

Births, Marriages, Death

DEATH.
LAWRENCE—At St. John's (Arva) on Feb. 20, 1900, Benjamin Lawrence, aged 73 years. Funeral Saturday, at 10 a.m., from late residence. Service at church.
LAIDLAW—In the township of Westminster on Feb. 21, 1900, Catherine, relict of the late George Laidlaw, in her 86th year. Funeral will leave her late residence, lot 11, con. 3 township of Westminster, on Friday, Feb. 23, at 11 a.m. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.
CORLIS—At her late residence, 89 Stanley street, Martha Corlis, in her 74th year, relict of the late Squire Corlis, late of Simcoe. Funeral Friday, at 2:30 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.
KELLY—In this city, on Wednesday, Feb. 21, 1900, Miss Mary Kelly. Funeral from her late residence, 425 Hill street, Friday, Feb. 23, at 8:30 a.m., to St. Peter's Cathedral. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.
CLARKE—At King street, Aberdeen, Scotland, on Jan. 25, 1900, Helen Gray, wife of Peter Clarke, for many years of Ando, aged 80 years; and at the same place, on Jan. 22, 1900, Peter Clarke, aged 90 years, beloved parents of J. D. Clarke, private secretary to the Minister of Justice of Canada.
DAVIDSON—In this city, on Feb. 22, 1900, Harriet Davidson, aged 63 years. Funeral Friday, Feb. 23, at 2 p.m.; services at 2:30; from her late residence, 218 Grey street, to Mount Pleasant. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation.

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Boers Trekking
Out of Natal

And Concentrating to Oppose
Lord Roberts' Advance.

The Early Relief of Ladysmith Assured—Boers
Reinforcing Cronje From All Quarters—Houses
in Women's Laager at Mafeking Rid-
dled With Bullets.

Additional List of Casualties—Boer Reports of British Re-
verses—Buller Pushing On—Ladysmith Garrison Feel
Certain of Relief and Ready to Co-operate—

Boers Left Magerfontein Trenches
in a Hurry.

Berlin, Feb. 21.—The Tageblatt pub-
lishes a special dispatch from Brussels,
which says that the Transvaal legation
there announces that all the Boers are
evacuating Natal, their positions in
that colony being no longer tenable.

Gen. Joubert has ordered the con-
centration of all the available forces to
oppose Lord Roberts.

The siege of Ladysmith will be raised,
and it is expected Gen. Buller will
enter the town at the end of the week.

REINFORCING CRONJE.
London, Feb. 22.—Mr. Spencer Wil-
kinson, reviewing the military situation
in the Morning Post, says: Sir Redvers
Buller can hardly be expected to follow
up the Boer army to or through the
passes, but it is rather surprising that
he should have allowed the Boers to
make good their retreat from Natal
without a desperate effort either to
hold them fast or to convert their re-
treat into a rout. The net result will
be the addition in a week's time of
from 15,000 to 20,000 men to the Boer
army confronting Lord Roberts.

The latter probably has 20,000 available at
Paardeberg. A prolonged fight from
Friday to Monday seems to argue
something like a balance between Gen.
Cronje and Lord Roberts' forces. The
question, therefore, is: Which side is
able to get the largest immediate re-
inforcements. The most substantial re-
inforcements available to Lord Roberts
are the divisions now in Natal; but
it will take time to move them. Would
that the eight divisions were held ready
at Cape Town instead of Aldershot!

The purpose of the British government
is to crush the Boer army, and this
purpose implies possession by its com-
mander-in-chief of an assured and
growing numerical superiority.

BRITISH LOSSES.
London, Thursday, Feb. 22—4 a.m.—
Lord Roberts' list of 49 killed and
wounded officers, including two gen-
erals, and engagements up to Sun-
day evening, causes anxiety, especially
as in the officers' list neither the losses
of the Welsh and Essex Regiments,
nor those of the mounted infantry are
included. This is about the number
that fell at Colenso, where the non-
commissioned officers and men brought
the total loss to 800. It is considered
strange that, when sending his casual-
ties, Lord Roberts should not have in-
formed the result of the fighting. If
he has sent such a report the war
office is withholding it. Moreover,
nothing is known as to what took place
Monday, Tuesday and yesterday. This
absence of details from Lord Roberts'
dispatch contrasted with his rather full
narratives during the first part of his
operations, produces uneasiness among
military observers.

CRONJE REINFORCED.
All the comment in the morning
newspapers, both editorial and critical,
is threaded with the disturbing sug-
gestion that despite hard fighting Gen.
Cronje has been able to beat off his
pursuers, has escaped and is being re-
inforced by rail from Ladysmith, and
by forces on foot and horse back from
Northern Cape Colony, as well as the
late beleaguers of Kimberley. As the
correspondents with Lord Roberts are
silent, the telegrams from Boer sources
receive some countenance. The latter
after that Gen. Cronje, while the British
were endeavoring to surround him be-
tween Paardeberg and Koodoosrand,
received reinforcement under Dewett,
and that together the Boer command-
ers fought the British to a standstill.
However this may be, public opinion
here will not be reassured until the
war office issues explicit statements
of successes, which, of course, would
clear away the gathering doubts re-
specting the uninterrupted success of
Lord Roberts' forward movement. No
doubts his ultimate success, but
there is a fear of temporary disappoint-
ment, and that a lot of hard fighting is
ahead of the British.

FROM BULLER.
The latest report from Gen. Buller,
circulated in the House of Commons
last night, was that an agent of the
De Bares Company had received a
cablegram from Cape Town, which
must have passed the censor, to the
effect that Gen. Barton's Fusilier Bri-
gade had reached the hills command-
ing Ladysmith. Quite apart from this,
however, and from every other rumor,
the early relief of the beleaguered gar-
rison is thought inevitable.

An incomplete list of the recent

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Costly of the War.

A Repetition of the First Mod-
der River Fight—Boers Confront
to a Loss of 800 Men—Cronje
Asks for an Armistice.

Paardeberg Drift, Orange Free State,
Tuesday, Feb. 20, via the Modder River,
Wednesday, Feb. 21.—One of the cost-
liest actions of the war occurred at
Paardeberg Drift on Sunday, Feb. 18.

Gen. Kelly-Kenny, in his pursuit of
Gen. Cronje, caught his rear guard at
Klip Drift and followed the burghers
to the Boers' laager at Koodoosrand.

The drift action

BEGAN AT DAYBREAK,
the mounted infantry driving the Boer
rear guard up the river toward the
main body, while another body of
mounted infantry maneuvered on the
right front and flank of the Boers. The
British main body continued to outflank
the Boers' laager on the north bank of
the river. Gen. Kelly-Kenny having
seized two drifts, found the Boers
strongly entrenched, and ordered an at-
tack with the Highland Brigade on
the left, and Gen. Knox's brigade on
the center and right, while

GEN. SMITH-PORRIEN'S BRIGADE
(to which the Canadians are attached)
crossed the river and advanced along
the north bank. On both the north and
south banks the ground is level. The
advance across this was deadly, and
the British losses were heavy. The
battle was an exact repetition of the
Modder River. The soldiers were

UNDER FIRE ALL DAY LONG,
and all the fighting had no definite re-
sult, as the Boers' laager was well
baricaded and they remained therein.
The British guns shelled the laager
vigorously, and the Boers confessed to
a loss of over 800 men. The terrific
shelling was resumed Monday, when
GEN. CRONJE ASKED FOR AN

ARMISTICE.

The shelling was continued on Tues-
day, over 500 guns pouring lead into the
Boer camp.

London, Feb. 22.—Gen. Buller reports
that his casualties on Monday, Feb. 19,
were: Killed—Capt. Thorburn, of the
Royal Fusiliers. Wounded—Two officers
and fourteen men.

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ROOTING OUT CORRUPTION

Hon Geo. W. Ross on Election Irregularities.

The Premier's Suggestions for Preventing and Punishing Fraud.

Premier Ross, in the course of his reply to Mr. Whitney, leader of the Ontario opposition in the legislature, and in referring to his Whitty speech, reminded the house that the promise was there made of the appointment of a commission to inquire into the West Elgin irregularities. That promise, he claimed, had been fulfilled to the very letter. In the same speech the statement was made that the Liberal party at present in power in Ontario had taken the first step through the constitution of a government. Under the controversial elections act, the premier went on to say, the county attorney was authorized to proceed against persons reported for corrupt practices, and the judges were authorized to issue summonses against persons shown during a trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices. Furthermore, it was the privilege of any citizen to enter an action against any person reported for such wrongdoing. The government promised to bring persons reported for corrupt practices for trial, and also to issue a commission. In regard to the first matter, prosecutions had been begun in the order in which the cases were reported, beginning with South Ontario.

The roa judges who had to try the cases were occupied also with other suits, but they were proceeding as fast as they could. The government had

FULFILLED THEIR PROMISE

to bring others to justice as promptly as was in their power, and nothing more could be done in that connection. Mr. Ross declared that the preservation of the political morality of a community was as important as the preservation of any other form of morality, and he lamented the fact that many people who would scorn to cheat their neighbors of a sixpenny bit, sometimes had very loose opinions as to what was proper or improper in election contests. Such being the case, they had to deal with the evil as best they could. He did not know why there should have been such an epidemic of corruption as there seemed to have been in Canada for the last few years. Not only in provincial but Dominion elections. There were, for example, the corrupt practices reported to in Winnipeg, Brandon, Portage la Prairie and other places in 1898, the ballot-stuffing in North Ontario, and the irregularities in South Grey, East Northumberland and elsewhere, all in connection with Dominion elections. Whether the

PRACTICES OF THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY

in the House of Commons for so many years had anything to do with infecting the Liberal party was more than he could say. There was no doubt that "evil communications corrupt good manners," and the communications in this instance were corrupt indeed. It was under such peculiar circumstances as he had enumerated that the general elections of 1898 were begun. He admitted that corrupt practices on the part of the Conservatives did not excuse Liberal wrongdoing, but in view of the government's determination to cleanse the political atmosphere of Ontario, the opposition should see to it that no offences were committed on their own side. The Conservative party could not be identified with any systematic or continuous efforts to preserve the purity of elections, but the Liberal party had

ALWAYS STOOD UP FOR ELECTORAL PURITY.

