

COSSACK RAIDERS ROUTED;
ABANDON ARMS IN FLIGHTTokio Press Accuses France of Breach of Neutrality
in Harboring Baltic Fleet.

RUSSIA EXPECTS VICTORY BEFORE END OF YEAR

Tokio, Jan. 14.—(11 a.m.)—Additional reports from the Japanese headquarters state that the Russian cavalry, which was defeated in the neighborhood of Yinkow Wednesday, retreated in a disorderly condition to North Takaokan, south of New Chang, leaving 62 killed and 6 wounded behind. Many abandoned their arms and accoutrements in their flight. It is believed that the Russian casualties exceed 200. The Japanese routed the Russians near New Chang Friday.

Tokio, Jan. 14.—The Japanese casualties in the recent fighting at New Chang and other places involved in the Russian raid are estimated at one killed and fifteen wounded, all non-commissioned officers or privates. The Russian total losses are estimated at over 300. The Japanese report that the supplies and munitions stored at New Chang and Nanchiatun were not damaged.

Japan After France.

Tokio, Jan. 14.—The French are sharply criticized for permitting the ships of the second Pacific squadron of the Russian navy to make a prolonged stay at Madagascari. Heretofore the Japanese press and people, realizing the peculiar position in which France was placed, were not disposed to view her actions too severely, but the Asahi today says: "It is no longer possible to overlook the French non-observance of neutrality, nor the disregard for the obligations of a neutral nation."

"Coaling the ships of the second Pacific squadron in French ports has culminated in allowing Rear-Admiral Kozlovsky to remain for twelve days awaiting reinforcements, and in the use of Madagascar as a base of operations against the Japanese fleet, now reported in the Indian Ocean."

"Such action is little less than hostile, and if France is found to have broken the promise of strict neutrality, the ships of the second Pacific squadron ought long ago have been sent away or disarmed."

"Further temporizing for the purpose of rendering assistance to the Russian vessels must be considered a serious breach of neutrality."

Berlin, Jan. 14.—The Japanese Government, taking cognizance of an impression that Germany has not observed strict neutrality, has sent a formal dispatch of thanks to the German Government.

It expresses the conviction that Germany has fulfilled her duties as a neutral throughout the war with exactness, and especially during the recent events in the war zone.

Preparing for Battle.

Huanshan, Jan. 14, via Mukden.—Chinese reports that Field Marshal Oyama has been there since December inspecting troops. They also report that a Japanese military base has been established on the island of Liukia, and that many troops are arriving there who do not resemble Japanese. According to the Chinese, the troops at Yinkow are being drilled in artillery practice. There are 50,000 men there, and it is expected that as soon

as they are trained they will be sent to the front. It is said there is a concentration of troops at Uomitan, east of the railway, and that large bodies of troops are forming on each flank of the Japanese position. Japanese are building numerous armored trucks for the railways and armored wagons for automobile quick fires. The Japanese also are buying large quantities of wire and grinders for putting a battle edge on sabres, all of which are being moved to the front.

Much drilling is proceeding at all parts of the Japanese lines. Many new Japanese troops have been moved into position, and received their baptism of fire on Jan. 7.

Praises the Enemy.

Tokio, Jan. 14.—Lieut.-Gen. Nadien, who is one of the Russian officers who gave their parole at Port Arthur, and who has arrived here, is 65 years old. He said to an interviewer: "When I entered Port Arthur I was a major-general. Since then I have been promoted to the rank of lieutenant-general, and commanded the fourth division during the siege. I lived in the trenches. The bravery shown by the Japanese navy is beyond comparison. Its achievements are unparalleled. With the Japanese navy and the Russian army nothing in the whole world could withstand us. Our soldiers are uneducated, it is not so with the Japanese. The bravely displayed by the Japanese soldiers is unrivaled. It seems shameful to kill such splendid men."

"I lament the tremendous sacrifice of life on both sides. The Emperor is a good sovereign who is rarely seen. He seems to be disgusted at the cruelties of the war. I wish for peace. I think hostilities will cease during the coming autumn at the latest."

Stoessel at Nagasaki.

Nagasaki, Japan, Jan. 14.—The Japanese transport Kanakuru from Port Dalry, Jan. 11, with General Stoessel and others on board, arrived here early this morning. After a prolonged quarantine inspection, Governor Arakawa with the chief officials of this port, proceeded on board the Kanakuru at 3 in the afternoon. General and Madame Stoessel, two of the Russian commander's personal staff, seven other officers, two ladies and six or seven children were landed in three steam launches at the Inasa Jetty, where they were received by a guard of 50 police and several officers of the Hili, where he will be quartered. Half way there some dozens of Russian officers finding that their late chief was arriving, ran up from all directions and saluted in respectful silence. The party then entered the house. The last act of the great drama caused a feeling of sadness which was not dispelled by the glorious weather, beautiful surroundings and kind reception accorded to the Russians by the Japanese.

NEW ADDITION
TO GRAND TRUNKA St. Paul Dispatch Says Wisconsin Central Has Been
Added to the System.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 14.—The report of an interview with a prominent Canadian politician, which appeared nearly two months ago, in which he said the Grand Trunk system had practically closed a deal by which the Wisconsin Central was to become part of that system, received further confirmation yesterday in dispatches from Superior, Wis., and from common report in this city.

It was given out semi-officially that President Whitcomb, of the Wisconsin Central, has been active lately in securing options on lands located in Superior, and which are presumably lands were inspected two weeks ago by a party of Grand Trunk officers, much to the bewilderment of the people of Superior.

A Great Northern officer, who is familiar with condition about Superior, said today that he had received an offer for some land owned by him personally in that town, and had heard that the lot was to form part of the site of a Canadian railroad terminal. It is understood that the Wisconsin Central has bought property adjacent to the lot referred to for terminal purposes, and as the Wisconsin Central is not a Canadian road, it is thought to indicate that there is a deal on between the roads mentioned.

RANCH MANAGER FLIES;
SAID TO BE IN DEFAULT

Orillia, Jan. 14.—A sensation has been caused here by the disappearance of Alexander McGrimman, cattle dealer and manager of the Dalton Cattle Company. His books show a shortage of \$15,000 to \$20,000. The company is composed of the following Orillia gentlemen: Messrs. William Thomson, J. E. Tudhope, ex-M. P. P. W. H. Tudhope, George Thomson, Joseph Kilgour, Toronto, and A. McGrimman. The latter was secretary-treasurer and manager, and the first-named is president. The company has been doing business for about five years. McGrimman was the most expert cattle buyer in the

BRUTAL MURDER
ON HIGH SEASA Fatal Fight Follows a Hot
Argument on Board a
British Steamer.

New York, Jan. 14.—Charged with murder on the high seas, a German coal-trimmer named Baumann was brought here in irons on the British steamer Censure, which arrived yesterday night from Para and Barbados. He was given into custody of the British consul at this port, and will be sent to England for trial. According to the report made by Capt. Crouch, of the Censure, when two days out from Barbados, Baumann got into an argument with another coal-trimmer, named Maguire. Hot words were followed by blows, and Baumann was getting the worst of it, when, it is alleged, he drew a knife and plunged it into Maguire's abdomen. The wounded man died within a few minutes. His body was buried at sea.

The Stranded Indus.

New York, Jan. 14.—Another attempt to float the Indus was made today, when the tide was approaching its height, and the tug succeeded in moving the stranded vessel about 50 feet. Further attempts to move her were futile.

Dutch Naval Activity.

The Hague, Jan. 14.—Rear-Admiral Incheage is starting hurriedly for the Dutch East Indies to take command of the squadron there charged with the maintenance of Dutch neutrality.

The Liberal Candidate
For the Legislature

Photo by Frank Cooper.

MR. FRED G. RUMBALL.

Mr. Frederick G. Rumball, who was unanimously chosen by the Liberals of London as their candidate for the Local Legislature, has been a resident of the city for a quarter of a century and is one of its most prominent citizens. Mr. Rumball is a native of Huron County, having been born at Clinton, of English parentage, and he resided there until his removal to this city to engage in business. When he came to London he opened up a lumby to engage in business. When he came to London he opened up a lumby to engage in business. When he came to London he opened up a lumby to engage in business.

Mr. Rumball firmly believes that London is to become a most important city, and he is doing his full share to make it such. When it became known that the London Mutual Fire Insurance Company was to remove to Toronto, Mr. Rumball got a number of citizens together and organized a new company, with head offices here, to be known as the Monarch, and this is today, although still a young concern, enjoying a good business. Everything pertaining to local affairs has always been of interest to Mr. Rumball, who in 1886 first agreed to the wishes of his many friends and offered himself as a candidate for alderman in old No. 1 Ward. After serving for a year he retired, but again in 1898 he was a candidate in the same ward and was elected. He displayed such marked business ability and also showed such a grasp of municipal affairs during his two terms as an alderman, that at the end of 1898 he was urged to offer himself as a candidate for the mayor's chair, the result being his election by a large majority. He was re-elected in 1900. Mr. Rumball's record as mayor is one of which he may well feel proud. He guarded the city's interests in every way, and did much to advance the welfare of the corporation. One of the measures advocated by him and carried through was the reduction of the number of aldermen from eighteen to twelve, and their election by the vote of the whole people, thus abolishing the old ward system, which was the cause of so much complaint. He was also instrumental in having the fare on the Springbank line of the street railway reduced from fifteen to ten cents, and he set on foot the movement for inter-switching, which will prove of incalculable value to the city. During Mr. Rumball's term as mayor, not a dollar's worth of debentures were issued, except for local improvements. This also can be said of Mr. Rumball, that while he occupied the chief magistracy's chair he insisted on all citizens, regardless of their political leanings, receiving fair treatment—a contrast to the bitter partisanship exercised by Mr. Beck.

EARL CAIRNS DEAD

Was Once Defendant in a Famous
Breace of Promise Case.

Canter, France, Jan. 14.—Earl Cairns was found dead in bed at the Union Club here this morning. His death is attributed to heart disease. The earl (when Viscount Cramoyle), was the defendant in a noted breach of promise case, and had to pay Miss Fortescue, the actress, \$50,000. He was born in 1863, and was not married.

A BATTLE WITH THE ICE

Detroit River Ferries Have All-Day
Struggle With Floes.

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 14.—The river east and west of the ferry docks resembles a plowed field of ice. The irregular furrows, some piled 10 feet high, played havoc with the railroad ferries yesterday. The Grand Trunk ferry Lansdowne, which left Windsor at 6 o'clock in the morning, with a passenger train aboard, only reached the Eighteenth street dock after midnight. The night crew, which went on duty at 10 o'clock, was obliged to walk from Windsor on the ice.

The new ice-breaker, the Detroit, found its match in the ice-billsows, and it was with the utmost difficulty it was taken from the Great Lakes Engineering Company's works to Elevator B, where it was used. Traffic in international trains was delayed from four to ten hours throughout the day. Paths have now been broken across the river, and the constant plying of boats permits trains being run on schedule time.

Appointed a Judge.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 14.—The appointment of Albert Malone, M. P., to a judgeship, is gazetted today.

TRIBAL WAR IN INDIA

British Column Advancing to Scene
of Trouble.

Calcutta, Jan. 14.—Two native chiefs in the Northwest frontier provinces—the Nawab of Dir and the Khan of Nawagai—are at war with each other, and fighting has begun between their tribes. The chief of Nawagai has captured a fort from the chief of Dir. A British movable column is advancing to the scene of trouble. It will keep open the lines of communication with Chitral, and possibly will assist the chief of Dir.

PREMIER AT BRAMPTON

Liberals Give Hon. Mr. Ross a Great
Reception.

Brampton, Ont., Jan. 13.—Premier Ross has visited Brantford and Brantford during his tour in this campaign, but in none has been accorded so enthusiastic a welcome as that which was extended him on his appearance at the Concert Hall here tonight, to speak in the interests of Mr. John Smith, the candidate for Peel. The Liberals, who have been working with splendid aggressiveness for a larger majority than ever for Mr. Smith, are confident tonight that their most sanguine expectations will be realized. The splendid address of their honored leader having made certain more certain. Mr. Ross was in splendid voice and form, and his speech was a well-considered, well-delivered and effective utterance.

WILL NOT FLY U. S. FLAG

British Ship Owners Do Not Contem-
plate Such a Move.

