shall vote one hundred millions sterling rather than allow that navy to be increased to a level with ours—because I shall see that any attempt of that sort without any legitimate grounds would argue some sinister designs upon this country." There is no peace at any price doctrine in this declaration. It is a pronouncement in favor of the principle that the naval balance of power must be upheld by the British at all hazards. Cobden, as the London Spectator aptly points out, was no mere cosmopolitan bagman, but a patriotic and clear-sighted Englishman.

WHAT OTHERS SAY.

Tired of the Thorns.
[Peterboro Examiner.]
The Mail and Empire says "the Red Rose League is needed. Every Conservative should help it along." The party is tired of the thorns in the by-paths of the cold shades, and now longs for the roses.

Barnum's Widow.
[Springfield Republican.]
The widow of P. T. Barnum, having lost her second husband, Demetrius Callias Bey, has now married "Le Baron Alexandry Orangiana. As a Delaware paper remarks, she is quite as successful in capturing novelties as the great showman himself."

High Tariff Losing Strength.
[New York Journal.]
The extension of our boundaries to take in a good part of the world, and the success of American manufacturers on their own ground, have disturbed the simple faith of the Republican masses in protection, and, what is more important, they have convinced many of the capitalists who make up the Republican campaign funds that there is more money to be made on a fair deal than within a tariff fence.

Stead's Sensationalism.
[Kingston Whig.]
According to Stead the Czar of the Russias is a man the people must love. Stead calls him the emperor of peace, and writes in the most gushing way about the impressions the young man made upon him during a recent visit to St. Petersburg. Stead is a wonder to many. He vibrates so much between sensationalism and sentimentalism that one never knows when to take him seriously.

A Conservative Tribute.
[Toronto World.]
The World has no hesitation in giving our Government, and especially Mr. Mulock, credit for the great improvements made and being made in the Canadian postoffice. A two-cent imperial and domestic letter rate is a substantial improvement. So is the postal note for the transmission of money. The administration of the department has also been advanced in the direction of economy and greater efficiency. There is still other work to be done, and the minister who has done so much need not yet abate his hand.

Rather Savage.
[Chicago Chronicle.]
The Republican leaders have not abated one jot of their malignant hatred of commercial liberty. They are as much bent as ever upon the exclusion of Canadian lumber, barley and other products, and so long as that is the case there is but little hope of a removal of any of the causes of irritation. The Republican doctrine is one of jealousy and hostility towards all mankind beyond our own shores. It is a doctrine which begets estrangement, hate, war. The Republican party is one which cannot be expected to agree to any treaty providing for peaceful and unobstructed commerce.

Smiff on Municipal Elections.
[Bobcaygeon Independent.]
The great British public thoroughly enjoy an opportunity to growl, grumble and kick. The municipal elections are a perfect God-send in that respect. They are the safety valve that prevents our social system from bursting its boilers. And the way the steam blows off at this time is a marvel. Of course the fact that Councilor Smith allowed his friend Tom Brown to do a half day more on the roads than Jim Jones did, is of no consequence in itself, and no one really treats it seriously. Yet half the free and independent of Councilor Smith's constituency will work themselves into a frenzy of indignation, and boil over with a fury of forceful old British lingo. They like it, it does them good. If it were not for such opportunities the lives of the wives of these men would not be worth living, and their poor dogs would go and drown themselves. Municipal elections are a great institution. They furnish the scrapping matches that the free-born Britisher must and will have.

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Pat—If we can get there late and the other isn't there, how will we know if the other man has been there and gone, or if he didn't come yet?
Mike—We'll easily fix that. If O' get there first O'll make a chalk mark on the sidewalk; and if you get there first you'll rub it out.—Life.

It Was a Literary Success.

Having inspired Mr. Kipling to write a poem, the Sudan expedition may consider itself a success.—Detroit Tribune.

The Gospel.

The world is full of sad hearts needing cheer;
Of feet weary with the weary load;
Of little children who forget to smile;
Of wrongs, which must be righted for the weak;
Of injustice and oppression of the poor,
While one man lives in idleness and sin,
Another has not where to lay his head,
While there are others filled with pain—
In haunts hard by the stream of life
Is like a foul and stagnant drain.
The song of life becomes a battlecry,
And, before God, I swear to stand for the poor,
Therefore I deem the wealth which men
call mine, as the dust of the earth.
But which I never earned, no longer mine,
And I will leave it—go into the world,
A poor man, with the poorest; earn my bread,
Among the poorest; bear with them their wrongs,
And win their love; until I find, at last,
The truest way to serve them.
—Cardinal Manning.

So the Coal Man Said.

"We must lay in an extra supply of fuel this winter," said the credulous business man, while talking to his practical wife the other evening. "The corn husks are unusually thick, and that means a long, hard winter."
"Who told you?"
"The man we always buy coal from."
"I thought so. We will just give the usual order."—Detroit Free Press.

Needs Something Else.

Bill—"The under dog in a fight gets all the sympathy."
Jill—Yes; but, unfortunately, that isn't all he gets.—Yonkers Statesman.

The furniture of the battleships Kearsage and Kentucky, orders for the making of which have just been received at the Portsmouth navy yards, is to cost nearly \$100,000.

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THE MARKETS.

Mining Stocks.
Toronto, Jan. 3.—Following are today's closing quotations on the Toronto Mining and Industrial Exchange:

	Asked.	Bid.
Decca	25	24
Foley	20	19
Hammond Reef	20	19
Hawthorn	25	24
Oliver	11	10
Superior G. and C. Co.	11	10
Cariboo	115	114
Minneha	24	23
Waterloo	24	23
Cariboo Hydraulic	105	104
Tin Horn	12	11
Emmer	10	9
Winchester	10	9
Old Ironsides	10	9
Golden Cache	43	42
Albion	28	27
Dundee	11	10
Darlington	16	15
Noble Five	5	4
Van Ande	5	4
Big Three	17	16
Commander	20 1/2	19 1/2
Deer Park	20 1/2	19 1/2
Evening Star	7	6
Giant	3	2
Good Hope	3	2
Grand Prize	4	3
Homeside	10	9
Iron Ore	88	87
Iron Mask	50	49
Jumbo	20	19
Montreal Mountain	10 1/2	10
Monte Cristo	10 1/2	10
Novelty	4 1/2	4
Silver Bell	3	2
St. Elmo	45	44
Virginia	5	4
Victory	308	307
War Eagle	308	307
White Bear	7	6
Can. G. S. S.	7	6
B. C. Gold Fields	6	5
Gold Hill	6	5

SALES. Minneha, 500 at 16, 500 at 17, 2,000 at 18; 1,000 at 18 1/2; White Bear, 1,000 at 16; Silver Bell, 1,000 at 16, 1,200 at 16 1/2; Superior G. and C. Co., 1,000 at 10 1/2, 1,000 at 10 1/2; Deer Park, 1,000 at 20, 1,000 at 20 1/2; Cariboo, 200 at 13; White Bear, 1,000 at 16; Novelty, 2,500 at 4.

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Local Market.

London, Wednesday, Jan. 4.

Wheat, white fall, per bu. 69 1/2 to 70 1/2; Wheat, red fall, per bu. 69 1/2 to 70 1/2; Oats, per bu. 28 1/2 to 29 1/2; Peas, per bu. 54 to 55; Corn, per bu. 44 to 45; Buckwheat per bu. 45 to 46.

WEEKLY.

This week's receipts were the smallest yet. The weather and low roads were the principal causes. Sales grain were mostly wheat and oats, and were made at 82c to 87c for wheat, close being 85c to 87c. Wheat brought 1 1/2 for ordinary good red and white; extra nice white occasional sold at 1 1/2. Provisions show no change in values. Meats were quiet, but nice heifers sold more readily. Dressed hogs were steady. The supply of hay was fair; sales ranging from 50c to 75c, and closing at 75c as the top.

Quotations:

GRAIN.	
Wheat, white, fall, per 100 lbs.	1 1/2
Wheat, red, fall, per 100 lbs.	1 1/2
Oats, per 100 lbs.	28 1/2
Peas, per 100 lbs.	54
Corn, per 100 lbs.	44
Barley, per 100 lbs.	45
Rye, per 100 lbs.	46
Beans, per bu.	45

PROVISIONS.

Honey, comb.	9
Honey, extracted.	7
Eggs, single.	22
Eggs, fresh, basket, dozen.	20
Eggs, per dozen, basket.	20
Butter, fresh, per lb.	17
Butter, per lb., retail.	17
Butter, per lb., wholesale.	17
Butter, per lb., tubs or firkins.	15
Lard, per lb.	12

VEGETABLES AND FRUIT.

Pumpkins, per doz.	50
Potatoes, per bag.	70
Apples, per bag.	10
Apples, per barrel.	10
Apples, per barrel.	10
Beets, per dozen bunches.	20
Onions, per lb.	12
Turnips, per doz.	20
Carrots, per bu.	40
Parsnips, per doz.	40

LIVE STOCK.

Young pigs, per pair.	30
Cows, each.	20
Beef, per lb.	24
Hogs, light, per 100 lbs.	40
Hogs, heavy, per 100 lbs.	35
Pigs, young, per pair.	25
Sheep, per lb.	35
Ducks, per pair.	30
Chickens, per pair.	30
Hens, per pair.	30

HAY AND BEANS.

Hay, per ton.	15
Straw, per load.	20

MEAT, HIDES, ETC.

Beef, broil, quarters, per lb.	15
Beef, hind quarters, per lb.	15
Mutton, quarters, per lb.	15
Veal, quarters, per lb.	15
Lamb, quarters, per lb.	15
Dressed hogs, 100 lbs. light.	50
Dressed hogs, 100 lbs. heavy.	40
Hides, No. 1, per lb.	15
Hides, No. 2, per lb.	15
Calveskins, green.	15
Wool, washed, per lb.	15
Wool, unwashed, per lb.	15
Chickens, per pair.	30
Ducks, per pair.	30
Turkeys, per lb.	15
Geese, per lb.	15

The Oil Market.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 4.—Oil opened at \$1.12.

PETROLEUM, Jan. 4.—Oil opened and closed at \$1.12.

St. Thomas Market.

