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WHISKARD'S

TWO BUSY DEPARTMENTAL STORES.

ARE YOU THE ONE?
ARE YOU MISSING OUR GREAT REBUILDING AND ALTERATION SALE?

THERE ARE MANY LADIES

in London who would give us a great deal of pleasure if they would just call and see what we are doing in goods and prices during our REBUILDING AND ALTERATION SALE. We are sure the vast majority of ladies would find it to their advantage to visit our store. We have had the reputation for years of selling good goods at less prices than common goods are sold for. We don't do the whole trade of London—don't expect to—don't want to—but when we say Sale we mean it. Our prices are always right, but during this sale they are more than right. Come and try us. The prices here are adjusted for our present sale.

Best Out Ladies' Fleece Vests, regular 25c, for 15c each.
Children's Fleece Vests, 8c and 10c.
Infants' 10c Wool Vests for 15c.
Children's Flannel Skirts, 25c for 15c.
Ladies' Fleece Drawers, good kind, 25c.
Ladies' Fleece Ribbed Vests, 10c each.
Ladies' Pure Wool Vests, 40c each.

OUR FEBRUARY SALE OF WHITEWEAR.

Ladies' and Children's Night Dresses, Corset Covers, Chemises, Drawers and Underskirts, made of the best Cotton and fine sewing.

WE ARE SHOWING

Ladies' Night Gowns, 25c each.
Ladies' Night Gowns, 35c each.
Ladies' Fine Night Gowns, 50c each.
Ladies' Extra Night Gowns, 75c each.
Lovely Goods at \$1.
Perfectly Beautiful at \$1.69.

We have not given you any description of style or make in our WHITEWEAR, as we would rather you would call and see for yourselves.

OUR DRESS GOODS SALE

Goes merrily on, made so by cheering prices to give snap to it.

Several lines of Dress Goods, worth 15c and 20c, going at 8c yard.
New lines, just laid on our counters, of Cheviot Tweed Suitings, double fold, worth 30c, for 24c yard.
Heavy Serges, at 25c, 37c, 40c yard.

FINE NEW CHIFFONS, just in, in all colors, at WHOLESALE PRICES, 15c, 20c, 25c yard.

WHITE BED SPREADS, regular \$1 goods, sale price 69c.
Fine Marseilles Spreads, \$1.25, sale price 85c each.

Eacrett's 7c Bazar.

The spring trade is coming on and we are receiving daily goods which would astonish you if you were to know the values and prices of the same, but space will not allow us to enumerate everything.

Toilet Ware.

We have secured this year a line for the spring trade ahead of anything we have ever had before.

A Beautiful Decorated 10-piece Set \$1.98, worth \$2.25.

Cups and Saucers.

Beautiful Decorated Cups and Saucers 45c per half dozen, worth 60c.

Toilet Soaps.

Do not forget that we are headquarters for Toilet and Laundry Soaps of all kinds.

Madame Ayer's Witch Hazel Glycerine and Buttermilk Toilet Soap, three cakes in a box, nicely wrapped, for 8c per box, worth 15c.

Valentines.

We have received a lot of fine comical ones this season which we sell for 1c, 2c and 5c each.

Specials.

Bake Boards 25c each.
Baking Powder 10c per pound, worth 15c.
Brownie Lunch Boxes 14c and 18c each.
Japanned Slop Pails 21c.
Match Safes 3c.
Plate Handles 3c.
7-inch Opal Lamp Shades, which we are overstocked with, we will run them off at 7c each.
Corn Poppers 10c.

EACRETT'S 7c BAZAR, 200 Dundas St. Phone 863.

Western Ontario.

No "Curleyques" Wanted on Windsor Presbyterian Church.

Trouble in the Howard Agricultural Society—Look Up Your Clover Seed.

As compared with January of last year, customs receipts for January at Chatham show a falling off of over \$1,500.

Miss Emma Small, the only daughter of Mr. John Small, east of Walsworth, died Wednesday evening, after an illness of several months. She was in her 18th year, and a general favorite.

General Manager Hays of the G.T.R. has approved of the agreement entered into with the Chatham waterworks department for the supply of water to the G. T. R. by the commissioners.

A number of Windsor families had their furniture seized Friday morning for non-payment of water rates and taxes, but at the last moment the billiard sales were postponed to give them another chance.

W. F. Armstrong on Wednesday drove into the Sutherland Lumber mill at Romney, a load of fine elm logs, which contained 6,236 feet of merchantable timber. Four of the logs were each 16 feet long, and the fifth was 12 feet long.

Chatham Bannock Farmers are cautioned to keep their clover seed in secure places. Night before last Joseph Waterhouse, Chatham township, lost four bushels, and last night John Drury, Raleigh, had two bushels stolen.

Constables are now working on the cases, but as yet have secured no clues.

A meeting of the West Elgin Farmers' Institute will be held in Dutton on Tuesday, Feb. 9. Addresses will be given by Thomas McMillan, of Seaforth, and W. W. Hillborn, of Leamington. Afternoon and evening sessions will be held.

Judge McMahon, sitting in Toronto, granted leave for a motion to be presented to quash the conviction in the case of the Queen vs. Harmon and Mooney, who were fined \$1 and costs for persisting in carrying "curleyques" on the new St. Andrew's Church, Windsor, after the building committee had decided not to have them.

There is trouble in the Howard Agricultural Society. As a consequence all the new officers and directors have resigned. They did so to prevent a lawsuit. Now there will be another election. Edward Brien, who was a director last year, served the members with a notice that he would protest their election on the ground that votes were cast for them by parties not entitled to vote.

Arthur Leskie was arrested some time ago on a charge of robbing Wm. Berry at Fort Stanley. He was discharged. Then he instructed his solicitors to sue Berry for \$5,000 for false arrest and malicious prosecution. Before Judge Ersmith at St. Thomas, D. J. Donahue, solicitor for Berry, moved to have the action dismissed for want of prosecution. No person appeared for plaintiff, and the action was dismissed.

Drunkness is on the decrease in Windsor, according to the report made by Chief of Police Willis to the commissioners. The arrests last year fell to 89. There were 501 cases in the police court, 39 of which were for indictable offenses, 61 being convicted. The fines amounted to \$1,475, of which the city received \$1,208. The commissioners decided to ask the council for \$7,700 this year, there being a slight surplus over from last year.

Near Havana.

Insurgent Cavalry Reported to Have Routed the Spaniards.

Reported That the Cuban General Anaraguene Has Burned Guanabacoa.

Key West, Fla., Feb. 6.—It is rumored in Havana that Gen. Weyler will return to Havana soon, because the frequent raids made in Havana Province have alarmed him.

Gen. Rivers had a skirmish with a troops of Col. Deloma's cavalry 50 miles northwest of Havana Tuesday, and defeated the Spaniards. No details have been allowed to escape, and the censorship has been increased the past fortnight.

Telegrams have been received here announcing that Gen. Anaraguene has burned Guanabacoa, in the suburbs of Havana.

New York, Feb. 6.—Senor Palma, of the Cuban Junta, says his people will never accept the proposed reforms granted by Spain. They want independence or nothing, and will not be satisfied without it.

Havana, Feb. 6.—Further details of the operations of Col. Arjona at Crotilla, near Cienfuegos, in the Santa Clara Province, have been received here. The Cubans were found in strong parties and made stout resistance to the Spaniards' troops.

The losses of the troops were one lieutenant and one private killed, and a number of a lieutenant, and 23 privates wounded. Other engagements are detailed, in which the rebels suffered the loss of 32 men killed or wounded, and the troops had about half that number of men wounded.

THE POPE'S HEALTH.

Friday's Prostration the Most Serious That He Has Suffered in Years.

Rome, Feb. 6.—The Daily News has received the following from its correspondent at Rome: "Despite the statement of Dr. Laponis to the contrary, I am informed that the Pope was yesterday (Friday) found lying on the back of a chair. He was unconscious when discovered, and was only restored to consciousness by inhaling ether. The attack is the gravest which he has suffered during the past two years, and it is attributed to increasing cerebral anaemia."

INCENDIARISM SUSPECTED.

St. Marys Hotel Fire to be Once More Investigated.

Stratford, Feb. 6.—An important case to insurance men will be tried before Judge Armour here on March 27. On April 30, 1896, the hotel of William Dunne, of St. Marys, was burned down.

There was an insurance of \$8,000, divided between the National Guardian, Perth Mutual and Western. The National and Guardian paid their policies, but the Perth Mutual and Western refused to settle.

