





## AMUSING AND USEFUL.

## Little Gem Lung Tester and Developer, 15c.

Pleases everybody; practical and entertaining to young and old alike; very beneficial to the lungs; it is endorsed by the medical fraternity and health and physical culturists. For sale at this store, each ..... 15c

THIS ADVERTISEMENT CHANGES EVERY DAY

176 and 178 Dundas St., London,  
Friday, February 13, 1903.



## SATURDAY SALE OF UMBRELLAS

LOT NO. 1—About 5 dozen of this line—Ladies' nice Umbrellas, silk and wool covering, solid tube steel rod, new patent runner, paragon frame, in three styles of fancy handles; regular price \$1.50 each; Saturday, each ..... **\$1.00**

LOT NO. 2—6 dozen splendid Umbrellas, ladies' or gentlemen's, fine gloria covering, steel rod, paragon frame, fancy silver-mounted Congo handles; regular ..... **\$1.00**; Saturday, choice, each ..... **75c**

## SPECIAL SELLING OF LADIES' WAISTS.

COTTON HOUSE WAISTS—In pink, blue and cardinal, full front, plain back, bishop sleeves, all sizes; regular 65c, Saturday, each **49c**

## Silk Waists, \$2.99.

Handsome Surah Silk Waists, in blue, old rose, cardinal, cream, and black, 8 rows of hemstitching in front, 4 rows at back, bishop sleeves, regular \$2.50, Saturday, for each ..... **\$2.99**

## Near Silk Waists, \$1.49

Beautiful Near Silk Waists, in cardinal, turquoise and coral, fine tuckings and hemstitching in French front, broad tucked back, bishop sleeves, new cuff, collar to match, regular \$2.50, Saturday, for each ..... **\$1.49**

## WE ALWAYS HAVE THE LATEST MUSIC.

## Men's 75c and 95c Undershirts for 29c.

Just a few dozen left to clear—Men's Heavy Wool Fleece-Lined Undershirts, regular 75c and 95c, Saturday, for each ..... **29c**

## Ladies' Vests, 75c

Pure Natural Wool Health Brand Undershirts, regular \$1.00, Saturday, each ..... **75c**

## 25c Gloves for 10c

Ladies' and Misses' Fancy Wool Ringwood Gloves, regular 25c, Saturday, pair ..... **10c**

Any piece of Jewelry in our Jewelry Case; some pieces were as high as 75c; your choice Saturday, each ..... **15c**

## SOME BARGAINS IN HANDKERCHIEFS.

Men's and Boys' White Handkerchiefs, medium sizes, tape edges, special, dozen ..... **25c**

## Men's Handkerchiefs

Made of pure Holland Linen, full sizes, some hemstitched, some tape edged; some sold as high as 20c each; Saturday, 2 for **15c**

## Ladies' Handkerchiefs

Fancy styles, lace and insertion trimmed, some with fancy tucks in border, regular 10c and 15c each; Saturday, 2 for ..... **15c**

## REMEMBER THE SALE OF STATIONERY—SEE DISPLAY.

## THE SATURDAY BASEMENT SALE.

Stock taking is over, and we find many lines that we wish to clear out tomorrow. It will pay you to be on hand to take advantage of the several special sales that commence tomorrow morning.

## Graniteware Sale.

5 dozen Granite Milk Pans, regular 35c, for each ..... **25c**  
2 dozen No. 8 Stove Pots, regular 65c; Saturday, each ..... **38c**  
25 only large size Chambers, regular 40c; Saturday, each ..... **25c**  
2 dozen only No. 52 Double Boilers, regular ..... **\$1.50**  
each ..... **50c**  
2 dozen Preserving Kettles, No. 300, regular 65c, for each ..... **50c**

## Tinware Sale.

4 dozen 12-quart Milk Pans, special, each ..... **10c**  
2 dozen Flour Sieves, for each ..... **10c**  
1 dozen only 3-gallon Oilcans, regular 50c; Saturday, each ..... **35c**  
No. 9 Wash Boilers, double pit, copper bottom, regular \$1.75; Saturday, each ..... **\$1.50**  
No. 8 Wash Boilers, copper pit, bottom, regular \$1.15, for each ..... **\$1.00**

## PERFORATED CHAIR SEATS, 5 sizes; Saturday, 3 for ..... 25c

## THE SALE IN THE ART ROOM.

## Dinner and Tea Sets.

1 only 97-piece Dinner Set, gray pattern, semi-porcelain, regular \$8.50; Saturday, set ..... **\$5.50**  
4 only 97-piece Dinner Sets, pretty floral and gilt decorations, in blue and green pattern, regular \$18 set; Saturday, set ..... **\$10.75**  
2 only 102-piece Limoges China Dinner Sets, handsome design, regular \$40; Saturday, per set ..... **\$25.00**  
2 only 44-piece blue and semi-porcelain Tea Sets, regular \$30 set; Saturday, set ..... **\$24.48**

## Parlor Lamps.

You never saw such beautiful Lamps at such low prices; only a few left.  
3 only Brass Stand Lamps, with separate fount, decorated china globe, regular \$5.50 and 65c; Saturday only, each ..... **\$2.50**  
6 only tall brass Stand Lamps, fancy decorated globes, with shades \$5 and 65c; choice Saturday, each ..... **\$2.50**  
Other handsome Lamps, up from ..... **\$4.50**

## INTERESTING SALE OF WALL PAPER.

We're selling quantities of Wall Paper already. The reason why—because we sell good, attractive Wall Papers at such low purchase. Try us. The following items are but a hint of other values:

150 rolls of Wall Paper, selling at only, roll ..... **21-2c**  
200 rolls Wall Paper, regular 8c; Saturday, roll ..... **31-2c**  
150 rolls of Wall Paper, regular 8c; Saturday, roll ..... **5c**  
200 rolls of Pretty Blue Paper, with gilt design, regular 121-2c; Saturday, roll ..... **8c**  
150 rolls Rich Red Wall Paper, complete combination, regular 15c roll; Saturday, roll ..... **8c**  
250 rolls of Dark Blue Wall Paper, with gilt patterns, regular 15c roll; Saturday, roll ..... **10c**

A few slightly soiled Window Shades, each ..... **19c** Table Oilcloth, all colors, 1 1/4 yards wide, per yard ..... **25c**

Try Our Delicious Candies at 10c Pound.

**WOODS' FAIR**

## MUSIC AND DRAMA

## MANTELL'S HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE.

At the Grand on Monday, Mr. Robert B. Mantell will present "The Dagger and the Cross," a romantic drama, described as strong and full of action and which gives Mantell special opportunities for the display of his talents. The costumes were purchased by Mr. Mantell during his visit abroad and are absolutely correct from a historical standpoint, as are also the many elaborate setting and accessories provided.

## Observatory for Rhodesia.

New York, Feb. 13.—Father Edmund Goetz, S. J., a famous South African astronomer, who has spent the last fourteen months conferring with American scientists, has sailed for France. He will go directly to Paris, where he will procure the astronomical, magnetic and meteorological instruments with which to begin the work in the first reliable observatory ever established in South Africa. It will be located at Bulawayo, Rhodesia, South Africa.

Coughs, colds, hoarseness, and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Vapo-Cresolene tablets, ten cents per box. All druggists.

## Literary Notes.

## THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY.

In the Atlantic Monthly for February is the first of two valuable and very readable papers upon "Academic Freedom in Theory and in Practice," by President Arthur T. Hadley, of Yale. After reviewing in an exceedingly interesting and lively manner the development of freedom and independence in teaching, President Hadley comes to quarters with the academic situation in this country at the present time. No one interested in the larger intellectual life of this country can afford to miss this stimulating plea for the intellectual integrity of our teachers.

## "THE ORGANIZATION OF CAPITAL."

To many readers, no matter on which side of the struggle between capital and labor their sympathies lie, the article by Herman Justi, commissioner of the Illinois Coal Operators' Association, on "The Organization of Capital," will appear as the most vital and valuable in the March Century. Mr. Justi's suggestions bear the weight of the authority of a man who has dealt prominently and successfully for years with the problems of employers and employees.

There are five trains each way each day which make the run from New York to Washington in five hours.

## BABIES SELL

## FROM \$10 TO \$20

Milwaukee Has Several Markets for Infants.

## THERE IS A SCALE OF PRICES

But to Get Rid of Stock They Frequently Go at Any Old Figure.

Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 13.—City authorities of Milwaukee have discovered that babies are bought and sold like so much live stock.

Supt. Spindler, of the Poor Department, has a list of ten places where infants are marketed. There is no attempt to make adoption legal.

At these places babies are left without questioning, provided the persons leaving the children make payment of from \$10 to \$20. Afterwards they are turned over to any person who is willing to pay a few dollars for them. If they cannot be sold they are given away.

