

STOLE MARCH ON CITY DADDIES PEOPLE'S "REPS" SLEPT ON JOB

Allowed London Street Railway To Secure Valuable Concession From the Railway Commission.

BUT THE CITY COUNCIL OF LONDON HAS A REMEDY

Regarding the Ottawa Avenue Service, and It Will Very Likely Be Applied at the Next Meeting.

The council was caught napping by Manager King, of the London Street Railway, and in consequence the company can lay its derail switch on the Ottawa avenue line without saying "by your leave" to the council. The history of the affair is rather interesting, and it may prove more interesting still as the move is alleged to be the thin end of the wedge to break the agreement for running Ottawa avenue cars both ways.

Early last summer the company applied to the London and Port Stanley board for the privilege of laying a new derail, operative from the east, with only a twenty-five foot derail on the west side.

This request was denied the company as it was clearly to be seen that it was not in the interests of the citizens.

The company then made application to the board of railway commissioners, and as the city was not represented, the commissioners took it for granted that there was no defense to the street railway's request, and the order was passed giving the railway the right to do what was requested.

HOW IT HAPPENED.

Some time before the meeting of the commission, notice was sent the council by the secretary of the board, and that a session would be held at Chatham, and that the street railway's application would come up.

That notice came before the council.

Mayor Judd's attention was directed to it, and it was sent on to the board of the London and Port Stanley Railway.

It was not referred to No. 1 committee, and that committee had nothing to do with the matter.

The board evidently did nothing with the case either, and allowed it to go by default, in spite of the fact that the board was conversant with the request, and what it meant, as that body had absolutely refused Manager King's request.

Owing to the inaction of the board, therefore, the city was not represented at the meeting of the railway commission, and as there was no opposition, as was stated above, the commission, and as there was no objection from the city.

Thus the city's representatives "went to sleep on the job," and while they were sleeping the street railway got a splendid order—from their viewpoint—through on the city.

So the company can go ahead, as it no doubt will, and lay the derail where it is not only a menace to the lives of the citizens on certain occasions, but a great inconvenience on all occasions.

TELL THE PEOPLE WHY.

Why the city was not represented is the interesting question. City Clerk Baker informed The Advertiser that the notice of the meeting had been sent to the council, and the mayor's attention had been directed to it. The communication was afterwards referred to the London and Port Stanley Board.

Ald. Beattie, chairman of No. 1 committee, did not receive the communication, and did not deal with it.

Of course, it is hardly fair to blame the L. and Port Stanley Board altogether. When the notices of the railway commission came before the council, the communication should have been looked into, and it should have been sent to No. 1 committee to deal with.

The London and Port Stanley Board had already refused the request of the company, which was looked upon as outrageous.

The question is who is to blame? It is certain that no meeting of the board was called to deal with the matter.

CITY HAS A REMEDY.

Now the city is up against it. The street railway can lay its derail, and the city cannot say nay. No interference on the part of the aldermen will help any, so far as that is concerned.

There is only one way, and judging from the temper of the majority of the aldermen, it will be the plan adopted. That will be to compel the street railway to run cars both ways as the bylaw calls for. Under the present understanding, the company only runs cars one way. This is a money-saver, as three cars do the work that four would do if the cars were run both ways.

That saves two crews, and considerable money.

The company desired by its action, it is alleged, to make the arrangement permanent, and as the city would not allow it the privilege, it goes about it in another way, and accomplishes its ends.

Now the only redress the city has is to enforce the bylaw and compel the company to come back to its original service.

MAINTAIN SCHEDULE.

In fact, the council may go farther, and compel the company to live up to the schedule of time printed yesterday in The Advertiser. The company does not in many instances even pretend to follow the council's schedule, and if it were to do so, the attitude it assumes towards the city would be different than at present.

Ald. Booth, Ald. Gillen and Ald. Rose are working actively on the matter, and it is expected that the matter will be thoroughly aired at the next meeting of the council.

The outcome of the trouble will probably be that the company will be compelled to restore the two-way service on Ottawa avenue, and also that the attention of the public will be called to the inaccuracies of the street railway timetable by the bylaws governing these matters.

Military Ball Was Brilliant Affair 7th Reg't. Officers Congratulated

Such a riot of color, such gorgeous decorations, such perfect music, and such ideal arrangements for a dance have seldom been seen! No wonder the "military ball" is an event longed for by debutante and matron alike, for surely the Seventh have demonstrated successfully their ability to give quite the most delightful dance of the season.

The armories were one blaze of light and color. Two huge globes covered with electric bulbs were hung from the ceiling, and draped from them to the corners of the room were festoons of bunting in red, green, blue and white. A deep band of evergreen bordered the room, and the walls were quite concealed by red, white and blue bunting, Canadian and Union Jack flags.

The fort. Across one end of the room a fort was built, the dull-gray finish, the stockades and towers, being most realistic, the whole design reflecting great credit on Lieut. J. Innes Carling, who was responsible, not only for it, but for all the charming scheme of decoration.

Within the fortress delicate little tables set forth a most delectable supper, all the arrangements for this important function being most satisfactory.

Capt. George Bentley received many compliments on the music, which was his especial care.

The regimental band, under Bandmaster Slater, occupied a raised dais at one end of the room. The platform was hidden by bunting and palms, through which the red coats of the musicians flashed with good effect.

The music was perfect in time and harmony. Every member of the band belongs to the regiment.

A most delightful and unusual feature of the dance was the sitting-out of the dance was the sitting-out.

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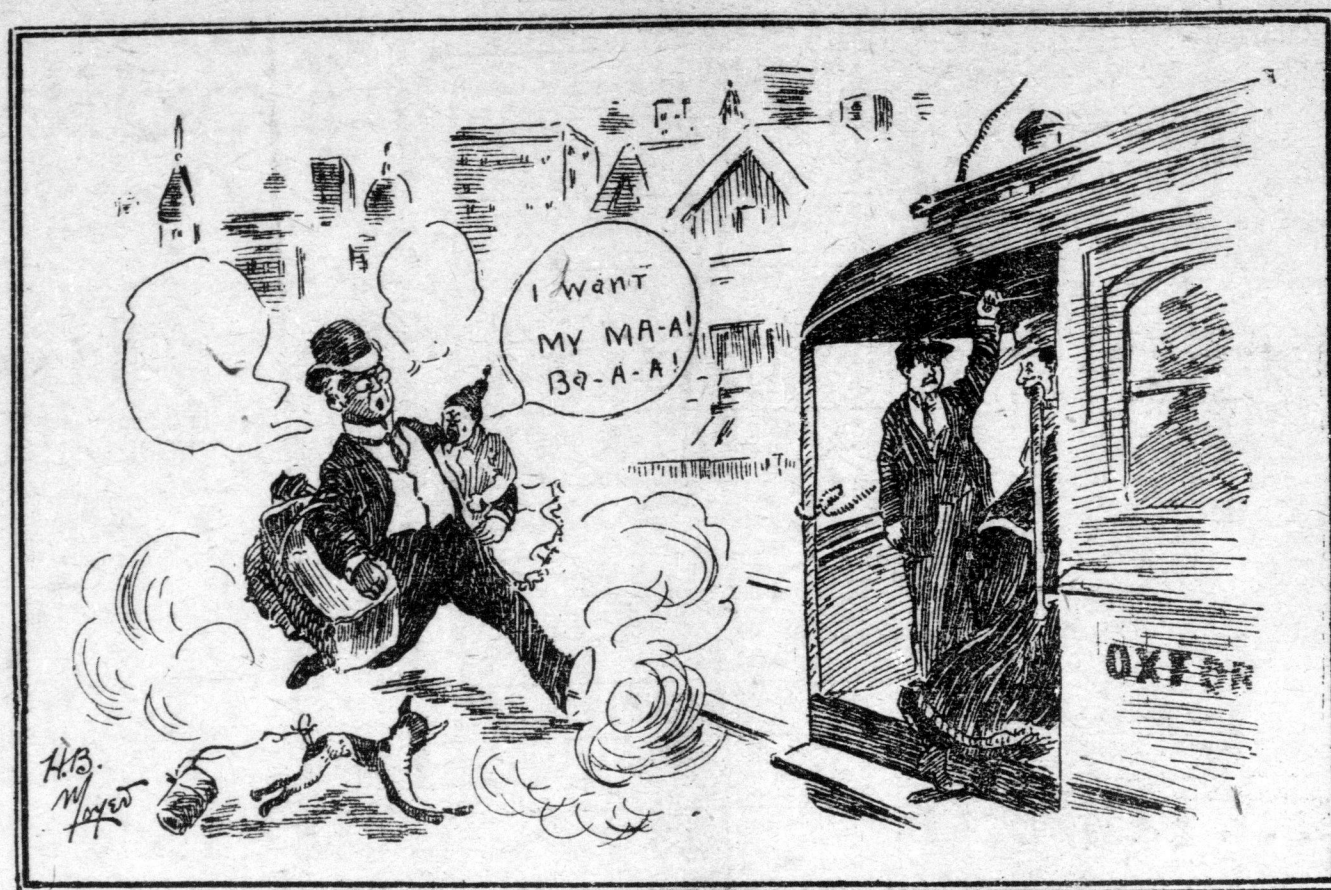
Young Liberal Club Nominations

The Young Liberal Club has just finished one of the most successful years in its history, and on Friday evening next the nominating committee for the coming year will be made.

The president, Mr. Arthur Sippl, has been indefatigable in the interests of the club, and has worked hard to make it a success. He has been ably assisted by Dr. Claude Brown, the secretary, and the other members of the executive, and all are well pleased with the year's showing.

The attendance at the club has been satisfactory, and there has been much enthusiasm among the members.

A large number of candidates are in the running for the offices, and the election promises to be one of the most interesting yet held by the club.



The Joys (?) of Christmas Shopping--No. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Mishapp and the little Mishapp start out to do their Christmas shopping. Mrs. Mishapp gets the car all right, but Mr. Mishapp was forced to run a block before the conductor wakes up.

Action Against W. J. Reid et al Echo of the Crystal Hall Disaster

Ethel Penfold Sues on Behalf of the Children of this Late Tatum Howitt.

Another echo of the Crystal Hall disaster is heard in the case of Penfold vs. Reid, the writ for which has just been issued. Miss Penfold sues on behalf of the infant children of Mr. and Mrs. Howitt, who were killed in the wreck—Ethel Penfold, Millward Howitt, Langley Howitt and Richard Howitt, the last two named being infants under the age of 21 years, by Ethel Penfold, their next friend, vs. W. J. Reid & Co., Peter Smiriles, and

Kernohan & Wilson—A damage action to recover \$15,000 for the death of Tatum Millward Howitt and Lola Adelaide Howitt, who were killed in the Reid disaster Tuesday, July 16, 1907.

Mr. Howitt was a telegraph operator. The couple had gone into the store of Hamilton, Long & Co. to make some purchases when the accident occurred. The statement of claim is placed in an alternative fashion, making another party named as soon as one of the others is disposed of.

Meredith, Fisher & McDonald, for plaintiffs; Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons, for W. J. Reid & Co., and J. M. McEvoy for Peter Smiriles.

Nine Months in Jail for J. R. Labatt Penalty for Attempted Blackmail

Hon. Mr. Emmerson Was Willing To Treat Him Leniently, But Court Refused.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—J. R. Labatt, manager of the local agency of the Labatt, Brewster and Maltin Company, pleaded guilty in the police court this morning to sending a blackmailing letter to Hon. H. R. Emmerson, and was given nine months in jail.

The story is another one of stock speculation. Labatt is said to have been at one time in a London bank.

Mr. Wentworth Green appeared for Labatt, and Mr. Charles Murphy, for Mr. Emmerson.

Mr. Green said that there was no such letter as that alluded to by Labatt in his letter to Mr. Emmerson.

When Labatt said that he had such a letter he stated what was false, and for which there were no grounds. Mr.

Murphy said that this statement was satisfactory to Mr. Emmerson, who did not wish to appear against Labatt, and who also did not like to see the court act leniently toward him.

The only witness for the defense was Mr. John Labatt, of London, an uncle of the prisoner.

Mr. Labatt said that the prisoner worked for him for four years and gave every satisfaction.

Some time ago he asked for assistance, as he had been speculating on margin.

It appears that he speculated to the extent of \$25,000 on Twin City, which he bought on margin.

He used \$300 of his mother's money for this purpose, and wrote the letter to Mr. Emmerson, demanding \$1,500 to help him out.

Mr. Green and Mr. Murphy wanted to let the prisoner out on suspended sentence, but the crown prosecutor, Mr. Ritchie, would not consent to this, as Labatt had written letters to others.

The prisoner, therefore, goes to jail for nine months.

Wagon Passed Over Young Man Strange Experience of Howard Moyer

He Is Around Today as Though Nothing Had Happened—A Peculiar Story.

To have a wagon, carrying nearly a ton pass over his chest and to still live to tell the tale, is the experience of Mr. Howard Moyer, a teamster, in the employ of Adams & Tanton, of King street dealers.

Moyer was delivering a load of feed to the residence of the late Col. Leys on Elmwood avenue, South London, last evening, when he was struck by a wire clothes line which lacerated his face badly and threw him beneath the wheels of the heavily laden wagon.

The wheels passed directly over his chest, and how he escaped being crushed to death is a mystery the doctors cannot solve.

Beyond being unconscious for a short time and being slightly bruised, the young man seems to be none the worse for his peculiar experience, and today is at work as usual.

Moyer's father is a carpenter residing on Lovett street.

Grand Trunk May Amend Its Defense

At Osgoode Hall Friday in Canadian F.G. Bank Company vs. London Machine Tool Company, now of Hamilton, judgment (H.) on motion by defendants for particulars of claim. Motion dismissed. Costs in the cause. Defendants to plead in a week. L. F. Stephens (Hamilton) for defendants. W. N. Tilley for the plaintiffs.

Renton vs. G. T. R. Company—

Judgment (oral) on motion by defendants for order allowing amendment of statement of defense. Order made allowing defendants to amend in terms of notice of motion, forthwith. Plaintiff to have usual time to reply. Costs of motion and all costs either lost or occasioned by this order to be to plaintiff in any event. D. L. McCarthy for defendant. G. S. Gibbons (London) for plaintiff.

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LAD FELL WITH PENCIL IN MOUTH

Painful Injuries Sustained by a Prince-ess Avenue Boy.

The 2-year-old son of Dr. Merton Kennedy, dentist, of Princess avenue, met with a very painful accident today.

The little fellow was running about the house, with a lead pencil in his mouth when he fell. The pencil was driven into the roof of his mouth, inflicting a very bad wound.

The services of a physician were necessary to dress the injury.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Dec. 6. Reported at. From.
Graf Waldersee, New York. Bremen.
Kohn, New York. Bremen.
Baltic, New York. Bremen.
Mauretania, Liverpool. New York.
Iberia, Liverpool. New York.
Princess Alice, Liverpool. New York.
Neustria, Gibraltar. New York.
Pannania, Rotterdam. New York.
Napoli, Trieste. New York.
Manitoba, Halifax. New York.
Sardinian, Halifax. New York.
Carthagenian, Glasgow. Philadelphia.

A Close Call.

A horse belonging to Mr. D. C. Carmichael had a close call from being badly injured this morning, at the corner of King and Clarence streets, when a reckless driver, in turning the corner, drove so close to the animal that one of the shafts became entangled in Mr. Carmichael's harness and broke several of the straps. Fortunately no further harm was done.



ADJUTANT H. E. ROE, London Man Who Claims He Can Heal the Sick and Has the "Gift of Tongues."

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND MILD.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Dec. 7-8 a.m.

Today and Sunday—Moderate southwest to south winds; fair and mild.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather.
Calgary 18 14 Clear
Winnipeg 18 12 Clear
Port Arthur 24 22 Fair
Perry Sound 36 30 Cloudy
Toronto 34 30 Cloudy
Ottawa 32 32 Cloudy
Montreal 34 34 Cloudy
Quebec 32 32 Cloudy
Father Point 32 34 Cloudy

The first column in the above table records the temperature at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.

Fair weather prevails in all portions of the Dominion, and the temperature is nearly everywhere unseasonably high.

The pressure is lowest over British Columbia, and highest in the Atlantic States.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 21-37; Dawson, 18 below-12 below; Victoria, 40-46; Vancouver, 45-47; Edmonton, 24-24; Battleford, 36-34; Prince Albert, 28-33; Calgary, 14-33; Regina, 1-42; Winnipeg, 20-40; Port Arthur, 14-38; Perry Sound, 32-38; Toronto, 28-35; Ottawa, 16-32; Montreal, 12-32; Quebec, 1-35; St. John, 18-28; Halifax, 20-28.

HUNDREDS OF LIVES LOST BY EXPLOSION IN MINE

Miners Lie Buried Beneath Tons of Rocks, Coal and Debris in Virginian Pit.

SCORES OF BODIES HAVE BEEN BROUGHT TO SURFACE

Heartrending Scenes at the Pit's Mouth, Where the Women and Children of Entombed Miners Are Gathered—Rescuers Work Heroically.

Monongah, W. Va., Dec. 7. — With unabated energy, five rescuing parties, working from every possible point to enter and explore mines No. 6 and 8, of the Fairmount Coal Company, a subsidiary of the Consolidation Coal Company, of Baltimore, where a terrific explosion of black damp occurred yesterday, are this morning putting forth every effort to reach the 315 men whom they have every reason to believe are still in the mine dead or alive, although there is scarcely a hope entertained that a single one of the 400 or more men who went into the mine yesterday has survived the terrific explosion and the poisonous gas with which the mines filled immediately after the death-dealing crash.

A heartrending scene. Eighty-five bodies have so far been brought to the surface, and the dozen undertakers from this and surrounding towns who were on duty all night, by daylight had these bodies washed, and made as presentable as possible, in an improvised morgue, into which one of the mine buildings has been converted.

With the dawn of day there began a heartrending march up and down along the aisles in which these bodies have been laid, by surviving wives and mothers and sweethearts, orphaned children and strong men, each seeking a near relative or beloved friend.

