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- 12 Long Black Hat Pins for 5c.
- Children's Fancy Toboggan Toques, 25c, for 10c.
- Large bottle of Machine Oil, 5c.
- Petroleum Jelly, 5c bottle.
- Fancy Toilet Bottles, cased in White Metal, 25c.
- White Lambswool Fur, 20c yard.
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COME NOW AND COME OFTEN.

Business Outlook.

Sir William Van Horne Believes Prosperity is Coming.

No Friction Between the Canadian Pacific and American Lines.

Pointers From Dun & Co's and Bradstreet's Reviews.

New York, Dec. 5.—Sir William Van Horne, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, as in the city for a few days. To a reporter Sir William said: "The railway situation at the present time, both in Canada and the United States, seems to be improving, with strong indications of greater and more rapid improvement during the next twelve months. The elections in the United States, of course, affected Canadian affairs, because of our close relationship, but I am satisfied now that the business stagnation and depression incident to the election, are rapidly passing away, and I am looking for general business improvement. While it is true that the business depression has for some time existed, I believe that in the United States the era of prosperity was at hand at the time of the Venezuelan controversy, but the unexpected developments incidental to that affair stopped the business revival, with the result that a decided setback came. Then the Presidential election had the tendency of further unsettling business, but now that the questions have been solved business must necessarily pick up."

President Van Horne stated that the Canadian Pacific Railway has not been carrying as much grain as reported. The relations between this company and the American roads, he said, are most friendly, and he emphatically denied the report of friction. "The parties who denounce us and suggest the withdrawal of bonding privileges," he continued, "are certainly not American railroad officials. Those people say we are a British military line, and harp on that score. A greater farce never was perpetrated for the reason that if the British Government wanted a military line it would certainly not build so close to the American border. We are denounced as a pirate on American commerce, but we maintain close and pleasant relations with the lines of the United States, and our interests are neutral."

IN CANADA.

Toronto, Dec. 5.—R. G. Dun & Co's weekly statement of trade in Canada says:

The recent comparative activity in Montreal trade has undergone some abatement since navigation has about closed. In groceries the demand for the holiday trade is largely supplied, but a fair movement is still reported, and the colder weather induces a pretty good sorting demand for drygoods and kindred lines. General country collections continue on the slow side. A good snowfall which would insure fair sleighing would be of immense benefit. The money market remains about in the same position. Butter and cheese are inactive, with a tendency to lower values. Leather remains very firm, and some tanners report offers from England which would net almost better than local prices.

Trade in wholesale departments at Toronto is not particularly active, but in some lines an improvement is reported. The holiday trade in fancy goods is in fair shape, and a fairly satisfactory business is anticipated the next two weeks. A hopeful feeling prevails, but as yet our merchants are not making any too large profits. The prices of wheat, wool and hides hold their own pretty well, owing to excessive supplies. The flour trade is dull. The money market is easier.

Bank clearings at Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Hamilton and Halifax amount to \$28,810,000 this week, compared with \$17,835,000 last week, as contrasted with \$25,921,000 in the corresponding week one year ago. Failures for the week were 55, as against 52 for the same week last year.

Bradstreet's report says: General trade continues in moderate volume. Jobbers and wholesalers being agreed that there will be no business revival this year. There is some activity in holiday goods. November bank clearings reflect the speculative activity following election. With the exception of January, the November total is the heaviest of any month this year. Exports of wheat from both coasts of the United States this week, four included as wheat, amount to 2,553,160 bushels, as compared with 3,753,000 bushels last week. 2,156,000 bushels the first week of December, 1905. There are 259 business failures reported throughout the United States this week, which is an increase of 63 as compared with last week, and 44 as compared with the corresponding week one year ago.

Edward Scofield, the Governor-elect of Wisconsin, is the son of a Pennsylvania farmer. At the age of 14 he became a printer's "devil" in a country newspaper office, later becoming a typesetter. He served through the war with great gallantry, coming out as a major.

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Forgery and Fraud Charged Against Leading German Journalists.

Spain's Army Includes a Force of 365,746 Men.

Great Gale on the British Coast — Prospects of Permanent Arbitration Between John Bull and Uncle Sam.

HUNGARY ORPHANS.

Constantinople, Dec. 5.—Sir Philip Curry and other philanthropists are considering means to relieve 40,000 destitute orphans in this country.

ARBITRATION.

London, Dec. 5.—Ambassador Bayard assured a correspondent yesterday of his belief that before his departure from England some permanent arrangement of arbitration would be reached between England and America.

BETTER FOR BRITAIN.

London, Dec. 5.—The Standard says that the payment by England of the \$2,500,000 taken from the Egyptian reserve for the Sudan expedition will greatly strengthen the British hold on Egypt and prolong her occupation.

ARMIES OF SPAIN.

Madrid, Dec. 5.—Spain now has 128,865 soldiers under arms in Spain, 200,000 in Cuba exclusive of volunteers, 20,831 in the Philippines, and 6,000 at Puerto Rico, making 365,746 in all. Two years ago she had only 140,000.

ERYTHRSEA.

Rome, Dec. 5.—Various decrees between Jan. 1, 1890, and Feb. 18, 1894, the Italian possession on the Red Sea are constituted as the colony of Erythraea, with an autonomous administration and the management of its own affairs. It is these possessions that Great Britain is reported as anxious to acquire.

GREAT GALE.

London, Dec. 5.—A southeast gale is prevailing in the English Channel and the North Sea, and a tremendous sea is running. Many casualties have been reported. The historic champion at Brighton, which was erected in 1823, has been demolished. One of the old packet boats was thrown violently by a heavy sea against the pier at Dover, and in the excitement occasioned by the collision narrowly escaped going on the rocks.

A BAD WOMAN.

London, Dec. 5.—A Vienna dispatch to the London Standard reports that an English woman named Annie Lett has been sentenced to a year's imprisonment, with labor, for forging checks.

London, Dec. 5.—A man who accompanied the Lett woman, Th. pair afterwards traveled on the continent, uttering forged checks. The man was discredited.

EGYPTIAN SITUATION.

The Decision of the Appeal Court Plennies France.

Paris, Dec. 5.—The decision of the Court of Appeal at Alexandria requiring the Egyptian Government to repay the funds advanced by the allies of the Egyptian debt for the Anglo-Egyptian expedition up the Nile is greeted here on all sides as a decided rebuff for England. Not that I will the Egyptian expedition, except the hand herself will have to pay for the Dongola expedition. The French joy is perhaps subdued, when it is recalled that the decision utterly destroys the pretensions that England does not possess exclusive control over Egypt.

The Egyptian mixed tribunal was formed for the purpose of deciding as to the legality of the advance of money from the Egyptian treasury for the purpose of meeting the expenses of the Sudan expedition, which were estimated at \$10,000,000. On the 7th it formally pronounced judgment against the proposal to draw up on the commission of the public debt for the sum asked, or any part thereof.

The British and Egyptian Governments refused to admit the competence of this tribunal to give judgment. The higher court at Cairo is an English, one Egyptian, and one Austrian, and is notorious for its partiality to the English. The decision now seems likely to fall on the British treasury, for an appeal to the higher court (notwithstanding the refusal to admit the competence of the mixed tribunal) was tantamount to admitting the authority of that body.

FORGERY AND FRAUD

Charged Against a Prominent German Journalist—The Case Excites Deep Interest.

