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WEBER—In Carrick, on Dec. 4th, to Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Weber, a son.

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A PROGRESSIVE SCHOOL.—The Central Business College of Stratford has proven itself to be the great practical training school of Western Ontario. They have three departments,—Commercial, Shorthand and Telegraphy, and the courses given are thorough and practical. Their graduates are in demand. The management are extensive advertisers being firm believers in the use of printers ink. See their advt. elsewhere in our columns.

—Frank Schnurr is home from Dakota. Frank has been laid up since last July, and was unable to do any work since that time.

Edward Brennen, who has been proprietor of the Windsor House at Chesley for 8 years has leased his hotel for 5 years to George Cooke of Gorrie. The new proprietor gets possession on Dec. 21. Mr. and Mrs. Brennen will live retired in Chesley.

THIS ARTICLE REMOVED

FORMOSA.

Jos. Klein has been on the sick list for some time but is recovering.

Mr. C. Weiler has a number of teams employed hauling logs from his swamp in Greenock.

Dr. Doering and Mr. Werlich of Mildmay were in town on Monday.

Mr. J. A. Rittinger of Berlin was in town on Tuesday in the interest of his paper.

Rev. Wm. Kloefer of Berlin spent a few days in town this week.

Mike Weiss had a bee on Monday drawing sand. He intends building a house next summer.

Harry Weinert and Jos. Ernewein of Neussadt were in town last Saturday.

Constable J. B. Goetz attended court at Walkerton this week.

Clifford.

Mr. J. Wells, the young blacksmith, who had charge of W. V. Schaus' late shop for some time has rented this shop and started out on his own accord.

Mr. Geo. E. Scott, baker, is going around with a thumb bandaged up, having cut off a portion of it with a buck saw, while sawing a stick of wood projecting out of the stove at home.

Mr. Grieve, the county road and bridge commissioner, was here last week inspecting the finished concrete culvert at Keryn's gully, on Elora street. The commissioner gave our Reeve, Mr. H. Graef, great credit for the culvert.

A deal was put through last week, whereby the blacksmithing business of Mr. Martin Riepert was absorbed by Mr. Martin V. Schaus. Mr. Schaus purchased Mr. Riepert's residence on Clarke street, and takes possession of his blacksmithing business. Mr. Riepert will work for Mr. Schaus.

SCHOOL TEACHER AND PISTOL

Owen Sound, Dec. 8.—This afternoon in the County Buildings, the sittings commenced of the General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Grey. The grand jury returned a true bill against Robert Gatis, accused with shooting with intent to do serious bodily harm.

Gatis is a school teacher, residing in Williamsford, and he is charged with having fired a revolver at a young man named Charles Roberts, the bullet penetrating the latter's thigh.

It is said that Gatis had been troubled by boys entering his orchard, and that the shooting had resulted to Gatis imagining that Roberts was one of the offenders. Gatis was formerly teacher at Lints' school, Carrick.

NEW KIND OF CERTIFICATE

School trustees are asked to take note that beginning with the year 1909 a new kind of third class certificate will be issued, and the same is much inferior to the 3rd class certificates previously issued. It corresponds to the former district certificate. It is intended only for the districts and weak counties of Northern and Eastern Ontario, and are not valid in Bruce county. It is contrary to the regulation for trustees to make engagements with these teachers and also contrary to the regulations for such teachers to apply for schools in this county, without special permission. A board of trustees which is unable to secure a 1st or 2nd class teacher shall make application to the inspector on a form to be obtained from him, for permission to employ a teacher with a limit third class certificate, as these new certificates are to be called. The inspector, if he approves of such application, shall forward it to the minister of education, giving his reasons for his approval, and submitting along with it the teacher's certificate. A teacher holding this grade of certificate must not apply for schools in this county without first consulting the inspector and obtaining from him a list of the schools in the inspectorate for which limited thirds may be engaged. No such teacher shall sign an agreement with any board of trustees until his certificate has been made valid for its school by the minister of education.

Bitterly cold weather is reported in the west. At Esterhazy, Sask., Robert Mack, a C. P. R. section foreman, was found frozen to death beside the track.

Additional Locals.

Two weeks from Friday of this week until Christmas, the days of the old year are rapidly passing.

It will pay you to call or write me for prices on Pianos or Organs, and Sewing Machines. Thos. Young, Walkerton.

—Fred. Korman, proprietor of the Hartley House, Walkerton, is very ill with dropsy, and no hopes are held out for his recovery.

—Manager Clark is busy making ice in the rink and if the weather keeps cold will have the rink open this week.

—It's not necessary to pay peddlers \$30.00 for a Chatham kitchen cabinet when you can buy the same cabinet for \$22.00 at Jno. Schuett's furniture store.

See the line of Xmas and New Years cards and booklets at the Star Grocery. The largest assortment and best values ever shown.

NOTICE—Saws gummed and filed, skates sharpened, etc., at the Red Mills. Satisfaction guaranteed and work promptly done. Wm. Duffy.

—Now is your chance to get a good bargain at Young's music store at Walkerton. He sells the Bell, Newcombe, Daherty and Dominion Instruments.

—Mrs B. Armbruster (nee Kate Rittinger) of Regina, Sask., is visiting friends here. We regret to learn that she is very ill at present.

—John Coates has a big supply of "Good-Will-to-Men" stamps for sale. The proceeds go to the maintenance of poor patients at the Muskoka free hospital. Buy a package and help the good cause along.

—The Port Carling paper says that the Lambert brothers of that town take the cake for the largest deer taken out of the Muskoka district this season. It tipped the scales at 302 lbs. The fortunate men are nephews of George Lambert of Mildmay.

It would be well for hunters & trappers to take note of the fact that there is a stiff fine against the trapping of muskrat at the present time when the season is closed. At Toronto a number of \$5 fines were imposed for an infringement of this act.

A directory of the breeders of pure bred live stock of Canada issued by the Dominion Government and just to hand gives the firm of H. Cargill & Son as the largest breeders of Shorthorns in Canada. Among the other breeders of Bruce County are: George Hossfeld, T. H. Jasper, E. G. Kuntz, William Kupferschmidt, Charles Nickel, Henry Schnurr Adam Seegmiller, Samuel Smith and James Thompson, all of Carrick.

—For the Christmas and New Year holidays the Grand Trunk will sell tickets as follows:—on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 24 and 25, at single fare good to return on Monday; on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Dec. 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25, at a fare and one-third good to return until Jan. 5; on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 31 and Jan. 1 at single fare good to return on Monday; on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Dec. 28, 29, 30, 31 and Jan. 1, at a fare and one-third good to return until January 5.

—One of the cages that came up at the County Court at Walkerton this week was that of Clarence Smith against Columbus Schnitzler of Brant. Smith was driving in Brant last summer, and his horse shied at a sheep on the road belonging to Schnitzler, and ran away, injuring itself so badly that it subsequently died. The Brant township by-laws prohibit sheep from running at large on the highways, The jury brought in a verdict of \$175 for the plaintiff to recompense him for the loss of his horse.

A GOOD SCHOOL—Ranked among the best Commercial Schools of the Province, is the Walkerton Business College. The success of its graduates has not been excelled. The new advertisement of this excellent school is to be found on this page. We understand that any young people who are laboring under false impressions that they can do better in a city school, will be given free transportation to the great Electric City of Peterboro, which stands sixth among the cities of the Dominion as to manufacturing output. While attending the Peterboro Business College which was founded a quarter-century ago, they will be given free tickets to the city Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A. or T. A. A.

UNCLE DICK;

Or, The Result of Diplomacy and Tact.

CHAPTER XI.—(Cont'd).

Masters reached the steps which led up from the sands to the seat. Standing at their base, he looked away in the direction of the sea. It was easy to mark the spot where Gracie had worked so hard with spade and pail.

He thought of the child with a pang of pity. For his heart had gone out to her; he had been captivated by her loving, winsome ways. Even now his eyes rested on where Gracie had built her last castle. He could mentally see her gleefully swatching the water overflowing the moat and gradually sweeping down the castle's inverted pail-shaped turrets.

Gracie! Poor little soul! And so she, whom he had mistaken for the governess—this woman—was the mother of that incarnation of innocence and purity! What of the child's future? He shuddered to think of it; it was horrible; all horrible in the extreme.

Well, he would go home to his lodgings. First he would look again—for the last time—on that portion of the sands. For he felt that he would never be able to come there again. He would have been thankful for a breeze just then; his brow was so fevered.

Perhaps there was more air on the sea-wall; he would test it, pass up the steps. There was the seat to avoid looking at; the seat where on they had both sat reading—heart reading heart. Where had been born to him the happiest moment in life; love's awakening.

There was other history about the seat too: pencil created. Thereon, before that meeting, had been born heroes and heroines, wicked men and wicked women. All to be bound together and pressed between covers later on to gladden or sadden readers' hearts.

Living a romance is less alluring than writing one: Masters found it so. He had been wont to believe in the parts he cast his characters for. He was leaning!

Stumbling up the steps on to the wall, he started to walk home. But he halted, suddenly, before he had taken half-a-dozen paces. No drill sergeant's command ever brought up an absent-minded beggar on parade as did the words which fell on his ear.

"I thought that was you, Mr. Masters!"

Her voice! The voice of his shattered idol! The same voice; just as fresh and soft and kind as ever! Her voice, speaking to him! Could it be? Or was it a dream, simply a chimera of his brain? Or was this voice—this voice ringing, singing in his ears now—the result of his fevered imagination only?

He feared to turn his head to see. To know whether it was in reality the woman for whom he had been ready to lay down his life—whom he had considered a princess among women; chaste, pure, modest; whose de-thronation had been so recent. Whom he had come to think of as soiled.

Yes! She was there before him in the flesh! This perfidious parody of perfection, this transmuted ideal. He waited for a moment motionless; then raised his cap—a merely mechanical act.

Besides, being a woman, whatever else she might be, she was exempt from rudeness at his hands. Her sex protected her.

CHAPTER XII.

"Aren't you going to sit on Our Seat? Or don't you need a rest?"

It was said archly; the significant inference to Our Seat, subtly conveyed. She seemed to have shaken off the depression of yesterday. Was herself; her own blithe, bright self again.