There are between 5,000 and 6,000 inhabitants in the mining town of Monongah, and it is doubtful if in this entire population there are a score of persons who have not either a near relative or close friend numbered among the victims of the disaster.

Stunned by Disaster.

The people of the town are stunned by the catastrophe. They had long regarded these mines as practically immune from the dangers so common to the coal mining industry. The plant of the company was provided with every device for the protection of life, and the equipment was considered the most modern and complete outfit used in the production of bituminous coal.

A mine disaster here was considered next to impossible, and the fact that these mines should be the scene of the most frightful disaster that has

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Fireman Aitkin May Sue the City Sequel To the Arrest at Guelph

Citizens Are Urging Him To Bring an Action Against the Police.

A dispatch from Guelph states that Mr. John Aitkin, assistant fire chief of London, intends bringing an action against the city of Guelph for false arrest, during the fire at the Royal Hotel there, when he succeeded in

saving the life of one of the guests of the hotel.

The dispatch adds that several prominent citizens of Guelph claim the assistant fire chief of London was shamefully treated, and that they are urging him to bring the action, promising to stand by him.

The Mercury, however, insists that Mr. Aitkin was too officious, and that he was pulled out by the heels on several occasions, when he was crawling in the cellar of the hotel, and was in danger of getting hurt, besides being in the way of the Guelph firemen.

Present Regalia to Bro. J. A. Smith St. John's Lodge Honors Officer

Pleasant Time at Meeting Last Night—Officers Elected For the Year.

At the regular communication of St. John's Lodge, 208a, held last evening in the Masonic Hall, the officers for the coming year were elected. The members of St. John's, 208a, have had a very successful and prosperous year.

At the annual Grand Lodge meeting, one of their members, V. Wor. Bro. James A. Smith, was honored by his appointment to the office of grand superintendent of works, and the officers and brethren of 208a further honored him last night by presenting him with a grand lodge regalia as an appreciation of his faithful work for his mother lodge.

Wor. Bro. Wm. O'Brien made the presentation in a very able and feeling manner, and V. Wor. Bro. Smith thanked the brethren, as best he

could, when he recovered from his surprise.

After the meeting the members adjourned to the banquet hall. The usual toasts—o the King and the craft, etc.—were all ably responded to, and Bro. Webster sang solos very acceptably.

THE OFFICERS.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Bro. John H. Wilson, worshipful master; Wor. Bro. C. H. Firth, I. P. M.; Bro. H. L. Smith, S. W.; Bro. D. H. Bowen, J. W.; Bro. H. E. Davis, chaplain; Bro. W. D. Taylor, organist; Wor. Bro. John Graham, treasurer; Bro. J. E. Keenleyside, secretary; Bro. Jared Vining, S. D.; Bro. A. E. Santo, J. D.; Bro. Fred Palmer, I. G.; Bro. T. P. Elliott, D. of C.; Bro. F. E. Harley, S. S.; Bro. Oscar W. Fuller, J. S.; Wor. Bro. John Robertson, Tyler; representative to board of relief, W. Bro. C. Z. Morrow; representatives to board of finance, W. Bro. T. A. Rowat, W. Bro. W. H. Line, Bro. J. E. Keenleyside, auditors; Bro. William

Smith, Bro. J. Birnie Smith.

KING OSCAR LIES AT DEATH'S DOOR

Stockholm, Dec. 7, 5:30 p.m.—King Oscar is gradually sinking. He has been unconscious almost all day long. His rallies are becoming briefer and the action of his heart is very feeble. The Associated Press was informed today by a chamberlain of his majesty that the royal patient had lost ground since the issue of this morning's bulletin. At 3:40 p.m. he was very low. The chief ecclesiastics of the Swedish Church in Stockholm have been summoned to the bedside of the patient.

THE C. P. R. TO REDUCE ITS STAFF

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, Dec. 7.—An important meeting is being held at the Union Depot today presided over by Supt. Osborne, of the C. P. R. when the roadmaster, master mechanics, train

dispatchers, and superintendents of terminal divisions were consulted with the view of reducing staffs by one-third. It is likely as a result some 1,500 men in the passenger and freight departments between Smith's Falls and Winnipeg will be released at once.

OXFORD COUNCIL SITS ALL NIGHT

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Woodstock, Dec. 7. — The Oxford county council broke all records last night, when the closing session of the year commenced at 7:30 in the evening and came to a close at eight minutes to 7 this morning, after a continuous sitting during the interval. A great part of the evening was used in thrashing out an account of \$500, submitted by W. T. Mullen, a local lawyer, very low.

TAFT'S MOTHER DYING.

Millbury, Mass., Dec. 7.—Mrs. Louise M. Taft, mother of Secretary of War William H. Taft, failed gradually during last night, and today was reported very low.

KNOTT & SARGSTER

ROOM 101, MASONIC TEMPLE. PHONE 650.

EPWORTH AVENUE—Frame cottage, brick foundation, 3 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen; lot 62x145 feet. Price, \$750.

REGENT STREET—Story and half brick veneer, cement foundation, good cellar, with cement floor, parlor, dining-room, kitchen, 4 bedrooms, parlor, clothes closet, lot 22x145 feet. Price, \$1,200.

DUNDAS STREET EAST—Story and half brick veneer, stone foundation, 3 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen, cement walks; lot 22x15 feet. Only \$2,500.

VACANT LOT DUNDAS STREET EAST—Sixty feet. A very desirable lot. \$300.

VAUXHALL PARK—Some very fine lots, on easy investments. Call and see them.

ST. GEORGE STREET—New two-story brick, cement and cement block foundation, 4 bedrooms, double parlors, dining-room, kitchen, porch at back, all modern conveniences; lot 30x75, with right of way at rear; market and grate. Price, \$2,600.

SACKVILLE STREET—New story and half brick veneer, cement block foundation, 3 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen and summer kitchen, pantry, good cellar, water and sink in house; lot 7x65x55 feet. Call for particulars. Will sell on easy payments.

EDMONT STREET—Frame cottage, 3 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen and summer kitchen. Price, \$1,600. Will sell on easy terms.

EDWARD STREET—Brick veneer cottage, 3 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen and summer kitchen, lot corner porch; lot 30x100 feet. Price, \$1,500. Will sell on easy terms.

HIGHLAND PARK—Cement block veneer cottage, 3 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen, summer kitchen, hall, cellar; lot 30x100 feet. Price, \$1,500. Will sell on easy terms.

YORK STREET—New story and half brick veneer, 3 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen, summer kitchen, hall, cellar, pressed brick, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, large cellar, paved for furnace, gas and fixtures, cement walks, plate glass window in front. Price, \$2,200.

RECTOR STREET—Frame cottage, brick cellar, parlor, sitting-room, dining-room, kitchen, woodshed, fruit trees; lot 40x55 feet. Price, \$1,500.

SACKVILLE STREET—Frame cottage, cement block foundation, double boarded and papered, 3 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen and summer kitchen, water and sink in kitchen, \$1,475. Easy terms.

LARGE TWO-STORY—Brick veneer, Wellington street, on King street; first-class order, steam heat.

FINE PAIR OF NEW BRICK DWELLINGS, with all modern improvements; good location and well rented. If you want an investment, see them.

LARGE WAREHOUSE—CENTRAL, QUEEN'S AVENUE—Brick cottage, stone foundation, good cellar, 2 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen and summer kitchen, pantry, water in back kitchen; lot 24x100 feet. Price, \$1,100.

WANTED—PROPERTIES FOR SALE. IF YOU HAVE ANY REAL ESTATE, WE WANT IT. WISH TO SELL IT FOR YOU. AND WILL NOT CHARGE IF THE PROPERTY IS NOT SOLD BY OUR FIRM. LIST YOUR PROPERTY WITH US. AND YOU WILL BE SURE OF HAVING IT WELL ADVERTISED.

BEAUFIELD AVENUE—Two-story brick veneer, parlor, dining-room, hall, kitchen, furnace, bathroom, summer kitchen and fixtures; lot 30x65 feet. Price, \$2,250.

TWELVE ACRES OF BEST GRAVEL—Pit opened up, close to city, on easy investment in city. Call for particulars.

DUCHESSE AVENUE—Two-story brick, cement block foundation, 5 bedrooms, double parlors, dining-room, kitchen, reception hall, front and back stairs, kitchen, parlor, dining-room, modern conveniences, hot and cold water all through the house, double cellar, cement stairs to cellar from outside; lot 50x225 feet. \$3,750. NO RENT—Two good stores in first-class business locality.

LOHNE AVENUE—New story and half brick veneer, 5 bedrooms, bathroom, cement block foundation, front and back stairs, parlor, dining-room, kitchen, sink and water in house, cellar under all cement floors; lot 29 feet, frontage and right of way. Price, \$2,600.

YALBO STREET—New two-story and attic pressed brick, cement block foundation, 4 bedrooms, double parlors, dining-room, kitchen, pantry, summer kitchen, mantel and grate, all modern conveniences, oak floors downstairs, veranda; lot 36x123 feet. Price, \$3,200.

PRINCESS AVENUE, just east of Quebec street—New story and half brick veneer, 3 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen and summer kitchen, pantry, bathroom, complete, furnace, gas and fixtures, good cellar, connected with sewer, paved and pot water. This is a well-built house. Will sell for \$2,100 if taken at once. Immediate possession. Will sell for \$2,200 with out furnace. A chance of your lifetime.

DUFFERIN AVENUE—Two-story brick veneer, cement block foundation, 4 bedrooms, double parlors, dining-room, kitchen, summer kitchen, mantel and grate, all modern conveniences, hot and cold water, veranda; lot 32 feet frontage. Only \$2,500.

BATHURST STREET—Two-story brick, stone foundation, 4 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen and summer kitchen, pressed brick, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, large cellar, paved for furnace, gas and fixtures, cement walks, plate glass window in front. Price, \$2,200.

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P. Walsh's Bulletin

IF YOU WANT A GOOD LOT in South London, buy on the Ridout street survey, where good houses will be erected. Buy now. Prices will advance next spring.

WELLINGTON AND VICTORIA STREETS—Large brick cottage, with one acre which can be subdivided. Call for price.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY ACRES of high clay loam, well drained, flowing spring at buildings, 10 acres of maple, 3 acres of orchard, large two-story frame house and bank barns; four miles from Parkhill, on G. T. R. main line, close to school. Price, \$7,500. If you want a first-class farm call on us at once.

OXFORD STREET—A new 1½-story brick, double parlors, dining-room, 2 kitchens, 4 bedrooms, bathroom, complete, furnace, electric light and gas, veranda, up-to-date. Call and see us.

ENGLISH STREET—A new 1½-story brick, 8 rooms, all modern improvements. Only \$2,200.

ONTARIO STREET, south of Dundas street—Two new modern brick houses. Call at once. Owner leaving the city.

CHRISTIE STREET—A new brick cottage, 6 rooms; large lot. At a bargain.

JOHN STREET—Two-story frame, 5 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen and summer kitchen, pantry, bathroom, complete, furnace, gas and fixtures, good cellar, connected with sewer, paved and pot water. This is a well-built house. Will sell for \$2,100 if taken at once. Immediate possession. Will sell for \$2,200 with out furnace. A chance of your lifetime.

GENERAL STORE—Twelve miles from London; doing a large, paying business. We refer you to the wholesale houses.

WE CAN SUIT YOU in a vacant lot. Select one from our list.

PICCADILLY STREET—A new brick cottage, 7 rooms, large cellar, cement walks; lot 32x150 feet. Call for price.

MOUNT PLEASANT AVENUE—A new 1½-story brick, \$1,800.

P. WALSH,
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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

DEATHS.

O'BRIEN—On Dec. 6, 1907, Amanda Louise, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William O'Brien.

Funeral from the family residence, 375 Horton street, on Sunday, Dec. 8, at 3:30 o'clock, service at 2:30 p.m. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation.

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AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES, ETC.

PALACE DANCING ACADEMY—AD-

VANCED class, ladies and gentlemen, opens Wednesday, Dec. 4, 8 o'clock. Register now. Dayton & McCormick.

OCEAN TICKETS—MONEY EXCHANGED

for steamship passengers. Gold, drafts, etc. F. B. Clarke, Richmond street, 2.

MUSIC FURNISHED FOR PARTIES.

balls, banquets. Phone 1265. Tony Vita's Italian Harpers, 122 Queen's avenue.

TONY CORTES—ORIGINAL LONDON

Harpist. Music furnished for all occasions. 161 Maple. Phone 1870.

MEETINGS.

LAUREL CAMP, No. 25, W. O. W. MEETS every second and fourth Monday.

Shelburne Hall, 8 p.m. Visitors welcome.

I. O. O. F.—HARMONY—ADELPHIAN

Encampment, No. 3. All Patriarchs in city urged to attend next regular meeting, Dec. 12, at Oddfellows' Hall. Presentation to Patriarch Belz, by Grand Encampment. Venison supper afterward.

FEMALE HELP WANTED.

EXPERIENCED STENOGRAPHER DESIRES position. Box 118, Advertiser.

WANTED—EDUCATED WOMAN FOR business firm; one accustomed to meeting the public preferred. Apply Box 113, Advertiser.

BRIGHT, ENERGETIC WOMAN WANTED One with some experience in nursing. Apply Box 116, Advertiser.

LADIES TO COPY LETTERS AT HOME—Share time; good pay, cash weekly; reliable; send samples. Zeck Company, Morristown, N. Y.

STENOGRAPHER WANTED, WITH THOROUGH English education, who can read her notes correctly and has fair speed on the machine. Apply stating office experience, if any, Box 588, city.

WANTED AT ONCE—GIRL FOR LIGHT housework. Apply Mrs. Edward Wells, 492 Ottawa avenue.

WANTED—HOUSEMAID, WITH SOME EXPERIENCE. Apply Mrs. Williams, "Richmont," corner St. James and St. George.

WANTED—AN EXPERIENCED HOUSEMAID. Apply Housekeeper, Tecumseh House.

CHAMBERMAID AND KITCHEN HELP. City Hotel.

WANTED—A PARLORMAID, who can read and write. Apply Miss Leontine, 272 Queen's avenue.

TEACHER, WITH NORMAL CERTIFICATE, for S. S. No. 1, Westminster. Address George Marr, White Oak, 17n.

TEACHER FOR S. S. No. 4, LORO—Duties, commence Jan. 1, 1908. Apply to E. W. Walker, Tupperville, Ont.

TEACHER WANTED—S. S. No. 4, M. P. CALFE; state salary and qualifications; personal application preferred. John A. Walker, Walkers, Ont.

BOARDING ROOMS, ETC.

THE LEADER RESTAURANT—ACCOMMODATION for any number of guests. New leaders and beds. Good meals, all hours, 20 cents. C. Myers, 143 King street.

200 BOARDERS WANTED—BIG BELL Restaurant. All new rooms and beds; \$5.50 per week. P. G. Myers, proprietor.

SLATE ROOFING, ASPHALT, CEMENT paint for iron roofs. Walter Scott, 504 York street, London.

LIVERIES AND HACKS.

FIRST-CLASS RUBBER-TIRED RIGS and hacks. Phone 838. Ross Bros., successors to Hugh Gillies, 647 Dundas street.

POOL'S LIVERY, TALBOT AND YORK—Rubber-tired rigs, good horses. Phone 122.

CLEANERS AND DYERS.

LANGLEY, MY VALET—CLEANING, pressing, repairing. 253 Dundas. Phone 721. Wagon calls.

SURVEYORS.

F. W. FARNCOMB, CIVIL ENGINEER and surveyor, Bank Toronto Chambers, Richmond street.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—ABOUT FIFTEEN ACRES OF timber. John Turnbull, Komoka, Ont. 4314.

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FOUR ACRES, WITH BRICK HOUSE, barn, orchard, corner lot; also 3/4 acre, corner lot; finely situated; suitable for building lots. Brammer, corner River road and Francis street, West London. 97b-w.

200 ACRES IN THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH Dorchester, County of Middlesex, on the Hamilton road, two miles east of Dorchester station; 150 acres cleared, 50 good timber, soil sandy loam, two-story brick house, 120 water in each house; bank barn 40x24, with water for stock within the building; two implement buildings, milk house and other outbuildings, which have been recently built, and are in good condition. Apply on premises, or to J. P. Cartwright, Dorchester Station, Ont. 5514.

ELOCUTION.

EMILIE BESSIE URQUHART (GRADUATE Toronto Conservatory School of Expression), reader and entertainer. Concert engagements accepted. Pupils taught expression and physical culture. 263 Grosvenor street. 51a-cot

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LARGE PROFITS MADE "TRADING IN puts and calls on wheat; \$10 buys put or call on 10,000 bushels; \$5000 advance from call or same decline from put price makes profit \$200; full particulars free. The Mutual Grain Company, 50 Wall street, New York.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

GOOD BUSINESS STAND IN COUNTRY town—Cash grocery, boot and shoe, for sale. Box 17, London Advertiser.

PERSONS WISHING PLACES OR FURNITURE removed will please call Alfred Hall & Son, Phone 1753.

SKATES HOLLOW GROUND AND AT TAILED to boots. Percy Hodgins, 725 Richmond street.

HOUSES, ROOMS, TO LET.

COMFORTABLE FURNISHED ROOM,

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TO LET—MODERN FLAT, EIGHT ROOMS; steam heating. Apply Bank of Toronto, Richmond and John streets. 17c

TO LET—TWO-STORY BRICK HOUSE, city, nine rooms; good stable. 143 William street. 17u

NO. 20 DUNDAS STREET—TWO BED-ROOM cottage, cosy and comfortable; rent right. Apply 501 Ottawa avenue. 184

TO LET—NEW STORY AND HALF BRICK house, on Eglinton street, south of Hamilton road. Apply 746 Hill street. 15e

TO LET—STORE, CORNER ADELAIDE and Central. Cottage at 583 Piccadilly street. 15e

THREE MODERN STORY AND HALF-brick blocks market. Fifteen cottages, ten vacant. Sutherland, 7 Market Lane. 14c-wt

TO LET—SEVERAL HOUSES CALL AT 9 King, or phone 2416. 5614-wt

HOUSES—\$6, \$7, \$8, \$9, \$10, \$12, \$13 AND \$15. Scarrow's Wallpaper Store, 92 King street. 911-wt

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TO LET—THREE-STORY STORE, BE- tween Wellington and Richmond roads. Apply J. W. G. Winnett, barrister, city. 418; Talbot. ywt

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TO LET OR FOR SALE—DESIRABLE building, three stories, containing three separate stores, two lodge rooms and several other rooms; good stable and reliable; send samples. Zeck Company, Morristown, N. Y.