Under these circumstances it was unfair of Mr. Whitney to try to create the impression that the Liberals sought to countenance or encourage political immorality.

The purchase of a man's vote, although bad enough in itself, was not to be compared in enormity with the tampering with that vote after it had been cast. The ballot-box should be regarded as

A SACRED TRUST,

but apparently it was not so respected in West Elgin. There are other cases of ballot irregularities in connection with the provincial elections of 1898, but the only case of the character reported by the judges was in West Elgin. Mr. Whitney, by his speech, had thrust North Waterloo into the arena, but he had not said that the law, however, provided that no commission of inquiry

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should issue except where no petition had been presented against an election, or where a petition having been presented, the proceedings had terminated. Now, the proceedings in the North Waterloo case had not yet terminated, and so the government were debarred by statute from making inquiry into it. The impression might exist in the minds of some that the government should have issued a commission to inquire into corrupt practices generally. How did matters stand in that regard? Mr. Ross then pointed out that a commission of such sweeping scope would have entailed the investigation of nearly three-fourths of the elections held in 1898, and another election would have been due before the judges had got half way through their work.

Had they proceeded to investigate in every riding they would have been filling the air with the misapprehension of irregularities, when the air was already full enough of it. There were 56 petitions, and the reports, when laid upon the table of the house, would have been exceedingly discreditable, would involve the country in endless expense that would serve no good purpose. The honorable gentleman could give no reason why they should appoint a commission to deal with every case. They would be superseding the courts of the land, a position which no government could take. There were no irregularities so glaring as in West Elgin, and when the report of the commission was received it would be for the house to deal with the matter. Mr. Whitney had much to say of Duncan Bole, but he NEVER MENTIONED WM. SMITH, who spent \$12,000 in corrupt practices in South Ontario. Mr. Whitney had two measures of political morality, one for his political opponents and another for his friends. No fault had been found with the personnel of the commission, though he found some objection to the counsel, on the ground that Mr. Watson had been president of the Reform Association. "That objection need not occupy much of my time, nor the other objection that Mr. Grant, who is acting in a similar capacity."

Mr. Whitney—In a similar capacity? "As the assistant counsel, so far as I understand," replied the premier.

These two men are acting as counsel to deal with such matters as may be properly brought before them. If the honorable gentleman has any information with regard to the ballots that has not been brought out, let him submit it to the commission at the next meeting.

"To Watson and Grant?" queried Mr. Whitney, with an evident sneer.

AN IMPROPER INSINUATION.

"Yes, to Watson and Grant," replied the premier, with vigor; "gentlemen of quite as high character as the honorable gentleman. It is a slur upon the honorable gentleman does not fail to hurl across at every opportunity, that because a man is a Liberal, he cannot be an honest man. It is an imputation of dishonesty, and it is unworthy of him to say that a distinguished gentleman, such as Mr. Watson, will discredit and dishonor himself because he is appointed a counsel for the crown. That is what it implies. (Cheers.) The honorable gentleman would not dare to say that to Mr. Watson in his own presence. (Renewed cheers.) The honorable gentleman is

INSULTING HIS OWN PROFESSION

That insinuation could not be made in any court in this country. The judges would call him down. They would show him the door as ought to be shown. He might just as well say that the commissioners would be guilty of a breach of faith." (Cheers.) After reviewing the case of a number of commissions appointed by the late Ottawa Government in which the counsel were chosen from the dominant party, Mr. Ross continued: "The investigation has begun and has brought out one very important fact, namely, that

THE BALLOTS WERE ACCIDENTALLY BURNED.

The honorable gentleman smile, as if that statement were not correct. Perhaps they know better; perhaps they know what happened to those ballots. However, my impression is that those gentlemen, who were sworn, swore the truth.

Mr. Whitney—Did they swear that they were burned?

Hon. Mr. Ross—They swore that they were so far as they knew. If the honorable gentleman believes that or not, he can go before the commission. (Government applause.) If these ballots were stolen, or taken away for some improper purpose the honorable gentleman may perhaps be asked to go before the commission and tell what he knows. Then perhaps we will have his evidence under oath. We have the evidence of eight persons to the effect that they believe the ballots were committed to the flames. If they were stolen, I suppose it is no worse. The ballots cannot be found for the purpose of justice. It is of very little importance whether they were burned or stolen away. They are not in the possession of the clerk of the crown in chancery. The honorable gentleman intimates that he was afraid and wanted to conceal the acts of some of the persons concerned in the election.

PROSECUTION NOT HINDERED.

"To what extent does the burning of the ballots affect anybody? It did not affect Mr. Macintosh's election. He was unseated after the ballots were burned. The ballots were examined by the solicitors before the registration of the high court. They were returned to the vaults from which they were taken. Will the loss of the ballots affect any of the issues now before the court, Duncan Bole and Mr. Cahill. In Bole's case the charge is perjury, and the prosecution can go on without the ballots. In the other case the charge is perjury also, and it can very easily be proved or not without the ballots. The loss of the ballots will have no effect upon the trial of these two men."

Mr. Macdarmid, interrupting, said that Cahill was not charged with perjury.

Mr. Ross, quoting from the information, said that Cahill was charged with assuming to act as deputy returning officer in the place of some other person. Clearly that was a case of perjury. As to whether the government had done their duty in this matter, the premier pointed out that the subpoena was an official in a minor capacity, was relieved from office at a very moment the judges reported that he was concerned in the West Elgin irregularities. The government could not enter a prosecution against him, because proceedings by a private party were already pending. With respect to the clerk of the crown in chancery, that official did not receive the subpoena the first time he was summoned before the police magistrates until the very morning of the trial, and so could not attend. At the time of the Cahill investigation Col. Clarke was absent from the United States, but had it been possible for him to do so the government would have been only too willing for him to attend the judicial proceedings and answer any questions put to him. In the

Macintosh trial, Col. Clarke was present in court, but was not examined. Had he been examined, his evidence would have been of great value in the investigation of the ballots would have then transpired. The whole of the irregularities would have been fully investigated and the trial proceeded, but the position was dropped.

GOVERNMENT NOT GAINERS.

The government had nothing to gain by the burning of the ballots. He could not conceive of any government under the British system proving so reckless to their trust as not to scoop up the commission of such a tremendous charge as was brought by implication against this government. In due time the commission's report on the West Elgin irregularities would be laid before the government, and it would be for them then to determine what action they should take, further than had already been resolved upon. Mr. Ross advanced the proposition that it was the bounden duty of both parties in the house to deal with the question of corrupt practices in the most determined and heroic manner, no matter what the consequences to individuals might be.

The attorney general had already been in communication with the judges who had presided at a recent election trial, with a view of ascertaining what, in their opinion, was the best way of strengthening or improving the law in regard to corrupt practices, and the government would not be slow to accept suggestions from the opposition in the same direction.

Mr. Whitney had suggested that on account of the irregularities the government should dissolve the house and appeal to the country. The government could not suggest any such course in view of the fact that it had a majority of eight. Mr. Ross believed that if the lives of himself and colleagues were spared, and they were enabled to carry out the policy which had been enunciated by himself, there would be very few Conservative members left after the general election of 1902. (Loud ministerial applause.)

THE SAME STORY

Mr. Marter Continues the Debate on the Address.

Toronto, Feb. 21.—In the legislature today, Mr. Geo. F. Marter continued the debate on the address. He spoke for over two hours. He made a feeling reference to the sad news which had been received from South Africa—the announcement of casualties in the Canadian contingent during the fighting on Sunday last. He was sure the house would take the earliest opportunity of expressing its deep sympathy with the families who had lost relatives and friends in this engagement. While feeling sad on account of the news, they could not help rejoicing that the battles now being fought, and in which the Canadians were taking part, were bringing victory to the British arms. He then went on to deal with the address. He said that the premier last evening had said that the forests of this country were being depleted. That was true, and it might be said it had been going on for years and years. He thought the government had at last got its eyes open, possibly through the change in the commission of crown lands. The time was coming when the forests would be totally depleted, and when that came nothing remained for this province but to resort to direct taxation to a very large extent. Mr. Marter deplored the rapid party spirit which was the curse of Canadian politics. Mr. Marter said the province had gone back \$112,767 each and every year during the term of office of the liberals. He asserted the government had furnished correct statements of the financial position of the province, and, according to the instructions given to the commissioner, we were not going to get the information we ought.

The Premier—We will get everything.

Referring to electoral corruption, Mr. Marter said it had been going on for many years, and winked at by the government. He held the ministry directly responsible. They had been derelict in their duty. Mr. Marter said he did not think it too much to assume that W. T. R. Preston was promised an appointment by the Dominion government if he had got through with his work for the Ontario government. The premier, on the previous night expressed a desire that both parties in the house should get together and devise some means to put down corruption and party spirit. The opposition, if the government were sincere in making that offer, would accept it, and Mr. Marter made a number of suggestions to that end. The government, he thought, should have a stamp out once and for all the carnival of corruption and crime which has been so rampant during the last few months.

When the debate resumed at the evening session, Mr. Pattullo spoke. His opening remarks were a eulogy of the new government. He passed over the financial question, because he preferred to wait and hear what the report of the commission would say, and then he hoped the deficit vs. surplus dispute would be settled. As to the question of railway and transportation, Mr. Pattullo criticised the leader of the opposition and his stand taken last session in opposing the housing of railways. The real policy of the opposition was in which they were trying to get into office was the cry of corruption in the Liberal party. Mr. Pattullo spoke of the system of voting before the ballot was brought into force, and he made the argument to show the legislation which the Liberal party had passed, with the view of purifying politics. Mr. Pattullo declared that he would not support his leader, who he did not believe him to be sincere in his desire to prosecute and clear up corrupt practices brought to light in the Liberal ranks. He claimed the opposition were trying to create a wrong impression inside and out of the country by this corruption cry, and it was a slander upon the intelligence of the electorate who would not be so easily deceived. The government, he thought, was passing with a view to purify politics would be thoroughly considered, and the new financial legislation would be passed. He believed that the remedy was to give the electors something high and worthy to think about, great leaders to follow, true heroes, and a high standard of morality. Mr. Macdarmid followed in the same strain as Mr. Marter, and Mr. Pettibone moved the adjournment of the debate.