Mechanically Masters accepted the implied invitation; sat. There ensued silence; a silence which told more than speech. Not the silence which breathes of sweet accord between two understanding hearts.

She, on her part, was filled with wonder—expectancy—an undefined sense of something being wrong. He was not insensible of the fact that the plumage of his dove was rustling. No woman could, of course, endure such treatment.

The need for speech on his part was plain; but, somehow, he was at a loss for words. Was yet alive to the fact that she would read him

down as guilty of caddish behaviour. The silence became tense; the strain was fast becoming unlearnable.

But little time passed; she got to her feet—being the kind of woman quick to take offence. The insult was felt the more acutely because, she told herself, she was alone to blame; had courted it, brought it on herself.

She had wanted to meet this man. Had hurried on to the para'e with the feeling in her heart that it would be good to meet him. Had sat on the seat for a minute's rest and a faint sense of grief that she had not encountered him on her walk. Had been thinking disconsolately of walking home, when she was rendered joyful by his presence.

And then—then he was treating her like that! Had she offended him? Such a possibility passed rapidly through her mind; was as rapidly rejected as a theory untenable. Did he disapprove of her coming there alone, at that time? Some men were punctilious in regard to such matters. But he—natural, unconventional as he was himself—surely it could not be that. His voice interrupted her reflections. In a husky, strained tone, looking neither right nor left, but aimlessly in front of him, he said—

"Nice, fine evening, isn't it?"

Another credit note to our fickle climate! But the utter incongruity of his remark, the exceedingly strange tone of his voice, caused her to wheel round and look at him. Then she saw. The moon chanced to be free from clouds just then; its pale beams accentuated the lividity of Master's face.

"Oh, my God! you are ill! What has happened—an accident? What can I do for you?"

As she was quick of thought so she was quick of movement. In a moment was kneeling beside him—all the annoyance and hastily-aroused temper gone to the winds. Only her helpful woman's instinct aching to be of service to him: to the man she loved.

"It is nothing. Don't—please, worry yourself."

Impulsively her arms went up to his shoulders in sheer sympathy and kindness. All the stiffness, all the resentment, left her. She was just plainly and simply a woman.

That being the case, her womanly pride was relegated to a back seat. Her precious dignity went down in value; right down to nil. It was not in the question at all—that question she asked as she gave herself to the needs of the moment; asked with real anxiety—

"Tell me—what to do?"

The light was there on her face, in her eyes! Oh, unmistakably there! The light which yesterday he had prayed he might see; that he had yearned for with his heart and soul. Her soft beautiful radiant eyes were looking with eager, tearful anxiety into his own.

For a moment—the influence of the moment and forgetfulness in combination—he felt that he must grasp, grip, strain her to him. Hold her in one long, lasting embrace. Then—he remembered! That an hour back she had been clinging to, looking into another man's face with the same tearful eyes! Oh! the excellence, super-excellence, of her acting! He would have given a king's ransom for the ability to laugh just then—at himself.

Could it be—could it? For a brief instant he doubted. The next moment blamed himself for being a fool. But not a blind fool—oh, no! He had the evidence of his own eyes: the evidence for the prosecution.

Most of us, under such circumstances, willingly take upon ourselves the threefold responsibility of witness, jury and judge. It is instinctive in most men; the desire to ladle out justice. But the appeal court sometimes oversets the decisions; Justice is not infallible—perhaps her blindness has something to do with it.

Few of us betray modesty when wearing the ermine. The more rigorously we silence the opposing counsel—the evidence of our own hearts—the more we pride ourselves on our impartiality, our exemplary Roman-fatherly administration of justice. We are apt to ignore any talk of a Court of Appeal; arrogate to ourselves supreme wisdom.

Curiously enough, the more severe the sentence we pronounce, the more we rise in our estimation. The rise may not be permanent—seldom is; but while we are at the high water mark of self-assurance we generally make the most of the tide. The sailing along on it is helped by the wind of serene self-complacency; we sun ourselves in vanity of our prowess. Forgetfulness is there; that the tide—like the proverbial lane or worm—has a knack of turning.

The dominant note in Masters at the moment was anger. That such a woman should have power over men. He mentally thanked God that her power over him was of the past. Laid the flattering unction to his soul that perhaps he was cleaner-minded than his fellows. Man applies curious ointments to his wounds!

But that thankfulness did not arrest his anger; made it the greater perhaps. He was hardly in a state of that judicial calm which should characterize dispassionate inquiry. Being angry, he spoke—after the manner of the angry man—foolishly; said brutally—

"This has been a busy evening with you. Don't you get tired of hugging men? I am the second in one hour."

For a moment she made no movement, no sound—save of the quick indrawing of her breath. It was as if some icy blast had suddenly assailed and frozen her to the spot. Her face retained the same look; she was too amazed—not understanding—too astonished to do more than look. He went on—

"I saw the parting at your back door; I was passing. Saw your slobbering over a man there as you seem inclined to slobber over me."

It was if he had struck her! She drew in her breath to that it sounded whistle-like. Fell back; extending her arms, seemed as if she would push him from her as something unclean. In colorlessness her face rivalled his.

"How dare you—"

Those words were shaped on her white lips. Then she stopped. The lips trembled, tightened. Rising to her feet, the indignation in her eyes as she looked down at him completed the sentence.

He laughed; that laugh with the underlying sobbing catch in it, for his laughter was not born of merriment. Said, righteous indignation shining in his own eyes too—

"Dare! What do you mean? The witnessing of it, or telling you of it?"

She scorned reply; he was really too contemptible! Yet the woman in her bubbled to the surface; she could not resist an effort to hurt him—

"And you—you played the spy?"

A raising of his shoulders, a lowering of his eyes, as he answered—

"Call it so if you wish."

He really did not care what she thought of him; plainly showed that. The indifference roused her; she tried again. Spoke with forced quietness—standing a little way from him—her voice full of contempt—

"There is a man bearing your name in the High Street; a blacksmith. I could understand such behaviour on his part. But—a gentleman!"

Her satisfaction came then; she had hurt. A deep flush streamed over his face, then faded altogether away, except for two red streaks.

"Am I not behaving as one?"

Keenly sensitive to her rebuke, he spoke half-apologetically. The bitterness of the incident was making him more himself. Brought home to him, forcefully, the irony of things.

"Pray pardon me." He rose and stepped towards. "Allow me to see you home."

"Don't touch me!"

There seemed an absolute fire burning in her eyes, so intense was her scorn. She could not have shrunk from him, or found him more repellent, had he been a leper. Her eyes seemed to scorch him.

He knew himself to be in the right; knew it perfectly well; beyond the shadow of a doubt. But standing before that searing indignation, it was he who appeared to be in the wrong, even to himself—his inmost self.

Such treatment hurt. Thought of the gross unfairness of it too was positively stinging. He who was suffering—the victim—to be put in the wrong! To be arraigned by the victimizer.

His blood, his forehead, seemed to be burning hot, the while he was con-

strong—strong and just. But he realized the hardness of the task he set himself. It was man's work; he would prove himself worthy of it.

She did not deign him another word; the wound to her pride was too severe for that. Her blue eyes blazed, as perhaps only blue eyes can. She would have given worlds for tears to soften their burning heat, but no tears came. Without another glance at him she turned and walked away—assumed an every-day gait; he should not think she was excited.

He did not attempt to stop her. Why should he? It was better so. Better that the sharp severing blow had been struck then than later; clean cuts heal quickest. He would let her get well on her way home before he moved. She must not think he was trying to follow.

Standing on the edge of the wall he looked out to sea. The water wore an appearance of invitation; that dangerous aspect which has proved irresistibly attractive to so many. Right out too, it looked so—so away from everything.

The tide was receding; was going out and away—to the Great Beyond. He knew that if he chose he could go with it. It would be so easy an act, if he stepped off the rocks further down—into the water that was always deep.

Then he pulled himself up with a jerk. Pride came to the rescue. Was he to cave in, go under, just because of a woman? What a fool he was! What an unmitigated, arrogant fool! Was there a woman in the world—the whole world—worth caring so much for? No. Not one!

But his heart contradicted. He remembered that anxious look on her face, the loving attitude, the feel of her arms as they rested on her breast, his shoulders. His, too, was the remembrance of the warmth of the sweet human breath; her eyes that had looked into his. Then he looked out to sea again; mentally out to the Great Beyond. Asked himself the old, old question: Was life worth living?

Bathos saved the situation. He remembered that a character in one of his stories had asked the same question: Was life worth living? The comic doctor had replied that it depended—depended on the liver!

He walked home.
(To be continued.)

The Farm

FEEDING VALUE OF SKIM MILK.

Farmers who are feeding young stock and particularly hogs, realize in a general way the value of skim-milk for feeding them, but they may not be so well informed as to the most profitable method of feeding it. Skim-milk in itself is an unbalanced ration and unsuitable for any kind of young stock as a sole feed. It can be fed more advantageously in connection with some other feed that is unbalanced in the opposite direction. The best balance for skim-milk on the average farm is corn, or other highly carbonaceous grains, and the best balance for these, when fed to young stock is skim-milk.

Professor Henry, of the Wisconsin Experiment Station, has gone into this subject with great thoroughness, and gives details not merely of his own experiments, but a tabulation of the Danish experiments, which are of very great value. The profit of feeding skim-milk with corn or corn meal depends very largely on the proportions in which they are fed. Professor Henry's conclusions are that when feeding one pound of corn meal with one to three pounds of separator skim-milk, 327 pounds of skim-milk will save 100 pounds of meal. When three to five pounds of skim-milk is fed to one pound of corn meal it requires 446 pounds to save 100 pounds of meal. When five to seven pounds are fed to one of meal it requires 574 pounds, and when seven to nine pounds are fed to one of corn meal 552 pounds. On an average 475 pounds of skim-milk equal 100 pounds of corn meal.

Therefore to get the most value out of skim-milk, one should feed it in the proportion of one, two or three pounds of milk to one of corn remembering that we can re-balance the milk as weighing two to the quart or eight to the gallon. This is not at all accurate, but nearly so for practical purposes, and only one gallon of milk to a bushel. Even better results would be secured if a smaller quantity of milk was fed.