NEW COTTAGE TO LET—KENSINGTON West London. Apply 30 Wilton avenue. 81f

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TO LET—MODERN HOUSE, REPAIRED throughout. No. 42 Waterloo street. Apply 391 Dundas street. 921f

FINE NEW HOUSE, 496 OXFORD, THOROUGHLY modern, 4 bedrooms, double parlors, open plumbing, Pease furnace, hardwood floors. Apply 391 Dundas street. 921f

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FOREST CITY IMPROVED MOVING VANS—W. Broughton, 455 Piccadilly street.

TO LET YOU KNOW THAT JOHN J. Biggs, the furniture mover, is still in business, phone 1444—no usual.

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WARM FURNISHED BEDROOM FOR TWO gentlemen, with or without board. 416 York street. 14c-wt

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WEDDING STATIONERY IN ALL THE latest styles. See our samples. The Advertiser Job Department. 551f

FRESH FISH NOW ON SALE—F. S. ONN, Fish Market, Phone 1235.

CHEAP WOOD AND COAL—GREEN & CO., 325 York street, phone 43. Wood load; 12 and 16-inch hardwood, blocks or split. Phone 1391.

CLEARING SITES—WALL PAPERS AT Shuff's, corner Dundas and William streets. 12c

MEN'S FUR COATS—PRICES REDUCED:—Lincoln, 245 Dundas street, Bazaaring in harness. A. W. Highways, Masonic Temple.

ONE GOOD NEW MILCH COW (HOLSTEIN) for sale. John Fairweather, Leathers.

KODAKS MAKE IDEAL CHRISTMAS GIFTS—Prices from \$1 up. McKenzie, photo supplies, opposite City Hall.

FOR SALE—DRAY, PLATFORM WAGON, Lennox, rubber-tired top, buggy, bike. Advertiser Job Department. 551f

FOR SALE—ONE NEOSLYTE, ONE CUPBOARD. Apply N. Mills, 1 Masonic Temple, London.

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CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES IN HAND—PAINTED work. Postal cards on velvet, etc. Prices reasonable. Room 2, Greene-Sell, building, opposite City Hall.

POOL TABLE OR WILL EXCHANGE FOR billiard table. James Gleason, 631 Dundas street. Phone 2223.

GOOD CUTLER, ALSO CHARTS FOR dressmaking. \$1. Agents wanted everywhere. Apply to J. P. Cartwright, 221 Talbot street, London. 671f

ONE HANDSOME CABINET ORGAN AT \$25; one Stoddard square piano, \$55; and one beautiful rosewood piano, \$100. Heintzman & Co., 217 Dundas, corner Clarence.

SOME GOOD SECOND-HAND TOP DELIV- ERY wagons for sale. Abbott's Carriage Works.

FOR SALE—GOOD DELIVERY WAGON Apply Purdon-Gillespie Hardware Com- pany. 461f

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DROP-HEAD NEW WILLIAMS SEWING machine, \$27, on installment or big discount for cash. 247 Dundas street. ywt

SEE NEW PATENT SLEIGH—HORSE CAN load in kind and of sleigh without unloading. E. H. Scott, Fall Mall and Adelaide. ywt

GEORGE A COAT AND FUR FOR THE winter at \$1 per week, at Fiebels's, 638 Dundas street. ywt

BUGGY, HARNESS AND CUTTER FOR sale, cheap. Apply 683 Hill street. 15c-wt

SUNDAY SERVICES.

SUDAN INTERIOR MISSION

Prayer Circles meet 8 o'clock p.m. monthly, as follows: Tuesday, residence T. B. Scott, 566 Dundas street; Thursday, residence Rev. Edwin Holmes, 555 William street; second Thursday, residence J. M. Thomson, 304 Central avenue; third Thursday, Christian Workers' Church, 406 Burwell street; Thursday, residence Rev. A. J. Bowen, 91 Eglinton street; second Monday, residence H. E. Wilson, Base Line.



MARIE FLYNN.
As "Gyp," in "The Cowboy Girl," at the Grand Next Thursday Evening.

Forest City Camp Elected Officers

A meeting of Forest City Camp, No. 1, C. O. W. O. W., was held on Thursday, when a large number of sovereigns were present. The following officers were elected: P. C. C., John Saunders; C. C., Robert Gilmore; Adv. Lieut., James Pope; banker, G. F. Morris; clerks, W. Saunders; escort, Lewis Baldwin; watchman, H. L. Lennington; sentry, McTaggart; manager, John Wood; physician, Dr. Teasdale; organist, E. Moyer; delegate, John Francis; Alt. Del., Charles Doe; captain uniform rank, Fred Bailey.

Installing Electricity in the Tunnel

The Sarnia Observer says: An article published in today's London Free Press, copied from a Detroit exchange, is causing a good deal of laughter among railway men here. Instead of the tunnel having to be closed for traffic for three or four days to allow of the stringing of the cables, the contractors say five hours will be all the time they require to string each cable. Four cables in all will be run through the tunnel. The work of putting in the cables will not be undertaken until after New Year's. By that time the electric locomotives will be given ample opportunity to prove their hauling capacity, and the men who will have charge of them will be thoroughly instructed in their operation. The new locomotives will be used in the Port Huron tunnel yards while being tested.

Railway men are somewhat disappointed in the new locomotives as to their hauling capacity, which is guaranteed at 100 tons. Two of the engines are guaranteed to take a 1,000-ton train through the tunnel and up the grade. This, it is claimed, is not as good as what the present tunnel engines are doing daily. The average tonnage now hauled through the tunnel by the steam locomotives now in use is 7,700 tons, and sometimes as much as 10,000 tons is brought through by one engine.

South London Liberals Play Whist

The weekly whist match under the auspices of the South London Liberal Club was held last evening, and was one of the most successful yet held. There was a large crowd and great enthusiasm. The whist match resulted in a tie, Mr. Duke Palmer and Mr. Harry West being tie with a score of plus 23. In the play-off, Palmer won, and was presented with a handsome spoonholder, the gift of Mr. T. H. Purdom, K.C. A splendid literary programme is being arranged for next week, and it will be of unusual excellence. It is expected that a record attendance of Liberals will be present.

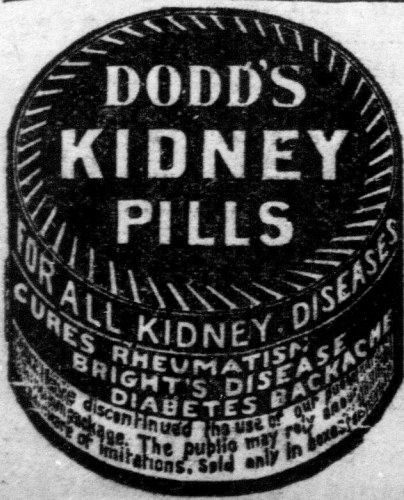
A TIE VOTE IN THE COUNTY COUNCIL

On Question of Reorganizing the Constabulary of Middlesex.

The afternoon session of the county council yesterday was rather stormy, albeit a good-natured one. For a few hours the councillors debated the question of increasing the efficiency of the county constabulary. It all came about when Councillor Glass moved that steps be taken to reorganize the system. This did not mean that the old constables were to be dispensed with, but that the hiring and discharging of the constables would be left to the county council, and that the men should be placed to better advantage in the future. Another item which will come up in reference to this matter is that of reimbursing the constables when they go out on wild-goose chases. At present they have to stand all such expenses themselves.

The Vote.

When the question was put to a vote everybody was willing to have the system readjusted, but there was a decided difference of opinion as to how it should be done. It was moved that the matter be left to the hands of High Constable Hughes, and a tie vote resulted. It was then moved that it be left to the high constable and a special committee. This also resulted in an even vote.



and as a result the matter will be left over until the January session.

A Tennis Court.

A deputation of three from the Y. M. C. A., composed of Messrs. John Macpherson, B. R. Wilson and A. C. Norton, addressed the council on behalf of the Y. M. C. A., which desired the use of a portion of the court house grounds for tennis courts. A promise was given that the lawn would be kept in good shape, and that no damage would be done to the grounds. The request was granted.

A vote of thanks was extended to Dr. J. D. Wilson for entertaining the council at luncheon. The account of J. C. Elliott, county attorney, was received, and sent to the finance committee. The bill amounts to \$311.

Inspector's Report.

The report of the inspector of the house of industry and refuge contained a number of very interesting particulars. The total number of inmates for the year was 101, and the days put in were 27,497. There were 10 deaths during the year, 9 inmates left the refuge of their own accord, and a like number were discharged. The causes of pauperism were as follows:

Causes of Pauperism.

Intemperance 25, weak intellect 16, cripples 5, deaf and dumb 1, homeless 48, paralysis 5, loss of sight 1. The total expenditures amounted to \$12,072.

Crops Raised.

The following crops were raised: 425 bushels of oats, 375 bushels of corn, 757 bushels of potatoes, 250 bushels of carrots, 750 bushels of mangolds, 1,000 bushels of turnips, 30 bushels of parsnips, 20 bushels of beets, 15 bushels of onions, 10 bushels of garden carrots, 20 bushels of tomatoes, 1,650 heads of cabbage, 6 tons of hay, 12 loads of straw, 15 loads of corn stalks, 15 tons of ensilage.

There were 574 pounds of butter made during the year and 4,320 gallons of milk found. Adopted as read.

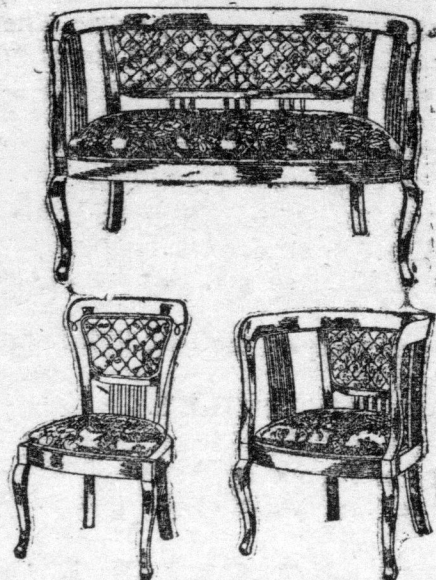
Petitioning Committee.

The second report of the petitioning committee contained the following recommendations: That the petition from the ratepayers of the village of Ilderton requesting that it be made a police village be granted. That the first meeting for the police village of Ilderton shall be held on the 30th of December at 12 o'clock in the Oddfellows' Hall, and if a poll be required it shall be held on the 6th day of January.

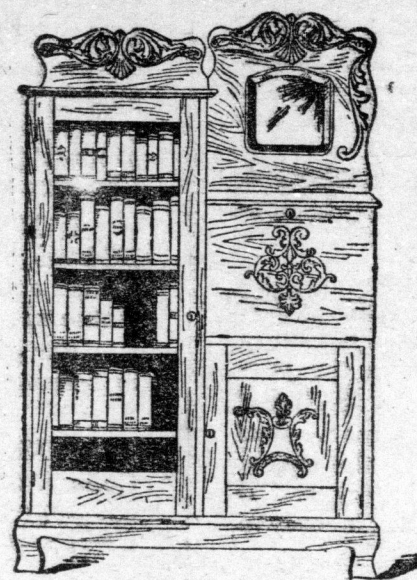
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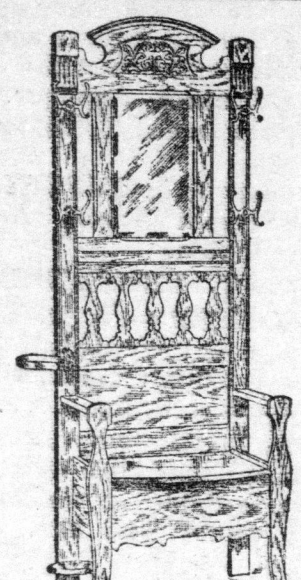
An acceptable gift must be useful, lasting and pleasing in appearance. Our store is filled with just such happy thoughts for gift giving—appropriate gifts for young or old. Sensible gifts of this character imply thought in the giver and are doubly appreciated. A small deposit will hold anything till Christmas. Come now while our stock is at its best.



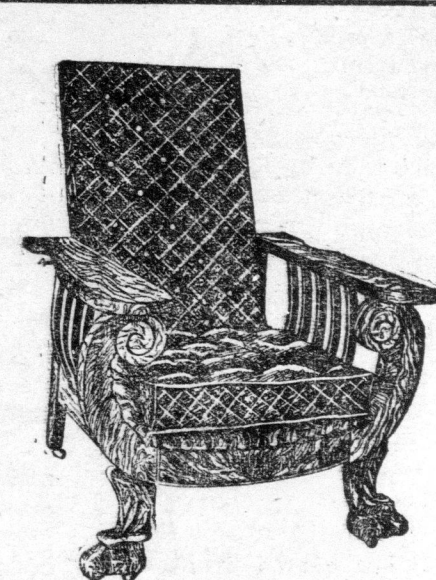
This neat, 3-piece Suite, in best silks, \$27. We have others from \$15 up to \$200.



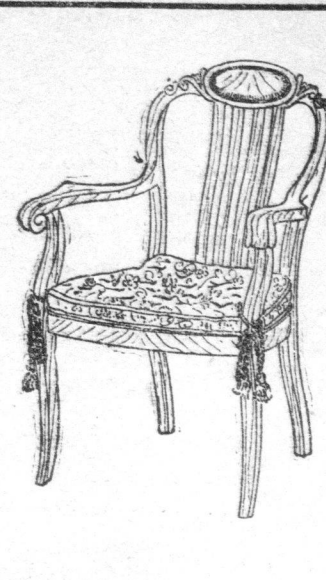
This Solid Oak Secretary, heavily carved, \$12. We have them from \$3 up to \$50.



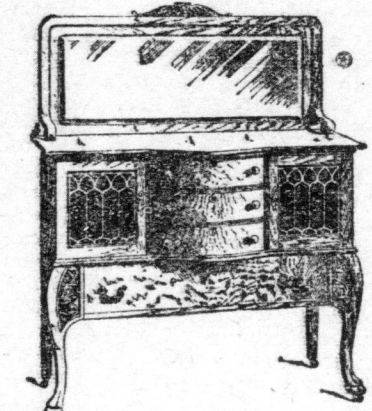
This Hall Rack, in hard wood, \$6.75. Others from \$4 up to \$65.



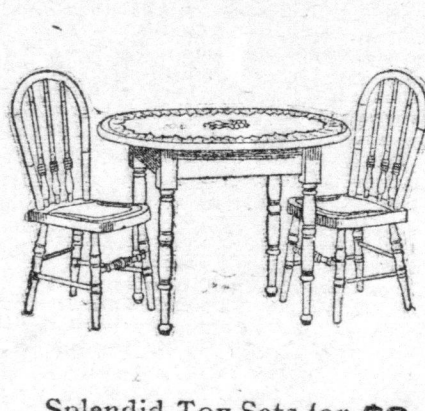
This handsome Morris Chair, hand carved, for \$9.75. We have others in solid oak from \$6 up to \$35.



This Parlor Chair, loose cushions, for \$6.50. Others run from \$4.50 up.



This Buffet, in solid oak, hand carved, for \$27. Others run from \$16 up to \$100.



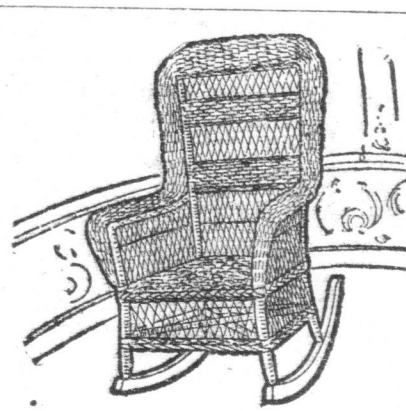
Splendid Toy Sets for \$2. Red, white or natural color chairs 45c, Tables \$1.10.



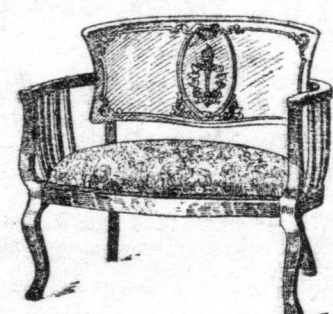
Iron Beds make a sensible gift. We have over 100 to choose from, \$3 up to \$25.



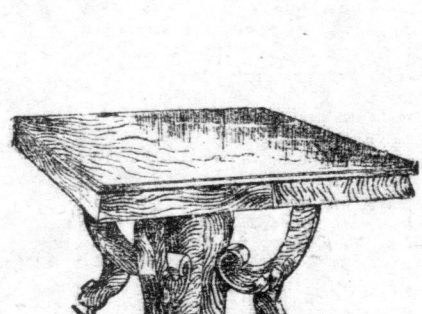
This neat 5-Piece Suite, heavily carved, \$24. Others from \$13 up to \$200.



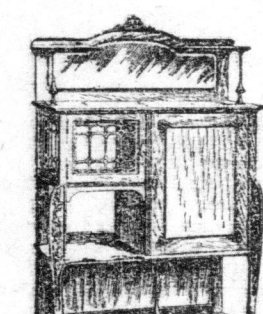
This neat Reed Rocker for \$4.50. Others from \$3 up to \$12.