Dunne sued the Western for \$2,000, and obtained a verdict. The defense of his company was over-valuation and incendiary. The building and contents were valued at \$12,000, and at the trial it was shown that the valuation was too high, about \$3,000 being the outside figure. Counsel for the insurance company appealed the case, and were successful in having a new trial fixed.

For two weeks Detective Heffernan, of Walkerton, who was successful in his search in the Saledon East conspiracy case, has been engaged working on the case, and it is expected some startling evidence will be given, as the result of his investigation. It is claimed that the fire was the work of an incendiary, for when the firemen arrived the disarmed half-burned candles strewn about the rooms and connected with strings saturated with kerosene.

TRENTON TALK.

Not a Rumor, But An Ascertained Fact—What a Reporter Has to Say About the Case of Mrs. D. N. Ostrander.

Our reporter called at the cosy residence of Mrs. D. N. Ostrander, Trenton, and was met at a door by a bright, sprightly woman, a lady, who turned out to be no less than Mrs. Ostrander herself, and who told him she was restored from a condition of misery to one of health and strength by the use of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills.

Said Mrs. Ostrander: "I have been a great sufferer for many years with my heart and nerves, and was almost a complete wreck. When going around the house I would get so bad that I had to lie down on the lounge until I could recover my breath. This occurred several times during the day. At night I could hardly sleep at all, and when I would drop off to sleep would wake up with a start, followed by a suffocating feeling as if my heart had stopped beating forever. I have had my feet put in hot water, and have hot cloths laid across my body before I could recover; in fact this was almost a nightly occurrence. Pen cannot portray what my feelings were by the use of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills."

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JOSEPH POWELL, Esq., Civil Engineer, Manager and Engineer, Rossland, B.C.

Capital Stock \$500,000 in \$1.00 Shares.

OFFICERS:

President, Dr. W. F. Roome, Ex M. P. Vice-President, William Spittal, Esq.
Secretary, Andrew Greenlees, Esq. Treasurer, A. A. Campbell, Esq.
Solicitor, G. N. Weekes, all of the City of London, Ontario,

200,000 shares of this stock were sold before the incorporation of the company. The 50,000 since offered are being taken up rapidly at 25c.

The sale of this 50,000 will leave HALF THE CAPITAL STOCK of the company still in the treasury—UNISSUED and not bearing dividends.

The company's manager, Mr. Powell, has been most energetic in the company's service, and has purchased many mining propositions, which cannot fail to bring the company ENORMOUS PROFITS.

The ELLA S. ROSSLAND BELL WHITE FAWN and LANDERS are on Sheep Creek, about 12 miles from Rossland. This group is partially developed, and assays so far are very promising. DAISY ELK NO. 2 is in the South Belt, within sight of Rossland—a favorite location and very excellent surface showing. The FINANCE, BIG WHALE and ECHO, constitute the Finance group, and have been sold to the Finance Gold Mining and Development Company, our company making handsome cash profit on retaining more than half the shares in the Finance Company.

Development work is progressing favorably on the Big Whale, on a ledge no less than 28 feet in width. The mineral is growing rapidly richer as the shaft descends, and a rich strike of ore is expected any day.

GOLINE and JIM DANDY adjoin the Finance group. RICO and RAND are on the Salmon River. These four are undeveloped, but the surface showing is excellent. AWKRIGHT and ALKI are the latest purchases. Samples from the Awkright two feet below the surface assayed \$6.94 to the ton.

These two are silver propositions. They are on the famous Toad Mountain, near the great SILVER KING, HALL and WHITEWATER mines, of fabulous richness.

Mr. Powell has aptly named them the SILVER QUEEN GROUP. It appears from a telegram received by the president, Dr. Roome, on Feb. 5, that he (Mr. Powell) is about to bond this group to foreign capitalists at a sum which WILL NET THE COMPANY \$225,000 IN CASH. The telegram is published elsewhere in this paper. This enormous profit, if the deal be put through, and there is every prospect that it will, will be sufficient to pay DIVIDENDS OF NEARLY ONE DOLLAR PER SHARE on all the shares issued, and the stock will likely be at once withdrawn from the market.

Intending investors should not delay a moment. It is now intended to raise the price, which is now 25c a share, to 30c on FEB. 15, but it may be raised much higher than that.

A DIVIDEND is daily expected to be declared out of the cash profits of the Finance transaction. Still other sales are being negotiated, and there is every probability of regular and larger dividends from this time on.

INQUIRE PARTICULARS of the officers or directors. Stock may be had of J. F. SANGSTER, broker, 403 Richmond Street, London, or of A. A. CAMPBELL, broker, Molson Bank Building, London, or of ISAAC UNSWORTH, Banker, Florence.

DIRECTORS:

W. F. Roome, M. D., ex-M. P., don, Ont.
G. N. Weekes, barrister at law, London, Ont.
Joseph Powell, civil and mining engineer, late chief engineer of the International Radial Railway, locating engineer of the Duluth, Nipigon and James Bay Railway; now at Rossland, B. C.
George Burness, commercial traveler, London, Ont.
A. A. Campbell, managing director of the People's Building and Loan Association, London, Ont.
J. W. Butler, insurance agent, London, Ont.
Wm. Spittal, secretary-treasurer and director of the People's Building and Loan Association, and secretary-treasurer of the London Lumber Co., London, Ont.
Andrew Greenlees, barrister at law, London, Ont.
Robt. D. Millar, secretary-treasurer of the Advertiser Printing Co., London, Ont.
Walter Drew, merchant, Florence, Ont.
Isaac Unsworth, banker, Florence, Ont.
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F. W. Daly, wholesale merchant, London, Ont.
S. D. Coon, contractor, London, Ont.

Idle Hours.

Awful and Ghastly Waste of Time.

The Sin of the Rich and the Educated
—The Bishop of Huron's Stirring Address.

The disagreeable weather last night was sufficient to deter many from attending the annual missionary gathering in connection with Christ Church, the first of the annual meetings in connection with the local Anglican Churches. Rev. J. H. Moorhouse, the rector, opened the meeting with a few words. He thought the missionary cause deserved the warmest approval, and that approval should be shown by attendance at the meeting.

Rev. Canon Richardson gave some interesting facts about missionary work. In this diocese \$45,000 had been raised for the foreign and domestic missions, \$11,000 of it coming from the noble women of the auxiliary. This showing a glowing picture of the work, which was one of the best signs in the line of mission work.

Rev. Mr. Benoit, a French missionary from Quebec, said that in Quebec, after 50 years of hard work, the missionaries had succeeded in creating a new condition of things. The church had made everyone a missionary, for those who could not themselves go to the fields should act as missionaries by sending out others to represent them.

The Bishop of Huron, though unwell, was present, and spoke briefly. He stated the congregation for the small attendance at the meeting, the reason for which, he said, was because people wanted the church to "go itself." A great many sauntered to a missionary meeting as a horse sauntered down a railway track—not knowing why they do so. They went simply because something interesting might turn up, but the bishop did not believe in a person's love for missions unless he or she prayed for them, worked for them, and read about them. It was not possible for everyone to go to Japan, China, or the islands of the sea, but they could all do something in a way to please the Lord. The speaker referred to the time mispent in idleness. It was a most lamentable thing—the way that time was wasted by lazes in our cities with 5 o'clock teas, moving concerts, midnight concerts. It was the sin of the rich, of the educated, of those who have plenty of time and money to waste.

Rev. Canon Chance was present, but being unwell, did not speak. Mrs. (Rev.) Chance sang a hymn in the tongue of an Indian tribe, among which she and her husband had labored for many years.

A St. George telegram says: Albert Rosebrough committed suicide Tuesday fore his return to the city. He was shot when about two miles from Galt shot himself in the forehead. The team went home alone, and Rosebrough was found dead on the road. Two chambers of the revolver were empty. He was 21 years of age, and a respected farmer of South Dumfries. He had been suffering from ill-health for a few weeks.

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Latest Facts for Shareholders

and Contemplating Investors.

Note the following and get your "SKATES ON" before the "UPRAISE" in the solid "HANSARD."

The following letter and telegrams have been received by Messrs. W. H. Bleasdel & Co., official brokers, and speak for themselves:

WHITEWATER, B. C., Jan. 17, 1897.

"DEAR SIR,—"Since my last of the 31st ult. we have driven the lower tunnel on the Lone Star in a total depth of 90 feet; everything satisfactory and working nicely, the rock being more solid and in place."