London, Saturday, Jan. 14.—The Standard's Liverpool correspondent says that in response to inquiries regarding the rumor that British ship-owners are contemplating placing their vessels under the American flag in view of the marine commissioners' report to Congress, he learned that such action is most improbable. Some of the ship-owners scouted the idea and professed that they were not dismayed by the recommendations of the commission. They pointed out that vessels could not be transferred unless the United States sanctioned it. The correspondent adds that the White Star Line is already half-American, and that it will doubtless find methods, if necessary, of evading the new provision.

CUT OUT THE GAIETY

St. Petersburg Has a Cerebrous
but Fussless New Year.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 14.—Although the Emperor's regular New Year's reception at the winter palace, which in ordinary times marks the formal opening of the gay social season at the Russian capital was omitted, the ceremonial round of official and private visits consecrated by long tradition, occurred as usual and filled the streets with animation. Sleights of every description were skimming in every direction, and the city except for the visits these visits there were no festivities, society taking the cue from the court and dispensing with the customary gaiety.

FANCED HIMSELF KING

Weak-minded Prince of Lippe-Det-
mold Dies in an Asylum.

Detmold, Principality of Lippe, Jan. 14.—Prince Carl Alexander of Lippe-Detmold died yesterday in his asylum at St. Gilgenberg, near Bayreuth, was surrounded by all the forms of royalty, by gentlemen in waiting and servants, who snatched him the most exaggerated respect, and kept up the illusion that he was indeed a sovereign. He took much pleasure in the maintenance of severe etiquette, read the newspapers daily, and seemingly kept track of the world's affairs and those of his own little principality, but he never permitted anyone to speak of them. He played chess often and was fond of music and theatrical productions. The prince was a calm-faced, handsome man, usually dressed in military uniform, and except for certain excesses of stateliness, gave no outward indication that he was weak-minded. He lived, owing to his punctiliousness, in a rank in practically monastic solitude, as it was unbecoming to him to exchange ideas with inferiors. The succession to the principality of Lippe-Detmold is in process of adjustment by an arbitration court. The death of Prince Carl Alexander does not affect the Diet interposes.

Eventure on the Stump.

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 14.—Hon. E. F. Eventure, former speaker of the Provincial Parliament, is in North Essex for the purpose of rallying his French-Canadian friends to the support of the Government. Both parties have now started the campaign in earnest, and meetings will be held nightly.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Fair and Colder.
London, Saturday, Jan. 14.
Sun rises, 7:48 a.m. Moon rises, 12:20 p.m.
Sun sets, 5:04 p.m. Moon sets, 1:37 a.m.

Toronto, Jan. 13-8 p.m.
Fair weather prevails throughout the Dominion, with decidedly cold conditions in many localities, especially in the Northwest Territories and Manitoba. A disturbance, developing off the south Atlantic coast, seems likely to bring stormy conditions to the Maritime Provinces.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 28-32; Calgary, 16 below-4 below; Qu'Appelle, 10 below-4; Winnipeg, 28 below-zero; Port Arthur, 14 below-zero; Parry Sound, 14 below-18; Toronto, 11-18; Ottawa, zero-8; Montreal, zero-14; Quebec, zero-4; St. John, 10-24; Halifax, 32-30.

FORECASTS.
Saturday, Jan. 14-8 a.m.
Fresh north winds; fair and very cold today and on Sunday.

TEMPERATURES.
Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather.
Calgary 18 Clear
Winnipeg 16 Clear
Parry Sound 24 Clear
Toronto 2 Fair
Ottawa 12 Fair
Quebec 2 Fair
Father Point, N.S. 4 Cloudy
The sky indicates below zero.

WEATHER NOTES.
A few scattered snow flurries have occurred in the lake region, but the weather in Canada generally has been fine, and outlook is everywhere fair and continued decidedly cold.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Friday were: Highest, 25.5°; lowest, 16.5°.

THE PALACE OF PEACE

Government of Netherlands Selects
Site for Carnegie Building.

The Hague, Jan. 14.—The Government of the Netherlands has finally selected the military parade grounds, near the Bosch, as the site for Andrew Carnegie's palace of peace. The selection must be approved by the state general.

The Bosch (or wood), is a park nearly two miles long, a short distance out of The Hague. It abounds in forest trees. At the end of the park is the palace known as the Huis Ten Bosch. (The House in the Wood), built in 1647. It contains many old and valuable paintings.

A Toronto Burglary.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 14.—Some of the cutlery, stolen from Sparrow's store, on King street east, the other night, by particularly daring burglars, was found by the police yesterday in a pawnshop. As a result, Thomas Baker and Robt. Adair were arrested charged with the crime. The latter is recently freed from prison, and protested his innocence, but the former admitted the police claim, of stealing the goods.

Nash Is Better.

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 14.—Sergeant Nash, who was shot in the neck by Samuel Jarvis, the burglar, a week ago, was able to leave his bed at Hotel Dieu and to walk around the room yesterday. He is improving and may be taken to his home within a few days.

MONTREAL HOSPITAL AFIRE;
DISCIPLINE PREVENTS PANICEarly Morning Blaze Menaces Lives of Hundreds of
Patients in Royal Victoria Hospital.

THE DAMAGE DONE WILL APPROACH \$150,000

Montreal, Que., Jan. 14.—The fire in the Royal Victoria Hospital this morning broke out in or near the kitchen and spread very quickly. The building is divided into three principal sections, all of which are capable of prompt isolation from the others in case of fire. The kitchen is situated at the top of the central or administration building, while the wards occupy the blocks on either side. There is every reason to believe that the fire will be confined to the central portion, and by the efforts of the firemen are being directed with that object in view. Although there is necessarily great excitement among the patients, it is not expected it will be necessary to remove them, or at any rate, many of them. The building is one of the most modern of its kind in existence, and is as near fire proof as is possible.

The building stands on the slope of Mount Royal, just east of Ravenscroft, the residence of Sir Montague Allan, on Pine avenue, at the corner of University street, and will be remembered as the gift of Lord Strathcona and the Royal Victoria Hospital this morning. Before the firemen reached the scene, which meant a long pull for the heavy apparatus up a steep hill, the flames were pouring through the ventilating apparatus in the roof and the aspect was decidedly serious. The building is well equipped with staircases and hose, and the house staff did not lose any time in getting to work. Fortunately, as was hoped, the fire was confined to the area in which it started, and by 8:30 o'clock was declared out. The volumes of water which were poured into the upper part of the administration building did much damage to the lower flats, reception rooms and the living quarters of the medical staff and nurses. Owing to the excellent discipline which is maintained in the hospital, it is believed, there was no loss of life or even injuries. The day staff or nurses had just gone on duty when the fire broke out, while the night staff had not yet retired. The damage is estimated at \$150,000.

"PEACE, HONOR,
UNDYING MEMORY"Czar Lauds His Gallant Dead
at Port Arthur.

BELIEVES WILL BE VICTORIOUS

Says the Time Is Coming When God
Will Help Him Crush the
Japanese.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 14.—Emperor Nicholas has addressed the following rescript to the army and navy: "Port Arthur has passed into the hands of the enemy. During eleven months the fight had been going on in its defense. More than seven months its noble defenders had been cut off from the rest of the world. Without any positive assurance of relief they continued to fight, and did everything in their power to check the progress of the enemy, sparing neither life nor hearts' blood to uphold the honor of the Russian people."

"Russia, with pride and admiration, followed each move in the contest. The whole world was astounded at their gallantry, but daily their ranks were thinned, their powers of resistance diminished, and under repeated attacks by the enemy, they were obliged to give way."

"Peace, honor and undying memory will be the portion of you Russians who have fallen in the defense of Port Arthur. Far from home, you have laid your bodies upon alien soil, a sacrifice to the dictates of your own honor and the demands of your Emperor."

"Peace and honor be your portion. Always will you be so held in our hearts and memory."

"Honor to the living, may God restore you to health and strength, and give you patience to face this disaster with which you are confronted. Do not let your souls be troubled by lack of success and heavy losses. Russian strength grows with adversity."

"With all Russia, join in the belief that the time is coming when God will give great strength to our glorious army and navy to arise and break the forces of the enemy."

(Signed). "NICHOLAS."

Slashed the Children.
St. Petersburg, Jan. 13.—During a review of the troops at Plochesin, in the Province of Tourain, the outlooks crowded in, and General Tschetyrkin, who was reviewing the troops, enraged at the interference, rode into the group of children, slashing at them with his sword. Four children were killed and ten were injured. The crowd made a rush for the general, but the troops dispersed them with bayonets.

Linton's Teas Afire.
London, Jan. 13.—A fire in one of Sir Thomas Linton's Glasgow stores today did damage to the amount of \$150,000.

WHAT THE 500 PEOPLE
THINK OF PREMIER ROSS

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Jan. 13.—Evidence of the manner in which the people of New Ontario, and the 500 in particular, appreciate what the Liberal Government has done for this part of the Province for the past few years was given this evening in a magnificent reception tendered Hon. A. G. MacKay upon his first visit to this town since his acceptance of the portfolio of commissioner of crown lands. Mr. MacKay addressed a meeting, held in the local opera house, in the interests of the candidature of C. N. Smith. Long before the hour set for the meeting, and before the speakers had entered, the building was filled with people anxious to hear the brilliant young minister. Not only was the main portion of the hall filled, but the scenery had to be removed from the stage to furnish further accommodation for those who crowded in. The announcement of most interest in Mr. MacKay's address was that it is the intention of the Government to create a new portfolio, to be placed in charge of a new minister, to be known as the minister of colonization and labor. The conditions particular to this section of the country make the wisdom of such a move on the part of the Government quite apparent, and it is recognized as being in line with the progressive policy the Liberal party has ever followed in connection with the development of New Ontario.

TREASURE HUNTERS
IN HOT FIGHTRival Bands on Cocos Islands
Come to Blows.

EARL FITZWILLIAM'S MEN LOST

Search for Pirate Horde by Two
Parties of Englishmen Ends in a
Pitched Battle.

New York, Jan. 14.—A Panama dispatch to the Herald, dated Jan. 13, says: From Costa Rica comes the news of an encounter between rival bands of treasure-hunters on Cocos Island, where a traditional pirate hoard is said to be buried.

The expedition under Lord Fitzwilliam was defeated by the men under command of Harold W. S. Gray.

Lord Fitzwilliam and his party reached the island, the yacht Veronique, to find it had been preceded by the Gray expedition on the yacht Rosamire. The latter party had a Costa Rican concession to search for the treasure and objected to the presence of the Fitzwilliam force. A fight followed, and Fitzwilliam and his company were beaten off.

The Costa Rican Government has sent the submarine Torpedero to establish and preserve order on the island. The Herald follows this dispatch with the following information: The cable dispatch from Panama, dated Jan. 13, shows that a fight between treasure-hunters, is the first intimation of an encounter or of the presence of rival gold-seekers on the Island of Cocos. A dispatch from Panama printed in the Herald of Wednesday last brought the information that the Fitzwilliam party had quarreled with the Gray expedition, and that the latter party had been preceded by the Gray expedition on the yacht Rosamire. The latter party had a Costa Rican concession to search for the treasure and objected to the presence of the Fitzwilliam force. A fight followed, and Fitzwilliam and his company were beaten off.

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was the president of the academy, tried to prevent its closing with all the means in his power. He was obliged to impress *Pius IX.* regarding the necessity and utility of the institution. He was successful, and the academy failed, and he had to give in to the determined and direct wishes of the Pope.

The funds of the academy will now be devoted to other church purposes at the will of the Pope, and the special courses of study in the institution by famous professors will now be transferred to other Roman universities. The academy will continue its career in the church open to all priests whether of noble blood or of humble birth, and the academy will continue its career, facing the Church of the Minerva, will be assigned by the Pope as a place of residence for the students and teachers, which are now crowded together in the old building.

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LONDON, SATURDAY, JAN. 14.

The Ambitious Mr. Beck.

His organ would have the public believe that Mr. Beck is cabinet timber. Says the organ:

"Should Mr. Whitney accede to power, there would be little question as to the high place Mr. Beck would be called to fill and there would be no question in the Conservative ranks of his ability to fill it creditably."