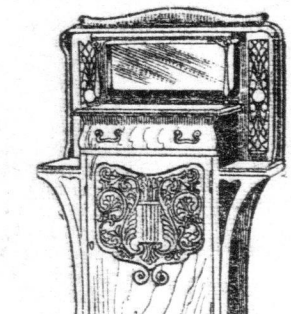
Neat Divan, hand carved mahogany finish, for \$11.50. Others from \$8 up.



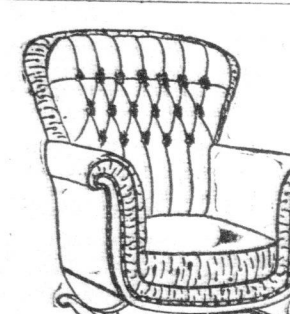
Oak Dining Table, \$14.50. Others from \$4 up to \$90.



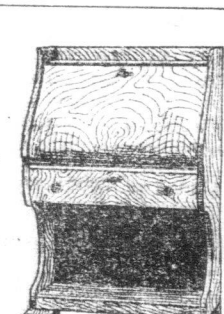
Neat Parlor Cabinets, \$14.50. 50 different styles to choose from, others \$4 up.



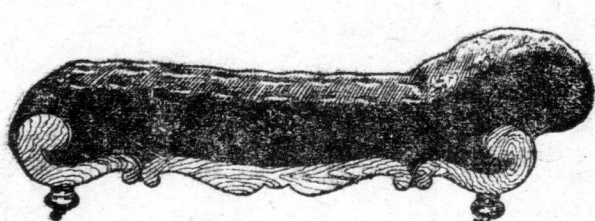
Mahogany Music Cabinet, \$11.50. Others from \$3.50 up to \$50.



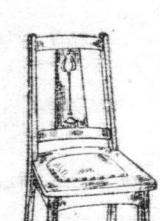
Leather Turkish Chair, \$28.50. A large variety to choose from \$20 up to \$75.



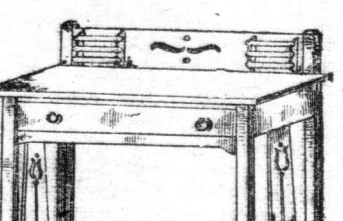
Solid Oak Desk, \$9.50. Others from \$3.50 to \$55.



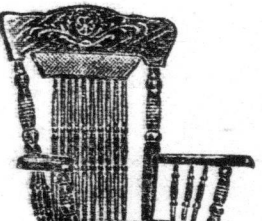
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Mission Desk and Chair to match, \$12. We have a very large assortment of Mission Furniture of all kinds.



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ly. The president's address was hopeful in regard to Canadian conditions.

BANK OF MONTREAL

Annual Report Shows Institution To Be Progressive and Prosperous.

The annual report of the Bank of Montreal has been issued and it is most encouraging. This institution has now reached a position where it is considered one of the strongest financial institutions in the world, and is rated alongside the Bank of England, and other bulwarks of the financial world. The last dividend has been declared amounting to 2 1/2 per cent for the quarter. The profits for the year amounted to \$2,139,969 38. After the dividends, amounting to \$1,440,000, had been paid, the balance of \$699,969 38 has been carried forward. The assets of the company amount to \$165,234,768 85. During the year branches have been opened at Medicine Hat, Alta.; Charlottetown, P. E. I.; and also sub-agencies at Chilliwack, B. C., Summerland, B. C., Rosendal, Man., Vancouver, Hull, S. Roches, Que., Marysville, Que., Dunroba street, Toronto. A branch will be opened in Prince Rupert, B. C., shortly.

ALL INSTITUTIONS ARE SATISFACTORY

Report of Dr. Bruce-Smith on Homes Conducted by the W. C. A.

The reports of Dr. R. W. Bruce-Smith, who recently made visits of inspection to the Home for Incurables, the Aged People's Home, and the Women's Refuge and Infants' Home, have been received by the Women's Christian Association, under whose control these institutions are conducted, and are most satisfactory in every respect.

Dr. Bruce-Smith reports that in every institution the work is being carried on in the most thorough manner. In the Home for the Incurables there are at present eighteen male patients and nineteen females. Dr. Smith strongly recommended that the fire drill be practiced regularly, especially by the attendants. The Government grant amounted to \$857 77 this year.

TOWN OF ALAMEDA WIPED OUT BY FIRE

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 6.—The town of Alameda, Man., 200 miles west, was destroyed by fire last night. Loss, \$200,000; partly insured.

AFTER THE SOUTH POLE.

Paris, Dec. 6.—Dr. Charcot, son of the late famous physician of that name, announced today that he would soon start and head another expedition to the south pole. During his last exploration of the Antarctic region on the steamer Belgica, Dr. Charcot discovered a new region which he named Loubet Land, after ex-President Loubet, of France. He now believes he will succeed in approaching near to the mysterious south pole. The doctor will assemble the members of his expedition at Buenos Ayres, whence he will start for Cape Horn and the Antarctic regions.

The west coast countries of South America are nearly 2,000 miles closer to the manufacturing districts of the United States than they are to the manufacturing districts of Europe.

YORK LOAN REAL ESTATE

Two and a Half Per Cent Commission to All Agents Who Sell

Toronto, Dec. 6.—The official referee Mr. George Kaupke, has issued an order authorizing the payment of 2 1/2 per cent commission to all agents who sell estate of the York County Loan Company all over the Dominion. The National Trust Company, the liquidators, were authorized to appropriate \$3,035 to pay commissions to agents who have already made sales. On the basis of 2 1/2 per cent commission this would mean that \$221,426 of the property of the York County Loan has been sold since liquidation.

TAFT IN GERMANY.

Berlin, Dec. 6.—Mr. Taft and the members of his party arrived here today from Russia. He was met at the station by Ambassador Tower and Lieut.-Col. John P. Wisser, the military attaché. In an interview the secretary declared that his journey was without political significance. Mr. Taft leaves here tonight for Hamburg and Cuxhaven, where he will embark tomorrow on the steamer President Grant for New York.

NIAGARA POWER CAMPAIGN.

Toronto, Dec. 6.—The Niagara power bylaw campaign was opened in this city tonight at a meeting held in Broadway Hall. The hall was completely filled, and the meeting enthusiastic. Messrs. W. F. MacLean, M. P., Dr. Beattie Nesbitt, J. W. Curry, K. C., James Simpson and L. Oliver were the speakers. The three mayoralty candidates, Messrs. Nesbitt, Simpson and Oliver, all spoke strongly in favor of the plan. The board of control will open its campaign next week, when a series of meetings will be held, culminating in a grand mass meeting in Massey Hall.

Japan has 2,237 banks, with \$295,244,334 capital. Five new banks have opened since February.

I was cured of terrible lumbago by MINARD'S LINIMENT. REV. WM. BROWN.

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Latest News From
Far and NearGrouped With Fast O. H. A. Teams
Well Pleased With ArrangementEddie Dinsmore Will Play With
the London Team—Other
Groupings.

The final grouping of the O. H. A. teams took place at a meeting of the executive in the Telegram Building, Toronto, last night.

London, in District 5, of the intermediates, was grouped with Paris, Brantford, Ayr, Woodstock, and Ingersoll.

Permission was also granted London to play Eddie Dunsmore, formerly with Stratford.

The local team is well pleased with the arrangement, and expect to make a good showing.

Brantford has two teams in the O. H. A. this year, as has Woodstock and Paris.

The groupings is as follows:

Senior.
Group No. 1.—St. George's Toronto, Fourteenth Regiment, Kingston and Parkdale.

Group No. 2.—Stratford, Berlin, Galt and Preston.

Intermediate.
No. 1.—Mac Macs, Smith's Falls.

SPORTING GOSSIP

BY SOUTHPAW

WELL, THE HOCKEY BOYS are grouped at last and all is serene in the camp of the nifty Horvaths.

The jumps will not be long ones, and while the team may not come out much ahead financially, if they make a good showing they cannot come out in the hole.

HERE IS A FUNNY ONE from the Toronto Telegram: Sir,—I wish to correct an erroneous statement that occurred in your valuable paper a few days ago. According to it "Tom Burns" is a French-Canadian. Pardon me for telling you that he is not a "French," but a German-Canadian, from Hanover, where I was well acquainted with his folks. And I am glad that he is of German birth, for he has given evidence of some accomplishment other than sauerkraut eating and lager beer drinking, the chief virtues whereof the Germans in Canada are credited with by ignorant people.

We knew it.

THE LONDON ADVERTISER suggests that the Olympic committee should establish a residence rule. No one should be eligible for a place on the Canadian team who has not been a resident of Canada for at least ten days.—Toronto Star.

Isn't Lou the grand old cut-up, though? Next thing we know Joe Hays, of the News, will turn loose his satire.

SPEAKING OF EXPENSES for the Olympic games, the Telegram pops off as follows:

A morning paper suggests that perhaps some of the Olympic team might prefer to pay their own expenses to England rather than hang on to the tail end of a subscription list. And it is to laugh. Why that brand of amateurism is almost pre-historic. The up-to-date amateur has everything provided by an indulgent trainer, even to his laundry bills and chewing gum. He dare not spend any of his money or the public might get suspicious and wonder where it was coming from.

Fudge, that is nothing. An unpretentious Indian dare not even conduct a cigar store now-a-days without having reflections cast as to his amateurism.

WONDER WHAT HAS happened to Hamilton? The Times man hasn't mentioned Demon Bartel, the wrestler, for two days. Neither have we heard anything of that Montreal Eastern League franchise for a like length of time.

IF YOU ARE NOT a roller skater you are not in it in London these days. Still every old town has its fads and fancies. Toronto has the walking fever; Hamilton is (or was) football mad; Stratford goes in for hockey, and St. Thomas for railroading.

DOCTOR SIPP says he believes that Greer, the baseball man, originated in the think-tank of the St. Thomas Times' man. And yet they say that rural journalists are not original.

TODAY IS THE DAY of the bigbowling match between the Tiser and the Free Press. Tiny Mac, the darling mascot of the latter brigade, has personally promised to be there, and the excitement promises to be intense.

THAT ROLLER CONTEST was sort of an international affair. Conery, the winner, was a Buffalo boy. He made 94 miles. Weston walked 93 miles one day himself. This is not a knock.

FOR FULL PARTICULARS of the bowling contest see Monday evening's Advertiser.

With the Puckchasers

London, Ayr, Woodstock, Ingersoll, Brantford, Paris, Sounds nice, doesn't it?

Will Davidson, the Stratford player, will again play left wing for the 'Varsity team this season.

Woodstock Sentinel-Review: Officers of the Twenty-second Regiment are talking of putting a team of juniors in the O. H. A. If this materializes Woodstock will be fairly represented in the association this season with two junior and one intermediate teams.

Pete Charlton has jumped the Toronto professional team and has gone to Pittsburgh, where he will play for the Lyciums. Charlton promised to play with the Toronto pros.

Wally Hern, the Stratford hockeyist, who is the proud possessor of three O. H. A. championship medals—junior, intermediate, and senior—will play occasionally for his home club this season if required, but will not be one of the regular players of the team.

The Ottawa players have had their contracts revised. The club has agreed to give way somewhat, and a player

fourteenth Regiment, Kingston, Crescents, Belleville.
No. 2.—Peterboro, Cobourg, Whitby, Port Hope, Lindsay.
No. 3.—Uxbridge, Toronto Rowing Club, Port Perry.
No. 4.—Port Colborne, Welland, Simcoe, Tillsonburg, Dunnville.
No. 5.—Ayr, Woodstock, London, Ingersoll, Brantford, Paris.
No. 6.—New Hamburg, Seaforth, Heseler.
No. 7.—Alliston, Collingwood, Markdale, Oshawa, Meaford.
No. 8.—Orillia, Penetang, Midland, Bracebridge, Newmarket.
No. 9.—Sudbury a bye.

Junior.
No. 1.—Forty-first, Brockville, St. George's, Kingston.
No. 2.—Belleville, Port Hope, Picton, Cobourg.

No. 3.—Corticeville, St. Mike's, Parkdale, C. C., Island A. A., All of Toronto.

No. 4.—Simcoe (Toronto), Markdale High School, U. C. C. (Toronto), Eureka (Toronto).

No. 5.—Brantford, Preston, Listowel, Woodstock.

No. 6.—Brantford, Simcoe, Paris, Watford.

No. 7.—Barrie, Collingwood, Newmarket.

A. C. team, received word from Frank Muldon, Harold Higgins and Charles Kerr that they would be on hand today.

It is announced that Art Leader, the former Quebec star, who has been out west, has accepted the terms of the Quebec Club. Eddie Hogan will also play. Moran will play goal. Leader point, Hogan cover, and Joe Power, Rocket Power, Blair and Lavigne on the forward line.

WARD FOUR WINS
FROM WARD FIVEFowler's and Captain Sippi's
Teams Clash on Liberal
Club Alleys.

Capt. Fowler's Ward 4 bowlers won two of the three games from Capt. Sippi's Ward 5 trundlers in the Liberal Club series last evening. The

bowling was fair, although the Ward 4 bowlers rolled a good one as a closer.

B. Watterson was the boss trundler of the evening. He had had luck in his first two games, and also some bad bowling, but he came through fast in the good-night game, and rolled 225 giving him individual as well as high average.

O'Farrell was always ready with a good one, and rolled a steady game, getting second money. He was closely pursued by Worrall for honors.

The latter got away bad in the first two games, but he rolled over 200 in his last game. Percy Stone was good all the way.

The first game went to Ward 4 rather easily, but the second was a heartbreaker. It was won in the last frame by Doc Sippi. The old boy did not have a very high batting average, but he was there with the pinch hit.

His strike on the last frame gave his boys the margin by 5 pins. McMurphy would have bowled well if the pins had been set at the other end of the alley, but he could have kicked them over then. Wilkey was steady.

Sippi got over 100 once or twice causing great rejoicing. Adams and Simpson played Alphonse-Gaston, and finished with 135 and 142.

Stone was good all the way. The score:

Ward Four.
Adams 113 127 143— 383
Worrall 132 147 207— 486
McMurphy 140 124 122— 386
Waterworth 132 142 125— 399
Stone 151 169 159— 479

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Ward Five.
Simpson 126 134 123— 383
Wilkey 145 142 132— 419
O'Farrell 139 186 172— 497
Cunningham 111 135 132— 378
Sippi 95 119 145— 359

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**BURNS MAY NOT
FIGHT JIM ROCHE**

Champion Pugilist Likely To
Return and Take on
Jack Johnson.

London, Dec. 6.—Tommy Burns, the new heavyweight champion of the world, may not fight Jim Roche, the Irish champion, after all. There is strong probability today that he will return to the United States.

He is expected to return to the United States on a match with Jack Johnson, the giant negro heavyweight.

The fact became known when Burns today consulted several of the leading lights in the National Sporting Club as to what purse they were likely to offer for a match between himself and Roche.

Burns made it known that if he could not see his way clear to make at least \$15,000 out of the match he would not bother with it, but would go back to the United States. He has received several good offers for a battle with Johnson and will consider them. When asked point-blank if he wanted to fight the negro, he said:

"I now claim the heavyweight championship of the world, and I will meet any man, no matter what his color. All I want is that my antagonist is good enough to draw the money to the box office. I promised Sam Fitzpatrick, Johnson's manager, before I left New York, I would fight this man, and I will keep my word."

**HOLIDAY TRADE
OPENING OUT WELL**

London reports to Bradstreet's say the holiday trade there is opening out well, and there are signs that the sorting trade in winter goods will soon move more freely. Collections are good and the country trade is now fairly brisk. The cigar makers here are still quite busy and the general conditions are favorable. Most of the manufacturers are using up stock previously purchased, as the general impression is that no material will be reduced in price. The shoe manufacturers are working full time, and have had very few cancellations for spring trade. Payments with most of the houses are satisfactory, although we learn in some quarters of payments being slow.

A creamy substance called "miraculum," the invention of an Australian, is being tested in the United States in repairing punctured pneumatic tires. The substance is applied to the interior of a tube, and it is claimed, automatically seals a puncture the instant it is caused.

For \$5 steam will do the work which would cost \$300 if done by hand.

BILL COUGHLIN
THIRD BASE KINGLacks the Inherent Ability of
Bradley or Collins, But Gets
There By His Energy.

Detroit, Dec. 5.—Bill Coughlin, Bill Bradley, Jimmy Collins and Lee Tannehill are the star third-sackers of the American League. Boston, New York, Washington and St. Louis have nothing to boast of in this line. Aside from the battery positions there is no harder work on the diamond than one finds at third. The position is an ugly one to master, and when a chap does loom up as a great star in that position he is going some. No ball ever comes with any great ease and the throw is always the hardest and longest to make. When a batter shoots a ball down to third there is always great force behind it, especially if it is a right-handed batter. It is a significant fact that the four clubs in the first division, Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Chicago and Cleveland, were the clubs who had the four third-sackers who show class. Philadelphia was sinking rapidly until Connie Mack got Collins.

Collins Slowing Up.

Jimmy Collins was once the great star. Today he is fat and heavy. He started in well with Philadelphia, but began to slow up toward the close of the year. To the third sack Jimmy Collins was what Lajoie is to second.

He was the ideal quick to think, sure of foot, strong of arm and game to the core. He never made any unnecessary moves, and yet he was always the most graceful of players. At trapping a ball Collins had few if any equals. He has a thousand and one little tricks in the playing of the bag that stamp him a marvel. But these are fast gaining on him and robbing him of his speed and endurance. He is off in his present condition. There is a great effort now when it comes to a play that a few years ago was so natural nobody stopped to think just how really great it was.

Collins has been handicapped as a great ball player; he is rich. That is usually the death of the star of the diamond. Money robs him of his brilliancy. For he does not have to work. When he does not feel like it he does not play. For he does not care much whether he keeps his place. Point out the wealthy ball player and you'll find out he is not killing himself to win. Maybe he is trying hard, but the dash and spirit are missing.

Tannehill Fast.

Lee Tannehill has been an unknown quantity for two years, as he has been out of the game most of the time with injuries. When right "Tanny" is a star of the first water. He has a remarkable whip, can handle thrown balls from any angle, covers a great territory, and usually displays great initiative in engineering plays.

