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Are You Thinking
of taking a bright evening paper? Let us supply The Advertiser, which gives all the news hours ahead of its competitors. For sale all over the city.

Births, Marriages, Deaths

DIED.

DUNN—In this city, on Jan. 24, 1898, Clara, beloved wife of James H. Dunn, in her 31st year.

Funeral private, Wednesday, at 4 p.m. Services at 3:30, from her late residence, 15 Bruce street, South London.

COCHRANE—Died in Chatham, on Monday, Jan. 24, John Cochrane, formerly of Westminster. Funeral private from G. T. R. station, Wednesday, 9:50 a.m., to Pond Mills cemetery.

HICKEY—At Cleveland, Ohio, on Friday, Jan. 21, 1898, Edward Frederick Hickey, age 53 years.

Funeral on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, from 555 St. James street, to St. Peter's Cathedral. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.

DAWSON—On Sunday, Jan 23, at the General Hospital, George Dawson, aged 72 years. Funeral private from Hinton & Rumball's undertaking rooms, on Thursday, at 4 p.m.

Amusements and Lectures

Advertisements under this heading, two cents per word, or ten cents per line each insertion.

HAMILTON ROAD RINK—HARPERS tonight—Excellent ice. Admission 5c and 10c. b

GRAND OPERA HOUSE, FEB. 3—WOMEN'S Morning Music Club quartet at Catholic Club entertainment. b

SPLENDID ICE AT THE PRINCESS—UP-TO-DATE music tonight. b

TONIGHT! TONIGHT! TONIGHT!—Franz Wilczek Grand Concert Company, Auditorium. Splendid programme. b

DAISY RINK — CLARK'S BRIDGE — Band tonight, hockey match Wednesday night, carnival Tuesday night. b

JUBILEE RINK—HOCKEY MATCH TONIGHT—Medical School vs. Jubilee team; Musical Society Band; skating until 9. Admission only 10 cents. b

JUBILEE RINK—SPECIAL ATTRACTION tomorrow night—London (senior team) vs. Ingersoll. b

MINING SHARES BOUGHT AND SOLD. Best rates. Apply at the Exchange, Richmond street, next Advertiser office. F. B. CLARKE.

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING BY Mr. R. B. Millard, at his residence, 345 Princess avenue. Special attention given to teaching the waltz and two step. Lessons any hour. b

PALACE DANCING ACADEMY—NEW term begins next week. Gentlemen, Monday; ladies, Tuesday evenings; ladies and children, Saturday afternoon. The recognized leading school of Western Ontario. Circulars mailed on application. DAYTON & MCCORMICK.

Meetings.

MASONIC—REGULAR CONVOCATION of St. John's R. A. Chapter, No. 8, tomorrow evening. Wednesday, 26, at 7.30. General business and intermediate degrees. W. J. Carson, Z.; John Siddons, S. E. b

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS cost 1 Cent per word for first insertion and one-half cent per word for each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than 10 words.

Domestics Wanted.

WANTED—A GOOD LAUNDRESS FOR Ingersoll; also a good, reliable farm hand, by year, wages good; also general servants for country. On hand, servants for all kinds of work at the old reliable, Dwyer's Agency, 591 Richmond street. Phone 1120.

WANTED — GOOD GENERAL SERVANT, with references, by Feb. 1 422 King street. 34c wty

LADIES, LEAVE YOUR ORDERS FOR servants with the Osborne Intelligence agency, 56 Dundas street. Phone 386.

Male Help Wanted.

$800 A YEAR FOR MAN WITH SMALL capital; must be handy with tools. Address AUTOMATIC CARRIER COMPANY, London, Ontario. 36c

Wanted.

BOARD WANTED BY LADY — IN private family; centrally located. Address Box 20, this office. 37c

WANTED—THREE HUNDRED GOOD second-hand overcoats. Highest price paid. A. P. SAINSBURY 90 King street. Mail orders attended to.

Agents Wanted.

A MAN WANTED TO REPRESENT US in every county in Canada for the best selling 25-cent article on the market; big commission; no experience necessary; sells in every house. Address THE KARN COMPANY, 128 Wellington street, Toronto. 38c ywt

AGENTS WANTED—WE WILL PAY $60 in cash to any person who will canvass for us one month; no capital or experience required. Address CANADIAN HOMESTEAD, Montreal, P. Q. b

Massage Treatment.

MISS SHUFF—GRADUATE OF DR. S. Weir Mitchell's Hospital for Nervous Diseases, Philadelphia. Massage and Swedish movements. 427 King street, London, Ont. Phone 562

Houses, Etc., To Let.

TO RENT—LARGE BRICK COTTAGE—Furnished; best locality; easy terms. Address Box 12, this office. 37c

TO LET—THE UPPER FLAT IN THE Canadian Savings and Loan Company's building. Apply M. H. ROWLAND, manager 1tf eod

185 ST. JAMES STREET TO LET—NICE 2-story brick; 4 bedrooms, bath, grate; very convenient; choice location. Apply 410 Princess avenue. 3tf

Jewelers.

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO REPAIRING—J. T. WESTLAND, Engraver and Manufacturing Jeweler, 340 Richmond street (up stairs), London, Ont.

TYPEWRITERS

We are selling typewriters and typewriter supplies at reduced prices

Ribbons 75c each.
Smith Premier Machines, $50.
Remingtons, $50.

Call and See Our Stock.

W. C. COO, . . 76 Dundas St.

Articles For Sale.

FOR SALE—GROCERY STOCK—HORSE, wagon and sleigh—all first-class; best of reasons for selling; store and dwelling can be leased, if wanted; stock and fixtures about $600. J. F. SANGSTER. 403 Richmond street.

"TRIUMPH MEDICAL BATTERY" takes the lead. Price only $1. Equal to batteries for which $5 and $10 is asked. F. B. CLARKE, 418 Richmond street. 14tf

FRESH OYSTERS EVERY DAY—And all kinds of Oranges; all prices. Wholesale and retail. CATALANO & SANSONE, 305 Dundas street.

FOR SALE—HORSE, HARNESS AND three spring wagon. Smith's Wagon Works, Fullarton street. 37c

GENTLEMAN LEAVING CITY MUST sacrifice beautiful new upright piano. Cash or time to good party. Address A. B. C., Advertiser office. 36c ywt

KNITTING NEEDLES 4 CENTS PER barrel. All sizes. R. V. S. SAUNDERS, 650 Dundas street, East London.

BICYCLES REMODELED, REPAIRED, re-enameled, nickeled, etc. Skates ground and skate parts for sale. HUTCHINSON, 651 Dundas street.

FOR SALE — SKATES AND SKATE parts; bicycle enameling and general repairing at lowest prices. D. MCKENZIE & Co., 374 Richmond street.

THE DOLLAR ELECTRIC MOTOR—THE greatest novelty of the age. Just the thing for the boys. F. B. CLARKE 418 Richmond street, sells them. 14tf

GAS CHANDELIERS AND BRACKETS and globes. SMITH BROS., 265 Dundas street. y

CUSTOMS PAPERS OF ALL KINDS always on hand at Advertiser Job Department. You can have them in large or small quantities.

TIMBERS, TRUSS RODS AND PLATES PATTERSON & JOLLY. 72tf

STEWART'S STOVES, RANGES, STEEL ovens are perfect workers. We give estimates on iron roofs. Iron eavestroughs, hot air furnaces. JAS. THOMPSON, 424 Richmond street. ywt

STOVES—ALL KINDS—BASEBURNERS, with and without oven, and a large assortment of wood stoves at lowest prices. GEO. PARISH, 357 Talbot street, south of King. ywt

ENGINE FOR SALE—A— BARGAIN Thirty horse power; can be run at 90 revolutions; is in capital order; can be had at a very low figure. Address Engine, care "Advertiser" Office. 5ctf&62tf

SHIPPING TAGS—AT CLOSE PRICES—ADVERTISER Job Department.

STOVES AND SECOND-HAND FURNITURE for sale cheap at KEENE'S Furniture Store, Masonic Temple, Market Square.

POSTERS—ALL STYLES—HANGERS and dodgers. ADVERTISER Job Department.

ENVELOPES—PLAIN OR PRINTED—AT ADVERTISER Job Department.

PAMPHLET WORK OF EVERY DESCRIPTION, clean and quick, at ADVERTISER Job Department.

Situations Wanted.

BLACKSMITHS, PAINTERS, PRINTERS, millers, bakers, agents, general servants, cooks, dining-room girls, etc., can secure situations. London Employment Bureau, 572 Richmond.

Real Estate.

GOOD COTTAGE FOR SALE ON Queen's avenue, west of Adelaide street $1,400. Land alone is worth the purchase money. For particulars apply J. W. WINNETT, barrister, 425 Talbot street, London. ywt

FOR SALE—TEN FINE BUILDING LOTS five fronting on Grey street and five fronting on Simcoe street, immediately east of the London and Petrolea Barrel Works, East London. Price and particulars given by GEO. PRITCHARD 9 Market Lane. yt

Board and Lodging.

PRIVATE FAMILY WILL ACCEPT lady or gentleman boarder, central. "Home," this office. 36n tyw

Lost and Found.

ON JAN. 14—IN THE NORTH PART OF city, a gold bracelet with serpent's head, and locket attached. Finder rewarded on leaving at this office. 38c

LOST—IN THE FIFTH WARD—A LARGE duster. Finder rewarded by leaving at Lilley's livery. 28tf

Money to Loan.

SUMS OF $100 AND UPWARDS TO loan on real estate at 5 to 6 per cent. G. N. WEEKES, solicitor, corner Richmond and King streets.

$100,000 TO LEND ON MORTGAGES and notes. TENNENT, MCDONAGH & COLERIDGE, barristers, solicitors, notaries 18 Dundas street, London. Branch offices, Glencoe, Bothwell and Alvinston.

MONEY TO LOAN ON FIRST MORTGAGES, at 5 per cent; on second mortgages and other security at low rates, at G. W. FRANCIS' loan office, 99 Dundas street, London, Ont.

SOME MONEY TO LOAN ON MIDDLESEX farm property at 5 and 5½ per cent, and on city property at 5½ and 6 per cent. T. W. SCANDRETT, solicitor, 98 Dundas street, London, up stairs.

Musical Instruction.

W. H. HEWLETT, ORGANIST DUNDAS Center Church, teacher piano organ and theory, 563 Dundas street.

LONDON CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC AND SCHOOL OF ELOCUTION.

W. Caven Barron, principal. Music lessons from $7 per term upwards.

J. T. WOLCOTT, ORGANIST, FIRST Methodist Church, teacher piano, organ and composition, 5 Prospect avenue.

AUCTION SALE

Of Household Furniture and Piano.

J. W. JONES HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED by Mrs. J. M. Mackinnon, to sell at her residence, 152 Albert street, on Wednesday, Jan. 26, at 10:30 a.m., her household effects, comprising grand square piano, overstuffed parlor suite, easy chairs, rockers, couches, sofas, Wilton carpets, rugs, stair and other carpets, corner chairs, candelabras, cabinet whatnot, par or lamp, clocks, secretary-bookcase hall stand, tables, contents of six bedrooms in suites (one of the suites cost $600, very handsome) mattresses, springs, toilet-ware, iron bed, sideboard, dining table and chairs, crockery, cutlery, glassware, refrigerator, meat safe, No. 9 cook stove, city gas stoves, grate stoves, lawn mower, garden seats, garden tools, set single harness, etc. Terms cash. J. W. JONES, Auctioneer. 36c ty

Like Cats and Dogs.

The Agitation in Paris Continues at Fever Heat.

Saturday's Scenes in the French Chamber Almost Without Precedent.

British and Russian Squadrons Watching Each Other.

Lord Neville's Appearance at the Bow Street Station.

Canada Ranks Seventh as a Butter Exporter to the British Market.

CANADA'S BUTTER ON THE BRITISH MARKET.

London, Jan. 25.—Canada is entitled to the honor of ranking seventh as a butter exporter to the British market. In 1894 the Dominion exported to England 20,887 cwts, and in 1897 109,402 cwts. Canada, since 1894, supplied 60.4 per cent of the cheese imported by England, the percentage for 1897 being 58.6 or 1,626,654 cwts. The cheese is of excellent quality, securing almost three-fifths of England's entire trade.

WATCHING EACH OTHER.

London, Jan. 25.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Nagasaki, Japan, says: "The British and Russian squadrons are strictly watching each other's movements. When the British battleship Centurion, flagship of the squadron, left Nagasaki yesterday (Sunday) she was shadowed by the Russian gunboat Sivootch. The Japanese fleet is still at Yokosuka, but is expected to sail shortly for Wei Hai Wei. No serious developments are looked for.

ALGIERS QUIET.

Paris, Jan. 25.—A dispatch received from Algiers says that at 11 o'clock last night perfect tranquility prevailed. The streets have been cleared, and were held by the troops. Altogether, three hundred arrests have been made and one hundred persons are to be put on trial. M. Jaures received a dispatch from Algiers saying that the town was in flames, and that a hundred Jews had been killed. He doubted the authenticity of the message, the signature of which was unknown to him, and the government has had no information of anything so serious.

FUTURE OF KIAO CHAU.

London, Jan. 25.—The Times says, editorially: "We are glad to learn from various trustworthy sources that the rumors of Germany's intention to open Kiao Chau to the world's commerce are well founded. If this decision is maintained, Kiao Chau will probable become a great, busy and flourishing entrepot of the world's trade—a northern Hong Kong. The wisdom of the decision cannot be doubted. It will tend to improve the unnecessarily strained relations between England and Germany. It is to be hoped that other nations will follow Germany's example, and that the far eastern question may thereby be greatly simplified."

THE AGITATION IN PARIS.

Paris, Jan. 25.—The military club was guarded yesterday by the police, who were also stationed within the Palais Bourbon (Chamber of Deputies), while a reserve force of 100 policemen was drawn up in the court yard of the ministry for foreign affairs. There was another body of police in the garden of the Tuilleries and a detachment of the Republican Guard was stationed in the court yards of the ministry of marine. There were big crowds of people in the neighborhood of the Chamber of Deputies. There was an anti-Hebrew riot at St. Malo. The mob smashed the windows of the business houses belonging to Hebrews, and the troops were obliged to assist the police in dispersing the rioters.

It is agreed on all sides that Saturday's scenes in the Chamber of Deputies were almost without precedent, except the recent disturbances in the Austrian reichsrath. After the chamber was cleared 125 torn-off neckties were picked up, together with many coats that had been torn by deputies from each other's shoulders.

During a lull in the fight Mr. Gerault-Richard was seen in tatters, his cravat torn off an his shirt front torn open, while his sympathizers were patting him on the back.

Suddenly Comte de Bernis bounded up the stairs of the tribune on all fours like an animal, dealt M. Jaures a heavy blow on the back of the head and kicked him on the legs. M. Jaures was knocked over and stumbled down the steps. Picking himself up he saw Comte de Bernis making off with a crowd of deputies while the remainder of the house hooted him, crying "Coward" and "Traitor." M. Jaures threw a knotted handkerchief after him.

ALMOST IN TEARS.

Lord Neville at the Bow Street Police Court.

London, Jan. 25.—Lord William Neville, son of the Marquis of Abergavenny, who was arrested yesterday, after being confined in an ordinary cell at the Bow street police station, was brought up in the extradition court at Bow street. He fidgeted uneasily, and seemed on the point of breaking down in tears. Mr. Horace Avery prosecuted in behalf of the treasury, and Sir George Lewis appeared for the defense. Mr. Avery read the charges, which were practically a repetition of the testimony presented during the recent suit against Mr. Clay, to recover the sum of £11,113 due on the two promissory notes signed by Mr. Clay, whose signature is alleged to have been obtained by Lord Neville through fraudulent misrepresentations. Counsel added that Mr. Clay's statement made at that time remains uncontradicted, Lord Neville failing to appear. Sir George Lewis interrupted Mr. Avery at this point, remarking: "How could he when he was not called? He was willing and eager to testify." Mr. Avery contended that the offense amounted to forgery, and asserted that it was a case of deliberate and gross fraud perpetrated by the prisoner on a youth sixteen years his junior. Mr. Clay identified the notes and letters. Before the adjournment Sir George Lewis insisted upon making a statement. He said that in the Clay trial Lord Neville was not called. Now he would be put in the dock after a long illness. Continuing, Sir George Lewis remarked that Lord Neville, when he heard the prosecutor intended to institute proceedings against him, and at the earliest intimation of these proceedings he hurried back to England and surrendered. Counsel for Lord Neville demanded that the case be heard, and intended to "fight it out at the earliest possible moment." The hearing of the case was adjourned for a week, the prisoner being admitted to bail in £2,000 furnished by his brother Henry and his brother-in-law, Lieut.-Col. Hon. Charles Garthon Pardy, son of the first Earl of Cranbrook. The actual charge against Lord Neville is having procured the signature of Spencer Clay to two notes for £8,000 and £3,000 respectively by false representations relative to the nature of the documents signed by Mr. Clay, who corroborated the statements made by Mr. Avery.

The General Elections

Many Liberal Conventions About to be Held.

Dr. Ryerson, M. P. P., One of the Conservative Leaders, Definitely Refuses to Run.

COMING CONVENTIONS.

Today the Liberals of North York will nominate a candidate, and will no doubt again select as their standard-bearer the able and popular provincial secretary, Hon. E. J. Davis.

Within the next week, eight Liberal conventions will be held, and within the enxt ten days the entire ticket will be up. Very strong candidates are being put up.

Tomorrow the great reception to Premier Hardy will be given in Brantford.

Hon. George W. Ross speaks at Bowmanville tomorrow night.

RYERSON OUT OF IT.

Dr. G. S. Ryerson, the present member for East Toronto, has refused to reconsider his determination to withdraw, and is now definitely out of the contest. He was urged very strongly to stand, but gets "in out of the wet."

NOMINATIONS.

Mr. S. Russell, of the Deseronto Tribune, is the Liberal nominee in East Hastings. He is regarded as a very strong candidate.

Mr. J. L. Buck, of Port Rowan, was nominated by the Conservatives of South Norfolk.

HON. GEORGE W. ROSS AT BARRIE.

Barrie, Jan. 26.—The first public utterance of the minister of education since the prorogation of the legislature gave to the meeting here last night, to promote the candidature of Mr. David Davidson, more than a local interest. The new Grand Opera House was crowded. The close attention with which the great audience listened to the speeches of Mr. Ross and others evidences an inquiring interest in the issues, if they can be dignified by that name, upon which the campaign is being fought out. The crowd, which was not all of one political faith, gave frequent and vigorous expression to its feelings. Many demonstrations of approval greeted the arguments advanced by the minister in justification of the claim that the Hardy government is entitled to a continuance of public confidence. Mr. Ross devoted an effective portion of his address to the exposition of the fact that the opposition, while loudly clamoring for a change, have not challenged the legislative policy of the government on the most important questions that have been dealt with, by proposing to substitute anything in its place.

SIR OLIVER'S ESCAPE.

The Lieutenant-Governor Nearly Struck by a Runaway Team.

Toronto, Jan. 25.—Mr. W. L. Ramsay, assistant police court clerk, had a very narrow escape yesterday afternoon while riding his bicycle. He was proceeding along Queen street west, and just as he reached Simcoe street a runaway team coming down that street dashed across Queen street. The whole thing was so sudden and unexpected that Mr. Ramsay was unable to get out of the way and he was sent flying to the other side of the roadway. Much to his own surprise he sustained no injury beyond a bad shaking up, but his '94 bicycle, strong as it was, was pretty badly twisted and warped.

The lieutenant-governor, Sir Oliver Mowat, who was passing at the time, also had a narrow escape, for, according to Mr. Ramsay, he had to "handle himself like a four-year-old in getting out of the way." This fact seemed to atone for all the trouble and the injuries Mr. Ramsay had suffered, for in telling the circumstances afterwards he appeared to be overjoyed at Sir Oliver's escape, and astonished at the activity he displayed.

Steamship Arrivals.

Jan. 24.	At	From
Ulunda	Liverpool	Halifax
Penarth	Manchester	St. John's
Labrador	Portland	Liverpool
Friesland	New York	Antwerp
Ethiopia	New York	Glasgow
Werra	Gibraltar	New York
Pavonia	Queenstown	Boston

Architects.

MOORE & HENRY—ARCHITECTS AND civil engineers. Members Ont. Ass'n. Architects; members Ont. L. Surveyors' Ass'n.; members Am. Waterworks Ass'n.

HERBERT MATTHEWS—ARCHITECT—(formerly with C. C. Haight, New York), Carling Block, Richmond street.

MCBRIDE & FARNCOMBE — ARCHITECTS and Surveyors, 213 Dundas street. H. G. MCBRIDE, F. W. FARNCOMBE, B.A., C.E.

ALFRED BODLEY, ARCHITECT—Hiscox Building, corner Richmond and King streets, London.

Puts Klondike to the Blush.

Possibilities of the Man Who Handles Tammany Cash.

Collects Millions and Gives No Accounting.

Chieftains Who Took the Position Poor, Now Rich—Croker Again Assumes the Coveted Position.

New York, Jan. 25.—The Herald says: Few people have any idea of the the vast possibilities of the man who occupies the position of chairman of Tammany's finance committee, which position Mr. Richard Croker has just apportioned to himself because he could not trust the former occupant of the position, John C. Sheehan.