This state of things was unearthed by the application of Mrs. Helen Purdy, 292 Fourteenth street, for support of an infant. It was found that the infant in question had been left with the woman, who had been paid \$10 by the mother, a young woman of Mineral Point, Wis., to take it away, but she being unable to do so had applied for support for it. Supt. Spindler when he learned the story communicated with the Iowa County authorities, and the child was sent there to be cared for.

The investigations which followed disclosed the fact that besides Mrs. Purdy there were half a dozen other places where babies were taken for a small sum and then disposed of without any formalities to other persons if they desired a baby. If the keepers could get something for the child, well and good; if not, then they were got rid of in any way to save the cost of their keeping. This state of things has been carried on for a long time.

In few cases has there been any attempt at a lawful adoption. Usually the person wanting the baby has come to the house and taken the child away and that was the end of it.

## CAUSE OF RHEUMATISM

Latest Word of Science on This Dangerous Malady.

The prevalence of rheumatism in some form or another, and the largely fatal character of its effects, have for a long time set physicians to pondering and investigating as to its cause. The cause ascertained, it would remain only to find the most effective means of removing it. The verdict of experience and study at the present day is that rheumatism, of whatever nature, is a blood disease, and the best authorities agree that it is caused by an excess of uric acid in the blood. The efforts of students of this affliction, therefore, became concentrated on the means of removing it.

A remedy must combine the most effective specifics, and it must be prepared with such care and skill as to leave no possible element of uncertainty. The result of such study and care is known as "Bu-Ju." This is a vegetable compound in the form of pills, which act upon the kidneys in such a way as to stimulate weak organs, and overcome clogged or sluggish conditions. The kidneys are the filters of the body. When they are put upon the strain of filtering out the uric acid from the blood, they expel the blood is purified, and rheumatism may be left to nature's recuperative action. Bu-Ju is put up in boxes of 50 pills, selling at 50 cents at all drug stores. The Clafin Chemical Company, Limited, New York, N. Y., and Windsor, Ont., control the sale of this specific in the United States and Canada.

## TO POISON THE COFFEE

Girl Inmates of a Reform School Plot to Kill Staff.

Salt Lake, Utah, Feb. 13.—A special from Ogden says: As a result of the investigation brought about by the recent attempt of certain inmates of the state reform school at Ogden to burn the buildings, the authorities have unearthed a conspiracy among some of the girl inmates to poison the teachers and others in authority at the school.

It is known that at least two girls are concerned and that poison enough to kill a thousand people was found in their possession. The girls, it is said, got hold of a quantity of bichloride of mercury tablets, recently purchased by the school authorities for disinfecting purposes. The conspirators, it is alleged, planned to put this poison in the coffee at breakfast.

## Shipments to the States.

Windsor, Feb. 13.—United States Consul Morris' report for the quarter ending Dec. 31 last shows that this was the banner terms of that consulate's existence. The total amount of business done amounted to \$329,474, against \$117,889 for the same quarter in 1901. Hiram Walker & Sons, the chief exporters, shipped \$22,578 in excess of the shipments for 1901. Mercury amounting to \$4,577, was shipped from Canada into the United States. This product is manufactured in Sandwich under the supervision of the Canadian Government officers. Sugar beets grown in the County of Kent, were consigned to the Detroit Sugar Company at Rochester, Mich., were registered at a value of \$5,829.

## Killed in the Turret.

New York, Feb. 13.—The collier Ajax, which arrived here from San Juan de Puerto Rico, has on board the bodies of nine sailors of the battleship Massachusetts, who were killed by an explosion in the eight-inch gun turret on that vessel. The bodies were brought here for interment. The Ajax anchored off Tompkinsville, S. I.

## Chief of Police Shot.

Buffalo, Feb. 13.—Charles Diedrich, chief of police of Tonawanda, was shot twice by a burglar early today. He had attended a ball with his wife. As he opened his front door he was met by a man who fired four shots at him. The bullet which entered his chest, at police headquarters later that his injuries were not of a fatal character, and that he was resting easy. No arrest has been made.

## Cook's Cotton Root Compound.

Ladies' Favorite. Is the only safe, reliable regulator on which woman can depend. In the hour and a half it cures the most distressing cases. Prepared in two degrees of strength. No. 1 and No. 2. No. 1 is for ordinary cases. It is far the best dollar medicine known. No. 2 for special cases. 10 degrees stronger—three dollars per box.

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My Cold Cure relieves the head, nose, throat and lungs almost immediately. A 25c vial will break up any cold and prevent Grip, Bronchitis and Pneumonia.—MUNYON.

## INSIST ON ABBEY'S

## What Everybody says is good is worth Trying.

When every one says a good word for a thing it is because it is a good thing. Try "Abbey's" then say what you think about it.—A tea spoonful on retiring will cleanse the system of impurities—stimulate the liver—quicken the circulation—quiet the nerves—tone up the stomach and digestive organs—prevent indigestion and dyspepsia—put and keep the body in good health—the tonic properties of "Abbey's" work wonders.

All Druggists sell

**Abbey's Effervescent Salt**

## JOTTINGS FROM NEAR BY PLACES

## WYTON.

Wyton, Feb. 11.—Miss Emily Scatterd spent the last two weeks with friends in London.

Quite a number of Wyton's young people attended the anniversary services at the Crumlin Presbyterian Church Sunday. Rev. Mr. Kay preached a very eloquent sermon.

Mr. Charles Herbert Culham, Toronto, is visiting with his parents at the Hill.

Mr. Robert Wheaton has returned home after attending the Agricultural College, Guelph, for a couple of weeks.

Mr. Fred Belton spent last Sunday with friends near Thornesford.

Miss Jennie Blight, London, spent last week with friends here.

Mr. George Scatterd has been under the doctor's care, but is able to be around again.

Miss Gertrude Edith Belton spent a few days with friends in London last week.

Mr. J. Fox, Crumlin, spent Tuesday evening with friends at Wyton.

Mr. Ed Scatterd had a very good sale Wednesday, although the weather was so disagreeable.

Wyton has lost one of its estimable young ladies—Miss Minnie Logan—who was married on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, to Mr. Leslie Roberts, Denfield.

Mr. Dan McLaughlin, of Stratford, visited here last week.

Mrs. Alex. McIntyre is no better. Mr. and Mrs. R. Fletcher, of Arkona, have been visiting here.

Mrs. Alex. Ferguson, of Port Huron, spent Sunday here.

Mr. D. McLaughlin is in Plympton on a visit.

Miss Annie Frank spent Sunday at her home here.

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Mr. Milton James paid a flying visit to Wyton here last week.

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## SPRINGBANK.

The Manse, Springbank, Feb. 11.—A very pleasant event took place on Tuesday, the 10th inst., at the home of Mr. Dan McLarty, West Williams, when his sister Jessie was united in marriage to Mr. John McKillop, also of West Williams. The ceremony, which was at 11:30 a.m., was performed by the Rev. J. McKinnon, M.A., B.D., in the presence of the immediate relatives of the bride and groom, acted as groomsmen. After the ceremony an excellent dinner was served, to which the guests did ample justice. The bride was the recipient of many very pretty presents on Wednesday evening. A reception was held at the home of the bride, when the young couple were at home to their many young friends. We extend congratulations.

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Another Lot of Those \$1.50 Ladies' Umbrellas at 90c

Many customers were disappointed last Saturday at our Umbrella Sale. We hadn't sufficient of the line advertised to supply the demand. Five minutes after the sale opened the lot was sold out. Another supply of same kind has arrived, and will now be sold at 90c each, preference being given to those who came too late to secure one last Saturday. To insure getting one come early. We will not make a special sale, as doubtless more people were turned away than this ten dozen lot will supply. All have Dresden handles and are good value at \$1.50 each.

## Half Price Sale Jackets Saturday Morning at 9:30

## Ladies' Black Jackets.

3 Ladies' Black Jackets, regular \$15.50, now ..... **\$7.75**  
1 Lady's Black Jacket, regular \$10.00, now ..... **\$5.00**  
1 Ladies' Black Jacket, regular \$7.50, now ..... **\$3.75**  
3 Ladies' Black Jackets, regular \$6.75, now ..... **\$3.37**  
1 Ladies' Black Jacket, regular \$5.50, now ..... **\$2.75**  
4 Ladies' Black Jackets, regular \$4.50, now ..... **\$2.25**

## Children's Eiderdown Coats.

6 White Eiderdown Coats, worth \$3.00 to \$3.50, now ..... **\$1.95**  
1 white Eiderdown Coat, worth \$2.40 and \$2.50, for ..... **\$1.50**  
2 Cardinal Eiderdown Coats, worth \$2.00, for ..... **\$1.00**  
2 White Coats, worth \$3.00, for ..... **\$1.25**

## Five Handsome Fur Coats.

1 only Electric Seal Coat, with Sable collar and reverses, was \$68.00, now for ..... **\$50.00**  
1 only Electric Seal Coat, was a big bargain at \$35.00, sells now for ..... **\$26.00**  
1 only Astrachan Coat, couldn't be bought for less than \$45.00 a month ago, now ..... **\$32.50**  
1 only Astrachan Coat, good quality, was \$30.00, now for ..... **\$24.75**  
1 only Persian Lamb Coat, very handsome, was \$25.00 (you save \$30.00 now) ..... **\$95.00**

## Toweling Bargain for Saturday.

Sale commences when the store opens and continues until the lot is sold. See display in window and tell your friends about the bargain offering.