But a man patched up with skin guards one week and arm bandages the next week can hardly be judged. No one knows whether Tannehill is still the star or whether he has gone back.

Joe Cantillon has a classy little player of some promise playing third for him. This fellow Shipke can field in sensational style and can throw well. He displays fine headwork for a colt and may startle some of the older men next year. They say Moriarty is to play the bag for Griffith next year. This had something of a ball player in sensational style and can throw the position long enough to become accustomed to it ought to put up a star game.

Bradley's Style.

But sifted from the eight clubs there are two men remaining who have had any chance to win fame. They are still Bill Bradley and Bill Coughlin. Many would pick Brad because he is the flashy style of player. He does things with a flourish, and as he does them you expect to hear the circus band break forth in glad acclaim. Bill is really a modest, retiring fellow; in fact, too retiring. He does not do the grandstand act; it is just his style of playing. No man in the league can beat him coming in on bunts or easy grounders. He scoops them up and whips them over to first with a perfect underhand throw. He is picturesque, sensational, but he lacks initiative—he seems indifferent at times.

When a wonderful baseball genius like Bradley would be if he had the disposition of Bill Coughlin! Bill is a remarkable player. The days when he was developing as a player were spent down in Washington, where he never had any chance to win fame. For he was always surrounded by weaklings. Since he came to Detroit Bill has gradually forced his way to the top. During the past three years he has fought daily on the diamond with never a thought of anything but winning. He is the hardest worker on the diamond today. Jennings says so; every man in baseball has the same opinion. When the club was in sixth place and everyone was fighting against everyone else, Bill played as hard as he did this summer when they were trying for the flag. He earned the name of "Faithful Bill" and it will stick to him as long as he is in the game.

Not a player of great natural ability, his quick Irish wit, his determination to rise, and his wonderful nerve and staying powers, have made him the idol of the baseball public. There can live a gamer, but a player; no one ever heard of a player who put his whole heart and soul into every play the way this Scranton coal miner does. He is as tough as hickory, has no regard for pain and will sacrifice himself every time for victory.

Willie Keeler is something of a genius when it comes to outguessing the opposing infield. They do say he is the greatest artist in his line the

game has ever known. He can always hit them "where they ain't."

"Bill Coughlin is the hardest man in the league to beat," says Willie. "I'd rather try to place one past any other third-sacker."

What a battle of baseball wits there is when these two get together. Bill with that crouch of his, pounding on his glove, his black eyes flashing, every muscle so tense you think something within him is bound to snap. Keeler, choking his little bat, cold, sneering, seemingly indifferent, tries to draw the Tiger captain in so that he can rap one over his head. Bill, wise, moves back and forth, to the right and left, ever on the alert, peering at the little wonder. There is the crack of a bat against the leather and almost at the same time the spat of the ball against a glove. Coughlin has thrown himself over the bag and has knocked the ball down. Without ever regaining his balance he shoots it to first. Keeler is out.

"It is part of the game that's worth while," said Keeler to the writer while talking about Bill's work against him.

When Bill can't get them with his gloved hand, his bare fingers take the speediest of drives. If you take hold of Scranton Willie's mitt you think you have grasped a two-by-four scantling. His fingers are like steel and when he tightens you think they have been made into a vise.

Bill covers plenty of ground, has a beautiful whip, can trap a ball with the best of them and many claim he is the equal of the peerless Bradley in going in on bunts. He never steadies himself for a throw, always being able to get the ball over from any old angle. But great as he is in fielding grounders and bunts, great as he is in knocking down line drives, in throwing and in taking throws, his real greatness lies in the fact that he never misses a white chip. Coughlin tries for everything. He makes plays that other third-sackers would not attempt. It is a pet belief of the Tiger captain that if there were no such thing as fielding averages there would be faster baseball.

**LONGBOAT WON
BY THREE MINUTES**

Toronto, Dec. 6.—Tommy Longboat ambled down town yesterday feeling, as he expressed it, "like a fighting cock."

"I'll run any man in town," he announced everywhere he went. His challenge didn't go begging long. In less than half an hour there were a dozen men climbing into their togs, and at 4 o'clock the party left Longboat's cigar store at the Princess Theater. The race was scheduled to be a two-mile gallop to Bathurst street and return, but when the party arrived at Bathurst street Tommy challenged them all to go to Mimico and return. Claude Pierce and Hilton Green were game, and they galloped on, leaving the other bunch to come home. Frank Osborne won the two-mile race in the final sprint from Lou March. Longboat turned up after being away 57 minutes. White, Green and Pierce jogged in three minutes behind him. They had been out to Nurse's at the Humber, where they rounded the pump. The distance is said to be around ten miles. The pace was slow owing to a headwind, and all were together. Coming in, however, the Onondaga stepped it out pretty lively.

**DETROIT WOMAN
IN DRUCE TRIAL**

One-Time Housemaid for Duke of Portland on the Witness Stand.

London, Dec. 6.—This was the tenth day of the Druce trial, but the developments brought to light in the famous suit involving the estate and the title of the Duke of Portland at this session of the court, were few.

Mrs. Henry Hitchin, who was at one time a housemaid in the service of the Duke of Portland, recognized an alleged photograph of T. C. Druce as the Duke's Mrs. Hitchin lived in Detroit, Mich. from 1871 to 1890.

Henry Marks testified to having served Druce with fish daily for a number of years. Marks declared that he had seen a coffin being built by a carpenter in the neighborhood of Baker street. Near this coffin lay four rolls of sheet lead. He saw the coffin taken to the Baker street bazaar and the next day he witnessed the funeral. After this Druce never returned to the bazar, but he continued to order fish sent to his residence in St. John's Wood.

The case was then adjourned. Rumors are current that there will be another prosecution for perjury in connection with the case.

RURAL MAIL DELIVERY

Armstrong (East Lambton), Addresses The Commons in His Favor.

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—Rural mail delivery was once more under discussion today. Mr. Armstrong, the member for East Lambton, speaking in his favor. He also asked that the telegraph and telephone be placed under Government control. As to rural mail delivery, he declared it had proved successful in Western Europe, and the United States, and he thought the postal department surplus should be used in establishing the system.

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VESSEL PASSAGES

Detroit, Dec. 6.—Up: Pope, 9:30 on Thursday night; Laughlin, Rees, 10:40; America, Ralph, Harold, 12 midnight; Niagara, 1:30 Friday morning; W. J. Carter, 2:30; Rust, 6:30; Alfred Mitchell, Robert Mills, Carnegie, England, 8:30; Taylor, 10; Riddle, 10:15; Tuscarora, 11:40; Langell and barges, 12:20 p.m.; Maine and barges, 4:30; Holden, 6:20; Hall, 7:30.

Down: Yuma, 9 Thursday night; Mara, 9:40; Howe, 1 Friday morning; Leonard, 4:20; Phenix, Superior, Rochester, 10:40; Northern King, 11:20; Sierra, 12 noon; Steinbrenner, 12:15 p.m.; E. L. Wallace, 1; D. M. Whitney, 1:15; Aztec and consort, 2:30; Muncy, 3; Ward Ames, 3:15; Huron, 3:40; De Graff, 4.

Sault Ste. Marie, Dec. 6.—Up: Squire 11 Friday morning; Troy, noon; Saturn, Chili, 1 p.m.; Carter, 2:10; Pen-dennis, White, 5.

Down: Townsend, 9:30 Thursday night; Matthews, 10:30; North Star, Sinola, 1:40 Friday morning; Duluth, Winona, 2:30; Wilbert Smith, Nye, Bartow, 3:30; Plummer, Dan Hanna, Neepawan, Northern Queen, Buffalo, Flagg, 4:30; Glenell, Wexford, Strathcona, 5; Nottingham, N. W. Brown, McLouth, Midland King, Midland Queen, 6:20; Pollock, 7:30; Scottish Hero, 8:30; Fayette Brown, Sill.

Port Huron, Dec. 6.—Down: M. A. Hanna, 10:50 Thursday night; Sierra, 8:30 Friday morning; Steinbrenner, 6:50; Aztec, Miztec, 7:20; E. L. Wallace, W. S. Mack, R. M. Whitney, 7:30; Ward Ames, 9:50; DeGraff, 10:20; Winnipeg, 3:50 p.m.; Kensington, 7:10; W. L. Brown, 7:50.

Argentina now seems fixed at the top of the list in exports of wheat to Great Britain. It has held that position for three years, with steadily increasing figures, while the British imports from every other country have either declined or fluctuated.

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Manager King and More Trackage

It is not altogether certain that the London Street Railway Company is in favor of extending its service in the north end. The company is cognizant of the fact that it cannot be compelled to increase the trackage until 1911, as it already has more trackage than the population of the city according to the last census warrants. No special census can be taken for the purpose, as already the city has been refused that permission by the Legislature.

Three years yet remain before another census can be taken, upon which the track allowance will be considered. However, the population of the city will have increased to such an extent by that time that the company would be swamped with the amount of trackage it will have to put down.

It is understood that the company is not anxious to increase the trackage even to meet the needs of the rapidly-growing north end. Manager King is not favorable to it, and it is understood that he is voicing the opinions of the directorate.

"If increased trackage is wanted, I would suggest a loop in the north end," he said to The Advertiser. "Continue the Oxford line up Matland street, go east on Victoria street, and then down to Adelaide, making a complete loop. That would give an excellent service and would not necessitate the laying of so much track. It could be worked to the advantage of the company also, I think."

No committee will meet President Everett, of the street railway, on his visit here next week, and will talk the matter over with him.

E. HURON LIBERALS HEAR LEADER

Brussels, Dec. 6.—The annual meeting of the East Huron Liberals was held in the town hall, Brussels, this afternoon, with a large and representative attendance. President Sinclair occupied the chair, and spoke appropriate introductory words. The officers of the past year were re-elected, with the exception that Mr. F. S. Scott takes the place of Mr. H. Kerr, the last occupant, being the candidate for the riding for the Legislature. A programme of short addresses was given, in which Dr. Macdonald, ex-M.P., who is always welcome; Messrs. W. E. Kerr, Lieut.-Col. Atkinson, M.P., for North Norfolk; A. Hislop, M.P., the Liberal nominee for the Commons, and Hon. A. G. McKay, leader of the Opposition, took part.

Before the latter gentleman spoke a congratulatory address was presented to him by the Liberal Association.

Mr. McKay's reception was enthusiastic speech was one of the best heard for many a day.

In the evening a public meeting was held, when the audience filled the hall. Reeve Leckie occupied the chair, and gave a short address. Lieut.-Col. Atkinson spoke on prison labor, the pulp industry and the power question.

Hon. Mr. McKay followed, and very logically and happily addressed himself to a comparison of the policies of the Liberals and Conservatives in the province, calling up as illustrations the succession duties and the educational question, a very live issue, was dwelt on, and the blunders of the education department were pointed out. The University legislation and the price of school readers were also referred to, and his practical manner of dealing with these topics was highly appreciated indeed.

Dr. Macdonald, of Wingham, was the last speaker, and gave a speech brimful of practical facts. He dealt with Dominion issues, on which he is unquestionably thoroughly posted. The musical programme during the evening was well rendered, and consisted of a piano solo by Miss Marjorie Strachan, a solo by Mr. J. Leslie Kerr, of Blyth, and a duet by Messrs. Jones and Sinclair.

UP-TO-DATE CHANGES IN LIBRARY

There has been a revolution in the reading rooms in our public library, of which not only the library board and staff, but the citizens of London might well feel proud. It will increase the value of the magazines to the people tenfold. The reading stands in the general reading room have been made into the most up-to-date magazine tables. Each of these is provided with a slatted centerpiece of oak. Also, the ladies' room has been refurnished, having two new magazine tables.

Eighty-four of the best monthly and quarterly magazines, Canadian, British and American, have been provided with buckram covers, which are

the handwork of the library staff. Sixty-four of these are in blue-black for the general room, and twenty in red for the ladies' room. Each cover is labeled with the title of the magazine inclosed, and all may be read standing against these oak centerpieces.

No formality is required to obtain a magazine. Any citizen or visitor may walk in, take a seat and read one. This is a wonderful improvement over the old system of keeping the magazines at the circulation desk, where it was necessary to apply by signing a slip before being allowed upon. The magazines are right before the people, who will have every chance to become acquainted with the best publications of the kind.

Good Time Made in the Fire Drills

Fire Chief Clark has practically concluded his visit to the public schools of the city for the purpose of witnessing the fire drill of each school. He is highly pleased with the results of his visits.

In every school the children showed a highly efficient training, and in all cases the drill was carried out to the letter, with no mistakes.

St. George's school, one of the largest in the city, with nearly 800 scholars, was emptied in 75 seconds. St. Andrew's school, with about 500 scholars, was emptied in 55 seconds. The Rectory street school, with nearly 400 pupils, was emptied in 32 seconds.

bill, and the party where he was staying informed the magistrate. This was Nelson's first appearance for being drunk, and his worship allowed him to go, on condition that he pay the bill. Nelson was only too glad to do this, and produced a roll of bills from some secret hiding-place in his clothes, where it had escaped the police when he was searched, and counted out the \$4.50 necessary. The fact that the police had overlooked the roll of bills seemed to tickle the young man greatly.

NINE MONTHS IN THE CENTRAL

Two prisoners found their way to Central Prison before Judge Macbeth in the county judges' criminal court this morning.

Frank Lawrence, a man of 42 years of age, was the first culprit to appear, and he was treated to a sentence of six months. Lawrence, who does not appear to be very bright, pleaded guilty recently to a charge of having stolen \$4 and a bottle of whisky from a county hotelkeeper.

In passing sentence his honor stated that he was lenient because it was the first offense.

William Tracy was charged with having entered the asylum building with intent to commit an indictable offense.

His honor commented on the seriousness of the offense, and stated that had the matter come to trial, and the prisoner been found guilty, he could have been sentenced to serve a life imprisonment. Had he, on the other hand, been acquitted of the charge, he would in all probability have been convicted on a charge of housebreaking, which would have resulted in a penalty of two years. In view of the circumstances his honor did not want to be severe with the prisoner, and although it was impossible to allow him to go free, he would impose a very light sentence. He was given seven months, having already been in jail for two months.

The complainant in the Tracy case did not make an appearance, but left the matter entirely in the hands of his honor.

Mr. Judd, who appeared for Tracy, stated that he had nothing to offer beyond the fact that the prisoner had been intoxicated at the time, and that he had already served two months in jail.

HANDSOME GIFTS FOR OFFICIALS

Middlesex Council Shows Appreciation of Its Warden and Secretary.

The closing session of the county council of Middlesex was a memorable one. Warden Hodgins was made the happy recipient of a handsome solid gold diamond-studded locket and chain, while Councillor Frank S. Glass was presented with a magnificent diamond ring. The resolutions which accompanied the presentations were in part as follows:

"Dear Warden.—As this year of your office is drawing to a close, we take this opportunity of showing to you our appreciation of the uniform kindness, courtesy and ability, with which you have always discharged your duties. We realize that the position of warden of the banner county of this great Province is at once an honorable and onerous one, and the manner in which you discharged your duties reflects great credit upon yourself and the council."

The warden stated that he was taken with surprise. As he had told the council when he first took the chair, he wanted fair play for all, and he had tried to be impartial all the way through. If he had ever offended any of the members, he hoped they would pardon him. The past year had been the most pleasant of his life, and he was glad that the council appreciated his efforts.

The resolution accompanying Mr. Glass's gift was in part:

"Dear Councillor.—As our relations as fellow-members of the county council are about to terminate for the year, we wish to place on record our appreciation of your services as chairman of the finance committee, and as secretary of the good roads committee. The generous and unselfish manner in which you have devoted your time and ability to the work of the council did not fail to win the especial appreciation of your associates. We wish you to accept this ring as a slight token of the bond which we trust will ever bind together the officers and members of the county council of Middlesex of 1907."

Mr. Glass responded with much feeling in a few appropriate words. He said that the words of the resolution more than repaid him for any effort he had made on their behalf.

The County Jail.

The second report of the jail committee showed that there was a total of 22 prisoners in the county jail at present. These comprised 21 males and 1 female. The charges were Theft, drunkenness, 6, vagrancy, 5, murder, 1, rape, 1, assault, 1.

Local Items

—Londoners will have the pleasure of hearing Mrs. Elbert Hubbard on Monday evening. She lectures on the subject of "Woman's Work" in the Unitarian Church, Chapter House.

—F. B. Clarke has received a wire from G. McL. Brown, general passenger agent C. P. R. Atlantic line, that the Empress of Ireland arrived at Liverpool Friday at midnight. A record passage was made, the Empress leaving St. John, N. B., Saturday morning last.

For Alderman.

Mr. Robert Parsons, of the East End, has announced himself as a candidate for aldermanic honors. It was stated around the city hall this morning that he was the favorite.

Name Omitted.

Through an error the name of Mr. W. Proven was omitted from the list of those who took part in the Scotland entertainment Thursday evening. Mr. Proven rendered a Scotch song in excellent style.

A D. R. O. Meeting.

City Clerk Baker has called a meeting of the deputy returning officers for Wednesday evening next at 8 o'clock, when they will be instructed in their duties.

A Talent Tea.

A most successful talent tea was held in Askin Street Methodist Church yesterday under the auspices of the Mission Circle, of which Miss H. M. Westman is president. There was a fine display of articles offered, and the attendance was large and the sales good. The affair was a most decided success financially.

Seized the Horse.

Inspector Sanders, of the Human Society, took charge of a most dilapidated old horse this morning on the market place, and had it sent to the bonnyard, from whence no horse ever returns. This horse was very poor. The owner was a Scotchman, who has only been in the country a short time.

Oyster Supper.

The Hon. Adam Beck will tender an oyster supper to the McClary baseball club at the City Hotel this evening, when the handsome cup offered to the winners of the City League series will be presented. The officials of the City League will also be guests. The supper will take place at 7:45 p.m.