The chairmanship of the finance committee carries with it the leadership of Tammany. With the democracy in control of the government, it is a place of more importance, so far as power and profit are concerned, than any office in the city, including the mayoralty.

Through the control of the Tammany machinery William M. Tweed accumulated a great fortune. John Kelly, who followed him, found no difficulty in obtaining a competency. When Mr. Croker took hold, in 1885, he was a poor man. He left the chairmanship on May 19, 1894, the possessor of wealth which was reckoned at more than $1,000,000, and which enabled him to indulge on a large scale in one of the most costly forms of amusement—racing.

John C. Sheehan, who had come from Buffalo a poor man, was placed in the chair which Mr. Croker's retirement left vacant. It is understood among his friends that today he is able to draw his check for $500,000, and that the check would be honored.

No accounting is ever made by the chairman of the finance committee of what is done with the money which passes through his hands. The fact that Mr. Croker, through the Tammany executive committee, gave away $40,000 of campaign funds to the Cubans and to the poor after the last election showed how successful his efforts as a money getter had been.

The dictatorship of Tammany which the finance chairmanship carries with it opens numerous opportunities for profitable investment to the man who must be obeyed. He is able to direct the action of Tammany members of the legislature, which is an important power from many points of view. He exercises a similar control over the municipal assembly. He knows in advance where the city is going to make improvements and thus increase the value of private property. He is able to predict what the policy of the city is to be in regard to important enterprises. The rapid rise in the securities of existing transportation corporations following the practical veto of the underground rapid transit plans was an illustration of how valuable such knowledge may become.

Mr. Croker, having held the position of chairman before, is already familiar with the powers and possibilities of the office.

All Perished!

A Party of Gold Hunters Lost in a Snow Storm.

At Last Accounts They Were 80 Miles From Stewart River.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 25.—The relatives of Cassius and Anthony Chittick, of Flora, this state, have received word that the two men have perished in the Klondike region. The two left home for the gold fields last August. At Seattle they were joined by William Gosser, of Pittsburg, Pa., and Melville Scoville, of Syracuse, N. Y.

The last letter they wrote home stated that they were within 30 miles of the Stewart River.

Relatives have received a letter from returning miners who have reached Seattle Station, that the whole party perished in a snow storm.

"NO FLOWERS, NO FUNERAL."

Sad End of a Pennsylvania Newspaper Editor and Proprietor.

Westchester, Pa., Jan. 25.—Capt. George R. Guss, editor and proprietor of the Chester County Democrat, committed suicide at his home in this city late yesterday by inhaling illuminating gas. Before killing himself he wrote the following note: "Standing on the brink of eternity, I ask the forgiveness of all as I forgive all. No flowers; no funeral. Good-bye; God bless you."

Captain Guss was well known in Chester county, and was at one time chairman of the Democratic county committee. He was a close friend of the late R. Jones Monaghan, a prominent lawyer, who recently committed suicide in a Philadelphia hotel by the same means.

IN HIS WIFE'S ARMS.

Sudden Death of a Baker in Toronto Last Night.

Toronto, Jan. 25.—About 11:30 o'clock last night John P. Johnston, a baker, whose store and dwelling is at 110 Dundas street, dropped dead in his wife's arms, after asking for a mustard plaster to be applied to him. He had been complaining of feeling ill about five minutes before his death. He was 55 years old, and leaves a wife, six sons and one daughter to mourn his death.

PERISHED IN THE STORM

Indiana Man and Two Daughters Died From Exposure.

Evansville, Ind., Jan. 25.—A house boat occupied by George Atkins and his two young daughters just above the city was swamped during the storm, and the occupants took refuge in a large skiff. Their skiff was found floating near their swamped home, half filled with water, and the three occupants dead in the bottom of the little craft. They died from exposure.

Sweet Violets.

The ever fresh and always popular odor, and the fashionable one for this season. Our stock is complete from different makers, ranging from 50c to $5 per bottle. Any quantity you desire.

Violet Perfumes:

Violette Reine.
Rimmel's Violettes.
Roger & Gallet's Vera Violetta.
Houbigant Bouquet De Violettes.
Atkinson's Wood Violet.
Lubin's Violet.
Lubin's Wood Violet.
Pinaud's Preciosa Violette.
Violet Toilet Waters.
Violet Toilet Powders and Soaps.
Violet Sachets.

Cairncross & Lawrence,
PERFUMERS AND CHEMISTS,
216 Dundas St., London, Ont.
Branch—Corner Richmond and Piccadilly.

In the Toils at Last.

A Bogus Mason Sent to the Penitentiary.

After Traveling "Dead Head" All Over the World and Obtaining $20,000 by Fraud.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 25. — George Fleming, who has just been convicted and sent to the state penitentiary at Walla Walla, to serve two and a half years for obtaining money under false pretenses, has made a confession, which, if were not corroborated by more than 100 letters from different Masonic lodges in the United States and Canada, would be received with incredulity.

Fleming is a bogus Mason, yet so skillfully has he applied himself that he has been accredited by past grand masters with his knowledge of Masonry. By his own admission he lived for years on money borrowed under false pretenses from Masons, in amounts varying from $10 to several hundred, or, as he told ex-Sheriff Van De Venter, "according to their circumstances and times." The total amount of money thus obtained will probably reach $20,000; but he has borrowed so much that he does not pretend to recite all the instances.

He has traveled all over the world, and never spent a cent for railroad or other transportation. He has so many aliases that he cannot name them. He was known in Mississippi as Prof. Willey; in Kentucky as Alexander Craig; in Pennsylvania as William Bell; in Cincinnati and Chicago as Charles Wilson; in St. Louis as William Mayo. In Paris he claims to have met and dined with the Prince of Wales and President Dudley Ward. For dessert he borrowed $150 from the prince on the strength of Masonry. In Madrid he worked Hannis Taylor for free transportation to the rock of Gibraltar by the way of Cadiz.

Canada's Booming Trade.

Enormous Increase During the Year 1897.

A Gain of Over $52,000,000 in Our Foreign Commerce

Ottawa, Jan. 26.—Trade and commerce seem to have received an enormous impetus by the change of government, judging by the official figures of Canada's foreign trade for the calendar year 1897, which show an increase over 1896 of $62,115,000. The record for 1897 is unprecedented in the history of Canada. The total exports and imports entered for consumption reached the enormous total of $271,501,000, compared with $219,386,000 in the calendar year 1896, or an increase of over $52,000,000. The exports exceeded the imports by over $37,000,000. The total exports were $154,675,000, against $117,795,000 in 1896, an increase of nearly $37,000,000. The imports, including only those entered for consumption, were $116,826,000, compared with $101,591,000 in 1896, an increase of over $15,000,000. The duty collected in 1897 was $20,532,000, compared with $19,879,000 in 1896. These returns are not for the fiscal years, but for the calendar years ending Dec. 31.

Why will you allow a cough to lacerate your throat or lungs and run the risk of filling a consumptive's grave, when, by the timely use of Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, the pain can be allayed and the danger avoided? This syrup is pleasant to the taste, and unsurpassed for relieving, healing and curing all affections of the throat and lungs, coughs, colds, bronchitis, etc.

WE MAKE
Dress Suits
SECOND TO NONE IN CANADA.

All the latest materials and trimmings in stock. Out of town orders a specialty.

SLATER BROS.
TAILORS,
399 Richmond Street,
South of Dundas Street.

The Dipper or the Dropper?

There are cough medicines that are taken as freely as a drink of water from a dipper. They are cheap medicines. Quantity does not make up for quality. It's the quality that cures. There's one medicine that's dropped, not dipped—Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. There's more power in drops of this remedy than in dippersful of cheap cough syrups and elixirs. It cures Bronchitis, Asthma, Croup, Whooping Cough, and all Colds, Coughs, and Affections of the Throat and Lungs.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

Write to our doctor on any disease in confidence. Address, Medical Department, J. C. AYER CO., Lowell Mass.

Tussling for the Tankards.

The Curling Season Now Well Under Way.

Contest Between Forest City, Ingersoll and St. Marys Colts.

Series of Games in Group 15 for the Ontario Tankard.

Hockey, Baseball and Other Sporting Matters.

CURLING.

AT HOME.

The first of the series of matches to be played for the Colts' Tankard took place in Simcoe Street Rink here yesterday, when St. Marys met two rinks of Forest City Juniors. The score was a tie.

Forest City.	St. Marys.
Rink. No. 1.	
S. Stevenson,	A. Shepherd,
J. W. McIntosh,	L. H. Reason,
H. Blackburn,	L. H. Garner,
A. Talbot, skip..19	D. Truyle, skip.. 7
Rink No. 2.	
A. T. McQueen,	R. McConnel,
J. B. McKillop,	J. B. Box,
C. E. Sterling,	C. Cathcart,
J. Mattinson, skip.....11	W. Andrews, jun. skip 23
Total 30	Total 30

GROUP 15—PRIMARY ROUND.

Stratford, Ont., Jan. 25.—Two rinks each from Seaforth, Goderich, Waterloo, Fergus and Guelph came here yesterday to play the primary round in group 15 of the Ontario tankard series. Forest was the only club not represented. The afternoon games resulted as follows:

Rink No. 1— Fergus.	Seaforth.
J. Hamilton, sk...21	A. Wilson, skip.19
Rink No. 2—	
W. A. Richardson, skip.....24	W. Pickard, skip 19
Total.....45	Total 38
Rink No. 1— Stratford.	Waterloo.
W. S. Watson, sk.27	J. Hespeler, sk..15
Rink No. 2—	
J. A. McFadden, skip.....23	G. A. Bruce, skip 14
Total.....50	Total 29
Rink No. 1— Guelph (Royal City).	Goderich.
Jas. Kennedy, sk.28	W. T. Welch, sk.11
Rink No. 2—	
Alex. Merrie, sk..21	D. Holmes, sk...12
Total.....49	Total 23

Stratford and Fergus play off tonight. Guelph, having drawn the bye, plays the winner in the morning.

GALT VS. GUELPH.

Galt, Ont., Jan. 25.—A friendly game of curling was played here yesterday between four rinks each of the Galt Granites and the Guelph Unions, resulting as follows:

Rink No. 1— Galt Granites.	Guelph Unions.
C. Turnbull, sk...26	E. R. Savage, sk. 7
Rink No. 2—	
R. MacGregor, sk.15	J. Congalton, sk.14
Rink No. 3—	
J. W. Porteous, s.19	A. A. Reid, sk...16
Rink No. 4—	
J. G. Turnbull, skip.....15	W. D. Hepburn, skip 17
Total.....75	Total 54

Majority for Galt, 21.

SHOTS.

Today three rinks of Ingersollites will visit London.

FOREST CITYS AT INGERSOLL.

Two rinks of Forest City seniors journeyed to Ingersoll, and met the home curlers in a friendly contest. In addition to good ice, capital sport and victory, they were hospitably entertained. The score was as follows:

Ingersoll.	Forest City.
J. E. Gayfer,	J. I. A. Hunt,
T. G. Wallen,	W. T. Strong,
O. E. Robinson,	Dr. McDonald,
J. Ross, skip.....14	J. Burnett, s....29
J. Elliott,	H. C. McBride,
A. E. Gayfer,	W. Goodwin,
R. Rundell,	C. W. Davis,
E. E. Dundas, skip.18	R. Inglis, skip..29
Totals 32	58

Majority for London, 26 shots.

BASEBALL.

Buffalo, Jan. 25.—There was a meeting here yesterday of members of the Eastern and Western baseball leagues. The members of the Eastern League convened in executive session for the purpose of ratifying the purchase of the Scranton franchise and its transfer to Rochester. The question of the Wilkesbarre franchise and other important matters will occupy the attention of the members.

President Powers appointed the committee who will meet the westerners. He stated that the principal work was to make some sort of an arrangement whereby there should be no friction between the two leagues. He said: "One of the great evils at this time is the fight for higher salaries and the bidding that is indulged in between the leagues. For instance, if there is some player disengaged, and we offer him $200 a month, he will say: 'No, I can get $300 in the Western.' That is the sort of bidding we do not want. Then the drafting evil has to be done away with. If we have a player whom one of the Western clubs want, the club will make an offer of $500 for his release. Well, perhaps they could not draft him and we would not sell for $1,000. Now, if that club has power and friends in the National League, we soon learn that our player has been drafted into one of the big clubs, and after a time is transferred to the Western club. Reports to the contrary, notwithstanding, it is absolutely certain that Wilkesbarre will remain in the Eastern League. Manager Shannon said: "Perhaps you will be surprised to learn that we are the richest club in the league, and our franchise is not for sale." It seems that the magnates are figuring on a ten-club league. To the present eight may be added Newark and Hartford.

In the afternoon President Powers announced that the only business of interest that was transacted was ratification of the sale of the Scranton franchise to Charles D. White, who will place a team in Rochester.

At the conference between the Eastern and Western League delegates it was agreed to make a salary limit of $2,000 per month for a team. In case the manager is a player these figures may be increased to $2,125. It was decided to petition the National League not to adopt the proposed amendment to the drafting resolutions, which provides that a National League club may have 30 days in which to try a player before finally accepting him. As the managers of the Wilkesbarre club showed conclusively that it was financially able to maintain its position in the league, it was decided to continue as an eight-club league, with Syracuse, Providence, Wilkesbarre, Springfield, Rochester, Buffalo, Toronto and Montreal.

HOCKEY.

LISTOWEL VS. HARRISTON.

Listowel, Ont., Jan. 25.—A return hockey match was played here last night between Listowel II. and Harriston teams, resulting in favor of the home team by 6 games to 5.

The return match between London and Sarnia will be played in the Tunnel town on Feb. 2.

An exhibition game between the London Seniors and Ingersoll will be played at the Jubilee Rink tomorrow night.

SARNIA VS. WINDSOR.

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 25.—The association match between Sarnia and Windsor, played here last evening, resulted in a score of 5 to 6 in favor of Sarnia.

T. A. C. LORNES VS. PETERBORO.

Toronto, Jan. 25.—The T. A. C. hockey team defeated Peterboro hockey team here last night by 9 to 7.

ATHLETICS.

BOXING MATCH AT TORONTO.

Toronto, Jan. 25.—There was a large audience at the Auditorium Saturday night to witness the boxing match between Tommy Dixon, of Rochester, and Eddie Santry, of Chicago, for twenty rounds. Dixon fought very hard and showed great pluck, but was clearly outclassed, though neither man was much the worse for the tussle when it was over. During the last few rounds the big fellow pushed Dixon all over the ring, but Dixon was smart and dapper, and he saved himself by clinches. The referee gave the decision to Santry at the end of the 20th round. The contest was under the auspices of the Toronto Rowing Club, and was won on points.

WHEEL.

LOUGHEAD HAS RETIRED.

Toronto, Jan. 25.—Fred Loughead, of Sarnia, the champion bicycle rider of America, is in the city. He will not ride this year, having gone into partnership with his father. During the past season, although he rode only a few races, he won purses aggregating over $3,000 in value.

SPOKES.

A man who has been identified with the cycle trade for ten years dares predict that unless prices do go up again, and unless the makers return to their former methods of advertising and selling, the entire trade will be disrupted and the industry of bicycle manufacture will disappear from America.

Bike makers are giving some attention to the idea of giving increased rigidity to tandems, and it is expected the frames will be much better stayed than in former years. Tubing will doubtless be arranged to strengthen the frame in order to facilitate comfortable riding when riders are of different sizes and weights.

President Potter requests that wheelmen everywhere send him the name of any transportation company that imposes unjust charges for carrying cyclists, or in other ways is oppressive to riders. Assemblyman Armstrong, father of the bicycle baggage law in New York, has had a conference with President Potter, and will very shortly introduce some new legislative measures, amending present laws, such as will furnish suggestions to wheelmen all over the country.

THE TURF

MRS. LANGTRY'S NEW HORSE.

London, Jan. 25.—Mrs. Langtry pays 5,000 guineas and a share of his winnings for the 3-year-old Australian Aurum, and takes a share in his winnings up to the time he leaves Australia. Aurum is by Trenton, who is now in the stud in England. He won two races in a day at the Melbourne cup meeting, and ran the last mile of a mile and a quarter faster than 1:40, and the last half faster than 50 seconds. For the Caulfield Futurity stakes of 3,000 sovereigns to be run over 7 furlongs next month, Aurum is handicapped at 149 pounds.

TIPS.

Joe Scherrer will not ride for J. E. Seagram this year, but will probably come east with W. A. Porter. It has been stated at New Orleans that Tommy Murphy may ride for Seagram.

A bill to legalize racing has been introduced in the Illinois Legislature. If passed, the state will receive 5 per cent of the admission fees taken in. Foreign books are prohibited.

Appalling Ignorance

Concerning Consumption Exists Amongst the Masses.

Important measures have been taken by all great cities of the world for the stamping out of this disease. My friends, these measures are preventive measures. Science demonstrates that consumption, though the most fatal of human maladies, is preventable. Let me prove the value of preventive measures by citing the cases of Arthur D—— and Geo. K—— chums, who, off snow-shoeing, were caught in a blizzard and contracted severe colds. Arthur was tall, of slender phisique; George stalwart and robust, and of a happy-go-lucky temperament. Arthur took preventive measures as soon as he reached home, going immediately to bed, with plenty of blankets on, and taking Shiloh's Cough and Consumption Cure. The next evening George was stricken down with pneumonia. Instead of caring for himself, George had gone the same evening to a dance,—his last, for he never recovered from the pneumonia. If you wish to live, keep your digestive system in order; dress and live hygienically, and, above all, nip every cold in the bud by faithfully using Shiloh's Cure, 25c., 50c., and $1.00 a bottle. This grand old medicine has prevented thousands of cases of incipient consumption from progressing to a fatal issue.

"THOUGHT MY HEAD WOULD BURST."

A Fredericton Lady's Terrible Suffering.

MRS. GEO. DOHERTY tells the following remarkable story of relief from suffering and restoration to health, which should clear away all doubts as to the efficacy of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills from the minds of the most skeptical:

"For several years I have been a constant sufferer from nervous headache, and the pain was so intense that sometimes I was almost crazy. I really thought that my head would burst. I consulted a number of physicians, and took many remedies, but without effect. I noticed Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills advertised, and as they seemed to suit my case, I got a box and began their use. Before taking them I was very weak and debilitated, and would sometimes wake out of my sleep with a distressed, smothering feeling, and I was frequently seized with agonizing pains in the region of the heart, and often could scarcely muster up courage to keep up the struggle for life. In this wretched condition Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills came to the rescue, and to-day I state, with gratitude, that I am vigorous and strong, and all this improvement is due to this wonderful remedy. I fully realize that these marvellous pills are not transitory in their action, but a permanent cure, for they have toned up my nervous system nourished my blood, and regulated the action of my heart, and restored my long lost health completely."

AN AURORA LETTER.

A Correspondent Approves Rev. F. Elliott, of Richmond Hill.

Dodd's Kidney Pills a Heaven-Sent Medicine—Their Work in Aurora—Cure Every Case of Bright's Disease, Diabetes, Heart Disease, Lumbago, Lame Back and All Other Kidney Diseases.

Aurora, Jan. 25.—Dear Sir: The article published a few days ago relating to the recovery of Rev. F. Elliott, of Richmond Hill, has been discussed at length in this town. It states facts similar to those of many cases here, all of which are well known to our citizens.

It is refreshing to find such a prominent and respected clergyman as Rev. Mr. Elliott taking so pronounced a step as he has done, in publicly recommending Dodd's Kidney Pills. His experience with this wonderful medicine is exactly similar to that of Aurora people. There is no medicine to be procured that can approach Dodd's Kidney Pills, which never fail to cure.

Bright's Disease and Diabetes, so long said to be incurable, are cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills as easily as a puff of wind blows out a candle flame. They have been used in this town by scores of people who were given up to die, by their doctors, and who surprised and delighted their friends by their rapid and thorough recovery, after having used these heaven-sent pills.

There is no medicine on earth that can compare with Dodd's Kidney Pills for Rheumatism, Lumbago, Lame Back, Heart Disease, Paralysis, Gout, Gravel, Stone in Bladder, Urinary Troubles, Blood Impurities, Female Weaknesses, and all other Kidney Diseases. The pills are simply infallible in these ailments.

It is the duty of every man to lighten the sufferings of his fellows as much as possible, and for that reason, I write this to proclaim to all victims of Bright's Disease, Diabetes, and any of the other Kidney Diseases I have named, that Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure them as certainly as night follows day, if they are given a chance.

All sufferers can get Dodd's Kidney Pills at any drug store. They cost only 50 cents a box, six boxes $2 50, on receipt of which price they will be sent by The Dodds Medicine Company, Limited, Toronto. Yours, etc.,

HUMANITY.

The average monthly cost of a pupil in the Philadelphia schools is $2 26, and elsewhere in the state about $1 22.

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

WESTERN ONTARIO.

At Point Edward the second oil well is down 90 feet.

There are in the Berlin orphanage at present fifteen children.

The surplus revenue of the St. Thomas waterworks department for 1897 amounts to $9,404 66.

Charles J. Brown, of Brigden, intends to start for the Klondike some time during the present month.

D. A. Kidd, M.D., of the village of Atwood, Perth, has been appointed by the Ontario Government an associate coroner.

Diphtheria is prevalent in Seaforth. Three rooms of the public school have been closed on account of so many having the disease.