A political tyro, ambitious of preferment, should seek to qualify himself for it and win the regard of his leader by applying himself to his public duties. It is notorious that Mr. Beck during his first session was seldom in his seat in the House. An afternoon at the Woodbine may be more exhilarating than a debate on the Ditches and Watercourses Act, but it is not an exercise in statesmanship. Mr. Beck may claim that his duties as mayor interfered with his attendance at the Legislature, but he ought not to have held the two offices at the same time, knowing that he could not do full justice to both. If he looked for advancement at Toronto he stood in his own light. His best friend cannot conscientiously say that he displayed any marked aptitude for parliamentary work, or made any impression upon his colleagues. He spoke in the House only twice, one of his speeches being made in defense of the practice of docking horses' tails. In the numerous states of Mr. Beck's name has not once appeared. The first mention of him in this connection comes from his own organ, and will be received by the public with surprise and incredulity. We are not disparaging Mr. Beck's ability in saying that his promotion would be absurd and impossible. He has not put himself in training for higher things. A parliamentary reputation must be acquired by gifts of speech, but these are not his. The only other method is the plodding one, and it is not to Mr. Beck's credit, if he aspires to a cabinet position, that he has shunned the dry, laborious work of the Legislature. Some of the other members of the Opposition have been models of industry, compared with him, and could not be passed over in his favor, if there were favors to grant.

Tactics of the Opposition.

Before they acquired the use of gunpowder, the Chinese went into battle with a terrific beating of tom-toms, followed by the discharge of stink-pots and vile-smelling mixtures, the plan being to terrify the enemy by noise and then stupefy him by vile odors before smiting him hip and thigh; just as in modern warfare one army attempts to shake the other by artillery before launching an infantry or cavalry charge.

The tactics of the Opposition in the Ontario campaign resemble those of the Chinese. There is a great beating of tom-toms to begin with. It must be admitted that the Opposition has some genius for the production of noise. In this line Mr. Whitney has few equals and no superior. He is the Megaphone of Ontario politics. His speeches are all cry and no wool, as the gentleman said when he sheared the pig; or, to be more classical in allusion, they are "like a tale of little meaning though the words are strong." He has a lusty chorus shouting "corruption!" at the top of the voice, in the hope of putting some spirit into the Conservative party and affrighting weak-kneed Liberals. The firing line is throwing the stink pots of slander and defamation. These methods may succeed in creating a stench, but it has yet to be shown that they will win a victory. They were employed against Sir Oliver Mowat and Arthur Sturges Hardy, who were destined to be crowned with laurels by their tractors, Alexander Mackenzie, one of the purest souls ever dedicated to the service of this country, was heartlessly reviled by those who were ready to strew flowers upon his grave. So it is and will be with Mr. Ross.

If Liberal leaders are to be pelted with calumny, merely because they are the leaders of the Liberal party; if they cannot expect justice or fair play from their opponents, let them, if they are worthy, at least have the assurance of the unshaken loyalty and confidence and the aggressive support of those who call themselves Liberals. In the present campaign it behooves Liberals to stand shoulder to shoulder to repel the calumnies upon Mr. Ross. He has deserved well of his party by the unflinching pluck and courage with which he has grappled with the extraordinary difficulties which have been thrust upon him since he assumed the premiership. He has achieved wonders, but he has not had a free hand to work out his progressive ideas for the welfare and development of the Province. He has been hampered by a small majority and has had to fight for his political life. Liberals owe it to him to spare no effort to give him such strength in the next house as will enable him to carry out the policy formulated by the great convention of the party. They owe it to him to see that he is not slandered out of office.

The Truth About North Waterloo.

You are asked to turn out of power the party that for thirty years kept the ballot pure and never tampered with a ballot-box—G. W. Ross, at Belleville. If Mr. Ross would read the Journal of the Ontario Legislature, he would find that he is entirely in error. The Journal of 1900, for instance, contains a flat contradiction of this assertion by the Premier of Ontario. It

is found in the return of the North Waterloo bye-election, printed in the official proceedings by order of the House of Assembly. — London Free Press.

Our contemporary goes on to say, with a characteristic disregard of facts, that no proceedings were taken against the men reported for corruption in this bye-election. Two deputy returning officers, Wildfong and Cummings, were reported by the judges for defacing and fraudulently miscounting ballots. The star witnesses against them were Allan R. Shantz and Albert Bossard. The report of the judges was presented to the Legislature in the session of 1901, and until this report was presented the Government could take no action. In the meantime, what happened? Bossard made an affidavit, stating that John H. Stumpf, Edward Scully (president of the Conservative Association of the riding), and other prominent Conservatives told him before the election that the Conservative party would be returned to power, and that in any event he would have to look to them for a renewal of his liquor license, as the license board of the district was controlled by Randall & Ross, liquor merchants, and other influential Conservatives. They instructed him, "try and work in" with the Grit organizers, and get all the money he could out of them. After the election Scully promised him that if he would make an affidavit and give evidence at the trial, he (Scully) would procure an extension of his (Bossard's) license, Stumpf and Scully instructed Bossard what to say in the box, and told him other witnesses would swear to the same thing. Bossard gave the evidence required of him, and was promised \$100 by Scully. The sum was reduced to \$50, and a check for that amount, signed by the officers of the Conservative organization, was handed by Scully to Stumpf for delivery to Bossard after the trial. Stumpf suggested that it would be more discreet to take the money out in clothing, and to this Bossard consented. Stumpf gave him clothing on three different occasions, and Bossard signed notes, which Stumpf discounted at the Bank of Commerce at Berlin, and paid himself when they became due.

The notes were produced by Mr. Geo. Graham, M. P., in the Legislature, in March, 1901, together with Bossard's affidavit. Shantz, the other Conservative witness, upon whose evidence the judges based their report, confessed that he received a check for \$50 from Scully for his evidence. He had offered to sell his evidence to the Liberal party.

When the report of the judges reached the Legislature, the Attorney-General instructed the crown attorney against Wildfong and Cummings. All possible steps were taken to secure convictions, a witness being brought all the way from Alberta. The case of Wildfong was taken up first, but there was not the slightest evidence to convict him. The county crown attorney, a strong Conservative, did not even think a conviction could be asked for, and concluded to drop the Cummings case, which was the weaker of the two. This is the authentic history of the North Waterloo election case, upon which the Opposition has reared a structure of slander.

An Anglican Endorsement.

Rev. Dr. Sheraton, principal of Wycliffe College, Toronto, is satisfied with the temperance policy of the Liberal party. He says: "The platform is a distinct advance on any temperance platform yet laid down by any party in Ontario. It contains much for which we ought to be thankful. Of course, it is a compromise, and a compromise never pleases the wing elements of any party. But it contains a practical basis for legislation that should prove a decided step in advance in the cause of temperance. The Liberal party is now committed to a definite programme, not laid down by a few ministers, but carried by discussion in a large representative convention. We should expect them to live up to their programme or retire from the political arena in disgrace."

"And as to the duty of temperance people?" "They should vote for the platform as a pledge to that programme of reform." "But how does this platform square with prohibition? We need as preliminaries the abolition of the bar and the treating habit—and public education." "Then you think the Liberal platform on temperance more satisfactory than that of the Conservatives?" "Mr. Whitney has offered us practically nothing but the present system and a better enforcement of the law, but then we are used to that sort of promise."

The War Operations.

The menace of Nogi's big army and heavy siege artillery already hurrying to the reinforcement of Oyama, has stirred Kuropatkin to action. On Wednesday and Thursday his Cossack raiders, making a wide detour, dashed at the railroad far to the south of the Japanese lines and succeeded in destroying a section of the track. They also attacked New Chwang and several smaller places, but according to Tokyo dispatches, were driven off at all points. The Russian cavalry appear to have taken the Japanese completely by surprise, as they had reached the vicinity of Liao Yang before meeting with resistance. With the well-known alertness of the Japanese in mind this raid of the Russian horsemen becomes something of an achievement.

The rumors of last week to the effect that the Baltic fleet was to be recalled appear to have been unfounded. Rojestvensky is still somewhere in the Indian Ocean, supposedly at the Chagos Islands, and the second section of his command is at present on its way through the Suez Canal.

PURITY EXHIBIT--NO 2.

Dr. Beattie Nesbitt controls the Conservative machine in Toronto, where his word is law with the party. He is one of Mr. Whitney's right-hand men and will expect a seat in the cabinet, if the Opposition carries the Province. In 1894 he tried to purchase the Conservative nomination in Cardwell for the House of Commons, which had been tendered W. B. Willoughby, a Toronto barrister, and dictated this disgraceful letter:

"Toronto, Oct. 9, 1894.

To W. B. Willoughby, Esq., Barrister, Toronto:

"In consideration of your retiring from the nomination of the Conservative party of the county of Cardwell in my favor, and if I secure the nomination and am elected, I agree as follows: To pay you when I become the nominee \$350, and the further sum of \$1,000 cash on my election for said county, to appoint you my election agent at the bye-election, and also general elections next held, hereafter paying you therefor what we mutually agree upon as a fit remuneration to retain you as my solicitor to act for me in the event of any protests, if any, after such bye-election and general election. In regard to my (or any) obligation to Jennie Bell, of Bolton, on account of any action she may threaten or claim she has upon you in regard to an investment of her money in a Toronto mortgage, I will do everything in my power to arrange this matter for you, and will use all my influence to procure her an appointment. I will use every effort in my power to procure for you the position and appointment of a county judge in the Province of Ontario so soon hereafter as may be, and not later than the following times named: In the event of the present Dominion Government being defeated at the next general elections, then such appointment to be procured before the Government gives up power and a new cabinet is selected; in the event of the said Government being sustained, then within three years of the date hereof; to transfer to you as quickly as possible the conducting of all my legal business; to procure for you the appointment or title of a Q. C. (Queen's Counsel), at the next general appointments to that title as some further equivalent for your retiring in my favor as above, and sacrificing your political future for my own. I also agree to give four promissory notes, each for the sum of \$1,000, in your favor, payable as follows:

"(The terms and dates were not set down in the draft, and subsequently scored out). "These notes are not to be paid at all in the event of my procuring the said appointment as county judge at either said times, but are to be deemed in a measure as equivalent for my failure to so appoint you, or procure your appointment; to have your brother, S. B. Willoughby, of the department of the interior, Ottawa, promoted from a third-grade to a second-class clerk within two years after I enter Parliament. This written memorandum embodies the substance and result of our several conversations, and I regard myself in honor as bound to fulfill its terms in spirit and letter."

Dr. Nesbitt says he did not write this letter and that it was proposed by Willoughby. The latter is now practicing his profession in Moosejaw, N. W. T. On Thursday last the Toronto Globe informed him by telegraph of Dr. Nesbitt's denial and accusation. Mr. Willoughby at once wired back that the offer was made by Nesbitt, a fact well known to many Toronto people, adding:

"I refute this lie for the last time. Though the absent are always wrong, I place my word against that of person named (Dr. Nesbitt)."

Dr. Beattie Nesbitt is a man whom the politicians who are prating about purity delight to honor!

Preparations are already afoot to fit out a third squadron for operations in the far east.

With a Japanese fleet also cruising in the Indian Ocean news may come at any hour of another great naval battle between the fleets of the Czar and the Mikado.

Russia has once more complained to the powers of Chinese breach of neutrality, and intimates that in future she will take the matter of punishment into her own hands. As the Czar is not in a position to do this at the present stage of the situation, the announcement is probably made with an eye towards redress when a peace settlement comes up for discussion.

The Russian loan just placed on the money markets of Europe has been very successful. In Germany it was largely oversubscribed. Apparently it was a matter of money alone Russia could carry the war to a victorious issue.

Mr. Rumball is a fair man.

Mr. Rumball has labored for 25 years to build up London.

The Liberal party is the only party that demands purity in its own ranks.

Mr. Beck has qualified to be Minister of the Exterior.

Rumball has done a good deal for London. One good turn deserves another.

Beck merits a sound beating for his bigoted partisanship in the Mayor's chair.

Beingough's cartoon on page 9 today should have been credited to the Toronto Globe.

There are two more reasons why Mr. Beck will not enter the cabinet. One is F. G. Rumball and the other is G. W. Ross.

Mr. Clancy was acclaimed at Chatham as the next minister of agriculture. Would-be Tory ministers are as thick as Kentucky colts.

The Free Press has not had the manliness to publish Col. Peters' statement about the Armories. Its pious headed attacks on Mr. Hyman in this matter are beneath contempt.

The Liberal party has furnished clean government at Ottawa and Toronto. The Conservative Government at Ottawa was rotten to the core. Don't experiment with the same party at Toronto.