Berlin, Dec. 5.—When the trial of Baron Luetzow and Herren Leckert, Plotz, Irger and Folmer, the journalists, who are charged with libeling Count Itho Eulenberg, Baron Marschall von Liebenstein and Prince Alexander von Hohenlohe (an outcome of the war) and Emperor William's toast at the time, was resumed, the public rose-out announced that he had instituted proceedings against Baron von Luetzow on charges of forgery and fraud. This latest development the result of evidence tending to demonstrate that Baron von Luetzow had forged a receipt for money, who an interview with the chief of vice-shovels, that von Luetzow was the commissioner of the detective police, developed that Baron von Luetzow was the author of the assertion that the German version from the Pons Office, and it was thus proved that von Luetzow was an agent of the secret police.

Baron von Luetzow, one of the journalists on trial for libel, thrust his advocate has made what purports to be a full confession. He declares that Leckert, one of the defendants, supplied the material for the story.

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against Count Botho Eulenberg, Leckert, alleging that Marschal Von Eulenberg, Minister of Foreign Affairs, inspired the article. It was Major Tausch who induced Luetzow to procure the forged documents mentioned in yesterday's proceedings, purporting to be a receipt for 50 marks, given by Herr Kukutsch, belonging to the press bureau of the Foreign Office, who was falsely accused of having furnished certain articles that had been published. Luetzow declares that he did not write this receipt himself. The confession then deals with the allegations that Major Tausch intrigued against Baron von Koeller, ex-Minister of the Interior, involving charges against Herr Kukutsch.

Luetzow declares that he was compelled to obey Major Tausch, as he was depending upon him for a livelihood, receiving from him 200 marks monthly. Major Tausch threatened to stop the payment of this money if he refused to oblige him. The reading of the confession caused a great sensation in the court room.

Interest in the case has been greatly increased by these revelations, and it is thought that persons in high court circles will be shown to have been concerned in the intrigues against state officials.

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Atchafalca	100	100	100	100
Ch. & N.	100	100	100	100
C. & N.	100	100	100	100
Chicago Gas	100	100	100	100
Gen. Electric	100	100	100	100
Illinois Steel	100	100	100	100
Missouri Pacific	100	100	100	100
Pacific Mail	100	100	100	100
Rock Island	100	100	100	100
Reading	100	100	100	100
St. Paul	100	100	100	100
Tenn. Coal and Iron	100	100	100	100
Wabash	100	100	100	100
Western Union	100	100	100	100
Dialysis Trust	100	100	100	100
Leather Trust	100	100	100	100
Sugar Trust	100	100	100	100
Tobacco Trust	100	100	100	100

Toronto Stock Market.

Ontario	85	70
Algonquin	100	100
Toronto	92	92
Merchants	172	160
Commerce	172	160
Imperial	181	170
Domestic	181	170
Standard	104	100
Hamilton	104	100
British American	121	110
Western Assurance	163	160
Confederation Life	250	270
Consumers Gas	100	100
Domestic Telephone	123	120
Montreal Telegraph	123	120
Northwest Land Company, con	60	
Canada Pacific Railway, new	60	
Commercial Cable Company	164	160
Posta Telegraph	164	160
Bel Telephone Company	154	150
Montreal Street Railway	218	210
Montreal Street Railway, new	218	210
Toronto Street Railway	694	690
Domestic Savings and Investm	694	690
Farmers Loan and Savings	85	80
Farmers L. and S. 30 per cent.	85	80
Huron and Erie L. and S.	100	100
Huron and Erie, 20 per cent	100	100
London and Canada L. and S.	100	100
London Loan	104	100
Ontario Loan and Debenture	104	100

SALES—1 p.m. board—Commerce, 30 at 120; Hamilton, 5 at 120; British American, 5.75 at 120; Dominion Tel. 94 at 120; Can. Cable, 5.41 at 120; Postal Tel. 10 at 92.50 at 93.4; 6 at 93.40 at 94; Bell Tel. 25 at 120; Toronto Ry. 25, 25 at 60.1; 1115 a.m. Imperial, 6 at 170; Postal Tel. 25 at 92; Toronto Ry. 25 at 60.1; 6 at 100 at 92.

COMMERCIAL.

Toronto Grain Market.

—Wheat—There is little change in the tone of the market; Ontario wheat is offering freely; red is quoted at 83c, west and white at 84c; Manitoba wheat is steady at 85c for No. 1 hard, all rail, North Bay, and 90c for No. 2 hard; No. 1 hard is quoted at 85c, Toronto and west. Flour—Dull; millers are asking \$4.25 for straight roller Toronto freights. Millfeed—Quiet; cars of shorts are quoted west at 85c, and bran at 38c. Barley—Quiet; No. 1 is quoted at 31c to 32c, outside; No. 1 extra at 34c to 35c; No. 2 at 27c to 28c, and No. 3 extra at 24c, and feed at 21c. Buckwheat—Offering freely at north and west points at 28c. Rye—In fair demand and steady at 85c west and 86c east. Corn—Unchanged at 27c for new mixed and 28c for yellow, and old is quoted 1c higher. Oats—Offering freely west at 19c for mixed and 20c for white. Peas—Steady, at 41.1.2 north and west points, and 40.1.2—white freights.

American Produce Markets

DETROIT, Dec. 5.—Wheat—No. 1 white cash and No. 2 cash, 89c; Dec. 89c; Mar. 85c.
TOLDO, Dec. 5.—Wheat—No. 2 Cash and Dec. 89c; Mar. 85c.
CORN—May, 23c.
MILWAUKEE, Dec. 5.—Wheat, cash, 73c; May, 81c.
BUFFALO, Dec. 5.—Spring wheat—Quiet; No. 1 hard, 80c; No. 2 hard, 78c; No. 3 hard, 76c; No. 4 hard, 74c; No. 5 hard, 72c; No. 6 hard, 70c; No. 7 hard, 68c; No. 8 hard, 66c; No. 9 hard, 64c; No. 10 hard, 62c; No. 11 hard, 60c; No. 12 hard, 58c; No. 13 hard, 56c; No. 14 hard, 54c; No. 15 hard, 52c; No. 16 hard, 50c; No. 17 hard, 48c; No. 18 hard, 46c; No. 19 hard, 44c; No. 20 hard, 42c; No. 21 hard, 40c; No. 22 hard, 38c; No. 23 hard, 36c; No. 24 hard, 34c; No. 25 hard, 32c; No. 26 hard, 30c; No. 27 hard, 28c; No. 28 hard, 26c; No. 29 hard, 24c; No. 30 hard, 22c; No. 31 hard, 20c; No. 32 hard, 18c; No. 33 hard, 16c; No. 34 hard, 14c; No. 35 hard, 12c; No. 36 hard, 10c; No. 37 hard, 8c; No. 38 hard, 6c; No. 39 hard, 4c; No. 40 hard, 2c; No. 41 hard, 0c; No. 42 hard, 0c; No. 43 hard, 0c; No. 44 hard, 0c; No. 45 hard, 0c; No. 46 hard, 0c; No. 47 hard, 0c; No. 48 hard, 0c; No. 49 hard, 0c; No. 50 hard, 0c; No. 51 hard, 0c; No. 52 hard, 0c; No. 53 hard, 0c; No. 54 hard, 0c; No. 55 hard, 0c; No. 56 hard, 0c; 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A Lover's Triumph.

He stamped vigorously, and impatiently, too, for the intense prickling sensation with which circulation began to reassert itself irritated him, when, without the slightest warning, the step on which he was standing gave way, and he was unceremoniously precipitated into the rank grass and among the brambles which grew all about it.