Mr. Hay denies that United States Consul Macrum reported the censor's meddling, or that there is any secret alliance with Great Britain. The Commercial Cable Company, New York, makes the following announcement: "We are advised that telegrams for Kimberley can now be accepted at sender's risk."

Admiral Dewey says that fortifications on the Nicaragua Canal would be useless. The canal should be free, and the United States guaranteed an account of smallpox, by the officials of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway. Oscar Blackman attempted to break through the quarantine guard last night, and was shot dead.

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VOTED DOWN

Proposal to Establish a Sick Benefit Branch in the A. O. U. W. Defeated Gratifying Report Presented.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—The grand lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen met in their 22d annual session in Conference Hall yesterday morning, and was called to order by Mr. George P. Graham, M. L. A., grand master workman, of Brockville. Grand Recorder M. D. Carter called the roll of officers and delegates, and, besides the members of executive named above, there were representatives present from the 425 subordinate lodges in Ontario.

Messrs. Thomas A. Hastings, W. R. Stroud, Stephen Grant, G. F. Maxted and J. Donovan were appointed a special committee to recommend what remuneration shall be given to those employed by this grand lodge. The reports of the grand master workman, grand recorder, grand receiver, finance and audit committees, grand medical examiner, relief board, proposed amendments to constitution and district deputy grand master workmen's reports were presented and ordered to be distributed.

Grand Master Graham, learning that some of our members have fallen in battle in South Africa, requested that the names of all such brethren be at once reported to this grand session, so that suitable resolutions may be drafted.

P. G. M. Workman F. G. Inwood presented the report of the special committee on a sick benefit branch for the order. The committee reported emphatically against the proposal. The report of Mr. M. D. Carter, grand recorder, says 4,323 beneficiary certificates were issued last year, for \$200, 2,250 for \$1,000, and 594 for \$2,000, showing a large percentage in favor of the \$1,000 certificate. Beneficiary certificates in force and temporarily suspended Dec. 31, 1899, are 33,043. There have been 300 deaths reported; 256 adjusted, and 3 partially adjusted, leaving a balance still due of \$4,321.43, which is provided for. All claims where proofs were complete have been promptly adjusted.

Subordinate lodges contributed \$623,720 21, out of which \$568,178 57 has been paid. Only twelve assessments were made in 1899.

Total lodges, Dec. 31, 1899	415
Total certificates issued	53,124
Total deaths	2,820
Total claims paid	\$5,594,136 81
Total death rate	\$8.84 per 1,000
Total cash received from all sources during the year is \$670,134 83.	
Beneficiary fund is \$623,720 21. This, with the balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1899 (\$37,210 79), makes a total of \$660,931 00, out of which we have paid \$568,178 57, and transferred to reserve fund \$97,752 43, leaving a balance of \$55,541 64 in the Imperial Bank.	
On general fund account, \$43,216 80, with balance on hand Jan. 1, 1899, \$2,641 28, makes a total of \$45,858 08. Out of which there has been paid \$4,988 46, leaving a balance of \$39,871 57.	
Total number of beneficiary certificates in good standing is 35,993.	

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The above report will be found in the "Lancet" of the 20th January, and in most of the London papers of the 19th January.

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Amusements.

POOR SLEDDING.

The New York Telegram says of the "Greek Slave" Opera Company, which recently appeared in this city: "In these wintry days it is painful to learn that even a 'Greek Slave' finds it rough sledding through Canada and the icy Northern States. Despite the fact that Ed. Bloom manages the company and Harry Selby Fulton left Kirkcaldy to go as advance for it, according to Herbert Sparling, the show is having a rough time. They lost Inze Rae because she sat too vigorously on a toboggan slide at Quebec, and other shining lights of the company also experienced trouble."
"Mr. Sparling says that half has not been told. Not only he, but Minnie Ashley, who made such a pronounced hit in the piece in this city, have quit the organization and are now 'at liberty' and are willing to be engaged by any manager who can give bond for salary."
"Mr. Sparling says that he still lacks two weeks' pay, and that he would like to get it, so he could play the New Orleans races without fear of financial disruption."
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SPORTING NEWS

London Curlers Win the West-
ern Ontario Tankard—Rough
Game of Hockey at Dundas.

CURLING.

WESTERN ONTARIO TANKARD.
St. Marys, Feb. 21.—In the final curl-
ing matches for the Western Ontario
tankard, played here today, South-
ampton beat Windsor by 26 shots, Lon-
don City beat Stratford by 21 shots,
and London City beat Southampton by
16 shots. London City thus wins the
tankard for another year. Following
are the scores:

First Draw.		Forest City.	
Rink No. 1—		Rink No. 1—	
George Dobson,		W. Bartlett,	
C. McIlharghy,		J. Mattinson,	
John Welch,		J. McWhinney,	
J. Steel,		J. M. Bartlett,	
skip.....27		skip.....15	
Rink No. 2—		Rink No. 2—	
Fred Baker,		C. M. Graham,	
Wm. Maynard,		J. H. Carrie,	
D. Ferguson,		W. T. Strong,	
C. E. Naysmith,		R. Reid,	
skip.....25		skip.....23	
Total.....52		Total.....38	
Forest.		London.	
Rink No. 1—		Rink No. 1—	
J. McKenzie,		F. W. Allen,	
M. A. Smith,		J. Stevenson,	
A. F. Steele,		D. B. Dewar,	
G. Vanvalkenburg,		J. P. Evans,	
skip.....26		skip.....21	
Rink No. 2—		Rink No. 2—	
P. D. Coulter,		Mayor Rumball,	
W. G. Owens,		R. C. Macfie,	
W. Sparling,		D. Regan,	
Dr. Walters,		T. Gillen,	
skip.....18		skip.....27	
Total.....44		Total.....48	
Simcoe.		Windsor.	
Rink No. 1—		Rink No. 1—	
Charles Boyd,		J. Alexander,	
skip.....13		skip.....22	
Rink No. 2—		Rink No. 2—	
W. T. Wallace,		A. R. Bartlett,	
skip.....21		skip.....21	
Total.....39		Total.....43	
Bright.		Southampton.	
Rink No. 1—		Rink No. 1—	
W. Rlesberry,		Brook McAuley,	
skip.....18		skip.....29	

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Chicago, Feb. 21.—L. M. Houseman,
manager of Jack Root, today issued a
sweeping challenge, in which he
agrees to back Root against any
middle-weight in the world, Kid Mc-
Coy or Tommy Ryan preferred, for
\$5,000. Houseman does not insist on a
\$5,000 side bet.TUFF.
At New Orleans—Trebort, St. Marcos,
Jack Hayes, Sidney Lucas, Troubadour
and Canivar.At Tanforan, San Francisco—Beau-
tiful Bill, Cormorant, Nonsuch, Tava-
tor, Potente and Loving Cup.Ottawa, Feb. 21.—Golden Prince won
the unfinished 2:10 class from yester-
day, taking the fifth heat today in
2:23 1/4. This was the race over which
there was trouble yesterday, it being
alleged that Black Joe was pulled
after winning two heats. Black Joe
made a great race today, and was
only beaten by a nose. The races to-
day were the best ever seen on Otta-
wa ice. In the 2:28 class the judges
gave the talent a great throw-down
by spoiling a coup on Johnny P.
Johnny P. won the first heat and was
bought liberally, but was a bad sixth
in the second heat. Jack Burke, of
Ottawa, was put on instead of the
regular driver, and won out the next
two heats handsly. The judges gave
Burke \$25, to be taken out of the
purses. There was great racing in
the 2:17 class, which was not finish-
ed. Devers and Sloppy Weather, two
Brookville horses showing great fin-
ishes.