"We are meeting with stringers, or small veins, of quartz and galena, which are feeders to the main ledge, which according to present indications and surface measurements cannot be any great distance from the face of the tunnel, but on account of the lode dipping into the mountain, or away from us, I may have to tunnel further than I expected."

(Signed) ROBT. SHIELL, Manager of Mines."

By wire from Whitewater, B. C., Jan. 31, 1897:

"Lower tunnel on Lone Star is looking better than ever. Writing. (Signed) ROBT. SHIELL, Manager of Mines."

W. H. Bleasdel & Co., yesterday received the following wire: "NELSON, B. C., Feb. 2, 1897."

"Shiell advises change for the better, vein on Lone Star having well-defined walls. Am following four (4) inches of gangue (gangue—"Nature's matrix, or womb for mineral"), which invariably, in this camp, leads to an ore chute. May get it any time."

(Signed) F. W. SWANNELL, Secretary Hansard Co."

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BLIZZARD IN MARYLAND

Funeral Cortege Snowed in and the Minister Had His Ears Frozen.

Frederick, Md., Feb. 6.—The family and friends of Joshua Main, of Rocky Springs, Frederick county, whose funeral took place Tuesday, had a rough experience at the interment. The snow drifts beyond Montevue Hospital were as much as two horses could pull through, and the wind was so fierce and the snow flying in the faces of the drivers so steadily that it was impossible to see 25 yards ahead. The casket stools were blown from the hearse and could not be found. Rev. Mr. Barshinger, United Brethren minister, of Walkersville, started out at 9 o'clock, and the drifts increased to such an extent that he was compelled

to leave his horse and buggy and walk across the fields to Rocky Springs chapel. He was so cold that his ears were partly frozen.

The roads were so blocked that men were compelled to shovel them over for the funeral cortege to proceed, and to take down the fence in order to reach the graveyard. The conveyances were compelled to return home through the farms by lowering the fencing.

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 Bickie'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., etc.

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God's in His heaven,
All's right with the world.
—Browning.

The Conservative party seems to have gone into cold storage.

The Wingham Record calls London a rotten borough. The Record should not judge the whole city by the attic.

Hon. Mr. Foster is looking up gold mine prospects in Rossland. There is more money in that than in politics just now.

The voracious Dr. Montague has not been heard from for many moons. Perhaps he is doing some thinking for a change.

The Conservatives are really in hard luck. More bye-elections are pending and Sir Charles Tupper is coming back to Canada.

Says the Dundas Banner: "The Tory member for London hangs on hard, but he will have to let go in the end. His election trial has been a determined and expensive one, and he has made a good fight, but it will make no difference. And just as sure as London is opened, young Hyman will be the next member, and Laurier will have another supporter at his back."

The British Live Stock Journal warmly commends the report of the Ontario Department of Agriculture containing a number of records of experiments conducted at the Agricultural College, Guelph. The more important relate to the qualities of milk for butter and cheese-making. The Journal says of the report as a whole, that it is one of the most interesting ever issued by the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

Having in view the strictures of some people in regard to the revelations at the London election trial, the Toronto Globe makes some pertinent observations. "It is," says our contemporary, "of course, deplorable that much of the testimony in election trials should be that of persons of questionable character. The only remedy we can suggest is that the practice of bribery, tampering with ballots, etc., be strictly confined to high-minded patriots of unimpeachable veracity. If the corrupt people could be kept out of the business there would be an end not only to perjury in election trials but to corruption. The Chinese have a saying that you must never rub your eye except with your elbow, which seems applicable to this case."

London School Trustees.

The London school board has bridged over its difficulty about the election of a chairman with comparative ease. Mr. Andrew Greenlee, the gentleman selected, is an able and painstaking educationist, and we feel sure that he will so conduct the business of the board as to bring credit to himself, and earn the support of his associates. Now let the trustees get down to business, and let us have the best results possible from our educational system. There are many ways in which this can be done other than by harassing lady teachers, as some of the members appear to incline. Teachers who have served the citizens faithfully for years have a right to respectful consideration.

An Antiquated System.

Hardly an important question comes up in the United States Congress that does not demonstrate the disadvantage of having the members of the Government outside both Senate and House of Representatives. The heads of the departments—the real managers of public affairs—may have their policy maligned or misrepresented, their acts may be misconstrued, but they can formulate no defense before their fellow-legislators, except by the agency of Presidential messages or State papers.

In dealing with foreign nations, also, they put the cart before the horse. The President, representing the whole people, may sign a treaty with Great Britain, for example. In the case of Great Britain, the treaty stands, but in the United States the agreement has to run the gauntlet of both Senate and House of Representatives, after it has been indorsed by the nation's head. A better way, surely, and a great saving of time, energy and money, would be to choose the heads of departments from Congress, and thereby enable them to promote Cabinet measures in the most expeditious and fair way.

It may be said that this is contrary to the constitution, as drawn up by Washington and his associates. It is but in the United States constitution (fashioned after the laws of the Medes and Persians) it might be made to fit

the needs of the people of today. When it was put in force it was an experiment.

British Control the Best.

The latest intelligence from the land of the Pharaohs gives additional point to the address by Senator Mills in this city on Thursday evening last, an extended summary of which has been printed in the Advertiser. In accordance with the views of a large number of enlightened statesmen, British rulers in Egypt to stay, and, as Senator Mills has pointed out, it is good for the Egyptians and for every other people controlled by them that the Anglo-Saxon race is likely to continue a power from one end of Africa to the other.

Within the next six months, the British in Egypt, with the aid of the native forces, will endeavor to establish law and order in the Sudan. They will not be permitted to do so without molestation. Even now the Dervishes, who have harassed the natives and have kept them in a condition of servitude worse than slavery, are organizing to check the invasion of the establishments of law and order. The objective point of the expedition is Omdurman, which lies opposite Khartoum, now in ruins, and it is at Omdurman that the Dervishes are massing their outlying garrisons, strengthening the fortifications of the place and sending the women and children to the interior of the Province of Kordofan. It is likely that there will be a fierce struggle for the possession of the city of the Khalifs, but there can be no misgivings as to the ultimate result. The Dervishes are fierce warriors, and their fanaticism drives them to accept death before defeat, but the Khalifa has been so tyrannical in his rule that many of the natives have broken away from his control, and the force he has at his command is no match for the well-disciplined Egyptian forces.

The reign of the False Prophet is indeed nearing a conclusion, even in his stronghold. British rule has commended itself to the natives wherever it has been set up, and it is somewhat remarkable to note how quickly and contentedly the people accept the new condition of things. But the other day, the Dervishes controlled the fertile district of Dongola. In September it was wrested from their cruel sway. Now Major-General Kitchener, who has returned to Cairo from inspecting the locality, reports a wonderful improvement in the province. The inhabitants are contented, and agriculture has revived to such an extent that the general was able to stop the sending of maize from Egypt for the use of the troops. Many shops have been opened, which are supplied with Manchester goods and all sorts of things that the natives require. Thus it is proved at once that the proper government of Africa gives a powerful impetus to British trade. Although the Dervishes destroyed one-third of the half-million date trees which were estimated to exist, and which furnished a large food supply to the Sudan, the export of the fruit has been resumed. The chief want of the natives—namely, cattle to work their water-wheels—they will gradually be able to supply from the sale of their maize, wheat and barley crops to the Egyptian troops and others. Greek and other traders are establishing themselves, and civilized rule is strictly enforced. It is expected that in a short time the province will surpass the prosperity which it enjoyed under the former purely Egyptian government.

Profitable Insurance.

The dullness in trade nor the financial stringency of last year affected the progress of the North American Life Assurance Company, the shareholders of which have just held their annual meeting. The company is most carefully managed, but its business is apparently promoted with energy. Risks are selected with a single eye to the welfare of the shareholders and the insurers jointly, hence the phenomenal prosperity of the North American. Last year, when compared with 1895, the assets increased over 9 per cent, the cash income over 10 per cent, the new insurance over 18 per cent, the total insurance in force over 10 per cent, the reserve fund over 10 per cent, and the payments to policy-holders over 142 per cent. With such results the president and directors might well felicitate the shareholders and patrons of the company, and start out in 1897 with the belief that even a better record will be attained.

WON'T DO IT AGAIN.

Woman of Ninety-Seven Smoked a Pipe in Bed.

Lancaster, Pa., Feb. 6.—Mrs. Letitia Musselman was burned to death at her home in Kirkwood. She was in the habit of smoking a pipe, and it is supposed that while lying in bed with a lighted pipe, sparks ignited the bed clothing. She was 97 years old.

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Mining Matters

Promoters Designate 1897 as "the Crucial Year."