He picked himself up, after giving vent to a somewhat unrefined expression of annoyance, rescued his hat, which had lodged in a prickly cactus near by, and then turned to see how much damage he had done.

The step was a complete wreck, the top board being split entirely across, while the rotten supports beneath were wholly demolished, and lay in a crumpled heap on the ground.

He gave the mass a kick with his foot, scattering it right and left, when suddenly a gleam of light from something among it flashed into his eye.

He stooped to see what had caused it, when, to his intense surprise, he found a small ring, the gold all blackened and tarnished, but with a beautiful diamond, clear and brilliant as a drop of dew in the sunlight, set in its delicate crown.

"Well, I imagine I have found a treasure now," Everett exclaimed, eagerly, as he turned it over and over to examine it more closely.

He saw that there was some inscription upon its inner surface, but it was so blackened with age and so filled with dirt that he could not make it out.

"Aha!" he cried, excitedly, "I'll wager almost anything that I have at last found the end of the broken thread that will unravel the mystery." He sat down again on the upper step of the porch, deliberately drew a cigar from his pocket, lighted it, and began to smoke.

The first ashes that he detached from it he carefully saved upon a piece of wood, and, using his pocketkerchief, began to polish the discolored ring with them.

It was not long before his efforts were rewarded—the inner surface of the ring began to take on its original color and the inscription to stand out more plainly.

"It is evidently an engagement ring, with only some initials and a date engraved upon it," the young man murmured, as he held it up to inspect it more closely.

The next instant he lifted his head with an air of triumph, though his face was as white as a sheet.

"It is the key to the whole mystery," he said. "This will take me straight to the heart of the secret."

While Everett was following the trail of the mystery that possessed such a power of fascination for him, August Huntress and his family were luxuriating at Saratoga.

Mr. Huntress had obstinately insisted that Geoffrey should have a long holiday after the close application of the last three years, although the young man himself would have much preferred, and was very eager to begin the real business of his life at once.

"It is time I was at work for myself," he had pleaded, "and if you will only use your influence, Uncle August, to help me in some good position, my conscience would be easier."

"Your conscience needn't trouble you, and I won't hear of your going to business for three months to come," replied his friend, decisively. "You've given yourself no rest during all your college course, and now, my boy, I'm determined that we shall all have a good time together to celebrate your own and Gladys' relief from school life."

So, by the middle of July, they were getting for the summer in pleasant rooms at the Grand Union, and were as happy and united a party as ever visited that resort of gaiety and fashion.

Gladys was very much admired from the first; her beauty and charming manners won her legions of friends. But none of them were to be compared to Geoffrey, and the lovers managed to be much by themselves, in spite of the fact that "that delightful Miss Huntress was such a favorite with everybody."

One morning they were leisurely strolling through one of the shady avenues of Congress Park, when they saw a distinguished-looking gentleman advancing toward them.

He did not appear to notice them, however, until he was almost upon them, when, suddenly looking up, he gave a violent start of surprise; then he advanced, with an eager smile and extended hand, exclaiming:

"Why, Everett Mapleson! Where on earth did you drop from? I should as soon have thought of seeing the Emperor of Russia as yourself this morning."

Geoffrey lifted his hat and bowed politely to the speaker, as he replied: "You have made a slight mistake, sir; I am not Everett Mapleson, although this is not the first time I have been taken for him."

"Nonsense; don't try to play such a joke on me—I've known you too many years for you to palm yourself off as any one else," returned the gentleman, laughing, while he shot an amused glance at the young man's companion, as if he suspected that she was the cause of his wishing to remain incognito.

"I assure you, sir, I am speaking the truth. I am not Everett Mapleson," Geoffrey reiterated.

The stranger's face grew suddenly overcast.

"Then who in thunder are you?" he demanded, in sharp, excited accents.

"My name is Geoffrey Duffin Huntress, at your service, sir," Geoffrey responded, courteously, although he had flushed hotly at the curt question.

"Geoffrey Duffin! Good heavens! cried the man, shrinking back, as if he had been dealt a violent blow, and growing deadly pale.

Geoffrey himself turned white at this.

He was ever on the alert to gain some knowledge of his parentage, and this man's strange manner made him think that perhaps he might learn something of his early history.

"Yes, sir, I perceive that the name affects you strangely. Did you ever hear it before?" he asked, earnestly, searching the stranger's face.

"Ah—years ago—a friend—excuse me—I am very much overcome," the man murmured, incoherently, as he staggered to a rustic bench near by, where, sinking upon it and bowing his head upon his hands, he groaned aloud.

Geoffrey stood transfixed, his face plainly betraying anxiety, dread and perplexity, while he was inwardly so excited over this strange meeting that glances, as she leaned upon her arm, could feel him trembling in every limb.

"Will you explain yourself, sir?" Geoffrey said at length, and feeling that the silence and mystery were becoming intolerable. "Do you know aught of me—or of any person named Dale?"

The gentleman shivered, as if the question had jarred upon some sensitive chord.

"Yes," he answered, after a moment of hesitation, while he lifted a haggard face to his questioner; "years ago I had a friend by that name; but—"

Will you relate the history of that friend to me?" Geoffrey asked, with white lips, and speaking with an effort.

Something seemed to tell him that he was standing on the very threshold of the revelation which he had longed for so many years.

Again the stranger shrank as if he had been smitten.

"Why do you ask me?" he huskily demanded.

"Because," Geoffrey returned, with grave earnestness, "there is a mystery connected with my own life, and when I was a child I was abandoned in the most cruel manner, and but for the goodness of the man who found me an outcast in the streets of New York—"

"New York! How came you there?"

"That is more than I can tell you, sir. This gentleman found me in a state of imbecility, took me to his home, cared for me until I was restored to my right mind, and then adopted and educated me as his own son; but for him I should have still been an imbecile, and more pitiable than anything about my family or wander about the streets of that city."

"What! what is this that you are telling me?" An imbecile! A wanderer about the streets of that city?"

"Bewildered," cried the man, looking bewildered.

"I do not know how I came to be in such a state," Geoffrey continued; "the physicians said it was caused by some injury while I was very young, and if you life before then, that time has remained a mystery to myself and to those who have befriended me. If you can throw any light upon it, sir, I entreat you to do so."

The man quickly arose from his seat at this aspect, like a staggered person who had been drinking deeply, and seemed like one who had sustained a terrible mental shock.

"I cannot tell you anything now," he said, putting his hand to his head. "I shall have to ask you to excuse me. I cannot think. I must have time to recover myself."

"I do not understand your excessive emotion, sir. I do not understand your desire to avoid explaining your very strange words and manner," Geoffrey interposed, looking both pained and anxious; "but I am terribly in earnest about this matter, and if you know anything about my family or antecedents, I beg that you will not keep me in suspense."

"Some other time, I will talk with you again," murmured the stranger, turning aside, and striving to keep his eyes averted.

"When? name any place and hour, and I will come to you," said Geoffrey, eagerly.

The man thought a moment, then said: "Come to me at 6 o'clock this afternoon, at the United States, and inquire for room 45."

He turned abruptly away, and would have passed on, but Geoffrey detained him.

"What is your name, please?" he asked.

"That you shall know when we meet again," was the evasive reply.

"Tell me one thing," pleaded the young man, greatly agitated; "did this friend of your have a son bearing the name that I have given you?"

A groan of pain escaped the man.