James Fiddes, an old resident of Lambton county, died at Sarnia on Saturday, aged 69 years. He leaves a widow, son and daughter.

Rev. Mr. Young has resigned the pastorship of the Baptist Church at Palmyra, and the Rev. Mr. Prosser, of Ridgetown, will preach in his stead every Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m.

The funeral took place on Saturday of David Gunn Baxter, eldest son of Chief Dispatcher Baxter, of the Grand Trunk at Stratford. He gave evidence of a very useful and promising career.

The death occurred at Walkerville on Sunday of Mr. George J. Fox, formerly of Sweaborg, in his 32nd year. Deceased was an enthusiastic Ancient Forester, and was secretary of the court of that town, which he instituted.

There died at Gladswood Farm, Roxboro, Saturday, John Turnbull Dickson, aged 76. The deceased was a brother of the late Jas. Dickson, registrar at Goderich. He was a native of Jedburgh, Scotland.

A pleasant event took place at the residence of Wm. Ross, 9th line, East Zorra, when his daughter Nettie, organist of Burns' Church, was presented with a gold watch and chain on behalf of the congregation.

Mr. Wm. H. Cape, who has been for several years superintendent of the Dutton Methodist Sunday school, was pleasantly surprised last week by a number of his friends calling on him and presenting him with a handsome easy chair, and Mrs. Cape with a pair of beautiful vases.

A decision that affects a good many Windsor merchants was rendered in the exchequer court at Ottawa yesterday in the case of the Afer Light Company vs. Dreschel, for infringement of patent. Judgment was given for the Auer Company, and the interim injunction granted was maintained.

Andrew Crouch, the 18-year-old son of a prominent Sarnia merchant, crossed the river to Port Huron in a boat during a blinding snowstorm. He was captured after an exciting chase by customs officers, and found to have a sable cape wound around his body. He was jailed on a charge of smuggling.

A branch of the British and Foreign Bible Society has been organized in Sarnia, with the following officers: President, J. D. Beatty; vice-presidents, the town clergy; secretary, T. W. Nisbet; treasurer, Fred Watson; executive committee, T. F. Towers, A. C. Clark, R. Irwin, J. Dyble, C. Sanders, J. Wilkinson.

In accordance with instructions of the council, Victoria Hall, Petrolia, has been thoroughly examined by Messrs. J. & J. Kerr and Messrs. R. & J. Jackson, local contractors, who pronounced the opera house to be perfectly safe as far as its construction is concerned. A London architect will also be engaged to give his opinion.

Bathia Sarah Elliott, relict of the late Rev. Francis G. Elliott, of Windsor, died on Sunday morning after a protracted illness. The deceased was one of the best and most favorably known residents of Chatham. Mrs. Elliott was the eldest daughter of the late Sheriff Mercer, who died in February last, and was born in the year 1840. Two brothers survive the deceased. The brothers are Robert Mercer, governor of the county jail, and Harry Mercer, of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway, and a sister was the late Mrs. A. G. McWhinney, of London.

While Wm. Low, a milkman, living near Stratford, was returning home on Friday night, he was stopped about half a mile from his house by three men, and, at the point of a revolver, ordered to hand over his cash. The timely approach of a rig scared the men and they told Mr. Low to drive on. When the rig came they stopped it and demanded the driver, Mr. Nelson Monteith, warden of the county, to hand over his money. He gave them 35 cents, and, telling them it was all he had, drove off. He notified the Stratford police. The highwaymen did not search Mr. Monteith, and thus missed quite an amount in bills, which he did not give them.

Detroit Free Press: A very pretty home wedding was solemnized at 100 Columbia street east on Wednesday evening. The groom was Mr. Walter Ingersoll Mizner, and the bride Miss Agnes Roy. The ceremony was performed by Rev. James M. Barkley, pastor of the Forest Avenue Presbyterian Church, in the presence of a large company of guests. The bride, who was given away by her uncle, Mr. Charles Mackenzie, of Sarnia, Ont., wore a gown of white Irish poplin, trimmed with old lace, and carried a shower bouquet of bridal roses. She was attended by her cousin, Miss Ella Mackenzie, of Sarnia, Ont., as maid of honor, and by Misses Gertrude Stowe and Bessie Weber as bridesmaids, who were attired in gowns of white organdie over white silk, and carried white satin reticules filled with pink carnations. The groom was attended by Mr. Frank Weber as best man, and the ushers were Mr. Fred Livermore and Mr. Stewart Courtis. The house was beautifully decorated with a profusion of palms, smilax, roses and carnations. During the ceremony and throughout the evening music was discoursed upon the harp. Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mackenzie, the Misses Margaret, Grace, Charlotte and Mr. Malcolm Mackenzie, Miss Lulu Clark, of Sarnia, Ont., and Miss Bessie Clark, of Montreal, Que. The bride and groom left for a trip to New York city late in the evening. The presents received were numerous and beautiful.

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MIDDLESEX.

To the Editor: Dear Sir,—We see in the report of the open meeting that the Dorchester Debating Society came off victorious in the debate on "Woman Suffrage." Such is not the case. The judges both agreed that the affirmative (the Nilestown Council) won. The referee, who alone favored the negative, was not called upon by the judges to settle a single disputed point.

W. J. Spence..6 ..6 ..6 ..6 ..6 ..666

W. J. Spence.

Nilestown, Jan. 24.

The annual cheese meeting of the Belmont cheese factory was held in the Masonic hall Friday afternoon, with a good attendance of patrons. It was agreed to pay Mr. Evans $1 per cwt for making cheese for 1898. D. Taylor was reappointed secretary at $45. W. C. Forsythe was appointed auditor at $12 for the season. W. H. Odell was reappointed salesman at $50. Mr. Evans was granted $10 extra for elevating whey. W. Henry was engaged to haul the cheese to the C. P. R. station at 63 cents per 100 boxes. The following were appointed as the committee of management: J. Pettit, J. McNab, W. Harknes, J. J. Taylor and R. McPherson. During the past season $12,772 28 was divided among the patrons of the factory. About 88½ tons of cheese were manufactured, (and it took 10.84 pounds of milk to make a pound of cheese.

KOMOKA.

Komoka, Jan. 25.—The funeral service of the late D. McMurphy was conducted by the Rev. Messrs. Lindsay, of Ivan, and Sinclair, of Lobo, in the Presbyterian Church, this place.

Mr. H. W. Wellsman, of the second concession of Lobo township, has come out as licensed auctioneer for the county of Middlesex.

A number of the young people of this place gathered at the residence of Mr. C. George last Friday evening, and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

The Sacrement of the Lord's Supper will be dispensed in the Presbyterian Church, this place, the first Sabbath in February at 3 p.m.

Hauling square timber and stove wood is the order of the day here at present.

Mrs. W. Tilden is indisposed.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The failure of Mr. Richard Benney, Smith, a stock broker, was announced yesterday.

Mr. Frank C. Clarke, brother of E. F. Clarke, M.P., mail clerk on the G. T. R., died on Monday at Toronto from appendicitis, aged 36 years.

King Humbert has signed a decree reducing the customs tariff on cereals from 7½ to 5 lire until April 30. It will come into operation on Tuesday next.

Capt. Sam Richmond, the well-known pilot, who has been chief engineer of the Port Arthur fire department for the last five years, died at St. Joseph's Hospital, Port Arthur, Sunday night. He was operated on for appendicitis.

A Detroit dispatch says that in the Hockin case the jury acquitted the prisoner after being out for twelve hours. No further complaints on any of the assault cases of 1896 will be made against Hockin. This conclusion was reached at a long consultation between Prosecuting Attorney Frazer and Detective Sadler.

The Klondike Placer Mining and Development Company, of Windsor, will send a party of ten men to the Yukon in the spring in charge of G. A. Pounder, an experienced miner. N. A. Coste, of Malden, has been elected president of the company, Congressman S. W. Smith, of Pontiac, Mich., vice-president, and G. K. Prowse, secretary.

Diseases often lurk in the blood before they openly manifest themselves. Therefore keep the blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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THE QUEEN'S PHOTOGRAPHS.

How She Chats With the Artist During the Process

In an interview in the Windsor Magazine, J. Russell gives some details as to how royalty is photographed. Her majesty is invariably taken at Windsor.

"There is a special studio fitted up in the castle, but her majesty is not photographed there. She is generally taken in one of the drawing rooms, preferably the white drawing room."

"Do you suggest the pose, or does the Queen signify how she wishes to be taken?"

"She invariably leaves the arrangement to the photographer. Of course, one has to work very rapidly, and one endeavors to get as many plates as possible. But at the best of times a sitter may become fatigued, and therefore, in the case of her majesty, we make as little alteration in the various positions as we can. Sometimes she will suggest an alteration, such as having the lace cap removed and wearing a bonnet instead to give variety to the photographs."

"How many do you take at one sitting?"

"The last time I had two cameras, and took sixteen plates."

"Does her majesty enter into conversation with you on such occasions?"

"Oh, yes. The last time I was at Windsor I had some photographs with me that I had brought to show her, and she looked at them most interestedly and talked to me about them. On one occasion I was summoned to be at the castle at 3 o'clock to photograph the Queen. I waited in the room with everything ready till 4 o'clock before she came in. I thought nothing of this, however. Her majesty's time must be so fully occupied that the wonder is she can ever find a minute to spare for such ordinary matters as photographs. When at length she walked into the room, she said, 'I am so sorry to have kept you waiting.'"

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ART DENIMS, worth 20c and 25c, selling for 12½c and 15c yard.
FINE SILKALINE FANCY DRAPERY, worth 20c, for 12½c a yard.
LACE CURTAINS, worth 85c, for 65c a pair.
LACE CURTAINS, 3½ yards, worth $1, for 75c.
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LACE CURTAINS, 3½ yards, worth $1 50, for $1 25.
FINE CHENILLE CURTAINS, from $2 35 to $4 50.
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Our Whitewear Sale.

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Ald. Greenlees Questions Ald. Douglass on Frank Chrysler's Dismissal.

Says the Discharge Was Underhand and Illegal.

A Motion to Reinstate Chrysler Is Defeated.

Proceedings of the Second Meeting of the City Council.

White & Sons Ask Concessions — Intend Purchasing a Fingal Business —The Street Railway To Be "Compelled" to Improve Their Service—Nothing Said About a New City Hall.

Near the close of last night's session of the City Council, Ald. Greenlees arose and said he had a few questions to ask Ald. Douglass. He understood that one Frank Chrysler, who had occupied a very subordinate position in the service of the corporation, that of a street scraper, had been dismissed. He wished to know if such was the case.

Ald. Douglass—It is my intention to divide the work among all the laborers alike.

Ald. Greenless—Kindly answer my question?

The Mayor (to Ald. Douglass)—Ald. Greenlees asked the question whether Chrysler had been dismissed.

Ald. Douglass—He has been dismissed for a certain length of time. (Laughter.)

Ald. Greenlees—By whose authority has he been dismissed?

Ald. Douglass—By mine and the engineer's, I suppose. At least I asked the engineer to do it.

Ald. Greenlees—For what cause?

Ald. Douglass—Because I wanted to divide the work among all the men that have families. The man appointed has a family, and is just as much entitled to work as the other.

Ald. Greenlees—Has any other man been appointed to the position vacated by Chrysler?

Ald. Douglass—Yes.

Ald. Greenlees—His name?

Ald. Douglass—Harry Wallace.

Ald. Greenlees—Has Harry Wallace ever been in the service of the corporation before?

Ald. Douglass—Lots of times.

Ald. Greenlees—In what position?

Ald. Douglass—In different positions. He was sacked two or three years ago by some parties that you know well, and now he is reinstated.

Ald. Greenlees—Why was he sacked?

Ald. Douglass—I can't tell you exactly, but they had no reason that I know of.

Ald. Greenlees—If you can't tell me, then I will put a question or two to the city engineer.

Ald. Greenlees turned to the engineer and asked if Wallace was "sacked" when in the employ of the corporation.

The Engineer—He was discharged.

Ald. Greenlees—What was the reason?

The Engineer—It was by the direction of No. 2 committee.

Ald. Greenlees—What was the particular offense for which he was discharged?

The Engineer—I don't know that there was any particular charge against him at the time. There had been in previous years complaints against him of being abusive to the ratepayers.

Ald. Greenlees, seconded by Ald. McCallum, moved "that Frank Chrysler be reinstated in the position of street cleaner, from which he was lately dismissed."

AN ACT OF TYRANNY.

In speaking to the motion Ald. Greenlees said: "There are several reasons why this man should be reinstated. In the first place, I claim that he has been irregularly dismissed from the service of the corporation. I deny the right of the chairman of No. 2 committee to dismiss or employ servants of this corporation. Mr. Mayor, I can tell you that this matter has never come before No. 2 committee. I was received in this committee with a great show of affection on the part of some of the gentlemen here on No. 2. They wanted me very badly, though I entreated them to leave me off and put me on No. 1. If they were so affectionate to me why did they not treat me

WITH COMMON COURTESY?

Why did they not ask me what I thought of the dismissal of a man from a position like this? I say that Ald. Douglass had no right to dismiss this man. He did it in an

UNDERHAND AND ILLEGAL

way. In the next place, there was no charge against this man. He was a poor man, doing his duty, and I claim that so long as a man does his duty in the position in which he is placed he should retain that position—I don't care whether he is a street cleaner or occupies a higher place. I hold that it is an act of tyranny to displace and

TURN OUT ANY POOR MAN

and deprive him of his bread and butter without cause. I don't care what his politics are—a man has the right to believe as he likes. I would not so decapitate without reason the humbiest employe, no matter how red-hot a Conservative he was. On the principle of common justice a wrong has been done to that man Chrysler. I do not know him, but in all fairness he should be reinstated.

THE DISMISSAL CONDONED.

Ald. Greenlees' motion was lost on the following division (Ald. Hunt being absent):

Yeas—Ald. Belton, O'Meara, Stevely, Nutkins, Gerry, McCallum and Greenless.

Nays—Ald. Taylor, McPhillips, Douglass, Jolly, Carrothers, Graham, Winnett, Cooper, Dreaney and Wilkey.

REMOVING TO LONDON.

Messrs. George White & Sons' Company (Limited), of this city, wrote, stating that they intended purchasing the business of Macpherson & Co., Fingal, and desired to remove it to London. This would double their staff of workmen, increase the size of the premises, and entail a large investment. The Messrs. Macpherson, the letter continued, had been offered large inducements to go elsewhere, and they (White & Sons) would have to pay a large amount for their goodwill. They (White & Sons) asked the same concessions as if Macpheron & Co. had moved their buiness to London.

On Ald. McCallum's motion the letter was referred to No. 1 committee, to call a special meeting this week to discuss the matter with the Messrs. White.

NUMBER THREE COMMITTEE.

Ald. Taylor read the report of No. 3 committee, which was unimportant. W. Gurd & Co. were given the contract for 1,200 dog tags for $13.

THE BOARD OF WORKS.

Ald. Douglass read the report of the board of works. The first clause released Mrs. Crawford Beckett from the contract awarded to her late husband for the sewer on Princess avenue, and the next lowest tender, that of Harding & Leathorn, was accepted at $555, and for side drains 23 cents a foot. Harding & Leathorn were also given the contract at 23 cents a foot to construct side drains on John street sewer, formerly awarded to Crawford Beckett.

The engineer was empowered to spend $300 for a transit and other office instruments, to replace those destroyed in the disaster.

THE STREET CAR SERVICE.

City Engineer Graydon was empowered to take necessary steps to compel the street railway to improve their service on Dundas street east into the city.

The bylaw providing for the construction of all branch drains by city workmen was filed.

The last clause recommended that tenders be advertised for stone, to be delivered on the site of the stone crusher, to be broken by the crusher.

Ald. Cooper, seconded by Ald. Graham, moved that 300 cords of stone be procured, to be broken by hand, in addition to that broken by the crusher. He said the amount spent would be saved in charity.

Ald. Carrothers said it would cost $2,100 to break 300 cords by hand, and $1,125 to break the same quantity by the crusher. It would provide just as much work to break 600 cords by steam as 300 by hand, and the cost would be the same.

The original clause passed.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Ald. Winnett presented No. 1 committee's report. He reported that he had the solicitor's receipt for $3,953 50, being the amount paid for the Norton & Learn properties for sewage purposes. The deeds had not yet been received. An account from T. G. Meredith, city solicitor, for $1,639 68, was approved.

The rest of the report referred chiefly to minor tax petitions. No. 1 committee was appointed to receive the report of the auditors as to the proportion of the county debt to be assumed by the city in consequence of the annexation of West London.

MOTIONS AND BYLAWS.

On Ald. Taylor's motion, Dr. Cl. T. Campbell and Robert Pritchard were appointed to represent the council on the sewerage committee.

The hospital bylaw was again shunted over to another meeting.

The aldermen of No. 5 ward and the city engineer were appointed to examine the East End hall and report on its safety.

COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Mrs. Shuttleworth — Asking for a grant to Protestant Orphans' Home. No. 1.

Mrs. S. Cartledge, et al.—For remission of personal property tax. No. 1.

W. H. Bartram (for R. Hammond, West London), asking remission of taxes claimed to have been imposed by mistake. No. 1.

J. L. Goodbourne, et al.—Requesting that a bylaw be passed to have the label of the London Typographical Union on city printing. No. 1.

Wm. Payne, et al.—For sewer on Duchess avenue, between Wortley road and Edward street. No. 2.

D. McDonald, et al.—For fire alarm box, corner Grosvenor and William streets. No. 3.

George W. Fraser, asking position as electrical expert in the event of the city installing an electric light plant. No. 3.

Jerry Collins, account of $5, for use of hall in West London. Ordered to be paid.

Henry Haylock—For admission to Home for Incurables. Referred to the mayor and inspector.

J. Saunders—Asking the council to appoint two representatives to the Children's Aid Society board of management. Ald. Graham and Ald. Jolly were appointed.

A. Geiger—For copy of London directory for 1898, for Brockville free library. No. 1.

John Mullin, city wood clerk—For enforcement of bylaw re measuring wood. Ald. Nutkins and Ald. Carrothers advocated its enforcement by the police. The matter was referred to the chairman of No. 3, with instructions to see that the bylaw was enforced.

All the members were present excepting Ald. Hunt.

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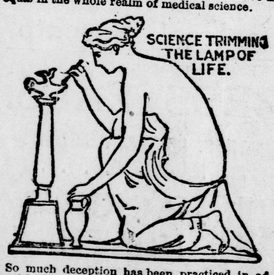

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The result proves how much reliance can be put on Opposition claims that demoralization has seized the Liberal party, and that the people but wait a chance to reverse their verdict of June 23, 1896. Here was a division of the historic city in which, according to the veracious newspaper correspondents, the Government forces have for months been hopelessly divided, yet the moment a vacancy is caused, and an opportunity is presented for a contest, the Opposition forces are nowhere, while the supporters of the Government go forward united to victory.

Quebec Center is no exception to the general rule. There have now been 28 bye-elections for the Dominion since the general contest of June 23, 1896, and in 26 of these the Liberals were victorious. The contests were confined to no one province, but have been held in Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Manitoba and the Northwest.

There is no recession from the position taken up by the country eighteen months ago, and there are many indications that the people of Ontario will also stand fast for the best government which this province has ever possessed when the day of polling arrives.

This is indeed a Liberal era.

Sir Charles Tupper keeps on telling those who listen to him that the Laurier Administration is the most unpopular of the age, while the electors, at every opportunity, continue to give it their support by their votes. The latest instance is Quebec Center, where no Conservatie candidate was put up, and the Liberal was returned by acclamation.

Greater Britain and France.

Sir Charles Dilke is a British statesman who has traveled much, and is therefore in a position to take a wide view of the trend of events. His recent article in the Revue de Paris is a notable comment upon passages in a recent book by M. Pierre Leroy Beaulieu. It is a luminous compendium of the British imperial situation at the end of the 60th year of the Victorian era, and an appendix to that "Greater Britain" which was the prophetic expression of this far-seeing writer nearly 30 years ago. Sir Charles Dilke begins by reminding France that, whether rightly or wrongly, she stands after Greater Britain as the chief among the European powers who have made great sacrifices to found an empire beyond the seas. The question then remains whether France is still to be imitative, or whether the conviction gains ground that the British Colonial Empire has only given her a trifling increase of strength. The writer at once proves that the military force represented in view of war is incontestable, though at present the war organization is wanting. On the other hand, the British fleet is the real safeguard of the much-talked-of diffuseness of the empire against any probable adversary. Australia and New Zealand would probably be in a position to attack whilst this maritime supremacy is assured. In other words, the naval basis of Great Britain is amply safeguarded. Sir Charles Dilke is convinced that the best colonies are those that cost little or nothing. In support of this he might have instanced the Dominion of Canada, which, while it costs the empire little expenditure of public money, has done a great deal for the consolidation of British interests. Canada, for example, has built a transcontinental railway, at her own expense, which is invaluable as an alternate route to the east. She has built and maintained the intercolonial railway, as a cementing agency for British interests on this continent. In her own interests, as well as contributing to the naval supremacy of Great Britain, it may be possible for Canada to do something more without imposing undue burdens on the people. The reasonable fortification of our seaboard cities has been spoken of as one means of doing our fair share towards helping the Motherland in preserving the interests in which all parts of the empire are concerned. But the details must be left to our rulers.