65 1/2 yards Heavy Tux Toweling, 35 to 38 inches wide, plain white and red borders. A reliable quality you would not be unwilling to pay 15c yard for, but to clear the lot in one day we have marked at per yard **10c**

## SMALLMAN &amp; INGRAM

149, 151 and 153 Dundas Street.

## Lost With All Hands.

Gloucester, Mass., Feb. 13.—The Gloucester fishing schooner Annie Westley, which sailed for the Georges Banks twelve weeks ago today, is numbering among the long list of vessels which have never returned to port, and it is believed she has been lost with all on board. The crew numbered fourteen. The schooner was in command of Harry E. Henderson.

Since the Annie Westley left Gloucester, Nov. 22, no news of her has reached the owners, except when the schooner "Titanic" reported having sighted her Dec. 17, to the northward of Sable Island. A day later a violent northwest gale began, which lasted three days, and it is thought she may have been dashed to pieces on one of the treacherous bars which extend from both ends of the "graveyard of the North Atlantic."

## KOMOKA.

Komoka, Feb. 11.—The League will meet in the Methodist Church on Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The topic, which is temperance, will be taken by a number of the members of the league. Special music will be rendered by the choir. Everybody welcome.

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## TO CURE COLDS.

There is no remedy to compare with Catarrhzone for winter ills such as coughs, colds, catarrh, and lung trouble as a trial will quickly prove. Catarrhzone inhaler can be conveniently carried in the vest pocket, and at the use of Catarrhzone is ready for use. In this way colds are stopped before they settle on the lungs or develop into croup.

If used occasionally, Catarrhzone will keep the throat and lungs in a healthy condition and prevent you from taking cold. It is of great assistance to the voice and invaluable to singers, ministers and public speakers.

No family should be without Catarrhzone. It is a safeguard against sickness and a protection against doctors' bills. The one dollar outfit contains sufficient treatment to cure a thousand colds, and is a cheap and economical remedy for general use.

Miss Clara B. Colby, of London, Ont., writes: "I had a continuous cold for several years, and never used anything giving such quick results as Catarrhzone. I am delighted at last to find a remedy that positively cures colds. I strongly advocate Catarrhzone; it cures every time."

Don't fail to try Catarrhzone. You will get your money's worth, and more. Colds last just about ten minutes after Catarrhzone is breathed through the nostrils. Complete outfit costs only one dollar. Sample size 25c. Sold by druggists or by mail from C. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont., or Hartford, Conn., U. S. A.

## Depoited to Canada.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 13.—Seven Chinamen were yesterday ordered deported by United States Commissioner Ullman. They have been in the county jail for several weeks, having been taken into custody at different times. Five of them were caught at one time on a nickel plate railroad train. These five had Canadian certificates of citizenship and will be sent back to Canada. The other two will be sent to China.

## Joined the United Miners.

South McAlester, I. T., Feb. 13.—Thirty-five hundred coal miners in the hitherto non-union coal mines of the McAlester district have joined the United Mine Workers of America, and the local unions have made formal demand on the coal operators that they sign the union scale on or before Saturday Feb. 14.

## Christmas Is Gone.

I didn't answer this foolish question a second time.

"What have you sent to Aunt Charlotte Paramor?" I asked.

"A very pretty card, with a forget-me-not on it."







## London Advertiser.

TWO DAILY EDITIONS AND WEEKLY.

The Leading Medium for Advertisers in Western Ontario.

THE LONDON ADVERTISER COMPANY (Limited).

LONDON, ONTARIO.

London, Friday, Feb. 13.

## Railway Grievances.

Farmers, manufacturers, cattle dealers, fruit growers, merchants and other commercial interests were represented on the deputation which waited upon the Dominion Government Wednesday and asked for the appointment of a railway commission. The deputation was not vague or general in its complaints against the railway companies. Each of the speakers cited specific cases in which freight rates were oppressively high or discriminated against Canadian shippers.

A Frontenac farmer sent a calf 40 miles by express for \$3, and by freight it would have cost him \$8. Between some points in Western Ontario, commodities in less than car lots could be hauled by team more cheaply than by rail. To give one instance, the freight on salt from Wingham to Fordham, 17 miles, was nine cents, as against five cents by team. Niagara fruit men estimated that one-third of the price realized on their products in Montreal was absorbed by the railroad companies. The president of the Manufacturers' Association testified that he could ship to Detroit more cheaply than to Windsor, and to Victoria, B. C., from an English port at a lower rate than from Montreal to Victoria.

On behalf of the Live Stock Dealers' Association, it was stated that the rate for transporting cattle from Chicago to St. John, N. B., or Portland, Me., was 25 cents per hundred pounds, and from Owen Sound to the seaboard 36 cents. The lower freight rate was diverting cattle shipments to the United States. It was pointed out that railway labor is cheaper in Canada than in the United States, the Canadian railways are comparatively free from taxation and they have received more Government aid than in the United States; but there has been no decrease of rates corresponding with cheaper construction and labor-saving devices, as there has been across the line.

The Premier promised the deputation that the bill for the appointment of a railway commission would be brought down at the coming session of parliament. The Government could hardly do otherwise in face of the overwhelming demand for the legislation, and the mass of evidence showing that grave abuses exist which cannot be remedied by the present machinery. It is a fortunate thing for the Opposition that Sir Charles Tupper is not its leader, as he was an uncompromising opponent of a railway commission. As matters stand it will not be a party measure and it should stand a fair chance of being adopted this year, although it will be opposed by Hon. John Haggart and a clique of corporation members, who challenged it last session. The most difficult task will be the choice of members of the commission. On the personnel of the tribunal its success entirely depends, and the country looks to the Government to name men who are qualified for the work beyond all question.

## The Municipal Statistics.

The Ontario municipal statistics for 1901 have been compiled. They show that in the five years, 1897-1901, the population of the province has increased from 1,990,977 to 2,028,889; the total assessment from \$803,625,377 to \$835,697,697; the taxes for all purposes from \$12,966,325 to \$13,341,355, and the tax rate from 15.19 to 16 mills on the dollar. The debt statistics for 1901 are not yet complete, but the debenture debt per capita has been steadily increasing, having risen from \$16.37 in 1886, to \$28.39 in 1901. The population of the province in 1901 was distributed as follows:

Townships	1,092,181
Towns	330,412
Villages	126,836
Cities	479,460

The drift of population from the country to the city is not so marked as in some of the Eastern States, yet it is plainly indicated. In 1886 the proportion of the total population of the province living in the townships was 53 per cent; in 1901 it was 63 per cent. The population of the cities was 17.4 per cent of the whole in 1886, and 23.6 per cent in 1901. The total assessed value of the cities was over half that of the townships in 1901, while the cities paid \$5,582,236 in municipal taxes, as compared with \$4,862,630 by the townships. The debenture debt of the cities is \$40,022,189, and that of the townships just \$2,554,167.

## The Farmers Heard From.

The farmers of the country are taking a lesson from other classes by sending deputations to Ottawa. The manufacturers run down to the capital when they want anything, but the farmers have kept meekly in the background, while their interests were being affected by tariff or railway legislation. One reason for this was their lack of organization. Any other class which wanted favors could mobilize a deputation at short notice, and advance on the capital in siege form, besides employing the underground devices of the lobby, but the farmers had no way of focussing their strength on Parliament. Patrons of Industry, as a separate party organization, did not answer the purpose. The recently-formed Farmers' Association, organized on the non-party principle, has a wide field for usefulness in the country. On Wednesday it sent a deputation to

Ottawa to oppose the granting of any further railway subsidies and to urge the introduction of rural mail delivery. The country has not yet reached the stage when it can expect adequate railway development without public aid and we doubt very much if the farmers of the Northwest would subscribe to the demand of the association; but if subsidies are given, they must be accompanied by conditions which will recoup the public. Rural mail delivery is merely a matter of time. The Postmaster-General is now conducting inquiries as to the operation of the system in the United States, and we may expect to see a beginning made in Canada as soon as it can be justified economically. The Postmaster-General is not the man to let the grass grow under his feet.

Chamberlain is setting a pace which will make it very difficult for the next colonial secretary.

Yesterday was Lincoln's birthday, and the American stock exchanges were closed. This is an act of supreme homage on the part of a commercial nation.