"Come to me at five this afternoon. I am not fit to talk more with you now," was the tremulous reply, and the man moved wearily away, seeming more like a person 80 years of age than the upright, distinguished-looking individual of 30, whom the young couple had met a few moments before.

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however, until he was almost upon them, when, suddenly looking up, he gave a violent start of surprise; then he advanced, with an eager smile and extended hand, exclaiming:

"Why, Everett Mapleson! Where on earth did you drop from? I should as soon have thought of seeing the Emperor of Russia as yourself this morning."

Geoffrey lifted his hat and bowed politely to the speaker, as he replied: "You have made a slight mistake, sir; I am not Everett Mapleson, although this is not the first time I have been taken for him."

"Nonsense; don't try to play such a joke on me—I've known you too many years for you to palm yourself off as any one else," returned the gentleman, laughing, while he shot an amused glance at the young man's companion, as if he suspected that she was the cause of his wishing to remain incognito.

"I assure you, sir, I am speaking the truth. I am not Everett Mapleson," Geoffrey reiterated.

The stranger's face grew suddenly overcast.

"Then who in thunder are you?" he demanded, in sharp, excited accents.

"My name is Geoffrey Duffin Huntress, at your service, sir," Geoffrey responded, courteously, although he had flushed hotly at the curt question.

"Geoffrey Duffin! Good heavens! cried the man, shrinking back, as if he had been dealt a violent blow, and growing deadly pale.

Geoffrey himself turned white at this.

He was ever on the alert to gain some knowledge of his parentage, and this man's strange manner made him think that perhaps he might learn something of his early history.

"Yes, sir, I perceive that the name affects you strangely. Did you ever hear it before?" he asked, earnestly, searching the stranger's face.

"Ah—years ago—a friend—excuse me—I am very much overcome," the man murmured, incoherently, as he staggered to a rustic bench near by, where, sinking upon it and bowing his head upon his hands, he groaned aloud.

Geoffrey stood transfixed, his face plainly betraying anxiety, dread and perplexity, while he was inwardly so excited over this strange meeting that glances, as she leaned upon her arm, could feel him trembling in every limb.

"Will you explain yourself, sir?" Geoffrey said at length, and feeling that the silence and mystery were becoming intolerable. "Do you know aught of me—or of any person named Dale?"

The gentleman shivered, as if the question had jarred upon some sensitive chord.

"Yes," he answered, after a moment of hesitation, while he lifted a haggard face to his questioner; "years ago I had a friend by that name; but—"

Will you relate the history of that friend to me?" Geoffrey asked, with white lips, and speaking with an effort.

Something seemed to tell him that he was standing on the very threshold of the revelation which he had longed for so many years.

Again the stranger shrank as if he had been smitten.

"Why do you ask me?" he huskily demanded.

"Because," Geoffrey returned, with grave earnestness, "there is a mystery connected with my own life, and when I was a child I was abandoned in the most cruel manner, and but for the goodness of the man who found me an outcast in the streets of New York—"

"New York! How came you there?"

"That is more than I can tell you, sir. This gentleman found me in a state of imbecility, took me to his home, cared for me until I was restored to my right mind, and then adopted and educated me as his own son; but for him I should have still been an imbecile, and more pitiable than anything about my family or wander about the streets of that city."

"What! what is this that you are telling me?" An imbecile! A wanderer about the streets of that city?"

"Bewildered," cried the man, looking bewildered.

"I do not know how I came to be in such a state," Geoffrey continued; "the physicians said it was caused by some injury while I was very young, and if you life before then, that time has remained a mystery to myself and to those who have befriended me. If you can throw any light upon it, sir, I entreat you to do so."

The man quickly arose from his seat at this aspect, like a staggered person who had been drinking deeply, and seemed like one who had sustained a terrible mental shock.

"I cannot tell you anything now," he said, putting his hand to his head. "I shall have to ask you to excuse me. I cannot think. I must have time to recover myself."

"I do not understand your excessive emotion, sir. I do not understand your desire to avoid explaining your very strange words and manner," Geoffrey interposed, looking both pained and anxious; "but I am terribly in earnest about this matter, and if you know anything about my family or antecedents, I beg that you will not keep me in suspense."

"Some other time, I will talk with you again," murmured the stranger, turning aside, and striving to keep his eyes averted.

"When? name any place and hour, and I will come to you," said Geoffrey, eagerly.

The man thought a moment, then said: "Come to me at 6 o'clock this afternoon, at the United States, and inquire for room 45."

He turned abruptly away, and would have passed on, but Geoffrey detained him.

"What is your name, please?" he asked.

"That you shall know when we meet again," was the evasive reply.

"Tell me one thing," pleaded the young man, greatly agitated; "did this friend of your have a son bearing the name that I have given you?"

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both our lives by any such rash decision?" she pleaded, lifting her troubled face to his. "It is you whom I love, not an illusory pedigree. As far as my future with you is concerned, I care not who or what your parents may have been. Do not let anything of that nature come between us; it is false pride, and unworthy of you."

The young man regarded her with exceeding tenderness, but he was still greatly disturbed by his recent interview with the stranger, and could not readily regain his composure.

(To be Continued.)

DEER MEAT.

Thirty Tons of Contraband Venison Seized at St. Paul.

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 4.—The State game warden last night seized and declared confiscated to the State of Minnesota thirty tons of venison, which it is claimed was being illegally shipped to persons in Boston, New York and Chicago. The fines will reach somewhere in the neighborhood of \$40,000 to \$50,000. Venison is now selling at 18 cents a pound and in demand.

FAST STEAMING.

The Servia Beats the Boston-European Record.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 4.—The Cunard steamer Servia has again broken the record for fastest mail service from Boston to Boston. The big vessel arrived at Boston last night, having completed the run from Liverpool in 6 days, 14 hours and 8 minutes. The time from Liverpool was 7 days, 8 hours and 24 minutes.

BRITISH EMPIRE LEAGUE.

Marquess of Hartington Chosen President—Canada's Loyalty.

London, Dec. 5.—At the meeting of the British Empire League the Marquess of Hartington was elected president. Mr. A. Balfour and the Marquess of Dufferin were among the vice-presidents chosen, and Messrs. R. R. Dobell, J. M. Macdonald, Sir Donald Smith and Sir Charles Tupper were chosen among others as members of the council. All of the elections were unanimous.

Mr. Dobell, in his speech, said that Great Britain stood in the glorious position of being the center of all attempts at a retaliatory policy. Canada, he declared, was second to none of the colonies in her loyalty to England.

The lord mayor, who presided, said that the most fitting and grand way to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the reign of Queen Victoria would be to lay at the feet of the first lady of the world a great scheme for the absolute and perfect unity of the British Empire.

HAVE WE DIAMONDS TOO?

Precious Stones May Be Found Near Duluth, Pa.

The existence of diamonds in the glacial ice sheet of Wisconsin furnishes an interesting speculative subject. This glacial ice sheet was brought during the glacial period from somewhere in the north, and where it deposited its load of ice and debris, it is certain that it came from an ore vein or deposit.

These deposits of diamondiferous rock, the lowest of which is a number of miles from Duluth, are in the Wisconsin district, in northwestern Wisconsin, and in the Pigeon River, on Lake Superior. In both of these places basic intrusive rocks have cut through carbonaceous shales, as in the diamond regions of the world, and in Michigan, a diamond weighing 10.5 carats has been found in the glacial drift.

These deposits have been several miles from Duluth. These are the largest yet found. North of Lake Superior, reaching to Hudson Bay, there is a comparatively unexplored region of country, and it is in this that the greatest diamondiferous region is expected to be discovered. This country is also known to contain gold and silver.