WILL CELEBRATE

When Authentic News of Ladysmith's
Relief Arrives London Will
Show Its Joy.At 4 p.m. yesterday, an informal,
but most enthusiastic meeting of the
members of the city council, repre-
sentatives of the militia, and a num-
ber of citizens, was held in the city
hall. The object of the meeting was
to make arrangements for an appro-
priate demonstration upon confirma-
tion of the report that Ladysmith had
been relieved. A programme was out-
lined, and agreed upon, as follows:Whistles will be blown, bells rung
and flags floated.
At 8 p.m. a procession will be form-
ed at the drill hall, which will march
on Central avenue to Richmond,
thence to Dundas, Dundas to Talbot,
Talbot to York, York to Richmond,
Richmond to Dundas, Dundas to Wel-
lington, and thence north to drill hall.
The procession will be headed by the
police force, to be followed by the
military, fire brigade and citizens
(headed by the members of the cor-
poration and board of education), the
police to form at corner of Central
avenue and Richmond, the fire brigade
on Central avenue, immediately east
of Wellington, and the citizens on
Central avenue, immediately east of
the fire brigade.Citizens are requested to illuminate
their residences and places of busi-
ness, as far as it is possible and con-
venient.Lieut.-Col. Holmes will take charge
of the procession, and all divisions of
it will take their orders from him.
Lieut.-Col. Holmes has issued regu-
lations, and relative to the celebra-
tion of the celebration, and the
7th Battalion, the 1st Hussars and the
Field Battery have been notified to
be in readiness to turn out. The Field
Battery will parade at the drill shed,
and will fire a salute of 21 guns.Rug, Mat and Carpet
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ture of home-made mats, rugs and
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always give to cotton, wool and union
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est and most lasting colors; sun, soap
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colors.Mrs. D. Davidson, Covey Hill, P. Q.,
writes thus:"I have been using your Diamond
Dyes for many years, and they have
always given entire satisfaction. To-
day we emptied two packets of your
dyes, and I am obliged to buy more,
as we are making 60 yards of rug car-
pet. I have used your cotton colors,
and I think they are beautiful. The
stripes in my carpet—black, green, red
and yellow—are rich. I cannot suffi-
ciently praise Diamond Dyes; all my
neighbors speak well of them."The war office has decided that in
case a soldier is reported missing the
payment of allowance to his family
shall be continued until more definite
information comes.Worms cause feverishness, moaning
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cure it for you.Some of the Parisian journals are
excited over the prospect that street
cars will soon be operated upon the
principal boulevards of the French
capital. They say that the beauty of
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Gardens—Gen. Hutton's Lack
of Tact.INDIA'S TEA GARDEN.
Calcutta, Feb. 22.—For the first time
on record a viceroy of India (Lord
Curzon) is about to visit Assam, In-
dia's great tea garden. Lady Curzon
accompanies him. It is understood
that his object is to examine into
the needs of the province regarding the
tea industry.BREAK AWAY.
St. Petersburg, Feb. 22.—The Russia
publishes a vigorous article, the text
of which is that "England's adversity
is Russia's opportunity." It says:
"England has fostered Russia by many
treaties. The moment has come to
break these fetters. Now is the time
to pay off old scores. Europe has
many and heavy ones to settle with
England. As Britain did not scruple
to turn to her own advantage Russia's
weakness after the Turkish war, so
Russia should not hesitate to avail
herself of the opportunity presented by
Britain's difficulties in South Africa.
There is no time to be lost. Russia
must not wait for the promised reor-
ganization of the British military sys-
tem. If she does her hour will have
passed, and it will be too late."IRISH EVICTIONS.
London, Feb. 22.—The house re-
jected by 232 to 136 votes the second reading
of the Irish evicted tenants' bill. The
attorney general for Ireland, Mr. J.
A. Kinison, M. P., said the case of the
evicted tenants was a fast diminish-
ing evil, which could be dealt with
better by voluntary efforts than by
legislation. The evictions of the last
year, he added, were only 454, the low-
est in 30 years.LACK OF TACT.
London, Feb. 22.—The St. James
Gazette referring editorially to Maj-
Gen. Hutton's recall, says: "Friction
between local British commanders and
colonial governments has commonly
but a single origin—lack of tact on the
part of the former." The Daily
Chronicle says that Gen. Hutton's
enthusiasm led him to ignore the legiti-
mate control.320 HOUSES BURNED.
Valladolid, Spain, Feb. 22.—About 320
houses of the town of Alagunillas have
been destroyed by a conflagration,
which threatened to wipe out the
place. There has been great loss of
live stock, and several of the inhabi-
tants have gone mad as a result of
their terrible experiences.CABLE NOTES.
Henry Duff Traill, editor of Litera-
ture, well-known newspaper man and
author, died on Wednesday. He was
born in 1842.The German Reichstag before the
budget committee the minister for
war, Gen. von Gossler, admitted that
automobiles had proved a valuable ad-
junct in army transports, but only to a
limited extent.
Gen. von Gossler, in the reichstag,
said he did not intend to further re-
duce the caliber of the German
army rifle would be feasible, adding
that the seven millimeter Mauser used
by the Boers in South Africa had al-
ready been demonstrated to be too
small, the caliber not fairly disabling
the adversary, and inflicting a wound
that healed too quickly.The German foreign office confirms
the report that Germany intends mak-
ing a cable to Kiao Chou, and later
extending this to the Carolines and
connecting the German cable with the
American Philippine cable.The German Reichstag committee has
adopted the amended bill for the in-
spection of cattle for slaughter, and
the inspection of meat, including the
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The War.

Up to the present hour (noon) little has been heard from Gen. Roberts, who is presumed to be facing Cronje's forces somewhere near the Free State capital. It appears Buller has been unable to prevent large bodies of the enemy from leaving the vicinity of Ladysmith to strengthen the army that is opposing Lord Roberts' advance, and it would seem to be a race now as to which commander shall get the first and most reinforcements. In the meantime the early relief of Ladysmith is probable. Lord Roberts' silence is interpreted as meaning that he is engaged in some serious operation not yet completed.

Magna Charta for the Colored Man as Well as for the White.

One of the things that must be seen to, if prosper and peace are to follow the present war in South Africa, is that fair play be done to the native population, who in the vast regions south of the Zambesi, now outnumber the whites by five to one, and to all appearances are likely to continue by far the more numerous.

Under Boer rule, it has been effectually demonstrated, the colored races have been shamefully treated. If the white Uitlanders have been denied the ordinary rights of citizenship, the Kaffir and other native tribes, as well as the imported coolies, have been treated as if they had no rights whatsoever. As Mr. Fox Bourne, secretary of the Aborigines Protection Society, has pointed out, it is laid down as a fundamental principle in the Transvaal Grundwet (constitution) that there is no equality of rights between white men and blacks.

In theory, if not in practice, the Boers regard the natives, all of whom they contemptuously call Kaffirs, whatever their tribal differences, pretty much as the ancient Jews, whom in other particulars they somewhat resemble, regarded the Philistines and others whom they expelled from Palestine, or used as hewers of wood and drawers of water, but with added prejudice due to the difference of color. So it was, says Mr. Fox Bourne, in the case of the early Dutch settlers, and so it is today, with a few exceptions, due mainly to the influence of the missionaries, whose work among the natives has from the first been objected to and hindered. It is only by social sunderance, and not by law, the marriage of natives with Christian rites is recognized, and it carries with it none of the conditions as regards inheritance and the like which are prescribed by the Dutch Roman code in force with white men.

As a matter of fact, natives have no legal rights whatever. If they are in the service of humane masters, mindful of their own interests and moral obligations, they may be properly lodged and fed, not overworked and fairly recompensed; but from the cruelties of a brutal master, perpetrated in cold blood or a drunken fit, the native practically has no redress. The right of free access to the courts of law, though stipulated in the convention between the British and the Transvaal in 1881, has practically been denied the natives. The tribunal set up to try accusations brought by natives has been a mere mockery, and no one can plead for a native until the consent of the Transvaal Government has first been obtained. The squatters' law of 1895 is a specimen tyrannical measure. It enacts:

"With the exception of the localities already allowed by the Government, natives must not live together on private property to a greater extent than five families, and must be under the charge of white men to be responsible for them. Each white proprietor may have five natives for each of his farms, but, if he has more than five farms, must not have more than twenty-five on one particular farm. Each head of a colored family living on a farm without permission to live there shall be regarded as a vagrant and be liable to a fine not exceeding £10, or to imprisonment not exceeding one month, and on repetition of the offense shall be liable to not more than ten lashes. Natives living on a farm must not leave without giving three months' notice to the proprietor. Similar notice shall be given by a proprietor to a native whom he no longer wishes to retain; but the native shall, in such circumstances, have the right to reap his growing grain."

There are ordinary and special gold field laws. Under these natives have to pay each month various sums of money for permission to be off their reserve. A native seeking work, and even after he obtains it, must not only pay this impost, but must have a badge buckled to a strong leather strap, and worn on his left arm above the elbow, so that it can always be distinctly visible. He must pay a monthly fee for the renewal of this pass, and, if found without one, after a heavy fine for the first offense, he is to be given "lashes according to the opinion of the court."

The natives may not be very fond of work, and they may have the disposition to roam, as did their forefathers, but such treatment is as bad as slavery could well be. When the British become the masters of the situation in the two republics, they must see to it that the threats of gold mining magnates to continue the system, in all its iniquity, are not carried out.

The British are at war with the Boers to secure equal rights for white men. Surely care will be taken that the colored man, who was there be-

fore the white man set foot on the land, is treated humanely. There should be a Magna Charta for the colored races in South Africa, and it would be well to give heed to the counsel of those who take the ground that the African natives should have the right to live their own lives, in their own way, provided they give no just grounds of offense to their white neighbors. A good beginning has been made in this regard by the British in Basutoland, and it might well be extended to the whole of South Africa.

The Isthmian Canal.

The Springfield (Mass.) Republican does not think there would be any advantage to the United States in having the Nicaraguan Canal "all American." It thus gives the other view:

"It is not difficult to show that the scheme of making the Isthmian canal a part of the war power of the United States is antagonistic to the rights of neutrals, and, therefore, must be regarded as rightly offensive to all other nations. In case of war between the United States and Great Britain, or Germany, the canal could not be closed by the United States to its enemy's ships, or fortified against that enemy, on the theory of exclusive control of a military engine, without giving to the enemy the belligerent right to attack the waterway. A canal managed on the 'all American' principle would be a fair target for any power at war with us. Hence, in the struggle over the fortified canal, an enemy's fleet might bombard and destroy its shore defenses, while land battles might take place to secure control of the waterway in the interior. It would inevitably happen that the canal would be closed to neutral commerce by this warfare at its approaches or over its route inland. It would be almost miraculous if in this struggle the work were not blown up, or so obstructed that transportation through it would be impossible until after the war had ended. No such situation could be tolerated with equanimity by the commercial powers that might be neutral in the war. The great commercial importance of the canal to Germany, France and Great Britain cannot be denied; nor can it be divested of vast significance to the commerce of the world. The superior importance of the canal to the United States may be insisted upon as much as you please, yet, in spite of that, an Isthmian canal cannot be divorced from immense international interests. To make the canal, therefore, a national military work, that would probably render it the scene of actual hostilities whenever the United States went to war with a great power, would so menace neutral rights and interests that America would have the whole world against her. In every war the United States might wage against a strong naval power, the interruption of neutral traffic at the canal would afford an excuse, if not good reason, for foreign intervention, and it is needless to say that such intervention would not be of a character friendly to the United States. Neutral rights will tend to increase, rather than diminish, in the years to come, because the currents of progress are in that direction. The world's demand for an untrammelled commerce will be stronger 50 years hence than it is today. It is idle for America to think of turning back the hands of the clock. A neutral canal, as free and unmenaced in war as in peace, is the only possible consummation of the Isthmian problem."

We may have to pay more for our jewelry now. A brass trust has been formed.

Once he gets a good start no one can overtake a fleeing Boer. But some do not get a good start.

One of the saddest features of the present war is some of the so-called music that is being written about it.

A New York millionaire valued his life at five dollars last week. He was saved from instant death by a gripman, and gave him that handsome sum as a reward.

It is a good sign to see some of our Opposition contemporaries condemning long speeches. Long and unnecessary speeches by Opposition orators in last session of Parliament cost the country many thousands of dollars.

With a general election approaching, one is not surprised that the average M. P. is strenuously opposed to the tactics of the Parliamentary bores who insist on talking at great length every occasion that offers.