St. Thomas, Jan. 3.—Wheat, per bu. 68 1/2; oats, per bu. 25 to 26; peas, per

bu. 45c to 50c; barley, per bu. 38c to 40c; corn, per bu. 35c to 40c; beans, 40c to 50c.

American Markets.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat—No. 2, Jan. 67 1/2; May, 70 1/2; July, 68 1/2; Corn—Jan. 35 1/2; May, 37 1/2; July, 35 1/2; Soybean—Jan. 10 1/2; May, 10 1/2; July, 10 1/2; Pork—Jan. 10 1/2; May, 10 1/2; July, 10 1/2; Lard—Jan. 35 1/2; May, 35 1/2; July, 35 1/2; Spring wheat, 65c to 68c; No. 2 red, 71 1/2; No. 2 corn, 36c to 37c; No. 2 yellow corn, 36 1/2 to 37 1/2; No. 2 oats, 27 1/2; No. 2 white, 28 1/2 to 29 1/2; No. 2 barley, f.o.b. 38c to 40c; No. 1 flaxseed, \$1.13; northwest, \$1.13; Prime white soybean, \$2.30; Mess pork, \$10.12 to \$10.20; Lard, \$5.55 to \$5.65; Short ribs, \$4.80 to \$5.00; Shoulders, 4 1/2 to 4 3/4; Short clear sides, \$3.00 to \$3.15; Sugar, \$5.70; granulated, \$5.20; Eggs, firm; fresh, 25c to 26c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 32,000 bushels; wheat, 130,000 bushels; corn, 634,000 bushels; 226,000 bushels; rye, 5,000 bushels; barley, 33,000 bushels.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 44,000 barrels; wheat, 22,000 bushels; corn, 210,000 bushels; oats, 317,000 bushels; rye, 15,000 bushels; barley, 7,000 bushels.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

New York, Jan. 3.—The statement of the visible supply of grain in stores and abroad for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 31, 1898, as compiled by the New York Produce Exchange, is as follows: Wheat, 26,893,000 bushels—decrease, 1,890,000 bushels; corn, 19,126,000 bushels—decrease, 426,000 bushels; oats, 5,829,000 bushels—decrease, 118,000 bushels; rye, 1,296,000 bushels—decrease, 15,000 bushels; barley, 3,962,000 bushels—decrease, 182,000 bushels.

English Markets.

Rolling prices for the past four market days—The following table shows the quotations per cental at Liverpool for the three previous market days, in the case of wheat highest prices are given.

	Dec. 28.	Dec. 29.	Dec. 30.	Jan. 3.
WHEAT—				
Red Winter	6 1/4	6 1/4	0 0	0 0
No. 1 Cal.	6 1/2	6 1/2	0 0	0 0
No. 2 Cal.	6 1/2	6 1/2	0 0	0 0
March	6 1/2	6 1/2	0 0	0 0
March	6 1/2	6 1/2	0 0	0 0
CORN—				
Old	4 1/4	4 1/4	0 0	0 0
Jan.	4 1/4	4 1/4	0 0	0 0
March	4 1/4	4 1/4	0 0	0 0
May	4 1/4	4 1/4	0 0	0 0
Feas	5 1/4	5 1/4	0 0	0 0
Pork	5 1/4	5 1/4	0 0	0 0
Long	5 1/4	5 1/4	0 0	0 0
Tallow	20 1/2	20 1/2	0 0	0 0
Bacon, light	27 1/2	27 1/2	0 0	0 0
Bacon, dark	27 1/2	27 1/2	0 0	0 0
Cheese, colored	19 1/2	19 1/2	0 0	0 0

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 4.—12:30 p.m.

Wheat—Spot, dull; No. 1 Cal., no stock; No. 2 red northern spring, 6 1/2; spot No. 2 red western winter, stocks exhausted. Corn—Spot easy; American mixed, new, 3 1/2; futures, quiet; Jan. old, 3 1/2; March, 3 1/2; May, 3 1/2. Beans—Prime mess, fine western, 50s. Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs. steady, 35s; long clear middles, heavy, 40 to 45 lbs. 27; short clear backs, 18 to 22 lbs. 28s; long clear sides, light, 35 to 38 lbs. 28s; short ribs, 20 to 24 lbs. strong, 32s; clear bellies, 14 to 15 lbs. steady, 34s. Ham—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs. dull, 37s. Lard—Prime western, 29 1/2; No. 1, 29 1/2; No. 2, 29 1/2; United States, 28s; good, 65s. Cheese—American, finest white 60s; do colored, 60s. Turbentine—Prime city, firm, 31s 3/4. Turbentine—Refined, 6s 3/4. Lined oil—15s 1/2. Cottonseed oil—Liverpool refined, 16s 3/4.

Live Stock Markets.

TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 3.—The receipts of cattle at the western yards today were represented by 17 loads, and offerings are expected to be heavy. There was a fair attendance of buyers, who did not appear to be anxious to take the stock offered except at their price. The quality of the stock coming is first-class, and prices show no marked change. For export cattle the market was quiet; the best cattle brought from \$4 to \$4 40 per cwt; and export bulls, \$3 to \$3 50 per cwt; good butcher cattle are selling at about \$4 per cwt, with choice animals bringing a fraction more. Stockers are quoted at \$3 to \$3 50 per cwt. In the small meat market the offerings were light. Sheep are quoted at from \$2 50 to \$3 50 per cwt, and lambs at from \$3 75 to \$4 25 per cwt. Calves, at from \$3 to \$4 per head. There was a fair run of hogs, with the best selections selling at \$4 25 per cwt. Milch cows, \$25 to \$40. Export cattle, per cwt, \$4 to \$4 40. Export bulls, per cwt, \$3 to \$3 50. Butchers' cattle, choice, per cwt, \$4 to \$4 40. Butchers' medium cattle, per cwt, \$3 50 to \$3 75. Stockers, per cwt, \$3 25 to \$3 40. Sheep, per cwt, \$2 50 to \$3 50. Lambs, per cwt, \$3 75 to \$4 25. Calves, per head, \$3 to \$7. Hogs—Best selections, \$4 25; light, per cwt, \$4; thick, per cwt, \$3 50 to \$4; sows, per cwt, \$3 to \$3 25.

EAST BUFFALO, Jan. 3.—Cattle.

The offerings were only a few bunches—about one load, and with a good demand the desirable grades sold steady, with yesterday's prices. Calves in moderate supply, fair demand and lower; choice to extra were quotable on a basis of \$7. Sheep and lambs—The offerings were all natives, about 15 loads; the demand is still for light selection lambs, which are held quite steady on the basis of \$5 25 to \$5 50; the trade for the day was satisfactory, for while prices were no higher, the market was steady throughout; lambs, choice to extra, were quotable at \$4 25 to \$5; good to choice, \$4 to \$4 25; sheep, choice to extra, \$4 25 to \$4 50; good to choice, \$4 to \$4 25. Hogs—The offerings were moderate—26 loads; fairly active on the basis of yesterday's prices, except on Yorkers, which were \$4 to \$5 lower; heavy were quotable at \$3 90; medium, \$3 55 to \$3 90; Yorkers, \$3 80 to \$3 85, according to weight; pigs, \$3 70; roughs, \$3 15 to \$3 35; stage, \$2 50 to \$3.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Beef.

Receipts, 205; very little doing one and a half cents of rough stuff sold at steady prices, or at \$3 to \$3 80 for bulls and \$2 to \$3 70 for cows. Cattle steady. Exports, 850 cattle, 5,500 quarters of beef; tomorrow 30 sheep arriving. Receipts, 800 quarters of beef; 22 unsold; veals, \$4 to \$5 50; barmyard calves, \$3 25; calves of westerns, \$3 50. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 3,004; eighteen cars on sale; sheep steady; lambs dull and 10c lower; choice to extra, common to prime, \$4 15 to \$4 25; ordinary to choice, \$3 50 to \$4 15; Canada lambs, \$5 40; culis, \$3 50 to \$3 75. Hogs—Receipts, 4,031; none for sale; nominally steady at \$4 to \$5 50.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—Good to fancy

cane ranged all the way from \$5 to \$5 35, with common grades selling from \$3 90 to \$4 45; feeding cattle, \$3 20 to \$4 50; heifers, \$4 15 to \$4 75; bulls, \$3 20 to \$4 15; cows, \$1 75 to \$4 10; calves, \$3 to \$3 85. Heavy hogs, \$3 50 to \$3 82 1/2; mediums, \$3 50 to \$3 77 1/2; light, \$3 20 to \$3 72 1/2; pigs, \$2 90 to \$3 05; culis, \$2 80 to \$3 20. Sheep, \$2 50 to \$3 for the poorest, up to \$4 to \$4 25 for choice to extra; westerns, \$3 to \$4 20; yearlings, \$4 to \$4 55; lambs, \$4 to \$5 35; western, \$4 50 to \$5 35. Receipts—Cattle, 3,000; hogs, 20,000; sheep, 13,000.

Dairy Markets.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—Butter steady, creamery, 14c to 20 1/2c; dairies, 12 1/2c to 17c. Cheese quiet at 9 1/2c to 11c. NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Butter firm, western creamery, 15c to 21c; do factory, 12c to 14c; Elkins, 21c; imitation creamery, 13c to 17c; state dairy, 13c to 18c; creamery, 15c to 20c. Cheese

firm; large white, 10 1/4c; small white, 11c; light skims, 7 1/2c to 8 1/4c; part skims, 6 1/2c to 7 1/4c; full skims, 2 1/2c to 3 1/4c; large colored, 10 1/4c; small colored, 11c.

IS CHINA TO BE CARVED?

A Russian Grand Duke Says It Must Be So.

Lord Beresford's Views of the Chinese Situation.

The Bonapartists Preparing for a Coup.

Matters Remain Quiet Across the Vast

—Presents for the Pope—Canada's Postage Reduction.

The Grand Duke Cyril Vladimirovitch of Russia received the representatives of the press on Tuesday at the Waldorf-Astoria, in New York. In answer to the question "How does Russia regard the attitude of France and England in China against Japan?" he said: "England is against the Russian possession in China, and the fact of our having seaports in the celestial empire is not to England's taste, but Russia is not disturbed at that. The partition of China is only a question of time, and France, England, Russia and Germany will share the spoils." The grand duke said none but friendly feelings now exist between Russia and Japan. The relations of the two countries were strained at one time, but that is past. The grand duke spoke enthusiastically about the trans-Siberian Railway, and the time when it would be of the greatest value in colonizing Siberia, and also in affording an easy way across for troops to the Pacific.