The counties of Simcoe, Brant, Huron and Essex are the latest to hitch on to the good roads movement. Conventions have been called in all four to discuss the question of earning the provincial grant. No feature of the Government's development policy has yielded better results. It has helped the municipalities to help themselves.

The Duke of Devonshire, in a speech to a farmers' gathering, the other day, said that if wire fencing was permitted to extend unchecked, it would mean the end of hunting in England within a very few years, and that would be an unmitigated misfortune to the national character. Who would have thought there was any connection between a nation's fences and its character?

Lord Avebury, the English scientist, has coined a new word, which promises to find a permanent place in the language. Speaking of the scenery in the north of England he said that rocks were found "anywhere." We have "anywhere," and "somewhere," and why not "anywhere"? It is shorter and more expressive than "in many places." Lord Avebury has already given to science the words neolithic and paleolithic.

A deputation of pulp manufacturers yesterday asked the Government to impose an export duty on pulpwood. In Ontario the export of pulpwood cut on public lands is already prohibited, but the settler is still permitted to sell in any market the wood cut on his own property. To deny him this privilege would be a hardship, as the ready money derived from the spruce on his land has given many a poor settler a needed lift. It will be noticed that the pulp manufacturers did not ask for an export duty on pulp.

Only three of the Senators of Canada appointed at Confederation survive. Two of these are Ulster men by descent and Nova Scotians by birth—the Hon. R. B. Dickson, who is 91 years old, and entered the Legislative Council of his native colony in 1858, and Hon. W. Miller, who is 69. The third, the Hon. David Wark, is an Ulsterman by birth and a Maritime Province man by emigration. He was elected to the New Brunswick Assembly as long ago as 1843, and he will enter his 100th year on the 13th of this month.

The new German bill for the protection of children provides that children under 13 years of age must not be employed in building operations, in brick kilns, quarries and mines; that children under 12 must not be employed in workshops, theatrical representations or restaurants; and that children under 10 must not be employed to distribute goods. In the case of workshops and theaters, restrictions are placed upon the employment of children over 12 years of age who have not completed their elementary education. In some cases parents are permitted to employ their own children while still under these age limits.

## A Specialist.

[Cornell Widow.] Jones—Why do they call that Pullman porter, doctor?

Smith—Why, because he has attended so many births.

## For His Comfort.

[Chicago Tribune.] "Now, you mustn't try to talk," said the surgeon, who was saying "and," the city paid \$5,582,236 in municipal taxes, as compared with \$4,862,630 by the townships. The debenture debt of the cities is \$40,022,189, and that of the townships just \$2,554,167.

## A Composer.

[Chicago News.] "Name the world's greatest composer," said the musical instructor. "Chloroform," promptly replied the young man who had studied medicine. —Chicago News.

## Retrospective.

[Chicago Tribune.] "Those first efforts of my muse," soliloquized the man with literary aspirations, "how freshly they all come back to me!" For the package the postman had just handed him had been mailed to the magazine less than a week before.

## Failed at the Test.

[New York Sun.] "Sir," she exclaimed, haughtily. "You have kissed me. Never dare to look at my face again!" Meekly, he turned and left the house. "I'm glad I didn't marry that fool," she gasped between sobs.

## A Married Man's Musings.

[New York World.] In China no woman speaks until she is spoken to. China is known as the Celestial Kingdom. Some fellows would go home early occasionally if they weren't afraid of giving their wives a shock. Science has not yet solved the prob-

## How to Get Rich.

Take a quantity of silica costing one-fourth the price of oil, mix it with oil, and sell the compound to the public at the price of pure oil; offer "prizes" with the compound to make it sell. It is such a compound the public get when they buy common soaps. In Sunlight Soap—Octagon Bar—the public get a pure and well-made soap. Sunlight Soap reduces expense by prolonging the life of the articles washed with it, which is much more profitable to the public, than common soaps with "prizes." 204

lem why a baby always requires to be walked with the longest on the night when the furnace goes out. When a man refers to his wife as "the missus" you can know that the romance has already begun to wear rusty.

## The Principal Weapons of Death.

[Dietetic and Hygienic Gazette.] The fifteen principal causes of death, with the rate per 100,000, as made public by the census bureau, are as follows: Pneumonia, 191.9; consumption, 191.5; heart disease, 184; diarrheal diseases, 85.1; kidney diseases, 88.7; apoplexy, 66.6; cancer, 60; old age, 54; bronchitis, 48.3; cholera infantum, 45.3; inflammation of brain and meninges, 45.3; diphtheria, 34.4; typhoid, 33.8, and premature birth, 33.7. Death from all principal causes shows a decrease since 1890, the number being 1,800,000, which shows a decrease of 54.9 per 100,000.

## My Mind to Me a Kingdom Is.

[Sir Edward Dyer.] My mind to me a kingdom is. Such perfect joy therein I find. As far exceeds all earthly bliss. That God or nature hath assigned. Though much I want that most would have. Yet still my mind forbids to crave.

Content I live; this is my stay—I seek no more than may suffice. I press to bear no haughty sway; Nor by desert to breed a curse. Lo! thus I triumph like a king. Content with what my mind doth bring.

The court neart I like ne loath—Extremes are counted worst of all; The golden mean betwixt them both. Doth sweetest sit, and fears no fall; This is my choice, for who I find. No wealth is like a quiet mind.

My wealth is health and perfect ease; My conscience clear my chief defense; I never seek by bribes to please. Nor by desert to breed a curse. Thus do I live, thus will I die; Would all did so well as I.

## The Irish Problem.

[Toronto Globe.] Sir Charles Duff's own political philosophy on the Irish question is summed up at the close of his history in a few sentences, that are as well worth attention as when he penned them. "This crucial question—whether these islands cannot at last learn to live together, and to extend to the parliament—must still be encountered; for though men fail, and means and agencies are modified, a nation cannot be exterminated. The Irish problem is not an insurrection, when it is too late. Lord Holland, a cabinet minister under William IV., declared that the government of Ireland in 1845 justified Smith O'Brien and his associates."

## What's In a Name.

[Chicago Tribune.] Sidney Lee, the eminent writer and editor of the great dictionary, matriculated at the University of Oxford, and was the son of the latter. His intellectual brilliancy caused the famous-master of Balliol, Dr. Jewett, to take a particular interest in him, and to recommend him to change his name, pointing out to him in the most delicate manner possible that owing to racial prejudice it would be difficult for him ever to acquire under the name of Solomon Lazarus the literary fame that he would otherwise in time achieve. Young Lazarus took the advice of the master of Balliol, and forthwith changed his name to Sidney Lee, which is now honored by the English-speaking world on both sides of the Atlantic.

## Pointed Paragraphs.

[Chicago News.] Women wish for long life minus old age.

If pity is akin to love it must be a poor relation. The first of genius is often unable to make the pot boil.

The head is frequently made the victim of the body.

Many a child has been fooled by the story of the pot of gold which is to be found just at the foot of the rainbow, and has started out to gather riches full of happy dreams.

Many a man and woman have been deceived by the tale that there was health to be found out beyond the sunset, and they have started out dreaming of a healthful future, never to be realized.

People who have tried change of climate in vain for the cure of weak lungs have been perfectly and permanently cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It cures deep-seated coughs, bronchitis, bleeding lungs, emaciation, and other conditions which, if neglected or unskillfully treated, find a fatal end in consumption.

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scapgoat of the stomach. Some men achieve justice and some have it thrust upon them. Astronomy interests a few, but gastronomy catches the multitude. Probably the most unsatisfactory thing on earth is compulsory love. Lovable women shine in society for to exhibit their polish at home. When a man gets too lazy to give advice there is no earthly hope for him.

Only fools sacrifice the certainties of today for the uncertainties of tomorrow. After a man gets off one witty remark he is expected to give a continuous performance. A woman's idea of a shopping expedition is to visit every store in town without buying anything. Yes, Corolla, there are workers and workers. One class makes a specialty of working the other class.

When a man gets the worst of an argument, he says "I'm sorry," and is only trying to draw the other fellow out. When a man tells you that all women are delusions and snobs, it's a sure sign that he has been snared by a delusion.

WESTERN POINTS OF THE PROVINCE

## Tavistock's Founder Dies at Age of 85 Years.

TRANSFERS OF FARM PROPERTY

Smallpox Quarantine on a Guelph Hotel Raised—Several Interesting Meetings.

The tax rate of Woodstock will probably be a trifle over 23 mills.

Mr. M. N. McLean, of the Seaford Exporter, is to be the next registrar of Huron.

The total receipts from the Ridgetown Methodist tea meeting were in the neighborhood of \$112.

Henry Eckstein, founder of the village of Tavistock, is dead at that place at the age of 85 years.