In short, if you want to get the full value of skim-milk, don't feed your hogs altogether on it. To do so is to waste it. If you want to get the full value of corn, don't feed your young pigs altogether on it. To do so is to waste it. By combining the two in the proportions above given you get the full value of the skim-milk and the full value of the corn.

On this basis Professor Henry figures that when corn is worth 50 cents a bushel and fed at the rate of one pound of corn to one to three of skim-milk, it is worth 28 cents a cwt.; but that fed at from seven to nine pounds to one of corn it is worth only 16 cents a cwt. When corn is 28 cents a bushel, fed in the first-mentioned quantities skim-milk is worth 15 cents a cwt., but when fed in the larger quantities is worth but 9 cents.

LIVE STOCK NOTES.

Bean pods and oats straw make a good ration for sheep once a day. For the other meals give clover, or nice clean timothy, with some grain feed up to the lambing time.

The ducks have quit laying, and will not begin again until next February, although it is not unusual for early hatched ducklings to begin in January, and keep on laying until the last of August. Any ducks not intended for next year's breeding, should be marketed now, when prices are still good.

As a rule, the largest annual milk yield is derived from cows that come fresh in the fall. They then receive a strong stimulus to their lacteal glands and, with good treatment, will continue a good flow of milk through the winter; then, with fresh grass in the spring, a still further stimulus is received. On the other hand, the cow that is fresh in the spring receives all the stimulus at once, then as fly time comes she begins to shrink and when she goes on winter feed she falls off rapidly.

Hogs may be fed most healthfully in the winter if a part of their food consists of roots, of which mangels are the best, being soft, tender and nutritious. With a peck of these roots four pounds of corn daily a store hog of 150 pounds should gain a pound a day if it is provided with a clean and comfortable pen. Any other grain may be used in place of the corn, and potatoes will answer instead of mangels, but they should be cooked, as the starch of the potato is not digestible in a raw state. Well cured, early cut clover hay will be eaten very readily by swine, and if wetted and sprinkled with ground corn, oats, buckwheat and bran mixed, this food will keep pigs growing well all the winter.

ENGLISH EXTRAVAGANCE.

Women of All Classes Said to Spend Too Much on Clothes.

A dozen years ago the simplicity of dress, not to say tastelessness, of the average English woman was so marked that she was held up before the women of the whole world either as a model of unobtrusiveness or hideousness. One served the same purpose as the other, for underlying both was the fact that English women expended less money on dress than others.

The tradesman's wife could never by any chance escape detection. Her clothes gave her away. The shopgirl paid no attention whatever to dress so long as she was warmly clad in the winter and had a white cotton dress or two in the summer. As for the factory girl, she was completely satisfied if she had plenty of feathers to stick in the front of her great hat.

What has happened in the meantime to English women? asks a London correspondent. They have developed a tendency in dress which has made them conspicuously eager for self-adornment and increased their spending capacity tenfold.

The woman of fashion no longer thinks of dressing as she did formerly. The advent of French dress-makers was simultaneous with the new inclinations.

Fashionable dressmakers used to starve in London. Now they become millionaires. I could name a dozen or more fashionable establishments of this sort which are now the vogue merely because English women insist on spending unwonted sums on their clothes. The shopgirl, too, no longer looks like a frump, but dresses, if not so elegantly, far beyond her limited means.

Perhaps one reason why a loan shark has so few friends is not because he's always lending money, but because he insists on getting it back.

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weakness on his part that her words, her presence, had still such power to move him. He would be

MOVING WESTERN WHEAT

Splendid Record Being Made By the Railways This Year.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Up to date there has passed inspection at Winnipeg 40,400,000 bushels of wheat of the crop of 1903, or nearly 9,000,000 bushels more than had been inspected up to the end of December last year. Putting the exportable surplus of crop at 80,000,000 bushels, more than half of that surplus has already been inspected, and before navigation closes on the 5th of December the amount will have run over 45,000,000 bushels. In spite of the kicks that continue to come from the country as to car shortage, the west has already got out more wheat, considering the distance it has to travel, than any country has ever moved in the same period before. Up to the end of September the average price to the farmer had run just about 85 cents per bushel for all grades. The average has not been made up since that time, but it has certainly been higher,

rather than lower. Taking the average of wheat passed inspection at 85 cents to the farmer, there has been paid to them on the wheat crop of 1903, \$34,340,000. It is interesting to note the record of the various roads, in the movement of the crop. Of the 43,973 cars inspected the C. P. R. handled 27,845, the C. N. R. 12,821, and the new G. T. P. made the splendid record of 924, and 2,383 went over the Great Northern to Duluth. The Canadian Pacific holds the palm for the largest number of cars mover on such long hauls in the period of two and a half months, and evidence of the advantage of double tracking is fairly thrust in the face of every dealer of wheat. The record of the G. T. P. for a new load is magnificent, for it must be remembered that not a car moved on that road in September. The record of nearly a thousand cars is for October and November alone.

HAMONIC LAUNCHED.

The Finest Product of Canadian Shipbuilding.

A despatch from Collingwood says: Shortly after 2 o'clock on Thursday afternoon the ropes holding the splendid steel steamer Hamonic were severed simultaneously and the tremendous tonnage of steel slid gracefully down the ways into the water and another acquisition was made to the fleet of the Northern Navigation Company. The initial dip of the Hamonic was greeted by the tumultuous cheering of fully 10,000 people, while the whistles of the several steamers in the harbor added their welcome to the new recruit. The customary bottle of wine was broken upon the prow of the boat by Mrs. H. H. Gildersleeve, wife of the general manager of the company, who performed her task just as the steamer started on the way for her first submergence.

PARDON CAME TOO LATE.

Death of Capt. N. F. Harbottle From Cancer.

A despatch from Edmonton says: Captain N. F. Harbottle, the defaulting collector of inland revenue here, who was serving a two-year sentence, died suddenly in the penitentiary on Friday morning from cancer of the stomach. He had been operated upon and never rallied. A peculiarly sad feature of the case was the fact that one hour after his death a pardon arrived from Ottawa, which had been granted by order in Council after the precarious condition of his health was made known to the Government. Capt. Harbottle leaves a wife and four children.

LICENSING BILL REJECTED

New British Measure Buried by 272 to 96 Votes.

A despatch from London says: The House of Lords on Friday rejected, in accordance with their resolution of Nov. 24, the Govern-

ment's Licensing Bill at the second reading by 272 to 96 votes. The Liberal party has for the past two months regarded this as the inevitable fate of the bill. They will, however, during the next general election campaign, use this as one of their many reasons for ending the House of Lords. They set forth, furthermore, that the bill, being a revenue measure, is outside the jurisdiction of the House of Lords.

W. H. MORTON STABBED.

Italian Laborer Thrusts Knife Into His Breast.

A despatch from Niagara Falls says: Following a dispute over wages, Joe Fread, an Italian laborer, committed a murderous assault on W. H. Morton at Stamford on Thursday afternoon. Morton is foreman of a gang of laborers who work on the roads in Stamford township, and was paying the men off on the conclusion of the job. Fread demanded more than had been agreed upon, and Morton refused to pay him. Fread walked away, but in a few minutes came back, and, without warning, stabbed Morton twice in the breast near the heart with a dirk knife, and ran off into the woods. The police, after a long chase, captured him. Morton is in a very critical condition.

HUDSON'S BAY RAILWAY.

Rapid Progress is Being Made With the Survey.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Reports received by the Railway Department are that rapid progress is being made with the survey of the proposed route of the Hudson Bay Railway. There are at present four parties in the field, consisting in all of from seventy to one hundred men engaged in surveying alternate routes. It is anticipated that the engineers will be in a position to make a report, on which a practically definite conclusion may be based, by the end of February, for presentation to Parliament.

WAR IN BALKANS IMMINENT

The Trouble Is Now Believed to Have Come to a Head.

A despatch from London says: Friday has been a day of uneasiness and even alarm. Various reports, all seeming to harmonize with each other, created a belief that the Balkan trouble had come to a head, and that war was very near. The general interpretation of the withdrawal of Marquis Pallavicini, the Austrian Ambassador at Constantinople, as a disguised ultimatum to Turkey, Russia's unfavorable reply to the Austrian note concerning a conference, the reported definite conclusion of an alliance between Turkey, Montenegro and Serbia, the alleged clash of an Austrian column with a Serbian guerilla band, the rumored increase of troops in Bosnia, and a fresh concentration at Semlin, opposite Belgrade, where it was asserted a plot to murder an Austrian Minister had been discovered, were the principal causes of the excitement. These, added to the universal exasperation caused by the Tur-

kish boycott caused declines at the bourses of Vienna and Budapest, which were partly checked by a hasty official announcement denying some of the rumors, especially the fight between Austrians and Servians.

The position was in no wise bettered when it was learned that the Government had confiscated four Vienna newspapers for reporting the movements of troops particularly at Semlin.

It is impossible to say how far the day's alarm was justified, but nothing can be definitely ascertained to show that the situation is really worse than it has been for the last few days. Nevertheless the uneasiness is general, and the outlook is very obscure. It is stated in diplomatic quarters that the gravest difficulties lie in the direction of an Austrian-Russian disagreement, and the probability of an alliance between Turkey, Montenegro and Serbia.

THE WORLD'S MARKETS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Dairy Produce at Home and Abroad.

BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Dec. 1.—Ontario Wheat—No. 2 white or red, outside, 93c to 94c; No. 2 mixed, 93c to 93½c. Manitoba Wheat—No. 1 northern, \$1.07½ to \$1.08; No. 2 northern, \$1.04½ to \$1.05 lake ports.

Oats—Ontario No. 2 white, 39c to 40½c outside; No. 2 mixed, 37c to 38c, outside, 43½c on track, lake ports; extra No. 1 feed, 41½c; No. 1 feed, 41c, on track, lake ports. Barley—No. 2, 55½c to 56c; No. 3 extra, 54c to 55c; No. 3, 53c to 54c.