The Rossland Territory Stands the Test Well.

Shipments on the Increase Almost Every Day.

The Manager of the War Eagle Associates Himself With Another Mining Enterprise.

Mr. James Clark, manager of the War Eagle mine, which sold for \$350,000 a short time ago to the Goodriches of Toronto, is one of the most successful mining men Rossland has seen. The magnificent way he has developed the War Eagle, which his brother bought in 1894 for \$15,000, speaks volumes for his ability as a mining man. Mr. Clark is very slow to associate himself with mining projects, but when, after thorough investigation, he does so, the success of the enterprise may be considered to be assured.

A short time ago Mr. Clark and the chief engineer of the War Eagle inspected the Sunset mine, belonging to the Canadian Gold Fields Syndicate, Limited, and were so entirely pleased with the richness and size of the mine that they decided to purchase a large block of their stock. The syndicate is certainly to be most highly congratulated on its being indorsed and supported by such a man as Mr. Clark.

"THE CRUCIAL YEAR." ROSSLAND. During 1895 and 1896 the share-buying public accepted the statements of Rossland mine owners and promoters at par. By common consent, however, 1897 was designated as "the crucial year." In other words, investors concluded that two years should be sufficient in which to develop actual values, establishing, at least, the general work of the district as a whole. A great many people very promptly concluded that, put to the test, the Rossland mines would soon be found to be a great deal of glamor with which they had been surrounded. January, 1897, has passed into history, and the Rossland camp has not only justified all that has been claimed for it, but has developed actual worth in dollars and cents, placing it "head and shoulders" above the gold-copper camp of which history gives account. Take the shipments for the first three weeks in January:

ROSSLAND SHIPMENTS.	
From Jan. 1 to Jan. 23 inclusive, the shipments of ore from the Rossland mine to smelters were as follows:	
Mine	Tons.
Le Red	2,350
War Eagle	950
Columbia and Kootenay	90
O. K.	14
Jumbo	71
Iron Mask	65
Red Mountain	36
Cliff	40
Total	3,585

SHIPMENTS OF MATTE.

The Trail smelter shipped via the Red Mountain Railway since Jan. 1, 31,428 pounds of matte. At \$40 per ton the output for the period named is a mere straw in comparison with what is to come. This is absolutely true, because five of the eight mines named are just now making their "madmen" shipments, and three out of the five already developed as great wealth and general extent of available ore as either the War Eagle or the Sunset. The shipping list of Rossland mines is increasing almost every week. In this connection the Rossland Miner says: "We may as easily add to the list the Montie, Colono, Deer Park, Nest Egg, Sunset No. 2, Mayflower and Nickel Plate. To the shipping list in a short time. One of the most tangible evidences of actual worth furnished during the year is the purchase by the Goodriches of the War Eagle at, in round numbers, \$350,000. This great transaction also is already overshadowed by the reported sale of the Le Red for \$4,000,000, and the bonding of the Josie, Iron Mask and Iron Horse to an English (South African) syndicate at big prices. Altogether the outlook is better today for the mines of West Kootenay than ever before, and the large investment of Canadian money should divert a great share of the profits this way. The fact that the people of the city of Spokane, and the State of Washington, are able to congratulate themselves upon the division of over \$600,000 among citizens of that place, practically a sign of good faith, to keep their own stock off the market until the working capital is provided by the sale of treasury stock to the public. It is from the last of the thoughtful articles on mining shares by the Toronto Telegram, independent journal, closing its columns to questionable mining advertising, points out, in the public interest, the danger of investing in stock belonging to the promoters, instead of in treasury stock to work the mine. Money paid for promoters' stock belongs to the seller, who may care nothing about the mine, as soon as he has sold his stock. He has the money. Money paid for treasury stock is bound, in good faith, to be used in developing the mine. "It is the duty of the promoters to keep their own stock off the market." When the Hansard, the pioneer hero of the Slovan silver, was capitalized, this was made one of the main features of the argument, and the Telegram is in accord, not only with our \$500,000 (half our stock), controlled by the public, but with the following clause in the Hansard prospectus: "As per contract, in order to protect treasury stock, the other half, the \$500,000 held by the promoters will be deposited in escrow with the Bank of British Columbia, and not put upon the market before November, 1897, and then not at a lower figure than that placed upon unsold treasury stock." When the general public, enlightened by such articles as have lately appeared in the Telegram, recognizes the importance of these and other features in mining stocks, then, and not till then, it will invest with discrimination.

How to Cure Skin Diseases.

Simply apply "Severe's Ointment." No internal medicine required. Cures tetter, eczema, itch, all eruptions on the face, hands, nose, etc., leaving the skin clear, white and healthy. Its great healing and curative powers are possessed by no other remedy. Ask your druggist for "Severe's Ointment." Lyman, Sons & Co., Montreal, wholesale agents.

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VENEZUELAN'S PLEADED.

Revised Arbitration Treaty Perfectly Satisfactory.

Caracas, Venezuela, Feb. 6.—Senator R. Ezequiel Rojas, Venezuela's Minister of Foreign Affairs, says the Government is pleased with the revised treaty of boundary arbitration with England, and desires to express gratitude to the United States. The Venezuelans are fully satisfied with the altered treaty.

A TON OF PURE GOLD.

More Than That Paid for the War Eagle Mine.

The sale of the War Eagle mine, Rossland, B. C., has naturally brought a large amount of money to Spokane, says the Spokesman-Review. What it means but few people understand. This much is certain: 307,316 shares were held in Spokane, and at \$150 per share will bring in money to the amount of \$46,097,400. The balance of the shares held outside amounted to 192,684, and at the same valuation will amount to \$28,902,600. The balance of \$750,000 for the mine. There are some curious features connected with this amount of money. It amounts to 31,700 double eagles, which, if laid flat, and assuming each \$20 gold piece is one and one-quarter inches in diameter, would be 47,125 inches, or 3,927 feet, and would reach over 13 city blocks.

Again, in a ton of gold, avoirdupois, there are 29,169 troy ounces of pure gold, and each troy ounce is worth \$20 67. This would make a ton of gold worth \$602,214. Hence, over a ton and a quarter of gold has been received for the War Eagle, over four-fifths of which went to Spokane.

HEART RELIEF.

Eight Years' Haunting Between Life and Death With Acute Heart Disease—And in 30 Minutes After Taking First Dose of Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart Relief Came—What It Did for Alfred Coulter, West Shafter Ave., It Can Do for Any Sufferer From the Same Cause. "I had been suffering from acute heart trouble for over four years. When doctors had tried, and failed to give me relief, I procured Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. In thirty minutes after the first dose I had relief, and knowing what it had done for me, that there is no hopeless case while this great cure is to be had. I cheerfully sanction the use of my testimony in whatever way it may do the most good."

A certain scientist says that the absence of wisdom teeth is common among the criminal class. (The first false teeth were made on lead plates.)

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- SUITS—Ladies' Wool Combination Suits, very fine German make, worth \$1 65.
- GOWNS—Ladies' Plain Pink and Striped Flannel Gowns, worth 75c.
- SHAMS—Fancy Embroidered Pillow Shams, worth 35c.
- HOSE—Boys' Heavy All-Wool Ribbed Hose, double heels and toes, worth 25c.
- HOSE—Children's Fine Worst Ribbed Hose, double heels and toes, worth 35c.
- HOSE—Ladies' Gray Merino Ribbed Hose, worth 20c.
- HOSE—Ladies' All-Wool Cashmere Hose, double soles, heels and toes, worth 40c.
- GLOVES—Ladies' White Ringwood Gloves, worth 20c.
- SKIRTS—Ladies' heavy Felt Skirts, worth 50c.
- TAM O' SHANTERS—Ladies' Colored and Black Wool Tam O' Shanters, worth 35c.
- SHIRTS—Men's Gray Flannel Top Shirts, worth 30c.
- CAPS—Men's Sateen Caps, worth 90c.
- UNDERWEAR—Men's Heavy All-Wool Underwear, worth 50c.
- BRACES—Men's Heavy Working Braces, worth 20c.
- SOCKS—Men's Heavy Home-Made Socks, worth 25c.
- SHIRTS AND DRAWERS—Men's Heavy Fleece-Lined Shirts and Drawers, worth 50c.
- CAPS—Men's Gray and Black Astrachan Caps, worth 50c.
- TWEEDS—One lot Fine Tweed Suits, very nice goods, the assortment is lessening every day, worth 50c.
- SUITS—One table Fancy Tweed Suits, Tweed effects, knot effects, worth 50c and 60c.
- SKIRTS—One table Wool Skirts, very fine, worth 75c.
- SILKS—80 yards Fancy Silks, worth 50c.
- CURTAINS—16 pieces Lace Curtains, very fine, worth \$1 75.
- CURTAINS—One lot 18 pairs Chenille Curtains, very fine, heavy dado and fringe, worth \$3 25.
- SHAWLS—Your choice of 18 Heavy Wool Shawls, worth \$1 75.
- LAWN—Victoria Lawn, fine and wide worth 15c.
- FLANNELLETTE—One table Flannellette, plain and checks and fancy patterns, worth 10c.
- TOWELS—Linen Huck Towels, large size, colored border, worth 20c.
- SHEETING—Bleached Twill Sheet, double fold, worth 25c.
- QUILTS—White Quilts, very large, worth \$1 25.
- DAMASK—Table Damask, bleached, wide and fine, worth 75c.
- COMFORTERS—Good material and good filling, worth \$1 50.
- NAPKINS—Table Napkins, large and fine, damask, worth \$1 25.
- TWEED—All-Wool Tweed, for boys' wear, very durable, worth 45c.
- FLANNELLETTE—One table Flannellette, in plain and stripes, worth 12 1/2c and 15c.