The unity of the British Empire, Sir Charles Dilke holds, is preserved by its contiguity, and by a robust sentiment which is far above all theories of federation. A British "zollverein," he says, is not contemplated. The present ideal must be a defensive and close union of Great Britain, founded on freely contracted engagements. The passages referring to the prodigious diversity of the British colonies when compared to the wooden and too similar groups of half-banished citizens from Germany and France, will, a Paris correspondent informs us, be highly instructive to the militant colonials of both countries. The writer is replying to M. Leroy Beaulieu, who is a traveled observer. He is so overwhelmed by his vast subject that he declares that a volume would be required to develop it. But his rejoinder, of which we have given a brief summary, ought to somewhat open the eyes of those hotheads who think that there is no cohesion in the empire of which we form a part, and that possession of unpeopled colonies, such as France holds, brings the republic up to the level of Greater Britain.

Premier Hardy is a native of Mount Pleasant, Brant county. That pretty rural village has cause to be proud of its able son.

The San Jose Scale.

With the threatened destruction by the terrible San Jose scale of the pleasant prospect of Ontario fruit—apples, peaches, plums, pears and grapes—gaining a market in the British Isles and other European countries, and even rivaling the value of the cheese product of the Province, the prompt and vigorous measures to fight this insect invader taken by the Hon. John Dryden, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, are other evidences, if that were needed, of the wisdom which marked the selection by Sir Oliver Mowat when Premier of the Government, to which he is now her Majesty's representative, of a practical farmer as the responsible head of a department having to do with the greatest industry in the country.

Under authority conferred by the Legislature, the Minister of Agriculture already has inspectors at work in the nurseries and orchards of the districts where the scale has got a start, and it is being thoroughly stamped out. How serious a matter dealing with this dangerous microscopical pest is may be understood when it is learned that not only all kinds of fruit trees, shrubs and bushes are subject to destruction by the scale, but all hard wood growths in our forests as well may be ruined. The enormous loss suffered in the seventeen states of the neighboring republic, where the scale is ravaging, is but a measure of what this Province will escape by the Government's admirable action.

Appropriate in this connection is the following extract from an interview with Mr. Albert Pay, proprietor of the Prospect Hill fruit farm, near St. Catharines, Ont.: "My politics are opposed to the Government of Ontario," said Mr. Pay, "but I must say that in Mr. Dryden the present administration has a most competent man. When he asked me to come to Toronto to look over his bill, I, and those with me, expected to find that we were necessary to the perfection of that bill. But we were not. The bill had been drafted, and was submitted to us for our approval. We found the ground fully covered and instead, of teaching the Minister how to preserve the fruit, we found ourselves listening to Mr. Dryden's plans. It would be impossible to find a more capable Minister of Agriculture in the Province. We were delighted with him.

"It is the Government's intention," continued Mr. Pay, "to destroy, or cause to be destroyed, every fruit tree that is known to be infected with the San Jose scale. It is believed that the pest was brought into Canada from United States nurseries, and it has become so fatal to the fruit trees that extreme measures are necessary. The bill provides for compensation to an amount which will enable the grower to replace the trees without expense to himself, and the penalty for neglecting to destroy infected trees is such as to induce every owner of an orchard to see that the law is carried out. When the infected trees are destroyed we can then start over again under a new law providing for the rigid inspection of all imported nursery stock and the exclusion of trees affected by the scale."

In past election contests, seats have been lost to the Government through over-confidence. It is no comfort to anyone, after election day, to sit down and count how victory could have been achieved if reasonable forethought had been exercised. Nowhere should the Liberals be over-confident. We know it is a failing they have, but it can easily be avoided.

HAS NO DEBT.

[Brantford Expositor.]

The Ontario government is the only government on this continent, whose name appears in the Dominion Year Book without a dollar of debt against it. A government with such a record is worth keeping in power.

A CONSPICUOUS PRECEDENT.

[Chicago Daily Tribune.]

"Shiftless as ever, Thomas?" said the wealthy uncle. "Still making a failure of life, as you always have done?"

"I don't know that I'm such a terrible failure," sulkily answered the poor relation.

"Why, you have nobody but yourself to support, and you can't make both ends meet."

"Well, the rainbow has only itself to support, and it doesn't make both ends meet, either."

FELL FIFTY FEET.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Jan. 25.—A man named W. J. Oliver, a patternmaker at the pulp mills on this side, was at the American Sault on Thursday night attending a religious service. He left for home between ten and eleven o'clock, and probably in trying a short-cut, fell over the old Michigan Canal bank, a distance of 50 feet into the lock chamber. His body was found crushed beyond recognition. He leaves a wife and family at Carleton Place.

A DINNER PILL.—Many persons suffer excruciating agony after partaking of a hearty dinner. The food partaken of is like a ball of lead upon the stomach, and instead of being a healthy nutriment, it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are wonderful correctives of such troubles. They correct acidity, open the secretions, and convey the food partaken of into healthy nutriment. They are just the medicine to take if troubled with indigestion.

Faster Than the Wind

Lightning Trip Between Jersey City and Philadelphia.

Scheme to Cover the Distance by Electric Railway in an Hour.

New York, Jan. 25.—The Journal and Advertiser today says: "One hour to Philadelphia on an electric railroad from Jersey City is the latest project of the Central Railroad of New Jersey. The controling stockholders of the Jersey Central will furnish the bulk of the capital for the new venture, and the Jersey Central tracks will be used the greater part of the way. The road will be extended over the meadows of Newark, and by the use of the Jersey Central tracks part of the way, and new tracks where a shorter route can be built, the line will be extended through Trenton to Philadelphia. The third-rail Watkins alternating system will be used, whereby a speed of more than 80 miles an hour can be attained. The principal difficulty with the electric third-rail system along surface roads lies in the danger to life from the highly charged electric rail. This difficulty has been overcome by a late improvement, which leaves the rail charged with electricity only when the car is passing over it. This invention also permits the power to be utilized for 300 miles instead of 15 miles as heretofore.

A BAD METHODIST.

President McKinley Taken to Task by a Delaware Minister.

Wilmington, Jan. 25.—Rev. Ralph T. Coursey, of Harrison M. E. Church, in his sermon referred to the use of wine at a recent state dinner given by President McKinley.

He said that the sinner in high position is often not brought to task, while the sinner in the humble position is brought under discipline. That is not in accord with the rules of the Methodist Church. It is a greater sin, he said, and a greater violation of the rules of the Methodist Church for President McKinley to drink wine at a state dinner than for the poorest mechanic in the church to drink it at his humble table.

"The president, if he is a good Methodist," said Mr. Coursey, "should set the example for all Methodists, but he has not. The discipline of the Methodist Church must be lived up to, and if President McKinley does not live up to it, he should get out of the church."

A HARD MASTER.

Richard Croker's Brother Starts a Far-Reaching Strike.

New York, Jan. 25.—The action of Richard Croker's brother, manager of the Cork and South Coast Railway, in arbitrarily dismissing a signalman, has provoked a strike which threatens to spread throughout all Irish railways, says the Dublin correspondent of the World.

The men allege the signalman was dismissed solely because he had taken a prominent part recently in laying their grievances before Manager Croker. They went on a strike at an hour's notice. The employes of other Irish railways have given notice that they will strike rather than handle any goods coming by Croker's road, unless the signalman is reinstated.

Manager Croker is noted among Irish railroad men as the hardest and most domineering of taskmasters. He is always in more or less trouble with his men.

TWENTY STABLES BURNED.

Destructive Blaze in the West York Exhibition Grounds.

Woodbridge, Ont., Jan. 25.—Fire yesterday destroyed twenty of the stables belonging to the West York and Vaughan Agricultural Society, and the large poultry house and banquet hall erected last year narrowly escaped destruction. The fire was discovered at 9:15, and in 30 minutes the whole of the stables were burned to the ground. There was no water near at hand, and the fire engine could not be used. A bucket brigade was formed, however, which poured water into the large hall which adjoins the stables, and, although it had caught fire several times they succeeded in saving the building. It is not known how the fire originated.

DEAD IN HIS BARN

Sherbrooke, Que., Jan. 25.—The Rev. H. C. Burrage, retired Anglican clergyman, recently residing at Hatley, was yesterday found dead in his barn.

Fred Bale, until recently city agent of the Grand Trunk Railway, died here on Saturday night.

NOT LONG PARTED.

Chatham, Jan. 25.—A very sudden death was that of Moses Bechard, one of the best-known residents of Dover, residing on con. 6. The late gentleman's wife was buried Sunday, and the blow was too much for him. He took sick two hours before his wife's funeral and did not recover.

SUDDEN DEATH.

Hamilton, Jan. 25.—On Saturday afternoon Jeremiah Donovan, a molder, died very suddenly at the Delmonico Hotel, John street, where he boarded. He left the hotel in the morning and returned shortly after noon, under the influence of liquor, and lay down to sleep near the closet of the cellar. He was carried upstairs and made comfortable. About an hour later Mr. A. Daly, the proprietor, went and looked at him, and discovered that he was dead. Dr. Balfe expressed the opinion that apoplexy was the cause of death. Coroner Woolverton deemed an inquest necessary, however. Deceased was about 55 years of age and was a very industrious man. His wife and daughter died some years ago.

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In the Silk and Dress Goods Sections

We're doing wonderful things these days, and we have some great surprises for this week. One, for instance, is a

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The season's accumulation of ends suitable for Waists, Skirts and Dresses. These remnants will be placed on a table and sold at less than half price. IT'S A SNAP. Elegant Blouse Silks, an advance shipment, selling at 25c a yard. Newest goods for spring.

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White Piques and Ducks at 12½c.
Swiss Spot Muslins at 12½c.
Beautiful Fancy Spots at 15c.
New Lappet Muslins, 12½c to 20c.
Elegant Organdies, 20c, 25c and 35c.
Fine Cambric Prints, light and dark, new designs, worth 12½c; for 9c.
Dress Ginghams, Checks and Stripes, 8c.
Special value in White Cottons, 6c, 7c, 8c and 9c.
Special value in Gray Cottons, 3½c, 4c and 5c.
Fine Lonsdale Cambric, worth 12½c, at 10c.
Fine English White Cottons, 10c to 15c.
36-Inch Fine White Irish Linen, 25c.

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Local Market.

[Reported by A. M. Hamilton & Son.]

London, Tuesday, Jan. 25.

Wheat, white fall, per bu...82½c to 84c
Wheat, red fall, per bu.....82½c to 84c
Wheat, spring, per bu.....82½c to 84c
Oats, per bu.. ....25½c to 25¾c
Peas, per bu .....51c to 54c
Corn, per bu.....34c to 36c
Barley, per bu..... .....29c to 31c
Rye, per bu.....35½c to 36½c
Buckwheat, per bu .....35c to 38½c
Beans, per bu .....30c to 60c

The bulk of today's receipts were wheat, oats, hay, butter and eggs.

Prices ruled much the same as on Saturday, oats showing a little weakness.

Hay sales were slow. At going to press 20 loads remained unsold.

The following list of prices shows the latest values in the leading lines:

GRAIN.			
Wheat white, fall, per 100 lbs...	1 38	to	1 40
Wheat, red, fall, per 100 lbs.....	1 38	to	1 40
Wheat spring, per 100 lbs.....	1 38	to	1 40
Wheat, new.....	1 35	to	1 40
Oats per 100 lbs.....	77	to	80
Peas, per 100 lbs.....	75	to	80
Corn, per 100 lbs	60	to	70
Barley, per 100 lbs.....	60	to	60
Rye, per 100 lbs.....	60	to	65
Beans, per bu.....	30	to	60
Buckwheat, per 100 lbs.....	75	to	80
PROVISIONS.			
Honey, comb.....	9	to	11
Honey, extracted.....	7	to	10
Cheese, per lb., wholesale.....	8	to	10
Eggs, single dozen.....	22	to	25
Eggs, fresh, basket, per doz.....	22	to	25
Eggs, fresh, store lots, per doz...	18	to	15
Butter, per lb., retail.....	18	to	20
Butter, per 1 lb. rolls, baskets..	16	to	18
Butter, per lb., large rolls or crocks.....	15	to	17
Butter, per lb., tubs or firkins..	10	to	14
Lard, per lb.....	7½	to	10
Chickens, per pair.....	45	to	65
Ducks, per pair.....	60	to	70
Geese, per lb.....	7	to	9
	6	to	8
LIVE STOCK.			
Young pigs, per pair.....	3 00	to	5 50
Cows each.....	20 00	to	38 00
Beef, per pound.....	2½	to	3½
Hogs per 100 lbs.....	4 65	to	4 75
Sows, per 100 lbs.....	3 50	to	3 50
Chickens, per pair.....	45	to	65
Hens, per pair.....	30	to	35
Ducks, per pair.....	25	to	40
HAY AND SEED.			
Hay, per ton.....	5 00	to	7 00
Straw, per load.....	2 00	to	3 00
Timothy seed, per bushel.....	0 60	to	0 00
Clover Seed, red, per bu.....	3 00	to	3 10
Clover Seed, Alsike, per bu.....	3 00	to	4 00
VEGETABLES AND FRUIT.			
Apples, per bag.....	75	to	1 25
Apples, per bbl.....	2 50	to	2 75
Celery, per doz. bunches.....	23	to	30
Carrots, per bushel.....	1½	to	20
Potatoes, per bag.....	75	to	85
Pumpkins, per dozen.....	40	to	75
Parsnips, bu.....	20	to	30
Turnips, per bag.....	25	to	25
Cabbage, per doz.....	25	to	40
Onions, per bushel.....	1 00	to	1 25
MEAT, HIDES, ETC.			
Beef, quarters, per lb.....	4	to	6
Mutton, quarters, per lb.....	6	to	7
Veal, quarters, per lb.....		to	8
Lamb, quarter.....	8	to	9
Dressed hogs, 100 lbs.....	6 00	to	6 25
Hides, No. 1 per lb.....	7½	to	7½
Hides, No. 2, per lb.....	6½	to	6½
Hides, No. 3, per lb.....	5½	to	5½
Calfskins, green.....	6	to	7
Calfskins, dry, each.....	4	to	
Sheepskins, each.....	00	to	65
Lambskins, each.....	55	to	55
Pelts.....	55	to	55
Wool, per lb.....	20	to	23
Wool, unwashed, per lb.....	10	to	11
Tallow, rendered, per lb.....	2	to	0
Tallow, rough, per lb.....	1	to	1

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The Oil Market.

PETROLIA, Jan. 25.—Oil opened and closed at $1 40.

American Markets.

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat—No. 2 Jan., 95c; May 95¾c; July, 84¾c to 85c. Corn—No. 2, Jan., 27½c; May, 29c; July, 30c. Oats—No. 2 May, 23½c; July, 22½c. Mess pork—Jan., $9 75; May, $9 90. Lard—Jan., $4 75; May, $4 85; July, $4 95. Short ribs—Jan., $4 85; May, $4 90. Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, quiet; No. 2 spring wheat, 88½c to 89c; No. 3 spring, white, 89c; No. 2 corn 27c to 27½c; No. 3 oats, white, f. o. b., 24½c; No. 2 rye, 44½c; No. 2 barley, 37½c to 41c; No. 1 flaxseed, $1 27 to $1 30; prime timothy seed, $2 70; mess pork, $9 75 to $9 80; lard, $4 75 to $4 77½; short rib sides, $4 72½ to $5; dry salted shoulders, 4½c; short clear sides, $4 85 to $5 10; sugar, unchanged; eggs, steady, fresh, 16c.

Receipts—

Flour.....	4,000	Wheat.....	20,000
Corn.....	259,000	Oats.....	231,000
Rye.....	13,000	Barley.....	37,000

Shipments—

Flour.....	8,000	Wheat.....	11,000
Corn.....	231,000	Oats.....	113,000
Rye.....		Barley.....	27,000

CHICAGO, Jan. 25—Opening—Wheat, May, 93½c; July, 84½c. Corn, 29½c; July, 29½c. Oats, May, 23½c; July, 22½c. Pork, May, $9 85. Lard, May, $4 85; July, $4 95. Ribs, May, $4 87½.

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English Markets.

RULING PRICES FOR THE PAST FOUR DAYS.

The following table shows the quotations per cental at Liverpool for the three previous market days. In the case of wheat highest prices are given:

	Jan. 20		Jan. 21		Jan. 22		Jan. 24	
	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
WHEAT—								
No. 1 nor. spring....	7	8½	7	9½	7	9½	7	10
No. 1 Cal.....	7	11	7	11	7	11	7	11
March.....	7	4½	7	5½	7	5½	7	6½
May.....	7	1½	7	2½	7	2½	7	4
July.....	6	10½	7	9	7	0½	7	1½
CORN—								
Spot.....	3	5½	3	5½	3	5½	3	5½
Jan.....	3	4½	3	5	3	4½	3	5
Feb.....	3	2½	3	3	3	3½	3	3½
March.....	3	2½	3	2½	3	2½	3	2½
May.....	3	1½	3	1½	3	2	0	0
July.....	3	1½	3	1½	3	2	0	0
Flour.....	25	0	25	0	25	0	0	0
Peas.....	5	2½	5	3	5	3	5	3
Pork.....	47	6	47	6	47	6	47	6
Lard.....	25	3	25	3	25	3	25	3
Tallow.....	19	0	19	0	19	0	0	0
Bacon, light.....	28	0	28	0	27	6	27	6
Cheese, both.....	43	6	43	6	43	0	43	0

Liverpool, Jan. 25, 12:50 p.m.

Wheat—Spot firm; No. 1 Cal., 7s 10½d to 7s 11d; No. 2 red western winter, 7s 10½d; No. 1 red northern spring, 7s 11d.

Corn—Spot steady; demand moderate; American mixed, new, 3s 5½d; do old, 3s 6½d; Jan. and Feb., 3s 2½d.

Peas—Canadian, 5s 3d.

Beef—Extra India mess, 66s 3d; prime mess, 56s 3d.

Pork—Prime mess, fine western, 47s 6d.

Bacon—Long clear heavy, 40 to 45 lbs., 27s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs., 28s 6d; long clear light, 35 to 38 lbs., 28s 6d.

Lard—Prime western, 25s 6d.

Butter—Finest United States fine good 60s

Cheese—American finest white and colored 55s.

Tallow—Fine, American, city, 19s.

Turpentine—Spirits, 24s 6d.

Resin, common—4s 1½d.

Petroleum—Refined, 6½d.

Linseed oil—16s.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

New York, Jan. 24.—The statement of the visible supply of grain in store and afloat, Saturday, Jan. 22, as compiled by the New York produce exchange is as follows: Wheat, 37,153,000 bushels, a decrease of 696,000 bushels; corn, 41,789,000 bushels, an increase of 655,000 bushels; oats, 14,540,000 bushels, a decrease of 522,000 bushels; rye, 4,002,000 bushels, a decrease of 149,000 bushels; barley, 3,161,000 bushels, a decrease of 421,000 bushels.

Montreal, Que., Jan. 24.—Stocks of grain in store here this morning: Wheat, 102,288 bushels; corn, 62,189 bushels; peas, 150,797 bushels; oats, 543,760 bushels; barley, 26,601 bushels; rye, 32,382 bushels; flour, 15,887 bushels; buckwheat, 28,619 bushels; oatmeal, 223 bushels.

Live Stock Markets.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Beeves—Receipts, 2,942 head, 33 cars on sale; active and generally stronger; native steers, $4 40 to $5 10. Calves—Receipts, 750 head; 661 head on sale; active for all sorts; veals, $5 to $8 50; grassers, $3 to $5 50; city dressed veals firm, at 10c to 12c per lb. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 10,322 head; 38 cars on sale; quiet and prices firm all around; sheep, $2 50 to $4 87½; lambs, $5 50 to $6 30; dressed mutton, 7c to 8c per lb; dressed lambs, 7½c to 9c. Hogs—Receipts, 13,703 head; firm, at $4 to $4 30.

EAST BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 135 cars; good demand for all desirable grades, and prices steady to strong; good to choice fat shipping steers, $4 75 to $4 85; coarse rough steers, $3 75 to $4 50; light steers, $4 30 to $4 40; choice to smooth fat heifers, $4 25 to $4 50; mixed butchers' stock, $3 60 to $4; good smooth butchers' cows, $3 60 to $3 90. Hogs—Receipts, 135 cars; good demand for all grades and prices strong to 5c higher; good to choice Yorkers, $3 90 to $3 92½; mixed packers' grades, $3 90 to $3 95; medium weights, $3 90 to $3 95; heavy hogs, $3 90 to $3 95; roughs, $3 30 to $3 40; stags, $2 80 to $3; pigs, $3 25 to $3 95. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 81 cars; fair demand for both kinds and prices steady; lambs, yearlings, choice to prime, $5 to $5 25; fair to good, $4 50 to $4 75; natives, choice to extra, $5 85 to $5 90; fair to good, $5 50 to $5 80; culls, $4 75 to $5 40; sheep, natives, choice to selected wethers, $4 65 to $4 90; mixed sheep, $4 35 to $4 65; culls, $3 to $3 75.