Teetotal Whist Club.

The open game for whist pins was held last night. The winners were: North and south, Goodwin and Doyle; 8; Rider and Doggerell, plus 1; Connors and Maguire, plus 1. East and west, Graydon and Evans plus 5. Willcox and Wilcox, plus 4. Several applications for membership were received, and everything points to a very successful year for the club. On the first Friday evening of each second month in 1908 whist pins of a new design will be presented to the winners, north and south, and east and west.

Rev. F. E. Malott will begin a series of seven sermons to young men tomorrow evening in Colborne Street Methodist Church. These promises to be helpful and interesting. Special music.

HUNDREDS OF LIVES LOST

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ever occurred in the bituminous coal mines of America comes as such a shock to the residents of the town that they are stupefied by it.

All of last night hundreds of men stood about the entrance of the two mines. They said nothing, and when approached and asked a question they would give way to their emotions.

During the night few women were to be seen, but all day yesterday they became almost crazed through the suspense. One woman pulled out her hair, hands at a time. Another tore all the skin from both of her cheeks, with her finger nails. Some lay down on the frozen ground and cried themselves to sleep. In this condition many were carried to their homes nearby and breathing ceased. It is thought that by tonight the full extent of the horror will be known, and it is feared the knowledge of this will precipitate even more pitiful scenes than those of today.

The rescuing parties penetrated mine No. 6 about 3,500 feet before they came upon the first of the dead. A majority of the corpses will, it is believed, be found about a mile further back.

Explosion Was Terrible.

The 400 men were working in a territory one mile square. It will be days before a thorough search of all of this area can be made. As the rescuing parties advance they must clear away the debris. The explosion wrecked over 600 mine cars, and those who were crushed as though made of paper, and the huge steel tippie was blown apart. On all sides electric light wires were thrown to the ground, and many persons narrowly escaped death from these in the rush for the mine, following the explosion.

The Fairmont and Clarksburg Traction Company's cars pass within ten yards of the mine entrance, and a miraculously escaped being blew in to the West Fork River. All the passengers were stunned by the terrific concussion. The mine officials state that 40 per cent of the victims are Americans.

Articles Used in Manufacture of Dyes, Bromine and Cameras.

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—The following items have been transferred to the tariff free list by order in council: Coal tar, coal tar dye, crude bromine for the production of bromine; iron tubing, lacquered or brass covered, not over two inches in diameter in the rough, used only in the manufacture of extension rods for windows, when imported by the manufacturer of cameras or kodaks.

SUNFIELD MUST DIE

Court of Appeal Decides Hamilton Murderer Must Be Executed.

Toronto, Dec. 7.—The court of appeal this morning decided that Jake Sunfield must die on Dec. 27 for the murder of Andrew Radzyk in Hamilton early last summer. The counsel for the defense, Mr. J. S. Farmer, secured an order for a stated case at Chief Justice Falconbridge, with a view to obtaining a new trial. The points brought up were: First, as to the admissibility of Radzyk's dying declaration, and second, as to admitting evidence of previous quarrels between the two.

G. L. PEARSON DEAD.

Clarksburg, Ont., Dec. 6.—George Mount Pearson, who for many years was a leading agriculturist in North York, where he was born 85 years ago, died here yesterday. He was a nephew of the late Samuel Mount Pearson, a brother of the late registrar of North York. Mr. Pearson is said to have been instrumental in bringing Sir William Mulock into public life, nominating Sir William for the Commons over 25 years ago. Mr. Pearson is survived by two sons and two daughters.

FELL 175 FEET.

Port Colborne, Dec. 7.—Fred D. Baker, an English lad about 20 years of age, fell from the lower roof of the new Government elevator this morning, a distance of 175 feet, and was killed.

C. P. R. Steamship Line.

The Canadian Pacific has chartered the large twin screw steamer Cassinara, to sail from St. John on Dec. 14. Second cabin passengers only will be taken. The Cassinara will sail direct to London, arriving there in ample time for passengers to reach home for Christmas. Ocean rate, \$35. Berths should be reserved early at C. P. R. City Ticket Office.

Doing Business Here.

Montreal, Dec. 6.—It is said here that on Nov. 30 last, at Toronto a chattel mortgage was registered against the plant of the Business Systems Company, Limited, by R. McKay, of Montreal, for \$100,000 in the City of Montreal, for a 30-day call loan. The Business Systems Company have been doing business in Toronto for about two years.

Perfumes and Sachets

For the pick of the world's best goods for fresh odors and for perfumes and sachet powders at absolutely right prices go to

Strong's Drug Store
184 DUNDAS STREET.

A fresh supply of McCONKEY'S CHOCOLATES and Bon Bons in handsome packages, suitable for Christmas, just received.

LATEST STOCK MARKET REPORTS

H. C. Becker, stockbroker, received the following by private wire from Bartlett, Frazier & Carrington today:

New York, Dec. 7.—Close.—Two and one-half millions in gold will arrive at London on Monday. We have not seen any engagements made here today. The Pittsburg failure was not a new story here, and does not encourage sentiment towards this market abroad, but both foreign markets and our own must expect incidents like Kansas City and Pittsburg from time to time. They don't represent anything except a clearing up of the weak spots, and most of them have been known for less than a month. The stock market proper took the sales, which undoubtedly represented long stock, very coolly, and the short interest was inclined to cover one-half hour before the close. The majority of active traders seem to think a reaction of \$5 would be most desirable. The Brooklyn Rapid Transit four is more better and showed a decreasing deficit, but local banks are rather impressed with the amount of cash reserves that inferior institutions seem to deem wise to keep on hand, and look upon it as extraordinary.

Toronto, Dec. 7, Close

C.P.R.	At	Close
Niagara St. C. & T.	15 1/4	15 1/4
Sao Paulo Railway	10 1/4	10 1/4
Toronto Railway	8 1/4	8 1/4
Winnipeg Electric	10 1/4	10 1/4
Niagara Navigation	11 1/4	11 1/4
Northern Navigation	10 1/4	10 1/4
Bel Telephone	10 1/4	10 1/4
Canadian General Electric	10 1/4	10 1/4
Consumers Gas	10 1/4	10 1/4
Domestic Coal	10 1/4	10 1/4
Domestic Steel Bonds	17	17
Domestic Telegraph	10 1/4	10 1/4
Mackay, com.	6 1/4	6 1/4
Mackay, pfd.	10 1/4	10 1/4
Nipissing	10 1/4	10 1/4
Nora Scotia Steel, com.	27	27
N. S.	10 1/4	10 1/4
Prairie Lands	10 1/4	10 1/4
Bank of Commerce	10 1/4	10 1/4
Bank of Montreal	10 1/4	10 1/4
Banks of Hamilton	10 1/4	10 1/4
Standard	10 1/4	10 1/4
Canada Land	10 1/4	10 1/4
Canada Permanent	10 1/4	10 1/4
Canadian Provident	10 1/4	10 1/4
National Investment	10 1/4	10 1/4
Domestic Savings	10 1/4	10 1/4
Hamilton Trust	10 1/4	10 1/4
Huron & Erie	10 1/4	10 1/4
London & C.	10 1/4	10 1/4
London & Canada L. & A.	10 1/4	10 1/4
National Trust	10 1/4	10 1/4
Toronto Mortgage	10 1/4	10 1/4
Rio Bonds	10 1/4	10 1/4

LOCAL MARKET.

Saturday, Dec. 7.

The market today was a large one, as every part of the square was occupied, and also the streets adjacent to the market. The fine weather and the splendid condition of the roads no doubt were factors in the large crowd of buyers and purchasers being present.

Sales were moderately brisk and prices steady, although there is an easier tone to the market.

Grain—Oats were not as plentiful as in the fore-part of the week. Prices however were no higher at \$1.43 to \$1.45 per cwt. Wheat sold at 90c per bushel.

Hay and Straw—Half a dozen loads of hay were weighed, at \$16 to \$17 per ton. Straw sold at \$8 per ton.

Butter and Eggs—Butter was plentiful at 20c to 27c for Rockwells, and 25c to 26c for field stock and 30c to 32c for strictly fresh-laid eggs.

Apples and Potatoes—Potatoes were sold at 80c to 90c per bag. Onions sold at 90c per bushel. Parsnips, 50c per bushel. Carrots, 50c per bushel. Cabbages, 40c to 50c per dozen. Tomatoes, 20c per pound.

Apples—Sales were fair, considering the large quantity offered. For bag lots, 50c to 80c were paid, and \$1.70 and \$2 for barrels. Occasionally \$2.50 was paid for a choice barrel.

Poultry—All classes of fowl were lower in price, particularly turkeys, which sold at 8c to 9c and 10c per lb. dressed. Ducks sold at 8c per lb. geese, 8c per lb. dressed. Chickens, 9c dressed and 7c to 8c alive.

Dressed Hogs—Over 100 hogs were offered, which sold at \$7 to \$9 per cwt. Live Hogs—Over 100 hogs were offered, which sold at \$7 to \$9 per cwt. Live Hogs—Over 100 hogs were offered, which sold at \$7 to \$9 per cwt.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Dec. 7.—Wheat—Spot easy; No. 1 red western winter, 7 1/2d; Futures dull; December, 7 1/2d; March, 7 1/2d; May, 7 1/2d.

Corn—Spot quiet; prime American, 5 1/2d; Futures steady; December nominal; January, 5 1/2d.

Peas—Canadian steady, 7 1/2d. Flour—Winter patents quiet, 50s 6d; Home (in London)—Pacific coast dull, 2s 6d.

Beef—Extra India mess, 96s 3d; firm. Prime mess western steady, 95s. Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs. quiet, 45s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 25 to 30 lbs. quiet, 56s 6d; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs. quiet, 56s 6d; long clear middle light, 25 to 34 lbs. firm, 57s 6d; heavy, 35 to 40 lbs. firm, 58s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs. firm, 56s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs. firm, 56s 6d; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs. firm, 56s 6d.

Lard—Prime western, in casks, quiet, 12s 9d; American refined, in bulk, quiet, 12s 9d.

Cheese—Canadian finest white, new, quiet, 60s; do. colored, quiet, 61s. Tallow—Prime city steady, 23s 6d; Australian (in London) firm, 23s 6d.

Turpetine—Spirits—Dull, 55s 6d. Rosin—Common steady, 10s 3d. Petroleum—Refined, 7 1/2d. Linsed Oil—Easy, 24s 6d.

Cottonseed Oil (Hull refined)—January, April, easy, 25s 6d.

PRODUCE MARKET.

TORONTO PROVISION MARKET.

Toronto, Dec. 7.—A bid of 4c secured two cars of mixed Ontario wheat on the call board yesterday, but there was no more offering when the bid was repeated. The price being apparently a little below the market level. Farmers are still firmly convinced that higher prices are in the way, and consequently deliveries continue small.

Wheat—Manitoba No. 1 hard, nominal; No. 1 northern, \$1.43; No. 2, \$1.41; No. 3, \$1.39; No. 4, \$1.37; No. 5, \$1.35; No. 6, \$1.33; No. 7, \$1.31; No. 8, \$1.29; No. 9, \$1.27; No. 10, \$1.25; No. 11, \$1.23; No. 12, \$1.21; No. 13, \$1.19; No. 14, \$1.17; No. 15, \$1.15; No. 16, \$1.13; No. 17, \$1.11; No. 18, \$1.09; No. 19, \$1.07; No. 20, \$1.05; No. 21, \$1.03; No. 22, \$1.01; No. 23, \$0.99; No. 24, \$0.97; No. 25, \$0.95; No. 26, \$0.93; No. 27, \$0.91; No. 28, \$0.89; No. 29, \$0.87; No. 30, \$0.85; No. 31, \$0.83; No. 32, \$0.81; No. 33, \$0.79; No. 34, \$0.77; No. 35, \$0.75; No. 36, \$0.73; No. 37, \$0.71; No. 38, \$0.69; No. 39, \$0.67; No. 40, \$0.65; No. 41, \$0.63; No. 42, \$0.61; No. 43, \$0.59; No. 44, \$0.57; No. 45, \$0.55; No. 46, \$0.53; No. 47, \$0.51; No. 48, \$0.49; No. 49, \$0.47; No. 50, \$0.45; No. 51, \$0.43; No. 52, \$0.41; No. 53, \$0.39; No. 54, \$0.37; No. 55, \$0.35; No. 56, \$0.33; No. 57, \$0.31; No. 58, \$0.29; No. 59, \$0.27; No. 60, \$0.25; No. 61, \$0.23; 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Many of Miss Farncombe's paintings and sculptures are on exhibition at Jones' auction-room, where they will be sold by auction on Monday evening.

—Mrs. Morley Aylsworth (nee Thorpe) will receive for the first time since her marriage on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 12, at her new home, 174 Bruce street.

—A talent tea will be held at the residence of Mrs. C. E. Keene, 287 Hyman street, on Friday afternoon, Dec. 13, in aid of the children's ward, of Victoria Hospital.

—Mr. John Pym took out a building permit yesterday for a frame cottage on Partridge avenue, and Mr. J. Standfield, for a brick veneer addition to a William street house.

—In the guessing contest at Woods' Fair (Toyland) Saturday, Nov. 30, Louise Hilbert, 164 Ann street, and Marguerite Booker, 679 Princess avenue, were successful in winning the beautiful dressed doll, and as both

young ladies' guess was the same, both will be given a prize.

—Mr. Robert Fox, of the Bank of Nova Scotia staff at Kingston, Jamaica, has returned to the city on sick leave. His many friends hope that he will quickly recuperate.

—The Canadian Order of Chosen Friends will hold a reception to the grand councillor and officers of the Canadian Order of Chosen Friends on Wednesday evening, next at the city hall. Arrangements are being made by the committee to have a good programme.

A New Organ.

The members of Askin Street Methodist Church have raised \$2,000 among themselves in order to purchase a new organ. It was purely a voluntary offering.

More Recruits.

Six more recruits have arrived at Wolseley Barracks from Toronto. Capt. Hill, of the R. C. R., Wolseley Barracks, has left on a two-months' trip to England.

Surprised the Teacher.

Principal Kirkwood, of Empress avenue school, West London, was presented with a handsome gold-headed umbrella by his pupils last evening. A choice programme was also carried out in the school.

Painfully Injured.

Messrs. James Quinn, of 596 Waterloo street, and Emerson Brooks were painfully injured at the Globe Casket Works yesterday when one of the knives of a shaper became dislodged, and flew out. Mr. Quinn had part of a finger cut off, and Mr. Brooks' back was cut.

A Literary Treat.

Lovers of good literature will welcome such an exponent as Catherine Hale, "Modern Drama," one of her many subjects, illustrated from the plays of Ibsen, Pinero, Shaw and others, is said to be descriptive analytical and pictorial in quality. Proceeds in aid of tubercular poor.

Londoners in Saskatoon.

Saskatoon, (Sask.) Phoenix: A meeting of the London, Ont., old boys is called for this evening at 8 o'clock in the office of McMillan & Needham, Twenty-first street. The Forest City boys at tonight's session will discuss the question of a banquet.

Matter Arranged.

The case of Presnell vs. Clark, of the Clark Business College, came up before Judge Elliott yesterday, when Mr. Clark was discharged, the crown offering no evidence. There was apparently some misunderstanding between the parties, which has been satisfactorily arranged.

Anderson—Ord.

An interesting event occurred recently at the residence of Mr. Bert Anderson, McAuley, Man, when his brother, Mr. Thos. Anderson, of McAuley (formerly of Arva), was united in marriage to Miss Violet Ord, of this city. The young couple are well known in this neighborhood, and have a host of friends, who join in wishing them every happiness in their new relationship.

Pleasantly Surprised.

Mr. Fred Pinney, of the firm of Lawson & Jones, was pleasantly surprised yesterday, when he was called into the office and presented with a purse of \$25 in gold by Mr. Frank Lawson. Mr. Pinney has been with the firm for eight years, and is leaving shortly to take another position. He made a neat little speech, in which he thanked those present for their kind remembrance.

A Social.

A very pleasant social, under the auspices of the Boys' and Girls' Mission Band, was held in the First Congregational Church last evening. Rev. D. S. Hamilton presided, and after a dainty supper had been served a programme was carried out, including recitations by Misses Louise Dickinson, Marion Mussel, Winnifred Steven, Queenie Anundson, Maggie Robinson, and Messrs. Walter Steven, Leslie Walker and Wm. Mussel. Mr. Gosling and Miss Laxton were accompanists, and the evening was greatly enjoyed by everyone.

Christmas Mails.

The last mail, including all classes of matter except that sent by parcel post, to reach Great Britain and the continent of Europe in time to be distributed on or prior to Christmas Day, will be closed at the general post office, London, at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 13, for dispatch via steamship Lusitania, sailing from New York on Saturday, Dec. 14. Parcel post mails will close at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12, for dispatch per steamship Empress of Ireland, sailing from Halifax, N. S., on Saturday, Dec. 14. The rates of postage on parcels addressed to the United Kingdom is 1s 6d for the first pound, or fraction thereof, and 2 cents for each additional pound. The limit of weight is 11 pounds.

Good Prices on Farm Sales.

Two very successful sales were conducted by Auctioneer G. A. Hatch this week, one for W. J. Boles, of Delaware, where the largest crowd of people gathered that has been known at a sale for a long time. Prices for goods ran very high. Oats sold for 17 1/2 cwt. Hay as high as \$17 per ton. Turkeys sold for \$2 each, and geese for \$1 55. Cattle and horses sold fine. The sale amounted to \$2,000. On Thursday, Mr. Hatch sold for R. Fisher, Westminister, Cows sold as high as \$60 each. Oats for \$1 59 per cwt, barley for \$1 50. The sale amounted to \$2,300. Cattle are advancing in price rapidly. Messrs. Hatch and Hunt will sell for F. Styles, executor, on Thursday next at 11 a.m.

Laymen's Movement.