The St. John Monitor, a weekly Catholic paper, has issued a splendid special illustrated number in connection with the consecration of Bishops Magee and Barry at that city. The management are to be congratulated on their enterprise.

The Ross Government is beginning its life under most favorable auspices. All but hide-bound political opponents are welcoming its progressive measures for the advancement of Ontario as in the highest sense patriotic and worthy of the warmest commendation.

There are now nine beet sugar factories in the State of Michigan. During last month they turned out 7,431,108 pounds of sugar, and received \$5,336 tons of beets. The total output of the season up to the first of this month was 80,106,223 pounds of sugar, and the quantity of beets received was 210,971 tons. The State at one time paid a bounty for the production of this sugar, but it withdrew it. If it

had been still paying it, the sum of \$300,000 would have been necessary for this season's output.

That returning officer at Regina who gave his casting vote in favor of Mr. Davin, M. P., has much to be responsible for. Mr. Davin consumes more time in Parliament than any other man, Sir Charles Tupper alone excepted, and without any reasonable return for his prattle.

Of course, we have trained military men in Canada who are capable of taking command of the military force and keeping it in a state of efficiency. If not, what have our military colleges and the opportunities to learn afforded at Woolwich and other British seats of military learning been good for?

Mr. McMillan, M. P., proposes that, under law, eggs shall be sold by weight. If the housewife were always guaranteed that eggs she paid for as "fresh" were really so she would not trouble about the weight. What is needed is some law, or regulation, that will enable one to get fresh eggs when such are paid for.

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Who Fell in Sunday's Fight at Modder River.

Message of Sympathy Cabled to Col. Otter by Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Touching References to the Sad News From the Seat of War by the Premier and the Leader of the Opposition—Message From the Queen—in the Commons.

Ottawa, Feb. 21.—Before the house proceeded with the regular business today the all-absorbing topic of the Canadian casualties was introduced by Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The flag in the main tower of the parliament building half-masted, symbolized the nation's sorrow over the brave sons who fell at Modder River on Sunday. It was indicative, too, of the feeling that pervaded the house.

The following is a copy of the cable message sent by the premier to Col. Otter:

"Ottawa, Feb. 21.—I desire to convey to you and your men the grateful thanks of the government and parliament of the Dominion for the gallant display of the troops of Canada who have so bravely appreciated the sacrifices made by her sons for the honor of the empire. The wounded have our sympathy and our prayers for speedy recovery. Those who have given up their lives will ever be held in remembrance by a grateful people. (Signed) WILFRID LAURIER."

As Sir Wilfrid Laurier rose to speak the chamber lagged into profound silence. "It may not be out of place," said the premier, "that we should interrupt at this moment, the regular course of business to give a moment's attention to the news from Africa today. The news we have received is of a character at once to cheer and to sadden our hearts. It is cheering in this respect that it brings the announcement that our Canadian troops in the field have received their baptism of fire, and have gone through the ordeal creditable to themselves and to their country. (Cheers.) The telegraphic message gives us details whatever of the engagement; still we know by the number of casualties that have taken place that our men have died at their posts, and that their courage has been equal to the news we expected of them. But this is the saddest part of it. Such is the awful character of war that its triumphs are always mixed with tears, and however much we may rejoice at the victories achieved at this moment by the British arms—victories in which our own fellow-countrymen are taking part—still the joy is saddened by a moment's attention to the news from Africa today. The news we have received is of a character at once to cheer and to sadden our hearts. It is cheering in this respect that it brings the announcement that our Canadian troops in the field have received their baptism of fire, and have gone through the ordeal creditable to themselves and to their country. (Cheers.) The telegraphic message gives us details whatever of the engagement; still we know by the number of casualties that have taken place that our men have died at their posts, and that their courage has been equal to the news we expected of them. But this is the saddest part of it. 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TODAY'S MARKETS

Toronto Stock Market

TORONTO, Feb. 21.

Stock	Price
Montreal	127
Ottawa	127
Quebec	127
Calcutta	127
Amoy	127
Shanghai	127
Canton	127
Hankow	127
Peking	127
Tientsin	127
Harbin	127
Manchuria	127
Northwest Land Company, pref. 44	127
Canada Pacific Ry. Stock	127
Commercial Cable Company	127
Commercial Union Bonds	127
Can. Registered Bonds	127
Can. Telephone Company	127
Michell and Ontario	127
Montreal Street Railway	127
Toronto Street Railway	127
London Electric	127
London Street Railway	127
Dominion Savings and Invest.	127
Huron and Erie 1. and 8.	127
Huron and Erie 20 per cent.	127
London and Canada L. and A.	127
London Loan	127
London and Ontario	127
Ontario Loan and Debenture	127

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English Markets.

Liverpool, Feb. 22.—Closing.

Wheat—Spot, dull; winter, firm; No. 1

Cal., no stocks; No. 2 red western winter,

no stocks; No. 3 red western winter, 10

dull; 66 1/2; No. 1 red northern, Duluth,

10 1/2; futures quiet, March, 55 1/2; May,

56 1/2; July, 56 1/2.

Corn—Spot, quiet, American mixed, new,

36 1/2; do, old, 36 1/2; futures, quiet, Feb.,

36 1/2; March, 36 1/2; April, nominal; May,

36 1/2; June, nominal; July, 36 1/2.

Peanut—Western, 10 1/2; Canadian, 5 1/2.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter, firm, 1s

3d; 11m, 1s 1d.

Beef—Prime mess steady, 72s 6d; extra India

mess, steady, 80s.

Pork—Firm; prime mess, fine western,

50s 3d; do, medium, western, 48s 6d.

Lard—American refined, in pairs, firm, 33s;

prime western in tins, firm, 31s; mid-

dlines, 31s 1/2; dull, 31s 1/2; easy, 48s.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., easy, 48s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 22 to 24 lbs., easy

30s; short ribs, 15 to 22 lbs., steady, 35s 6d;

long clear middles, 14 to 16 lbs., dull, 30s;

long clear middles, heavy, 26 to 40 lbs.,

dull, 25s 6d; short clear backs, 10 to 15

dull, 24s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs.,

dull, 35s 6d.

Shoulders—Square, 12 to 14 lbs., steady, 33s.

Butter—Finest American and good, nominal.

Cheese—American finest white, firm, 60s;

colored, firm, 62s; do, old, firm, 54s 6d;

ordinary, new, 48s 6d.

Tallow—Prime cut, strong, 29s; Australian

in London, firm, 24s.

Hops—At London (Pacific coast), dull, 23s

to 25 1/2s.

Cottonseed oil—Dull; hull refined, May

and Aug. steady, 22s 1/2.

Turpentine spirits—Steady, 41s 3d.

Rosin—Common, firm, 3s.

Lined oil—25s.

Petroleum—Refined, 7 1/2d.

Toronto Produce Market.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—Wheat—Firm, at

60c bid and 61c asked for red and white

wheat; spring wheat is quoted at 57c

east; goose wheat firm at 69c to 70c

west on a low freight for export;

Manitoba wheat is easier, at 51 1/2c asked

for No. 1 hard, grinding in transit

at Sarnia; the other May, at Port Wil-

liam, and 79 1/2c to 80c at North Bay.

Flour—The export demand is dull; cars

of straight roller in barrels are quoted

at 23 1/2 to 24 1/2c west. Millfeed—Steady,

at 19 1/2 to 20 1/2c for shorts, and 19 1/2 to

20 1/2c for bran; the latter is more

scarce than shorts, which are in fair

supply. Barley, 41c to 42 1/2c west.

Buckwheat—Steady, at 44c west. Corn—

Steady for Canada yellow, at 34c to

34 1/2c west; American is steady, at 40c

for No. 3 old, and 42c for No. 3 new at

Toronto. Oats—Firm, at 26c to 27 1/2c

for mixed west, and 27c to 27 1/2c for

white west. Peas—Firm, at 61c east

and 63c west. Butter—Small supply

has stiffened price; pound rolls, 23c to

23 1/2c, and large rolls, 22c to 22 1/2c;

creamery firm, at 21c to 22 1/2c for

packages, and 23c to 24c for prints. Eggs—

New laid more plentiful and weaker,

at 13c to 13 1/2c; held fresh are quoted

at 12 1/2c to 13 1/2c, and lined eggs at 14c

to 15c. Dressed hogs—Car lots, 56 1/2c

for select; 56 for mixed weights, and 55 1/2

for heavy fats here.

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FISTIC.

New York, Feb. 21.—The friends and admirers of George Dixon, the colored feather-weight pugilist, for many years world's champion, and who was recently deprived of his title by Terry McGovern, gave him a benefit at the Broadway A. C. tonight. Eight thousand dollars was realized.

The Victoria hockey team, of Winnipeg, and a picked team from Toronto, played a tie game last night in the latter city. Score, 3 to 3.

St. Paul's (Anglican) Church at Renfrew was badly damaged by fire and water Tuesday midnight.

Toronto railway earnings for the past week were \$25,778 67, an increase of \$3,029 84.

Danish lighthouses are supplied with oil to pump on the waves during a storm.

Latest Probabilities.

Toronto, Feb. 22—10 a.m.—Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the lower lake regions: Strong winds, shifting to westerly; snow and sleet. Friday, westerly winds; fair and comparative-ly mild.

LATE LOCAL ITEMS

—Miss Minnie Case, Aylmer, is visiting the Misses Green, Cartwright street.

—Mr. L. Drago, traveling passenger agent of the West Shore Railway, is in town.

—Miss Louie Tracy, of Vancouver, B. C., is the guest of Miss O'Brien, Simcoe street.

—Mr. Lee McBride, of the C. P. R. downtown ticket office, left for Calgary, N. W. T., this morning.

—The special services held nightly in the Adelaide Street Baptist Church are fairly well attended.

—Mrs. Barnard, of New York, who has been visiting Miss Gill, Cartwright street, has returned home.

—Rev. W. J. McClure, of Oakland, Cal., who has been in the city for some time, has gone to New York.

—Mr. A. T. Ripley, of the Normal School, has returned to his home to attend the marriage of his brother.

—The ecclesiastical conference of the priests of the diocese of London was held at St. Peter's palace on Tuesday.