MONTREAL, Jan. 24.—Flour—Receipts, 800 bbls; market steady; patent winter, $4 60 to $4 80; do, spring $5 to $5 25; straight roller, $4 20 to $4 30; extra, $3 70 to $3 80; superfine, $3 30 to $3 50; strong bakers' $4 60 to $4 90; Ontario bags, $1 90 to $2 10. Wheat—No. 2 Manitoba hard, 97c to 98c. Corn—36c to 38c. Peas—53c to 55c. Oats—28c to 29c. Barley—35c to 37. Rye—51c to 52c. Buckwheat—35c to 37c. Oatmeal—$1 60 to $1 70. Cornmeal—80c to 90c. Pork—$15 to $16. Lard—6c to 7c. Bacon—11c to 13c. Hams—10c to 12c. Cheese—8c to 9c. Butter—Townships, 16c to 18c; western, 14c to 16c. Eggs—13c to 16c.

MONTREAL, Jan. 24.—There were about 650 head of butchers' cattle, 30 calves and 100 sheep and lambs offered for sale at the East End Abattoir today. The butchers were slow in coming out, each seemingly waiting for the others to break the roads. Several droves of cattle, as well as nearly all sheep and calves were also late in reaching the market. There were no really choice beeves on the market today; but there were a larger proportion of fair to good animals than usual, and these brought lower prices than on last Thursday. The best cattle sold at about 4¼c per lb; pretty good stock at from 3¾c to 3⅞c per lb. Common dry cows went at from 2c to 3c per lb; calves, from a few days old up to a few weeks old at from $2 to $8 each. Older calves sold at from $8 to $11 each. Sheep sold at from 3¼c to 3½c per lb, and lambs at from 4½c to 5c per lb. Fat hogs sold at 5c to 5½c per lb.

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—Cattle—Prices as a rule were steady; the better class of beeves slightly better; sales on a basis of $3 80 to $4 25 for poor droves, up to $4 75 to $5 27 for export cattle; bulk of cattle went for $4 25 to $5, and prime to fancy beeves salable at $5 20 to $5 50; stockers and feeders, $3 25 to $4 45; calves, $5 to $6 25 for better grades. Hogs—Coarse heavy packers, $3 55 to $3 70, and prime heavy shipping lots, $3 85, a larger part of the day's sales being at $3 75 to $3 82½; pigs, largely at $3 50 to $3 75. Sheep—Sales at $2 50 to $3 50 for inferior to common, up to $4 25 to $4 60 for good to choice flocks; fed western sheep largely at $4 to $4 50, with yearlings at $4 50 to $5; lambs, $4 25 for inferior to choice. Receipts—Cattle, 16,000; hogs, 20,000; sheep, 18,000.

The Dairy Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Butter steady; western creamery, 14½c to 20c; do, factory, 11c to 15c; Elgins, 20c; imitation creamery, 13c to 19c; state dairy, 13c to 18c; do creamery, 14c to 19c. Cheese quiet; large white, Sept., 8½c to 8¾c; small do, 9¼c to 9½c; large colored, Sept., 8½c to 8¾c; small do, 9¼c to 9½c; large, Oct., 8¼c to 8½c; small, Oct., 8½c to 8¾c; light skims, 6c to 6½c; part skims, 4c to 5½c; full skims, 2c to 2c.

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—Butter market steady; creamery, 13c to 18½c; dairy, 11c to 17c. Cheese quiet at 8c to 8½c.

PRAYTELL SOLD FOR $5,000.

Terre Haute, Ind., Jan. 25.—W. P. I. James has sold Praytell (2:09¼), by Axtell, to Charles Deckel, of Cleveland, for $5,000.

BRITISH STEAMER ASHORE.

Key West, Fla., Jan. 25.—The British steamer Darlington (Capt. Dunbar), laden with cotton, from Galveston, Jan. 20, for Hamburg, went ashore at Marquesas Key yesterday morning. Her captain and mate arrived here at 6 o'clock this morning on the tug Childs.

Twinging, Shooting Pain.

Mr. Wm. Dyson, Guelph, Ont., says: "My experience with Doan's Kidney Pills proves them to be a splendid medicine for anyone troubled with backache or urinary difficulties. I had bad pains in my back and shooting pains all over my body, together with dizziness and sleeplessness. Through the use of Doan's Kidney Pills I am now entirely cured and feel braced up and as young as ever I was."

Vanity keeps persons much in favor with themselves who are out of favor with all others.

FAGGED OUT.—None but those who have become fagged out know what a depressed, miserable feeling it is. All strength has gone, and despondency has taken hold of the sufferers. They feel as though there was nothing to live for. There, however, is a cure — one box of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills will do wonders in restoring health and strength. Mandrake and Dandelion are two of the articles entering into the composition of Parmelee's Pills.

Ostriches are fond of waltzing, according to a writer in the Popular Science Monthly.

Cheap Sugar. See India Tea Company's ad., sixth page, tomorrow. wyt

Holocaust in Washington, D. C.

At Least Five Lives Lost and $400,000 Worth of Property Destroyed—Thrilling Rescue.

Washington, Jan. 25.—A fire, in which the loss will run up to $400,000 worth of property, and at the very least five lives were lost, took place last night. The Great Eastern block, at the corner of Post street and Riverside avenue, six stories in height, and constructed of brick, caught fire about 11:40 p.m., and in three hours was totally demolished.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY LIVES IN PERIL.

All of the upper two floors and part of the third floor were used for lodging purposes, and at least 150 people were asleep in the building when the fire started. While most of them escaped with only their clothes, it is thought a number perished. The last out of the upper stories reports forms lying in the halls and

WOMEN SHRIEKING IN THE FLAMES.

The origin of the fire is supposed to have been in the engine room. Mrs. Stark Oliver, wife of Dr. Stark Oliver, who lived on the second floor, says she heard an explosion shortly before the flames appeared. The Great Eastern block was built in 1890 at a cost of $250,000, and was owned by Louis Levinski, of San Francisco, who carried but $50,000 worth of insurance.

A FATAL LEAP.

Because of the network of wires surrounding the building it was with the utmost difficulty that ladders were elevated. While they were going up the people were at the windows, flames and smoke bursting out about them. The crowds of people on the streets below shrieked in sympathy with them.

Mrs. H. A. G. Davies, of Nebraska City, Neb., fell or jumped from a fifth story window. She died at the Sacred Heart Hospital two hours later.

A THRILLING RESCUE

was that of Robert Mason, his wife and their two-year-old son from the fifth floor on the Post street side. From a fire escape on the fourth floor, seven feet to one side from their window, firemen threw them a rope which Mason made fast to his bed, and came down hand over hand, carrying his little boy, Mrs. Mason following. As she hung suspended far above the ground, the crowd watched with breathless interest. When she was grasped by a fireman a shout of joy went up.

His Father Says "Wait"

Joseph Leiter Holds His 7,750,000 Bushels of Wheat,

Refusing Six Cents a Bushels Advance, or a Profit of $465,000.

Chicago, Jan. 25.—Covetous of Joseph Leiter's vast accumulations of raw material for bread, emissaries of foreign financial powers are besieging the young Napoleon of the wheat pit, holding before his eyes alluring checks with long-drawn-out rows of figures in the left-hand corner to induce him to let go his holdings. Thus far Mr. Leiter's grasp has but closed the tighter, and his elevator spouts have steadily refused to "give down." The money offered he has not considered "as good as wheat."

One of the most ardent of the would-be buyers is Mr. Rappaport, agent for the well-known Paris house of Dreyfus & Co., who is now in the city. Two days ago he is said to have offered Mr. Leiter an advance of 6 cents for the entire contents of his overflowing granaries over the average price of 88 cents, which it is understood was paid. This offer was declined, and Mr. Rappaport is said to be drawing a deep inspiration for a new proposition.

WHEAT CORNER CONTEMPLATED.

The fact that Mr. Rappaport is a son-in-law of Baron Rothschild is believed by some to be significant. It is thought that while Dreyfus & Co. are able to undertake a deal of this magnitude on their own account, it is not unlikely that the Rothschilds are backing it, and that an unexampled corner in wheat is in contemplation.

If the offer of a 6 cent advance had been accepted, Mr. Leiter would have made a modest profit of $465,000 on his present stock, which is estimated at 7,750,000 bushels. On the authority of L. Z. Leiter, this offer is said to have been more than doubled, from which it appears that a clear million is considered by Joseph Leiter to be an inadequate realization.

WHAT LEITER PERE SAYS.

"I do not profess to know anything about my son's wheat deals," said L. Z. Leiter last night. "He is pretty well able to take care of them himself. I know, however, that he has been offered far more than the 6 cents said to have been offered him by Dreyfus' agent. He has told me of having been offered an advance of 8 cents over the market pri . I should say 'Wait.' We know pretty well what we have to expect. I have not known of such a condition of things since twenty years ago, when wheat went to $1 30. There are several prospective buyers laboring with my son now. What he will do I do not know, but I say 'Wait.'"

AMERICA'S BEST DOCTORS

Say Dodd's Kidney Pills Are the Only Cure for Bright's Disease.

Ingersoll, Jan. 24.—Only a couple of weeks ago, the remarkable recovery of farmer G. J. Cook from Kidney Disease, through the agency of Dodd's Kidney Pills, was reported.

Now the whole town is talking of a yet more extraordinary cure by that God-sent medicine.

Michael Sherlock was cured of kidney and bladder disease of five years' standing by a short course of treatment with Dodd's Kidney Pills, and makes public statement of his case.

The most eminent physicians on the continent now pronounce Dodd's Kidney Pills the one and only sure, unfailing cure for Bright's Disease, Diabetes, Dropsy, Lumbago, Lame Back, Female Disease and all other kidney and blood disorders.

THERE is not a more dangerous class of disorders than those which affect the breathing organs. Nullify this danger with Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil—a pulmonic of acknowledged efficacy. It cures soreness and lameness when applied externally, as well as swelled neck and crick in the back; and, as an inward specific, possesses most substantial claim to public confidence.

CITY HALL NOTES.

The city hospital bylaw was again hoisted last night. The purpose of the delay is to allow a deputation to wait upon the county council and ascertain whether they will contribute towards the new buildings, in consideration of county patients being accommodated therein. If they do not choose to contribute, the mayor says the $70,000 voted by the ratepayers will be spent according to the plans approved. The county will then be upon the same footing as at present, paying so much per patient.

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At present there is nearly $1,500 in the hands of the Jubilee Hospital Company. Of this, $1,000 is the amount raised at the jubilee celebration in June; the remainder is private subscription. The $1,000 will have to be transferred to the city, and will probably be applied to the new hospital expenditure. The private contributions of $500 may be returned to the subscribers if they so desire; otherwise the city will get it.

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A fund of nearly $2,500 is in the hands of the ladies who promoted the idea of a children's pavilion at the hospital. The city hall fair netted about $1,400; and the collections in the schools and the grant by the jubilee committee made up the balance. It is for the ladies to say when and how they will dispose of the money. The sum is not sufficient to begin to build a children's ward, the estimated cost of which is $10,000. The advocates may raise more by a canvas for funds or may rely on the council to aid them. At any rate the money will be applied to a good purpose.

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The breach in the Conservative ranks of the school board has been healed. Dr. Teasdall has suppressed his ambition to the chairmanship, and unless the party machinery breaks down, Trustee J. M. Logan will get the honor.

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Ald. Douglass' plea that Frank Chrysler has been laid off "for a certain length of time" in order to "divide the work" is, to say the least, disingenuous. Such a plea might be made for the regular corporation laborers, but Chrysler was in a different class. His position, though a humble, was a permanent one, as much as that of any other city official. The irregular mode of his dismissal was the more glaring because the board of works was not even consulted by its chairman, who wielded the axe.

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Doubtless there are some men in the city capable of clerical work who are at present out of employment. On the principle of dividing the work, it has been asked why not lay off the city clerk, the city treasurer, the waterworks secretary, and give the unemployed a chance?

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Ald. Greenlees courteously asked to be transferred from No. 2 to No. 1 committee. The request was flatly refused. Perhaps his opponents regret it now.

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City Clerk Kingston has presented the mayor and aldermen with a neat little book of his own compilation, full of interesting information about the corporation. It contains the dates of all council and committee meetings during the year. From it one learns that the acreage of the city is now 4,478. Truly Greater London is a big place.

PULLED A PISTOL

On the Bartender of the Tomlinson House—The Man With the Gun Escapes.

Bartender James McAusland, of the Tomlinson House, Clarence street, says he was severely handled by a couple of toughs last night. They tossed him about like a football for a few minutes, but the most unpleasant part of his experience was having to gaze down the muzzle of a revolver that was thrust in his face by one of the toughs, who accompanied the action with the direst threats. According to McAusland's story, the fray commenced about ten o'clock. He had gone into the reading room, and noticing two men there asleep, ordered them out. Instead of going, they attacked him, and in the scuffle that ensued the stove was broken and partly overturned. After beating McAusland, one of the loafers ran away, and the other, the bartender managed to hold against the wall while he called for help. It was then the revolver came to view. McAusland says his combatant pulled the gun from his hip-pocket, and struck at him with it, but fortunately the blow missed its mark. Escape was then easy, however. McAusland followed in hot pursuit, and caught up with the tough near the corner of Park and Queen's avenue, but the muzzle of the revolver being placed in close proximity to his face caused him to give up the chase.

The police were notified, and went in pursuit, but the fugitive covered up his trail in the lane behind St. Paul's Cathedral. A big crowd was attracted to the spot.

A STRAIGHT BLOW.

Terrific Thunderstorm in St. Louis, With Fatal Results.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 25.—A terrific thunderstorm raged for an hour or more in this vicinity after 3 a.m. The sky was clear for a time shortly after daybreak, but the wind continued to blow. It increased in intensity until, at 10:45 a.m., the weather bureau officials reported a velocity of 63 miles an hour had been gained.

August Weymeyer was blown off the Shields building and died in ten minutes from his injuries.

A woman, name unknown, is reported lying dead in some debris at 3,840 Leclede avenue.

A boy was killed by being blown from a porch roof in another part of the city. It is apparently a straight blow and not a tornado.

THE CUE.

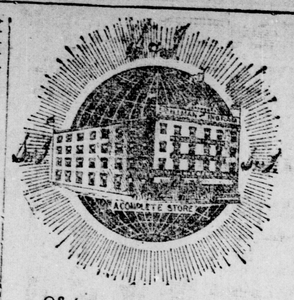
NO PLAY-OFF.

Chicago, Jan. 25.—Jacob Schaeffer and Frank Ives have agreed to divide first money, for which they were tied in the recent billiard tournament, and there will be no play off. The tournament was not a financial success, its promoters being about $300 short of the $1,050 offered in purses.

Life Destroying Croup Cured.

Gents,—I have used Hagyard's Yellow Oil in my family for croup and bronchitis during the past twelve years, and never found it to fail. It cures every time. I have recommended it to my neighbors, and they keep it on hand. I would not be without it for any price.

MRS. HENRY WARDEN,
Winthrop, Ont.



WEATHER PROBS:
Cloudy; snow or rain.

Warm, Hot Words.

Of late our thoughts have been running on warm things—the cold weather turned them that way—and we have decided to put our thoughts into comforting, warm words—we mean to reduce the price on every Quilt and Blanket enumerated below. There'll be a hot time after these bargains:

Comforters Cotton filled, large size, reversible, good value at the former price, which were very close, $1 25 for $1 19; was $1 50, now $1 35; was $1 75, now $1 65; was $2, now $1 75; was $2 50, now $2 35. We haven't a great quantity of these lines—that's why you should be early. One only, Wool-Filled Comforter, worth $3 75, now $3.

EIDERDOWN—Sateen covering, large size, 6x6, $4 75; frilled, 5x6, $5; two only, large size, 6x6, were $8 50, now $7 50. Sateen Covered, satin center, 5x6, were $7 50, now $6 75—four only. Sateen covered, satin lined, beautiful goods—five only, at $9 50, were $10. Silk both sides, extra large size, now $10, were $12.

Wool Blankets Some of our special make slightly soiled by handling, but otherwise perfect—were sold at $2 50, now $2 25; $3, now $2 75; $3 50, now $3 25; $3 75, now $3 50; $4, now $3 75—a straight reduction of 25c on each. Another line, full bleach; $2 50, now $2 25, $3, now $2 50; $3 50, now $3; $4 25, now $3 75; $5, now $4 25; $5 50, now $5; $6, now $5 50.

ENGLISH BLANKETS—Two only, Heavy English Blankets, extra size, good value, at $8 50, now $7 25.

CRIB BLANKETS—Special line Crib Blankets, 5x4, $1 50; 6x4, $2.

HOSIERY AND GLOVES.

We carry a reliable and well-selected stock, always fresh—and, by the way, always in demand.

Gloves.

A good line of Ladies' and Children's Double Knit Mitts at 25c.

Children's Double-Knit Mitts, wool, fancy back, 35c and 25c.

Ladies' Mitts fancy backs, at 50c and 35c.

Double Silk Mitts, at 65c.

A splendid line of Fancy Silk Mitts, from 35 to 75c.

A good line of Boys' and Men's Heavy Ribbed Mitts, at 40c and 20c.

Clearing out a line of Black Cashmere and Colored Suede Gloves, worth 40c, at 20c.

A line of Ladies' Kid Gloves, colored and black, regular price $1 and $1 25, now 75c.

Hosiery.

Ladies' and Children's fancy ribbed Hose, all sizes, prices ranging from 15c to 35c, or three pairs for $1.

Special line of Ladies' plain and ribbed, black cashmere Hose, full fashioned, sizes 8½ to 10, selling at 25c.

Clearing out a line of Men's heavy wool Socks at three pairs for 25c.

Splendid line of Ladies' and Children's heavy ribbed wool Gaiters.

See our big window for Jacket Specials.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM,

149 and 151 Dundas Street.

Drifts Ten Feet Deep.

Snow Came Down in Profusion in Michigan.

Streets Blocked by the "Beautiful" and Churches Closed.

Manistee, Mich., Jan. 25.—Manistee has an arctic appearance. In many places drifts are from four to eight feet deep, and, being covered with crusts, make the passage of teams extremely difficult. The street car company did not move a car on Sunday. Two cars were abandoned half way between the city and East Lake, and a shovel brigade of 200 men was sent to dig them out. Some drifts before the doors of business houses were six feet deep, and two hours' shoveling was required to enable business men to open up.

Muskegon, Mich., Jan. 25.—Street car traffic was stopped all day. The Chicago train, due here at 6:55 a.m., was six and one-half hours late. The G. R. and I. railway telegraph and telephone wires were down, shutting off all communication. Streets were blocked with snow, drifts in places being four feet high.

Oscoda, Mich., Jan. 25.—The snow is eighteen inches on the level. No services were held in any of the churches on Sunday.

"MADE ME A NEW WOMAN."

The Life of Mrs. McMaster, of Toronto, Is Saved.

A Case That Proved Too Difficult for the Physicians Yields to the Wondrous Virtues of Paine's Celery Compound.

A Signal Victory for the King of Medicines.

Pains Banished, Eyesight Quiet Restored, and a New Life Begun.

WELLS & RICHARDSON CO.:

Gentlemen,—Ten years ago I was attacked with neuralgia, and though treated by six doctors, the disease grew worse, and nearly drove me insane. I was for one summer an out-door patient at the hospital here, but only got temporary relief.

I was sleepless for nights, my digestion was bad, and I would feel a pain in my stomach every time I ate anything. Day after day I suffered the most intense agony, and I often wonder I didn't go crazy. I took endless medicines given me by medical men, and getting worse, I became utterly disheartened.

One day my deliverance came. A lady who had suffered just as I had, told me that Paine's Celery Compound had cured her. I used the compound as a last resort, and it simply made a new woman of me. The pain vanished; my eyesight, which was impaired, returned, and I felt myself growing well, and I never felt happier in my life. I am now well and strong, and all my health and happiness are due to Paine's Celery Compound. I will always gratefully remember the medicine that cured me, and I will speak a good word for it.

MRS. THOS. McMASTER,
46 Cumberland street, Toronto.

FROM ELDER R. C. EVANS

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

As I am referred to in the article published in last night's Advertiser, under the caption "Prophet Smith's Fourth," I deem it my duty to correct some statements made therein that are misleading:

1. Joseph Smith has not been married "four" times.

2. Your correspondent makes it appear that Mr. Smith visited Toronto "about six weeks ago, met Miss Clark," and after a short courtship they were married. The facts are that Mr. Smith has been acquainted with Miss Clark for years. His visit to Toronto was not only "about six weeks ago," but in October.

3. Carthage (where Joseph Smith, sen., was murdered) is in Illinois, not "Missouri"; Lamoni (where Joseph Smith, jun., resides) is in Iowa, not "Illinois."

4. Mr. Smith is not "stooped" or "crippled." Hundreds of your readers, who saw Mr. Smith when he lectured in this city last October, and who read the account of his work here, as recorded in The Advertiser, know that your correspondent misrepresents him. The Free Press describes him as follows: "Though well advanced in life, and continually called upon to perform arduous labors in connection with his church, he is remarkably well preserved and speaks in a clear voice."—Free Press, Oct. 8, 1897.

5. Miss Clark was 27 years of age, not "only 22," as reported by your correspondent.

I think it would be well for your correspondent to read the following: "He that hideth hatred with lying lips, and he that uttereth a slander, is a fool."—Proverbs, x., 18. Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for space in your valuable paper, I am, yours truly,

London, Jan. 25. R. C. EVANS.