Corn—Old, 74½c to 75c, Toronto freights, for No. 2 or 3 yellow; new No. 3 yellow, 71c to 71½c, Toronto freights.

Rye—No. 2, 75c to 76c, outside. Peas—No. 2, 85c to 86c outside. Buckwheat—No. 2, 55c to 56c, outside.

Flour—Manitoba, first patents, \$5.80; seconds, \$5.30; strong bakers', \$5.10; Ontario winter wheat patents, for export, \$3.70 to \$3.75, outside.

Millfeed—Bran, \$20 to \$21 per ton in bags, outside; shorts, \$22 to \$23, in bags, outside.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—Winter, \$3 to \$4 per barrel for good qualities, and at \$2 to \$2.50 for cooking apples.

Beans—Prime, \$1.80 to \$1.85, and hand-picked, \$1.90 to \$1.95 per bushel.

Honey—Combs, \$2 to \$2.75 per dozen, and strained, 10 to 11c per pound.

Hay—No. 1 timothy quoted at \$11 to \$11.50 a ton on-track here, and No. 2 at \$7 to \$8.

Straw—\$6.50 to \$8 or track. Potatoes—Delawares, 75 to 80c per bag on track.

Poultry—Chickens, dressed, 9 to 10c-per pound; fowl, 7 to 8c; ducks, 9 to 10c; geese, 8 to 9c per pound; turkeys, 12 to 12½c per pound.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Pound prints, 24 to 26c; tubs, 23 to 24c; inferior, 20 to 21c. Creamery rolls, 27½ to 28c, and sold, 25½ to 26c.

Eggs—Case lots of storage, 23 to 24c per dozen, while new laid are quoted at 30 to 32c per dozen.

Cheese—Large cheese, 13½c per pound, and twins, 13½c.

PROVISIONS.

Pork—Short cut, \$22.50 to \$23 per barrel; mess, \$19 to \$19.50.

Lard—Tierces, 12½c; tubs, 12½c; pails, 13c.

Smoked and Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, 11½c to 11¾c, tons and cases; hams, large 12½c to 13c, small 14c to 14½c; backs, 17c to 17½c; shoulders, 10c to 10½c; rolls, 11c to 11½c; breakfast bacon, 15c to 16c; green meats out of pickle 1c less than smoked.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Dec. 1.—Grain—Canadian Western No. 2 white oats are selling at 46½c; No. 3, 45½c; extra No. 1 feed oats at 45½c; No. 1 feed at 45c; Ontario No. 2 white, 45 to 45½c; No. 3, 44 to 44½c; No. 4, 43½ to 44c per bushel ex storc. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, \$6; seconds, \$5.50; Winter wheat patents, \$5 to \$5.25; straight rollers, \$4.60 to \$4.70; do., in bags, \$2.15 to \$2.25; extra, \$1.7 to \$1.85. Feed—Ontario bran, \$21.50 to \$22; middlings, \$25 to \$26; shorts, \$24.50 to \$25 per ton, including bags; pure grain meal, \$30 to \$32; milled grades, \$25 to \$28 per ton. Cheese—12½ to 12½c, and easterns at 11½ to 12c. Butter—27c in round lots, and 27½ to 28c in a jobbing way. Eggs—New laid, 29 to 30c; selected stock, 25 to 25½c; No. 1 stock, 22 to 23c, and No. 2 stock, 17½c per dozen.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Toronto, Dec. 1.—A scarcity of choice cattle was reported. A buyer said that he was willing to pay \$5 for a load of extra choice butchers' cattle, but he could not find them. The best prices ruled around \$4.40 per cwt. Straight loads of good cattle were sold at \$4 to \$4.25 per cwt. The prices of medium cattle varied from \$3 to \$4 per cwt. Choice cows were sold up to \$3.75 per cwt. Common and medium cows brought \$2 to \$3 per cwt. Few heavy feeders of good quality were offered. A demand from the country persisted for them at current prices. Sheep and lambs were in better demand. Select hogs continued to sell at \$6.25 per cwt., fed and watered, Toronto.

INDIA'S UNREST INCREASING

Attempt on the Lives of Englishmen Almost of Daily Occurrence.

A despatch from Calcutta says: The situation in India has not shown such a menace of serious uprisings as it does to-day for many years past. Attacks and attempts on the lives of Englishmen, officials and civilians are of almost daily occurrence. Lord Minto, the Viceroy of India, returned here on Wednesday from the north, cutting short his excursion in this territory for the purpose of considering measures to cope with the native disaffection, which the authorities have been forced to recognize as alarmingly on the increase.

On Wednesday night a Bengali made an unsuccessful attempt to kill Public Prosecutor Hume with a bomb in a railroad carriage, near

Agurpara. There were three other Europeans in the carriage at the same time. None was injured. Last Monday night District Supt. of Police Clough was murdered by a native at Lyallpur. The native approached the superintendent while he was asleep and cut open his head with a spade.

The native, named Chownhury, who on November 7 made an attempt here upon the life of Sir Andrew Henderson Fraser, the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, on Wednesday pleaded guilty and was sentenced to imprisonment for life.

The police are taking remarkable precautions to safeguard Lord Minto, and this is regarded as most significant.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Milwaukee, Dec. 1.—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.03½; No. 2 Northern, \$1.04 to \$1.05; May, \$1.08 asked. Rye—No. 1, 76c. Corn—May, 62½c bid. Barley—Standard, 64c; samples, 57 to 64c; No. 3, 57 to 61c; Nov., 57c.

Minneapolis, Dec. 1.—Wheat—Dec., \$1.04½; May, \$1.09½; cash, No. 1 hard, \$1.08½ to \$1.09½; No. 1 Northern, \$1.07½ to \$1.07½; No. 2 Northern, \$1.05½ to \$1.05½; No. 4 Northern, \$1.01½ to \$1.04. Bran—\$18.25 to \$18.50. Flour—First patents, \$5.40 to \$5.65; second patents, \$5.25 to \$5.50; first clears, \$4.00 to \$4.30; second clears, \$3.00 to \$3.30.

Buffalo, Dec. 1.—Wheat—Spring, steady; No. 1 Northern, carloads, store, \$1.09½; Winter, higher; No. 2 red, \$1.08½; No. 3 extra red, \$1.07½; No. 2 white, \$1.04; No. 2 mixed, \$1.07. Corn—Easier; No. 3 yellow, 67c; No. 4 yellow, 66½c; No. 4 corn, 65½c to 66c; No. 3 white, 67c. Oats—Steady; No. 2 white, 53½ to 53½c; No. 2 rye, track, 81c.

HER LIFE FOR A DCG.

Mrs. Tony Ververan, of Hamilton, Killed by a Car.

A despatch from Hamilton says: In an attempt to save her dog from injury by a Radial car on Sunday evening about 5 o'clock Mrs. Tony Ververan, Whitfield avenue, lost her own life. She and her husband were walking along the tracks near Irondale, and hearing a car approach, they stepped aside out of danger. The dog remained on the track, and as it was in danger of being struck, Mrs. Ververan ran on the track to save it. As she bent forward to pick it up the corner of the car struck her on the head knocking her senseless. The car was stopped, and she was taken to the City Hospital, where the doctors operated on her. Her skull was too badly fractured for surgical aid to be of any benefit, and she died about an hour later.

138 MINERS DEAD.

Explosion in Pittsburg-Buffalo Coal Mine.

A despatch from Pittsburg, Pa., says: Twenty-five bodies, all but two of them horribly mutilated, and several dismembered, were taken on Sunday from the mine of the Pittsburg-Buffalo Coal Co., at Mariana, where an explosion occurred on Saturday. Officials of the company who said on Saturday night that over 125 had been killed, on Sunday night admit that 138 men went down the shaft to work on Saturday morning. According to miners and others familiar with the number of men generally employ-

ed in the mine, the death list will exceed the company's estimate by at least 50.

ST. JEROME'S DAMAGED.

Berlin Students Work Hard to Save New Buildings.

A despatch from Berlin says: Fire did \$35,000 damage to St. Jerome's College early on Sunday morning, destroying the oldest of the college buildings, which was used as a notiviate chapel, dormitory and society hall. Several billiard tables, a piano, an organ and other valuable furniture were destroyed, as well as practically all the clothing of 12 students who slept there. The volunteer brigade of students had streams playing on the flames before the arrival of the city brigade.

SIX MEN SUFFOCATED.

Were Working in Salt Mine on Outskirts of Detroit.

A despatch from Detroit says: Six men were suffocated to death on Saturday afternoon in the Village of Oakwood, on the western outskirts of Detroit. They were at work 500 feet down in a shaft being sunk for a salt mine, when the canvas tube which supplied them with air became clogged, and the shaft filled with gas. Four bodies have been recovered.

A HUNDRED DROWNED.

Coasting Steamer Went Down off the Philippines.

A despatch from Manila says: The coasting steamer Ponting, carrying a large number of laborers from Narvaia to the ricefields in Pangasinan province, struck a rock and sank on Thursday night during a storm, off the town of San Fernando, in Union province. It is estimated that a hundred of the passengers and crew of the Ponting were drowned. The steamer Viscaya rescued 55. A patrol of constabulary, which was established immediately after the accident, picked up fifteen bodies, and many were coming ashore. It is not known whether any Americans or Europeans were aboard the wrecked steamer.

Ontario, British Columbia and Nova Scotia were awarded gold medals at the colonial Fruit Show in London.

Mr. Birrell has introduced a bill into the British House of Commons to facilitate the purchase of land for the tenants in Ireland.

The army budget for Prussia, Saxony and Wurtemberg estimates the expenditure for 1909 at \$180,500,000, or \$6,500,000 less than in 1908.

OPIUM IN THE PENITENTIARY

Tailor Instructor Has Been Suspended Pending Investigation.