ON FIRST FLOOR.

- ULSTERS—Men's Very Heavy Storm Frieze Ulsters, worth \$7 50.
- OVERCOATS—Men's Beaver Overcoats, in Blue, Black and Gray, all wool, fibre camels lined, worth \$12.
- SUITS—Men's Double-Breasted, All-Wool Tweed Suits, worth \$7 50.
- PEA JACKETS—Men's Fine Nap and Beaver PEA Jackets, fine wool lining, worth \$7.
- SUITS—Men's Black Worsteds Suits, stripe pants, worth \$12.
- ULSTERS—Youths' Heavy Frieze Ulsters, worth \$5.
- ULSTERS—Big Boys' Extra Fine Heavy Frieze Ulsters, worth \$8.
- ULSTERS—Any Boys' Ulster in the house, sizes 22 to 30, worth \$4.
- WRAPPERS—Your choice of \$2 Pin Wrappers, all first-class heavy goods, fast colored, worth \$1 75, for \$1 35.
- JACKETS—Your choice of our \$7, \$8 and \$9 coats for \$3 95; the best ones are fast going, you ought to see them.
- JACKETS—Your choice of our \$10, \$11, \$12 and \$15 Coats, many of the best are gone, but we have about 60 left, they will not last long at the price.
- JACKETS—Your choice of 48 Coats, worth from \$4 to \$5 and \$6.

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Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier. Hood's Pills easy to take, easy to buy, easy to operate. 25c.

Commercial.

Local Market.
Reported by A. M. Hamilton & Son.
London, Saturday, Feb. 6.
Wheat, per bu. 1.10 to 1.15
Oats, per bu. 1.10 to 1.15
Peas, per bu. 1.10 to 1.15
Corn, per bu. 1.10 to 1.15
Buckwheat, per bu. 1.10 to 1.15
Rye, per bu. 1.10 to 1.15
Barley, per bu. 1.10 to 1.15
Beans, per bu. 1.10 to 1.15

The attendance of farmers and gardeners was very light this morning, owing to the rain.
A few loads of oats offered and sold from 50c to 60c.
One load of corn brought 50c per cental.
No change in wheat.
Dressed hogs sold from \$4 to \$5 75 per cwt.
Butter and eggs in great demand.
Quotations:

GRAIN.
Wheat, white, per 100 lbs. 1.15 to 1.25
Wheat, red, per 100 lbs. 1.15 to 1.25
Wheat, spring, per 100 lbs. 1.15 to 1.25
Oats, per 100 lbs. 1.10 to 1.15
Peas, per 100 lbs. 1.10 to 1.15
Corn, per 100 lbs. 1.10 to 1.15
Buckwheat, per 100 lbs. 1.10 to 1.15
Rye, per 100 lbs. 1.10 to 1.15
Barley, per 100 lbs. 1.10 to 1.15
Beans, per 100 lbs. 1.10 to 1.15

PROVISIONS.
Honey, per lb. 10 to 12
Cheese, per lb. 10 to 12
Eggs, single, per doz. 12 to 14
Eggs, fresh, per doz. 12 to 14
Eggs, store, per doz. 12 to 14
Butter, single, per lb. 12 to 14
Butter, per lb. 12 to 14
Lard, per lb. 12 to 14
Mutton, per lb. 12 to 14
Beef, per lb. 12 to 14
Pork, per lb. 12 to 14
Hams, per lb. 12 to 14
Cured meats, per lb. 12 to 14

MEAT, HIDES, ETC.
Lamb, quarter, per lb. 12 to 14
Lamb, whole, per lb. 12 to 14
Hides, No. 1, per lb. 12 to 14
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Hides, No. 3, per lb. 12 to 14
Hides, No. 4, per lb. 12 to 14
Hides, No. 5, per lb. 12 to 14
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Hides, No. 7, per lb. 12 to 14
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Wheat—Spot quiet; demand poor; No. 2 red spring, 46s; No. 1 Manitoba, 46s; No. 3, 45s; No. 4, 44s; No. 5, 43s; No. 6, 42s; No. 7, 41s; No. 8, 40s; No. 9, 39s; No. 10, 38s; No. 11, 37s; No. 12, 36s; No. 13, 35s; No. 14, 34s; No. 15, 33s; No. 16, 32s; No. 17, 31s; No. 18, 30s; No. 19, 29s; No. 20, 28s; No. 21, 27s; No. 22, 26s; No. 23, 25s; No. 24, 24s; No. 25, 23s; No. 26, 22s; No. 27, 21s; No. 28, 20s; No. 29, 19s; No. 30, 18s; No. 31, 17s; No. 32, 16s; No. 33, 15s; No. 34, 14s; No. 35, 13s; No. 36, 12s; No. 37, 11s; No. 38, 10s; No. 39, 9s; No. 40, 8s; No. 41, 7s; No. 42, 6s; No. 43, 5s; No. 44, 4s; No. 45, 3s; No. 46, 2s; No. 47, 1s; No. 48, 10d; No. 49, 9d; No. 50, 8d; No. 51, 7d; No. 52, 6d; No. 53, 5d; No. 54, 4d; No. 55, 3d; No. 56, 2d; No. 57, 1d; No. 58, 10d; No. 59, 9d; No. 60, 8d; No. 61, 7d; No. 62, 6d; No. 63, 5d; No. 64, 4d; No. 65, 3d; No. 66, 2d; No. 67, 1d; No. 68, 10d; No. 69, 9d; No. 70, 8d; No. 71, 7d; No. 72, 6d; No. 73, 5d; No. 74, 4d; No. 75, 3d; No. 76, 2d; No. 77, 1d; 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prayer meeting go down 20 degrees at
one jump. I've seen a man rise for
prayer who had nothing to say, but
he got up and just killed time.—
Moody.
I want to see the day when church
membership will be taken at the bank
as a guarantee that a man is straight
and will pay his debts.—Sam Jones.
I believe that fun is the next best
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area is now moving toward the lake
region. The weather has been gen-
erally fair from the lakes eastward,
and comparatively mild in Ontario.
Minimum and maximum tempera-
tures:
Esquimaux, 38-42; Calgary, 4-8;
Prince Albert, 2 below-zero; Qu'Appelle,
20-30; Winnipeg, 24-30; Port
Arthur, 24-32; Toronto, 15-35; Otta-
wa, 2 below-zero; Montreal, zero-20;
Quebec, 2-22; Halifax, 16-35.

PROBABILITIES.
Toronto, Feb. 6-1 a.m.—Probabil-
ities for 24 hours for lower lakes region:
Fresh to strong easterly winds;
cloudy, with sleet or snow.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest readings of the
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yesterday were 35.5 above and 16 be-
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Crime in London.

**A Gratifying Decrease During Last
Year.**

**Especially in Drunkenness—The Chief's
Annual Report.**

As stated in last night's Advertiser,
the annual report of the chief of police
showed a general decrease in
crime last year.

In the cases involving stolen
property, there were 116 offenses in
1896, compared with 115 in 1895, as
follows:

	1895.	1896.
Stealing	91	73
Housebreaking	12	12
Shopbreaking	7	17
Horse stealing	4	2

The property stolen last year was
valued at \$2,209, against \$3,681 in
1895; the amount recovered in 1896, \$1-
594 23, against \$2,333 55 in 1895; the
value lost in 1896, \$405 97, in 1895, \$847.
The figures speak well for the de-
fective ability of the force.