The Conservative papers amuse themselves by printing a yarn to the effect that Mr. Ross met Gamery at the opening of the Legislature and greeted him with, "Good boy, Bob!" Mr. Ross never spoke to Gamery in his life.

The Free Press says The Advertiser tells a lie, "pure and simple" when it says the Ontario Government has promised to contribute 25 per cent of the cost of the breakwater. The Advertiser has it from Dr. Routledge's own lips that the Premier gave him the pledge. Dr. Routledge and the Premier are not liars, whatever our nice-spoken contemporary may say about this great home journal.

A Deserved Rebuke.

[C. E. Naylor, Essex, to the Toronto News.]

The principle of common law, that a man is to be considered as innocent until he has been proved guilty, and that testimony given with obvious motives cannot be accepted without substantial corroboration, holds good in political as well as in criminal cases. The News has been one of the most flagrant violators of this principle. It did not wait for evidence, defense or trial in the Gamery case to condemn Stratton. And, of course, it must disagree with the judgment of honest and

competent judges of Conservative traditions, because it did not serve the political ends of the News so plainly manifested by its indecent haste to condemn without trial a public man who had previously borne good character. No one knows better than you, sir, that the Tory press has a record for blackmailing Liberal public men after this fashion, and it has been a great disappointment to many of your friends to find you trailing the News alone the same slimy path. I am among the many who, conscious of the power of the press for good or evil, lovers of truth and believing it to be the best antidote for political and moral evils, had hoped that the News would justify its independence, and have been sadly disappointed to find it instead a wolf in sheep's clothing.

More Salary For Laurier.

[Manitoba Free Press.] As for the Premiership of Canada, which has a salary attached to it less than that of many a bank manager, to say nothing of a railway manager, there is nobody who will pretend that the country pays Sir Wilfrid Laurier any more than a fraction of what his services to Canada are worth.

"Scotched" Now.

[Montreal Star.] Mr. Whitney may now be said to be "Scotched."

In the Midst of It.

[Detroit Tribune.] "Are you the head of the house?" asked the agent. "The what?" asked the agitated man at the door. "The head of the house," "Oh, you mean the main works. Just make yourself comfortable on the steps, brother, till I come back and then I'll tell you know, We're settling it now."

A Dream With a Moral.

[Chicago Post.] A rich lady dreamed that she went to heaven, and there saw a mansion being built. "Whom is that for?" she asked of the guide.

"For your gardener." "But he lives in the tiniest cottage on earth, who barely room for his family. He might live better if he did not give away so much to the miserable poor folks."

Further on she saw a tiny cottage being built. "And whom is that for?" she asked. "That is for you."

"But I live in a mansion on earth. I would not know how to live in a cottage."

The words she heard in reply were full of meaning. "The Master Builder is doing his best with the material that is being sent up."

Then she awoke, resolving to lay up treasure in heaven.

A New Drink for Ontario.

[Toronto Star.] He—Your brother's an awful Grit, isn't he? She—Why do you ask? He—Living in a fix, in McCone's buffet, I heard him order a Whitney and soda.

Briefly Told.

[Brantford Expositor.] Since confederation, 27 Liberals and 4 Conservatives, members of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario have been unseated for corrupt practices.

Percentage of Liberals unseated to number elected, 5.6. Percentage of Conservatives unseated to number elected, 2.42.

Since the general elections of 1902 five Liberals and five Conservatives have been unseated for corrupt practices.

Which is the party of purity? Since the elections of 1902 eight persons have been reported for corrupt practices in Ontario elections—seven Liberals and one Conservative.

Right Living and Good Looks.

[Philadelphia Post.] Until less than a generation ago all the personal beauty was regarded among us as tolerable weaknesses in the female, and as intolerable indications of sap-headedness in the male. The advertisements indicate how rapidly all this has changed. The price of good looks is right living. And the reward of right living is health.

The Tory Policy Closet.

[Hamilton Times.] Here are a few of the assets in the shape of "policies" that the Ontario Opposition has stored away in the

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If you have not attended our daily sales it will pay you to do so at once. Compare our quality and values, and the difference in price will astonish you. Special sale of All-Wool French Flannels commences Monday at 8:30 o'clock.

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There is every reason why we should say an appreciative word for our handsome selection of French Flannels. The finest qualities are to be found here. Special clearance of

60c French Flannels for 33c.

This special lot includes 30 of the very latest and best patterns, each possessing a different style of its own. Come early Monday morning and get first choice.

French Flannels for Blouses

Special selection of 30 patterns of All-Wool French Flannels. All the latest and most up-to-date designs. These will make the very best blouses. Greatst value ever offered. Regular prices 50c to 60c, on sale Monday only, for..... **33c**

party museum, gathering moths and dust: One "Protestant Horse," spavined. One "Eye-Opener" — not Whitney's Napanee one. One Ross Bible—defaced. One lot "Facts for Irish Electors." One "Call with a Cough." Dr. Beattie Nesbitt's best efforts failed to cure it. One "Ram Dan" — (only his ghost now). "Silver Medal Bull" — a little tough. One "Humber Pigger" — needs doctoring. On being a vacancy yet for another policy, it is: "The Seven Vials of Slander and Abuse." To be sealed up on the 25th of January next.

A CLEVER CAPTURE

A Cobourg Constable Catches a Notorious Thief in the Act.

Cobourg, Ont., Jan. 13. — A clever capture was made by Police Constable Rourke early this morning. While on his beat on Division street, the constable noticed the figure of a man in the rear of J. H. Campbell's general drygoods store. Hurrying to the back entrance, Rourke forced his way in, and at the point of a revolver, made his man throw up his hands. On being conveyed to the police station the culprit was identified as "Bud" Agnew, a notorious crook, who has already served several terms in the Central Prison for similar offenses in different part of the Province.

AN ENCYCLICAL LETTER

Pope to Issue One for the Benefit of South Americans.

Wilenstadt, Curacao, Jan. 14. — Advice received here show that the Archbishop of Caracas, Most Rev. G. E. Castro, has learned from the Vatican that the Pope, approving of the archbishop's suggestion, is about to issue a most important encyclical letter addressed to the episcopacy, clergy and people of Latin America. The Pontiff, in this letter, recognizes the unhappy condition of the Central and South American Republics, and attributes it to civil and internal discord which prevents the development of free institutions and disturbs the peace indispensable to progress and civilization. The encyclical condemns what South Americans call the "Right of rebellion," as being the origin of all evils, urges peace and the observance of Christian principles, establishes the duties of the people and their rulers, and recommends the clergy and episcopacy in the fulfillment of their duties to set an example to the people.

Are you wanting special value in boys' or girls' school shoes? Call at W. B. Lawson's, 108 Dundas street.

The first bank established in the United States was incorporated at Philadelphia, Dec. 31, 1781.

Drs. Luke and Colon Smith, well-known dentists, of 3905 Richmond street, have decided to have special hours at their residences, 829 King street and 23 Marley Place, South London, respectively, for the convenience of patrons who are busy during the day. The hours will be from 7 to 9 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings.

AUCTION SALE

The Stock of the Late J. E. ADKINS will be sold by Public Auction. Sale Starts at 7:30 p. m., Monday. J. H. HAVILL, Auctioneer.

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Special Notice.

Cushions! Cushions! Feather and down cushions, 50 cents each. Goose feather pillows, mattresses, springs, beds, brass and iron bed, from \$3 each. Bedroom suits, sideboards, spring couches, fancy chairs, rockers, children's tables, at Hunt & Sons, Mattress and Feather Pillow Manufacturers, 593 Richmond street north. Phone 927.

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DISTEMPER.

Samuel Hopkins in 1796 took out the first American patent. It secured him the right to make potash. Coughs, colds, hoarseness, and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Vapo-Cresolene tablets, ten cents per box. All druggists.

ILDERTON.

Ilderton, Jan. 13. — On Monday evening, the 15th inst., Rev. R. Hobbs, president of the London Conference, will deliver his lecture on "The Triangular Man," in the Ilderton Methodist Church, commencing at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited also at Wesley on the 17th inst.

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LATEST MARKETS

LOCAL MARKETS

London, Saturday, Jan. 14. From a business standpoint today's market was one of the best since the Christmas markets. The attendance of farmers was the largest since the holiday season. The buyers were anxious to purchase, and consequently there was a lively market. There was no hanging about prices, as the grocers and dealers' stocks were nearly depleted. In fact they had to have the stuff, therefore the market was a lively one from start to finish. A large amount of money changed hands in a short space of time.

Grain—Oats was the only kind of grain offered. Sales were brisk at 90¢ to 92¢ per cwt, mostly at 91¢ per cwt. Several loads of hay sold at \$5.50 per ton.

A couple of loads of straw sold at \$6 per ton.

Butter and Eggs—Offerings of butter were fairly large. Sales were brisk at 19¢ to 22¢ for crocks, and 22¢ to 24¢ for pound rolls. The grocers are paying 25¢ to 27¢ per pound wholesale. Eggs were in good demand at 25¢ per dozen wholesale and 27¢ to 30¢ per dozen retail.

Vegetables and Roots—Potatoes were scarce and prices higher at 75¢ to 80¢ per bag. Cabbages sold at 40¢ per dozen. Turnips, 25¢ to 30¢ per bag. Cucumbers, 31¢ per dozen. Lettuce and radishes, 40¢ per dozen.

Apples—The supply today was large; sales were rather slow. At 11¢ per barrel for medium and 12¢ to 14¢ per barrel for the bag. The buyers are not in a hurry to purchase, and consequently there was a slow market.

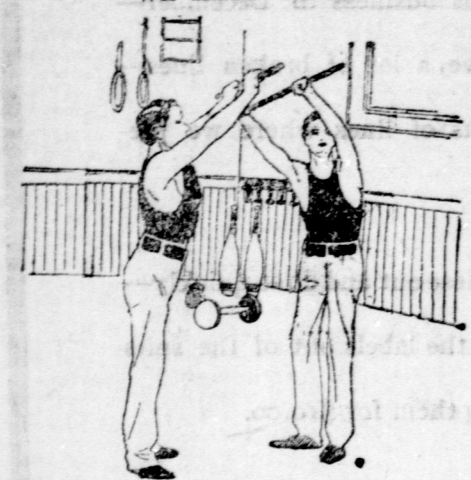
Poultry—There was a good demand for all the offerings; turkeys, dressed, sold at 15¢ to 16¢ per lb wholesale; a few large gobblers were sold at 18¢ to 20¢ per lb. Chickens sold at 9¢ to 10¢ per lb, or 11¢ to 12¢ per lb, or 13¢ to 14¢ per lb, or 15¢ to 16¢ per lb, or 17¢ to 18¢ per lb, or 19¢ to 20¢ per lb, or 21¢ to 22¢ per lb, or 23¢ to 24¢ per lb, or 25¢ to 26¢ per lb, or 27¢ to 28¢ per lb, or 29¢ to 30¢ per lb, or 31¢ to 32¢ per lb, or 33¢ to 34¢ per lb, or 35¢ to 36¢ per lb, or 37¢ to 38¢ per lb, or 39¢ to 40¢ per lb, or 41¢ to 42¢ per lb, or 43¢ to 44¢ per lb, or 45¢ to 46¢ per lb, or 47¢ to 48¢ per lb, or 49¢ to 50¢ per lb, or 51¢ to 52¢ per lb, or 53¢ to 54¢ per lb, or 55¢ to 56¢ per lb, or 57¢ to 58¢ per lb, or 59¢ to 60¢ per lb, or 61¢ to 62¢ per lb, or 63¢ to 64¢ per lb, or 65¢ to 66¢ per lb, or 67¢ to 68¢ per lb, or 69¢ to 70¢ per lb, or 71¢ to 72¢ per lb, or 73¢ to 74¢ per lb, or 75¢ to 76¢ per lb, or 77¢ to 78¢ per lb, or 79¢ to 80¢ per lb, or 81¢ to 82¢ per lb, or 83¢ to 84¢ per lb, or 85¢ to 86¢ per lb, or 87¢ to 88¢ per lb, or 89¢ to 90¢ per lb, or 91¢ to 92¢ per lb, or 93¢ to 94¢ per lb, or 95¢ to 96¢ per lb, or 97¢ to 98¢ per 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—Mrs. P. X. Korman, of South London, is visiting in Toronto.

—Miss Alberta Washburn is visiting at her home in Kilmear.