The Protestant churches of London last year gave to missions, home and foreign, \$25,000, and they spent for all other church purposes \$120,000. That is, for every dollar they spent on lengthening the chords, they spent nearly \$5 on strengthening the stakes. The laymen's movement for missions does not aim at lessening the amount spent on the home church, but rather aims to bring the expenditure for missions up more nearly to the amount spent for local church purposes. All men should hear J. Campbell White, of New York, the international secretary of the movement, and J. Lovell Murray, of New York, the secretary of the students' volunteer movement, on Tuesday evening, in St. Andrew's Church. They will present the matter in a light that will be new to most of the

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COUNCIL ADOPTS GOOD ROADS BYLAW

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After three hours' debate at a special session of the county council, last night, the good roads bylaw was passed.

The passing of this bylaw means that in the future the county will assume complete control of all county roads. Heretofore the townships conducted their own works. The county paid a third, the township a third and the Government a third.

Now all taxes will be paid into the county, which will pay for two-thirds of the work, while the Government will still grant its customary share.

After the bylaw had been discussed pro and con for some time it was suggested that the responsibility be thrown upon the new council.

Warden Objects.

The warden promptly objected to this.

"The time to settle this matter is right now," he said, and it was settled.

A very popular motion which was passed unanimously, was that a vote of thanks be extended to Councilor Frank Glass, of London Township, for the untiring and conscientious efforts he has put forth during the past year on behalf of not only his own township, but the entire county.

Mr. Glass was completely taken aback, but managed to say a few words of thanks in a graceful way.

Council then adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning.

Another Gold Medal for Grand Trunk.

The Grand Trunk Railway System received today a diploma and Gold Medal awarded to them by the Jury of Awards at the recent Canadian National Exhibition at Toronto for the excellent and attractive exhibit that was installed by this company at the last Toronto Exhibition. The medal is a very handsome one—bearing on one side the bust of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in high relief, and on the reverse side the crest of the Toronto Industrial Exhibition surmounted by a beaver.

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The History of the Great Druce Mystery

Some Reasons for the Belief That the Duke of Portland Masqueraded as a Merchant—His Love Affairs One Motive—Duchess in the Case—Alleged Burial of Druce—A Story That Reads Like Fiction.

London, Nov. 14.—George Hollamby Druce, claimant to the title and estates of the Duke of Portland, has after several years spent in gathering fresh evidence in his support revived his case in the English court, and the stories told by his new witnesses are of so sensational a nature that the keenest public interest has again been aroused over one of the most amazing mysteries the law has ever been called upon to unravel.

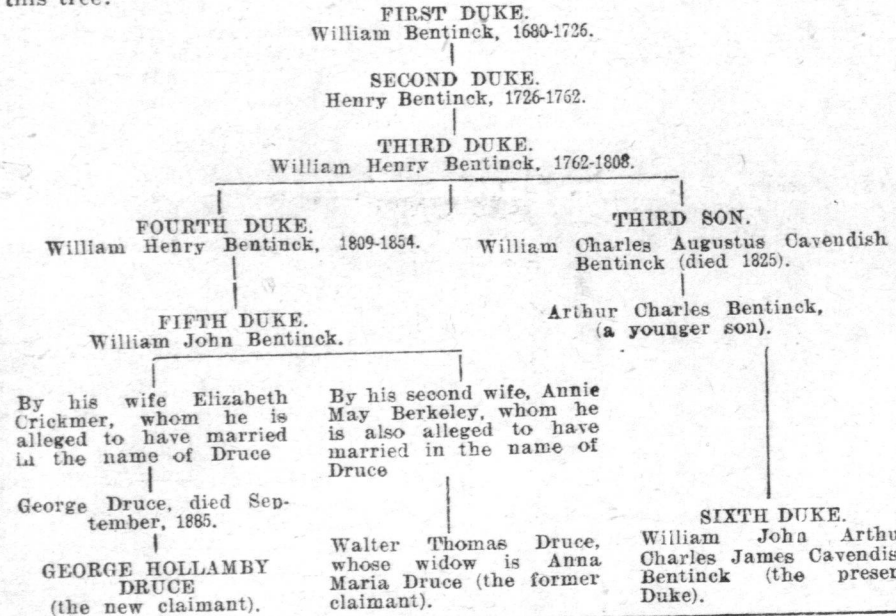
The dual life of the fifth Duke of Portland as placed together by the claimant is as remarkable a romance as was ever told with between the covers of a book. The grounds upon which the claimant builds his case are as follows: He alleges that William John, fifth Duke of Portland, and Thomas Charles Druce were one and the same person, that the duke adopted for reasons of his own the name of Druce and led a dual existence, and that in 1864 he arranged for a burial of "Druce" and resumed his life as the duke.

The Druce claim is that the burial was a sham, that the coffin did not contain a body and that there are direct descendants of the fifth duke living, inasmuch as he was married in the name of Druce and had children. When the duke died in 1879 he was buried as a bachelor and the title and a portion of the estates, according to the law, passed into the possession of his cousin, the present duke.

The first claimant was the late Anna Maria Druce, widow of Walter Thomas Druce, who is stated to have been the only legitimate son of Thomas Charles Druce. George Hollamby Druce, the present claimant, has evidence proving beyond doubt that Thomas C. Druce was twice married and that he is a grandson of Druce by the latter's first marriage to Elizabeth Crickmer, which took place in 1816 at Bury St. Edmunds.

THE CLAIMANT'S CASE AT A GLANCE.

The situation as it is read by the claimant can be seen at a glance from this tree:



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The Druce claim does not concern the title and estates of the Duke of Portland alone but also the vast London estate now held by Lord Howard de Walden from his mother, the late Dowager Lady Howard de Walden. The late dowager inherited the estate from her brother, the fifth Duke of Portland, who died without heirs, and thereupon the estate, according to the will of the fourth duke, came to the fifth duke. This London estate has a rent roll of half a million sterling a year and covers some of the best revenue producing parts of central London.

MOTIVES FOR THE MASQUERADE

Among the theories offered as to the motives of the fifth duke in adopting an alias there is one to the effect that when young he was an object of aversion to his father on account of the skin disease from which he suffered, and therefore left home early in life with the determination of making out a career for himself under another name. At the age of six or seven he met Elizabeth Crickmer, a girl little older than himself, who attended a boarding school at Bury St. Edmunds.

A boy and girl flirtation soon ended in a marriage, which could only be brought about by subterfuges on account of their extreme youth. In order to secure the marriage license they both declared themselves to be of age.

It is urged that Druce must have realized the necessity of concealing his real identity, otherwise the authorities would have communicated with his father, whose active opposition to the wedding would have been assured. If this was so Druce not only deceived the authorities but also his wife, who knew him only as Druce.

ALTERNATION OF DUKE AND DRUCE.

In 1824 Druce abandoned his wife and children, and the coincidence is noted that it was in the same year that Lord John Bentinck, as the future duke was then known, succeeded his elder brother as the Marquis of Titchfield. Until 1824 there is no record of the movements of Lord John. From 1824 to 1835 there is no trace of Druce, but abundant record of the doing of the new Marquis of Titchfield. From 1835 until 1864, the date of his "burial," Druce was in almost daily attendance at the Baker street bazaar. When Druce occupied the stage it is alleged that the duke was mysteriously absent, and when the duke was in evidence there was no Mr. Druce about.

Those who maintain that the duke

and Druce were different individuals point to one great contrast in their natures. The duke was a bachelor and posed, it is stated, as a woman hater. He is described as a man who could not endure the opposite sex, who never formed an attachment to any woman and in whose life no love episode found a place.

On the other hand Druce was known always to be partial to the society of women, and all through his career he seems never to have been free from several attachments at the same time. During the lifetime of his first wife he was living with Annie May, whom he afterward married.

UNDERGROUND PASSAGES.

The evidence offered in support of the claimant's case volunteered by many people, if true, would seem to prove conclusively that the duke and Druce were one. People in the employ of Druce tell of his mysterious entrances and exits at the Baker Street Bazaar, and how he would suddenly appear among them, emerging through trapdoors leading from the many underground passages which underlaid the premises. Having transacted his business he would depart by the same means.

It is stated that one of these passages connected the shop with Cavendish House, the town residence of the Duke of Portland, and servants in the employ of the duke tell similar stories of their master's appearances and disappearances through the various trapdoors.

The claimant attaches much importance to these burrowing proclivities of the duke and Druce, and points to the extensive tunneling carried out by the duke at Welbeck, his country seat. All the tunneling there is believed to have been done after 1834, the year in which Druce is supposed to have died.

For years an immense army of masons and other workers were employed at Welbeck in altering the whole place and building these tunnels. At one time more than fifteen hundred were employed besides the estate staff. The total length of the subterranean passages has been estimated at fifteen miles, and their cost at more than \$10,000,000.

Many other points of similarity between the fifth Duke of Portland and Druce are put forward by the claimant, such as similarity of features, gathered from a comparison of photographs; peculiarities of dress, peculiarities of diet, a physical infirmity, both Druce and the duke being known to have suffered from a hereditary skin disease, apparent in the face, which presented a jaundiced appearance, together with a sort of peevishness, and peculiar habits of secretiveness.

DUKE SAID TO HAVE KILLED HIS BROTHER.

Notwithstanding the statement that the duke posed as a woman hater the story is told that both he and his younger brother, Lord George Bentinck, at one time paid considerable attentions to the same young lady. This young lady was none other than the Annie May who eventually became the second wife of Druce. Upon this coincidence the claimant lays much stress.

Annie May was a natural daughter of the fifth Earl of Berkeley. For generations the Portlands and the Berkeleys were on terms of the most intimate relationship, marrying and intermarrying. The affection of the two brothers for Annie May is reported to have been indirectly the cause of Lord George's untimely death.

For some reason Lord George was intensely indignant over his brother's attachment to this girl. Assuming that the duke and Druce were the same person it is regarded as probable that Lord George may have known of his brother's marriage to Elizabeth Crickmer and objected to his conduct when he was not in a position to make Annie May his lawful wife.

Words between the two brothers are stated to have ended in an exchange of blows. The younger brother is reported to have been the aggressor and to have struck the duke again and again with a stick, calling him opprobrious names and among other things taunting him with being a leper.

In self-defense, it is urged, the duke or the Marquis of Titchfield, as he was then, at last struck back, hitting Lord George in the chest. Lord George fell, expiring in a few minutes.

Such is the outline of a story which is vehemently affirmed and as vehemently denied. In the same year that Lord George died Annie May gave birth to a child.

THE ALLEGED BURIAL.

Regarding the alleged sham burial of Druce in 1864 there are several witnesses ready to come forward and swear that they saw Druce alive after that date, that they spoke to him and even had business dealings with him. Mrs. Hamilton, one of the witnesses in the case now before the courts, knew Druce well, and she affirms that she saw him at the burial of Druce, and also that she knew him after the supposed burial.

Some facts within her experience were produced by her before Sir Francis Jeune in the former Druce proceedings, and as a result of her evidence Sir Francis stated that the prima facie case for opening the Druce grave in Highgate Cemetery had been made out. In an affidavit Mrs. Hamilton has stated:

"Before December, 1864, 'Druce' became ill with a desire to sink his name in the sea. He was known to me by the name 'Druce,' and said to my father: 'I must die,' and suggested a mock burial for himself. My father besought him not to adopt such a course, but unavailingly.

"When the sham burial took place my father was present. On his return my father said to me: 'It's gone off better than I expected, though I don't know how they took the coffin without any certificate. I tried to prevent it, but I was overruled. There will be a terrible exposure some day, and if ever they get the coffin up they will, of course, be floored; but, anyhow, I prevented him putting the corpse of another person in the coffin. It is better to put lead in or anything than the corpse of another person.'

"The fact that the formality invariably observed of producing a doctor's certificate to certify the cause of death was not observed in the case of Druce is regarded as most significant.

"The opening of the vault at Highgate has been so prominent an issue in the Druce case that it has come to be regarded as the only issue. It was Mrs. Anna Druce, the former claimant, who carried on the long fight in an attempt to secure the exhumation, her opponents being the owners of the grave.

When victory seemed within her reach, her case collapsed through an unfortunate mistake. She understood that the home secretary gave an undertaking to the Druce family on condition that she withdrew from the whole proceedings. She withdrew and it was then discovered that no such undertaking had been given by the home secretary.

Even then her cause might have been revived, but it was suddenly dispersed to the winds by the discovery of Druce's previous marriage to Elizabeth Crickmer.

During Mrs. Druce's search for evidence she unearthed a document which showed beyond dispute that a remarkable connection existed between the Bentincks and the Druces. She found that Thomas Charles Druce had transferred enormous tracts of land to a member of the Bentinck family for the sum of ten shillings.

THE PRESENT CASE.

With regard to the present prosecution of Herbert Druce by George Hollamby Druce for perjury, it must be explained that the defendant is the owner of the grave, and for reasons best known to himself he refuses to allow the grave to be opened. The prosecution bases its case upon the sworn statements made by Herbert Druce during former proceedings brought for the purpose of proving the Druce claim.

Herbert Druce then affirmed that he lived with his father, the late Thomas Charles Druce, all his life; that he was sleeping in an adjoining room when his father died; that he saw him dead when his body was still warm; that he attended the funeral and saw the coffin laid in the catacombs at Highgate Cemetery, whence it was afterward removed to the vault where it now lies. George Hollamby Druce contends that these statements were false and constitute perjury.

Herbert Druce is a son of Thomas Charles Druce by Annie May, and was born in 1846. His father left a will by which he succeeded to a considerable fortune, and, among other property, the Baker Street Bazaar.

The prosecution points out the interest of Herbert Druce in opposing the claimant by dwelling upon the fact that if it were proved that the Duke and Druce were the same individual the will of Druce would be spurious and of no value, and both the title and property would fall to the direct descendant from the duke's first marriage, George Hollamby Druce. It is further explained that had Thomas Charles Druce died intestate under no circumstances could Herbert Druce have succeeded to the property.

DICKENS IN THE SECRET.

The most surprising new evidence offered by George Hollamby Druce comes from two witnesses whose names have not hitherto appeared in the case. One of them is Miss Mary Robinson, who came from America when still a girl at the invitation of Charles Dickens, the novelist, in order to act as amanuensis to Thomas Charles Druce. Her evidence is supported by extracts from a voluminous diary which she kept for some years and in which she recorded many events of considerable value to the claimant's case. The interesting feature of her evidence is the intimacy which she shows existed between Dickens and Druce.

In January, 1869, the diarist says, "Mr. Druce said he had known Mr. Dickens for years. He (Mr. Dickens), knew more about his affairs than any

other man. Mr. Dickens could keep a secret when paid for it as well as he could keep one himself."

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"In the last entry Miss Robinson refers to Mr. Druce as 'My cavalier,' a term she had now begun to use regularly in mentioning her benefactor. This record is dated Sept. 1, 1870, and runs:

"My cavalier has arrived. He said, 'Now that I am quiet I wish to say something to you which is well known in France, but not in this part of England. Now that Mr. Dickens is dead I do not mind saying to you what I know forward and call me Mr. Druce except my own people by marriage and those who know me on the continent.

"Welbeck is not as it was a few years ago. The money spent on it is well spent. I have children of my own. I married below rank. The name of Druce is unknown to the Bentinck family."

"To hold my own position of fifth Duke of Portland I live nearly always at Welbeck Abbey. Some of the people who write to me know me well."

Justice David J. Brewer in speaking at the Congressional conference held in Cleveland lately, dealt mainly with the race problem. He said, in part: "The uplift through Christian education is the principal work of the American Missionary Association. True, they (the negroes) are not the only objects of its interests and care. All the despised races in our borders are included. I have myself done a little preaching from the bench of the Supreme Court on this subject. I have seen the heathen Chinese. What I said made but slight impression on the courts, but it will yet be heard and heeded by the great body of American Christians. But the numbers of the colored people in this country are increasing, and their relations to the nation are so peculiar that not unnaturally we look upon the work of the association among the colored people. And their very numbers attest the value of this work to the nation. Surely anything which is uplifting one-ninth of the population must be of profound interest to all.

"Many of the vast multitudes pouring into this republic are racially colored and selfish. Not a few are tainted with the spirit of anarchy, and are willing to destroy all social order in the hope of personal gain out of the wreck. These immigrants become citizens as we are citizens, and as is this colored and enfranchised race. And while the colored brothers may be too fond of the chicken coop and the watermelon patch, they are firm believers in social order. You will find no Johann Most, Emma Goldman, or any of the kind among them. They are willing to stand for law, order and the supremacy of the nation. Stranger things have happened than that these people, crushed and wronged for generations, should become at last strong defenders of the nation and the community at whose hands they have hitherto received mainly injustice.

"They are here as citizens, whatever temporary restrictions may be placed upon their approach to the ballot box. The time will come when all barriers will be broken down and they will enjoy everywhere the full rights of citizenship. But ignorant citizens are the prey and the sport of every demagogue who appeals to their passions, and if one-ninth of our citizens are so exposed the whole life of the nation is in peril.

"One of our first tasks is that of multiplying skilled workers. It is one thing to pick corn or hoe potatoes, and something more valuable to make a watch or run an engine. The skilled laborer is worth more to the nation than the unskilled, and the industrial training at Hampton, Tuskegee and elsewhere is creating a higher class of labor in the midst of this people. Outside of the indirect results of such increased skill the direct and necessary result is an addition to their commercial value to the community and the nation. And so far as the institutions under the care of the American Missionary Association are doing this work of industrial training they are placing the nation in debt to them.

"So we stand before the American people and say here is one-ninth of our population, ignorant and unskilled, and we are making its uplift our business. We are striving to train the hand and the mind, and to fill the heart with a love of purity and a sense of the beauty of holiness. As we are faithful in this work, we feel that we make a strong appeal to the nation's assistance and gratitude. We know that we shall hear our Master's voice. Inasmuch as we have done it unto one of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

For more than 113 years the east and the west have been contending for the possession of the center of population, the line of the 39th parallel being their skirmish ground. And for just so long, says Southwest Magazine, has the youthful and vigorous west gained upon its venerable and declining rival. Following the present course and schedule the center of population will be in 30 or 40 years over the intervening space between Columbus, Ind., its present location, and the Mississippi River, and make a 10-year sojourn near the city of St. Louis. It would require a force more potent than a civil war to alter this titanic

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"By that name he was known when in Baker street, London, to be the proprietor of a furnishing bazaar. On the continent he dabbled in many things and is still known as Mr. Druce the Duke. He has been twice married and both wives had children."