BERESFORD'S VIEW.

London, Jan. 4.—The Hong Kong correspondent of the Times says: Lord Charles Beresford, addressing the Chamber of Commerce here today (Tuesday), on the necessity of firmness in opposing Russian encroachment, repeated his advocacy for an alliance between Great Britain, Germany and the United States and Japan to maintain the "open door." He made an interesting commentary on Chinese affairs, remarking that all the institutions of the country were in a deplorable state of decay. In his judgment an army of 200,000 men might be maintained without increasing the present budget, if wastes were avoided. Lord Beresford said the whole system of Chinese administration required reforming. Reforms would not be difficult, as there were no hereditary rights, feudal system or vested interests such as existed when Japan initiated reforms. China was not overtaxed, he asserted, but simple taxes badly levied. The first step in reform would be the adequate payment of the officials. He predicted that there would be war sooner or later over the tariffs, stating that the French demands at Shanghai promised to make trouble for the government. He said the Chinese were chivalrous and clear policy toward China and the foreign powers interested in China.

BONAPARTISTS PREPARING FOR A COUP.

Paris, Jan. 4.—The Matin this morning publishes an interview with a prominent Bonapartist purporting to give the gist of Prince Napoleon's statement to his committee the other day at Brussels. This represents him as preparing assiduously for a coup, which he is fully resolved to execute. Prince Victor, however, is hostile to all useless manifestations. Prince Louis Napoleon will be found beside him "on the day of action." They are "closely united in warm and sincere affection."

LONDON, Jan. 4.—A dispatch from

Paris says that the Bonapartists, despite their defeat, are actively employed in organizing their forces. Committees have been established, even in the small communes, for the purpose of ascertaining the number of citizens likely to favor the restoration of the empire.

BUT THEY SCOWLED FIERCELY.

Budapest, Jan. 4.—As announced yesterday, the duel between Mr. Horansky and Baron Banffy, the premier, was bloodless. It was a ludicrous affair. The seconds had arranged a fight to the death at 20 paces. Mr. Horansky, however, when he faced his opponent, was agitated beyond all control, and Baron Banffy was hardly more comfortable. Each discharged four shots, all so wide of the mark that bullets were found lodged in the roof or high on the walls of the riding school, where the encounter took place. The duellists finally left the building, scowling fiercely at each other.

MISSIONARIES IMPRISONED.

Cologne, Jan. 4.—The Volks Zeitung announces that it has received news of the imprisonment of German Catholic missionaries by Chinese at Hq. in Shan See, about 70 miles southwest of Ping Yang.

CANADA LEADS.

London, Jan. 4.—The news of Canada's reduction of the domestic postal rate was quite anticipated here. The Dominion's action is considered as an additional inducement to come under the postal union without, to come under the operation of timpler penny postage.

SPAIN'S CRISIS.

Madrid, Jan. 4.—It is expected that on Saturday next Senor Sagasta will submit to the queen regent the question of confidence in the cabinet, and it is expected that her majesty's decision will be given promptly, so as to allow of a speedy settlement of the cabinet crisis.

CABLE NOTES.

It is announced that the Kynoch Company, of Birmingham, has commenced making 10,000,000 cartridges for the United States, at the rate of 1,000,000 per month.

The presents of money and valuables

sent to the pope during 1898 amounted to more than \$2,000,000 in value. There was no celebration of Jameson day in Johannesburg by the Boers, and the day passed without any disturbance.

The German Army Gazette publishes

an imperial cabinet order substituting German for words of French origin now employed in the army.

President Von Bruns, of Tubingen

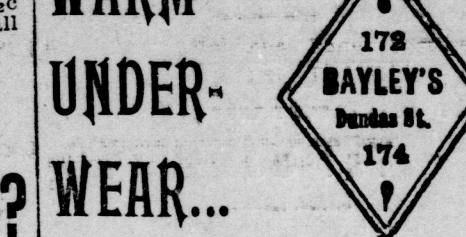
University, denounces the English explosive bullet, used in the battle of Omdurman, as hardly less cruel than the dum dum bullet.

All forms of scrofula, sores, boils,

pimples and eruptions, are quickly and permanently cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

The amount of gold coin in actual circulation in the world is estimated by the Bank of England officials to be about 965 tons.

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STEAMSHIPS MEET TROUBLE

The British Steamer Dart Disabled—Italian Vessel Abandoned—Spanish Craft Goes Down.

Queenstown, Jan. 4.—The British steamer Newby, from Philadelphia, has arrived here, and reports having met the British steamer Dart (Capt. Clark), from Philadelphia, on Dec. 3, for London, on Dec. 29, in latitude 49 degrees north and longitude 12 degrees west, with her propeller carried away. The Newby towed the Dart for an hour, although the Newby stood by the Dart for 27 hours, she was unable to get another hauler on board, owing to the terrible weather prevailing, and for her own safety was obliged to proceed, leaving the Dart in a helpless condition. The Newby was holed, and much interior damage was done, her boats were stove in and her deck work was badly damaged. The second mate and a seaman of the Newby were injured, all the provisions on board were destroyed, and the crew lost part of their clothing.

ABANDONED.

The Italian steamer Voemwaerts, which left Amsterdam on Dec. 15, and touched at Cardiff, Dec. 20, has been abandoned near Tre

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TODAY'S MARKETS

New York Stocks.

Reported by F. H. Butler, 15 and 16 Masonic
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Close.	Open.	High.	Low.	230.
Acheson	19	51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2
Admiral	19	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
C. & N. W.	141 1/2	142	141 1/2	142
Bay State Gas	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
Chicago Gas	110	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2
N. Y. Gas	110	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2
Gen. Electric	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Man.	97 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2
Mo. P.	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2
Omaha	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2
R. I.	114	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Reading	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
N. Y. Central	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
St. P.	120 1/2	121 1/2	120 1/2	121 1/2
W. U.	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2
Wabash	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
W. U.	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2
Brooklyn Transit	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
U. S. Steel	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2
Leather Trust	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2
Lead	38	38	38	38
Sugar	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Tobacco	145 1/2	145 1/2	145 1/2	145 1/2
Southern Ry. Pfd	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2
Jersey Central	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
N. E. P.	79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2
N. P. P.	79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2

Toronto Stock Market.

Ask.	On.
Ontario	115
Toronto	240 1/2
Merchants	146 1/2
Consolidated	175 1/2
Imperial	212
Dominion	237 1/2
Standard	184 1/2
Hamilton	156 1/2
British America	133 1/2
Western Assurance	170 1/2
Consumers	209 1/2
Montreal Gas	209 1/2
Dominion Telegraph	17 1/2
Northwest Land Co.	65 1/2
Canada Pacific Railway	86 1/2
Commercial Cable Company	184 1/2
Commercial Union Bond	103 1/2
Can. Registered Bonds	104 1/2
Bell Telephone Company	175 1/2
Bell Telephone, new	171 1/2
Richmond	103 1/2
Montreal Street Railway	100 1/2
Toronto Street Railway	100 1/2
Dominion Savings and Invest.	75 1/2
Huron and Erie L. & E.	101 1/2
Huron and Erie, 50 per cent.	101 1/2
London and Canada L. & A.	70 1/2
London Loan	100 1/2
London and Ontario	121 1/2
Ontario Loan and Debenture	121 1/2

Toronto Produce Market.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—Wheat—Easier, at 66 1/2c for red and 70 1/2c for white west; Manitoba wheat firm, at 81c for No. 1 hard, grinding, in transit, and 77c for the Midland. Flour—Steady, at \$3.10 for cars of straight roller in barrels west. Millfeed—Firm, at \$14 to \$16 for shorts, and \$12 to \$13.50 for bran west. Barley—Firm, at 46c for No. 1 west. Buckwheat—Unchanged, at 40c. Rye—Firm, at \$2.20 west. Corn—Steady, at 36c to 36 1/2c for Canada yellow west, and 46c for American at Toronto. Oats—Firm, at 24 1/2c for mixed, and 23 1/2c for white west. Eggs—Steady, at 20c to 21c for new laid, 17c to 18c for old, and 15c for lined. Butter—In fair supply; demand moderate, and market steady, at 13 1/2c to 14c for large rolls, and 10c to 12c for dairy tubs; creamery steady, at 20c to 21c for prints and 15c to 20c for packed. Dressed hogs—Steady, at \$5.10 for cars here of hogs weighing 150 to 250 lbs.

English Markets.

Liverpool, Jan. 4.—Closing.
Wheat—Spot No. 2 red western winter, on stock; No. 1 red western spring, steady, 4s 2d; No. 1 Cal. 4s 10d to 4s 10 1/2d; No. 1 Cal. 4s 2 1/2d.
Corn—Spot, quiet; American mixed, 3s 11 1/2d; futures, Jan. 4, easy, 3s 10 1/2d; March, 3s 10 1/2d; May, quiet, 3s 9 1/2d.
Flour—St. Louis fancy winter, steady, 8s. Peas—Canadian, 5s 10 1/2d.
Pork—Prime mess, fine western, dull, 60s; 60, medium, western, dull, 47s 6d.
Beef—Prime mess, dull, 60s; extra India mess, dull, 65s; 60, medium, western, dull, 47s 6d.
Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., 6s 10d; Bacon—Firm (Cumberland cut, 25 to 30 lbs., easy, 3s; short ribs, 20 to 24 lbs., 3s; long clear middles, light, 35 to 38 lbs., dull, 2s 1/2d; long clear middles, heavy, 40 to 45 lbs., dull, 2s 1/2d; short clear backs, 15 to 18 lbs., dull, 2s; clear bellies, heavy, 14 to 16 lbs., 3s.
Shoulders—Square, 12 to 14 lbs., dull, 2s 1/2d. Lard—Prime western, firm, 2s 1/2d.
Butter—Finest American, 8s; good, 6s 1/2d. Hosiery—Common, steady, 4s 3d.
Onions—Firm; American finest white, 4s 6d; 40, colored, 4s 3d.
Tallow—Prime city, firm, 3s 11d.
Cottonseed oil—Liverpool refined, steady, 15s. Turpentine spirits—Strong, 3s 6d.
Opium—At London (Pacific coast) steady, 44 1/2s to 45 1/2s.
Lined oil—H. 3d.
Petroleum—Refined, 6 1/2d.