A. D. McGugan, Rodney, sold over \$2,000 worth of Shorthorn thoroughbred cattle during the past month.

Samuel Hirsch, for many years a leading business man of St. Thomas, died on Tuesday evening, aged 72 years.

The meetings of the Farmers' Institute at Embro were both largely attended, as was the meeting at Thamesford.

Mr. Joseph Bloomfield, near the Eau, has purchased the farm of the late Geo. Higgins from the heirs for the sum of \$4,000.

The smallpox scare at Maple Grove is over, no one else showing symptoms of it. School has reopened again after nearly two weeks closing.

The marriage of Duncan Johnston, teacher at Morpeth, and Miss Cady, of Wardsville, took place at the residence of W. Avery, on Saturday.

George B. Anderson, of East Nissouri, has been appointed township clerk of the township of Wardsville, and Duncan McCrete has been appointed assessor.

Chatham City Council, by an almost unanimous vote, granted a request for a public library board, that they be allowed to accept \$2,000 more from Mr. Carnegie, making in all \$10,000.

On March 5 the Tillson Company will sell their whole herd of noted Holstein cattle, among which are some of the best dairy cows in the country. Nearly 100 head will be offered.

The Presbyterian Church of Sunderland, which is in the Presbytery of Lindsay, has unanimously decided to extend a call to Rev. Frank C. Harper, B.D., a recent graduate of Knox College.

The brethren of Warren Lodge, A. F. and M. F. on Tuesday night entertained the D. D. G. M., E. T. Essery, the Past D. D. G. M., and the W. M., M. J. P., of the Wardsville, Lawrence and Port Stanley.

The quarantine on the City Hotel, Guelph, on account of smallpox, has been removed. Harold Lindsay, who on Tuesday broke quarantine to attend a hockey match at Berlin, was arrested at noon.

Miss Maggie Eastlake, of Orford, was married on Tuesday to William J. Peary, of Palmyra. The young couple will at once take up their residence on the groom's farm, on the twelfth concession of Howard.

St. Thomas City Council has decided to submit a bylaw to the ratepayers to raise \$8,000 by the issue of debentures to purchase Pinaford Park. The council have an option on the site of the land and water at that price until April 1 next.

The Farmers' Institute meeting which was advertised for last Saturday night, and which was postponed for some time on account of the cases of smallpox existing in adjoining townships, was well attended, despite the inclement weather.

Dr. Charles Lang, son of Dr. H. Lang, Granton, who a few months ago left to do Great Britain and the continent, has been successful in passing the examination to receive the diploma of the Royal College of Physicians, London.

While digging up a pipe line near Petrolia the other day, a bad accident occurred to Ed Churchill, son of Peter Churchill. He and Mr. Joseph Lancaster were working together, when the latter accidentally drove a pick into Churchill's head, inflicting a very scalp wound and fracturing the skull.

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At the annual meeting of patrons of the Princeton creamery, on Monday, the 12th inst., Messrs. Stuart and Thomas Conaway, auditors, showed an increase in the business over that of last year. Total milk received, 1,250,000 pounds; butter made over it, 125,000 pounds; increase of average price of butter sold, 20 cents; paid to patrons, \$21,500. Mr. Allan's management of the business appears to give good satisfaction.

Blyth has lost one of its oldest families in the removal of Mr. Joseph Page and family to Ellsboro, N. Y. Mr. Page and family have been residents of Blyth for 23 years, and during that time were always highly respected and esteemed.

Mr. John Nichol, of Turnberry, had a number of sheep worried by dogs last week. When found they were badly injured, and three others more or less injured. Some of Mr. Nichol's dogs have also lost sheep in a similar manner.

Among the passengers on board the steamer Madiana, which was wrecked off the shore of Bermuda, was a former Woodstock lady and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Windett, of Windsor, Jamaica for the benefit of Mr. Windett's health. All the passengers were saved.

The home of George Matheson, twelfth of East Nissouri, was the scene of a very interesting event on the evening of Feb. 4, when his eldest daughter, Miss Helen, was married to James Snell, of the same line, by the Rev. T. A. Watson, B.D., of Thamesford.

Mr. Henry Knell, an old and respected resident of Berlin for about 40 years, dropped dead on the street Wednesday morning from heart failure. He was about 70 years old, formerly carried on a jewelry business in town, and

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Many piece goods have been cut so that today we throw on Our Bargain Counters a few New Remnants for Early Buyers. Every oddment must go regardless of former price.

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## THE MARKETS.

## LOCAL MARKET.

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 13. Although there have been 120 loads of hay offered during the last four days, there was a good demand for the 25 loads offered today; all were sold by noon at \$8 to \$9.50 per ton. Straw is a slow sale at present, at \$5 to \$5.50 per ton. Ten loads of oats sold at 92c to 94c per cental. The price to be paid here on Monday next for live hogs will be \$5.50 per 100 pounds.

## HAY MARKETS.

TORONTO, Feb. 13.—Baled Hay—No. 1 timothy is quoted at \$9.50 per ton for car lots on the track here. Baled Straw—Steady, at \$5 to \$5.50 per ton for cars on the track here.

## SUGAR MARKETS.

LONDON, Feb. 13.—Raw sugar—Muscovado, 98 3/4; centrifugal, 98 3/4; best sugar, 98 3/4.

## OIL MARKETS.

LONDON, Feb. 13.—Petroleum, American refined, 55 1/2; spirits, 75 1/2.

## ANTWERP.

Antwerp, Feb. 12.—Petroleum, 21 francs.

## BREMEN.

Bremen, Feb. 12.—Petroleum, 6 marks 35 pfennings.

## LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Receipts, 8,000; dull; good to prime steers, \$4.40 to \$5.50; poor to medium, \$3.25 to \$4.25; stockers and feeders, \$2.25 to \$3.25; cows, \$1.40 to \$1.45; heifers, \$2 to \$4.50; canners, \$1.40 to \$2.50; bulls, \$2 to \$4.50; calves, \$3.50 to \$7.50; Texas-fed steers, \$3.50 to \$7.50.

## NEW YORK.

New York, Feb. 12.—Receipts, 188; no sales reported; dressed beef steady; city dressed beef, 10c; general sales, 7c to 9c per lb; Texas beef, 6c to 6 1/2c. No exports today. Calves—Receipts, 5,558 head; 2 cars on sale; sheep quiet and rather easier; good lambs were steady; common and medium grades slow, with prices slightly lower than yesterday's average. 2 cars of stock unsold; sheep sold at \$3 to \$4.75 per 100 lbs; a few head at \$5; lambs at \$2.50 to \$3.50; \$1.50 to \$2.50; dressed mutton, 6 1/2c to 9c per lb; dressed lamb, 8 1/2c to 11c.

## TORONTO.

Toronto, Feb. 13.—There was a light run at the cattle market this morning, though there appeared to be quite sufficient for the demand. There is a fair market demand for exporters, with shipping space to fill, but a strong difference of opinion between the buyers and the sellers as to the prevailing prices makes trading very slow. Some of the heaviest buyers are still getting cattle from Buffalo and Chicago markets, claiming that the drovers here pay a little less for their purchases up country if they are to compete with the general low prices now prevailing. Mr. W. Leavack bought 5 loads of export stock, the Buffalo market for export purposes. The local market prices were running from \$12.25 to \$14.75, though in general cases a little higher. Prices were paid for one pair of superior steers, the best seen here for some time. The price was \$3.90, but these were the exception; by the rules of the butcher trade was good, with everything pretty well sold in that class; prices were from \$3.25 to \$4.10.

## Lambeth's Loss.

Lambeth was a little higher, with everything sold out at the price being \$5.40. Sheep were steady to firm.

## Hogs unchanged.

Hogs unchanged, at \$5.50 for the best and \$5.65 for the lightest.

## Winnipeg Leavack bought.

Winnipeg Leavack bought about 275 head of cattle in the market, and, besides, and 5 loads of hogs, which he bought in the Buffalo market; the price paid for these was not given; the local prices were: 1,000 lbs. at \$3.50; 2 loads of butchers, 1,500 lbs. at \$4.15; William McClelland bought a load of butchers, 1,000 lbs. at \$3.85; Frank Hummel, but, 1,000 lbs. at \$3.85; head of butchers, 1,000 lbs. at \$3.85; at \$3.80 to \$4.25; 8 calves at \$8 each; good calves are wanted; Corbett & Henderson sold a load of butchers, 1,000 lbs. at \$3.80; a load of butchers, 500 lbs. at \$3.80; half a dozen butchers, 1,000 lbs. at \$3.80; a very choice export steer, as good as anything seen here for some time weighing 1,000 lbs. each, sold for \$5.10. Wesley Dunn bought 600 lbs. at \$3.50, 10 sheep at \$4, and 10 calves at \$3 each, with an upward trend of prices.

## OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Canadian cattle are quoted at 11c to 12c per lb dressed weight; American cattle, 11c to 12c per lb; sheep steady, at 11c to 11 1/2c per lb; refrigerator beef is quoted at 9c to 10c per lb.

## Many a corpulent man has taken.

Many a corpulent man has taken anti-fat with this result that his hair has grown thicker.

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## Little Liver Pills.

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## A VERY ENJOYABLE AFFAIR

Everything Was Conducive to the Pleasure of the 400 Guests Present.

The best ball in the history of the asylum was the verdict of many who attended last night's function, and who also were participants in the balls of previous years at this provincial institution. Certain it is that this year's annual ball was a success in every way. In fact, it could not have provided a more enjoyable time, no matter what else could have been done. The asylum is admirably adapted for the holding of a ball, and those in charge had seen that every arrangement had been made for the successful carrying out of this affair. Almost everyone honored with an invitation attended, so that there were between four and five hundred people present, the majority of whom took part in the dancing. Large as the crowd was, the dancing was a source of the keenest enjoyment, as the amusement room of the asylum is the best ball room in the city. These things also which tended to the thorough enjoyment of the pastime, chief of which were the music and the floor. The latter was in excellent condition, while the music was perfect. It is furnished by the asylum's own orchestra, augmented for the occasion, and was audible both from the standpoint of tunefulness and from that of indispensable requisite, time. There were lancers, waltzes, two-steps, military and Highland schottisches, and three-steps; the programme was a well-arranged one, and from the first many dances were demanded.

The room had been decorated according to the designing of Mr. Rennie. It was the object of much admiration, with its hundreds of yards of bunting of all colors, festooned from every corner of the ceiling to the center, and other points, while about the room were hung massive flags, and on the stage an emerald of palms was made in front of the musicians. Along the long corridors leading to the amusement room were placed comfortable settees, where the dancers might rest when inclined. The corridors and the card and supper rooms also were beautifully decorated.

## LAMBETH'S LOSS.

## Mr. Richard T. Vandermade Leaving for British Columbia.

A very interesting event took place at the home of Mr. L. M. Vandermade, Lambeth. The occasion was a farewell to his son, Mr. Richard T. Vandermade, who leaves on Saturday morning for Victoria, B. C., and a large number of friends gathered at the home to extend to Mr. Vandermade their many good wishes for his future success.

An address on behalf of his friends was given by Dr. A. Roy Routledge, and a very handsome pocket was presented by Miss Ada Branson. Mr. Vandermade made an exceedingly fitting response, thanking his friends for their kindness, and expressing his sincere regrets at having so soon to leave them.

Mr. Vandermade, by his energy, zeal, and upright actions during his lifetime in Lambeth, has won the greatest respect and confidence of all who knew him.

## NEW POLITICAL PARTY

## Started in Manitoba—Will Contest All Seats.

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 13.—At the annual conference of the Political Reform Union, which is a combination of the Patron movement with labor men, and dissatisfied Liberals and Conservatives, about 100 delegates were present from different parts of Manitoba, and it was decided to place candidates in the majority of constituencies at the next provincial elections. The plans are: 1. Granting of veto power to the electorate in provincial and Dominion legislation as now in the case of municipal money bills. 2. Public ownership of public franchises. 3. Abolition of the spoils system. 4. Abolition of the sale of liquor for profit. Resolutions were passed condemning the granting of public aid or excessive capitalization powers to private companies entrusted with a public franchise. Any railway charter grants should contain a proviso that the Government shall have the option of purchasing at an advance of 5 per cent on actual cost; requiring the extension of the Government system of railways into the Northwest, preferably by the acquisition of existing lines. Another resolution recited the grievances of shippers in regard to the railway blockade, stating among other things, that the loss last season to farmers and others occasioned by the shortage of rolling stock amounted to many times that the entire cost of rolling stock required. Ex-Mayor Alexander MacDonald, wholesale grocer, Winnipeg, was elected president, and Arthur F. Lee, M. P. for Winnipeg, a vice-president.

## Fruit Causes Blindness.

Sydney, N. S. W., Feb. 13.—Strange cases of permanent and total blindness have lately been traced in the Cairns and Townsville districts of Queensland to the eating of a wild fruit known as the "finger cherry," with a long red berry. A young man, aged 22, at Cairns Hospital, has lost the sight of both eyes. The blindness, caused by the destruction of certain nerves, is said to be incurable.

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When the Twenty-Sixth (Middlesex) Regiment of Infantry goes into camp this year it will comprise five companies of Indians and three companies of white volunteers. In the past the white men have been in the majority, but a change recently decided upon by the officers and approved by the department of militia, will alter the make-up of the regiment very considerably, and yet it is hoped, not lessen its efficiency. The two companies to be changed are Nos. 4 and 5, whose headquarters go from Deneau's farmers and St. Johns respectively, to Glencoe and Kettle Point. The officers will remain as before. The only companies of white volunteers now in the regiment are stationed at Ailsa Craig, Parkhill and Strathroy.

Each company includes 40 men, exclusive of the officers, which will bring the Indian strength of the regiment up to 210.

"The Indians make good soldiers," said an officer of the regiment recently in a discussion of the changes. "They are always willing to do whatever they are told, without a murmur, and when you want them you know where to look for them. As far as the drill is concerned, they can pick it up, though not so quickly as the white man. I don't think the officers are making any mistake in taking in more Indians."

The same officer said there was no difficulty in getting the redmen to sign for three years. None of them ever objected to doing so, and once out in camp they became as obedient as the white men. "Humph," said a big red man on one occasion, "me no sign for three years. Me sign for life."

"We have invariably better men physically than the whites, for where the latter take series of 34 to 38 inches the former generally measure 40 inches or over."

## ST. GEORGE'S PROSPERS MERELY MARKING TIME

## The Society of Englishmen Has Flourished This Year.

## Members Honor Mr. Peter Birtwistle by Re-Election.

St. George's Society held its annual meeting last night, and the session was brief and businesslike. The treasurer submitted a report which showed the net assets at the end of last year to be \$4,547.82. The receipts during the past year had been \$465.31. Mr. Peter Birtwistle had the honor of being re-elected as president. The election resulted as follows:

President—Peter Birtwistle.  
First vice-president—T. H. Carling.  
Second vice-president—George B. Nash.

Treasurer—George Pritchard.  
Secretary—J. B. Cox.  
Relief committee—H. T. Smith, John Hannan, J. Pannell, B. A. Jones, J. Biggs, B. J. Clappitt, W. Skinner.

Mr. A. E. Welch, secretary of the Southwestern Traction Company, told The Advertiser today that the company was merely marking time at present, and that the line would not be set in. The cold weather and winter put a stop to all work, but just as soon as spring opened the extension of the tracks to Lambeth would be resumed.

The tracks are already completed as far as Glendale, and material is spread as far as the stream which crosses the road two miles east of side of Lambeth. The completion of the line to Lambeth would not require much time, with a good force of men.

"We have got to get the line in operation," Mr. Welch added, "for there is a lot of money invested, and the shareholders must get returns. Should we not secure an entrance to the city by the time our line is built to Lambeth we will operate buses between the road at Cathcart street, and the uptown district. The farmers want the service, and the business men want it also. We are only asking for justice. We are not asking for a single favor. We simply want to bring grist to the city's mill."

Mr. Welch called the Hamilton and Grimsby line, 20 miles in length. One hundred and fifty thousand people were brought to Hamilton on it in one year, and the business men of the city estimated that each of them was worth at least \$3.50. The Traction Company's line would in proportion provide equally as benefit to London and the surrounding country. The company intended to have 20 miles of road in operation inside of three years.

FROM THE COAL PITTS.

Comes One More Proof of How Disease Disappears Before Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Indian Brook, Victoria County, N. S., Feb. 9.—(Special).—Angus D. McDonald, son of the postmaster here, while at work in the coalpits, strained his back and was sent home in agony. The doctor was sent for, but could do little to relieve his sufferings, and he was laid up all winter.

Last spring a hotelkeeper advised him to try Dodd's Kidney Pills. That hotelkeeper did not see him again till August, when his first question was, "Angus, how's your back?" "As well as ever it was," he answered. "What cured it?" "Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me completely," answered the thankful Angus.

And the postmaster at Indian Brook is always ready to testify to the truth of his son's statement.

Dodd's Kidney Pills cure disease by curing the kidneys.

LYNCH LAW IN RUSSIA

Peasants Made Short Work of a Band of Robbers.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 28.—The German National Congress, which is opposing the colonization of Eastern Prussia, is successfully recalling the German settlers in South Russia, by offering them land under easy conditions around Posen. A thousand German families, according to the Volyn, are preparing to leave Kholm in the coming spring. Hundreds left last year.