—Ald. Plant's many friends will be pleased to learn that he is somewhat improved today, though the improvement is slight.

—Mr. J. Patmore, foreman tinsmith at McClary's, has gone to Cranbrook, B. C., where he has accepted a more lucrative position.

—Miss Grace Wilson, of this city, who has been visiting in Aylmer and St. Thomas for the past two weeks, has returned home.

—The short course held at Wolsley Barracks are trying their examinations today for their certificates. They will leave for their homes on Feb. 23.

—Leonard O. Clarke, of Simcoe street, has returned from Toronto, having successfully passed his preliminary examination for an O. L. S.

—Col. Holmes, when seen at the barracks today, said he had as yet received no further information than that contained in The Advertiser yesterday.

—At the annual meeting of Dominion Artillery Association, held in Ottawa today, all the old officers, including Lieut.-Col. Irwin, president, were re-elected.

—Miss Ethelwyn Langford, of Maple Grove, who has been visiting relatives in Delhi and Alma College, St. Thomas, for the past month, has returned home.

—Capt. Carpenter, R. C. R. L., who has been stationed at Fredericton, N. B., for the past year, is again in the city, and will report for duty at Wolsley Barracks.

—Major Galloway, of the 14th (Prince of Wales) Regiment, Kingston, who has been appointed to the permanent force, has reported for duty at Wolsley Barracks.

—Lieut.-Col. Aylmer, acting in command of the Canadian militia, assumes the duties of his office on Monday. Col. Aylmer has been ill, but is now almost recovered.

—The following dentists of this city are attending the meeting in Toronto of the Ontario Dental Society: Drs. H. R. Abbott (superintendent of clinics), C. N. Abbott, Brown, Bentley, Westland and Woods.

—The ladies' committee of the Red Cross Society have the pleasure of announcing to the members of the society that the appropriate donation of 20 pairs of slippers for B. Company, received through Mr. Thomas Parker, treasurer.

—The council of the Red Cross Society have issued a pin and a button for general use, the purchase of either of which entitles the member to the society. The pins can be obtained at W. L. Carlie's, and the name of all purchasers will be entered on the membership rolls of the society.

—The officers of the London Field Artillery, ex-Members' Association, request that all ex-members of the battery will meet at the drill shed, with the rest of the organizations that will take part in the demonstration that is to take place on the receipt of news that Ladysmith has been relieved. Badges will be distributed.

—The Causes of the South African War was the subject of the address of the Stenographic Association on Tuesday evening. It was very carefully and ably discussed by Mr. A. B. Cox, and his statements were transferred to paper by the members. It is through the kindness of the business and professional men of this city, who so generously lend their aid, that this association is prospering.

—At the Auditorium on Friday night Margaret A. Baker will be the featured soloist, in an intense patriotic selection, which was given with great effect by Mrs. Brown-Potter at the concert in Old London in aid of the Red Cross fund. Gertrude Black-Edmonds, the popular young soprano, of Toronto, will also sing "Her Majesty."

—One of the best patriotic songs written among her other numbers.

—At yesterday's meeting of the Women's Morning Music Club the following programme was given: "Sonata Pathétique" (Beethoven), Miss Wilder; "At Twilight" (Nevin), Miss Baldwin; "Berceuse" (b) "Pastorale" (Godard), Ladies' Orchestra; "If I But Knew" (Wilson Smith), (b) "Entr'acte" (Carl Bohn), Miss Johnston; "Nocturne" (C. sharp minor (Chopin), Miss Armstrong; paper, "Chopin Ballades," Miss Walker, violin solo, "Romanze" (Beethoven), Miss Mabel Webb; "Sonata" (Beethoven), Miss Green; "Contra" (Beethoven), Miss Inez Smith; Symphony No. 6, last movement (Haydn), Ladies' Orchestra.

—Thos. McClellan, a pensioner, was charged with vagrancy. He has been an inmate of the Aged People's Home, but could not control his appetite for liquor. He was sent to jail for two months. The case against Humphreys and Rose for assaulting Wm. Griffith was further adjourned for a week. Two drunks were discharged.

—MRS. MARTHA CORLIS.

Many friends will learn with regret of the death of Mrs. Martha Corlis, which occurred yesterday, at her residence, No. 85 Stanley street. Mrs. Corlis, who was 70 years of age, had suffered from enlargement of the heart. Her husband, Squire Corlis, of Simcoe, predeceased her some time ago. Tomorrow the remains will be interred in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

—DEATH OF MRS. CATHERINE LAIDLAW.

The death occurred yesterday of Mrs. Catherine Laidlaw, aged 66 years, relict of the late George Laidlaw, who

died some years ago. With her husband, Mrs. Laidlaw was one of the pioneers of Westminster township. The funeral will leave the family residence, lot 11, con. 3, Westminster, at 11 a. m. tomorrow. Rev. E. H. Sawyers, of Brucefield, formerly of Pond Mills, will be the officiating clergyman.

HON. J. C. ROOT HERE.

The Head Camp of the Woodmen of the World was in session this morning in Duffield block. The Hon. J. C. Root, of Omaha, Nebraska, a foreign commander of the Woodmen of the United States, and his deputy, Mr. O. H. Henderson, also of Omaha, were introduced to the session. A lengthy discussion took place as to the best method of reducing the assessment rates, which at present are unsatisfactory. A committee was appointed to devise the best scheme.

DICKENS AT THE GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

It is a long time since London had the pleasure of witnessing a Dickens play. Next Tuesday and Wednesday Dickens' famous "Little Nell and the Marchioness" will appear at the Grand. The version of "The Old Curiosity Shop" which will be presented has been christened after the names of its two immortal characters, "Little Nell and the Marchioness." Former versions of this Dickens story have been episodic and sketchy. These faults, it is said, the adapter of this play for Miss Sanders has avoided, and that he has produced a play photographic of the book, and yet congruous and consistent in story. Sale of seats opens Saturday morning.

10,700.

Yesterday The Advertiser issued 10,700 papers. The war special in the morning was entirely sold out by 12 o'clock. The regular 2 p.m. edition was eagerly bought up, and the newboys reaped a harvest. The 4 p.m. edition was also in great demand. The bona fide sworn daily circulation of The London Advertiser is now almost at the 9,000 figure. Within the past three weeks it has on several days passed the 9,000 mark.

It is indeed most gratifying to both publishers and advertisers that this paper enjoys the distinction of being the largest circulated daily paper in Canada, outside of the two cities of Montreal and Toronto. This claim is substantiated by sworn declarations regularly made before a commissioner.

ANOTHER LONDONER

In the List of Killed at Modder River.

Sergt. W. J. Scott a Member of "A" Company—He Went From Vancouver, B. C.—London His Home—Champion Oarsman of the West.

Sergt. William J. Scott, of the British Columbia company, who was killed, was an old London boy, who has many friends in this city. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Scott, who live with their son, Mr. Alex. Scott, Jun., of No. 587 Central avenue. Another brother, James, is at present in Victoria. Miss Florence Scott, who lives in this city with her parents, is a sister of the dead soldier. While in this city Sergt. Scott was a prominent member of a special interest in rowing. Since he has been on the coast he has held the title of champion oarsman of the west. He was a corporal in the Fifth R. C. A., which he represented among the Canadian contingent at the Queen's Jubilee. He was among the first to enlist in the western company. Since his arrival in South Africa he has written regularly to his relatives in this city. They received a letter from him only last Saturday, and wrote to him in reply on Sunday, the day that he was killed.

City Hall Notes.

A special meeting of the board of education will be held tomorrow night, when several important matters will be considered. Clauses in the city of London bill bearing on the constitution of the board will be discussed. Some of the members strongly object to the proposed changes, and it is possible a deputation will be appointed to go to Toronto and oppose them. The permanent location of the Normal School teaching classes is another matter for consideration. At present the practical work is done at Simcoe street school. Before the estimates for the year can be prepared a new location must be decided upon.

Early in the year City Engineer Graydon was instructed to examine the electric plant at the Victoria Hospital, and see if it was powerful enough to supply all the municipal buildings with light. Upon examination he found that the extra cost of fuel and wiring would make it a rather expensive undertaking, and he now has what he considers to be a better scheme. The boilers at the city hall are old and worn, and it will be necessary in the near future to have them removed. Mr. Graydon advocates the instalment of an electric plant in their place, and that it be made sufficiently powerful to light the city buildings. This would save the cost of extra fuel at the hospital, as the plant would then be so centrally located it would also allow of great saving in the cost of wiring, and copper wire costing about 22 cents a pound this is an important consideration. Another thing in favor of Mr. Graydon's proposal is that there would be no power in transmission, such as would occur if they supply came from the hospital.

John Hobbs will build a brick shop at the corner of Oxford street and the Wharfedale road.

Steamship Arrivals.

Feb. 21. At From

Fuerst Bismarck, Naples, New York

Patricia, Plymouth, New York

Werra, Genoa, New York

Western, New York, New York

St. Andrew, Rotterdam, New York

New York, Southampton, New York

Austrian, Antwerp, New York

Lake Huron, Montreal, New York

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THE SITUATION.

Gen. Cronje's Escape Considered Impossible.

Boer Reports Say Joubert Is No Longer in Command.

Canadian Loyalty Enthusiased—Buller Making Progress Toward Ladysmith.

London, Feb. 22—1:45 p.m.—According to general expectations, today should surely bring a message from Field Marshal Roberts, explaining the fighting of the past few days, and giving the eagerly awaited status of the conflict with Gen. Cronje. All the war office's information was said to point to Gen. Cronje's escape being impossible, and it is now generally taken for granted that Lord Roberts has him surrounded.

Gen. Buller's apparent failure to prevent the Boers from slipping round to assist Gen. Cronje creates no little comment. The relief of Ladysmith is now taken to be a matter of course, and as likely to be announced before the end of the week; but it is quite within the probabilities that severe fighting will occur previous to the relief, while the detachment sent by Gen. Buller to reinforce Lord Roberts subsequent to the relief are likely to meet with strenuous resistance in the passes of the Drakensberg, in which fairly powerful burgher forces remain.

JOUBERT RATTLED.