Chicago Exchange.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.
Following are the fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade furnished by F. H. Butler, broker, Masonic Temple. Phone 1274.
Open. High. Low. Close.
Wheat—May 70 1/2 71 1/2 70 1/2 71 1/2
July 69 1/2 70 1/2 69 1/2 70 1/2
Corn—May 35 1/2 36 1/2 35 1/2 36 1/2
July 34 1/2 35 1/2 34 1/2 35 1/2
Oats—May 27 1/2 28 1/2 27 1/2 28 1/2
July 26 1/2 27 1/2 26 1/2 27 1/2
Pork—Jan. 10 1/2 10 1/2 10 1/2 10 1/2
May 10 1/2 10 1/2 10 1/2 10 1/2
Lard—Jan. 5 02 5 02 5 02 5 02
May 5 02 5 02 5 02 5 02
Ribs—Jan. 4 30 4 30 4 30 4 30
May 4 30 4 30 4 30 4 30
Puts—70 1/4, calls—72 1/4.

Live Stock Markets.

BRITISH CATTLE MARKETS.
London, Jan. 3.—The British live stock trade is good. Western States cattle, 5 1/2d to 6d; Argentine, 5d to 5 1/2d; Argentine sheep, 5d to 5 1/2d.

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LATEST "PROBS"

Toronto, Jan. 4.—11 a.m.—Probabilities for the lower lakes region for the next twenty-four hours: Strongly southerly to westerly; with northwesterly winds; cloudy; with rain, turning colder by morning. Thursday—Considerably colder.

LATE LOCAL ITEMS

The drivers of the Canadian Express wish to tender their thanks to Messrs. Robinson & Little for handsome Christmas gifts.

—Edward Adam Pritchett, aged 18 years and 9 months, the only son of Contractor J. G. Pritchett, died this morning after a lingering illness.

—Miss Ellen Bate, third daughter of the late Thomas Bate, of Woodstock, died of heart failure in this city on Monday. The remains will be removed to Woodstock tomorrow for interment.

—Mr. John Wadsworth, of Byron, has laid an information with Squire J. B. Smyth, against Hugh Findlay, John Nixon, Harry Norton, Fred Wells and Mortimer Elson, charging them with disturbing a Sunday school entertainment, held in the Byron Town Hall, Dec. 23. He has also charged Wells and another boy named Julian Hennessy, with disturbing a religious service in the Byron Church on a recent Sunday by talking, talking and stamping on the floor. The case will be heard tomorrow.

—The residence of Mr. Arthur, 780 Eglar street, was the scene of a very happy event, on the evening of Jan. 2, when Miss Annie Smith, sister of Mrs. Arthur, was married to David Gray, youngest son of the late Sgt.-Major Gray, R. C. R. 1. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. William Smith. Miss Sadie Gray acted as the bridesmaid, and Mr. Edward Smith assisted the groom. The bride was tied by the Rev. Robert Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Gray will reside at 530 Adelaide street.

CRAWLED UNDER A MOVING SAW

Andrew Blow, of 582 Nelson street, employed at the London and Petrolia Barrel Works, met with a painful accident yesterday, narrowly escaping with his life. He was working about a circular saw, and for some purpose or other he crawled under the machine. In doing so his left arm was terribly lacerated and the bone jagged and splintered. He was removed to the hospital, where the arm was amputated. The injured man is 51 years of age.

CALLED HOME.

Mr. Joseph Hawthorne, of 602 Oxford street, one of the best known men in this city, died at his late residence this morning at the advanced age of 75 years. Mr. Hawthorne was a native of Woburn, Bedfordshire, England. He emigrated to Canada 23 years ago, and settled here, where he has resided ever since. For a number of years deceased was secretary of the Bricklayers' and Masons' Union, and a member of the Liberal and Conservative parties of the Adelaide Street Baptist Church for over a quarter of a century. Mrs. Hawthorne died in November, 1887. Six sons and three daughters, left to mourn the loss of a kind and God-fearing father.

DEATH OF MR. A. J. G. HENDERSON.

Mr. A. J. G. Henderson, of Chatham, died yesterday from pneumonia after a short illness. The news will be learned with sorrow by many Londoners. Mr. Henderson was born in Calthness-shire, Scotland, and for many years was a member of the firm of A. Chisholm & Co. formerly carrying on business in this city as drygoods merchants. For the last five years he has been living a retired life in Chatham with his married daughter there. Two children survive him—Mrs. W. E. Campbell, of Chatham, and Mrs. W. Woodhull, of Stockton, Cal. Mr. Henderson was formerly well known in philanthropic and Y. M. C. A. circles in the city. For several years he was one of the aldermen from No. 2 ward.

METHODIST MISSIONARIES IN CHINA.

Letters were received yesterday at the China inland mission branch, Toronto, and by Rev. Dr. Sutherland, secretary of the Methodist Mission Society, from China. Both letters spoke hopefully of the situation, and it seemed to be the opinion that the worst had passed. The letter from Dr. Herbert Klatting, Oct. 13, spoke of two telegrams which had been received at the China inland mission from Mr. Lilton King. The first one read: "Remain unless absolutely expelled. Do not depend upon getting boats or escorts here. Ladies safe." The other read: "Situation better; disbelieve rumors. The viceroys offer 50 taels for conviction of anyone causing disturbance." The letters received at the inland mission rooms dated Dec. 2 stated that the affairs in Western China were much more settled. The rebellion in Chung King had been stopped and the foreigners were feeling in greater safety.

CRIMINAL CASES

Crown Authorities Do Not Expect That the American Government Will Interfere in the Peg-Log Case—The Grand Jury.

There is no doubt in the minds of the authorities that the American Government does not intend to interfere in the case of Marion Brown, who is held here on the charge of shooting P. C. Toohy. Subpoenas have been made out, and will be served on some 50 witnesses, summoning them to be on hand on Tuesday, Jan. 10, when the winter assizes open before Chief Justice Sir W. R. Meredith, at which Brown will be tried. Besides the one above-mentioned, the following cases have been entered: Queen vs. John Miller—Perjury. Queen vs. Thomas Edwards—Theft. Queen vs. Timothy Sullivan—Assaulting a constable.

THE GRAND JURY.

The following have been selected to act as the grand jury: James W. Butler, 547 King street; Duncan Cameron, lot 14, con. 11, Lobo; Andrew Elliott, West Williams; Robert Hutchinson, lot 4, con. 26, McGillivray; Alex. P. McDougall, lot 5, Q. R. S. E. 1st; Robert McEwen, lot 48, con. 1, Westminster; Robert Patterson, lot 4, con. 8, West; Nissouri; W. W. Revington, lot 16, con. 2, Biddulph; James H. Rowe, lot 6, 1 S. R., North Dorchester; Samuel S.

sons, lot 25, con. 1, London township; Lyman Shaw, lot 6, S. N. R., North Dorchester; Joseph Wheaton, lot 11, con. 3, West Nissouri; George Wyatt, lot 5, con. 5, East Williams.

The jury and non-jury lists of civil cases have not yet been closed.

MR. KINGSTON NOT YET SUMMONED

Magistrate Parke Again Takes Mr. Bartram's Request En Delibere.

And Expresses the Opinion That Mr. Bartram's Best Move Is to Upset the Elections if He Can.

"Do you think this is the only remedy you have got?" asked Magistrate Parke of Mr. W. H. Bartram this morning, when the latter applied for a summons to be issued to C. A. Kingston, returning officer of the City of London, for breach of the law respecting nominations.

"I would not have sworn so, if I had thought otherwise," said Mr. Bartram. "It is the original remedy that I was entitled to, and I intend to assert the law of the land."

"You intend to represent the public?"

"Yes, for the time being."

"But what harm has been done, Mr. Bartram?"

"It isn't a question of harm, your worship. It is a question of whether or not the public officials are to be bound by the law of the land or their own law."

"I think your course is to set aside the elections, and if in the proceedings you then take it appears, under evidence, that wrong has been done, the higher court can deal with the matter. While the matter is still open, I think I must decline to grant the summons."

"Then you refuse the summons? I am not seeking to set aside the election. So far as Mr. Kingston is concerned, it makes no difference whether the election is set aside or not. I am applying for a summons because the law of the land has been broken by Mr. Kingston, who has substituted a law of his own making. I wish to demonstrate that the law of the land is in operation in this city."

"I would practically be trying the majority election," said the magistrate.

"If Mr. Kingston is convicted, it will in no way affect the election," remarked Mr. Bartram.

"Here is a matter," replied the magistrate, "that concerns every person in London, and I think in that case you had better await developments in the higher court."

Mr. Bartram—I would respectfully urge that your worship has taken an erroneous view of the law, and of your clear duty, and I would suggest that you further consider the matter.

His worship said he would take it into further consideration, and if he changed his mind he would let Mr. Bartram know.

THE OFFICIAL ELECTION FIGURES

City Clerk Kingston Finds That Mayor Wilson's Plurality Is 1,564—City Hall Notes.

The first meeting of the newly-elected city council will be held Monday next at 11 a.m. City Clerk Kingston yesterday completed the compilation of the election returns, and his figures are as follows:

FOR MAYOR.

Bartram, Darch, Taylor, Wilson,	
Ward 1	125 65 185 478
Ward 2	127 101 234 665
Ward 3	118 169 197 490
Ward 4	112 103 322 591
Ward 5	116 153 269 493
Ward 6	111 56 225 291

Totals 99 656 1,432 2,998

Dr. Wilson's plurality, 1,564.

His majority over all, 312.

FOR WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Asphland, Jones, Little,	
Ward 1	132 570 628
Ward 2	139 647 723
Ward 3	139 588 622
Ward 4	135 608 729
Ward 5	135 608 729
Ward 6	135 608 729

Totals 923 3,170 3,852

FOR HOSPITAL TRUSTEES.

McConnell,	
Ward 1	412 452
Ward 2	438 483
Ward 3	386 507
Ward 4	425 567
Ward 5	342 572
Ward 6	296 270

Totals 2,869 2,800

Mr. Thomas McCormick's majority, 631.

THE BREAKEWATER BY-LAW.