A despatch from Kingston says: The tailor instructor of the penitentiary is under suspicion pending an investigation into the finding in one of his rooms in the institution a quantity of opium, tobacco, money and two watches purchased at Eaton's in Toronto. The suspended official denies all knowledge as to how these materials found their way into his department. The discovery was made by the prison authorities that opium and tobacco were being used, and a prisoner gave information as to where the

material was coming from. Two prisoners under the instructor were using the drug, and one of them is now in the prison hospital. How the stuff got into the storeroom no one can tell. Some years ago a large quantity of stolen goods were found under the floor of the architect's room at the prison, but he knew nothing about the matter. Some prisoners were suspected of hiding the stuff, and there is no doubt the present case is a piece of convict sleight-of-hand work. Inspector Dawson will investigate

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	One Year.	Six months.	Three months.
One column.....	\$70	35	\$18
Half column.....	35	18	10
Quarter column.....	18	10	6
Eighth column.....	10	6	4

Legal notices, 50 per line for first and 40. per line for each subsequent insertion.
Local business notices 50. per line each insertion. No local less than 25 cents.
Contract advertising payable quarterly.

COUNTY AND DISTRICT.

A terrible explosion occurred in a mine at Marianna, Pa, in which it is estimated 150 people perished. A second explosion is feared which prevents all work of rescue.

A young Iowa doctor has discovered that the ankle is placed between the foot and the knee to keep the calf away from the corn.

The trustees of a South Dakota church have offered to expend \$125 for the installation of a hat rack and mirror, on condition that the women of the congregation remove their large and fashionable hats during the service. The women have agreed to do so, and furthermore have signed an agreement to this effect.

Compulsory vaccination comes into force in Kingston this week. Those who cannot then show a certificate of successful vaccination within seven years will be liable to a fine not exceeding \$50 and cost, or, in default of payment, to a term of imprisonment not exceeding six months.

Constable Phippen of Wingham and a detective searched a Goric hotel on Tuesday and found a quantity of liquid refreshment that they say smelt stronger than the law allows in a Local Option municipality. A sample has been sent to Toronto for analysis.

A weather-wise farmer has been telling the editor of one of our exchanges that the coming winter is to be a long and severe one. He has read two infallible signs: The fact that the weeds have grown unusually high this fall indicates deep snow and cold weather. He explains that nature causes the weeds to grow high so that the birds can feed on the seeds when the snow is deep. Another indication he finds in the fact that squirrels are carrying their winter store of grain into hollow trees. When these wise little animals deposit their stores in less secure places a mild winter may be expected.

It is gratifying to know that 153 townships in Ontario have abandoned statute labor and adopted the cash system for the maintenance of roads. Sixteen counties in Ontario also undertaken a good programme by which the outlay of about \$3,200,000 will be made, of which the province will bear one-third under the provisions of The Roads Act. This is cheering news for the public, for one of the gravest defects in Ontario is the system of making and maintaining our roads. The statute labor system has proved a failure, and in many cases a regular farce. It is gratifying to learn that so many townships are commuting their statute labor and putting the money into the making of really good roads. If only a little bit of good road is made each year a step in the right direction has been made which will lead eventually to a general improvement of roads, greater comfort in travel, and a saving in the wear and tear of the vehicles of the travelling public." — Municipal World.

There was a great lynching bee down in Tennessee last week. Three negro brothers, Marshall, Edward and James Steinbock, disturbed a religious meeting the Saturday night previous, and two officers who went to arrest them were shot by the brothers who afterwards escaped. A posse followed them and located them in a swamp on Tuesday. The capture was soon made known throughout the countryside, and a furious mob soon congregated outside the jail walls wherein the murderers were confined. The authorities remonstrated with the mob and asked that a fair trial be given the prisoners, but to no avail. A Judge in the crowd, in order to prevent a national disgrace, asked that he be allowed to summon a jury, and open a court. This was granted. They then went to the court house, where an incredibly short trial was given, after which the jury retired to consider the evidence, but the door was scarcely closed on the last jury man till the first opened it again, with a verdict of "Guilty!" The three brothers were taken out of their cells and strung up to the nearest tree, amid the whoops and yells of the rabble, while the air was perforated with bullets about the dangling bodies suspended from the tree. Thus occurred the first legalized lynching in the States.

WINTER TERM OPENS JAN. 4th.

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A SURPRISED MINISTER

"For many years I have been a sufferer from bronchial catarrh, and had despaired of anything like a cure. Judge of my pleasant surprise when I first used Hyomei, which brought complete relief. Hyomei has been a veritable godsend."—Rev. Charles Hartley, Sardinia, Ohio.

Thousands of catarrh sufferers have given up in despair. They have tried stomach dosing, snuff, sprays and douches without success, and now believe catarrh to be incurable.

But J. Coates, the druggist, holds out hope to all distressed. He sells Hyomei which is guaranteed for catarrh, colds, coughs, bronchitis, asthma and croup.

Hyomei (pronounced High-o-me) is medicated air, full of the healthy virtues of the mountain pines. You breathe in the delightful antiseptic air, and as it passes over the inflamed and germ ridden membrane, it allays the inflammation, kills the germs, and drives out the disease.

A complete Hyomei outfit, including a hard rubber inhaler, costs but \$1.00, and an extra bottle of Hyomei, if afterwards needed, costs but 50 cts. See J. Coates about it to-day.

THE BISHOP'S STORY.

The Bishop of Marlborough told a story, in opening the St. Thomas sale of work at Exeter, to illustrate the difficulty which confronted church workers in days gone by. Sixty years ago he made a strenuous effort to stimulate parochial life in the direction of amusement, but it was, he said, a bad failure. The only thing which he could recollect of the details now was that there was a smoky magic lantern which had been used at Haldon races, and was "caught hold of" by a young farmer as a proper thing with which to give an entertainment in the parish, but it was simply an exhibition of animals, and the room being dark and the showman not first-rate, it was a miserable affair. Suddenly the showman said: "You know, children, I am exhibiting the animals that came out of the ark." Unfortunately the next thing he exhibited was a whale, and a little boy exclaimed: "There weren't no whale in the ark." But the showman was equal to the occasion and replied: "No, little boy, the whale wasn't there it was waiting outside for Jonah."

The Hanover Post says that Mr. George Hillgardner killed a pair of 10 month's old pigs which weighed 1006 lbs.

Cochrane, the new town just opened up by the T. & N. O. had a fifty thousand dollar sale of town lots a few days ago. There is a grand opening for any kind of business at that point.

The population of Toronto as given in the completed assessment of Commissioner Forman, is 278,201, an increase 14,601 over the previous year's figures. The assessment of the city is \$223,207,413, an increase of \$16,822,160.

A petition asking for the establishment of a free library will be presented to the Walkerton town council at its next meeting. As the County Town is now up against a tax rate of 30 mills and as the library might possibly add a half mill to this, there is little likelihood that the petitioners will be successful.

November was warmer by two points than the average November month so far as Ontario is concerned, while the precipitations (rain and snow) were 156 below the average, indicating that last month was warmer and dryer than usual. The highest temperature was reached on the 26th, namely 64 degrees. The lowest point was 22 recorded on the 17th.

W. M. Dack, of Walkerton, speaking on Hospital Financing, at Canadian conference of charities and correction in Toronto last week said that five years ago the County of Bruce started with a legacy of about \$8,000 to establish a general hospital. Up to the present time the Trust Board have invested \$25,600, on which there is a mortgage of indebtedness of only \$3000, with no floating liabilities. The hospital has 27 beds for patients, and in furnishings and equipment the institution is a pride to the county of Bruce.

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The statutory meeting of all municipal Councils will be held on Tuesday, December 15th, to wind up the year's business.

ANALYTICAL CHEMIST TELLS OF PATENT MEDICINES

A graduate in organic chemistry, who has made a study of many of the best-known patent medicines on the market, states that many have virtue, but as a rule people have to pay for a lot of unnecessary expense. The following is the recipe of a well-known secret preparation, and is known by authority to be one of the best stomach and liver tonics. It is prescribed by many of the best physicians.

This mixture cures constipation and biliousness. The recipe:—

Fluid Extract Cascara..... ½ oz.
Syrup Rhubarb 1 oz.
Carriana Compound 1 oz.
Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla 5 oz.

Take a teaspoonful after each meal and at bedtime.

An eminent authority, who has made a careful and scientific study of the relative values of drugs having a specific action on the kidneys, bladder, and liver, pronounces this an excellent combination.

You can buy the ingredients separately and mix at home. Cut this formula out and save it.

FARM FOR SALE.

The best 100 acre farm on the Howick and Carrick townline is offered for sale. Excellent soil, new brick house and new bank barn, with cement stables and pig pen. 8 acres of bush and good orchard. Convenient to church and schools. Apply for terms and particulars at this office.

FARM FOR SALE.

The desirable farm property, lot 31, concession D. Carrick is offered for sale. This is one of the best farms in Carrick, contains 78 acres of excellent land, has good buildings, and is just 1½ miles from Mildmay. Apply for terms to James Kidd, proprietor, Brandon, Man., on to J. A. Johnston, Mildmay, Ont.

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**LIVE STOCK MARKETS.
TORONTO.**

Receipts of live stock at the city market, as reported by the railways, were 112 car loads, consisting of 865 cattle, 876 hogs, 3004 sheep and lambs, with 89 calves.

The quality of cattle was a slight improvement over last week, but the bulk of those on sale were common to medium as will be seen by sales and quotations given by the various commission salesmen.

There was a good trade all round, when the large run is considered, altho there were a few stockers, and feeders, left unsold, at the close of the market.

Prices were not any better than at the Union Yards on Monday, and considering that there were over 1800 cattle on sale, it was remarkable that they held up as well as they did.

We did not hear of any cattle reaching \$5, but there was one choice load of butchers sold at \$4.90 per cwt.

Exporters—No export steers were reported as being on sale. A few export bulls sold from \$3.75 to \$4.30 per cwt.

Butchers—Prime picked lots of butchers are worth \$4.20 to \$5; the bulk of the best cattle offered sold from \$4.20 to \$4.50, very few going over the latter figure, in fact the bulk of the cattle offered sold under \$4; medium, \$3.75 to \$4; common, \$3.50 to \$3.75; canners, \$1.50 to \$2.25.

Feeders and Stockers—The Messrs. Murby reported prices unchanged from quotations last week, as follows: Best feeders, 950 to 1100 lbs each, at \$3.60 to \$4 per cwt; best feeders, 800 to 900 lbs each, at \$3.25 to \$3.75; stockers, 600 to 700 lbs each, at \$2.90 to \$3.15; common and medium stockers, 500 to 600 lbs each at \$1.75 to \$2.30.