Drunkards show a decided decrease. In
1896 there were 290 cases, against 311 in
1895; of whom 129 were convicted.
Figures for other years are: 1895, 438
men and 28 women; 1894, 527 men and
54 women; 1893, 562 men and 40 women;
1892, 485 men and 35 women; 1891, 555
men and 47 women; 1890, 883 men and
61 women.

The following table shows the num-
ber of offenses other than those of
stolen property:

	Pro- secu- ted.	Con- victed.
Charge.		
Abduction	1	4
Assault on constable	5	3
Criminal assault	3	1
Aggravated assault	1	1
Assault and wounding	4	1
Common assault	60	23
Attempted suicide	1	1
Abusive language	23	12
Breach of bye-law	1	1
Breach of Lord's Day Act	4	1
Breach of Excise Act	2	1
Breach of Liquor License Act	7	4
Breach of Firearm Act	1	1
Breach of by-law	254	123
Challenge to fight	1	1
Contempt of court	2	2
Cruelty to animals	4	2
Drunk	421	129
Disorderly	44	14
Insane	9	6
Indecent exposure	1	1
Keepsers of disorderly houses	16	4
Malignant damage to property	21	6
Non-payment of wages	8	5
Obstructing constable	2	2
Perjury	1	1
Personation	1	1
Sexual offenses	7	2
Trespass	9	6
Threatening language	8	7
Vagrancy	87	27
Wife desertion	7	2

The 1896 offenders gave their national-
ities as follows: English 135, Irish
112, Scotch 47, Canadians 643, United
States 36, other countries 35.

In the juvenile court 34 boys and 5
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Broken!

Is the Political Deadlock on the School Board

Mr. Andrew Greenlees Elected Chairman 9 to 8.

The Attack on Trustee Murphy Wouldn't Work.

Solicitor Said He Had a Perfect Right to Vote.

Another Little Deadlock on No. 2 Committee.

The Chairman's Address of Thanks to the Board.

Congratulated by the Opposition - A New Collegiate Institute Teacher - The Normal School.

The Board of Education met again last night, with more success than on Wednesday night. The minority decided to take the medicine, and after the prolixious attention on the swallowing process, it had a very soothing effect. Both parties stayed in the ante-room, and kept a watchful eye on each other until they had mustered full strength. Before 8 o'clock all were present, except Mr. Martin, who, as before stated, is in England. Dr. J. B. Campbell, the retiring chairman, remained outside the chamber while his colleagues were choosing his successor, but he took part in the subsequent proceedings. A good deal of important business was transacted.

Trustees Gillean, Wilkins, Greenlees, Stephenson, Murphy, Logan, Teasdale, McCormick, Wilson, Bayly, Bridle, Evans, Strong, Johnston, English, Burdick and Macpherson were seated when the meeting was opened by Secretary McElihan, who announced himself open to receive nominations for the chairmanship.

TRUSTEE MURPHY'S RIGHT QUESTIONED.

As expected, Trustee Bayly arose and entered his objection to Trustee T. J. Murphy voting on the chairmanship. His objection was based on the section which says no separate school representative shall take part in any proceedings affecting the public schools. It was Trustee Murphy's duty, he said, to see that Catholic pupils in the High School were properly cared for, properly housed and properly taught, and beyond that he had no interest in the proceedings of the board. The Protestant citizens of London had no say in the election of chairman of the Separate School Board, and it was not the intention of the act that the representative of the Catholic School Board upon this board should have the advantage of saying who should be its chairman.

THE SOLICITOR'S OPINION.

"There is no need of further discussion on this matter," said Secretary McElihan, unfolding a sheet of foolscap. "I have secured the opinion of the board's solicitor, Mr. Love, on the matter."

Mr. McElihan then read Mr. Love's communication. Mr. Love said that Mr. Murphy was a duly qualified member of the board, and as such he had a right to vote on all questions save and except on proceedings affecting the public schools. The question of the election of chairman, Mr. Love thought, did not come within the exception mentioned, and Mr. Murphy, as a member of the board, was surely entitled to have a voice in the selection of the presiding officer of the board. To hold otherwise would mean that he was not entitled to vote for the secretary, treasurer, or any other official of the board.

The secretary also said he had sent a telegram to the Department at Toronto, and had received an answer stating that Mr. Murphy had a right to vote.

Mr. Bayly persisted in his objection, and thought Mr. Murphy should not "take advantage" of the opinion, and vote in the election. "No member of this board has a right to interfere with separate school affairs," he said.

MR. MURPHY'S POSITION.

Mr. Murphy rose and said: "The position I take is this: I am a member of the Board of Education, and I am not. If I am a member of this board, I am not a separate school trustee, but a high school trustee. The fact that the amalgamation of the high and public schools makes the Board of Education, I therefore claim to be a member. I think I am quite within my rights, and I do not think I am taking any advantage whatever."

THE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

The action of the retiring chairman in appointing Mr. J. F. Mesmer, of Amner, to the teaching vacancy on the high school staff, was endorsed. Mr. Mesmer will succeed Mr. Galbraith as assistant classical master. He was recommended for the position by No. 1 committee, upon Mr. Merchant's advice.

A few minor communications were referred to committees.

Mr. Merchant reported 736 pupils on the roll in January. The average attendance was 677, an increase of 35 over January, 1896.

THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

Mr. Stephenson moved that Mr. Murphy, Mr. Greenlees, Dr. Wilson, Dr. Campbell, Mr. Gillean, Mr. Wilkins, Mr. Carson, Mr. Merchant and the moved be a committee to urge London's claims to a normal school.

Mr. Gillean seconded. He thought the Government should be interviewed on the matter.

Dr. Teasdale suggested that the member, Mr. Hobbie, be added to the committee. Mr. Campbell moved in amendment that Mr. Carson, Principal Merchant and Mr. Macpherson be the committee. Carried.

Mr. Bridle's motion to transfer Miss Coyne from the Colborne street school to be assistant principal of Waterloo street school, at the same salary, was referred to No. 1.

in saying who shall preside over the deliberations of the board in the coming year."

Mr. Murphy added that he had promised to vote for Mr. Greenlees before he even knew Dr. Wilson was in the field, and he felt in duty bound to keep his promise.

THE NOMINATIONS.

Mr. Burdick nominated Mr. Greenlees for the chairmanship. Mr. Wilkins seconded.

Dr. Wilson was nominated by Mr. Logan, seconded by Mr. Bayly.

Mr. Logan asked Mr. Love if Mr. Murphy could be chairman of the board.

Mr. Love-I see no reason why he should not.

"I think this is entirely out of order," said Mr. Gillean to Mr. Logan. Trustee Logan differed with Mr. Love.

Dr. Wilson said he quite understood how the question of Mr. Murphy's vote would come from his friends. Having heard the solicitor's opinion, he was perfectly willing that Mr. Murphy should vote, and he felt sorry that the question had come up. It had been an exceptionally bitter fight, and both sides were anxious to win. He respected Mr. Murphy's promise to Mr. Greenlees.

Mr. Merchant and Mr. Carson were appointed scrutineers and the voting began. They reported 17 ballots cast, 9 for Mr. Greenlees and 8 for Dr. Wilson.

CHAIRMAN GREENLEES.

Mr. Greenlees was escorted to the chair by his mover, Mr. Burdick, and was greeted with applause, in which all joined. Mr. Greenlees thanked them for the honor, which he appreciated more after the strong contest.

"There is no use of disguising the fact that the vote was strictly on party lines," he said. "I don't think I have received a Conservative vote, and I am pretty sure I received all the Liberal ones. However much I may deplore the fact, it seems that everything in the city is run on political lines, and the Board of Education is no exception to the rule. I have not among the Conservatives present an enemy. I have no complaint to make. I am sorry that such a state of things exists in this fair city of London. While I feel that I have the personal friendship of all, I know that I cannot depend on anyone outside my own political crowd. I say nothing at all in depreciation of Dr. Wilson. If you had elected him the interests of the public would not have suffered, and you would have had a gentleman to preside over you." (Applause.)

Mr. Greenlees concluded with a wish for harmony during the year.

Mr. Logan-On behalf of the Conservatives I can say that we will do all we can to assist you, as we have done in the past. (Applause.)

OTHER OFFICERS.

The remaining officers were unanimously re-elected, as follows: Secretary-R. A. McElihan, Treasurer-John Pone, Solicitor-Frank Love.

STRIKING THE COMMITTEES.