—Mrs. Jack Cove will be at home on Thursday and Friday, Jan. 19 and 20, at her residence on Talbot street.

—Rev. J. M. Eckart, of Columbus, Ohio, paid a short visit to Mr. Martin Durkin, Dufferin avenue, this week.

—The marriage of Mr. W. C. Storey, telegraph operator, to Marie, daughter of Mrs. G. W. Shelton, of this city, took place in Montreal recently.

—Rev. R. S. W. Howard, B.A., rector of Christ Church, will conduct the services in St. James' Church, Brooke and Trinity Church, Watford, tomorrow.

—Mrs. J. G. Fawcett and daughter, Mrs. J. H. Cunningham, of Belmont, have left for Palmerston, where Mrs. Fawcett will reside with her daughter until spring.

—Miss Lillian G. Wilson, the new soprano soloist of the Dundas Street Church, has taken up her residence at 356 King street, and will receive on the first and third Fridays.

—After a ten days' visit at St. John's revery, Mr. Edward Howell has returned to her home in Winnipeg. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Beatrice Richardson, who will remain a few months in the west.

—The regular meeting of the Entomological Society will be held this evening in their rooms in the Public Library building at 8 o'clock. Mr. McCready will conclude his study of the grasshopper, and will commence that of the beetle. All those interested in nature study are cordially invited to attend.

—A very pleasant time was spent in the Palace Dancing Academy by about 200 young people last night, the occasion being a dance given in honor of Mr. Dick Evans, who is home on a visit from Maple Creek, N. W. by his many friends. Dayton & McCormick's orchestra supplied ideal dancing music, which, combined with a perfect light and heating of the hall, made the evening. Dancing was kept up until after midnight.

LIBERALS ATTENTION!
A meeting of the Liberals of South London will be held in Treblecock's Hall tonight at 8 o'clock. All are urged to be present. Business of importance.

REV. F. A. STEVEN TO PREACH.
Rev. F. A. Steven, of the China Inland Mission, will assist at the evening service tomorrow at the First Congregational Church, and will doubtless have some interesting things to say about missionary work in China.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN ANNIVERSARY.
The anniversary services at First Presbyterian Church are always a feature. Rev. W. J. Clark will preach at the morning service tomorrow and Rev. Dr. Ross, of St. Andrew's Church, in the evening. There will be good music and singing, and a very interesting character throughout.

THE WEATHER A YEAR AGO.
The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory on Jan. 14 of last year were: Highest, 8 degrees above; lowest, 15.5 below. Manitoba had the severest weather at that date, the temperature at Winnipeg ranging from 6 degrees above zero to 13 below.

FUNERAL IN LONDON TOWNSHIP.
The remains of the late Mrs. Thomas Masen were laid at rest in Hyde Park Cemetery yesterday afternoon, and were followed to their last abode by many of deceased's numerous friends. The following acted as pall-bearers: Deceased's three sons, Joseph, Thomas and William, and her three sons-in-law, George H. Routledge, R. H. Routledge and Francis McLean.

FRAYNE-McCORD.
A very pretty wedding took place on Wednesday evening last, when Miss Lilla, daughter of Mr. Robt. McCord, of con. 9, London township, was united in marriage to Mr. Charles H. Frayne, a real estate broker, of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. The ceremony, which took place at noon, was performed by Rev. T. C. Saunders, of Mount Brydges, Mr. and Mrs. Frayne left for Woodstock, before proceeding to the Soo, where they will make their future home.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES are being held in the First Methodist Church by a band of students from Toronto University, and the services are proving very successful. The attendance last night was very large, and special interest was taken in the proceedings. Mr. Wallace presided and addresses were given by Messrs. Charles Bishop and Robertson. Mr. Bishop also sang a solo, "O, How He Loves." The services will be concluded Sunday.

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A PRESENTATION.
The congregation of the Gore Methodist Church pleasantly surprised their organist, Miss M. Talbot, the other night, when they assembled at her home and presented her with a ladies' silver-mounted ebony dressing-case. The gift was accompanied by a letter, which expressed the congregation's appreciation of Miss Talbot's faithfulness and ability. The recipient made a suitable reply, thanking them for their kindness and assuring them of her continued interest in the work. The company engaged in games and other amusements, and the evening closed with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

TO LESSEN DANGER ON RAILS.
C. M. Underwood, of 634 Queen's avenue, city, has just been granted a patent in the United States for an appliance designed to make railroads less dangerous. The patent for the same is also pending in Canada. By the use of his device it is claimed that it will be impossible for two trains on the same track to come together in a head-on collision, or to have a train pass over an open switch or through an open swing-bridge. This device works in the engine by electric circuit with the track rails. In case of two trains approaching each other on the same track, it is claimed that the device shuts off steam in both engines, applies the air-brakes, blows the whistle, rings the bell. The inventor terms it an automatic train-stopping system, that works in all kinds of weather.

COURT MIDDLESEX OFFICERS.
Court Middlesex No. 118, C. O. F., at its regular meeting elected the following officers for the year: Chief ranger, Bro. W. Stone; vice-chief ranger, Bro. John King; financial secretary, Bro. E. Reed; recording secretary, Bro. B. Evans; junior woodward, Bro. J. Sutton; junior woodward, Bro. J. Young; senior beadle, Bro. Wm. Taylor; junior beadle, Bro. R. C. Taylor; Dr. Macklin; hall trustees, Bro. Reed; guards, Bros. Brown and Gardner; conductor, Bro. C. Taylor.

HABIT'S CHAIN.
Certain Habits Unconsciously Formed and Hard to Break.

An ingenious philosopher estimates that the amount of will power necessary to break a life-long habit would be equal to the amount of will power necessary to break a chain of many tons.

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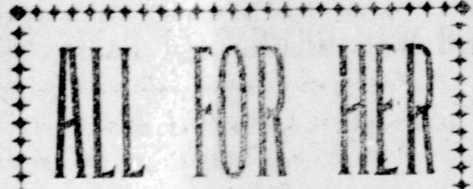
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She kept the brave smile on her face.
"I shall make him as good a wife as I can," she said. "I-I think he will be very happy."

He drew her and kissed her.
"It is of your happiness I am thinking," he said in a low, nervous voice. "But I think you have done right. How can you ever be a wife to a man who has been so good to you? You have been, and will still be, all the world to me—all the world—"

He broke off abruptly, as if he were afraid, and, gently releasing her, walked aside for a moment. Then he came back to her. "You will live at the Maples, Olivia? I could not see you. I could not! There must be an understanding—a bargain."

A faint shudder ran through her at the sound of the hateful word.
"There shall be a bargain, dear," she said smiling. "Mr. Brad-Bartley has just told me that we should live together, and the nearer I am to you—ah, if we could only live here!"

"Why should you not?" he responded eagerly; then he checked himself with a laugh. "No, that would be asking too much, even of Bartley, generous as he is. But the Maples is not very far, is it? Not very far. I shall see you every day. You will still be the sunlight of my life, the comfort of my old age. How selfish I am! As if I were not your father because you gain a husband! Bartley and I are quite close friends, and we shall be closer now. Run up to your father's study, or he will see you have been crying, and feel hurt. He loves you, thank God! No man could love you more devotedly!"

CHAPTER XV.

Faradene rode home slowly through the wood. It was dark, and his horse was sure-footed, and picked its way safely through the undergrowth, for his master rode like a man who has suddenly lost his sight and hearing. Unguided the animal bore him to the gate, and then Faradene, with an eager, anxious expression, heaved and threw off the kind of lethargy which had held him.

He threw the bridle to his man and entered the cottage, where he found Bertie sprang out of a chair to meet him, with an eager, anxious expression; then he stopped short and uttered an exclamation of dismay.

"Great heavens! are you ill?" Faradene closed the door carefully, and dropped his head. As he went in, he saw that Bertie was pale, and that his lips were white. "No—that is, yes, of course," he went to the sideboard and drank some wine. "I—I—"

"Help yourself," Bertie said, and he added, not unfeelingly, but with a sad, deceptive air.

"Then—then you've seen her?" faltered Bertie. "I thought you would go to her this morning. You have seen her?"

"Yes, I have seen her, answered Faradene, dryly.

"And—but there is no need to ask you the result," breathed Bertie, like a man resolved not to show the agony that is devouring him.

"My face is that of an unsuccessful suitor," answered Bertie, with a smile. "Yes, my mission has failed. Cherub, I am sorry."

Bertie turned his back to him and was silent for a moment; then he said, hoarsely:

"What did she say? Tell me."

"What did she say?" repeated Faradene, dropping into a chair and passing his hand over his eyes. "What a weary gesture, as a smile of bitter self-mockery shone for a moment in his eyes. 'I don't know. What does it matter?'"

"You don't know," echoed Bertie, turning to him. "For heaven's sake try and remember! I—I—"

"What did she say?" Bertie said, and he added, not unfeelingly, but with a sad, deceptive air.

"Then there is—there may be some hope! You told her by surprise. She was frightened, perhaps. She'll think it over," said Bertie, excitedly.

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SOCIAL GLEANINGS

Brilliant as has been the scenes in the grand old Senate Chamber of the House of Commons at the opening of Parliament, they were equalled, if not surpassed on Thursday, when a gathering of representatives of the Empire, in splendidly beautiful gowns, superior court judges in scarlet and ermine, dignitaries of the church in purple robes, foreign consuls-general and members of the Senate waited in the solemn old crimson room the entry in state of the new Governor-General and Lady Grey and their party.

The Countess Grey looked very stately in a graceful robe of chenille embroidered with black velvet. She also wore a magnificent tiara, and about her throat a necklace surmounted by a string of large pearls, several diamond ornaments on the corsage and a hand-painted fan.

Lady Sibyl Grey wore a gown of white chiffon satin, the skirt and bodice of gold, a huge cluster of white orchids on the corsage, a double string of pearls and a wreath of green leaves in her hair.

Lady Evelyn Grey was in white satin, full skirt, with shirred flounce, the bodice having a cluster of silver spangles and chiffon ruffles.

Lady Laurier wore a handsome gown of heavy brocade, with full rills of chiffon and the bodice having a deep bertha of lovely red lace, and pearl embroidery, and touches of mauve panne velvet.

Mrs. Charles S. Hyman wore a handsome toilette of rich black satin, with a richness of embroidered sequin design.

Mrs. James Kerrigan, an exquisitely pretty gown of silver gray, with chiffon and sequin trimmings.

Mrs. Coffey, black and white panne chiffon and pearl and diamond ornaments.

Mrs. Adam Beck, gown of white silk, with overdress of Irish lace, pearls and diamonds.

Mrs. Lorna Gibbons, dainty and piquante in pale blue chiffon cloth, with trailing design of silver.

Miss Helen Gibbons was stately in handsome pink silk brocade, with lace and net entreeux, the costume which was so much admired at the dance at the King Edward Hotel.

Miss Violet Crerar, Hamilton, white Chantilly lace over cream satin, the corsage outlined with folded bands of white chiffon.

Miss Susie Calvert, Stratford, pink duchess satin, with trimmings of gold spangled chiffon and cream applique.

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Miss Irene Dymond, Barrie, gown of white crepe de chine, with square medallions of point de Venise lace, and bow-knots of applique.

Mrs. Herbert, Miss Gladys Michie, black silk voile, with jet and insertions of lace.

Mrs. C. S. Hyman and Mrs. Kerrigan, who left town on Saturday last, remained in Toronto a few days and arrived in the capital on Wednesday evening.

On Thursday afternoon Mr. Forbes Robertson asked some friends for tea at the King Edward Hotel. Present were Miss Kate Burke and other members of his party. The guests included Miss Marjorie Gibbons, Miss Cassels, Miss Leslie Smith and many others.

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Captain Walter Smith, who is the guest of his brother at Belleville, is quite infatuated with Mrs. E. B. Oiler, and is most enthusiastic as to its future. After a holiday in London he will return to Calgary.

Black evening gowns are much in vogue just now. One of black satin with black velvet. She also wore a magnificent tiara, and about her throat a necklace surmounted by a string of large pearls, several diamond ornaments on the corsage and a hand-painted fan.

Mrs. Laughton and Miss Jean Laughton, of Bothwell, are on pension of 233 Queen's avenue for the remainder of the winter.

Mrs. C. Norman Spencer entertained about 35 of her daughter Miss Cecilia's friends most delightfully from 4 to 7 o'clock this afternoon.