Milkers and Springs—The market for milkers and springers has lost its vim, altho choice quality cows still bring a good price. A moderate supply which were principally of medium quality sold from \$22.50 to \$55 each. McDonald and Halligan sold 12 milkers and springers at \$55 each.

Veal Calves—The market for veal calves was firm at \$3 to \$6.50 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs—There was a large delivery of sheep and lambs, 3000 and over, but this did not cause the market to weaken, but on the other hand lambs went higher than at the Union Yards on Monday. Lambs sold from \$4.50 to \$5.30 for the general run, but a few lots of choice selected ewe and wether lambs sold at a little higher quotations; export ewes \$3.25 to \$3.40.

Hogs—Mr. Harris quoted selects fed and watered at the market at \$6; lights at \$5.75.

SOUND BUSINESS SENSE.

A chap in Philadelphia, whose father is a prominent merchant and, as such, never loses an opportunity to descend upon the virtues of advertising, one day asked his mother:

"May Lucy and I play at keeping store in the front room?"

"Yes," assented the mother; "but you must be very, very, quiet."

"All," said the youngster, "we'll pretend we don't advertise."

When returning from the postoffice on Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Arndt, wife of the Lutheran pastor at Desboro, took convulsions and passed away the same evening at 9 o'clock.

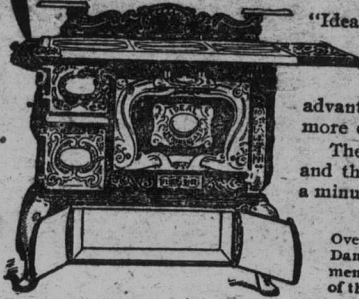
Protests entered on Saturday, promise a large number of election trials. All the Conservative seats in Quebec and Manitoba have been protested, and a large number of Liberal seats in Quebec.

During the month of December the railway companies will issue tickets from the west to points in Ontario for \$40, and the western visitor will soon be due. Isn't it strange that it costs about twice as much to bring a passenger from Manitoba to Ontario, as it does to take the same passenger from Ontario to Manitoba.

William James, a linotype operator, of the Port Huron Herald Publishing Company, claims that the composing room of that office is haunted. While at work the other night, about midnight, James claims that he saw the late John Murray standing alongside the machine with a bunch of copy in his hand. It is also stated that the late Henry Anglin, who was found dead in the press room about a year ago, occasionally appears in the same room. The Gazette does not believe in ghosts, but as printers are generally truthful and also temperate, we cannot explain why this man was visited by these uninvited callers, during the midnight hours. Perhaps a lot of his subscribers in arrears had called that day and paid up, and the unexpected event was too much of a shock. We can stand such an event as that, so let no one in arrears fear any such result, but come.

"Ideal Peninsular"

Has the Advantages of a Steel Range with the Durability of a Cast-Iron Range



"Ideal Peninsular" is the ideal range for a small kitchen.

It gives the conveniences of the best steel ranges with the added advantage of being cast-iron and therefore more durable.

The "Ideal" burns either wood or coal and the grate bars may be changed in half a minute.

Step in and let us show you the Drop Oven Door—Low Warming Closet—Adjustable Damper—Daylight Oven and other improvements. Always glad to explain the superiority of these fine ranges.

C. LIESEMAR & SON, - MILDMAY

LATH SHINGLES AND WOOD.

A full stock of Shingles and Lath on hand at the

AMBELSIDE SAW MILL.

Shingles are excellent quality, and prices reasonable. Lath are also first-class, and the prices right.

We also deliver mill wood to your order.

We can save you money in these lines.

JOS. L. KROETSCH.

H. L. Kroetsch's old stand.

ALEX. KRAMER MILDMAY

Has secured the privilege of handling the celebrated **WHITE EAGLE FLOUR.**

Special prices in large lots to farmers.

—MANUFACTURED BY—**HAZLEWOOD BROS. CLIFFORD.**

FOR SALE OR RENT.

Ignatz Kieffer offers for sale or rent after Nov. 1st, 1908, his property on Ellen Street, at present occupied by August Pross. This place is in good repair, the best location in town, and a desirable place to reside. Apply to Ignatz Kieffer, Formosa.

The Toronto papers complain that Cupid is loafing this fall. The number of marriages in the city during November was just 250 as compared with 329 for November 1907

There are rumors that some time during the present parliament, Sir Wilfrid Laurier will relinquish the premiership, and abandon public life. They are only rumors, of course, but as Sir Wilfrid is nearing the three score and ten mark, it is to be expected that some such step will be taken at no distant date. Hon. W. S. Fielding, Minister of Finance, is spoken of as his successor.

Several pairs of good Kay Excelsior curling stones for sale. Apply at this office for prices and particulars.

A Port Hope despatch, dated Nov. 30, says: "About seven o'clock this morning when Harry Sheppard opened his store—it was raining hard at the time—some of the drops that fell upon the sidewalk appeared to be very large. On examination it proved that five speckled trout, between three and four inches long, had fallen from the clouds.

Now a wise man rises to remark that a woman should never marry a man to reform him, until she can make a satisfactory omelet out of bad eggs.

TOWN PROPERTY FOR SALE.

Frederick Scheffe offers for sale on reasonable terms, his fine property, lot 72, Louisa street, Mildmay. On the property is a fine frame house, well finished and in excellent shape. Splendid location, and one of the most desirable residences in the village.

SERAPHIN HERRINGER

LICENSED AUCTIONEER FOR THE COUNTY OF BRUCE, MILDMAY, ONT.

Is prepared to conduct auction sales in the English and German languages and guarantee satisfaction. Dates may be arranged at the Gazette office.

A New Jersey girl has been scared to death by a mouse. This will only serve to confirm the wide spread feminine prejudice against this ferocious animal.

Carrie Nation is using the Bible in her Glasgow campaign, but she takes the hatchet along, as a surgical operation may be necessary before the Scotchmen see the point.

Miss Jessie MacLachlan, the famous Queen of Scottish Song, is reported to have been stricken with a paralytic stroke in Australia.

Albert Berger, a former Alaska miner, just before committing suicide, in Helena, Mont., the other day threw into a stove \$2,000 in postoffice money orders payable to himself, declaring that the money was in the hands of the government and no one would quarrel over it after he was dead.

Lax-ets 5 C Sweet to Eat
A Candy Bowel Laxative.

**Remarkable Cash Discounts
—AT THE—
PEOPLES' STORE**

With the cold winter breezes comes the question, Have you bought your supply of Heavy Rubbers, Ladies' Coats and Furs, Mens' and Boys' cloth Overcoats, and ready-made Suits? If not, give me a call, as I am offering the above lines at from 10% to 35% discount. Call early, as we do not intend to replace these lines.

The same Discount will be given on Dress Goods, Waists, Belts, Girls' 25c Woollen Gloves and Toggles from 10 to 15c. 1 only Men's No. 1 Beaver Shell Arctic lined, fur collar, extra fancy overcoats, and 1 only Coon coat going at a snap. If you need a coat don't miss this chance.

A full stock of Groceries, Spices, Coffees, Teas, etc., always on hand. We buy nothing but the best and guarantee satisfaction.

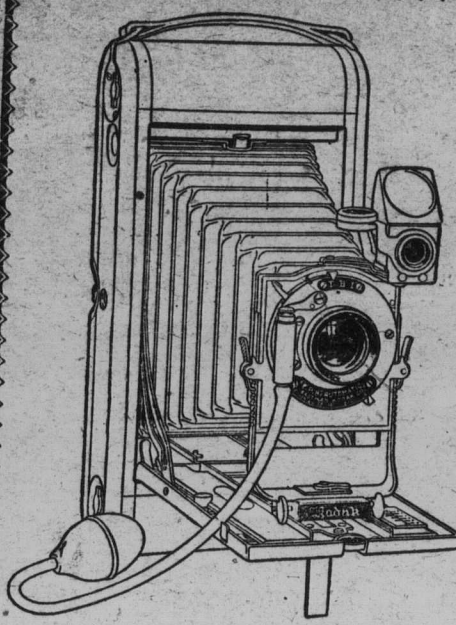
Our Specials this week:
Our Fancy Chinaware and Dinner Sets at from 10 to 35% discount
4 Ten cent plugs of Frontenac Tobacco for..... 30 cts.

Santa Claus has supplied us with a full stock of Xmas Nuts and Candies at close cut prices. It will pay you to examine our stock before buying, and if suited, of course, place your order.

FARM PRODUCE TAKEN SAME AS CASH.

F. H. ELLIOTT

Successor to Elliott & Lambert.



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A KODAK

For everyone likes pictures of the persons and things that he is interested in. And anybody can make good pictures with a Kodak.

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J. N. SCHEFFTER

**DISCOURAGED MEN
IS LIFE WORTH LIVING**



MEN, you become disheartened when you feel the symptoms of Nervous Debility and decline stealing upon you. You haven't the nerve or ambition you used to have. You feel you are not the man you ought to be. You feel like giving up in despair. You get nervous and weak, have little ambition, pain in the back over kidneys, drains at night, hollow eyes, tired mornings, prefer to be alone, distrustful, variable appetite, looseness of hair, poor circulation—you have Nervous Debility. Our New Method Treatment is your refuge. It will strengthen all weak organs, vitalize the nervous system, purify the blood and restore you to a manly condition.

Pay When Cured.

READER Are you a victim? Have you lost hope? Are you intending to marry? Has your blood been diseased? Have you any weakness? Our New Method Treatment will cure you. What it has done for hundreds of others, it will do for you. **CONSULTATION FREE.** No matter who has treated you, write for an honest opinion Free of Charge. Charges reasonable. **BOOKS FREE**—"The Golden Monitor" (Illustrated), on Diseases of Men.

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DENTIST, MILDMAY.**

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**J. J. WEINERT
NEUSTADT, ONT.**

Money to loan at the lowest possible interest to farmers. All kinds of conveying promptly, cheaply and correctly done.