Yorkville Fire Station, Toronto, March 3, 1897.

Dear Sirs,—Having used Dr. Chase's Pills for Costiveness, I am very pleased to say that I consider them superior to any pill I have ever used, as they have perfectly cured me of this trouble. Thos. J. Wallace, Fireman.

Prison doctors declare that Mrs. Augusta Nack, confined for participation in the Guldensuppe murder, has heart disease, which may result fatally any time.

That Affliction—Catarrh.

Endured by so many, can be surely cured by Trask's Magnetic Ointment. No one should suffer from that loathsome disease—stop it at once by using this certain remedy. 25c a bottle at any druggist's. 38

If you are ill you need a doctor in whom you have confidence.

If you need a remedy you want one that has been tested for years; not an obscure, untried thing that is urged upon you, or on which you save a few cents—that is no consideration as against health.

For wasting in children or adults, Scott's Emulsion of Cod-liver Oil with Hypophosphites has been the recognized remedy for twenty-five years.

50c. and $1.00, all druggists.
SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, Toronto.

F. H BUTLER,

STOCK BROKER.

Stocks, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or on margin. Private wires to New York Stock Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade. Toronto and Montreal Stock Exchange quotations received by wire. Long distance telephone.

15 and 16 Masonic Temple, London.

Late Afternoon Markets.

Montreal Stock Market.

MONTREAL, Jan. 25.

	Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	89¾	89¼
Duluth, common	4	3½
Duluth, preferred	6½	5
Commercial Cable	182	181½
Commercial Cable Coupon Bonds	105¾	105½
Commercial Registered Bonds	106½	105¾
Montreal Telegraph	..	..
Richelieu and Ontario	112	111½
Montreal Street Railway, xd	245	244½
Montreal Street Railway, new, xd	242	241
Toronto Railway	97½	97¼
Montreal Gas Company	193½	193
Bell Telephone	177½	173
Royal Electric	143½	142½
Bank of Montreal	233	228
Ontario Bank	101	98
Molsons Bank	205	200
Bank of Toronto	229	226
Merchants Bank	180	177
Merchants Bank of Halifax	..	189
Quebec Bank	12½	..
Union Bank	..	101
Bank of Commerce	140	136
Northwest Land, pref	55½	51½
Montreal Cotton Company	147	144
Canada Colored Cotton	60	54½
Dominion Cotton	97	..

SALES—Canadian Pacific, 1,000 at 89⅝, 175 at 89½, 225 at 89¾, 75 at 89½; Com. Cable, 25 at 181½; Rich. & Ont., 125 at 111¼, 4 at 111; 25 at 111½; Mont. St. Ry., 50 at 244, 50 at 244½, 100 at 244¾, 150 at 244½; Mont. St. Ry., new, 200 at 243, 12 at 242, 100 at 241½; Toronto Ry., 675 at 97½, 125 at 97¾, 5 at 98, 175 at 97½; Mont. Gas, 25 at 193½, 50 at 194, 25 at 193½, 25 at 193; Montreal Cotton, 5 at 144.

Toronto Stock Market.

TORONTO, Jan. 25.

	Ask.	Off.
Montreal	240	225
Ontario	101	199
Toronto	..	226
Merchants	..	156
Commerce	137	136½
Imperial	195	194½
Dominion	269	260½
Standard	..	172
Hamilton	172	170
British America	128½	127½
Western Assurance	165½	165¼
Consumers' Gas	..	211
Montreal Gas	194	193½
Dominion Telegraph	132	131
Montreal Telegraph	..	..
Northwest Land Company, pref	52½	51½
Canada Pacific Railway Stock	89¾	89½
Commercial Cable Company	181½	181½
Dom. Coupon Bonds	106	105
Commercial Registered Bonds	106	105½
Bell Telephone Company	174	173
Richelieu & Ontario	111	110½
Montreal Street Railway	245½	244
Toronto Street Railway	97½	97
Dominion Savings and Invest	78	75
Farmers' Loan and Savings	..	..
Farmers' L. and S. 20 per cent	..	..
Huron and Erie L. and S	..	164
Huron and Erie, 20 per cent	..	152
London and Canada, L. & A	80	73
London Loan	..	105
London and Ontario	90	..
Ontario Loan and Debenture	121	..

SALES—1 p.m.—Ontario, 20 at 100¾; Imperial, 20 at 194, 100, 100 at 195; British America, 20 at 128; Western Assurance, 50 at 165½; C. P. R., 50, 25, 90, 25, 25, 25, 50, 25, at 89¾; Com. Cable, 25, 10 at 181½; Rich. & Ont., 25, 25 at 110¾; Toronto Ry., 5, 10 at 97.

English Markets.

Liverpool, Jan. 25—Closing.

Wheat — Spot, firm; No. 2 red western winter, 7s 10d; spot No. 1 red northern spring, 7s 9½d.

Corn—Spot American mixed, new, firm 3s 1½d; do old, firm, 3s 5½d; futures steady; Jan., 3s 5d; Feb., 3s 3½d; March, 3s 2½d.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter firm, 9s 9d.

Beef—Firm, extra India mess, 66s 3d; prime mess, firm, 56s 3d.

Pork — Firm; Prime mess, fine western 47s 6d; do. medium, western, 45s.

Hams—Short cut 14 to 16 lbs. easy, 56s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, firm, 28 to 30 lbs, 32s 6d; short ribs, 20 to 24 lbs, dull, 28s 6d; long clear middles, light, 26 to 28 lbs. firm, 28s 6d; long clear middles, heavy 40 to 45 lbs. firm, 27s 3d; short clear middles, heavy, 45 to 50 lbs., no stocks; clear bellies, 12 to 14 lbs. dull, 32s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs., 27s, firm, 28s 6d.

Shoulders—Square 12 to 14 lbs. steady, 26s.

Lard—Prime western, dull, 25s 3d.

Butter—Finest American, 22s; good, 60s.

Rosin—Common, steady, 4s 1½d.

Cheese—American finest white, dull, 43s; colored, dull, 43s.

Tallow—Prime city, firm, 19s.

Cottonseed oil—Liverpool refined, firm; 15s.

Turpentine spirits—Firm, 24s 6d.

Hops—At London (Pacific coast), firm £4 15s to £5.

Montreal Produce Market.

Montreal, Jan. 25.—Grain in store: Grade No. 2 white oats, 28½c; peas, 56c; rye, 52c; buckwheat, 38c, wheat, red, 95c, and white, 94c; barley, 35c. Flour — Strong bakers', $4 50 to $4 90; straight roller, $4 25 to $4 30; spring patents, $5 40; winter, $4 75 to $4 90; feed, Ontario bran, $11 50; shorts, $12 50; Manitoba bran, $12; shorts, $13, bagged. Provisions: Canada pork, per bbl, $15 to $16; ham, 10½c to 12c; bacon, 10c to 12c; lard, pure, 7c to 7½c; compound, 5c to 5¼c. Produce: Eggs, demand small; better tone; fresh stock, 22c to 23c; Montreal limed, 15c; western do, 12½c to 13c. Poultry quiet; turkeys, 8½c to 9½c; chickens, 5c to 8c; ducks, 8c to 9½c; geese, 5c to 6c; beans slow, primes at 80c, and choice hand-picked at 90c. Honey slow; white clover, 12½c; dark, 10c to 10½c; dark extracted, 7c to 8c.

Toronto Produce Market.

Toronto, Jan. 25.—The wheat market much firmer at 84c, but for red and white, north and west, the market is higher at $1 07 for No. 1 hard, grinding in transit, $1 02 for No. 1 hard, Midland, and $1 for No. 2 hard there. Flour—There is more inquiry and the market is firmer for cars of straight roller in barrels west, but millers say they cannot pay the correct price for wheat and make a profit at that price. Millfeed is in good demand and firm at $11 to $12 for shorts, and $8 50 to $9 for bran west. Barley is in demand and firm at 33c for No. 2, 30c to 31c for No. 3 extra, 26c to 28c for feed outside. Buckwheat steady at 31c west. Rye firm at 46c to 46½c west. Corn steady at 28½c to 29c for Canada yellow west. Oats are in good demand and firm at 26c to 26½c for white north and west. Peas are very scarce and firm at 54c east and 53c north and west. Baled hay steady; cars on the track here are quoted at $8 to $8 50. Baled straw unchanged at $4 50 to $5 here. Eggs in fair supply, with a good demand and steady at 15c to 16c for fresh-gathered, and 14c for limed. Butter—Receipts of large rolls are fair; the demand is good, and the market steady at 15c to 16c.

American Markets.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 25.—Spring wheat—No. 1 hard, $1 9½; No. 1 northern, $1 93; Winter wheat—No. 2 red, 97c; No 1 white, 97c asked. Corn, steady: No. 2 yellow, 32c; No. 3 yellow, 31½c; No. 2 corn, 31½c; No. 3 corn, 31½c. Oats, No. 2 white, 28c; No. 3 white, 27½c; No. 4 white, 26c; No. 3 mixed, 27c.

DETROIT, Jan. 25.—Wheat, No. 1 white, cash, 94½c; No. 2 red cash, 94½c; May, 94½c; July, 95½c.

TOLEDO, Jan. 25.—Wheat, cash, 94½c; May, 95½c; July, 96c. Corn—Cash, 27½c; May, 29½c. Oats—Cash, 23c; May, 24½c.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 25.—Wheat, cash, 94½c; May, 95½c.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Flour — Receipts, 18,700 bbls; sales, 3,100 packages; state and western, firm and held for advance; city mills patents, $5 65 to $5 80; western straights, $4 45 to $4 60. Rye flour—Dull; sales, 150 bbls. Wheat—Receipts, 26,825 bu; sales, 2,100,000 bu; options opened easier on disappointing cables, but recovered fully on active local covering; Jan., $1 07½; Feb., $1 03¾ to $1 04½; May, 95½c to 95 15-16c; July, 88⅞c to 89c. Rye—Steady; No. 2 western, 55c f. o. b. afloat, New York. Corn—Receipts, 95 500 bu; sales, 40,000 bu; options, fairly active and steady; May, 34c; July, 35c. Oats—Receipts, 52,500 bu; options quiet and featureless. Butter—Receipts, 9,694 packages; steady; western creamery, 14½c to 20c; imitation, 13c to 18c. Cheese—Receipts, 2,887 packages, quiet and unchanged. Eggs—Receipts, 8,132 packages; steady; state and Pennsylvania, 18c to 19c. Sugar—Raw, steady; refined, steady. Lead—Quiet. Hops—Firm. Petroleum—Quiet; New York, $3 27½ to $3 50.

Chicago Exchange.

Following are the fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade furnished by F. H. Butler Broker, Masonic Temple. 'Phone 1,278.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—Jan	95	1 00	95	97½
May	93½	94⅝	93½	93⅞
July	84½	85	84½	84½
Corn—Jan	27⅝	27⅞	27⅝	27⅞
May	29½	29½	29	29½
July	29⅝	30½	29⅝	30½
Oats—Jan	22	22	22	22
May	23⅝	23⅞	23½	23½
July	22½	22⅝	22½	22⅝
Pork—Jan	9 92	9 92	9 92	9 92
May	9 85	10 02	9 85	10 02
July	10 07	10 10	10 07	10 10
Lard—Jan	4 77	4 82	4 77	4 82
May	4 85	4 92	4 82	4 90
July	4 95	5 00	4 92	5 00
Ribs—Jan	4 80	4 92	4 80	4 92
May	4 87	4 97	4 85	4 97
July	5 02	5 05	5 02	5 05

Puts, 93; calls, 94½

Live Stock Market.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—Hogs—Receipts, 23,000; left over, 14,000; fairly active; barely steady; light, $3 60 to $3 85; mixed, $3 65 to $3 85; heavy, $3 55 to $3 90; rough, $3 55 to $3 65. Cattle—Receipts, $3,500; steady to strong; beeves, $3 90 to $5 20; cows and heifers, $2 10 to $4 50; Texas steers, $3 50 to $4 30; stockers and feeders, $3 30 to $4 35. Sheep—Receipts, 18,000; best steady; others weak.

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Strathroy, Jan. 24.—A unique and rare present was received last week by B. G. Roache, the well-known proprietor of the Roache House. It came from F. A. Little, manager of the Santa Barbara Lemon Growers' Exchange, Santa Barbara, Cal., who spent some time last year visiting friends in and around Strathroy. Mr. Little, on his arrival home, remembered his friend Roache had a weakness for stuffed birds, of which he has a large and fine collection, and as a Christmas gift forwarded half a dozen splendid specimens of California quail. They have been admired by many visitors, who seldom have an opportunity of seeing birds of this variety. Mr. Roache, who is an expert taxidermist, will mount them himself.

Strathroy, Jan. 25.—Miss Nellie Ross, of Toronto, spent Sunday in town, the guest of her cousin, Miss Nellie Geddes, Center street.

Rev. W. G. McAllister, M.A., of Watford, preached missionary sermons in the Frank Street Methodist Church on Sunday last. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Hazen, conducted the services in Watford that day.

The annual meeting in connection with St. Andrew's congregation was held in the basement of the church on Tuesday evening, the Rev. Mr. Jordan occupied the chair, and after opening the meeting in the usual way, reports were read from the different societies in connection with the church. These reports were received and ordered to be printed in the year book. Messrs. Clarke, Geddes and Gillies were re-elected to the board of management for a full term of three years. Mr. L. Cuddy was re-elected congregational secretary. It was decided to allow the question of lighting the church by electricity to stand over for a while. The managers were empowered to spend, if necessary, a sum not exceeding $200 on repairs without calling a congregational meeting. A grant of $20 was made toward the expenses of the Sabbath school. Messrs. Dawson, W. T. Smith, B. Gott and T. T. Douglas were elected a missionary committee in conjunction with the session. Messrs. J. R. Clarke and H. Nasmyth were appointed auditors. A cordial vote of thanks was tendered to the choir for their valuable services. The meeting was brought to a close by singing the Doxology and prayer.

Miss Ida Hutton and William Walker left last week to attend the normal school.

A meeting of the West Middlesex Farmers' Institute will be held on Feb. 2 in the firemen's hall.

Mr. George Bogue, of the second line, South Adelaide, won the prize awarded to the best exhibit of American classes of fowls, at the Ontario poultry show at London. He also won several other prizes.

Mr. Duncan Ross, who has been for some time a member of the firm of Stuart, Moss & Ross, London, will locate in Strathroy, and in a few weeks will ocupy the office of the late John Cameron, Front stret.

The Strathroy Minstrels will put a first-class show on the boards on Thursday evening next. Three hundred and fifty of the best seats have already been taken, so it is fully expected that the boys will be greeted by a full house.

The charity concert held on Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Strathroy Union of Young People's Societies, was a decided success. To those who so kindly took part in the programme the hearty thanks of the union is tendered. The proceeds will be handed over to the W. C. A. for distribution.

C.P.R. TRAFFIC RETURNS LARGELY INCREASED.

Montrea, Jan. 25.—Receipts from traffic on the C. P. R. for the week ending Jan. 21, $396,000; for the same week last year, $315,000; increase, $81,000.

FIFTY PEOPLE ON A COLLAPSING BRIDGE.

English, Ind., Jan. 25.—The Little Blue River has overflowed its banks, and many horses and cattle were drowned. Fifty persons were on a bridge when it went down and were rescued with difficulty.

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Topics of Today.

This is the 139th anniversary of Burns' birthday.

The Intercolonial extension to Montreal via the Drummond County and Grand Trunk tracks will take place on Feb. 1.

Dr. Roach, M. P. for Marquette, is seriously ill. A doctor was summoned from Winnipeg yesterday to attend him.

The engagement of Miss E. Pauline Johnson, the Indian poetess, to Mr. R. L. Drayton, of Winnipeg, and formerly of Toronto, is announced. The marriage has been fixed for September next.

Premier Greenway and Hon. Col. McMillan have returned to Winnipeg, and the Cabinet sat last night to discuss the Duluth Railway project. It is expected the Legislature will meet on Feb. 17.

Miners returning from the Klondike state that Administrator Walsh has issued positive orders to customs and police posts to permit none to enter the Yukon country this spring without one year's provisions. They would be in danger of starvation, it is explained, if they did.

LATEST WEATHER FORECAST

Toronto, Jan. 25—10 a.m.—Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the lower lakes region: Winds increasing to gales from eastward; cloudy, with rain and snow tonight.

Around the City

—Miss Belle Hedley, Toronto, is spending her winter vacation with R. A. Hedley, 433 Ridout street, city.

—The London and Ingersoll hockey teams will play a championship game at the Jubilee rink tomorrow night.

—Mrs. Whyte and Tennie, wife and daughter of Western Manager W. Whyte, Canadian Pacific Railway, Winnipeg, are the guests of Mrs. Whyte's brother, R. W. Scott, Grand Trunk Railway, 88 Becher street.

—Walter Cook, a young Arkona butcher, pleaded guilty this morning before Judge Edward Elliott to the charge of obtaining $13 by fraud from John Robertson, of Strathroy, on Jan. 20. The fraud consisted of selling horse hides as cow hides. Cook was remanded for sentence until Feb. 3.

—Today was St. Paul's Day, the anniversary of the conversion of the great apostle. A short service was held in the, cathedral, and the chimes rung. As is usual on occasions of this kind, the ladies began to flock in the direction of the cathedral to see the bride, under the impression that the chimes never ring on week-days unless for a wedding.

—The funeral of the late W.J. Clarke, barrister, took place this afternoon from his residence, Wortley road. It was under Masonic auspices, the pallbearers being past masters of St.John's Lodge, 209a. Dr. Balfour conducted the Masonic and Ven. Archdeacon Davis the church services. Members of the Middlesex Bar Association and of the A. O. U. W. were also present in large numbers.

PATRON CONVENTION.

The convention of Patrons of East Middlesex opened at Sherwood Hall about 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, and the programme is but started as we go to press. Before the meeting the general feeling was that the choice of a candidate would fall on Mr. Allan Bogue or Mr. Wm. Shore. Mr. Bogue expressed his intention of not allowing his name to stand, so that the outlook was in favor of Mr. Shore.

THE CARTAGE QUESTION.

A Montreal dispatch to The Advertiser today says: "The management of the Grand Trunk stated today, in reference to a report from London to the effect that the railway will shortly take over the cartage business from the Shedden and Hendrie companies, that the matter has not been discussed at headquarters. The present arrangement has some months to run yet, and it is extremely improbably that there will be any change, as the existing arrangements have given every satisfaction."

A LONG RUNAWAY.

A horse attached to O'Neil's grocery wagon started to run away in East London this morning. It dumped the driver and the contents of the wagon there, and continued at full speed, entering South London in regular form by Victoria bridge. After making a roundabout trip through Askin and neighboring streets, it emerged on the Wortley road, corner of Bruce street. Fireman Seccombe happened to be passing, and made a very plucky capture, checking the animal while it was on a mad gallop.

THE LATE P. J. BURKE.

A friend of the late P. J. Burke, writing to the city, gives the following additional particulars of Mr.Burke's death: "Mr. and Mrs. Burke went to Toronto to spend the holidays with Mrs. Burke's father, Mr. Peter Ryan. Mr. Burke went on to New York on Jan. 4, to see his firm. While walking up Broadway, Monday evening, Jan. 10, to attend the theater, he was taken with a paralytic stroke. On the 17th they moved him back to Chicago, but he never rallied, and died Sunday morning. Since leaving London he made his home in Chicago, and represented the Eagle Pencil Company, of New York, in the Western States. He was born in Montreal, Que., in 1864, and came to London when he was 14 years of age. He will be interred in Toronto on Wednesday at three o'clock."

A LITTLE SPLIT

In the Conservative County Council Ranks—Which Prevents the Council Meeting on Time.

The county council was called to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon, but at 3 p.m. the only members present were the Liberals. The Conservative members were closeted in a room at the Hodgins House, in very warm debate. They had split over the election of a warden, the majority preferring J. V. Campbell, of Ekfrid, as the nominee, while Peter Elson, of London township, was also hot after the Conservative nomination. Mr. Henry Hardy, of Caradoc, is the choice of the Liberals, and unless the Conservatives can heal the breach, he will be elected, as the latter party have only one or two majority.

Still Dickering.

Britain and Russia Both After the Chinese Loan.

Russia Not Likely to Oppose the Opening of Ta Lien Wan.

Death of John Laird, the Ship Builder —British Troops Head Off the French in Borgu Territory.

JOHN LAIRD DEAD.

Liverpool, Jan. 25.—John Laird, the shipbuilder at Birkenhead, is dead.

THE ITALIAN RIOTS.

Rome, Jan. 25.—Owing to the bread riots, it has been decided to call out one class of the reserves.

THE BRITISH GOT THERE.

Lagos, West Coast of Africa, Jan. 25.—British troops have occupied Okute, in Borgu territory. The possession of Borgu is disputed between France and Great Britain.

ALGIERS QUIET.

Paris, Jan. 25.—At a meeting of the cabinet today, the minister of the interior, M. Barthou, communicated dispatches from Algiers, showing that all was quiet there this morning.

THE PORT OF TA LIEN WAN.

London, Jan. 25.—The St. James' Gazette this afternoon says it has authority for stating that Russia is not likely to persist in her opposition to the opening of Ta Lien Wan.