An instance of lynch law by Russian peasants has just occurred in a suburb of Kiev, which had long been terrorized by a band of thieves. The peasants armed themselves with clubs, and expectedly attacked the thieves while the latter were drinking, and beat a number of them to death. The absent members of the band escaped to neighboring villages, but were hunted down and subjected to the same fate.

Another case of lynching is reported from Stavropol, where four men were arrested for horse stealing. After the local chief of police had examined the accused, he stepped into the market place and invited the assembled peasants to take the law into their own hands. Three of the thieves were killed on the spot, and the fourth had to be taken to a hospital. The chief of police was arrested.

It is said that Texas alone markets 500,000,000 worth of cattle annually.

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A MAN OF NERVE

Walks With a Partially Severed Arm to the Doctor.

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 12.—James Guest, boiler-maker from North Bay, while in the act of jumping between two freight cars in the C. P. R. yards at Fort William last night, slipped and had his left arm just below the elbow run over by a car. The arm was not completely severed, and Guest, holding the hanging arm up with the other hand, walked from the yard into the Queen's Hotel, asked for a drink of water and then told the men present that he had his arm cut off. Dr. Bird-

sal was summoned, and had the man removed to the Cottage Hospital, where Dr. Hamilton, the C. P. R. surgeon, amputated the arm. The doctors say they never saw a man who had so much nerve, for after the operation Guest jumped up and walked upstairs to his room.

Battle in Madagascar.

London, Feb. 13.—A dispatch to a news agency from Paris announces that mail advices received there from the Island of Madagascar give details of a serious outbreak which occurred recently in the southern part of Madagascar. A force of rebels attacked and destroyed a village and murdered its inhabitants. Detachments of troops were sent to the spot, and killed 100 of the rebels, but during the fighting the French sustained serious losses.

FARMERS HAVEN'T BENEFITED BY UNUSUAL CROP OF APPLES

Quality Was Poor and Prices Low—Market Was Overstocked.

While the public at large enjoy to the fullest extent the benefits of a large apple crop, the dealers and farmers do not find the matter a source for congratulation. This year has been a very unsatisfactory one in the apple business from the standpoint of the man who grows or sells them.

The crop has been very large, and it has been impossible to dispose of the abnormal quantity. The Canadian output was away above the ordinary, but the American crop also was large, and the result has been to overstock the market and send prices tumbling to the lowest notch.

The apples were in many cases un-preserved. Of course, those put in cold storage kept all right, but in consequence of this year's crop being so large, they should lose their whole crop, many of the farmers sold it at cut-rate prices. The people who bought it at such low prices are now in most cases regretting it. The fruit appears to become soggy and dried up.

ANTI-VACCINATION

Stormy Meeting at Galt Opposes New Regulations.

Galt, Feb. 13.—There is a strong anti-vaccination element here, and at a meeting held in Fraser's Hall last night, at which Rev. J. A. LaFaire presided, a deputation was appointed to wait on the school board, protesting against the exclusion from the schools of unvaccinated children. Since the schools reopened children who have not presented vaccination certificates have been sent home. The action of the Provincial Board of Health in deciding to make the enforcement of compulsory vaccination more stringent was a storm of protest. Certain Galt doctors were accused of employing practically fraudulent methods in connection with vaccination. It was said that in some cases doctors, knowing the persons who presented themselves were unfit subjects to inoculate, had used water instead of vaccine, but did not fail to accept the regular remuneration. The meeting decided to take the initiative for the province against what was characterized as an outrage to the personal liberty of British subjects, and the association which is to be organized will ally itself with the branch in Toronto of the Anti-Vaccination League of England.

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## Letters to the Editor.

### THE MUSICIAN'S QUESTION.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:  
I notice in your report of the meeting of the Trades and Labor Council last Tuesday evening, that I had made an application for a new charter from the American Federation of Musicians, and that I had been refused. I beg to inform you that such is not the case, as I never made application for a charter, and there has been no refusal as yet.

Thanking you for this space in your valuable paper, I remain, yours truly,  
JAMES CRESSWELL.

### Russell Sage On Trusts.

New York, Feb. 12. — In a conversation in the subject of anti-trust legislation, Russell Sage is quoted as saying: "The trust proposition has not reached a stage where the evils have presented themselves plainly, and in a definite form. Legislation at this time will only work harmful results, for no one can put his finger on the danger spot."

"The situation, as it appears to me, is similar to a case of illness, with the trust as the patient. The doctors are called in. They simply watch developments, and time speedily develops just what is the matter. Then the curatives are applied."

"It is the same with the trust question in this country. It will not be too late to await developments and closely watch these big combinations of capital. Practically 80 per cent of them are young and have tendencies which are readily cured when these make themselves felt. I am in favor of allowing time and the American people to introduce proper legislation at the proper moment."

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## LONDON AND DISTRICT

—Miss Jennie Stinson, of Thorndale, is at present visiting a few weeks in this city.

A Granton correspondent writes that Mr. W. Clark of that place has secured a good position in a wholesale house in this city.

—Miss Amy McDonough is in town, having come down from London to pay a visit to Mrs. Carpenter, of Tyndall avenue, Parkdale.—Toronto Globe.

—Mrs. Somers and Master George Somers, of Toronto, have returned home after an extended visit to Mrs. Somers' mother, Mrs. Trimble, Waterloo street north.

MARRIED IN PHILADELPHIA.

Mr. Alex. H. MacAdam, son of Mr. A. MacAdam, of Chicago, and formerly of this city, where he was in the timber business, was recently married in Philadelphia, where he now lives. His bride is Miss Florence Bailey, of Woodstock.

VETERANS HONORED HIM.

Capt. A. W. Poste, formerly of this city, was presented by the Toronto Veterans' Association of 1866, at their last meeting, with a past president's jewel, on the occasion of his retirement from that position.

GOING WEST TO PRACTICE.

Dr. Knox Niven, son of Dr. J. S. Niven, is going west to practice. Graduating from McGill University, he went to South Africa, serving there with the Canadian troops, and upon returning to London was appointed to the Victoria Hospital staff. He has now formed a partnership with Dr. Roch, M.P., of Minnedosa, Man., and will leave for that place Monday next. He will take

the 10 o'clock train for Winnipeg.

—The question of the better protection of the crossings of the steam railways in the city limits will be taken up by the council at its next regular meeting on Monday evening. It has been more or less before the aldermen for some time past, but no definite line of action was decided upon until last night, when the board of works came to deal with a letter from the city engineer.

Mr. Graydon suggested that the board recommend to the council that all the crossings on the C. P. R., G. T. R., M. C. R. and L. E. and D. R. R., west of Egerton street, which have not already got watchmen or gates, be protected with the same or signal bells, and that the matter be brought before the railway committee of the House of Commons without delay, in order that it would receive early consideration.

The aldermen were of one opinion as to the dangerous condition of many of the crossings at the present time, nearly all of them on the C. P. R., G. T. R., M. C. R. and L. E. and D. R. R., being absolutely without protection of any kind whatever.

The Grand Trunk was looked upon as particularly dangerous, the view from the west being entirely obstructed by the fence around the railway company's property.

"The question is a very serious one, and should be taken up right away," said the mayor, who spoke favorably of the system of protection which the M. C. R. had adopted in St. Thomas.

"There are no two opinions about it," said Ald. Wyatt.

The committee decided to make the recommendation suggested by the engineer.

WANTS GREATER ECONOMY.

While chairman of the board last year Ald. Cooper was on the carpet on many occasions for failing to exercise economy.

Now he is going to have his turn. Last

night he had a particular desire to see the city's money carefully spent, and found fault with several of the items on the list. He saw that many dollars had been paid out for snow plowing, snow shovelling and opening ditches, and this gave him an opportunity to tighten the work of the men who operated the plows after the snowstorm on Sunday last. He maintained that they had not followed the instructions.

"Now, just wait a minute, and give others a chance to be heard," said Ald. Wyatt, finally. "You know differently."

"I don't know anything of the kind," answered Ald. Cooper.

"Well," replied Ald. Wyatt, "you ought to."

Ald. Cooper said the pay sheets were too big altogether, to which Ald. Wyatt replied that he had watched the pay sheets last year and noticed that they were twice as large as the one under consideration.

"The matter at all," said the chairman. "I never put any men at work. I always send them to the engineer."

CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES.

The claim for damages presented by William West Nisner, was filed, the engineer reporting that the city was in no way responsible for the damage done to his property by the snowstorm on Sunday last.

The accident occurred near the corner of Willoughby and Huron streets, and according to Mr. Graydon, it was apparently caused by Smith's team leaving the travelled roadway.

A defective roadway was the cause of Alex. McRae's hack being upset and damaged by the snowstorm on Sunday last.

The city engineer decided to allow Mr. McRae \$15.

Tenders will be called for a cement floor which is wanted in the court house.

Seven hundred square feet are needed, and the estimated cost is about \$15.

The county council is going to have the work done, and under the existing agreement will pay 35 per cent of the cost, the city paying the remainder.