Any person contemplating having an auction sale should consult him first as he is an experienced auctioneer in the counties of Grey and Bruce, and speaks both the English and German languages.

J. A. WILSON, M. D.

HONOR Graduate of Toronto University by Medical College. Member of College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario. Office and Residence—Opposite Skating Rink, MILDMAY.

SHORTHORNS FOR SALE.

A choice lot of young cows, heifers and bull calves by Young Cambeth (imp.) at astonishing low prices.

JAS. THOMSON.

**Santa Claus
Headquarters.
A Cheerful Call to Christmas Buyers.**



Call and see our beautiful display of Holiday Goods.

We are ready for Xmas buyers with an up-to-date and complete stock of—

Watches, Clocks, Jewellery, Silverware and Musical Instruments.

Toys, Dolls, Games, Xmas Cards, Post Card Albums and Novelties of every description.

Whatever your wants may be in these lines we can meet them with beautiful and appropriate presents at lowest prices.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL.

CHAS. WENDT, - The Jeweller.

WHEN OUR YOUTH HAS FLED

Preacher Outlines the Course of Unconscious Deterioration.

Gray hairs are here and there upon him and he knoweth it not. — Hosea viii., 9.

The comic paragraphists—gentlemen whose elevating trade is to take all the dignity out of sentiment and all nobility out of life—are in the habit of making fun over the discovery of the first gray hair.

There is nothing funny about it. When some poignant experience forces upon us the realization of that for which the gray hair conventionally stands, when we realize with a shock that our youth has fled forever and that age is creeping on, the flood of new emotions may easily carry us off our feet.

If this is not true for you and has not been, then you are either much better or worse than the average of humanity. Either you have already grown unthoughtful, shallow and callous, or else you have a strong, close grip upon the unseen, but everlasting realities of life. And it would be good for us if there were some physical sign, corresponding to the approach of gray hairs, which might warn us of moral deterioration and awaken us to the necessity of

RENEWING OUR YOUTH

by waiting upon the Lord, by taking in great reinforcements of moral energy to repair the waste and decay of moral tissue.

The shock, in the nature of things, could not be pleasant. The awakening might be rude and painful. But it would be salutary. It would be chastening. And if for the moment it was humbling, in the providence of God it might be permanently uplifting. If we could really see this soul destroying process at work, leading downward to something worse than a second childhood, leading to a second slothfulness, unreasonableness, barbarism, back to the old unspiritual, un aspiring life from which we have emerged, would not that be good for us?

Nellie—"That Clara Sharpe is just the meanest, most utterly selfish girl I ever saw. She never thinks of anyone but herself." Dora—"Tell me about it." Nellie—"I ran in there the other evening for a few moments, and while I was there Mr. Spooner called. It wasn't long before he requested her to play. He's passionately fond of music, you know. Well, what do you think that girl did? She asked him to come to the piano and turn the music for her, so that I couldn't talk to him."

"I purchased a bottle of Scott's Emulsion and immediately commenced to improve. In all, I think I took 14 bottles, and my weight increased from 133 pounds to 184 pounds in less than six months. I know from personal results the efficacy of Scott's Emulsion."—FRED R. STRONGMAN, 417 Bathurst St., London, Ont.

Let us send you a copy of Mr. Strongman's letter. He had a trying experience, had got run down

Scott's Emulsion

built him up, as it has thousands of others. The strengthening and flesh-producing properties of Scott's Emulsion, are unequalled by any other preparation, and it's just as good for the thin, delicate child as for the adult. Be sure to get Scott's. It's been the standard of the world for 35 years, and is worth many times the cost of the numerous imitations and substitutes.

ALL DRUGGISTS

Let us send you a full copy of Mr. Strongman's letter and some other literature on the subject. Just mention this paper.

SCOTT & BOWNE
126 Wellington St. W. Toronto

THE PANGS OF SCIATICA

Can Be Cured by the Fair Use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Fierce darting pains. Pains like red hot needles being driven through the flesh—in the thigh, perhaps down the legs to the ankles—that's sciatica. None but the victim can realize the torture of this trouble. But the sufferer need not grow discouraged for there is a cure in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These Pills enrich the blood, feed the starved sciatic nerve and thus drives out the pain. Mrs. Joseph L. Brown, Wilmet, N. S., was a victim of sciatica and found a cure in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. She says:—"For a year I was laid up with sciatica from my side to my foot. What I suffered was at times awful. I could not touch my foot to the floor and had to hobble about with a cane. My right leg was drawn up, and I never expected to have the use of it again. I was attended by our family doctor, and tried several other remedies, but with no benefit, and I felt very much discouraged. One day I read of the cure of a similar sufferer through Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I decided to try them. I got six boxes, and by the time I had taken them I was completely cured, and have not had the slightest twinge of the trouble since. I am therefore, a very enthusiastic friend of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and recommend them to all who are similarly troubled."

There is no mystery about the cures Dr. Williams' Pink Pills make. They act upon the blood, enriching and purifying it, and in this way feed the nerves and reach the root of the disease. That is why they cure such common ailments as anaemia, pimples and eczema, indigestion, rheumatism, neuralgia, St. Vitus dance, paralysis, and the irregularities in health of growing girls and women. Sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50, from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

TAX ON GERMAN BEER.

To Be Raised to Two Shillings on Twenty-four Gallons.

The bills to be submitted to the German Reichstag for the reform of the imperial financial system provide that the wholesale buying and selling of spirits shall be taken over by the empire. The selling price will be regulated as to bring in a net revenue of £11,000,000 to the imperial treasury.

The tax on beer will be raised by about two shillings per hectolitre (22 gallons) on all beers ready for consumption. The wine tax bill provides for a tax on still wines bottled in the country or imported in bottle from abroad in the shape of a general bottle tax and a graduated surtax. The wine tax will amount to five pfenning (1/2d.) per bottle, and the rates of the surtax, which will only be imposed upon wines costing more than one shilling per bottle, will vary from one penny to three shillings.

For tobacco an ad valorem tax on the manufactured article will be introduced according to the scaled band system. The rates of taxation for cigars will be from four to ninety-six shillings per thousand; for cigarettes eightpence to twenty-four shillings per thousand; and for fine-cut tobacco eightpence to 12s. 8d. per kilogramme (2 1/2 lb.)

DELICATE CHILDREN MADE WELL AND STRONG

The little ones are frail. Their hold upon life is slight. At the very first symptoms of trouble Baby's Own Tablets should be given. This medicine cures colic, sour stomach, indigestion, diarrhoea, constipation, teething troubles and other minor ailments. It is equally good for the new born babe as the well grown child. Mothers have the guarantee of a government analyst that this medicine contains no opiate or poisonous soothing stuff. Mrs. Cressman, New Hamburg, Ont., says:—"I have used Baby's Own Tablets for stomach trouble and constipation with marked success. I feel that my little ones are safe when I have a box of Tablets in the house." Sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

NEXT TIME SHE'LL CARE.

He—"Will you have some oysters?"
She—"I don't care."
He—"All right; we won't have any."

GERMAN DOG DETECTIVES.

System Employed With Success in Tracking Evildoers.

Year by year I attend trials of "police dogs" in Germany and Austria, where man hunting dogs are trained and bred for police purposes and where dogs have become a branch of the police organization, writes a correspondent of the London Telegraph. In Germany there is a society called the Association for Furthering the Breeding and Employment of Police Dogs, and ideas on the subject are exchanged, all experiments with dogs being carefully reported.

Years of thorough and painstaking study were devoted to this subject before suitable breeds of dogs were obtained and proper methods of working the dogs were discovered. Originally Brunswick was the headquarters of the German police doggy men and when canine assistance was required one of the officers at once set out with a dog. These officers and dogs often travelled long journeys, going as far as Paris and Constantinople on two occasions.

The German trainers soon came to the conclusion that not even the most perfect dog would carry a line three or four days old when he was not in a perfect working condition, as he would not be after a long train journey. Before anything else the "mind" of a dog must be quite fresh because he has to do far more mental than physical work. Further, a dog brought to a country in which the conditions are different from those of his home cannot settle down to the work at once with his mind quite fresh for the task. Artificial means to "revive the scent" are not always handy and even then will fail if the dog is not in perfect working condition.

Quite a revolution, however, set in when the association referred to above began to distribute dogs among policemen and watchmen. These animals got so accustomed to their masters and the rural conditions of their districts that the slightest change from the normal state provoked their suspicion while on their daily patrol, and any amount of cases are published every week where such well trained dogs led their masters to places of outrages which up to that moment were still unknown. Suicides were found in time to bring such poor creatures back to life, murders were discovered while the corpses were still warm, and so of course was the scent. The criminals were at once hunted and stopped not many miles off, waiting for a chance to escape. Tramps hiding themselves in thickets could not enjoy a quiet hour, and many a "wanted" was discovered by the help of these dogs.

It is an unrequited occurrence that an outrage is not discovered within twenty-four hours after the commission of the crime. The next "station dog" is at once called, and unless he has not already stopped a suspicious individual during one of his patrols he will pick up at once the line of the criminal after having—in case of fatal outrage—been brought to the corpse.

Since police dogs were introduced in Brunswick there have been comparatively few evasions of justice in cases of violence. The certainty of detection has had a good result, and the criminal statistics of that town show that during the last two years not a single murder was committed there or within twenty miles around this municipality.

PLAGUE OF LOCUSTS.

Algeria and Tunis have this year suffered from an extraordinary invasion of locusts. The locusts arrive from the direction of the deserts in swarms so thick as to hide the sun. They cover the ground as with a yellow carpet, and sometimes render the railways so slippery that trains can hardly run. At this stage they are not voracious, being engaged principally in laying their eggs. But 40 days later the young locusts, not yet winged, begin to run about, devouring every green thing, including not only leaves, but even the bark and tender shoots of trees. The hordes, advancing in a body, sometimes cover an area of several square miles. Barricades of cloth, surmounted with waxed strips, erected in the line of march, arrest the progress of the insects, which are unable to crawl up the smooth surface. Passing along the line of the barricades, they fall into ditches dug for the purpose, where they are killed with corrosive liquids. Another method is to smooth descending paths, ending in poisoned ditches. The insects follow the descents, and thus go to their death.