THE W. C. A. CONVENTIONS.

Boston, Dec. 5.—Word has been received here from Miss Frances E. Willard, president of the World's W. C. T. U., that the World's National and Dominion W. C. T. U. convention will follow each other in the order named during the last days of October, and the first days of November, 1897, and that the convention of the Dominion W. C. T. U. will be held in Detroit, Buffalo, or some near-by place, so that a large representation can readily reach the world's convention, which will be held in Toronto, immediately following the national sessions. The Dominion W. C. T. U. will close the series.

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At one of Mr. Moody's evangelistic meetings in New York recently, Frank Moody, a noted temperance agitator, sat in the front row on the platform. He can say "Amen!" loud and form, and "Hallelujah!" and "Thank God!" He was able to sandwich one in every time Moody paused for breath, so that the audience had a hard time keeping track of just who was speaking.

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Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Esquimaux, 30-40; Kamloops, 28-38; Calgary, 10-18; Battleford, 4-6; Qu'Appelle, zero-6; Winnipeg, zero-8; Port Arthur, 4-20; Pelly Sound, 14-26; Ottawa, 4-26; Montreal, 8-23; Quebec, 2 below-18; Halifax, 8-30.

PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Dec. 5.—1 a.m.—Probabilities for 24 hours: Partly fair; light local falls of sleet or rain; stationary or a little higher temperature.

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—Miss Sara West, of this city, is visiting friends in Parkhill.

—The Mission to Lepers will meet on Monday afternoon at 4:30 in Somerset Hall.

—Mrs. James Piggett, of this city, is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Bennett, at Parkhill.

—Mrs. W. H. Wright, of this city, who has been visiting her parents in Belleville, has arrived home again.

—Miss Ethel Tripp, Mount Elgin, is on a visit to London, where she intends to pursue a course in vocal culture.

—Mrs. George Beach, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. C. Ellogg, of Niagara Falls, has returned home.

—The license held by the late Mr. Dan Dewar has been transferred by the city commissioners to the deceased's widow.

—The news up to the latest moment—local and telegraphic—can always be found in the several editions of The Advertiser.

—If you require any kind of printing, call up Advertiser Job Department (Phone 175), and get rates before placing your order.

—The postponed choir concert of the Wellington Street Methodist Church will take place on Dec. 16, when they will be assisted by the Symphony Orchestra.

—Court Stenographer W. C. Coe, of this city, has returned from St. Thomas, where he has been engaged for six days reporting the investigation of the charges against Bailiff Thornton.

—Mr. Jas. Mulheir, of Wabigoon, Ont., formerly a miller of this city, recently passed through Toronto on his way to Detroit. Wabigoon is a station on the C. P. R., near the gold mining regions in Northwestern Ontario.

—Mr. Alex. Calder, C. P. R. employment agent at Winnipeg, formerly of East London, states that there is a good demand for laborers in the Northwest at the present time. Bushmen of experience are specially required.

—The East London section of the Bible Society met Thursday evening in the Centennial Methodist Church. Rev. A. G. Harris was chairman, and addresses were delivered by Revs. G. Fowler, Thos. Wilson and T. S. Johnson. The appointment of collectors for this section was decided upon.

—The Anemographoscope appears at the Music Hall next week, an exchange says. "No one who has not seen this latest, and one of the greatest, inventions of the age can afford to miss it. It is a machine with their reach, and we can assure them that they will not be sorry or disappointed."

—The many friends and acquaintances of Mr. and Mrs. George Clark, and daughter of East London, gathered at the C. P. R. station yesterday morning to bid them farewell on their departure for California, where Mr. Clark intends entering the fruit-growing business.

—At the preparatory services at St. Andrew's Church last night 40 persons were received into the membership of the church—24 by certificate and 16 on confession of faith. Rev. George Smith, D.D., of Toronto, preached an able sermon. It was his first appearance at St. Andrew's.

—The Hospital Trustees held a meeting in the City Hall yesterday afternoon. Miss Plory entered the training school as a probationer. There were 49 patients under treatment. Accounts to the amount of \$829.88 were passed, and ordered to be paid. Messrs. R. Lewis (chairman), C. P. Conklin, Jas. Gilmour, M. E. T. H. Purdon and Superintendent J. D. Balfour were present.

—Major Vidal, of Wolseley Barracks, London, made an examination of the armory of No. 2 Company, Twenty-first Essex Rifles, under command of Capt. Johnson. He was well pleased with it, and complimented the caretaker, B. West, very highly. The armory will be marked second only to that of Forest in the western district—Leamington Post.

—The residence of Mrs. M. H. Haskett, 238 Dundas street, was the scene of a very happy event on Tuesday evening, when her daughter, Miss Eliza

Leading Editor's Opinions of Williams' Royal Crown Remedy.

Mr. D. H. Price, editor of Aylmer Express, writes today: Isaac Williams Company. "Dear Sirs.—Will you please send me two bottles of Williams' Royal Crown Remedies and Pills. The wife of my foreman got a bottle some time ago from your agent who was through here, and it is doing her a great deal of good. Presume you will accept express charges. Yours truly, D. H. Price."

Mrs. J. H. Chellen, furniture dealer, Blythe, writes today: "Isaac Williams Company. Dear Sirs.—Will you please send me another dollar bottle of your Remedy, and a box of Pills included also, as I got from your agent, Prescott, who said it would be all right, and kindly oblige, Mrs. J. H. Chellen."

J. O. Gill, Orillia, writes: "Inclosed please find \$1 for one bottle of Williams' Royal Crown Remedy."

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Haskett, was united in marriage to Mr. Wesley Haskett. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. B. Lancelotti. After the wedding breakfast was partaken of by a large circle of friends, the young couple left for the west. Among the beautiful and appropriate gifts were a piano, tea set, family Bible, and numerous other useful articles.

The Boys' Hannington Club held their monthly meeting at the residence of Bishop Baldwin. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: Honorary president, the Bishop of Huron; president, Mrs. Baldwin; vice-president, Harry Parvey; secretary, A. Carlisle; treasurer, E. Harris; assistant secretary and treasurer, R. Luard. A committee was appointed to arrange for the debates and readings, composed of L. Hammond, R. Elliot and W. Dome. Addresses were given by Bishop and Mrs. Baldwin.

—McSorley's Twins, which will appear at the Grand next Wednesday, is a distinct novelty in the comedy line and is built upon new and original ideas. The scenic accessories are much more elaborate than one usually sees with a farce-comedy production. The costumes are appropriate and handsome. The leading roles are in the hands of these well-known Irish comedians, Ferguson and Emule, whose clever comedy work in eccentric Irish character parts has made them well known throughout the land. If you are wise you will not miss seeing McSorley's big fat twins.

—Auctioneer J. W. Jones yesterday afternoon offered four fine stocks for sale and disposed of three of them. The stock of McGowan & Co., of Walkerton, consisting of clothing and gents' furnishings, and valued at \$3,122.28, was bought by Mr. Ross, of Walkerton, at 1-1/2 cents on the dollar.

—George Kirby, of Gravenhurst, paid \$9.12 cents on the dollar for the stock of clothing of Truman Saunders, of Gravenhurst, and A. Holman, of Warwick, purchased the stock of W. C. Dandy, of Warwick, at 50 cents on the dollar. It comprised drygoods, groceries, crockery, etc., and was valued at \$97.01. The clothing stock of Cullis Bros. of Brudenell, valued at \$499.65, was not sold.