Agst.	
Ward 1	43 274
Ward 2	226 270
Ward 3	17 374
Ward 4	73 506
Ward 5	61 450
Ward 6	62 306

Totals 558 2,199

Majority against, 1,611.

THE ALDERMEN.

Ward 1—Craig 371, McPhillips 684, Pritchard 463, Rumball 563.	
Ward 2—Barter 178, Douglass 663, Joly 626, O'Meara 619.	
Ward 3—Lilly 235, Reed 560, Ross 221, Southcott 482, Winnett 428.	
Ward 4—Cooper 463, Farrar 67, Garratt 483, Graham 682, Malloch 492, Scarrow 870.	
Ward 5—Appleton 125, Dreaney 477, Fitzgerald 135, Hayman 264, Plant 483, Wilkey 422.	
Ward 6—Parnell 450, McCallum 388, Greenlees 306, Westland 118.	

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Ward 2—Miss Barter 110, Colerick 421, Hamilton 343.	
Ward 3—Griffin 273, Jones 573.	
Ward 4—Logan 597, Mrs. Evans 386.	
Ward 5—Macpherson 397, Miss Westland 138.	

The council-elect consists of 3 carriage makers, 2 lawyers, 2 lumber merchants, a doctor, a baker, a cabman, a retired railroader, a tailor, a gent's furnisher, a bricklayer, a livyman, a printer, a broker, and a carpenter.

None of the aldermen have taken the oath of office yet.

A scarlet fever card was put up on York street this morning.

A FIRST-CLASS REGIMENT

Annual Meeting of the First Hussars.

Officers Entertained by Lieutenant Colonel Gartschore at the Teumseh House—Some Important Business.

The annual business meeting of the officers of the First Hussars was held at the Teumseh House last evening. Prior to it the officers were entertained to dinner in the banquet hall by Lieut.-Col. Gartschore, of this city, the commanding officer of the regiment, and the very enjoyable evening was brought to a close by an impromptu musical programme in the hotel parlor, several solos being rendered.

Among the colonel's guests were Major B. Higgins, London; Surgeon-Major Morrison, Sarnia; Major A. H. King, Kingsville; Capt. Stothers and Capt. Booker, London; Lieut. and Adj. Rock, Petrolia; Lieut. Weid, Lieut. Abbott, Lieut. Korman, Sarnia; Lieut. Wilson, Lieut. Weid, Chaplain Rev. J. G. Stuart, London, and Lieut. Laybourn, of the R. R. C. I., Wolseley Barracks, formerly of the First Hussars. A number of important matters were brought up at the business meeting. The regiment was shown to be in a flourishing condition financially. A mess committee was appointed, consisting of Major Higgins, Surgeon-Major Morrison, Capt. Hobbs and Lieut. Abbott. Capt. Stothers, Stothers, Stewart and King—the squadron leaders—were named a committee to promote rivalry in general proficiency among the several squadrons by offering prizes for marksmanship, sword exercise, stable economy and other matters of discipline.

Lieut. Laybourn suggested that an officer be appointed to take a course in musketry and Maxim gun practice at Wolseley Barracks. He offered to present a cup for squadron competition.

Col. Gartschore, in reply, thanked Lieut. Laybourn for his generous offer, and suggested that the conditions of the competition be decided upon by Lieut. Laybourn himself. They will be made known at a later date.

Capt. Stothers, Capt. Booker and Lieut. Laybourn were appointed a committee on dress regulations.

It is understood that the military authorities intend to establish this year cavalry brigade camps, at which three or more regiments will get together. In the event of this, the First Hussars will probably go into camp at Niagara in June.

The First Hussars was formed in 1872 from four independent squadrons—one at London, and the others at St. Thomas, Courtwright and Kingsville. These squadrons dated as far back as 1837, and saw service then and in 1866. They were united and formed under the late Lieut.-Col. Cole. Subsequently the St. Thomas squadron was moved to London, and now known as "A" Squadron, in command of Capt. Booker. London is also the headquarters of "B" Squadron, under Capt. Stothers.

"C" is a Lambton squadron, in command of Capt. Stewart and has Courtwright as its headquarters.

"D" Squadron belongs to Essex county, with headquarters at Kingsville, and Capt. King is in command. Lieut.-Col. Gartschore, the present commanding officer of the regiment, succeeded Col. Cole in 1892. The regiment's motto is "Semper Primus"—Always First—and this title has been well maintained. First place for efficiency must be accorded to the First Hussars.

THERE GOES THE MAINE!

Havana Excited Over a Local Newspaper Statement

In regard to the Destruction of the U. S. Cruiser Maine—A Fugitive Spanish Judge Said To Be Implicated in the Alleged Plot to Destroy the Vessel—His Associates Named.

New York, Jan. 4.—The following is from the Herald: Havana, Jan. 3.—This city has much excited tonight by the open charge in El Reconcentrado, the organ of "Cuba Libre," that Zaccarias Bresmes, a Spanish judge, now a fugitive from Havana, was actively engaged in the plot which resulted in the destruction of the Maine. El Reconcentrado today gave a sketch of Bresmes' career previous to last February, charging him with various crimes. The paper will say tomorrow: "When the Maine came into Havana harbor, Bresmes openly declared that such an act of audacity on the part of the Yankees could not pass without stringent punishment."

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and boded destruction to the American ship. His associates were Felipe Gonzalez, Dion Sio Vega, and Eusebio Azcue, violent Spaniards. Others with him were officers of the volunteers.

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THE QUEEN OF THE SEASON

"What can the amiable mamma have to tell Hatherfield?" mused Aymer. "I hope I don't do her injustice when I say she is spiteful enough to magnify one's trivial faults into a crime. Heaven forbid that it should ever be in her power to really injure either of us. She would be merciless; but don't tremble, and look so pale, Viva. What- ever my shortcomings, she can have nothing serious against you, and I am too discriminating to place faith in anything unless—But, good heavens, Vivien, isn't it possible that you have committed any really foolish act that she can hold in terrorism over you?"

"Is it at all likely?" Vivien constrained herself to say.

"Why, no; of course it isn't," Aymer replied, with a reassured air; "and I beg your pardon for the supposition. But it looked odd, and you seemed so strangely terrified that it set one thinking; but it's a real relief to have your assurance that there's no ground for her insinuations. I believe it would madden me if there were."

He gave her a loving hug, and Vivien's momentary impulse to tell him all, and entreat him to shield her from the countless mistakes, instantly vanished. Sir Innis and her step-mother were returning, and she must nerve herself for the result of their conference.

The brow of the baronet was dark with anger when she turvily glanced at him, and his teeth were set in a nether lip, as if he were making violent efforts to control himself; but there was none of the triumph depicted on Lady Esselyn's face that her step-daughter expected to see. She looked subdued, and even humiliated, and did not attempt to speak.

It was Sir Innis who was the first to break the awkward silence:

"My dear Aymer, Lady Esselyn has kindly consented to withdraw her objections to my union with Lady Vivien, and she also acceded to my request that my nuptials may be celebrated as soon as the necessary settlements can be made ready."

"Then it's all settled!" cried Aymer, joyfully. "Viva shall fix the day, and I will come home no matter where I may be, to give her away."

Again he folded his sister in his arms, exclaiming:

"Heaven bless you, dearest Viva! Do your best to make Innis happy."

And then he quitted the room, followed by the still mute and mortified countess.

Vivien took a step forward as if to prevent his departure; but he was gone before she could utter a word, and she remained where he left her, gazing after the retreating figure of her step-mother till Sir Innis came and took care of the hands that hung listlessly by her side. Then she turned towards him, longing, yet dreading, to hear what he had to say.

That Lady Esselyn had spared her, she did not for a moment imagine; but how far had Sir Innis credited her exaggerated and distorted narration?

"He knows all," thought Vivien; "his looks denote that, and yet he renews his offer to marry me. Is it because his faith in me has made him utterly refuse to give any credence to the countess' tale, or because he feels sure I shall be able to justify myself? What shall I say if he questions me? Stoop to a denial I will not, yet give an explanation I cannot, lest Aymer should forfeit his esteem. My only course is to be silent, and let him think what he pleases."

Again she glanced at the baronet, who, although he still held her hand, had not spoken, but stood as before, frowning and gnawing his under lip as if wrestling with some great annoyance.

"Dear Vivien," he said at last, "I hope you will agree with Aymer in thinking that our nuptials may, as well be celebrated as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made."

"There is no hurry," she began to say, but was promptly interrupted.

"I beg your pardon; the sooner you are out of the hands of Lady Esselyn the better. For all our sakes she must be silenced, and this cannot be done effectually until you have given me the right to protect you."

"But if what she has told you is true," faltered Vivien.

"If it were—," he began so fiercely that she shrank from him, for an ebullition of wrath on the part of the self-contained baronet was far more alarming than Aymer's bursts of anger; but it was conquered as soon as Sir Innis saw how it affected Vivien, and he gently passed his arm around her.

"Forgive me for alarming you. A few minutes spent in listening to such

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a woman as Lady Esselyn is very trying to the temper; but let it pass. I knew precisely how much to believe before she commenced her revelations, and I do not think she will allude to the subject again. Neither will we, Vivien; for Aymer's sake, let it be forgotten."

For Aymer's sake! She pondered over these words long after he had left her, until at length she arrived at what she believed to be the right solution of their meaning. He could not know that it was on her brother's account she had entered upon that rash enterprise, for she had never betrayed this to Lady Esselyn; and when Vivien solved, or fancied she had solved, the riddle, her hands were locked together in passionate emotion.

"It is from sheer compassion he will marry me, and to spare Aymer. He is too loyal to his friend to say to him there are 24 hours of your sister's life which must be accounted for before an honorable man can wed her. No, no; he knows that it would be worse than death to Aymer to hear this, and so he asks no questions, but keeps his truth. He had publicly wooed me for his wife before he knew this; he will not shame me, by avowing that I am to all appearances, not worthy to stand with him at the altar; he would rather, far rather, bury his grief and shame in his noble heart, and defy the world to condemn me."

"I will be passive," she said, at last, "and let them make what preparations they please for the wedding, till Aymer becomes less eager for it. On one pretext or another it can be deferred till I find an opportunity of quietly breaking the engagement. Marry Sir Innis I will not; it will cost me fewer pangs to bid him an eternal farewell than to see myself as suspected wife, never possessing my husband's full trust and confidence because I cannot explain away the mystery surrounding that terrible night in Paris."