Mrs. and Mrs. Verschoyle Cronyn will work for Summerwood, North Carolina, where they will remain for three months.

Mrs. Walter Peterson, Waterloo street, will be the hostess of an afternoon tea on Wednesday next from 4 to 7 o'clock.

A deputation, consisting of Lady Laurier and Lady Ritchie, waited upon the Countess Grey on behalf of the National Council of Women and asked her to accept the honorary presidency of the council. Lady Grey most graciously consented and attended the annual meeting of the executive committee in Ottawa yesterday.

Miss Estelle Leonard and Miss Ismena Labatt, returned to Toronto on Thursday.

The latest gresses to be worn in London at the theatre have but a slight V-shaped opening instead of a high collar. Some of the latest styles are in vogue this season for the theatre. They are in the shape of the gown, flowers of tulle, chiffon or muslin, a feather or ostrich tip, they forget-me-nots with a tiny diamond, and a tiny diamond.

Mrs. Herbert, Miss Gladys Michie, black silk voile, with jet and insertions of lace.

Mrs. C. S. Hyman and Mrs. Kerrigan, who left town on Saturday last, remained in Toronto a few days and arrived in the capital on Wednesday evening.

On Thursday afternoon Mr. Forbes Robertson asked some friends for tea at the King Edward Hotel. Present were Miss Kate Burke and other members of his party. The guests included Miss Marjorie Gibbons, Miss Cassels, Miss Leslie Smith and many others.

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Misses Nenone Carling, Mabel Magee, Helich Macdonald and Mrs. Driscoll, were their attentive assistants. The guests included Mrs. Hume Cronyn, Mrs. George Brown, Mrs. Ernest Smith, Mrs. John Small, Mrs. Cassels (Quebec), Miss Freida Puddicombe, Miss Beddome, Miss Hale, Miss Hyman, Miss Dorothy Bullen, Miss Leonard, Miss B. Beddome, Miss Michie, Miss Macbeth (Toronto), Miss McLaren, Miss Meredith and others.

The officers of the London Rugby Football Club are giving a dance in the Masonic Temple on Friday evening next, the patronage of which will be given by Mr. Adam Beck, Cl. T. Campbell, Mr. George C. Gibbons and Rev. D. S. Hamilton. The officers of the club are Messrs. E. Palmer Smith, V. H. McK. Millman, George Gibbons, John C. Reagan, Ewart Field, A. McMahon, Frank Reid and Pierre Thomson.

Miss Nenone and Mr. J. Innes Carling gave a very jolly sleighride party about town on Thursday evening, after a supper and after-dance were immensely enjoyed at the Kennels, terminating with a merry ride home. Mr. T. H. Carling chaperoned the evening. Among the guests who numbered about thirty, and occupied two sleighs, were Miss Laura Hyman, Miss G. Beddome, Miss Peters, Miss Drury (Kingston), Miss Leslie Smith, Mrs. Hume Cronyn, Miss Hale, Miss Freida Puddicombe, Miss Dorothy Bullen and Messrs. Macbeth, Lorne Becher, Campbell, Becher, Labatt, Cronyn, Crawford, Boucher, Walter Reid, Hunt, Meredith, Kortright, King and others.

Mrs. Adam Beck, Headley is at the Russell, Ottawa, for the festivities attending the opening of Parliament.

Mr. Adam Brown, Hamilton, spent a short visit at Tuelyn last week, in order to be present at the consecration of Bishop Williams.

Mr. Jack Moodie, of Hamilton, is taking a course at Wolseley Barracks.

One of the events of the year to which London society is looking forward to is the grand military ball on Feb. 2 in the new Armories. As the ball grows nearer the various committees are hard at work, and the plans are assuming definite shape. There will be many guests from other cities, and I hear that the Toronto and Hamilton complement will have a special car. With such gallant hosts as the military men of our city the dance cannot fail to be a magnificent success.

Mrs. John Labatt, who left last fall with her daughter, Mrs. Mary, for the continent, is remaining for a time in Germany, owing to the delicate health of Miss Labatt.

Miss Shaw-Wood's little tea in honor of Mrs. E. Howell, of Winnipeg, for Monday afternoon was a very successful affair. The guests included Mrs. Hume Cronyn, Mrs. George Brown, Mrs. Ernest Smith, Mrs. John Small, Mrs. Cassels (Quebec), Miss Freida Puddicombe, Miss Beddome, Miss Hale, Miss Hyman, Miss Dorothy Bullen, Miss Leonard, Miss B. Beddome, Miss Michie, Miss Macbeth (Toronto), Miss McLaren, Miss Meredith and others.

Mrs. (Dr.) Belton has been the delightful hostess of four very enjoyable entertainments this week—afternoon teas on Thursday and Friday, each followed by evening functions.

The Messrs. Ibbotson at Wood Leonard have returned to Montreal, after a delightful sojourn with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leonard, Oakwood.

Renewed enthusiasm reigns in the London chapters of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire, and last Saturday afternoon a meeting was held in the Y. W. C. A. rooms, when the topic of discussion was the monument fund. The order has something over twelve hundred dollars, and is endeavoring to collect the balance of the fund. The citizens' committee, who were instrumental in having the monument erected, are now endeavoring to collect the balance of the fund. The citizens' committee, who were instrumental in having the monument erected, are now endeavoring to collect the balance of the fund.

Miss Gibbons and Miss Helen Gibbons, Lornebecher, left for the capital Tuesday morning, where they were the guests of Hon. Charles and Mrs. Hyman for the opening of Parliament.

Miss Cassels, of Toronto, and Miss Mary Glasco, of Hamilton, have returned home after an exceedingly delightful sojourn with the guests of Mrs. Gibbons, Lornebecher.

The dance at the Kennels last Friday evening was a very happy affair, given by Mrs. J. H. Ginge in honor of her guest, Miss Dorothy Bullen, of Petrolia. Mrs. Ginge, in her own charming and charming manner, graciously welcomed her guests in a toilette of black and white silk, and her welcome was seconded by Miss Bullen in a pretty black silk with point d'esprit and cute jet trimmings, and Miss Helen Harris in a beautiful gown of crimson satin with crimson chignon, overdress, Miss Margaret Ginge, the hostess' graceful and strikingly beautiful daughter, who is still a school girl, wore a dainty frock of flowered silk, and the Italian orchestra played splendid music, and the valedictory decorations of scarlet and green set off the smart gowns of the bride and groom. The guests who were noted the Misses Freida Puddicombe, Cassels (Quebec), Tabby Moore, Helen Gunn, Marjorie Gibbons, Leslie Smith (St. John's), Cassels (Toronto), Glasco and Violet Crerar (Hamilton), Isabel Shaw-Wood (Toronto), Edith Maudslow (Toronto), Drury (Kingston), Madeline Pavey, Geraldine Beddome, Gladys Michie, Olive Peters, Allie and Laura Hyman, Edna Leonard, Mrs. Meredith, Jean Davidson (Toronto), E. Richardson, Edith Scatcherd, Nenone Carling. The gentlemen present included the Messrs. Campbell, Becher, Hyla, Betts, Walkem (Kingston), Winslow (New York), Ellis Hyman, Wood Leonard, Fred Fisher, Alan Fisher, Charles and Gordon Hunt, Crawford, Rumball, Coulson, Innes Carling, Hugh Labatt, George Macbeth, George Gibbons, Jim Boucher, Capt. Unlace and others.

The many friends of Colonel and Mrs. Guillot, of Windsor, were gathered to Jean and Mrs. Guillot's home, which occurred last week at the Hotel, Detroit.

Bishop Mills, the Lord Bishop of Ontario, was the guest of the Rev. Dean Davis from Thursday to Monday of last week.

Mrs. Becher, Thornwood, was the sweet and gracious hostess of a very delightful reception on Monday afternoon, given in honor of her guest, Miss Cassels, daughter of Sir Louis N.

Cassels, Minister of Justice, Quebec, a fair and graceful demure, who in a gown of white and palest blue, charmed all by her winsome personality. The day without was a delightful contrast, with its tropical warmth, fragrant flowers and throng of beautifully-gowned guests, among whom were noted Mrs. Robert Puddicombe, Mrs. John Carling, Mrs. Fred Farncombe, Mrs. John Smallman, Mrs. Fritz Beck, Mrs. Hume Cronyn, Mrs. Driscoll, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Wismer, Mrs. George Brown, Mrs. Gates, Mrs. Frank Leonard, Miss Harris, Miss Beddome, Miss Laura Hyman, Miss Ismena Labatt, Miss Gibbons, Miss Nenone Carling, Miss Edith Maudslow (Toronto), Miss Peters, Miss Drury (Kingston), Miss Magee, Miss Geraldine Beddome, Miss Gladys Michie, Miss Shaw-Wood, Miss Hunt, Miss Scatcherd and many others. The tea room, where Mrs. Hale poured tea and Mrs. Macfie poured coffee, was beautiful with a brilliant color scheme of scarlet and white, the tea table being arranged with many handsome pieces of silver and cut glass, which reflected the clusters of scarlet and white carnations entwined in smilax. The Misses Jessie Hale, Allie Hyman, Josephine and Helen Macfie were the prettily gowned assistants who served the refreshments.

Miss Marjorie Gibbons and her guest, Miss Leslie Smith, of St. John, N. B., went to Toronto on Thursday morning to spend a week in the home of Mrs. Walter Cassels. Among the many smart functions at which they will be honor guests is the dance on Thursday evening, given by their hostess, Mrs. Cassels.

Miss Nina Gale, who has been a very bright visitor with Mrs. George B. Spen, went to Boston with Mrs. Charles Gale (who passed through London on Tuesday). She will spend a visit before returning home to Toronto.

Mrs. Betts was the hostess of a very jolly tobogganing party for a bright lot of college girls and boys over the hill and common at Wolseley Barracks on Saturday evening, after which they enjoyed a supper at Mrs. Betts' home, in Queen's avenue.

Mr. Clive Walker, of Hamilton, is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Graydon, Conenara, Dundas street.

Miss Sweeney, of Toronto, is a bright visitor in the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Niven, in Colborne street.

Mrs. Richard Davis, Wortley road, has as her guest her mother, Mrs. Bingham, of Aylmer, in whose honor she entertained a few friends at matinee euche on Friday of last week.

The Bishop of Huron and his family will be in residence at Bishopstowe early next month.

Miss Fanny Farncombe delightfully entertained a party of well-to-do folk from 7 o'clock on Saturday afternoon last in honor of her little nephews, Harold and Eric Farncombe. The children were in great glee over the games and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Among the little ones present were Beatrice and Leah Farncombe (London), Township, Nancy Niven, Ruth Nicholson, Beth Pennington, Hilary Smith, Becher Hungerford, Allen Gales and several others.

The "St. Valentine ball" in Toronto on Feb. 14, will be a charming social event in which Londoners will take an immense interest. The affair is to be danced after supper from 12 to 1 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Madley Critchton postponed their departure until yesterday and will spend a few days in Toronto before going on to Winnipeg.

Miss Evelyn Jarvis has returned to her home in Galt, after a bright visit with Miss Harris, Eldon House.

Last evening Mr. and Mrs. John E. Smallman gave a most enjoyable dinner party at the London Hotel Club House, at which only young married people were guests.

The Magpie minstrels, being got up under the auspices of the Daughters of the Empire, Hamilton, will be a very unique entertainment at the matinee show given by Hamilton society young people is not an every-day occurrence. The ladies of the chorus will be dressed in Magpie colors, black and white, white powdered hair with a jaunty black bow, and charming and charming manner, graciously welcomed her guests in a toilette of black and white silk, and her welcome was seconded by Miss Bullen in a pretty black silk with point d'esprit and cute jet trimmings, and Miss Helen Harris in a beautiful gown of crimson satin with crimson chignon, overdress, Miss Margaret Ginge, the hostess' graceful and strikingly beautiful daughter, who is still a school girl, wore a dainty frock of flowered silk, and the Italian orchestra played splendid music, and the valedictory decorations of scarlet and green set off the smart gowns of the bride and groom. The guests who were noted the Misses Freida Puddicombe, Cassels (Quebec), Tabby Moore, Helen Gunn, Marjorie Gibbons, Leslie Smith (St. John's), Cassels (Toronto), Glasco and Violet Crerar (Hamilton), Isabel Shaw-Wood (Toronto), Edith Maudslow (Toronto), Drury (Kingston), Madeline Pavey, Geraldine Beddome, Gladys Michie, Olive Peters, Allie and Laura Hyman, Edna Leonard, Mrs. Meredith, Jean Davidson (Toronto), E. Richardson, Edith Scatcherd, Nenone Carling. The gentlemen present included the Messrs. Campbell, Becher, Hyla, Betts, Walkem (Kingston), Winslow (New York), Ellis Hyman, Wood Leonard, Fred Fisher, Alan Fisher, Charles and Gordon Hunt, Crawford, Rumball, Coulson, Innes Carling, Hugh Labatt, George Macbeth, George Gibbons, Jim Boucher, Capt. Unlace and others.