William Warner's petition against the construction of a cement walk on the east side of Main street, from Philip to Nelson streets, was laid over, the engineer in the meantime to report on the condition of the sidewalk.

The pay sheet amounted to \$212.45.

The members present were: Ald. Wyatt (in the chair), Gerry, Cooper and Ald. Bell. Mayor Bell, Engineer Graydon and Sec. retary Bell.

## Saint Valentine's Day....

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with him the best wishes of a large number of friends whom he has in this city.

MISS GRAY WON MEDAL.

Misses Mabel Hodgins, Blanche Richmond, Sadie Gray and Katie Cook were competitors last night for the gold medal donated by the Royal Templars of this city. Each of the contestants had previously won medals.

The judges, Messrs. McCutcheon and Dr. E. Williams, awarded the prize to Miss Gray. The recitations were interspersed with plays, Miss Fitzwalter, instrumental selections by

Messrs. Mab and Matthews, and vocal solos by Misses Allen and Sweeney. Next month another contest is to be held for a diamond medal, presented by the grand council, and only winners of gold medals will be eligible to compete.

YOUNG MEN'S GUILD.

A meeting of much value to those who attended was that held last evening by the Young Men's Guild of St. Andrew's Church, over which Rev. Dr. Johnston presided. The subject for debate was, "Resolved, that the policy of subjugating all public questions to the vote of the people would be in the best interests of national life." This was affirmed by Mr. U. A. Buchner, and the side opened by Mr. H. R. Morwood, who were followed by members of the guild. The judges were Rev. Hector McKay, Dr. Hugh A. Steenson and Mr. F. W. Durocher, who gave their decision in favor of the affirmative by a few points. Mr. J. C. Kennedy gave a Scotch reading that was much enjoyed. Mr. W. Carson read a very instructive paper on the appreciation of art, taking for his subject the "Sistine Madonna." The critical work was enhanced by the use of photographs of the Raphael picture and the paper met with much favor. During the evening Messrs. Thompson and Webster gave some excellent musical numbers. A number of new members were enrolled.

of that prairie land resembles a wooded country, and I think it behooves the Canadian Northwest to do the same.

## THE RAILWAY PROBLEM.

"But the greatest need of all is a solution of the railway problem. The Government, I think, should formulate an aggressive railway policy. The most liberal assistance should be granted railway enterprise, though the Government should keep a controlling hand on them, especially in the matter of freight rates. At present the facilities are utterly inadequate to handle the immense amount of traffic there, and as the grain crops increase the need will be all the greater. Every year sees wonderful strides, and the rate all steps to assist in the more there needed adequate railway facilities, and as I said, even now there is not nearly the service that is required. The ordinary residents of the country demand another transcontinental road, and the Government should see that any project tending to relieve the situation should be given every assistance and pushed ahead as rapidly as possible. I believe that the Northwest Territories are prepared to aid new lines, more particularly branch lines, through the country. I do not mean that they would give bonuses, but they will back the bonds. The Canadian Pacific only run on an average one freight train a day, and there is business enough for three, so you can see what a necessity there is for a competing line. The people out west believe that the railway must go in advance of the settlement, as they believe such a policy will greatly forward the settlement of the country. That the country is worth settling is not doubted by anyone; one really need only go out there and get a glimpse of the country to form any idea of its enormous possibilities.

"I think our public men who have to do with the shaping of the policy of the country should go there and see for themselves what a place it is and thoroughly acquaint themselves with the conditions there before undertaking to legislate for them. They would then know not only its vastness, but its problems, and the westerners all trust that for the general good of the Dominion that the Government will do what is necessary to assist in the settlement and the improvement of the Canadian Northwest.

## GOOD CLASS OF PEOPLE.

"The class of people who are going there now, that is the Western Americans, are just the people who are needed, as they know what is required to settle the country. There is no ground to fear their invasion as affecting the sentiment. They prefer our laws, and like our institutions, and will make good Canadian citizens.

It is a pity that the Northwest was not settled before Ontario; here many of them have spent a lifetime before they have seen the sunlight, while out there they have no right to waste their time heaving a home out of the forest, but have been able to start in with the use of the plow. However, if the people of the Canadian Northwest will profit by the experience of the people who settled in the Western States, they should be able to accomplish as much in ten years as the Americans were able to do in 25 years."

## DANGEROUS RAILWAY CROSSINGS IN LONDON

Council Recommended to Take Steps to Have Them Protected —Cooper Wants Economy.

The question of better protection of the crossings of the steam railways in the city limits will be taken up by the council at its next regular meeting on Monday evening. It has been more or less before the aldermen for some time past, but no definite line of action was decided upon until last night, when the board of works came to deal with a letter from the city engineer.

Mr. Graydon suggested that the board recommend to the council that all the crossings on the C. P. R., G. T. R., M. C. R. and L. E. and D. R. R., west of Egerton street, which have not already got watchmen or gates, be protected with the same or signal bells, and that the matter be brought before the railway committee of the House of Commons without delay, in order that it would receive early consideration.

The aldermen were of one opinion as to the dangerous condition of many of the crossings at the present time, nearly all of them on the C. P. R., G. T. R., M. C. R. and L. E. and D. R. R., being absolutely without protection of any kind whatever.

The Grand Trunk was looked upon as particularly dangerous, the view from the west being entirely obstructed by the fence around the railway company's property.

"The question is a very serious one, and should be taken up right away," said the mayor, who spoke favorably of the system of protection which the M. C. R. had adopted in St. Thomas.

"There are no two opinions about it," said Ald. Wyatt.

The committee decided to make the recommendation suggested by the engineer.

WANTS GREATER ECONOMY.

While chairman of the board last year Ald. Cooper was on the carpet on many occasions for failing to exercise economy.

Now he is going to have his turn. Last

night he had a particular desire to see the city's money carefully spent, and found fault with several of the items on the list. He saw that many dollars had been paid out for snow plowing, snow shovelling and opening ditches, and this gave him an opportunity to tighten the work of the men who operated the plows after the snowstorm on Sunday last. He maintained that they had not followed the instructions.

"Now, just wait a minute, and give others a chance to be heard," said Ald. Wyatt, finally. "You know differently."

"I don't know anything of the kind," answered Ald. Cooper.

"Well," replied Ald. Wyatt, "you ought to."

Ald. Cooper said the pay sheets were too big altogether, to which Ald. Wyatt replied that he had watched the pay sheets last year and noticed that they were twice as large as the one under consideration.

"The matter at all," said the chairman. "I never put any men at work. I always send them to the engineer."

CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES.

The claim for damages presented by William West Nisner, was filed, the engineer reporting that the city was in no way responsible for the damage done to his property by the snowstorm on Sunday last.

The accident occurred near the corner of Willoughby and Huron streets, and according to Mr. Graydon, it was apparently caused by Smith's team leaving the travelled roadway.

A defective roadway was the cause of Alex. McRae's hack being upset and damaged by the snowstorm on Sunday last.

The city engineer decided to allow Mr. McRae \$15.

Tenders will be called for a cement floor which is wanted in the court house.

Seven hundred square feet are needed, and the estimated cost is about \$15.

The county council is going to have the work done, and under the existing agreement will pay 35 per cent of the cost, the city paying the remainder.

William Warner's petition against the construction of a cement walk on the east side of Main street, from Philip to Nelson streets, was laid over, the engineer in the meantime to report on the condition of the sidewalk.

The pay sheet amounted to \$212.45.

The members present were: Ald. Wyatt (in the chair), Gerry, Cooper and Ald. Bell. Mayor Bell, Engineer Graydon and Sec. retary Bell.

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## THIEF SENT TO PRISON

Richard Forden Gets Six Months for Stealing From London Woman.

Richard Forden, a young man of Goderich Township, Huron County, has been sent to the central prison for six months for stealing a railroad ticket and 25 cents from Emma Bell, of this city. Miss Bell had been visiting in Goderich, and from the evidence given before Police Magistrate Seager, it appears she went for a drive with Forden last Saturday evening, another young man and woman also being in the cutter. After the drive, during which the young ladies sat on the gentlemen's knees, Miss Bell noticed that a G. T. R. ticket from Goderich to London and a quarter-dollar were missing from her pocketbook, which had been hanging on her belt. Constable Gundry's services were secured, and on his interviewing Forden, the latter handed over the ticket. The magistrate convicted the prisoner, and imposed a sentence of six months in central prison at hard labor. Forden has a record at the magistrate's court, this being his third conviction.

The wind is tempered to the shorn lamb everywhere except in the stock market.

Artificial teeth and "uppers" for boots and shoes are among the new uses to which paper is being put. At this moment a substantial business firm in Boston is considering a proposition to take up the work of manufacturing paper hats. By and by a high hat, dress suit and shoes rivaling patent leather, all made of paper, may be considered