CHAPTER XLV.

Vivien's sorrowful musings were broken in upon by the entrance of Justine.

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"Why, Viva, this is not the face of a happy bride. What ails you, little sister? There is something in the air which I cannot understand. Be frank with me and say what it is."

He was beginning to grow suspicious, and when Vivien did not make any reply his doubts were passionately expressed.

"Was there, after all, some reason for your step-mother's strange speeches? Why did you not speak, Viva? Have you been so rash, so mad, as to entangle yourself with some low-born lover?"

"No, I," Vivien retorted, with flashing eyes, "though I might ask if it would be more discreditable for me to listen to the honorable wooing of a poor man, than for the Earl of Esselyn to roam the world in search of mysterious female of whom he knows nothing, but what she has chosen to tell him?"

(To be Continued.)

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Girls Growing Taller.

If girls go on increasing the average stature of women, as they have done for the last decade, where will they stop? Is another question often asked of late at the various classes where a number of young girls are gathered together by their little mammas, who look strangely dwarfed and shrunken by the side of their tall young daughters. A question asked half proudly and half anxiously, for, although it gratifies their maternal pride that their girls should be like the daughters of the gods, "divinely tall," they have no wish to see them pass those celestial limits, as they are doing, and become Brodingtonian damsels, who did fair to frighten away all their partners. For it is an incontrovertible fact that the boys are not developing in ratio with the girls; their average height has increased, and increased of late years, and it is really startling to see how that of their sisters and their friends is assuming really Amazonian proportions.

"A few years ago," said a society woman recently, "my daughter was invited to join a dancing class of girls who were not yet out of their teens. I thought her quite tall, as she was an inch taller than I, and I had always considered myself over the average. So I was considerably astonished to find that she looked decidedly undersized in comparison with the rest of the girls, who towered above her."

Then I wondered at the increased height of the coming woman, but what was my amazement and almost consternation this year when I saw my second daughter with a younger set, who have taken the places of their sisters, and find that my eldest girl is a mere pygmy among the others, and that the second crop of girls will be much taller than the first. Many of them measure six feet, and even more! I should say that this remarkable increase in the average height of women is really phenomenal, and that scientists should give it their attention."

New York Tribune.

The Irish Pocket.

The fashionable dress skirt of this winter with its sheath-like fitting of the upper part does not admit of a pocket as the pocket in the petticoat, or the Irish pocket of long ago were used during the Christmas shopping by women who found the receptacle an absolute necessity, and had pretty petticoats to show when they raised the skirt to get some desired article from its depths. During the reign of the expensively beautiful silk petticoats it has been the custom to hold the skirt high, that the beauties of the under garment might be seen and appreciated, so there seems nothing inelegant or immodest in displaying them now in behalf of so practical a purpose.

Some of Lady Curzon's Gowns.

The court gown which Lady Curzon will wear at the first reception she gives at the palace in India is a dazzlingly beautiful creation of white satin and velvet, and rare lace woven of threads of pure gold. The skirt fits the figure very closely over the hips, spreading out toward the hem. The

front of the skirt is a ruffled petticoat of priceless lace. The sides are of heavy white satin, studded with solid gold beads. The low cut bodice is a shimmering mass of real gold lace. A court train of regal splendor, falls from the shoulders, and is made of white velvet lined with pale water-green satin. The velvet is wrought with magnificent gold embroidery, all the threads of which are pure gold.

In another wonderful gown heavy gold-colored satin is used for the foundation of this glistening evening costume. The skirt and demi-train are trimmed with a deep flounce of silk gauze matching the satin exactly as to the shade of gold. One nounce is headed with an exquisite hand-wrought gold embroidery in leaves and clusters of grapes. The leaves vary slightly in tint, some have a greenish gold tint and others a delicate silvery shading—the grapes are pure yellow gold. They fall gracefully over the gold flounce. This golden gown is most becoming to Lady Curzon's dark beauty.

Two of the most exquisite creations are a ball frock of white and another of blue. These are embroidered in jewels. The white ball gown is of heavy satin, with a full court train five yards long. Its front is embroidered in pearls, in figures of roses and leaves. This embroidery design is to match the lace, which is gowned de Venice, of the famous rose pattern. The train is embroidered in pearls all the way up the back. There are ten yards of old Pointe de Venice draped on the upper part of the skirt and around the waist.

Around the bottom of the skirt is a ruffling of this lace, itself embroidered with pearls. The waist is made of surplice, and its front is embroidered in mother-of-pearl beads. The sleeves are of lace around the neck. About the waist is a girdle of lace hanging down the left side of the skirt to the bottom. This dress cost £200, and with it the young vicereine's wife will wear her famous pearl necklace, her pearl chain—which cost some £2,500—and her four pearl pins, which will be sewn to the top of the corsage. Two women are said to have worked on this dress at once.

Society Revives Old Games

Several of the most recent happenings in the social world have revived some of the old games of childhood in a delightfully informal way, and put dignified young ladies and gentlemen to spinning plates and paying forfeits for the mistakes made in the game. The forfeits are quite simple, of course, and do not permit, except in the case of cousins, anything so childish as kissing.

Taking Down Christmas Greens.

The Christmas greens should be taken down on "Twelfth Night," which is Jan. 6—or twelve nights after Christmas. The persistent way in which they are often kept up for weeks after they are growing dull and dry is calculated to give the beautiful custom a threadbare association. The old plan of burning the greens in the open fireplace to keep the witches away in the coming year may be followed on Twelfth Night, and certainly the burning of the greens is a pretty way to terminate the festivities. Burning pine has a sweet odor that is beautiful to see. The branches, and even the needles, hold their shape and glow in the fire, which is an ideal one before which to tell stories.

Beef Mounds.

Chop very fine half a pound of cold cooked seasoned steak, freed from gristle. Mince fine a tablespoonful of onion and fry it a light brown in a little butter. Add the minced meat and an equal quantity of bread crumbs. Season one-quarter of a cupful of cold gravy stock with salt, pepper, and half a teaspoonful of pepper; add to the meat and crumbs. Press in after-dinner coffee cups. When needed turn out, place in a buttered tin and cook in the oven until nicely browned. Baste while in the oven with melted butter. Use immediately, but what she has chosen to tell him?"

Feeding Pigs.

It is impossible to raise swine successfully in large numbers without giving them skim-milk or butter-milk, or a good run of clover pasture when the young pigs are growing. During winter a quantity of clover hay, cut steam, and a good run of clover pasture, is an admirable addition to the feed of growing swine. Where pigs are put in pens and fed on grain only from the time they are weaned, a large proportion of them will become sick and go off their feed before they are fully grown.

How should never be given more feed at one time than they will eat clean, and still have an appetite for more. Overfeeding keeps the hogs from being active in taking exercise, and that causes them to grow too fat and soft. It is a good plan to feed as much as they will consume and digest to advantage. That will keep them hungry for every meal. Experienced feeders claim that regularity in time of feeding will cause more rapid gain in weight than when there is irregularity even to the extent of one hour in the meal time.

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MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

Additional Returns From Different Sections of the Province.

Artemesia—Reeve, McArthur; councilors, J. Boyd, S. Muir, G. Thompson and R. K. Mac.

Aurora—Mayor, H. W. Fleury (acc.). Belleville—Mayor, John Johnson. Brockville—Mayor, Ed Buckman.

Brantford—Mayor Raymond was elected nomination day. The new council stands: Conservatives to 4 Reformers. Those elected are: Ryerson, Suddaby, Leeming, Jackson, Hall, Read, Stanley, Waddington, Wade, Elliott, Whitman, Pearce, Cockshutt, Wood, Holterman.

Brampton—Mayor, W. E. Milne. Brussels—Reeve, George Baker; councilors, Samuel Wilton, Bryson, Cockrane, Jas. T. Ross, J. B. Warrick.

Brook—Reeve, Wm. Brethour; councilors, George Turner, John T. Edwards, George Beam, James Acton; county councilors, James Murphy, Wm. J. Gibbs.

Bruce—Reeve, John McNeill. Carleton Place—Mayor, Reeve, Wm. Young; councilors, R. Lucas, W. N. Falls, D. Lamont and S. Oakes.

Cornwall—Mayor, P. Agart; councilors, Greenwood, McLean, Nichol, Thompson, Williamson, Young, Harwich. Township—Reeve, Wilson; councilors, Toie, Morrison, Campbell and Young.

Dundas—Mayor, W. H. C. Fisher. Dundas—South—Reeve, Wilson; councilors, Cline, Moore and McNab. East Williams—Reeve, J. C. McDonald (acc.).

Glencoe—Reeve, G. Lethbridge; councilors, A. Finlayson, D. Graham, J. F. Simpson and R. Young.

Halton—Reeve, A. H. Woodbridge; councilors, Robert Leeming, Mr. Whaly, Norman Peterson, Judson and Scratch; county councilors elected, Jas. E. Brown and John Milne.

Huron—Councilors, George H. Humphreys, John McArthur, S. D. McKenzie, Edward Reaver, and S. D. McKenzie. Lyons and McCharles; for district No. 6 county councilors, W. H. Kerr, Brunsela, and J. Bowman, Morris.

Dorchester North—Reeve Neely elected by acclamation; councilors, Messrs. McFarlane, Beattie, H. Jackson and H. Rath.

Lobo Township—Reeve, Archibald McCugan.

Milton—Mayor, J. S. Deacon (acc.). Mitchell—The county council election for Fullerton, Hewart and Mitchell resulted as follows: Thos. Ryan and Joseph Jackson, for county councilors.

Milverton—Reeve, Goodhand (acc.); council, Apple, Welterhold, Rae and Spencer.

Monkton—Township council, John O'Laughlin, Alex. Gardiner, Joseph Morrison and John Grieves.

Napanee—Mayor—T. D. Bruyn. Niagara Falls—Mayor, R. P. Slater.

Norwich South—Reeve, Wm. Holmes; councilors, John Cornell, John Lees, C. E. Innis, W. Varden; local option by-law defeated.

Norfolk County Council—Tilsonburg reports Thomas Ferro and John Baxter elected to the county council.

North Easthope—Reeve, Andrew Falk.

Owen Sound—Mayor, W. S. Middlebro.