The striking committee, composed of Messrs. Teasdale, Bayly, Evans, Johnston, Burdick, Greenlees, Campbell and Stephenson, retired to the ante-room to strike committees. On returning Dr. Teasdale reported as follows:

No. 1-Messrs. Teasdale, Wilson, Bridle, English, Stephenson, Logan, Murphy, and Macpherson.

No. 2-Messrs. McCormick, Bayly, Strong, Evans, Burdick, Wilkins, Martin, Campbell and Gillean.

Mr. Johnston moved in amendment that Mr. Gillean be placed on No. 1 and Mr. Murphy on No. 2. This question had been put to a vote in committee and it was a tie. Dr. Teasdale's report was wrong.

Mr. Stephenson seconded the amendment.

Dr. Teasdale moved the adoption of the report, seconded by Dr. Campbell. The latter said Mr. Murphy should not be on No. 2, as its work was largely with public school affairs, with which he had nothing to do. The amendment had been made with a design.

Mr. Johnston said that No. 2 at this moment had the subject of the heating of the high school in hand. The Roman Catholic children were just as unable to catch cold as the protestant. It showed very poor taste for a while to come before this board and dictate to men as intelligent as he as to what they should do. "He was not man enough to come on Wednesday night, and he was not man enough to stay tonight," he added.

"Order!" said some of the members. "Very well," said Mr. Johnston. "No doubt there have been slates out and dried out both sides. If I am beaten we will take our medicine."

Dr. Campbell said he had allowed himself to be put on No. 2 committee because of one of these slates, and in opposition to his own wish.

Trustee Johnston's motion was defeated by 7 to 4. The latter being Dr. Campbell, Dr. Teasdale, Dr. Wilson, and Messrs. McCormick, Bayly, Bridle, Evans, English and Logan. Mr. Murphy had had to leave before this to fill an engagement.

A LITTLE DEADLOCK.

The two committees retired to elect their chairman.

A deadlock occurred on No. 2, the vote standing 4 to 4. Chairman Greenlees was called in, and his deciding vote elected Mr. Burdick.

Mr. Bayly was elected chairman of the audit committee.

Dr. Wilson asked if the board could vote on the chairmanship of No. 2 committee.

Mr. Greenlees ruled that it could not.

Mr. T. J. Murphy was, on Dr. Wilson's motion unanimously elected to be the board's representative on the Western Fair Board. Mr. Wilkins declined re-nomination.

Good Omens.

More Factories Resuming Than Stopping Work.

The Wonder is Why Wheat Does Not Advance More.

Heavy Increase in Wool Sales - Bank Clearings Increase - Falling Off in Failures.

New York, Feb. 6.-R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says it has advanced 1 3/4% for the week.

No important change in business appears, but the number of manufacturing establishments starting much exceeds the number of those stopping during the week, and so much that the curtailment of working time in many cotton mills is not so much lessened as the aggregate productive force or amount of wages paid. There is a distinct increase in orders for woolen goods, some of the silk manufacture, a waiting condition, with gain in one branch of boots and shoes, and indications of better things coming in the iron and steel manufacture.

To many it is the most perplexing feature of current events that wheat does not rise much, and it has advanced 1 3/4% for the week.

Atlantic exports have been only 1,586,046 bushels, four included against 1,955,458 for the same week last year, while western receipts have only been 1,483,170 bushels, against 2,896,497 last year.

The condition of the market is not explained by any special information, but current prices show that no great change is in the estimate of supplies available for the rest of the year.

Cotton fell to 7 1/4 after the agreement to close Fall River and other print cloth works became known, but recovered the quotation of a week ago, 7 3/4 cents.

Sales of wool have been smaller than in other recent weeks, and yet as far in excess of consumption of all mills for a week, if all were fully employed.

London account states that prices of Australian wool have gone lower but for American buying, and more foreign wool will be taken and stored, it is believed, if western business continues to demand higher price. More important than these indications is a little better demand for foreign goods, which has led some of the smaller mills to buy wool more freely and thus enable a number to start operations.

It is hard to comprehend the boom and gloom trade at present, for while recorded shipments from the east are larger than in the same week in any previous year, a good many of the shops have actually closed, although some of the light goods have called back cutters previously laid off. The price of hides has declined one cent, but in order to stiffen leather market dealers have bought largely, advancing the price about 1 1/2 per cent at Chicago.

In plates and wire and nails there is much more business, with good prospects. Reports that 25,000 tons of steel plate and sheet bars have been exported to England are only indications of the temporary excess of supply over demand in this country, and are not supposed to have realized any profit.

Failures for the week have been 311, against 233 same time last year.

Bradstreet's report says: At most centers jobbers report business quiet, unchanged with no prospect for immediate improvement. The restriction of the production of cotton goods has not strengthened the market for advances of prices yet. The heavy increase in sales of wool since Jan. 1 is based largely on the expectation of a higher duty on wool.

One of the most noticeable features of the week is the lack of demand for iron and steel, prices of which, in the Central States, have been getting below nominal quotations.

Bank clearings throughout the country this week, amounting to \$1,047,000, show an increase of 25 per cent compared with last week, and 4 per cent in contrast with the week a year ago. January bank clearings aggregated \$4,473,236, a decrease of 25 per cent from January, 1896, and of 45 per cent from the total for December, 1896.

The check to the number of business failures reported last week appears again in the total for the current week - 306 throughout the United States, as compared with 326 last week and 338 in the first week of February, 1897.

Exports of wheat, flour included as wheat, from both coasts of the United States, and from St. Johns, Nfld., this week, amounting to 3,268,896 bushels, as compared with 2,515,000 bushels last week, 2,907,000 bushels in the week a year ago, 2,000,000 bushels two years ago, 2,678,000 bushels three years ago and 3,901,000 bushels in the like week of 1893.

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Some Mistakes we Make

False Impressions Gathered From One Source or Another

There are certain fallacies which are so generally believed that in time they come to be regarded as truths, and this is more particularly the case in regard to history. Here are a few errors, historical and otherwise, which are easily corrected:

Scott Makes In Sir Walter Scott's a Mistake. "Kenilworth," one of the chief points of interest in the novel, is the capture of the castle of Kenilworth by the Earl of Leicester. But in connecting the unfortunate Amy with that splendid ruler, Sir Walter Scott has given it an importance which is mere fiction. It is often very doubtful whether Amy ever saw the place; at any rate, Kenilworth was never given to Leicester until three years after her death (1569).

Rizzio's Bloodstains. Six years after Amy's murder, the blood of Rizzio, the Italian secretary of Mary Stuart, was shed on the floor of Holyrood by certain Protestant leaders, aided by the Queen's husband, James VI. The story is a conscious imagination of the general public; the stains have not yet quite disappeared. But what is seen there is a dash of red paint, occasionally renewed with as much skill as necessity may demand. The superstition, still rife, that bloodstains cannot be washed out, is probably the real imposition, and gains considerable support from Sir Walter Scott, who declares, in "Pals of a Grandfather," that the bloodstains of Rizzio are still to be seen.

And Queen Mary's Bed. Of equal consequence to the conflicting sight-seeer, no less to his guide's frame of mind, is the well-attested disclosure that "Queen Mary's bed, also at Holyrood, is of the last century, and her room at Edinburgh is in a house which was not erected till after her death," at Edinburgh (1587).

Bruno. In this year, the philosopher, Giordano Bruno, was lecturing at the University of Wittenberg. About his death there is a very common error: "popular," perhaps one should say, when such a work as Flammarion's still further spreads it. The reproduction is that Bruno was burned alive at Rome before the terrified people, because he asserted the stars to be the centers of other systems.

The fact is that the charge laid against Bruno was not the one mentioned, and it is extremely doubtful whether he met with scientific martyrdom at all, the sole evidence of his execution being a letter of Scapula, the general, in which of which has been seriously called to question by Prof. Desdoutz.

However, whether this be genuine or not, it is certain that he left Italy to avoid the consequences of publicly denouncing the doctrines of transubstantiation and of the immaculate conception, and that on his return to Naples, some years later, he was arrested by order of the inquisition, but, according to the more reliable authorities, as an unbeliever, and especially as being the author of Spaccio della città di Trifurcata. (The Expulsion of the Triumphant Beast.)

The Pilgrim Fathers. The Pilgrim Fathers of the days of James I. were they now alive would want to know why they are so often referred to in terms which lead one to suppose that they emigrated straight from England to America. We can only reply, because they did not. It was, of course, to Leyden, in Holland, that the little band of Lincolnshire Puritans at first fled, and some years later departed for Delft, where, after a farewell parting-meeting in the church, they embarked for New England, calling for friends at Southampton and Plymouth on their way.