MODEL SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS.

On Monday 52 candidates will begin writing at the Model School examinations, to be held here next week and part of the following week. Inspectors Carson and Dearness will preside. Mr. S. S. Jones, of the Collegiate Institute staff, will go to Stratford to preside at the Model School written examinations there, with Inspector Johnson. On Wednesday and Thursday of next week the four examiners will be in Stratford, and on Friday and Monday and Tuesday following they will examine the London candidates in teaching.

SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING.

No. 1 committee of the Board of Education held a brief session last night. The communication from D. S. Robb, asking that he be relieved of his duties as school inspector, was considered, and the committee thought it was useless to attempt to collect, in future, Mr. Robb's duties will have to be paid the usual fee, \$3 a month, for non-residents coming from outside of the county. There were no other business items. The committee will meet on Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

SUCCESSIONAL CANADIAN INVENTORS.

The following list of patents, recently granted to inventors residing in Canada, is reported for The London Advertiser by P. J. Edmunds International patent solicitor, London, Ont.: Canada patents—R. Watson, Globe Casket Company, London, Ont., couch casket; S. B. Johnson, et al., Winnipeg, Man., moving machine; D. McLean, Winnipeg, Man., liquid motor; M. Creedy, Brantford, Ont., ash sifter; Canadian General Electric Company, Toronto, Ont., system of distributing electric energy; L. Depelins, St. Anne de Prescott, Ont., medical compound; S. Snider, Waterloo, Ont., celery sifter (trade mark). United States patents—R. A. Briggs, Niagara, Can., paper-feeding machine; J. P. Chazotte, Montreal, Que., fire escape ladder; W. Hawker, Montreal, Que., regulator for electric lamps; A. H. Smith, Vancouver, Canada, stovepipe shelf (patent sold); Francis Frost Company, Toronto, Ont., paint (trade mark).

KING STREET PRESBYTERIAN LADIES' AID.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the King Street Presbyterian Church met yesterday afternoon, reorganized, and elected the following officers: President, Mrs. (Rev.) Thos. Wilson; first vice-president, Mrs. John McHarg; second vice-president, Mrs. Thos. McHarg; recording secretary, Mrs. Scott; financial secretary, Mrs. George Campbell; treasurer, Mrs. Paterson. A constitution was adopted, and the con-

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Forty Ladies' Black and Colored Jackets with and without fur trimming.	Heavy All-wool Canadian Tweeds, CUT FREE OF CHARGE.	Extra Heavy Ribbed Cashmere Hose.
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gregation divided into ten districts, and two lots were applied for each district to visit every family at least once a month. The visiting ladies for the districts are: Mrs. McHarg, Mrs. McGinnis, Mrs. Paterson and Mrs. Black, Mrs. Stuart and Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. Forsythe and Miss Atchison, Mrs. Marriott and Mrs. Passmore, Miss Mutch and Mrs. Eady, Mrs. Morrison and Mrs. Black, Mrs. Mrs. and Mrs. Ewen, Mr. Link and Mrs. Harlow, Miss Wade and Mrs. Clare.

Taxes Remitted.

The finance committee of the City Council met last night, and dealt with a number of applications for remission of taxes. S. J. Southcott was granted a refund of sewer rates overcharged on Simcoe street.

Object Lesson for Street-Watering Contractors.

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Wm. Hayman's petition for a refund of street watering rates on Queen's avenue lot came before the committee, who decided they could not grant it. Alfred McFadden's application for a remission of taxes, \$7.40, was referred back.

S. Freeland, of Mary street, asked a remission of taxes, \$8.60, and it was granted. The applicant is 72 years old and suffers from paralysis, while his wife is an invalid.

Mrs. Mary Gray, of the Pipe Line road, was allowed a remission of half her taxes, \$27.48.

A memo re the opening of Lorne avenue east to Charlton avenue was laid over.

As the aldermen were about to leave Mr. Hayman appeared with two witnesses. The chairman informed him of the action the committee had taken, and Mr. Hayman asked a reconsideration. Messrs. Allister and McGuffin, residents of Queen's avenue, near Mr. Hayman's lot, stated that for six weeks no street watering had been done there.

On motion of Ald. Bennett, the committee decided to recommend the council to remit \$1.10, the proportion of the taxes for street watering, and that the amount be deducted from Contractor Baldwin's account.

There were present: Ald. Armstrong (chairman), Bennett, Carrothers and Gerry, and Secretary Pope.

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Missing Links

Gossip From Every Land Summarized for Busy Readers.

"GOSSAMER IRON," the wonderful product of the Swansea, Wales, iron mills, is so thin that it takes 4,800 sheets piled one on the other to make an inch in thickness.

REV. JOHN MCNEILL has been invited by the Calcutta Pastors' Association to spend the whole of the cold season of 1897-98 in conducting missions among the Europeans and English-speaking students of India.

A SCOTCH pastor, addressing a plain-spoken woman, a member of his church, "Janet, I'm sorry to hear that you didn't like my preaching on Sabbath. What was the reason?" The reply came frankly, "I had three very good reasons, sir. Firstly, you read the sermon; secondly, you didn't read it well, and, thirdly, it was a waste of time."

THERE are 15,407 men on the London police force, maintained at a cost of £1,230,120. In connection with this item a contemporary points out that London needs as many men to insure her safety from thieves as the whole Christian world needs for missionary work, and that London pays with £8-0-0 as much for the evangelization of the British Isles give for the evangelization of the world.

THE following are some of the articles made in Birmingham in the course of a week: 20,000,000 pens, 20,000,000 cut nails, 100,000,000 buttons, 6,000 bedsteads, 7,000 guns, 1,000 saddles, 20,000 spectacles, 4,000 miles of wire, 350 miles of wax vestas, 5 tons of papier-mache, 10 tons of pins, 5 tons of hairpins, 500 tons of nuts, 50 tons of hinges, 40 tons of refined metal, 100 tons of German silver, 800 tons of brass, 1,000 fenders, 1,000 refined jacks, 3,500 bellows.

SPANISH indolence extends even to the lighthouse service. The light on the Bay of Biscay, the light on Cape Finisterre, one of the most important on the coast, is lighted often as late as an hour after sunset, and then the machinery that should make it flash is not always set in motion, so that it appears as a fixed light instead of one flashing. Dangerous irregularities are reported of the light at Cape Vilano, further north.

KIRKMAN & SON, the oldest firm of piano manufacturers in England, and next to J. B. Storch and Sohn, of Vienna, the oldest in the world, has just given up business, sold its plant, and become merged with Messrs. Collard, who date from 1777. The first Kirkman appeared in England in 1720, and in 1729 married the daughter of Fabel, who had established his harpsichord works 23 years before. The Broadwoods go back to 1724, and the Erards, the oldest French manufacturers, to 1722.

SOUTH AFRICA seems to be the sportsman's paradise, even if the stories told about the country are only half true. A recent account says the country is simply teeming with big game. Buffaloes are in immense numbers, one herd which was seen recently being at least 1,000 strong. Puck are also extremely plentiful, while zebra and quagga and lions are too numerous to be pleasant. Wild fowl are in myriads, from a black duck with a white patch on its wings down to a sandpiper.

A REMARKABLE occurrence came to light in Bath the other day. Nearly two years ago a body was pulled from the Avon, in the city, and it was identified by a sister and a neighbor as that of John Adams, an old soldier, a dumpy man, aged 40. An inquest was held, a verdict of accidentally drowned returned, and the body was buried as that of John Adams; but the other night, to the great surprise of his relations, John Adams ailed at his sister's house. The contention his sister advanced caused him to be better imagined than described.