Port Arthur—Mayor, Geo. T. Marks. Peterboro—Mayor Davis re-elected. Pembroke—Mayor, Thomas Murray, (acc.).

Perth—Mayor, A. C. Shaw. Picton—Mayor, James Clapp.

Port Hope—Mayor, J. W. Quinlan (acc.).

Rat Portage—Mayor, W. McCarthy. Romney—Reeve, F. J. Fox (acc.); councilors, H. A. Quinn, John Featherston, D. H. Brown, Thomas Smith.

Raleigh—Reeve, Chinnick; councilors, Pardo, Clayton, Irving and Doyle.

Saugeen—Reeve, Allan McKinnon; councilors, D. Baker, James Gowanlock, Alex. McCannell, Donald Cameron; county councilors for this division of the county of Bruce, P. Cummings and J. Pierson.

Smith's Falls—Mayor, A. G. Farrell. Stayner—Mayor, Dr. A. McFaul.

Strathroy—Mayor, R. J. Avery; councilors, D. Gillies, D. Graham, W. A. Arms, J. H. Owens, G. A. Stewart, John Robertson, school trustees, J. H. Clarke, J. P. Whitehead, George Richardson, L. Fortner, Dr. O. L. Berdan.

St. Catharines—Mayor, M. Y. Keating. Majority of 272 votes.

Tuckersmith Township—Reeve, Patterson; councilors, Chapman, McCloy, Turner, Clary.

Usborne Township—Reeve, Thomas Hawkins; councilors, John Hunter, Fred Hunkins, W. Delbridge, Walter Keddy.

Wardsville—Reeve, John Heath; councilors, W. L. Henderson, W. Munro, A. B. O'Hara, R. Yates.

Wyoming—Reeve, J. W. Smith; councilors, Wm. Aitken, J. E. Anderson, A. E. Harvey, L. Lambert.

Westminster—Councilors, Messrs. McDougall, Brown, Shore and Little. John Cousins was elected reeve by acclamation.

West Williams—Reeve, A. McNeil; councilors, Peterkin, McLeish, Thompson, Waun.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY

These Who Will Represent the Different Divisions in the County Council.

Below are the names of those elected to the county council for the next two years. Politically the members are evenly divided between Reformers and Conservatives. By many it is thought that Henry Hardy, of Strathroy, will be elected warden. In case of a tie vote, one of the representatives of London township (it having the largest equalized assessment) will give the casting vote. Should the tie fall to the Clerk Robson will draw lots to decide whether Mr. Elson or Mr. Jackson shall cast the second vote. The council will meet on Jan. 24.

No. 1—Biddulph, McMillan and village of Lucan—C. C. Hodgins and W. L. Corbett.

No. 2—Williams, East and West, and villages of Alisa Craig and Parkhill—Simon McLeod and Trafford Campbell (acc.).

No. 3—London township—Peter Elson and R. W. Jackson (acc.).

No. 4—Dorchester and Massouri—D. McLaughlin and John Robinson.

No. 5—Delaware and Westminster—James Murray and R. M. Piper.

No. 6—Caradoc and Lobo—Henry Hardy and J. P. Grigs.

No. 7—Elkford, Moss, Glencoe, Newbury and Wardsville—Wm. Webster and George Campbell (acc.).

No. 8—Adelaide, Metcalf and Strathray—James Bennett and G. D. Robotham.

Westminster township council—John McDougall 550, Robert Brown 515, Hardy Shore 287, J. K. Little 280, D.

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Wm. Torrance, a farmer of Saltfleet township, who was severely injured by a tree falling upon him on Dec. 20, died on Saturday. He was 59 years of age.

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MILD-CLOUDY, RAIN.

Toronto, Jan. 3.—41 p.m.—The pressure is high over the eastern portion of Canada and the United States, and also in the far west; while to the westward of the lakes there is a developing storm which is likely to move slowly eastward, accompanied by rain. The temperature continues low in the Northwest Territories. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 18-26; Calgary, 14 below-2 below; Prince Albert, 10 below-8 below; Winnipeg, 16 below-4 below; Port Arthur, 4 below-20; Toronto, 26-40; Ottawa, 18-34; Montreal, 16-28; Quebec, 2-18; Halifax, 14-2. Toronto, Jan. 4.—1 a.m.—Probabilities—Lower lakes—Strong south and southwest winds; quite mild; mostly cloudy; occasional rains.

Local temperatures—The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at this observatory on Tuesday, Jan. 3, were: Highest, 37; lowest 25.5 degrees. Today the sun rises at 7:52, sets at 4:54. Moon rises at 12 midnight, sets at 11:16 p.m.

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A LOCAL BUDGET

—Miss Minnie Archer, of Westminster, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Locke, of Bruce street, for a few weeks.

—A horse belonging to the Queen City Oil Company fell on the icy road on Dufferin avenue yesterday, and broke its leg. The animal was shot by P. C. Nelson Smith.

—The newly elected officers of Star Lodge, No. 367, A. O. U. W., were installed last night by Bro. Stephen Grant, past master workman, assisted by Bro. Berryhill (Fidelity) as grand guide. At the close of the installation refreshments were served and a very pleasant social hour was spent.

—The many friends of Mr. J. I. Anderson, late of this city, will be pleased to hear that he has been appointed manager of the Canadian headquarters of the Fleming H. Revell Company, of Chicago, and New York—the noted book publishing firm. Mr. Anderson's headquarters are at 164 Yonge street, Toronto.

—Mr. W. H. Watson, of Watson Bros., East London, leaves in a few days for New York City, where he will spend a few weeks in one of the best cutting schools in the world, and get all the latest ideas in the cutting of gentlemen's garments, and on his return home will take full charge of their tailoring department.

—A most delightful character party was held at Mrs. D. McKenzie's, South London, on Saturday evening. Quite a number of guests from out of town were in attendance. Among others were Mrs. Brown, of Tacoma, Wash.; Mr. Agnew, of St. John's, and his wife, Miss Hanajep. The prize given for the best character study was carried off by Miss Margaret Southam. Altogether it was a very successful and quite unique affair.

—At the Farmers' Institute meetings to be held at Urderton on Friday, Jan. 13, and at Lambeth, Jan. 14, a very enjoyable and profitable time is expected for those who will attend. The delegation, consisting of Messrs. Simpson, Remie and D. C. Anderson, were specially engaged. They are thoroughly practical and successful farmers, the former having received a gold medal for his farm, and is an authority on the cultivation of the soil; the latter is well versed in stock raising and general farming. These will be aided by good local talent.

—A convention is being held at the Christian Workers' Mission, King street, this week, for the deepening of spiritual life. Last night Mr. and Mrs. Knight, who have spent nine years as missionaries in China, and who return this year, were the principal speakers. Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Roffe sang during the services. Rev. Mr. Macdonald presided. Rev. Mr. Pocock, B.A., Wingham, was also present. On Monday Miss Maggie Johnston, of this city, left with a couple of other ladies for the China inland mission.

—Miss E. E. Hamilton, who has held the position of head stenographer in the office of the Imperial Oil Company, Petrolia, for a number of years, left Tuesday afternoon for New York to enter St. Luke's Hospital to take up the profession of a trained nurse. Before leaving Petrolia Miss Hamilton was presented with a handsome gold watch, and an address by the members of the Presbyterian Church, in which she was an earnest worker, also with a well-lined purse by her fellow employees of the Imperial Oil Company. Her many friends both in this city and Petrolia wish her every success in her new departure.

—The Empress Avenue Methodist Church last evening a New Year's concert, given under the auspices of the Epworth League, was largely attended, and proved most enjoyable. A rich programme by four well-known

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local artists, Miss Eva N. Roblyn, Mr. W. H. Skinner, Miss Isabel Love and Mr. W. H. Hewlett, was given. Miss Roblyn and Mr. Skinner were in splendid voice, and in addition to several solos gave two duets, all of which were greatly appreciated. Mr. Hewlett was accompanist, and gave a number of very fine organ solos, and each of the readings by Miss Love was greeted by hearty applause.

—A Hamilton dispatch says: It is practically settled that within a very short time the last trace of the Grand Trunk shops will be removed from Hamilton. The bolt works are to be removed to Montreal, if present plans are carried out, and centralized with the other works of the company there. It is understood that but very few of the employees will be taken with the works, and those who are left will have to find employment elsewhere. No information can be secured from the officials here as to the removal, which is nevertheless practically settled upon.

—A special Sunday through box mail service has been inaugurated between this city, Hamilton and Toronto and intermediate points where the fast evening express stops, which will be a great convenience to the traveling public. The train leaves Toronto at 7 p.m. for Hamilton and Montreal connection, and when at London there is put in the baggage car a sheet steel letter box, about the size of the ordinary city letter box, and placed in the regular postal red. On the front it reads: "For letters for Toronto and Montreal and intermediate points." On the back it reads: "When empty return to London." Any important letters can now be carried by the station where the fast express stops, put in this box, and when the box arrives at Toronto station the letters are assorted and all Toronto letters taken out, and those for east of Toronto put on the train, which has a regular postal distribution attached.

HAD 175 CALLS DURING 1898.

The London Fire Department were called out 175 times during 1898. A considerable number of these alarms were false owing to tampering with the new boxes. The losses by fire aggregated \$46,000. There was about \$500,000 insurance on these properties. The majority of the places burned were prepared against loss by insurance.

POSTAL STAMP CHANGES.

The postal authorities have announced that when the present issue of the 3-cent postage stamp becomes exhausted no further stamp of that denomination will be issued. Its usefulness will be gone, and those now in circulation will be preserved as mementos of a bygone postage rate and the introduction of the 2-cent domestic postage. The issue of the present 3-cent postage stamps printed in purple will also be discontinued, and a 2-cent stamp printed in red substituted.

BURROWS-HARVEY.

A pretty New Year's wedding was solemnized at the residence of Mr. Alex. Harvey, 804 Talbot street, yesterday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, when his eldest daughter, Elizabeth, was united in holy matrimony to Mr. Geo. Burrows, a prominent young physician of Seaford. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Smith, of the First Methodist Church, in the presence of immediate relatives only. The bridesmaid was Miss Martha A. Harvey, B.A., sister of the bride, while the groom was assisted by Mr. S. G. Stone, B.A. of Seaford. The bride's little sister, Helen, daintily gown, acted as maid of honor. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Burrows left on a trip to Montreal and other eastern points. On their return they will take up their residence on Goderich street, Seaford.