Reports say Gen. Joubert's nerves are unstrung, and that he no longer exercises the chief command.

A dispatch from Sterkspruit, dated Wednesday, Feb. 21, says: "The prominent rebels in the district intend to surrender, and the Stormberg rebels will shortly lay down their arms."

CANADIAN LOYALTY RECOGNIZED.

There have been many eulogistic references to Sir Wilfrid Laurier and other Canadians' speeches on the subject of the losses of the Canadians in South Africa, concerning which, curiously enough, there is not a single word, official or otherwise, known or published here, except that two officers were wounded.

The Globe says: "The spirit in which a brave, strong nation should meet trial is admirably illustrated by the temper displayed by Canada. The war, if it has done nothing else, has killed political bitterness, and mere party strife in all the colonies. The contrast between Ottawa and Westminster is painful and humiliating."

BULLER'S PROGRESS.

Cheleyville Camp, Natal, Wednesday, Feb. 21.—The steady progress of the relief column is uninterrupted. The Boers on Tuesday, were forced from their last position south of the Tugela, resulting in the evacuation of Colenso, which was promptly recaptured by the British Fusiliers and Thorneycroft's Horse. A Transvaal flag was captured, and also a handkerchief inscribed with Gen. Botha's name. This is treasured as a great trophy.

The heavily shelled Hlangwani Hill and Colenso on Wednesday, Feb. 21, and the British advanced infantry was subjected to a severe musketry fire, but they had excellent cover, and the casualties were few.

The Boers held the railway running from Colenso to Bulwani. The British continue to discover large quantities of ammunition. The Boers are well supplied with food, and a quantity of provisions were left behind.

It is expected that further resistance will be half-hearted, and that Ladysmith will be reached in a few days.

"ADMIRABLE"

Lord Roberts So Characterizes the Work Done by the Canadians.

[Special to The Advertiser per C.P.R.] Ottawa, Feb. 22.—Lord Minto has received the following message from Lord Roberts:

"Paardeburg, Orange Free State, Feb. 22.—The Canadian regiment has done admirable service since its arrival in South Africa. I deeply regret the heavy

If It Is Convenient

have that room papered now. We can have you the paper and put it on for less than when the regular season is on. Lots of handsome new designs to select from.

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The Face Behind the Mask

A Romance.

George approached and intimated that Sir Norman was to follow him to the presence of his master. "Ah, reverend Sir Norman, you will find me here when you come back," Sir Norman, with a slight tremor of the nerves at what was to come, followed the king's page through halls and ante-rooms, full of footmen, courtiers and their attendants. Once a hand was laid on his shoulder, and a laughing voice met his ear, and the Earl of Rochester stood beside him. "Good morning, Sir Norman; you are about as usual, I am glad to see. How have you left your friend, the Count L'Estrange?" "Your lordship has probably seen him since I have, and should be able to answer that question best." "And how does his suit progress with the pretty Leoline?" went on the gay earl. "In faith, Kingsley, I never saw such a charming little beauty, and I shall do my utmost to get her into the count and yourself, and outwit the pair of you."

"Permit me to differ from your lordship. Leoline would not touch you with a pair of tongs." "Ah, she has better taste than you give her credit for; but if I should fail, I know what to do to console myself." "May I ask what?" "First there is Hubert, as like her as two peas in a pod. I shall dress him up in lace and silks and gawgaws, and have a Leoline of my own ready-made to order." "Permit me to doubt that, too! Hubert is as much less to you as Leoline." "Leaving the volatile earl to put what construction pleased him best on this last sentimental remark, he resumed his march after George, and was ushered at last into an ante-room near the audience-chamber. Count L'Estrange, still attired as Count L'Estrange, stood near a window overlooking the courtyard, and as the page saluted and withdrew, he turned round and greeted Sir Norman with his usual air.

"The appointed hour is past, Sir Norman Kingsley, but that is partly your own fault. Your guide hither tells me that you stopped for some time at the house of a fortune-teller, known as La Masque. Why was this?" "I was forced to stop on most important business," answered the knight, still resolved to treat him as the count until it should please him to doff his incognito. "Of which you shall hear anon. Just now our business is with Leoline." "True! And as in a short time I start with you on a cavalcade, there is but little time to lose. Apropos, Kingsley, who is that mysterious woman, La Masque?" "She is, or was (for she is dead now), a French lady of noble birth, and the sister of Leoline."

"Her sister! And have you then discovered Leoline's history?"

"I have."

"And her name?"

"She is Leoline de Montmorency! And with the proudest blood of France in her veins, living obscure and unknown—a stranger in a strange land since childhood; but with God's grace and your help, I hope to see her restored to all she has lost before long."

"You know me then," said his companion, half smiling.

"Yes, your majesty," answered Sir Norman, bowing before the king.

CHAPTER XXIII.

As the last glimpse of moonlight and of Hubert's bright face vanished, Leoline took to pacing up and down the room in a most conflicting and excited state of mind. So many things had happened during the last night; so rapid and unexpected had been the course of events; so changed had her whole life become within the last twelve hours, that when she came to think it all over, it fairly made her giddy. Dressing for her bride, the terrible announcement of Prudence; the death-like swoon; the awakening at the plague-pit; the maniac flight through the streets; the cold plunge in the river; her rescue, her interview with Sir Norman, and her promise; the visit of La Masque; the appearance of the count; her abduction; her journey here; the coming of Hubert, and their suddenly-discovered relationship. It was enough to stun anyone, and the end was not yet. Would Hubert effect his escape? Would they be able to free her? What place was this, and who was Count L'Estrange? It was a great deal easier to propound this catalogue of heresies than to find answers to her own questions; and so she walked up and down, worrying her pretty little head with all sorts of anxieties, until it was a perfect miracle that softening of the brain did not ensue.

Her feet gave out sooner than her brain, though; and she got so tired before long that she dropped into a seat, with a long-drawn, anxious sigh, and, worn out with fatigue and watching, she at last fell asleep.

And sleeping she dreamed. It seemed to her that the count and Sir Norman were before her, in her chamber in the old house on London Bridge, toasting her heart between them like a sort of shuttlecock. By and by, with two things like two drumsticks they began hammering away at the poor little fluttering heart, as if it were an anvil and they were a pair of blacksmiths, while the loud knocks upon it resounded through the room. For a time she was so bewildered that she could not comprehend what it meant; but at last she became conscious that someone was tapping at the door. Pressing one hand over her startled heart she called out "Come in," and the door opened and George entered.

"Count L'Estrange commands me to inform you, fair lady, that he will do himself the pleasure of visiting you immediately, with Sir Norman Kingsley, if you are prepared to receive them."

"With Sir Norman Kingsley!" repeated Leoline, faintly. "I am afraid I do not quite understand."

"Then you will not be much longer in that deplorable state," said George, looking out "for here they are."

"Pardon this intrusion, fairest Leoline," said the count; "but Sir Norman and I are about to start on a journey, and before we go, there is a little difference of opinion between us that you are to settle."

Leoline looked first at one, then at the other, utterly bewildered.

"What is it?" she asked.

"A simple matter, enough. Last evening, if you recollect, you were my promised bride."

"It was against my will," said Leoline, boldly, though her voice shook.

"You and Prudence made me."

"Nay, Leoline, you wrong me. I, at least, used no compulsion."

"You know better. You haunted me continually; you gave me no peace at all; and I would have married you to get rid of you."

"And you never loved me?"

"I never did!"

"A frank confession. Did you, then, love anyone else?"

"The dark eyes fell, and the rosy glow again tinged the pearly cheek. "Mute!" said the count, with an almost imperceptible smile. "Look up, Leoline, and speak."

But Leoline would do neither. With all her momentary daring gone, she stood startled as a wild gazelle.

"Shall I answer for her, Sir Count?" exclaimed Sir Norman, his own cheek flushed. "Leoline! Leoline! you love me!"

Leoline was silent.

"You are to decide between us, Leoline. Though the count brought you forcibly here, he has been generous enough to grant this. Say, then, which of us you love best."

"I do not love him at all," said Leoline, with a little disdain, "and he knows it."

"Then it is I," said Sir Norman, his whole face beaming with delight.

"It is you."

Leoline held out both hands to the loved one, and nestled close to his side, as a child would to its protector.

[To be Continued.]

Light and Shade.

Mr. Gayfee—Well, how are you today?

Byler—My rheumatism has gone to the other arm, doctor.

"Splendid! I told you I'd soon rout it out."

He—I understand you are going to be married?

She—I certainly expect to.

He—When may I ask?

She—You may ask now if you really care for me.

"Did you suffer from any frozen water pipes this winter?"

"Not yet, but we expect to when the plumber sends in his bill."

The Maid—What, in your estimation, is the first step toward universal peace?

The Bachelor—The abolishment of matrimony.

Nellie—Charlie says I grow more beautiful every time he sees me.

Maudie—If that's the case, you ought to have him call twice a day.

"Oh, dear, I've a frog in my throat today."

A stork was heard to complain;

"And I," said the fish, as he swam away,

"Have water on my brain."

He who is always changing from object to object, flashes nothing, and his life is a last resembles a heap of detached stones, which, if he had but kept to one plan, might have been built into a stately and commodious abode.

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All the reports of head officers were adopted.

The committee on reports and resolutions presented a report, in which an appropriate reference was made to the sovereigns who were now serving the flag in South Africa. The committee agreed with the executive in protecting the sovereign soldiers at no increase of cost, and was also decidedly of the opinion that the offices of head clerk and head physician should remain elective, and that the number on the executive should be reduced.

The decrease in the lapses during the past twelve months, as compared with former years, was noted with pleasure. The steady increase in membership was gratifying, and it was not too much to expect an increase of 2,000 for the closing year of the century.

The report was adopted. The executive was empowered to make an extra assessment of one dollar to provide for any loss that may arise through members who have gone to South Africa.