The Execution of Charles I. The fact in history most constantly present to many minds is, perhaps, the execution of Charles I. by the first of his sons, James II. The scene of the execution, as the original block on which Lord Kilmarnock and Lord Balmorhall were executed, the one in 1746, the other in 1747.

This is altogether a mistake. There was no such block, and Charles never knelt. He simply lay flat down full length upon the scaffold, and his head was cut off as it lay over a little piece of wood, not more than two or three inches high. Among many who suffered in this way was Lady Jane Grey (1554), and, therefore, not on the Tower block, as often supposed.

Amidst proof of the multitude of beheading in Tudor and Cromwellian times necessitated the victim laying flat down on the scaffold, which was found in the Times' correspondence commenced by Sir Reginald Palgrave, May 10, 1890.

The Puritans Were Not So Bad. From the overthrow of Charles the First we naturally drift to the prevalent idea of Cromwellian Puritanism—the bigotry of "stomach fanatics." That it was another name for dullness consequent upon the assumption of a too elevated standard of moral conduct is proved by the enthusiasm with which Charles the Second was welcomed back to the throne. But to suppose that the Puritans were harsh and sour, and tried to crush out all forms of pleasure and amusement is a gross error. In a poem even Cromwell himself was very

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fond of outdoor games and sport, and liked horses, although it is not true that he kept race-horses. Again, it is all nonsense to say that nobody was allowed to dance, for the Temple gave a great dance in their hall in 1651, and the additional fact that the exercise was inaugurated by singing a psalm eloquently declares the ideal of Puritanism to be not in the present debased meaning of the word "Puritanical," but rather of God-fearing restraint.

Moreover, magnificent state dinners were accompanied by music, which was an innovation at that time, and Sabbatarians will be horrified when they discover that Cromwell opened his last parliament on Sunday, with a magnificent ceremonial. "The better the day the better the deed" was obviously Cromwell's maxim.

The Tree Charles Did Not Hide In. Scattering of Charles II.'s army at Worcester (1651), and hundreds of pious tourists every year visit Boscombe Oak, which is reputed to possess historic interest of having concealed Charles for a whole day after the battle, while he watched through its leafy screen Oliver's soldiers searching for him. Scientific evidence shows that the tree, being only 11 feet 10 inches in girth, could not have been the place of refuge of nearly two and a half centuries ago.

Now for the historical. In 1817, an inscription afterwards removed, expressly intimated "the present tree" to have sprung up from the royal oak. Actually it has been ascertained that the original tree, whether deserving of the celebrity attaching to it or not, would not care to say, disappeared after 1787, the oak long since that date having been almost cut away by relic hunters who came to see it.

Now, boys and others gather oak leaves on May 29 to commemorate the king's mode of concealment. They are, however, mistakes, because the king hid himself early in September. What they do really celebrate, and perhaps, combine with the former event, is his restoration in 1660, when his route through London was strewn with oak branches. Besides, had he climbed up the tree, he would have been seen, for he had been sufficiently desirous to conceal him.—Pearson's Weekly.

For Boys And Girls
Billy's Angel
By Mrs. L. D. Avery-Stuttie.

It was New Year's morning. Large flakes of snow came down slowly and softly, like white-winged messengers from the other world. Some of them fell on the upturned face of little Billy—dirty and freckled and hunger-pinched as it was.

He had been sitting a long time very quietly on the edge of the sidewalk, till his scrawny hands were blue with cold and his ragged coat was covered with downy flakes.

Evidently Billy was thinking—yes, and thoughts that had never before, during his seven or eight years of life, entered his tiny head.

For, Billy had been to the mission Sabbath school. A kind lady had led him there, which, as Billy hadn't a home, and was pleased to go, would it was "warm," she had no difficulty in doing.

For the first time in his short life he had heard of the good angels, and that they were always ready to help little children just when they needed it most.

Billy had thought about it every day since, and beautiful dreams of light and warmth and food, in all of which the "angels" bore a prominent part, visited him at night when he was curled up in some dark alley or empty box, with his scanty rags closely drawn about him.

"She said them that angels 'ud allers 'elp a feller," he soliloquized, "and I want nothing but angels to help me. I want a pair of shoes—don't zactly 'member when I did get these," carefully wiping the snow from the little blue toes that protruded from what he had found his "angels," the child, which, with cold, hungry and so hungry, started out on his strange errand. He seemed to think it quite impossible to find the place of his search, as he found in such a place as Green Alley, anyway he didn't believe an angel would stay there long enough for him to speak to him, so he stretched his steps towards a better part of the city.

This, of itself, was a great undertaking for Billy, who thought there was no place for him uptown among the grand ones, ever since the big policeman had roughly ordered him to "move on" once when he had stopped to feast his eyes on the tempting-looking buns and cakes in a bakery window.

But now he resolutely set his face for uptown. The gorgeous shop windows were almost too much for Billy's resolutions, but he bravely passed them by, for it might take him a long time to find his "angel," and he was so tired already. Once he asked a tall, gruff man if he would please to tell him "where the angels lived," but the man only stared at him, though Billy thought he saw him hastily wipe away a tear; and poor Billy took that as a sure indication that he wasn't on the right road.

He was just making up his mind to turn back, when he saw a lady, a beautiful lady, leading a little child much smaller than he, hastily across the street. Presently the lady paused to speak with some one. In a moment the child was upon the track of the street car. Billy's heart stood still. The car was almost upon the tiny form.

He forgot all about his angel, all about his hunger and cold and wretchedness, all about everything. He had but one thought—he must save that baby!

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ISABEL SULLIVAN.

Sworn to before Notary T. F. LYALL.

25th day of August, 1896.

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I, C. B. HAMILTON, of the City of London, County of Middlesex, do solemnly declare that I reside at 183 Sydenham Street in said city and that I had rheumatism for over seven years. I was so bad that at times I was unable to satisfactorily use my limbs. I was employed by I. D. Samby, Black Friars Mill, as head miller, and it was while working for him that I was so severely afflicted. I am now a well man and was cured by Ryckman's Kootenay Cure, which I recommend to all rheumatic sufferers. In connection with this I may add that my wife gratefully endorses my recommendation of Kootenay Cure, as she also has good cause to speak highly of it as a tonic and blood purifier.

C. B. HAMILTON.

Sworn to before Notary C. G. JARVIS.

15th day of August, 1896.

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I, MARTIN WARREN, of the City of Ottawa, in the County of Carleton, do solemnly declare that I live at 112 Cathcart Street, in the City of Ottawa. That I am thirty years of age and a member by trade. I was severely afflicted with rheumatism, and so bad was my case that I was confined to my bed for two months. In June, 1895, I began taking "Ryckman's Kootenay Cure." I used two bottles and am now entirely cured and free from rheumatism. I have since been exposed to wet weather which has had no effect on me. I consider Kootenay a great cure for rheumatism. I have also gained 27 pounds in weight. It is a grand tonic and a wonderful blood purifier. I attribute my cure solely to the use of Kootenay Cure.

MARTIN WARREN.

Sworn to before Notary DANIEL O'CONNOR.

19th day of February, 1896.

TORONTO.

I, GEORGE BAKER, of the City of Toronto, County of York, do solemnly declare that I am a fur dyer, and reside at 14 Stayner Street in the said City. That I was afflicted with inflammatory rheumatism in the knees for over a year and was barely able to walk the short distance from my home to my work and then only with great pain. After taking two bottles of "Ryckman's Kootenay Cure" I am an all round healthy man, have a good appetite and sleep well. I frequently walk six to ten miles at a time and feel no fatigue whatever from this exertion. Am free from all pain and attribute my present wholesome and sound condition of body to "Ryckman's Kootenay Cure."

GEORGE BAKER.

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CORLEY, 10th day of July, A.D. 1896.

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I, CHARLES BRITAIN, of the Town of Ingersoll, County of Oxford, do solemnly declare that I am forty-five years of age, and I live in said town, and was formerly employed by the Ingersoll Pork Packing Company, that I suffered severely with rheumatism for six years. I tried several kinds of patent medicines and was under the care of a physician for some time without relief. I was so bad that I was unable to hold up my arms; in fact I could not raise my hand to my head. I have taken two bottles of "Ryckman's Kootenay Cure" and am now entirely free from rheumatism, and I attribute my recovery solely to the use of "Ryckman's Kootenay Cure," and I recommend the remedy to all sufferers from rheumatism.

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