THE many admirers of the sacred poems of the late Miss Frances Ridley Havergal will be pleased to see that a church is to be erected in memory of her in the village of Newton, in the parish of Oystermouth, where she spent her last days. A free site has already been granted, and the Baroness Bourdett-Coutts has expressed her sympathy with the memorial, and sent a contribution. It was understood that the plans for the new building will be prepared by Sir Arthur Bromfield, Miss Havergal's friend, not only a writer of excellent merit, but who was a social and religious worker who took the keenest interest in the welfare of those among whom she lived. A new church is a very suitable way in honoring her memory.

THE Christian reunion movement has produced a curious incident in the village of Ramsey, Hampshire. The Abbey Congregational Chapel having for some time been without a pastor, the vicar of Ramsey, Rev. J. Cooke, Yarnborough wrote to the chapel managers a letter in which, deploring the divisions among Christians, and emphasizing the slight nature of the differences existing, he asks to be appointed pastor of the chapel while retaining the vicarage, pledging himself to retain all present

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H. J. Little, representing Ganong Bros., St. Stephen, N. B., says "I have seen the cure of a very stubborn case of itching eczema. I tried everything advertised, several physicians' prescriptions without permanent relief, know of several cases of itching piles it has cured."

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managers, workers and teachers, conduct the services with the customary simplicity, only reading the prayer book in the morning, devoting the other services to extempore prayer and preaching, and to forego a stipend. The managers declined the proposal as impracticable in the existing conditions.

A QUEERER provision was probably never put in a will than one by which Charles G. Hopkins, of Kansas City, tried to guard his property from claimants who might try to get it away from his chosen legatees, Harriet Elizabeth Calvert, his housekeeper, and Thomas M. Barr, a lifelong friend. The will solemnly asserts that the testator is a bachelor and childless, but says that, having noticed with what ease sworn testimony can be procured to support the alleged rights of widows and children invented in cases like his, he bequeaths the sum of \$1 to each of any such heirs as may appear after his death and establish their claims to the court's satisfaction. Singularly enough, no claimants turned up to oppose the probate of the will, and there it not the slightest reason to suspect that Mr. Hopkins' apprehensions had any basis except that of wholly impersonal observation.

THE monument Pottery Company of Trenton, N. J., has just completed and forwarded to San Francisco two bathtubs, which are the largest and heaviest pieces of earthenware ever put through a pottery kiln in this country. They are designed for the new house of the Spaulding family, which weighs about 1,200 pounds. Two more of the same size and weight will be completed and forwarded within two weeks. The tubs are seven inches in thickness in some parts, are six feet in length, and about three feet high. They are enamelled on the inside. The outside is plain ware, and will be decorated after they are put in place. Several American potteries have been experimenting with this kind of work, but none have yet been successful. Earthenware tubs have all been made by English potters.

The city of London, even at this late day, is jealous of the naval achievements of Lord Nelson, and delights to honor the old hero's memory. There is a protest in the municipal statutes against the erection of any additional shafts in Trafalgar Square, where the statue of Lord Nelson, mounted upon his high pedestal, rules the scene. Notwithstanding this legal protest, however, there are quite a number of letter writers who are urging the removal of Nelson's statue from its present location to the river margin. So long has the statue been identified with Trafalgar Square that its removal from that site is simply a moral impossibility. As long as the fame of the great naval battle lives, the shadow that of other English sailors, the shaft which commemorates his renown is likely to remain undisturbed.

The Dying Century.

Some of the Good Things It Has Done

And Some That It Should Do Before It Quits This Sphere—Sermon by Dr. Talmage.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 23.—Dr. Talmage's subject was "The Dying Century," and the text, 2 Kings xx. 1: "Thus saith the Lord, Set thine house in order, for thou shalt die, and not live." For one thing, this quarrel between labor and capital. The nineteenth century inherited the quarrel from the eighteenth century, but do not let this nineteenth century bequeath it to the twentieth. "What we want," says labor, "to set us right with the more and more vigorous work with torch and dynamite." "What we want," says capital, "is a more thorough and all-embracing plan for the world's reorganization. We have been trying to save the world from the top, and it cannot be done in that way. It has got to be saved from the bottom. Before this century quits us let us establish the habit of giving the forenoon of the Sabbath to the churches and the afternoon and the evening of the Sabbath to the people. Let the halls, and theaters, and streets, and fields, and slums, and wildernesses of sea and shore, why do Christians who have stuffed themselves with 'the strong meat of the Word,' and all Gospel work in the forenoon want to come up to a second service and stuff themselves again? These old formalizers at the Gospel feast need get into outdoor work with the outdoor Gospel that was preached on the banks of the Jordan, and on the hills among the Galilees, and in the bleak air of the Assyrian mountains. The greatest of evangelists since the time recently suggested that the evening services in all the churches be turned into the most popular style of evangelistic meetings for outsiders. Surely that is an experiment worth making. If that does not succeed, it does seem to me all the churches which cannot secure sufficient evening audiences ought to shut their doors at night and go where the people are, and invite them to come to the Gospel banquet."

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What an addition to the world's intelligence he has made! Look at the old schoolhouse, with the snow sitting through the roof and the filthy tin cup hanging over the water-pail in the corner, and the little victims on the long benches without backs, and the illiterate schoolmaster with his hickory gad, and then look at our modern palaces of free schools, under men and women so cultured and refined to the highest excellence, so that, whereas in our childhood we had to be whipped to go to school, children now cry when they cannot go. Thank you, venerable century, while at the same time we thank God.

What an addition to the world's inventions! Within our century the cotton gin, the agricultural machines, for planting, reaping and threshing. The telegraph. The phonograph, capable of preserving a human voice from generation to generation. The typewriter, that rescues the world from worse and worse penmanship. And stenography, capturing the words of the swiftest speaker more than two hundred words a minute. What hath God wrought! Oh, I am so glad I was not born sooner. For the tallow candle, the electric light. For the writhings of the surgeon's table, God-given anaesthetics, and the whole physical organism explored by sharpest instrument, and giving not so much pain as the taking of a splinter shut under a child's finger-nail. For the lumbering stage coach the limited express train. And there is the spectroscopic of Fraunhofer, by which our modern scientist feels the pulse of other worlds throbbing with light. Jenner's arrest by inoculation of one of the world's worst plagues. Doctor Keely's emancipation for inebriety. Intimation that the virus of maddened canine, and cancer, and consumption are yet to be balked by magnificent medical treatment. The eyesight of the doctor sharpened till he can look through thick flesh

and find the hiding place of the bullet. What advancement in geology, or the catechism of the mountains; chemistry, the catechism of the elements; astronomy, or the catechism of the stars; electricity, or the catechism of the lightning. What advancement in music. At the beginning of this century, confining itself, so far as the great masses of the people were concerned, to a few airs drawn out on accordion, or massed on church organs, and free libraries, and asylums of mercy. The newspaper press which, at the beginning of the century was a handkerchief, has now grown over one sheet of paper at a time, has become the miraculous manufacturer for the people of six hundred thousand sheets for one daily newspaper's issue.