THE BRITISH AT FASHODA.

London, Jan. 25.—It is reported that Lord Delamere's expedition has reached Fashoda, a point on the River Nile about 400 miles south of Khartoum. This is the place where it was claimed the French expedition under Captain Marchand arrived some time ago.

"BABBLING BIPEDS" SCORED.

Madrid, Jan. 25.—The Heraldo, commenting on the recent debate in Washington concerning Cuba, lauds the discretion and energy displayed by Speaker Reed. It says he is a Yankee who deserves not to be one, considering his fine qualities and serious culture, which have effectively counterbalanced the silly vaporings of the babbling bipeds in the capital.

DICKERING FOR THE CHINESE LOAN.

Another loan conference with the Tsung Li Yamen has taken place at Pekin, the latter receiving the Russian representative in the morning, and the British minister in the afternoon. It is believed that the British minister, Sir Claude M. MacDonald, insists upon the opening of the port of Ta Lien Wan, and that Great Britain will not recede from that demand. Whether Great Britain or Russia secures the loan depends upon which exerts the greatest pressure. If Great Britain undertakes to protect China against Russian displeasure it is believed the loan will be concluded on the terms proposed by Sir Claude M. MacDonald.

Germany's lease of Kiao Chau has finally been fixed at 99 years.

The Chinese emperor is greatly displeased.

Bayonets in the Chamber!

Tumultuous Scenes in Belgium's Legislative Hall.

Brussels, Jan. 25.—M. Demblon (the socialist who violently attacked the president of the chamber of deputies on Friday last) entered the vestibule of the chamber of deputies this afternoon, accompanied by a band of socialists. The officer in command of the guard informed him that, in pursuance of the president's orders, he could not be allowed to enter, whereupon M. Demblon raised cries of "Vive l'armee!" and "Vive la republique!"

A crowd collected and attempted to rush the soldiers, with the result that there was a violent scuffle, the troops withstanding the mob with fixed bayonets, and a hand-to-hand fight taking place between socialists and anti-socialists.

For a time the tumult was indescribable, and a strong body of police was required to quell the disorder. Within the chamber of deputies the greatest excitement also prevailed. The socialist deputies demanded to know who was responsible for the violence of the soldiers towards the deputies. The tumult became deafening, and the ministers who attempted to reply were shouted down.

ANOTHER NATIVE WAR.

Britain May Soon Have Her Hands Full With the Basutos.

London, Jan. 25.—The presidential election in the Transvaal is being watched here with a considerable amount of interest, not only on account of the vast British interests that exist in the Transvaal, but likewise because there is every indication of the fact that Great Britain is on the eve of another big native war in South Africa, a war compared with which all those that have taken place until now will appear mere child's play. It is the Basutos who are about to rise, and as they are the finest light cavalry fighters in the world, are well mounted, well armed, and are able to put between 20,000 and 30,000 warriors into the field, a large British force will be required to reduce them to subjection.

Nor is it the Basutos alone who are likely to cause trouble in the near future. From mistaken notions of philanthropy the government has authorized the repatriation of Dinazulu and other exiled Zulu chiefs. Now Dinazulu is Cetewayo's son and heir, He is the hereditary head of the Usalu tribe, which is the ruling clan of the warlike Zulu nation, and the Zulus on the gold fields openly declare that there will be fighting against the English the moment that Dinazulu returns. It may be added that Dinazulu has always been a great friend of the Boers, and may rely on receiving their secret or public support in the event of his fulfilling the wishes of his clansmen and countrymen by going to war with England.

DEATH OF MRS. J. K. GRIFFIN.

Galt, Ont., Jan. 25.—Mrs. Griffin, wife of J. K. Griffin, of New York, and mother of Mrs. (Rev.) John Ridley, died at the rectory here yesterday. She had been visiting her son, Rev. A. K. Griffin, at Dresden, and while on her way to Toronto stopped over at Galt to visit her daughter. She contracted a cold on the way, which, developing into pneumonia, caused death. She was in her 71st year.

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NO OPPOSITION.

A Liberal M. P. Secures a Seat by Acclamation.

Quebec, Jan. 24.—Mr. P. Malouin was yesterday elected M. P. for Quebec Center by acclamation, to succeed Mr. Francois Langelier, elected to the judgeship of Montreal. No Conservative could be prevailed upon to enter the field.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

The charge of boodling against Ald. Blight, of Chatham, has been dismissed.

The minister of justice has fixed the trial of Mrs. Sternaman for the May assizes, which will be held by Judge Robertson.

A farm laborer names James Jamieson, of Zimmerman, was struck and killed by the G. T. R. passenger train about two miles south of Milton.

George Willard Clark has confessed that he is the murderer of his brother, W. A. Clark, at St. Helena, Cal., on Thursday. He loved his brother's wife and murdered him to marry the widow.

Viau, the most dangerous convict in St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary, created some excitement by trying to saw his way through the library window bars with a file. He was discovered and, after a struggle, overpowered.

Charles F. Reed, one of the most prominent men in California's history, died at Auburn, Cal., on Monday. He was prominent politically, and at one time was the wheat king of California, but retired from the stock board when he lost $1,000,000 in the wheat deal of 1885.

An effort has been made in Scotland looking to the adoption of some steps to check or regulate the sale of foreign meats in Scotch markets. The butchers buy American beef at 9 to 12 cents per pound, and sell it at the same price as the Scotch beef, for which they pay 12 cents a pound.

Lobo Township Council.

Lobo township council met on Monday, Jan. 10. The following, having been duly elected, subscribed to the declarations of qualification and of office: John B. Janes, reeve; Arch. McGugan, deputy reeve; Donald Campbell, Malcolm Paul and Alex. McIntyre, councilors. The salaries of the officers of the township for the year 1898 will be as follows: Clerk, $200; assessor, $70; collector, $80; treasurer, $60; janitor, $18; auditors $2 per day; members of council, $2 per day; members of local board of health, $1 for each meeting held. E. R. Barclay was chosen clerk for the year 1898; E. R. Stonehouse was appointed assessor; H. W. Harris, collector; Samuel Clare, caretaker for town hall; D. A. Campbell was appointed member of the local board of health; Colin Johnson was appointed auditor; the reeve appointed John McPherson as auditor. Bylaw No. 403 confirming the appointment of municipal officers and fixing the salaries of the same for the year 1898 was passed. The commissioners for 1898 are as follows: Division No. 1, A. McGugan; division No. 2, Alex. McIntyre; division No. 3, M. Paul; division No. 4, D. Campbell; division No. 5, John B. Janes. Their salaries will be $2 per day. Bylaw No. 404, confirming the appointment of commissioners and fixing their salaries passed. The treasurer's bond was accepted. The following checks were issued: H. Fortner, $2 25, for repairing bridge; G. L. Shipley, $13 09, gravel; James Campbell, 60 cents, gravel; D. P. Campbell, 30 cents, gravel; P. A. McIntyre, $9, for deputy returning officer, poll clerk, constable and polling booth at the municipal election; Ephraim Zavitz, $11, for services of deputy returning officer, poll clerk, constable, and pay for polling booth; N. A. Graham, $6, for services of deputy returning officer and poll clerk; Alex. Campbell, $8, for deputy returning officer, poll clerk and pay for polling booth; James A. McArthur, $8, for deputy returning officer, poll clerk and polling booth; Dan Johnson, 75 cents for road work; John McLachian, $7 91, furnishing lumber and tile; D. McTaggart, $6 30, for gravel; A. F. Graham, $3, being two-thirds value of damages for dire sheep worried by a dog or dogs; D. McCollum, $34 57, for gravel bee; Henry Janes, $11 96, for tile; Colin McKinley, $1 43, for furnishing tile; J. B. Janes, $25, county grant for Alex. Johnson; J. B. Janes, $18 75, county grant for Ida Wood; John McVicar, 30 cents for patching bridge; the Municipal World, $3 72, for municipal blanks; Wm. Shanklin, $2 50, for drawing and putting in tile. Council adjourned to meet on Feb. 14 at 10 a.m. E. R. Barclay, clerk, Poplar Hill.

TRY IT, LADIES.

"I cured my husband of finding fault with the coffee."

"How?"

"I let him make it himself one morning."

LIVING WITHOUT 'AIR.

[London Tit-Bits.]

A bald-headed professor recently delivered a lecture entitled "The Air We Breathe," before an East London audience. In the course of his remarks he said: "It is quite impossible for any person to live without air." At this a small boy called out: "'Ow about yerself, guv'ner?"

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"I do not wish to hear any of this," said Honore, indifferently, as it seemed; "it has no effect upon me at all."

But still she sat quietly to listen, and Bickerton Slimp could not read the agonizing effort it cost her to hear, and—above all—to discredit what he said about her old guardian.

"Even if I did not betray his hiding-place," resumed Mr. Haughton's would-be partner, "it would be discovered soon, and he'd be hunted out. He isn't used to making himself scarce at a moment's notice, and taking different characters on different emergencies, as some are. There'll be plenty after him, too—mad as bloodhounds when they know what he's done. No, there's no doubt about his being soon taken, but I thought it right to warn you first, Miss Craven, because if you wish your old guardian let off it will be easy work for you; and, at the same time, if you think justice ought to be dealt out to him, you have only to say the word and make it worth my while. I always was willing to do anything for you——"

He pulled himself up in hot and sudden haste, for one glance from Honore had been more than sufficient to remind him on what dangerous ground he trod.

"No, there's no doubt that he will soon be taken, Miss Craven, by one or other of the victims of his fraudulent schemes," he resumed, more placidly; "and there are many. I could not enumerate, if I tried, the deceits which he has practiced. Many families, whose names even you could remember, Miss Craven, are involved in ruin by him, though they do not know it yet. He has embezzled money to invest, and taken people in by sham mortgages. He has again and again suppressed certain deeds, and effected the sale of property previously mortgaged. More than one poor dupe has let him have every pound she possessed, to invest or place on mortgages, and the deeds have represented nothing but forgeries. One poor widow thinks she has bought, through him, the house she lives in, while it really belongs to a wealthy builder in Kinbury—for Mr. Haughton suppressed one set of deeds and supplied another. He has overdrawn his banking account and borrowed money which is due. No, there can be no help for him, although his credit in Kinbury and the neighborhood is so good that the crash may not occur just yet; may not, I say, unless I take the matter in my own hands. My first move is to inform you, Miss Craven, that he is hiding now at the Anchorite, in Thames street, and if you have any wish yourself to be the one to bring him to justice——"

Honore rose, her cheeks and lips white with anger.

"You forget to whom you are speaking," she said, her tones as quiet as usual, though her manner was unmistakable.

Mr. Slimp made an effort to regain the ground he had lost by this one too daring step. Cunningly, long ago, he had discovered both the one passion of his master's life, and the indifference with which it had been treated by his ward; and, judging by his own contemptible feelings, he had imagined that Honore might rejoice over an opportunity of repaying her old guardian for the persecution she had suffered at his hands. But this feeling could only last one minute, and he knew that it had been injurious to his cause. Still, he could regain his ground, he fancied, and it was an unctuous satisfaction to lengthen his confidence against his erstwhile master. There was, too, the novelty of truth in so many of these cheering disclosures of fraud and duplicity. But he hurried now over the information, as if he feared its being still more summarily cut short. He might well fear. Honore had heard the one thing she wished to hear, and now no heed was paid to any further word.

"That inn in Thames street is a capital place to get abroad from, under foggy circumstances," Mr. Slimp resumed, with spirit; "and we can manage, if you really wish me to undertake it."

"I will think of what you tell me," said Honore, quite coldly, though she was actually trembling in her fear of this man in his treachery; "I will see you again."

The fear, so proudly battled with, took the form in Mr. Slimp's eyes of a new courage, and he gazed in servile admiration on the girl's beautiful, easy figure, now that she seemed to understand him at last.

"In the meantime pray fix your own price"—the word was uttered in the very refinement of scorn, and Honore's eyes swept over the narrow form of the little traitor before her—"for secrecy, and I will purchase it from you—if your terms suit me."

"To you, Miss Craven, a thousand pounds is scarcely worth speaking of; therefore, you would not, I hope, think a thousand pounds——"

"To effect my purpose," said Honore, quietly, while she raised her eyes fully to his crafty face, "one thousand pounds would be too little. Make your own terms, and I will see you here at this hour tomorrow."

An expression of immense self-satisfaction settled in Mr. Slimp's face. He could afford now to be confidential even on an almost extraneous subject.

"If poor Mr. Haughton's last move had not so signally failed him, Miss Craven," he began, in a tone for which she could have annihilated him where he stood, "the old and well-established name and business would have been saved, and his present difficulties never made public; but that last move did fail, and he himself had no power of getting out of his present scrape. He felt so very certain of the identity of Mr. Keith, of Westleigh Towers, with the man who murdered Squire Myddelton, of Abbotsmoor, eleven years ago, that, even with the only very slight and presumptive evidence which he was able to amass during almost two years of search and inquiry, he went in person to inform Mr. Keith that the whole proof was in his own hands, and that he would at once give him over to the law as the condemned and escaped criminal, Gabriel Myddelton, unless he chose to buy his immunity—you understand, Miss Craven? That move, as I said, most signally failed; for—a humiliating fact which we first learned in this interview—the innocence of Gabriel Myddelton is now legally established; and I myself saw the documents proving it. I came up to town on purpose, and read them all at the home office."

"His innocence!"

Honore had no idea that the two words had passed her lips, and after their utterance her silence was intence.

"And more than that," resumed Bickerton Slimp, with an air of jaunty encouragement, "I do not, and never did, believe in the identity of Gabriel Myddelton with Mr. Keith, of Westleigh—who, by the way, seems dying rapidly. Of course, I have helped—for my own purposes—in fastening suspicion upon him, but I never saw my way clearly to a grain of tangible proof, and I always felt that if he had been the man whom, for eleven years, Lawyer Haughton has been trying to hunt down, he could never have had such doubts about him, or shown such hesitation and uncertainty in the case. He is not one to be delayed by scruples, and I always understood his one reason for not capturing his man, and the solution of those days and weeks and months of doubt which he underwent. If he'd had cause to feel sure in his own mind, the capture would have been sharp work. As for me, I doubted all along if this could be Gabriel Myddelton, and now I'll take my oath it is not."

The words all entered Honore's ears with a clear and almost appalling distinctness, and her heart was wildly beating; yet she stood there utterly unmoved until he departed, with an impressive reiteration of his intention to be at her service next day at that hour.

But the silence and the stillness left her when he left her. She moved softly and restlessly about the great silent room, repeating to herself those words which seemed to mean so much.

"Not guilty! Gabriel's innocence! Not Gabriel—not Gabriel! Dying! And Gabriel innocent!"

Gradually her brain grew confused, and she lost the sense of these reiterated words, while only that lately formed resolution of hers held sway. She must see Lawrence; she must see her old guardian tonight, for fear it might be too late.

Then there came over the girl a feeling of loneliness and dread most unusual to her. She listened and longed for the sound of Phoebe's return, while she tried, with all her strength, to throw off this new and miserable foreboding, which had fallen upon her with such a terrible weight, and under which she could not even hope.

What was it? What had brought this crushing weight upon her? Was it fear for Lawrence, or—for whom? Had it fallen upon her when she heard of her guardian's crimes or of Gabriel's innocence, or of that interview which one of Gabriel's cousins had had with the man on whom he laid so foul a charge?

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The Allurements That Trap the Unwary—Rev. Dr. Talmage's Sermon.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 23.—Dr. Talmage draws practical lessons as to the allurements which entrap the unwary. The text is I. Samuel, xiv., 43: "I did but taste a little honey with the end of the rod that was in my hand, and, lo, I must die."

The honey-bee is a most ingenious architect, a Christopher Wren among insects, a freebooter robbing the fields of pollen and aroma, wondrous creature of God, whose biography, written by Huber and Swammerdam, is an enchantment for any lover of nature, and whose product is an oft-used Bible symbol. A miracle of formation is the bee; five eyes, two tongues, the outer having a sheath of protection, hairs on all sides of its tiny body to brush up the particles of flowers, its flight so straight that all of the world knows of the bee-line. The honeycomb is a palace such as no one but God could plan, and the honey-bee construct; its cells, sometimes a dormitory, and sometimes a storehouse, and sometimes a cemetery. These winged toilers first make eight strips of wax, and by their antennae, which are to them hammer, and chisel, and square and plumb-line, fashion them for use. Two and two, these workers shape the wall. If an accident happens they put up buttresses of extra beams to remedy the damage. When about the year 1776 an insect before unknown, in the night-time attacked the beehives all over Europe, and the men who owned them were in vain trying to plan something to keep out the invader that was the terror of the beehives of the continent, it was found that everywhere the bees had arranged for their own protection, and built before their honeycombs an especial wall of wax, with port-holes, through which the bees might go to and fro, but not large enough to admit the winged combatant, called the Sphinx Atropos.

Do you know that the excitement caused by swarming raises the heat of the hive some four degrees, and they must die unless they leave their heated apartments, and they follow the mother bee and alight on the branch of a tree, and cling to each other and hold on until a committee of two or three bees have explored the region, and found the hollow of a tree or rock not far from a stream of water, and they here set up a new colony, and ply their aromatic industries, and give themselves to the manufacture of the saccharine edible. But who can tell the chemistry of that mixture of sweetness part of it the very life of the fields.

Plenty of this luscious product was hanging in the woods of Bethaven during the time of Saul and Jonathan. Their army was in pursuit of an enemy that by God's command must be exterminated. The soldiery were positively forbidden to stop to eat anything until the work was done. If they disobeyed they were accursed. Coming through the woods they found a place where the bees had been busy—a great honey manufactory. Honey gathered in the hollow of the trees until it had overflowed upon the ground in great profusion of sweetness. All the army obeyed orders, and touched it not, save Jonathan, and he not knowing the military order about abstinence, dipped the end of a stick he had in his hand into the candied liquid, and ate the honey. Judgment fell upon him, and but for special intervention he would have been slain. In my text, Jonathan announces his awful mistake: "I did but taste a little honey with the end of the rod that was in my hand, and lo, I must die." Alas! what multitudes of people in all ages have been damaged by forbidden honey, by which I mean temptation, delicious and attractive, but damaging and destructive.

Corrupt literature, fascinating, but deathful, comes in this category. Where one good honest, healthful book is read now, there are a hundred made up of rhetorical trash consumed with avidity. Taste for pure literature is poisoned by this scum of the publishing house. Every book in which sin triumphs over virtue, or in which a glamor is thrown over dissipation, or which leaves you at its last line with less respect for the marriage institution and less abhorrence for the paramour, is a depression of your moral character. Your best interests forbid it, your moral safety forbids it, your God forbids it, and one taste of it may lead to such bad results that you may have to say at the close of the experiment, or at the close of a misimproved lifetime: "I did but taste a little honey with the rod that was in my hand, and lo, I must die."

Corrupt literature is doing more today for the disruption of domestic life than any other cause. Elopements, marital intrigues, sly correspondence, fictitious names given at postoffice windows, clandestine meetings in parks, and at ferry gates, and in hotel parlors, and conjugal perjuries are among the ruinous results. When a woman, young or old, gets her head thoroughly stuffed with the modern novel she is in appalling peril. You can find styles of literature just as charming that will elevate, and purify, and ennoble, and Christianize while they please. The devil does not own all the honey. There is a wealth of good books coming forth from our publishing houses that leave no excuse for the choice of that which is debauching to body, mind and soul. Go to some intelligent man or woman, and ask for a list of books that will be strengthening to your mental and normal condition. Life is so short, and your time for improvement so abbreviated, that you cannot afford to fill up with husks, and cinders, and debris. Why pick up the honeycombs that have in them the fiery bees which will sting you with an eternal poison while you taste it? One book may for you and me decide everything for this world and the next. It was a turning point for me when in a book store in Syracuse one day I picked up a book called "The Beauties of Ruskin." It was only a book of extracts, but it was all pure honey, and I was not satisfied until I had purchased all his works, at that time expensive beyond an easy capacity to own them, and with what delight I went through reading his "Seven Lamps of Architecture," and his Stones of Venice," it is impossible for me to describe except by saying that it gave me a rapture for good books and an everlasting disgust for decrepit or immoral books that will last me while my life lasts. All around the church and the world there are busy hives of intelligence, occupied by authors and authoresses from whose pens drip a distillation which is the very nectar of heaven, and why will you thrust your rod of inquisitiveness into the deathful saccharine of perdition?

Stimulating liquids also come into the category of temptation, delicious but deathful. You say: "I cannot bear the taste of intoxicating liquor, and how any man can like it is to me an amazement." Well, then, it is no credit to you that you do not take it. Do not brag about your total abstinence, because it is not from any principle that you reject alcoholism, but for the reason that you reject certain forms of food—you simply don't like the taste of them. But multitudes of people have a natural fondness for all kinds of intoxicants. They like to aid digestion; they take it to produce sleep; they take it to make them oblivious, or they feel happy. They begin with mint julep sucked through two straws on the Long Branch piazza, and end in the ditch, taking from a jug a liquid half kerosene and half whisky. They not only like it, but it is an all-consuming passion of body, mind and soul, and after awhile have it they will, though one wineglass of it should cost the temporal and eternal destruction of themselves, and all their families, and the whole human race. The only way to cure the habit is to stop short off, and when a man does that he needs God to help him. And there have been more cases than you can count when God has so helped the man that he left off the drink forever. I could count a score of them, some of them pillars in the house of God.