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Mr. E. S. Clouston, of Montreal, general manager of the Bank of Montreal, came to London in his private car on Tuesday, and was the guest of Mr. Beck, Headley, for the day.

A decidedly nautical event was the annual ball of the Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club, which was given last Friday evening, and from the pipe of the boat's whistle, announcing the first dance, to the last strains of the orchestra, the arrangements were perfect. Among the guests were Mr. W. C. Phillips and Mrs. Phillips, Clinton, and Miss Beatrice Peterson, of Goderich, who wore a beautiful gown of white crepe de soie, with lace and sequin garnitures.

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Mr. Robertson's removal from the London to the Berlin branch of the Merchants' Bank is regretted by his many friends here, who are delighted to know that he is still in the city. Mr. Robertson will be a frequent visitor to London, for the past year and a half.

Miss Mary Toller, of Ottawa, is the guest of her aunt, Lady Tilley, in St. George street, Toronto.

This evening, the Misses Moore, in King street, are to be the bright hostesses of a snowshoe tramp and supper party at the Kennels.

Miss Bessie Shoebottom, of New York, who is spending a visit with her mother, Mrs. Shoebottom, in Central avenue, leaves early in February for New York, where she joins friends, and sails for Germany.

The marriage of Miss Agnes Gwyneth Amy Sim, daughter of Col. G. Hamilton Sim, C. B. R. E., to Mr. E. F. Oiler, son of Mr. E. B. Oiler, M. P., Craighill, Toronto, was solemnized Wednesday, at the cathedral, Rochester, England. The Dean of Rochester officiated. Miss Edith Cochran (Scott-

land), cousin of the bridegroom, was bridesmaid, a young niece, Miss Wall, being the flower girl. Mr. Wallace Hartly, of Kingston, Ont., was the best man. Mr. E. B. Oiler, his daughter, Mrs. Bertram Bowen, and many relatives and friends were present. Mr. and Mrs. Oiler have left for a trip to the continent, and towards the end of next month will return to Canada. They will reside in Kingston.

On Tuesday afternoon, Miss Bessie Shoebottom charmingly entertained a few of her girl friends in London at three tables of whist, of which Mrs. W. Madley Critchton, of Winnipeg, was the honor guest. In receiving, Mrs. Shoebottom was gowned in black and white silk, and Miss Shoebottom wore champagne-plate costume with cream lace garnitures, and the drawing-room was daintily pretty with pale green-shaded chandeliers and fragrant shower bouquets of loveliest pink roses.

That little Marian Beck of Headley, is rapidly recovering from a severe attack of bronchitis is pleasant news for their many friends.

Mrs. Harris, of Eldon House, left for Ottawa, yesterday, where she is the guest of Mrs. Lyons Biggar, after which she will visit in Quebec.

Mrs. (Dr.) Belton was hostess of a very enjoyable tea yesterday afternoon.

Lieutenant-General Sir William Nicholson has been appointed governor and commander-in-chief at Gibraltar in succession to Sir George Clarke, the hero of Ladysmith, who is to immediately take up the governorship of Chelsea Hospital. Sir William Nicholson has recently been with the Canadian Army as an attaché, during which time he suffered an attack of fever.

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Child Culture.

Said an outraged and indignant bride the other day: "Of course, Jack's people are lovely, and I'm unusually fortunate in having 'things-in-law' who are so charming and presentable, but I'd like them much more if they were not so domesticated and if they did not have so many children."

"Every time I say anything to mamma about them, she says that, to parade Mrs. Wiggins. I ought to be thankful that none of Jack's sisters have been married, that none of his brothers ever robbed a bank, and make very many other true and tiresome remarks."

The bride, who is, by the way, a graduate of Toronto University, went on plaintively: "You know, my house is so new, and my maid is so good, that I have absolutely no housework to do, and, as all my clothes are new, too, not very much mending. Of course, I was very glad to think that I would have so much opportunity to read, and Jack and I have joined a reading club, which is practically a travel club, for we are reading a series of books on Italy just now, in which we are immensely interested."

"Jack's people think this is the rankest Philistinism, for they simply cannot understand why a woman should care about anything except clothes, houses, societies and babies."

"Every time I talk about any book I've been reading, they say, 'But, Laura, don't you ever do any sewing?' 'Sewing!' repeated the bride with a scornful accent. 'Of course, it is eminently proper for a woman to sew, but I trust that Jack will always have enough money to have mine done for me, and why in the world should I waste my time on it, when there are so many other interesting things in the world.'"

"But that is not the worst, Nan," as I looked amused, "it's their children! Of course, I adore babies, but I do like them kept in their places. When I call on my sister-in-law I go to see her, not the children."

"Every one of them have enough money to keep a nurse, and they all do. They all have large houses, with nurseries, and why in the world can't they keep the children there?"

"But, no! The children are brought into the room, with the nurse, and kept there during my whole call. Of course, the nurse can hear everything I say, and naturally I'm not anxious to say anything that she can retail."

"Every time I do begin any interesting topic I am interrupted by the mother, saying: 'Oh, Laura, do look at Marjorie; isn't she just too cute?' and I break off to admire Marjorie's cuteness, or Tommy's clever house of blocks or something equally interesting."

"Now, as I remarked before, I like children, but I object to having them intruded on my notice at every turn. If ever I have any children they will be kept in the nursery and not paraded before every stray caller."

"You hear so much not about 'child culture' nowadays. You must not whip the dear little thing, because its feelings might be hurt. Always speak gently to it; don't force it to do anything it does not want to do, but let it follow its own impulses, and so preserve its individuality."

"When I was a child there was none of this fuss about raising children. We didn't have either our milk or our philosophy sterilized. We were all dressed simply, neared plainly, 'spanked' when we were bad, kissed when we were good, taught to say 'yes, sir,' when an old man spoke to us, and were very forcibly impressed with the adage that 'children should be seen and not heard.' But we have changed all that. We no longer force a child into the straight and narrow path. We beguile him into the ways of righteousness. If he is naturally a sweet child and behaves properly, we are devotedly thankful, but we never think of trying to make him behave."

"Must" is an obsolete word. 'Spankings' are unknown, and as for the adage that 'children should be seen and not heard,' it is quite unthought of."

"Children are forced into prominence on every occasion. Tommy's last clever speech; the scrap-book Marjorie made at kindergarten, or her latest recitation, are aired, and the children are made to 'show off' until they are the most conceited little mortals that live."

"It will be hard on Tommy and Marjorie when they go out in the world and find out that 'there are others.' The shock to their self-esteem is almost too much."

"Another scheme nowadays is to disguise duty under some very agreeable form and never to say must. Now, there isn't any disguise to duty when you do get out into the world. There is never any little wreath of roses wrapped with tinsel around the thing that is right. It is always the hardest thing to do and part of the attraction."

STILL ANOTHER CASE

The New System Treatment, Anti-Pill, Continues to Work Wonderful Cures.

When Dr. Leonhardt, of Lincoln, Neb., gave Anti-Pill to the world he had no doubt of the value of the treatment, but he did not force the world and wonderful results it is now achieving in the cure of disease.

Here is the story of another Anti-Pill victory:

"For many months I have been troubled with dyspepsia, dizziness in my head, cold chills and suffered most of the time from constipation, and was unable to do my housework. I tried every kind of pill and medicine that either the doctors or myself could think of, and finally tried Anti-Pill. This treatment has practically made a new woman of me. I am able to do all my own work. The dizziness has all gone, my stomach feels much better, and I am no longer troubled with constipation. I cannot praise Anti-Pill too highly."—Mrs. Thos. Tabb, 287 Emerald street north, Hamilton, Ont.

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of sin is that it is so attractive. It is not always pleasant—or easy to do the right thing; frequently it is hard and disagreeable. Then why not teach the child so, and not have him going out into the world with mistaken ideas of right and wrong?

"Then can there be anything more ridiculous than the idea that you should not say 'must' to a child, if you do not enforce obedience now, how are you going to do it when the children are older? If Tommy wants to go down town at night, or Marjorie imagines herself in love with a very undesirable man, how are you going to stop them? The people who own no obedience are those who fill divorce courts and prisons."

"The greatest misfortune that has befallen the human race in late years is the discovery that the child is a problem."

"Before that discovery there were no theories about their bringing up. If a child was disobedient, he was punished for it, and he did not regret the offense. It never occurred to his mother that there was danger of repressing his individuality by making him behave."

"If he disturbed the whole neighborhood with yells and howls that were 'pure temper' his mother administered a good old-fashioned spanking that reduced him to common sense."

"Children are just as charming as ever. They are still the sunshine of life, one of the things that make married life happy, but we need to get back into the proper attitude towards them. They need to be relegated to the rear for a while, and not perpetually trotted out."

"They need to be taught obedience that they may learn how to command; to be strengthened to meet the stern requirements of duty, not taught to shirk the responsibilities of life, for childhood is the great training school of life, and by its lessons do we stand or fall."

"Well, Jack, and did you hang up your stockings for Santa Claus to fill?"

"No. I hanged up Mamma's!"—Punch.

GREATEST FLIRT IN THE WORLD

THE MAGYAR GIRL HAS GREAT FONDNESS FOR LOVE AND ADMIRATION.

Has a Preference for Long Courtship—No Desire for Foreign Suitors—Her Favorite Dance.

The American girl is a flirt, the French woman a flirt, but their ways and charms are uninteresting when contrasted with those of the Magyar girl, who is the greatest flirt in the world. This is natural, for in Hungary, song, laughter, dance and music are so exuberant, women are so lovable and loveliness so spontaneous, that wooing and wedding offer themselves as the natural and inevitable outcome of these clever, bright and vivacious, these clever girls and philosophy and the exact sciences are a bore, but poetry, music and alluring fancies, appeal to their girlish hearts.

Their own peculiar beauty is in keeping with the form, color and rhythm they love. What strikes one is the extreme freshness, delicacy and purity of their coloring. Their wavy hair, as among all women this Hungarian race is superb, and their large, expressive eyes are shaded with long lashes, suggesting reverie and feeling that craves for admiration and love.

Satisfied with the strong physique, mainly bearing and frank way of their suits at home, the Magyar men are as anxious to woo them as they are to be wooed. There is something so winning in their coquettish glances and fascinating smiles, the men are so mainly and debonair, it is hard for either sex to resist.

With them love and courtship mean so much it must be given all its color, and a wooing is often, therefore, a long doing. They have endless opportunities of meeting each other—visiting the markets, working in the fields and passing each other while out for a stroll. The youths feel that the girls are the place to see the Magyar men, and the girls feel that the Magyar men are the place to see the Magyar girls. They would admire, the Magyar girl is a club where on Sundays and holidays old and young go to dance and make merry.

LANGUAGE OF THE DANCE.

The Magyar, their favorite dance, gives them plenty of opportunity to reveal their gayety, ease and grace. It is really a pantomime and describes the really a pantomime. The music and dancing are at first slow; the couples walk up and down in a stately manner, then, feling to have made each other's acquaintance, the Magyar girls begin to dance. The Magyar girls begin to dance. The Magyar girls begin to dance.

This dance varies according to the locality and spirit of the dancers, but the theme of love, courtship, jealousy, disappointment and reunion is always there. Sometimes at the end the lover throws himself on his knees before his mistress, while she coyly responds, and she is triumphant. The waving of hats, the stamping of feet, the wild strains of the violin make this a most lively and fascinating dance.

The girls are another favorite rendezvous for those young people. The girls visit these rows of shops to look at the bright colors and gay jewelry, and only incidentally to see the young men. The men go to admire the lovely, beautifully embroidered cloaks, high boots, and only incidentally to buy sweets and cakes for their girls. In the cool summer evenings when the business of the day is at an end the young folks come out to see the sun play on the blue Danube, and the splendid rock-built citadel of Budapest. They stand chatting while they revel in the beauty of the hour and amuse themselves listening to the managers of the theaters shout and seeing the marionettes whirl, twirl and dance.