Within my memory, O Dying Century! has been the genesis of nearly all the great institutions evangelistic. At London Tavern, March 7, 1802, Britain and Foreign Bible Society was born. In 1824 American Sunday School Union was born. In 1830 American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions was born at a hay-stack in Massachusetts. The National Temperance Society, the Women's Temperance Society, and all the other temperance movements born in this century. Africa has been put in the feet of civilization, to be occupied by commerce and Christianity. The Chinese wall, once an impassable barrier, now is a useless pile of stone and brick. The American nation at the opening of this century only a slice of land along the Atlantic coast, now the whole continent in possession of our schools and churches and missionary stations. Sermons and religious intelligence which in other times, noticed at all by the newspaper press, were allowed only a paragraph of three or four lines, now fill the columns of the secular press, in all the cities, thrown wide open, and every week for twenty-six years without the opening of this century, we have been permitted to preach one entire Gospel sermon through the newspaper press, and to take for this great opportunity. O Dying Nineteenth Century! before you go we take this opportunity of telling you that this opportunity of telling you that of all the centuries of the Christian era, except the first, which gave us the Christ, and you rival that century in the fact that you, more than all the other centuries put together, have given us the most of the world. One hundred and twelve thousand dollars at one meeting a few days ago contributed for the world's reorganization. Look at what you have done. All the Pacific isles, barred and bolted against the Gospel when you began to reign, now all open, and some of them more Christianized than America. Cannibals driven off the face of the earth. The gates of all nations wide open for the Gospel entrance when the church shall give up its intellectual dandyism, and quit fooling with higher criticism, and plunge into the work, as at life-saving station the crew pull out with the lifeboat, take the sailors off a ship going to pieces in the Skerries. I thank you, old and dying Century! all heaven thanks you, and surely all the nations of the earth ought to thank you.

But my text tells that there are some things that this century ought to do before he leaves us. Thus saith the Lord, Set thine house in order, for thou shalt die, and not live." We ought not to let this century go before two or three things are set in order. For one thing, this quarrel between labor and capital. The nineteenth century inherited the quarrel from the eighteenth century, but do not let this nineteenth century bequeath it to the twentieth. "What we want," says labor, "to set us right with the more and more vigorous work with torch and dynamite." "What we want," says capital, "is a more thorough and all-embracing plan for the world's reorganization. We have been trying to save the world from the top, and it cannot be done in that way. It has got to be saved from the bottom. Before this century quits us let us establish the habit of giving the forenoon of the Sabbath to the churches and the afternoon and the evening of the Sabbath to the people. Let the halls, and theaters, and streets, and fields, and slums, and wildernesses of sea and shore, why do Christians who have stuffed themselves with 'the strong meat of the Word,' and all Gospel work in the forenoon want to come up to a second service and stuff themselves again? These old formalizers at the Gospel feast need get into outdoor work with the outdoor Gospel that was preached on the banks of the Jordan, and on the hills among the Galilees, and in the bleak air of the Assyrian mountains. The greatest of evangelists since the time recently suggested that the evening services in all the churches be turned into the most popular style of evangelistic meetings for outsiders. Surely that is an experiment worth making. If that does not succeed, it does seem to me all the churches which cannot secure sufficient evening audiences ought to shut their doors at night and go where the people are, and invite them to come to the Gospel banquet."

Let the Christian souls, bountifully fed in the morning, go forth in the afternoon and evening to feed the multitudes of outsiders starving for the bread of which if a man eat he shall never again hunger. Among those who starve for the word of God, more rapid conquest than among those who know so much about and have so much that God cannot teach or help them.

Before this century expires let there

be a combined effort to save the great cities of America and Great Britain, and of all Christendom. What an awful thing it would be for you, O dying century, to bequeath to the coming century, as yet innocent and unscarred by a single sin or burdened with a single sorrow, the blasphemy, the lawlessness, the atheism, the profligacy, and the woes of great cities still unevangelized! What we ought to see, O dying century, is a revival of religion that would wrap the continents in the contagion of religious awakening, and that would make legislation, and merchandise, and all styles of worldly business wait awhile at the telegraph offices and the telephone offices, because they are occupied with telling the story of cities and nations born in a day. Nearly all the centuries closed with something tremendous. Why may not this century close in the salvation of America? I do not know whether our theological friends, who have studied the subject more than I have, are right or wrong when they say Christ will come in person to set up his kingdom in this world; but though we would be overwhelmed with our unworthiness, I would like to see Christ descend from heaven with one of the clouds of this morning, and planting his feet on this earth, which he came centuries ago to save from sin, to inaugurate his mercy and salvation on earth begun.

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We suppose there is not a resident of Newmarket who does not know Mr. J. A. Moffatt, who does not know of his years of suffering and who has not heard of his relief from a life of helplessness and pain through the medium of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Indeed we doubt if in the annals of medicine there is a more remarkable restoration than has been accomplished in Mr. Moffatt's case, and he deems it his duty to mankind to make the facts known through the columns of the Advertiser.

Ten years ago Mr. Moffatt was working in the Newmarket Hat Factory. Through the influence of the damp room in which he was employed he was afflicted with some carelessness in regard to his health, he was attacked with severe cold, which eventually settled in his limbs. For some years he was an almost constant sufferer from rheumatic pains and spent much money in treatment for the trouble, but with no result beyond an occasional temporary release from pain. Finally, to make matters worse he was attacked with malaria and

rheumatic fever. He was then forced to go to the Toronto General Hospital when it was found that he was afflicted with torticollis (very neck). During the first six months in the hospital he was under the treatment of the staff electrician, but the powers of electricity entirely failed, and after a consultation of physicians it was deemed advisable to perform an operation. Six weeks later a second operation was performed. The operations proved successful only in so far as they afforded temporary relief. He remained in the hospital from November, 1889, till January, 1892, and with all the modern remedies and appliances known to the staff of that well-equipped institution no permanent relief could be obtained. He was then advised to go home, partly in the hope that the climate might prove beneficial, but instead he continually grew worse, and in March, 1892, was again forced to take to his bed, and those who knew of his condition did not believe he had long to live. At this time every joint in his body was swollen and dislocated, and he suffered from the most excruciating agony. If a person walked across his bedroom it intensified the pain as though he had been stepped on, and he was unable to move. He was then treated of a celebrated Toronto specialist, but with no better results. After this last excitement failed, he determined to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, at the same time discontinuing all other treatment. At the end of three months there was a very noticeable improvement in his condition, and so much so that he thought he might be lifted outside. He was still so weak, however, that he was only able to remain up a few minutes as before. When taken back to bed he felt a sudden tingling sensation going from his feet up to his head through his joints and spine. The next morning when he awoke the pain had been and lodged in the arms, and then for some weeks he flitted from place to place in the arms and then disappeared, and he has not had a particle of pain since. All this time he was taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and slowly but surely regaining his strength. Then an invalid's chair was procured, and he was wheeled out; eventually he was able to wheel himself about. The continued use of the Pink Pills constantly added to his strength, and then the chair was discarded for crutches, and then the crutches for a cane. At this time (September, 1895) Mr. Moffatt had so far recovered that he was a frequent contributor to the columns of the Advertiser, and procuring a horse and buggy he was engaged as local reporter for the paper. The once utterly helpless invalid is now able to go about and to get in and out of his buggy without any assistance, and is in the post of duty whenever called upon.

Thus we find that after years of suffering and helplessness, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have proved successful, after all other remedies and the best of medical treatment for the cure had failed. With such marvelous cures as this to its credit, it is no wonder that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is the most popular medicine with all classes throughout the land, and this case certainly bears out the claim put forth on the bottles that it "cures what other medicines fail."

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