Furthermore, the gamester's indulgence must be put in the list of temptations delicious but destructive. You who have crossed the ocean many times have noticed that always one of the best rooms has, from morning until late at night, been given up to gambling practices. To many there is a complete fascination in games of hazard or the risking of money on possibilities. It seems as natural for them to bet as to eat. Indeed, the hunger for food is often overpowered by the hunger for wagers. It is absurd for those of us who have never felt the fascination of the wager to speak slightingly of the temptation. It has slain a multitude of intellectual and moral giants, men and women stronger than you or I. Down under its power went glorious Oliver Goldsmith, and Gibbon, the famous historian; and Charles Fox, the renowned statesman; and in olden times senators of the United States, who used to be as regularly at the gambling house all night as they were in the halls of legislation by day. Oh, the tragedies of the faro table! I know persons who began with a slight stake in a ladies' parlor, and ended with the suicide's pistol at Monte Carlo.

But in this connection some young converts say to me: "Is it right to play cards? Is there any harm in a game of whist or euchre?" Well, I know good men who play whist and euchre and other styles of games without any wagers. I will not judge other men's consciences, but I tell you that cards are in my mind so associated with the temporal and spiritual ruin of splendid young men, that I would as soon say to my family: "Come, let us have a game of cards," as I would go into a menagerie and say: "Come, let us have a game of rattlesnakes," or into a cemetery, and, sitting down by a marble slab, say to the gravediggers: "Come, let us have a game at skulls." Conscientious young ladies are silently saying: "Do you think card-playing will do us any harm?" Perhaps not, but how will you feel if in the great day of eternity, when we are asked to give an account of our influence, some man should say: "I was introduced to games of chance in the year 1888, at your house, and I went on from that sport to something more exciting, and went on down until I lost my business, and lost my morals, and lost my soul, and these chains you see on my wrists and feet are the chains of a gamester's doom, and I am on my way to a gambler's hell." Honey at the start, eternal catastrophe at the last!

Stock gambling comes into the same catalogue. Many men are doing an honest and safe business in the stock market, and you are an ignoramus if you do not know that it is just as legitimate to deal is stocks as it is to deal in coffee, or sugar, of flour. But nearly all the outsiders who go there on a financial excursion lose all. The old spiders eat up the unsuspecting flies. Gambling is gambling, whether in stocks or breadstuffs, or dice, or race horse betting. Exhilaration at the start, but a raving brain, and a shattered nervous system, and a sacrificed property, and a destroyed soul at the last. Young men, buy no lottery tickets, purchase no prize packages, bet on no baseball games or yacht racing, have no faith in luck, answer no mysterious circulars proposing great income for small investment, drive away the buzzards that hover around our hotels trying to entrap strangers. Go out and make an honest living. Have God on your side, and be a candidate for heaven. Remember all the paths of sin are banked with flowers at the start, and there are plenty of helpful hands to fetch the gay charger to your door and hold the stirrup while you mount. But further on the horse plunges to the bit in a slough inextricable.

The best honey is not like that which Jonathan took on the end of the rod and brought to his lips, but that which God puts on the banqueting-table of mercy, at which we are all invited to sit. When a man may sit at the King's banquet, why will he go down the steps and contend for the refuse and bones of a hound's kennel? "Sweeter than honey and the honeycomb," says David, "is the truth of God. "With honey out of the rock would I have satisfied thee," says God to the recreant. Here is honey gathered from the blossoms of trees of life, and with a rod made out of the wood of the cross I dip it up for all your souls.

Come off the malarial levels of a sinful life. Come and live on the uplands of grace, where the vineyards sun themselves. "Oh, taste and see that the Lord is gracious!" Be happy now and happy forever. For those who take a different course the honey will turn to gall. For many things I have admired Percy Shelley, the great English poet, but I deplore the fact that it seemed a great sweetness to him to dishonor God. The poem "Queen Mab" has in it the maligning of the Deity. Shelley was impious enough to ask for Rowland Hill's Surrey Chapel that he might denounce the Christian religion. He was in great glee against God and the truth. But he visited Italy, and one day on the Mediterranean with two friends in a boat which was 24 feet long he was coming toward the shore when an hour's squall struck the water. A gentleman standing on shore, through a glass, saw many boats tossed in this squall, but all outrode the storm except one, in which Shelley and his two friends were sailing. That never came ashore, but the bodies of two of the occupants were washed up on the beach, one of them the poet. A funeral pyre was built on the sea shore by some classic friends, and the two bodies were consumed. Poor Shelley! He would have no God while he lived, and I fear had no God when he died. "The Lord knoweth the way of the righteous, but the way of the ungodly shall perish." Beware of the forbidden honey!

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Toronto, Jan. 24—11 p.m.—The storm center which passed across Canada on Sunday is now to the southward of Newfoundland, and fair weather is general in the Dominion, except that a strong northwest wind is still blowing on the Atlantic coast. The other storm mentioned last night as developing over the Southwest States is now central in Northern Texas. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Esquimalt, 28-34; Kamloops, 6-16; Edmonton, 8 below-22; Qu'Appelle, 16 below-zero; Winnipeg, 8-8; Port Arthur, 2-20; Parry Sound, 6-22; Toronto, 24-30; Ottawa, 14-20; Montreal, 14-18; Quebec, 8-18; Chatham, N. B., 10-18; Halifax, 22-24.

Probabilities: Toronto, Jan. 25, 1 a.m.—Lower lakes: Winds increasing to gales from the eastward; increasing cloudiness, followed before night by snow or rain.

Local temperatures: The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory here yesterday were 28 and 16.5 above.

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News About Town

—Mrs. F. W. Merchant and daughter, of this city, are visiting friends in Ingersoll.

—Miss Maggie Scarlett, of Seaforth, is visiting with her brother, William Scarlett, of Princess avenue.

—Mr. Charles Graham, of Graham Bros., has left for New York and Philadelphia to buy spring goods.

—Zera Semon appeared at the Grand Opera House last night. Zera's show is much the same as in former years.

—Mrs. W. A. Nicholson, of Chicago, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David D. Smith, 469 Waterloo street, city.

—Many friends of Miss Mamie Conn, 273 Willington street, will regret to learn that she is seriously ill with inflammation of the lungs.

—F. E. Shepherd has been appointed harbor master at Port Stanley. He will have charge of the lake front for a distance of one mile east and one mile west.

—Mr. Robert A. McVean, of this city, has been appointed advance agent for Zera Semon. "Bob" has the necessary hustle and ability, and should fill the position well.

—Frank Chrysler, whose extraordinary treatment at the hands of Ald. Douglass occupied the attention of the city council last night, has been for many years a respected resident of the city.

—A meeting of the church improvement society of the Wellington Street Methodist Church has been called for this evening, when a project to completely renovate the interior of the building will be discussed.

—Mr. J. W. Jones yesterday afternoon offered for sale by auction the building, stock of flour and feed, and other effects of the late A. E. Phillips, flour and feed merchant, King street. There was a large attendance, and the bidding was brisk. The entire property was knocked down to Mr. H. A. Stringer for $5,950.

—St. Andrew's Church held a large audience last night, when Rev. Robert Johnston, B.A., lectured on "Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress." The lecture was illustrated with stereopticon views. A number of views from various parts of Scotland were also shown. The collection will be devoted to the cost of printing sermons.

—Theodore Williams, a Dorchester township young man, came before Squire J. B. Smyth on the charge of using abusive and insulting language towards Charles E. Rogers, at Dorchester on Sunday, Jan. 9, while the latter was on his way home from church. Williams was fined $5 and costs or 20 days. He went down. A companion of Williams was fined $5 and $10 costs a few days ago for a similar offense.

—Tomorrow night the Ingersoll hockey team, said to be one of the best in Canada, will play the London senior team at the Jubilee rink. There will be skating and music up till 8:30, after which the ice will quickly be prepared by twenty sweepers and the match proceeded with. The Jubilee and Medical School teams cross sticks tonight, this closing the first series of city championship games. For particulars see advertising columns.

—Mr. James Tytler, of Fitzgerald, Scandrett & Co., leaves tomorrow on a trip to California for the benefit of his health. He was entertained at the London Club kennels by the members of the Pickwick Club the other evening, and presented with an address and a handsome traveling bag.

—A large number of friends witnessed the wedding of Miss Annie Richard and Mr. Frank Gleed on Jan. 19, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Richard, of Exeter. The bride is a native of Exeter, and has resided in London for the past few years. The bridesmaid was Miss Flora Creery, of Alvinston. The groom was attended by Mr. Wm. Richard, of Masonville, the bride's brother.

—At the regular meeting of Victoria Lodge, No. 1, D. of R., I. O. O. F., Sister Levine, in behalf of the members, with a few well chosen words, presented Sister Lillie Tanner with a past grand's jewel for faithful services rendered during the past term in the noble grand's chair. Sister Tanner thanked them, and wished the lodge future prosperity, after which the regular business was proceeded with.

—A London township Patron-Conservative stated today that in the late scramble for the Conservative nomination, the anti-Elson combine, headed by a former Conservative M. P., so arranged it that Mr. Shaw-Wood should be nominated, not because it desired him to carry the convention, but because he was the man most likely to prevent ex-Reeve Elson from beating Mr. Hodgens. The desire was to keep Mr. Elson out of the nomination at all hazards.

—A very enjoyable recital was given by a number of the junior pupils of Mrs. and Miss Noble on Saturday afternoon. The following programme was given: Ratapan (piano duet), Donizetti, Maude Tambling and Ethel Adams; Stephano (piano solo) "Annie Laurie," Wilbert Willis; Sichner (piano solo), "Mignonette," Lillie Morgan; Schumann (piano solo), "Merry Peasant," Verne Crouch; Meyer-Helmund, "Maiden's Song," chorus; Klein (piano solo), "Child's Dream," Merna Glass; Viviano (piano solo), "Waltz Song," Muriel Hudson; Streabog (piano solo), "Morning Prayer," Jennie Leitch; Schumann (piano solo), "May Song," chorus; Fuchs (piano duet), "Birthday Party," Miss Noble and Maggie Robertson.

MRS. MANTELL DYING.

Mrs. Robert Mantell, known on the stage as Charlotte Behrens, is lying at the point of death at Port Huron, an operation having been performed as a last resort. Her husband canceled engagements at Ottawa and Montreal, so as to be at her bedside.

LICENSE BOARDS.

The following were gazetted license commissioners on Saturday:

South Bruce—Andrew Waechter, Daniel Sullivan, Jas. McLeod.

North Perth—George Gordon McPherson, John Way, Henry Doering.

West Kent—James Holmes, James S. Waugh, Thomas Brady.

South Essex—John Askew, Horatio Y. Pickering, Alexander Chauvin.

East Lambton—Thomas Kerfoot, W. J. McAlphine, Wm. Seaton.

North Brant—Thomas Ryall, Justus Vanderlip, Christopher Barker.

South Waterloo—Richard Blain, John Meyers, Jacob Luschinger.

South Oxford—James Ryan, John Rock, Thomas Dugan.

South Huron—David Douglas Wilson, Peter Douglas, Henry Doyle.

Nelson Scharr has been appointed license inspector for Rainy River North, and John Brown for Brantford.

CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC.

The 214th vocal recital was given last evening by Miss Katherine Moore's students at the Conservatory of Music. The following is the programme:

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Miss Winnett.
Pinsuti....."Bedouin Love Song"
Mr. W. E. Tambling.
Cowen....."The Swallows"
Miss Westland.
Gounod....."Oh, that We Two Were Maying"
Miss Constance Fraser.
Bishop....."Tell Me My Heart"
Miss Hotson.
Neidlinger....."Reveries"
Miss Kelly.
Liszt....."Knowest Thou the Land"
Miss Bessie Moore.
Hardelot....."Invocation"
Miss Evans.

THE LATE MR. W. J. CLARKE.

The members of the Middlesex Law Society met at the court house yesterday to arrange for attending the funeral of the late W. J. Clarke, barrister. George C. Gibbons, Q.C., presided. The society will attend in a body, and will send a floral wreath to be placed on the casket. The following resolution was drafted by Messrs. Hellmuth, Cronyn and T. H. Purdom, and unanimously adopted: "That the members of the bar of Middlesex desire to express their deep regret and sorrow at the early demise of their esteemed brother, Mr. W. J. Clarke. Mr. Clarke's careful and thorough work in his profession, coupled with his sterling integrity, had gained for him the respect and regard, not only of his brothers in the profession, but of the public generally; that the secretary be requested to forward a copy of this resolution to Mrs. Clarke, and to express the sincere sympathy of the Middlesex Law Society with her and the children in their irreparable loss."

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Insolvent Act

Discussed by 12 Members of the Board of Trade.

Replies to Questions by the Minister of Justice—A Limit Proposed in Connection With the Expenses of Winding Up—Small Attendance at Board Meetings.

The London Board of Trade held another meeting last night to discuss the proposed insolvency act and answer the questions contained in the recent communication from Hon. David Mills, minister of justice.

President A. B. Greer presided, and spoke of the lact of interest taken in such important measures by the merchants of the city. Out of a membership of 85, only a dozen members put in an appearance, six of whom were members of the council of the body. He lamented the fact that the question had been laid over from time to time in the hope of getting a fairly representative meeting of the board, but they were doomed to disappointment. Another question to be dealt with was the re-leasing of the present room. Members had notice of these important questions coming up, but they passed by the door and went to the club.

Mr. W. J. Reid—We had better hold a meeting at the club. (Laughter.)

Mr. D. W. Blackwell and other members pointed to the good derived by the merchants generally through the instrumentality of the board's efforts, while only a few—a small percentage, indeed—were willing to put their shoulders to the wheel.

The president intimated his intention of calling no more meetings should the next one not be well attended.

The question of insolvency legislation, submitted by the minister of justice, was then taken up. It was the general opinion of the board that it will be some time yet before an act bearing upon this question, and meeting all requirements, could be gotten through the house. The letter of the minister of justice was taken up clause by clause, and dealt with without much discussion, as follows:

1. Why the expenses might not be quite as low under the provincial statutes as under the Dominion law?

Mr. Bland replied that it was for the government to make them as low.

Mr. Brodrick presumed that under the proposed Dominion measure they would be lower than at present.

Mr. W. J. Reid said the expenses in winding up an estate should be limited. Under the present system it cost as much to wind up a $2,000 estate as a $4,000 one. If there were a fixed limited charge there might be something left for creditors. "We all know," he said, "what it means now. The estates are eaten up by expenses connected with winding them up. Creditors get reports, and in many cases that is all they get.

Mr. W. A. Gunn said that a uniform measure could hardly be applied because the expenses of winding up one estate would be more than another.

Mr. Bowman—If there was a limit, the proportion would at least be the same.

In reply to a question as to what amount he thought should be the limit, Mr. Reid suggested 5 per cent, but the general opinion was that this would be entirely inadequate, especially in the case of small estates.

Mr. Bowman said that although in the Ontario act there was no limitation of costs, he understood the proposed legislation would cover the point.

On motion of Messrs. Bowman and McDonald, the following resolution passed in answer to the question:

"Resolved that this board is of opinion that, while the provincial law does not sufficiently control the expenses of winding up an estate, the proposed Dominion act should be so framed as to limit and control expenditure in connection with insolvent estates.

2. In what respect, apart from the question of cost, is the present provincial law in the Province of Ontario inadequate to meet the requirements of the case?

Mr. Greer—The only answer we can make to that is "Because it is not a universal law." Each province had separate laws, and a universal one was sought.

Mr. Bland—And the Ontario law is the best in the Dominion today.

Secretary Nelles stated that in the memorial, the expense under existing laws was taken up, and the legislation sought was something to cover up the deficiencies of the provincial laws.

Mr. Reid failed to see why an Ontario merchant selling goods in the Lower Provinces should not have the same privileges and protection as a New Brunswick merchant selling goods in Ontario.

Mr. Gunn—What about Quebec?

Mr. Greer—We have all been there. They take your goods, turn the estate over for $1, and leave you out. Their law is founded on French law. Why, they stole a whole hearse from me.

The following motion was made by Mr. A. St. L. McIntosh and Mr. Brodrick, and carried:

"Resolved, that in the opinion of this board, the present provincial law is inadequate, because it is not universal in its application."

3. Are the board of opinion that the trader should be denied the privilege of pledging by way of collateral security his property for bank accommodation?

"No" was the unanimous answer.

Mr. Brodrick offered a full explanation of the operation of the bankers' act and the insolvency act. The banks could not accept property as collateral security, but a manufacturer could pledge his property to the bank under a lien covering raw material or goods in process of manufacture, and thus put his finished article on the market, such lien not be ing required to be registered.

4. Does the board favor giving to a trader a discharge from debt incurred by a non-trader as his surety while non-trader continues still liable for this debt?

Mr. McIntosh—Decidedly, no—not while the non-trader remains liable.

This was carried as an answer, on motion of Messrs. Bland and Gunn.

The fifth clause embodied three subclauses.

5. (a) Ought not any insolvency law to discourage traders from inviting non-traders to become accommodation indorsers on their behalf?

Mr. McIntosh—The difficulty there would be to draw the line of demarkation between the trader and the bank.

Mr. Brodrick said many men made a living by becoming accommodation indorsers, and they should still have that privilege. The answer to this was unanimously "No."

(b) And ought any trader who does so to be permitted to obtain a discharge under an insolvency law for such obligations?

"No; not while the non-trader remains liable.

(c) In other words, ought not every insolvency law in its operation be confined to traders both in respect to liquidation and to discharge from obligations incurred?

To this the answer was "Yes."

The board further resolved that the matter of the discharge of debtors should be left entirely to the judgment and discretion of the creditors."

Mr. Gunn brought up another matter, contending that there should be a registration of all hypothecated assets and book debts. He said a man might buy from him for years, and buy from an opposition firm only six months. If the purchaser went to the young firm to purchase say $25,000 worth of goods, and they were suspicious and wanted security to the extent of $15,00, the merchant could assign his book debts to this amount. If the merchant, after 60 days from the assignment of these book debts became insolvent, the young firm would be $15,000 better off than the other creditors.

Mr. Brodrick—If you go back far enough you will find that nine times out of ten all the insolvent merchant's money has gone into the older creditors' pockets, where such an assignment is made to the bank. No legislation would operate to make men honest. The opinion was that registration of bankers' liens, etc., would injure a merchant's credit.

The question of rental of the present rooms was left to the special committee.

Those present were: President Greer, John Bland, Thos. Parker, P. W. D. Brodrick, H. McDonald, A. H. Beddome, W. J. Reid, John Bowman, ex-Ald. Parnell, W. A. Gunn, W. D. Blackwell, A. St. L. McIntosh.

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BROWN GOES DOWN.

A Drunken Vag Gets Two Months in the Central—Ensign Allowed to Go.

Edward Brown, the vagrant who has been in jail on remand for a week, was sentenced by Magistrate Parke this morning to two months in the Central Prison. Brown is the man who fell through Mr. Trafford's plate glass window a couple of months ago, and failed to pay for it.

Joseph Mitcheltree, charged with immoderate driving, was found guilty, and sentence was suspended.

Isaac Ensign, the man who stole clothing from the front of Boughner's gents' furnishing store on Saturday evening, was allowed to go on suspended sentence. His wife is ill in bed, and on this account the leniency of the court was extended to him.

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Costly Banquet To Be Given at Waldorf-Astoria, Feb. 18.—$1 Cigars and All Manner of Extravagances.

New York, Jan. 25. — The World says: The appointment of Gov. Griggs, of New Jersey, to the attorney-generalship of the United States will be made the occasion for a dinner to him, which will take place at the Waldorf-Astoria on Feb. 18. His hosts will be limited to 30 and each will be assessed $100.

Gov. Griggs will be presented with a silver service to cost $2,000, and, in addition, he will receive a silver loving-cup, to cost $2,500. It will be a memorable banquet. Even in this city, where elaborate functions of the kind are anything but rare, a dinner that costs $100 a plate is so infrequent as to attract attention. Gov. Griggs, however, has long been the attorney of rich corporations, and those whose protege he is are in a position to spend this sum of money without feeling it. It will take four or five hours to do justice to this dinner, and all the while an orchestra behind tree ferns and palms will play. There will be cigars that cost $1 each and all manner of extravagances. It is promised that it shall be one of the most marvelous banquets that New York has known.

BRUCE CENTER AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Paisley, Ont., Jan. 25.—At the annual meeting of the center riding of Bruce Agricultural Society, there was a large turnout of members. In his opening remarks President Chambers stated that the success of the past year was due largely to the harmony and good-will existing among the members. The society is clear of debt, and has a surplus of some $600 in the treasury. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Geo. Chambers; first vice-president, D. Hopper; second vice-president, C. Briggs; secretary-treasurer, F. E. Sheppard; directors, R. Brown, R. B. Grant, W. L. Stewart, Wm. Lamb, Geo. Thompson, Wm. McBride, D. Fair, Wm. Dudgeon, Wm. Brockie, J. Fraser, A. McKenzie, D. Robertson, R. Dewar, Alex. Clark, J. McDermid, A. McLean. Date for the fall exhibition, Sept. 27, 28.

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