Real charity doesn't employ a publicity promoter.

CHRONIC CATARRH RELIEVED BY PE-RU-NA.



MRS. F. CARR.

MRS. F. CARR, Vineland, Ont., Can., writes:

"For several years I was afflicted with catarrh, which made life a burden. The coughing and hacking which accompanied the disease was terrible.

"The complaint finally extended to the stomach and I was in a wretched condition.

"I tried different remedies and the best professional treatment all in vain.

"Finally, as a last resort, I tried Peruna upon the recommendation of my sister in Hamilton.

"I could see steady improvement and after using four bottles of that precious medicine I was feeling well again, my old trouble being completely a thing of the past.

"To-day I would not take one thousand dollars for what this grand medicine has done for me." Peruna is a universally recognized catarrh remedy. It will relieve catarrh in its most obstinate form.

AIRSHIPS IN WAR.

Objectives Will Not Be Armies, But Dockyards, Arsenals, etc.

Of the use of airships in war a writer says: "Large vessels of from 500,000 to 1,000,000 cubic feet capacity, capable of travelling at a speed of forty miles an hour in a calm and of carrying considerable quantities of high explosives, can set out, and with a favorable wind, can cover vast distances in a few hours. When they will come and what their objective will be cannot possibly be known to the enemy, who cannot always be looking with guns ready pointed into the air, while they will pass over the country so quickly as to be out of range almost as soon as seen.

"Their objectives would not be the enemy's armies, but his dockyards, arsenals, store-houses, railway centres and so forth, where the maximum of damage can be caused at a minimum of cost. Possibly they might even attack the enemy's navy if he has one, but possibly the same effect would be produced in a more humane manner by merely destroying the docks.

"Keeping high up in the daytime and descending at night, they can keep their direction with practical certainty, and hovering close over any desired spot may launch explosives with relay action fuses, which will enable them to retire to a safe distance before the explosion occurs; or they may even risk destruction to effect some notable exploit.

"There would appear to be but little difficulty in lodging the explosives with great accuracy if good plans are available to work by, while the expense, even if airships be lost, would be insignificant.

A woman can always tell from the way her husband shakes down the furnace whether or not he's in good humor.



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Stands for Quality.

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YOU NEED FEAR IT NO LONGER

**GRAVEL WARDED OFF AND
CURED BY DODD'S
KIDNEY PILLS.**

Manitoba Man Tells How His Urinary Troubles Vanished Before the Great Canadian Kidney Remedy.

Hamrik, Man., Nov. 30 (Special)—Probably there is no disease to which man is heir that causes such a general dread as Gravel, or Stone in the Bladder. The frightful pains it brings and the terrible operations it necessitates causes a shudder of apprehension whenever it is mentioned. But there is really no reason why any man or woman should fear Gravel. It is purely and simply a Kidney disease, and as such can be either cured or guarded against by the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills. Take the case of Mr. Calvin R. Snyder, well known here. He says:—

"In the spring of 1907 I was almost laid up from a lame back and was also troubled with excessive urination. I got a box of Dodd's Kidney Pills, and used them with satisfactory results. Dodd's Kidney Pills are the best Kidney medicine I ever heard of."

If you follow Mr. Snyder's example and use Dodd's Kidney Pills for slight urinary disorders, you will never be troubled with Gravel. If you have Gravel, Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure it.

He—"Miss Kitty, I've heard it said that a kiss without a moustache is like an egg without salt. Is that so?" She—"Well, really, I don't know—I can't tell—for in all my life I never—" He—"Now, now, Miss Kitty!" She—"Never ate an egg without salt."

Salmon, pike, and goldfish are supposed never to sleep.

It is easier for most people to heave a sigh than to raise a laugh.

On a big oak-tree there are more than 7,000,000 leaves.

We Must Go from heated rooms to the cold purer air, and the change sets us coughing. Curing winter colds is not hard if you take Allen's Lung Balm. A neglected cold is troublesome and dangerous.

Professor (examining medical student)—"If you were called out to a patient, what is the first question you would ask?" Medical Student—"Where he lived."

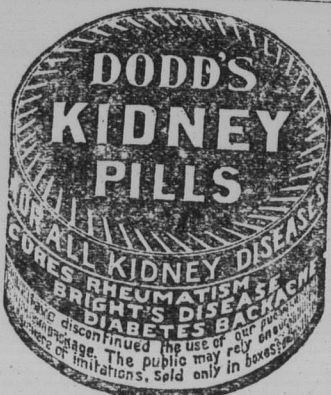
There can be a difference of opinion on most subjects, but there is only one opinion as to the reliability of Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator. It is safe, sure and effectual.

Colonel Fizzletop was under the painful necessity of administering a severe castigation to his son Johnny. After he had completed his labors, he said sternly to the suffering victim:—"Now, tell me why I punished you?" "That's it," sobbed Johnny; "you nearly pound the life out of me, and now you don't know why you did it."

Called to the Bone? A teaspoonful of Pain-killer in a cup of hot water sweetened will warm you and avert a cold. Avoid substitutes, there is but one "Pain-killer"—Ferry Davis—25c and 50c.

"That large man thinks himself a pretty important personage in this place, doesn't he?" asked the stranger. "Important?" exclaimed the native. "Why, if you tell him we're having fine weather here, he swells up as if he thought he made it."

Guest—"Waiter, take back this beef-steak. It isn't cooked enough." Waiter—"I thought you said you wanted it underdone, sir?" Guest—"Underdone! Why, it's so raw you can hear it bellow."



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THE CHART DIDN'T SHOW IT.

There is no occasion which presents such a terrible advantage to the practical joker as that of a sea voyage, and there is none on which his jocosities become more unbearable. The following incident embodies one of his most ambitious efforts.

When we were in the middle of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and the nearest coast was 200 miles away, a Yankee quietly remarked:—

"Wal, I guess we are quite close to land now. It ain't more'n three-quarters of a mile away, nohow."

Personally we took no interest in facts of this nature, and were content to sit and believe, but many excited travellers dashed out of the smoking-room to have a look at the long-hoped-for continent. They presently came back in the worst of tempers, saying that the charts and all other authorities declared the land to be at least 200 miles away, and that there was certainly none in sight.

"Wal, I didn't say the shore," returned the champion joker. "I guess there's land right under us, not three-quarters of a mile away."

TITLE-TATTLE.

Hope is the mother of disappointment.

Some people would rather follow than lead.

Forgetting a favor is easier than forgiving an injury.

Marriage sometimes converts a courtship into a battleship.

An empty head may contain a lot of useless information.

An ounce of help is worth several pounds of talk about it.

The heyday of youth is not in it with the payday of manhood.

It takes a woman to drive a bargain, and a man to drive nails.

MOTHERS!

Give the Children a Chance.

Spanking does not cure children of bed-wetting. There is a constitutional cause for this trouble. Mrs. M. Summers, Box 103, Windsor, Ont., will send free to any mother her successful home treatment, with full instructions. Send no money, but write her today if your children trouble you in this way. Don't blame the child, the chances are it can't help it. This treatment also cures adults and aged people troubled with urine difficulties by day or night.

"Yes," remarked Mrs. Malaprop-Partington, "we had a lovely time in Venice. There are no cabs there, you know, because the streets are all full of water. One hires a chandeler and he rows you about in a dongola."

A Requisite for the Rancher.—On the cattle ranges of the West, where men and stock are far from doctors and apothecaries, Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil is kept on hand by the intelligent as a ready made medicine, not only for many human ills, but as a horse and cattle medicine of surpassing merit. A horse and cattle rancher will find matters greatly simplified by using this Oil.

Amanda—"I wish I knew how I could make you very, very happy, dear Jack?" Jack—"Well, write to your father and ask him to double your dowry!"

Be Sure you get the kind you have always had. The D & L Menthol Plaster. For rheumatism, neuralgia, etc., nothing is better. Made only by Davis & Lawrence Company.

Country Doctor's Coachman (to horse that has stopped at house of former patient)—"Go on, you fool. He's dead."

Are you a sufferer with corns? If you are, get a bottle of Holloway's Corn Cure. It has never been known to fail.

Australia's only beast of prey is the dingo, a wild dog.

Every time some people say smart things they make others smart.

The tea you buy may be good, but you may be quite sure it is if it is "Salada." It is infinitely more delicious and decidedly more economical than other teas because it goes farther.

RECOGNIZED HIM.

Blinks, after inviting his friend Jinks, who has just returned from abroad, to dinner, is telling him what a fine memory his little son Bobby has.

"And do you suppose he will remember me?" said Jinks.

"Remember you? Why, he remembers every face that he ever saw."

An hour later they enter the house, and after Jinks has shaken hands with Mrs. Blinks, he calls Bobby over to him.

"And do you remember me, my little man?"

"Course I do. You're the same feller that pa brought home last summer, and ma was so wild about it that she didn't speak to pa for a whole week."

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Christmas Openings

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The Leading Store

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The early Bird Catches the Worm. Be early in making your selections of Xmas goods out of our large, complete and unequalled stock of

**Candies, Nuts, Figs, Dates,
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We still have a splendid selection of goods in this department which will be cleared out at greatly reduced price. Do not miss this opportunity.

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Try a sample baking and be convinced of this fact. This flour is used exclusively in the Mildmay bakery, and the results are highly satisfactory.

Pure Manitoba Flour - \$2.75 cwt

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HENRY KEELAN.

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We would urge upon all Xmas shoppers the advisability of doing their shopping early.

The first comer gets the best choice.

The first comer is saved time and worry.

The first comer isn't jostled like the late comer.

The first comer isn't disappointed by the discovery that what she wants is all sold out.

Our stock is now complete and we invite you to come in and look around even if you do not intend to buy.

We have something suitable for every member of the family. Below we give a partial list. A full inventory would fill this paper.

Pocket Knives
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Cigaret Holders
Cigar Cases
Tobacco Pouches
Cigars
Playing Cards
in fancy cases

Cuff Links
Stick Pins
Back Combs
Side Combs
Baretas
Fancy Garters
Dressing Cases
Shell Goods
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