CLAN FRASER.

The officers of Clan Fraser, No. 43, of the Order of Scottish Clans, for 1899 were duly installed last night by Deputy Royal Chief John W. Jones, of this city, assisted by Past Chief Addie, of Clan Gordon, Barrie, Vermont, who is on a visit to friends here. The members were present in large numbers, and at the conclusion of the ceremony the gathering adjourned to the European Hotel, where an oyster supper was served, and a very enjoyable time was spent. The newly installed officers are: Chief, J. G. Jones; tansist, D. Fraser; senior henchman, R. Gray; junior henchman, Jas. Sutherland; seneschal, Richard Johnston; chaplain, Geo. Cairncross; treasurer, Thomas D. Gray; secretary, W. L. Johnston; sentinel, Chas. Percy; warden, Peter Murray. Deputy Royal Chief J. W. Jones and Grand Council George Taylor are appointed by the Royal Clan.

PLEASANT SURPRISE.

Last night a number of members of the "Follow Me" Circle of the King's Daughters and Sons of the Hill Street Methodist Church surprised one of their members, Mrs. Joseph Cake, who is about removing to Sarnia, and presented her with a beautiful parlor lamp, accompanied by the following

address: "To Mrs. Joseph Cake,—Dear Friend and Sister—We, the members of the King's Daughters and Sons Circle of Hill Street Mission, in wishing to express our deep regret at your departure from our midst, and in acknowledging the Christian character which we have found in you, as ever ready, ever willing, and a conscientious worker—one who has never failed in sunshine or shadow to do whatever your hands found for you to do or whatever the Master called for—we, your sisters in his name, would beg of you to accept this small testimonial along with our heartfelt wishes for yourself and your loved ones. Hoping that God's love may ever brighten your way, giving you that peace and joy which the world can never give, nor take away. Signed, on behalf of the circle, Mrs. R. Winnett, Mrs. J. H. Brooks and Miss S. Peirce." The address was read by Mrs. J. S. Brooks and the presentation was made by Miss S. Peirce. A very pleasant time was spent, after which refreshments were served, and all departed for their homes feeling happy to meet, sorry to part, and hoping to meet again.

I. O. O. F. JOINT INSTALLATION

The New Officers of the Four City Lodges Assume Their Duties.

First Official Visit of Grand Master Farewell to London—A Fraternal Welcome—Speeches and Supper.

Grand Master J. E. Farewell (Whitby), of the Independent Order of Oddfellows of Ontario, paid London his first official visit yesterday evening, and the members of the order turned out in good numbers to welcome him and attend the joint installation of officers of the four city lodges. He was assisted in the ceremony by Past Grand Sire Cl. T. Campbell, as grand warden; the D. D. G. M., W. G. Willis (Chorazin); Past Grand Master J. A. Young (Thamesford), as grand recording secretary; R. K. Cowan, as grand financial secretary; T. W. McFarland, as grand marshal; W. F. Howell, as grand treasurer, and D. W. Blackwell, as grand guardian. The installation was carried out in an able manner, and reflected credit upon the grand officers. The following are the officers installed: Eureka Lodge, No. 30—J. P. G. S. W. Priestley; N. S. Charles Pratt; V. G. Frank Paul; R. S. J. E. Crawford; F. S. J. Kirkpatrick; treasurer, Thos. Toward; warden, H. Powell; conductor, W. Darch; N. S. W. Madford; V. G. L. S. N. G. L. W. Crawford; R. S. S. T. Henry Pierce; L. S. V. G. Edgar Foster; R. S. S. G. Powell; L. S. S. G. Mortimore; I. G. B. Foster; O. S. A. Davis; chaplain, W. Skinner.

City Lodge, No. 38—J. P. G. A. Sinclair; N. S. W. Madford; V. G. George Sinclair; R. S. S. J. W. Fletcher; F. S. A. Ferguson; treasurer, T. Rowe; warden, W. Munce; conductor, A. Tucker; R. S. N. G. R. Womacott; L. S. N. G. J. Nichol; K. S. V. G. A. Sinclair; L. S. V. G. George Prescott; R. S. S. W. Wetherston; L. S. S. T. Partridge; P.G.M. I. G. W. Bayley; O. G. A. Davis; chaplain, R. J. C. Dawson, P.C.P.

Dominion Lodge, No. 48—J. P. G. George Logan; N. G. Sidney Smythe; V. G. J. K. Gilmore; R. S. S. T. D. Hastings; F. S. W. D. Miller; treasurer, John Ward; warden, W. H. Wilson; conductor, George Arnott; R. S. N. G. H. J. Boyd; L. S. N. G. W. Angus; R. S. V. G. J. Bamed; L. S. V. G. J. J. Hamlyn; I. G. — Baker; O. G. A. Davis; chaplain, J. Sanders.

Chorazin Lodge, No. 190—J. P. G. Jared Vining; N. G. F. C. Durand; V. G. H. Proctor; R. S. F. Whitaker; F. S. J. L. Goodburne; treasurer, D. L. Harday; warden, James Harday; conductor, E. W. Boyle; R. S. N. G. Daniel Spice; L. S. N. G. George E. Rose; R. S. V. G. F. W. Showler; L. S. V. G. Robert Tait; R. S. S. E. Dockstead; L. S. S. George Young; I. G. James Christie; O. G. J. Hayward; chaplain, James Fitzgerald.

At the close of the ceremonies, Bro. W. F. Howell (Dominion), chairman of the committee, took the chair, and invited Grand Master Farewell, Past Grand Sire Cl. T. Campbell, Past Grand Master Thomas Partridge to seats on the platform. The grand master made an eloquent address to the lodges, expressing his pleasure at being present on such an occasion. He characterized Odd-fellowship as the greatest of all fraternal societies, and suggested many ways of improving interest in the work. The want of a home for aged Oddfellows in Ontario was great, and the members were responding nobly to the appeals of those who had the matter in hand, and highly commending the efforts of Past Grand Sire Campbell in this direction. The members of the Rebekah Branch were also doing good work.

Past Grand Master Young, Past Grand Sire Cl. T. Campbell and D. D. G. M. Willis also spoke in the same vein. Bro. Thomas Partridge, of Forest City Lodge, the oldest living past grand master of Ontario, excused himself.

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himself from making a lengthy speech, as he was not in a fit state of health to do so.

At the close of the lodge proceedings the brethren enjoyed a couple of hours in refreshment, song and speech.

WESTERN ONTARIO

Peter Vollick Struck by a Train Near Canfield and Instantly Killed.

Stratford Bachelor's Ball a Big Success —A Woman Poll Clerk in Kingsville —Galt Young Lady Ruptures a Blood Vessel and Dies.

Major Davidson, of Guelph, is seriously ill.

Mrs. Pearson, of Guelph, fell on the slippery ice recently and broke her wrist.

The bachelors' ball given in Stratford on Monday night was a most successful function.

During December there were registered in St. Thomas 10 births, 16 marriages and 7 deaths.

Sydney Rankin, who broke his leg by being thrown out of a sleigh on the Mitchell road on Friday, is resting nicely.

At the residence of Mr. D. B. Freeman, of the Grove Farm, on the tenth concession of Howard township last week, his daughter, Miss Annie, was united in marriage to Mr. Chas. Whitman of Ridgeway.

The customs returns at Stratford for the month of December are as follows: Imports, free goods, \$119,414; dutiable goods, \$15,707; duty collected, \$4,085 94. Exports, about \$310,000. The inland revenue returns for the same month are \$7,409 74.

Mr. Archie Madaugh, working in Clemens & Co.'s planing factory, Guelph, fell off a sleigh on Saturday morning and had his head badly cut. The cause of the fall was the sudden starting of the horse, which caused him to lose his balance.

The barn belonging to James Somerville, lot 27, con. 5, Erin, was burned on New Year's morning. The building was insured. The fire was caused through, it is said, a lantern being placed near where he was pitching some straw, which caught fire.

Seneca Pitcher met with an accident at Woodstock, on Monday, when he was returning from recording his vote. He was riding with Mr. Carroll, and when he gave out in the spring, and he was thrown out. Mr. Carroll took him home, but he remained unconscious for some time.

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though born in England. His wife survives him, with a large family of eleven.

An old and respected citizen of St. Marys died on Sunday last in the person of James Chalmers, at the age of 76 years. Mr. Chalmers was born in Dundee, Scotland, in 1823, and came to Canada some 35 years ago, and settled in Quebec, after which he moved to St. Marys, where he carried on the business as hardware merchant for over nineteen years.

A sudden death occurred to Miss Jennie McBride, of Galt, on Sunday evening. About 10 o'clock she went into the basement to see that the furnace was attended to. Twenty minutes later her father found her lying on the floor dead. A ruptured blood vessel in the head was the cause. The deceased was the eldest daughter of William McBride, Albert street, foreman in the Goldie, McCulloch & Co.'s safe department. She was a prominent Methodist Church member and a Sabbath school worker.

W. A. Grenville, D. R. O. for polling subdivision No. 2, Kingsville, has gone upon record for a new concession to women. Mrs. Carrie McDonald, a lady voter of his district, filed the position of poll clerk at the late election for county councilors. We believe this is the first case of the kind in Canada. Why an election gang should make this day one of smoking and chewing tobacco, until the booth is a filthy place, is unexplainable. Mr. Grenville thinks by introducing lady voters as officials in the minor offices will be an improvement.

Discovered by a Woman.

Another great discovery has been made, and that, too, by a lady of this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery by purchasing a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking the first dose that she slept all night; and with two bottles has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus write W. C. Hamrick & Co., of Shelby, N. C. Sold by all druggists at 50 cents and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed.

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Tecumseh's Monument.

Although the city school teachers do not smoke the "Spot" Cigar they all favor the Tecumseh monument and desire it to be erected under the auspices of the city schools. It will cost about \$1,600, \$500 for the granite pedestal and \$1,000 for the bronze statue. If each school raises \$100 the monument will be unveiled next Dominion Day.

Worms cause feverishness, moaning and restlessness during sleep. Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator is pleasant, sure and effectual. If your druggist has none in stock, get him to procure it for you.

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