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Province of Ontario. By virtue of a warrant issued under the hand of the Warden of the County of Middlesex, and sealed with the corporate seal thereof, To Wit: which warrant bears date the 21st day of November, 1896, and is to me directed and addressed as the treasurer of the said county, commanding me to levy in accordance with the provisions of "The Assessment Act," in that behalf, on the lands hereinafter mentioned and described, being in the said county, for taxes in arrears thereon respectively and lawful costs, I hereby give notice that unless the said taxes and costs be paid I shall proceed to sell by public auction at the Court House, in the City of London, Ontario, on Wednesday, the 28th day of March, A.D. 1900, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, the said lands, or as much thereof as may be sufficient to discharge the said taxes and costs and charges in and about the sale of said lands, authorized by the said act.

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North Dorchester	Lot 11	West Block	McClary's	11 1 1/2	1895	\$ 3 41 23 1/2
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Village Ailsa Craig	108	s of High street		1-5	1895	1 95 2 55
do	25	n of Main street		1-2	1895 to 98	41 35 2 35
do	2	s of George street		1-5	1895 to 98	28 30 2 90
do	18	n of William street		1-5	1895 to 98	14 67 2 97
Village of Lucan	s pt 96	Elm street		2	1895 to 97	12 04 2 90
do	13	Princess street		1-5	1895 to 98	10 35 4 93
Village Wardville	1 e of	Haggerty street		(a)	1893-4-5-7	3 70 2 55
do	7	do		(b)	1893-4-5-7	3 71 2 85
do	8	do		(c)	1893-4-5-7	3 70 2 85

All the lands herein mentioned are patented.

(a) "SR" means south of River Thames. (b) Mrs. Boland's. (c) Robert Morrison's.

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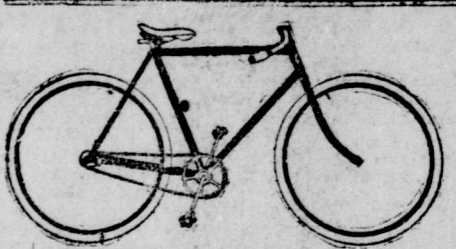
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A LOCAL BUDGET

—Mr. S. D. Huntly, of Lansing, Mich., has returned home after a three months visit to his daughter, Mrs. M. W. Munce, 369 Grey Street, City.

—The time of the funeral of the late Benjamin Lawrence has been changed to Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Manitoba friends are on the way and wish to be present.

—Mr. Harry Flock arrived home on Saturday and is at his father's residence on Adelaide Street. Mr. Flock, it will be remembered, had one of his legs broken in Toronto about five weeks ago by falling on the ice.

—Mr. Ed. Cronyn, of Vancouver, is in the city. Mr. Cronyn, who is the son of Mr. Verschoyle Cronyn, is a member of the Strathcona Horse, and has come to say farewell to his family before leaving for South Africa.

—The Women's Christian Association begs to acknowledge, with thanks, a donation of \$10 towards the fund of the Home for Incurables, from the late Rev. E. J. Clark, of Adelaide, South Australia, through his son, Mr. L. Clark, of this city.

—The talk on the Transvaal by Mrs. Boomer, with music and song to follow, will be given in the interests of the Red Cross Society, under the auspices of the Mother's Union of the Memorial Church this (Thursday) evening, in the school room.

—On Tuesday the employees of the Dominion Express Company and the C. P. R. downtown ticket office presented Mr. Lee McBride with an address and a trunk, on the eve of his departure for Calgary. Mr. W. T. where he will enter the business of his uncle.

—Lieut.-Col. Holmes will attend a patriotic concert at Chatham tomorrow.

—The ladies of the Talbot Street Baptist Church have been demonstrating their patriotism by devoting their afternoons to sewing for the Red Cross Society, meeting in the church parlors for that purpose. A committee has been appointed to carry on the work, and arrangements are being made to

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—The G. T. R. express from the Bridge due here at 6:25, was delayed more than five hours by the breaking of an axle on the smoking car. The accident occurred between Paris and Princeton. No other damage was done. Some anxiety was felt in the city as to the extent of the mishap until the safe arrival of the train at a late hour set all fears at rest.

—The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Cordingley, of Belleville, formerly of this city, will extend condolence to them in the loss by death of their son Albert, at the early age of 20. The Ontario says of the deceased: "He attended the public schools and Collegiate Institute, and was an attentive and diligent pupil. Being possessed of an affable and genial disposition he made many friends who will learn with regret of his early demise. The deceased was a member of Trinity Church, and took an active interest in all that pertained to the welfare of that organization. The time for the funeral has not been fixed, but will be announced later."

"CHIMES OF NORMANDY."
John E. Young's Merry Opera Company presented the tuncful "Chimes of Normandy" at the Grand Opera House last night. Tom Whyte and George Olmi are especially worthy of notice in their characterization of their respective roles. The company is putting up good shows every night.

RED CROSS CONTRIBUTIONS:
Thomas R. Parker, treasurer of the Red Cross Society, begs to acknowledge the following further amounts: Canling Brewing and Maltting Company, \$25; the Italian Columbus Society, \$20; Mrs. (Major) Denison, \$5;

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Ladies' Strap Slippers. 2.00	1.60	Purses 4.00	3.20
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PROBELL SOCIETY.

The regular meeting of the Probell Society was held in Queen's Avenue Kindergarten Tuesday afternoon. Miss Mabel Cannon gave a most interesting paper on "Kindergarten Methods in Sunday School." She spoke of the harm done by teachers who did not grasp the kindergarten principles, but only saw that concrete representation was used. These teachers often made the lesson a mere object lesson, and lost the deeper spiritual application. Miss Goulding sang two hymns for children very sweetly, and Miss Matthews read a very beautiful story suitable to the occasion. The president urged the members to aid all they could in Sunday school work, as through their experience they could give valuable help.

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WESTERN FAIR ANNUAL MEETING

A Satisfactory Showing Made—The Directors Ask the Co-operation of the Citizens to Make the Fair a Success.

The annual meeting of the Western Fair Association was held in the city hall yesterday afternoon, with a large attendance. Lieut.-Col. Gartshore occupied the chair, and there were also present First Vice-President Little, Second Vice-President Bogue, Secretary J. A. Nelles and Treasurer D. McKenzie.

The directors' report for 1899 showed the affairs of the association to be in a satisfactory condition, and emphasized the fact that last year's exhibition was one of the most successful in the history of the association. The displays in the several departments were exceptionally fine and highly satisfactory. In the agricultural and horticultural departments the improvement was most noticeable. The live stock and agricultural implement departments were, as usual, the leading features of the fair. The increase in the amount contributed for premiums was over \$1,200. The improvements in the buildings and grounds, which had been under contemplation for some time, were duly carried out by the board. There were some minor improvements that would still further enhance the general attractiveness and beauty of the park, such as the laying out of flower beds, planting of more trees, shrubs, etc., and it was suggested that

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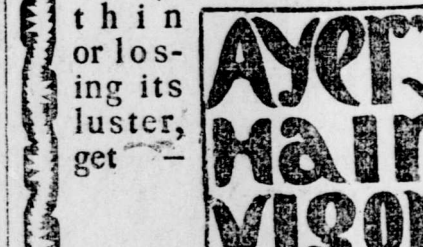
something should continue to be done each year along this line. Attention was drawn to the Provincial Fat Stock, Dairy and Dressed Poultry Show, which was held in December last. The preparation of the necessary buildings to accommodate the live stock, block tests and poultry exhibition cost a considerable sum, and while of no particular direct benefit to the fair association, yet aided in keeping in touch with the exhibitors. It was to be regretted that a greater number of farmers and citizens did not appreciate the opportunity of hearing the lectures and witnessing the demonstrations, which were of an educational and instructive character. Reference was made to the retirement of Mr. Thomas A. Browne as secretary, and appreciation expressed of the untiring zeal and devotion which Mr. Browne had displayed. Thanks were tendered the railway and express companies, the press and those who contributed to the funds.

The financial statement is a most encouraging one. The receipts totaled \$34,642.04, and the disbursements \$32,010.54, leaving a balance in the bank of \$2,631.50. The assets were \$43,332.44, and the liabilities nil.
In introducing the report President Gartshore said that with the exception of the phenomenal year of 1898, the receipts for 1899 exceeded those of any previous year. There was spent during the year \$7,132.12 on buildings and improvements to the grounds. He thought the directors had a right to expect more loyal assistance from the citizens generally. The fair week should be devoted to the entertaining of thousands of visitors, and no time nor means should be grudged to send all home well satisfied. He suggested that an effort be made to make this a gala week. The city should be especially illuminated, stores decorated and plenty of music provided, creating, as it does, enthusiasm and good-fellowship. There was too much lukewarmness in these matters. The grounds were the property of the city, and should be maintained in a creditable manner by the city authorities. Reference was made to the death of one of the organizers of the fair, viz., the late James Cousineau, who had faith in the future of the Western Fair at a time when enterprises of this nature were little known.
In referring to the financial statement, the treasurer said the Western Fair was the only exhibition in the Dominion that never had to report a deficit.
The report was adopted.
A number of communications were read and referred to the new board.
It was moved and seconded that the association protest against any grant being made to the Toronto exhibition by either the provincial or Dominion parliaments.
In the discussion which followed, Col. Leys, M. P. P., was given credit for having blocked the proposed grant to the Toronto exhibition in the closing hours of the last session of the Ontario Legislature.
Ex-Mayor Taylor expressed himself as opposed to this motion as embodying a dog-in-the-manger policy. He moved in amendment that if any grant be made to the Toronto exhibition a similar grant be asked for by the Western Fair. The amendment carried.
On motion of Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. McNeill, the board of directors was re-elected for the ensuing year. The board is as follows: Lieut.-Col. W. M. Gartshore, Lieut.-Col. F. B. Leys, A. M. Smart, Geo. Taylor, W. J. Reid, W. M. Spencer, R. Shaw-Wood, Jas. H. Brown, W. R. Hobbs, J. S. Pearce, J. W. Little and R. A. Cartwright.
Mr. Archie Smith urged upon the directors the advisability of supplementing the grant of the Shorthorn Breeders' Association with the additional grant of \$500.
The new board of directors met subsequently and re-elected the officers and chairman of committees. Lieut.-Col. Gartshore is president, ex-Mayor J. W. Little, first vice-president, and Mr. Allen Bogue, second vice-president; Mr. J. A. Nelles, secretary, and Mr. D. McKenzie, treasurer.

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