WOOING IN WINTER.

When winter comes and gets too cold for them to promenade out of doors the young folks spend happy evenings at the home of some friend. Here they hold weekly assemblies, not to cook on the chafing dish, but to spin, their hostess acts as the chaperon, and they give her their work in



SENSIBLE CHILD.

"Well, Jack, and did you hang up your stockings for Santa Claus to fill?"

"No. I hanged up Mamma's!"—Punch.

LOVE ON THE "NANCY B."

The "Nancy B.," fresh in the glory of new paint and bright brass work, strained idly at her moorings. From the wharf her owner regarded her with pride.

The "Nancy B." was a trim yacht. There were gaudy pictures upon her added players, and she looked like anything but the staunch little river craft that slid by her in the stream.

"Best little theater on the two rivers," declared her owner proudly. "Why, she can seat 700 and stand up another 200. Got a good company, too. Cleverest little outfit, why say?"

"Good morning, Mr. Bransome," said a pleasant voice at his elbow. Bransome jumped and turned, but the girl who spoke was not new to him. She was a pleasant but not too familiar. It was the ingenue, Blanche Montague.

There were a dozen in Bransome's company, good players who preferred the easy work of a floating theater to the more strenuous life of "the road," but to the manager personally only one member of the company counted—the dainty little woman who took the ingenue roles in the rather lurid plays which the big-theater company had taken from the local gangsters.

Being a strict disciplinarian, Bransome gave no outward evidence of his love, and none of the company, with the exception of Miss Montague, whose real name was Blanche Blake, ever dreamed that the hard-hearted, brusque manager had fallen a victim to Cupid's wiles.

As for Miss Montague, the philosophy of life was summed up in the quotation, "Men were deceivers ever," and she had heard that the "Nancy B." was named after Bransome's wife. Some how she could not help being attracted to the gambler, now crazed, but there ever ranked the memory of his letter—the only love letter he had ever written—and the side comments which poured from his lips but not dangerous would be his sustained.

When he regained consciousness, he was in the bank of his own cabin, neatly handaged, and Blanche was holding a glass of brandy and water to his lips. "I didn't let him," he exclaimed. "Where'd Burrows go?"

"He ran away—the coward!" cried the indignant Miss Montague. "Too bad he disappointed you," said Bransome feebly, "but it's like him. He's got a yellow streak clear through."

Miss Montague's face clearly indicated her feelings upon the subject, and a wave of satisfaction swept over Bransome. Her eyes were open, ought to know," she asked.

"Wife," he echoed. "What wife?" "Yours," she persisted, "the one the boat's named after."

"The boat's named after the sweetest old lady in Ohio, Nancy Black," she motherly.

"They told me that was your wife," she cried in surprise. "Is that why you didn't even answer my letter?" he demanded, half rising from the bunk.

Gently she forced him back. "You mustn't come to me—I ought to come to you—because I was so foolish. And she did—for better or worse—as soon as Bransome was strong enough to stand up before a minister."

The bills were ablaze with light, the fields with charcoal; we moved in the sun's eye, but Chloe looked as cool as a prize in her muslin, despite the heat of her opinions.

"I can't really understand a sensible man like you taking up a position like that," said she. "I had taken no position, except the one by her side, but I defended myself weakly."

"Well, you see, we inherit these prepossessions and prejudices from our savage ancestors, I suppose."

"That's just it," said Chloe eagerly. "You admit it, then? Savage? Of course, they were savages. You've given away your case."

"I never really had any case, but I

didn't say so. 'I suppose I have,' I said feebly."

"You know it," said Miss Bohun firmly. "It is quite absurd to pretend that women are one whit inferior to men, except of course," she added quickly, "in regard to physical strength."

"And even then there were the Amazons," I suggested.

"She cast a glance at me. 'Yes, there were the Amazons,' she said, 'which shows—'

"And the women do all the hard work among the aboriginals," I went on.

"She gave me another glance. 'And that again shows—' she began with less confidence."

"Do you know," I said, stopping in mid-thought to observe her critically, "I believe that if you only practiced a little you would be more than a match for a man."

"She looked away across the corn. 'Do do you think so?' she said, hesitatingly; and added, after a pause—'I don't think I'm so—I'm not what you'd call muscular.'"

"Well, perhaps not," I assented, examining her appreciatively, "but sinewy, say."

"How absurd!" said Chloe, quite snappishly, as she walked on. I followed. The deep, spreading shadows of the bushes at the end of the field enveloped us."

"Another stile," said I, cheerfully. "Dear me, that's the fourth!" said Chloe, resignedly. "I don't think they'd make gates between the fields."

"A stile's more picturesque," said I. "Very possibly," said Miss Bohun, indifferently. "It's certainly not as convenient."

"Ah," said I, smiling, "there's one thing, at any rate, in which men are superior. They can negotiate a stile." "Indeed!" said Chloe, loftily. "I should have thought the fact was not impossible for a woman. I pursued up my lips. 'Any woman can get over a stile,' she said, warmly, seeing my skepticism."

"Oh, I've no doubt," I said, politely. "It's nonsense you're saying that when I can see you don't believe it," said Miss Bohun. "You're simply pleased to be sarcastic all along."

I shrugged my shoulders, and waited coldly and confidently toward the stile. It took off a high ground, which I supposed to be the summit of the hill, and I stepped. But there were two cross-bars to assist the climber. I thought Chloe's face fell as she noted it."

"Let me give you a hand," I said. "Nonsense!" she replied. "I don't want any assistance. It's quite easy."

She put the hand which was not encumbered by the sunshade on the top bar and placed one neat foot on the lowest. Then she hesitated.

"Perhaps I'd better take the sunshade," I suggested. "No, thank you," she said, "I don't want it. I'll answer at once; then, 'If you wish it,' she replied, nonchalantly, 'though it's of no consequence.'"

I took the sunshade and waited. Chloe's two feet were now on the lowest bar. She peered over. The stile led down beyond in a big drop into a kind of hollow or ditch.

"Oh!" said she, "I didn't—I was still waiting."

"I wish you'd go on and not stare in that atrocious way," said she, with asperity.

I begged pardon, vaulted the stile with one hand and took my present position on the top bar. I looked back. Miss Bohun was seated astride the top bar, clinging with both hands to it. Her face was deeply flushed.

"Do go on!" she called out, vehemently. I went on leisurely. But, somehow, I could not make up my mind to walk briskly. She did not join me, so I flung myself on the grass and pulled out a cigarette. Then I heard my name called in a distressed voice. I stood up and looked around. Miss Bohun was astride the top bar and she was pinker than ever."

"Please come—don't be so unkind," she cried with tears in her eyes. I hurried back like the wind.

"Oh, just give me your hand!" panted Chloe, nervously, lifting one from the bar. "I can't—I'm such a long drop, I can't get my—"

"Wait a bit," said I, considering. "You're half way over now. You've only got to lift that foot off the bar, and—"

"I shall go over, I know I shall go over," she said, pathetically. "No, you won't," said I. "It only requires confidence. Imagine you're on a horse and—"

"But I don't ride a horse this way," said Chloe, miserably.

"No," said I, "but men do; and women are just as good as—"

"It's cruel to say that!" she panted. "I'm in such a peril!" sobbed Bohun. She clutched wildly for me with the trembling hand she had disengaged. I seized it and held it.

"Now just lift that foot," I enjoined. Chloe's weight lay limp on my shoulder, and I can't get it free. It's stuck."

"I moved closer, still with my burden on my shoulder, and loosed the dainty foot. 'Now,' I said, 'she lifted it gingerly. 'Don't mind your ankles,' I said."

"I said, 'I'm—' Her foot went back. 'Shut your eyes, please,' she entreated. 'I shut my eyes. The next instant the weight on me was doubled and two arms went stragglingly about my neck. As I have explained, the foothold disappeared into a hollow. I went down precipitately on my head. I saw several cornfields and two or three stiles; also more than one cow. 'Please,' I called, 'won't you help me up?'

Miss Bohun turned back reluctantly. I made a face of pain.

"It's your ankle," she said, with sudden anxiety. I winced and took her

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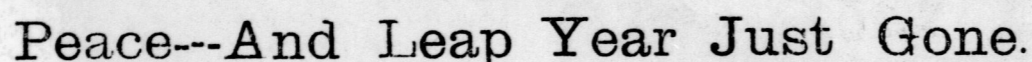
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Eighty-Five Thousand People Witness the Contest for the Melbourne Cup—An Index to Australian Character—Scene Vividly Described by a London Boy.

So, too, there are bigger racecourses—for Flemington, where the cup run, is only a mile and a half. It is egg-shaped course, and in no part does it have a straight run. The track is a mile. But in size it will be compared with any other. While within a few miles, the first settlers the mouth of the Yarra Yarra found a clearing plain, only a few miles from the sea, at once as a natural race course. And a racecourse it has been ever since. Sixty-five or seventy years ago, when Melbourne had not as many people as it has now, the first settlers of the infant colony raced the horses, and the whole population stood cheering on the hill which formed a natural grand stand. Hill and plain are natural, and the racecourse is a natural there, but the artificial conveniences to the natural advantages of the place.

BUT, in Melbourne cup is more than a horse-race—it is a national institution. It is quite impossible to understand Australians, till you understand the Melbourne Cup. It is to them what the Olympic games were to the Greeks. Many colonial bases in the Balkans, and even in the East, the Greeks counted on the Olympiads and the Roman by constables. A man will tell you that he was born in the Melbourne Cup year, 1890, in New South Wales in Martini-Henry year, left school in Mentor's year, married in Paton's year, and buried in the year of the Melbourne Cup. It does not surprise me to read in sober school histories of the near future that Federation was carried in a clean sweep in the year of the Melbourne Cup, the first day of January in Revenue's year, the coming Australian that will be the year of the Melbourne Cup. The new moonwealth began with the twentieth century. You in Canada have no festival or combination of festivals that will compare with the Melbourne Cup. The cup, in Melbourne itself, the first Tuesday in November is a public holiday and there is very little work done in the city. In every other year the races are centered on the one great event.

er Lord Cardigan or Lord Fitzroy was indicated. Thousands backed Sir Ambrose because the race was on a level playing field. The only advantage he entered. Others chose their fancies for territorial gain. New South Wales men gave heavy support to Ossian, who was backed by the rich late minister of lands in the mother colony. On similar grounds New Zealanders to a man backed the man who had won the splendid specimens that came from there over the Tasman Sea. But colonial patriotism is a bad thing to rely on. The English still, so it proved, were the best. And won. It is said that one lucky young man fell ill the week before the race, and his doctor prescribed, before the race, a glass of champagne. A remarkable coincidence—for was that not an uncanny resemblance between the champagne and the champagne of Acacia at 20 to 1 for every penny he had, and won enough to pay his doctor's bill many times over. A genuine coincidence, and a happy conclusion by a different route.

"What are you backing for the cup?" I asked her. The morning of the race was now at hand. "I am not backing anything," she said, "and so would you if you were really a chivalrous."

"Where's Wire-eky?" asked an o-
ther.
"He's moing well," calmly replied
fellow Moorlander, with the glasses.
"I'm glad I backed St. Ambrose
and not the other fellow. He's in the
middle neighborhood. That 'lived
and rose blouse the jockey is wear-
ing is simply lovely!"
"You're reading," remarked the
man in front of me, who stepped
my toes as he turned round to see
anyone would challenge his statement.
"I'm not," he said, "I'm de-
cussing his glasses again on the fly-
forms on the far side of the course."
"I'm doing nothing," I ret lead-
ing me indignantly, in the crowd
seemed to reproach the public opin-
ion which allowed such a state of things
to exist.
"Have they to go round again?" a
sympathetic matron, who was
plainly pitying the horses.
"I'm doing nothing with Tartan?"
claimed two or three together, as the
saw the ex-favorite drop suddenly
hind.
"Must have been bumped," vol-
teered some one.
"Wire-eky's done," cried one man
in the crowd.

Dr. Abbott, "and for a little time lived among men; he forgave the man that was a sinner, and bade go in peace and sin no more." contention that Jesus was God is as explicitly defended as in any fathers.

Clearly the newspapers have mis-



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