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School for Housewives

HOLIDAY CAKES AND PUDDINGS

Beat Whites of Eggs to Stiff Froth

I DO not know who was the first to say, "My experience goes to prove what pleases the palate most is usually indigestible, and that what is good for one doesn't taste good!"

He grazed the truth if he did not hit the bull's eye.

Holiday dainties are associated so closely in the mother's mind with penitential afterglows of indigestion that she is exceptionally sunny of temperament if she sets about the preparations for compounding plum puddings, fruit cake and mince pies with zeal unmixed with forebodings.

Another epigrammatist bracketed fruit cake and one of George Meredith's novels with the marginal verdict, "Naughty, but nice!"

The three words haunt me while I enumerate the diverse ingredients of regulation sweets for the holidays that tread almost upon the heels of that merry season.

I recall, too, that an old Virginia mammy persisted in calling them, "Pies 'n' things," calmly unconscious of the implication of the phrase to the amused auditor.

Make them? Of course I do, and so does every loving mother who can spare money for the expensive materials and time to put them together after the time-honored fashion to which we were born.

Because my neighbor on the left is a dyspeptic, and the one on my right has "advanced" ideas upon domestic dietetics, are my offspring and their guests to have no plum puddings rich with suet, and no fruit cake black with spices and currants?

Dilemmas there are, and not a few left in these United States, that assimilate "pies 'n' things," and unassated appetites that will have none but "such as mother used to make," of delicacies endeared by the memories of the days that are no more.

I prefer to keep these prospective eaters in mind while dictating formulas abhorrent to New Thought dietetics.

Confirmed dyspeptics are dull scholars in the school of affliction if they have not learned to turn their eyes away from gloating upon plum pudding, and how to keep their thoughts afar from fruit cake and mince pie.

Plum Pudding.
One pound each of cleaned currants and seeded and chopped raisins, two tablespoonfuls of shredded citron, half a pound each of suet and of sugar, a quarter pound of butter, five cupfuls of sifted flour that has been dried in the oven, one cupful of milk, six eggs, whites and yolks beaten separately; half a cup of brandy, half a teaspoonful each of ground mace, cloves and nutmeg.

Cream the butter, suet and sugar in a bowl deep and wide enough to hold all the ingredients. When you have a light

cream, beat in the whipped yolks and keep the beater busy for two full minutes.

Next comes the milk, then the flour, a handful at a time, alternately with the stiffened whites. Have upon a platter nearby the prepared fruit, mixed together and thickly dredged with flour. Beat it in with deep, long upward strokes, bringing a full spoonful to the surface with every sweep. Finally, add spices and brandy.

Pour into a well-buttered mould; plunge immediately into a pot of boiling water and cook steadily for five hours. See to it that the top of the mould is clamped down securely and that there is room inside for the pudding to swell at its pleasure and to your profit. Do not let the hot water boil for a moment. Should the water sink too low in the pot, replenish from a boiling teakettle.

When the pudding is done, set for a moment in cold water, to make it shrink from the sides of the mould, and invert the latter over a hot platter.

Four brandy over the pudding just as

Plum Pudding Decorated with Holly

It enters the dining room and touch a match to it. The burning liquor adds flavor to the pudding.

A word as to the suet before leaving the recipe: Rid it of every bit of string and membrane, and crumble it with cool fingers into powder. It will then cream with the butter and sugar without granulating.

This cannot be identified as "the bag pudding the king did make" in Mother Goose's idyl of good King Arthur, but it resembles it in the main, and what remains of it may be disposed of as the queen (query, Guinevere?) served hers for breakfast next morning. It is really very good when sliced and fried or saute in butter.

Serve both hard and liquid sauce with plum pudding.

Family Plum Pudding.
Split and beat, then butter thickly six old-fashioned Boston crackers. Make a good custard of two quarts of milk and eight eggs, whites and yolks beaten separately, and two even cups of sugar. Add a teaspoonful of salt.

Have ready a pound of raisins, seeded, chopped and dredged with flour. The custard is made with scalded milk, but the sugar and eggs are mixed together and stirred into the hot milk after the saucepan containing it is lifted from the fire to the table. It must not boil again, or it may curdle in the baking.

Put a layer of the split and buttered crackers in the bottom of a deep bake dish, buttered side upward, and cover

thickly with the prepared raisins.

On these spread more crackers, buttered side down, and soak both layers with the warm custard. Sprinkle lightly with nutmeg and cinnamon. Proceed in this order until the ingredients are used up. The uppermost stratum must be crackers.

Pour in custard until the upper layer is covered, but do not let it float. Put a plate upon it to keep it down, cover closely and set in the refrigerator until next day. Add then more of the custard to make up for that which has been absorbed. There should be enough of the two quarts left for this.

Pour it in gradually. The blessed New England kinewoman who gave the recipe to me was emphatic in enjoin-

ing upon me the necessity of waiting five minutes by the kitchen clock between spoonfuls.

Bake two hours in a steady oven. Cover with paper for the first hour, then brown.

For my own eating and for young children I prefer this pudding, the formula for which is an heirloom a century and a half old, to the richer and more expensive dish, for which directions were given just now. Served with brandy or wine sauce, it is good enough for any family on high days and holidays.

If you like, it may be boiled in a buttered mould for three hours. It is excellent either way, and costs half as much as the regulation plum pudding.

Adding Brandy to Mince Meat

Here is one more, also good, that may be said to stand midway between the two that precede it, in point of excellence.

Soak an even cup of fine cracker crumbs in two cupfuls of warm milk. Beat the yolks of five eggs light and stir into them half a cup of sugar. Mix into these the soaked crumbs, a quarter pound of suet freed from strings and powdered, then half a pound of raisins, seeded and chopped, and a quarter pound of currants, cleaned and dried.

The fruit should be dredged with flour. Season with nutmeg, cinnamon and a teaspoonful of vanilla.

Beat in the frothed whites, and at the last a quarter pound of nutmegs or English walnuts—cut fine. Turn into a buttered mould and bake for an hour and a half. Turn out and eat with liquid sauce.

Fruit Cake That Will Keep Well.

Six eggs, the whites and yolks beaten well and separately. Half a pound each of butter and of sugar. Half a pound each, of cleaned currants and of raisins, seeded and chopped. A quarter pound of shredded citron. One teaspoonful each, of ground mace, cloves and cinnamon. A cupful (rounded off) of dried and sifted flour. A tablespoonful of rosewater.

Cream the butter and sugar, and whip into the cream the yolks.

Add the flour and spice, the fruit dredged with flour, the frothed whites, lastly the rosewater. Beat hard for one minute and bake in two buttered moulds, with funnels in the middle. When a clean straw comes out with no sign of stickiness upon it, the cake is done.

Nice when cold. It will keep good for three months under lock and key!

Marion Harland

HOW TO TELL FRESH EGGS

THE best way to tell a fresh egg is by the air bubble at the large end. The smaller the bubble the fresher the egg.

Look at the egg through a strong light; if they have a dark spot in them, they are not fresh; if they are perfectly clear, they are fresh.

A fresh egg must be examined very closely to discern the air bubble. Hold it up to an egg tester; turn it around slowly and look close near the top of the large end. If the bubble looks as large as a quarter of an inch deep, it is, in most cases, unfit for use for preserving, as it is not perfectly fresh.

Procure a fresh newly laid egg, and make yourself familiar with the position and size of the bubble. You can always tell a fresh egg, as the longer you keep one the larger the bubble gets every day.

A fresh egg has a somewhat rough shell, while the shell of a stale egg is somewhat smooth. When cooked, the contents of a fresh egg stick to the shell and must be removed with a spoon, but a stale egg will permit the shell to be peeled off like the skin of an orange.

It takes a longer time to boil a fresh egg hard than it does a stale one, and fresh eggs are more easily beaten into a froth than stale ones.

TO TAKE OUT MEDICINE STAINS

STAINS made by medicines and ointments are among the most obstinate of removal, and frequently tax amateur knowledge to the utmost.

Iodine marks may, however, be successfully removed by means of liquid ammonia. A little of the spirit being poured into a saucer, the stained garment laid across it, and the spot dabbed repeatedly with the fingers until it disappears.

It should then be rinsed in tepid water and washed with strong soap suds in the usual manner. Cod liver oil stains can likewise be eliminated by means of ammonia, while Fuller's earth made into a paste with cold water is usually efficacious in removing marks caused by linseed oil. Two or three applications, however, are necessary.

THE HOUSEMOTHERS' EXCHANGE

THE letter that leads off in our exchange today has lain in a pigeon-hole of my desk for a much longer time than I could have wished.

I have hardly room for it now, but the subject with which it deals is of growing importance to the American housewife.

The writer is a man, and tells the tale in a business-like manner:

Perhaps my experience may give to others, both landlords and tenants, a ray of light upon the vexed question when one is under the compulsion of adverse circumstances.

I own a fine house, well furnished, with four good-sized rooms on a floor. I was not anxious to take boarders, partly because of the servant problem, and was not able to get a paying rent for rooms as lodgings.

Moreover, there would be the labor of caring for them. So I advertised for several American couples who were economically inclined to join with us in united housekeeping, otherwise co-operation.

I was surprised at the superior class of applicants. I could not have asked for anything better as to character and manner.

They were offered a completely furnished room, with gas, clean bedding and towels, at \$5 per week.

Each room is double-bedded. Each couple takes full care of the room they occupy and jointly have the care of the parlor, dining room and kitchen.

The table expenses do not exceed \$3 a week for a couple, as we buy everything by the quantity and of better quality, as I am, than is offered in an ordinary boarding house at \$15 per week.

I receive the satisfactory rent of \$25 per month from the third floor, while my wife and I have exclusive use of the second.

We have been running the house in this way for a year without a complaint from any one.

The house I admit is peculiarly well adapted for a family, as the dining room and kitchen are of extra size, and there is a good laundry.

There are hundreds of young couples who would appreciate opportunities like this and hundreds of landlords who might do it.

paying investment to make the experiment. We all know that it is proverbially hard for women to live together harmoniously, but in the case before us, the advantages are so great that their husbands hold them somewhat in check.

I think a landlord is better fitted to engage a scheme like this, I believe, all over the country by intelligent co-operation. A. W. (Chicago).

Here is matter for much and grave thought.

Co-operative housekeeping has been advocated by a certain class of philanthropists for thirty years past as the most promising of the many schemes brought forward by ingenious writers and speakers as remedies from the uncomfortable conditions of domestic life in America.

The servant problem is a fretting leprosy in the garment of housewifely existence.

The relation of mistress and maid is a problem the world over.

It has been from the days of Sarah and Hagar down.

Even queens have been bullied by Sarah Jennings and calmed by Abigail Mashams until their lives were a burden to the baited nominal sovereigns.

The bad eminence awarded to America with respect to this species of domestic slavery may not be disputed.

We have no system of domestic service, consequently no stability.

But is co-operative housekeeping the remedy for the disorder?

I dare affirm that four-fifths of the housemothers who have read the interesting letter we have before us have detected this and that weak spot in the theory put forth with mod-

est complacency by the landlord: We may not stay to inquire why women do not get along together under the same roof as their husbands do.

In passing, however, I may drop one hint.

If I were to speak to my servants, who, I maintain, are the best of their class, as men who rate themselves as

gentlemen speak to their clerks and secretaries and stenographers, I should have the house to myself in less than a day.

I wish that our members would write to me frankly and as briefly as is consistent with explicitness just what they think of the plan laid out for general adoption on the part of young and old couples by "A. W."

"Would it be an improvement upon the comparative seclusion of flat housekeeping?"

It is not, of course, to be compared with that of homes in well-appointed and luxurious private dwellings.

But is it a good substitute for the uncertain comforts of an apartment dependent for the needs of daily living upon the abilities and tempers of

the average "living-out young lady"? A symposium upon this head would be lively reading.

A Troublesome Pest
Can you advise me how to get rid of a pest that troubles me greatly every fall? With the cool nights and mild days of autumn comes a large black fly.

It is entirely different from the common housefly, both in appearance and habits. On cool days it huddles up in the corners of the windows and seems torpid, but as the sun falls into the room it buzzes and darts wildly around.

In spite of wire screens it works its way through cracks and crevices into the house. They infest the second floor, seldom appearing below stairs.

I am told it is called "the chamber fly." I have never seen them until we came to this house, and they are such an annoyance I almost despair of getting rid of them. Mrs. J. F. T. (Ottawa, Ill.).

The creature is a stranger to me. I should set sticky flypaper for him as for the common housefly.

I should also institute a strict examination of the sanitary conditions of that house.

From what you say of the appearances and habits of the pests they resemble disagreeably those of my pet aversion—the bluebottle fly—known to naturalists as the *Musca vomitoria*, and detestable under whatever name may be bestowed upon him.

WATERPROOF GLUE
WATERPROOF glue may be made from three parts of gum shellac and one part of India rubber, these being dissolved separately in ether under the influence of heat, and the two solutions mixed and kept for a time in a sealed bottle.

Water, either hot or cold, and most acids and alkalis, will have no effect on the glue.

FAMILY MEALS FOR A WEEK

SUNDAY

BREAKFAST

Grapefruit, bread and cream, beef croquettes (a left-over), popovers, toast, tea and coffee.

LUNCHEON

Cold duck (a left-over), potatoes a la lyonnaise, sardine salad with mayonnaise dressing, carolines and cream cheese, sliced oranges and cookies, tea.

DINNER

Soup a la Russe (with poached eggs in it), brown fricasse of chicken, rice with sweet peppers, lima beans, tippey parson, black coffee.

MONDAY

BREAKFAST

Baked apples and cream, fried bacon and eggs, French rolls (heated), toast, tea and coffee.

LUNCHEON

Stewed oysters, thin brown bread and butter, bean and tomato salad (a left-over), crackers and cheese (heated), stuffed potatoes, coconut custard, tea.

DINNER

Tonate and okra soup, chicken pie (the left-over of fricasse), hominy pudding, fried celery, date pudding, black coffee.

TUESDAY

BREAKFAST

Fruit, cracked wheat and cream, bacon and fried mush, brown and white toast, tea and coffee.

Veal loaf, creamed potatoes browned, baked toast, cold stew, crackers and cheese, hasty cornstarch pudding with hard sauce, tea.

DINNER
Bean soup, baked beefsteak and mushrooms, carrots, creamed onions, mashed potatoes, macaroni cake and black coffee.

WEDNESDAY
BREAKFAST
Oranges, oatmeal jelly and cream, fried panada, baked potatoes, muffins, toast, tea and coffee.

LUNCHEON
Mince of beef and mushrooms (a left-over), chopped potatoes saute, graham and white bread, lettuce salad, crackers and Roquefort cheese, apple sauce, cake, tea.

DINNER
Bean and tomato soup, corned beef, onion nutton, stewed tomatoes, potatoes a la duchesse, bread sauce with mustard sauce, black coffee.

THURSDAY
BREAKFAST
Fruit, cereal and cream, fricasseed eggs garnished with bacon, quick biscuits, toast, tea and coffee.

LUNCHEON
Corned beef hash, macaroni with tomato

sauce (a left-over), scalloped sweet potatoes (a left-over), prune charlotte, tea.

DINNER
Black bean soup (based upon the liquor in which beef was boiled), veal cutlets, Brussels sprouts, spinach, pumpkin pie, black coffee.

FRIDAY
BREAKFAST
Fruit, cereal and cream, clam fritters, rice muffins, toast, tea, coffee.

LUNCHEON
Baked omelet with curry sauce (banana toast eaten with the curry), green pea fritters, Minute salad, crackers and cheese, junket, cake, omelet.

DINNER
Cream of spinach soup (a left-over), roast nutton, stewed tomatoes, potatoes a la duchesse, bread sauce with mustard sauce, black coffee.

SATURDAY
BREAKFAST
Oranges, cereal and cream, bacon and apples, potato biscuits, toast, tea and coffee.

LUNCHEON
Barbecued ham, corn bread, stewed potatoes, orange salad, crackers and cheese, Swiss fritters with liquid sauce, tea.

DINNER
Vegetable soup, boiled cod with caper sauce, mashed potatoes, scalloped tomatoes, sweet potato pudding, black coffee.

Plays, Players, Playgoers--The Week in London Theaters



FLORENCE GUISE,

Who Assists Kelsey in "A Tale of a Turkey," at Bennett's Next Week.

THE GRAND.

Today, matinee and night
 Tuesday "The Man on the Box"
 Friday "East Lynne."
 Thursday "The Cowboy Girl."
 Saturday, matinee and night
 "Mrs. Temple's Telegram."

BENNETT'S.

All week First-class Vaudeville

Manager Elms has had several of his patrons ask him to secure for them tickets for Christmas performances in other Bennett houses, as they want to make some friends in Ottawa, Hamilton, Montreal or Quebec, a nice present, and they know tickets for Bennett's would be most acceptable.

Frank Worthing is to star in "A Fighting Chance."

Della Fox has recovered her health and is again in vaudeville.

Pauline Fredericks is to appear in New York in a new production.

Charles J. Ross and Mabel Penton have joined the Weber company.

Vincent Serrano has resigned from the cast of "The Secret Orchard."

Grace George dedicated a new theater in Montgomery, Ala., last week.

Maud Fealey is credited by report with a big success in the western cities.

James O'Neill has appeared in the title role of "Monte Cristo," 2,000 times.

The catchy melody of "The Time, the Place and the Girl," is the work of Joseph Howard.

James K. Hackett is to appear in his own theater in New York in "John Gladys's Honor."

William Gillette is putting the finishing touches to a new play. It is to be produced shortly.

Marie Dressler has an offer for the Christmas pantomime at the Drury Lane Theater, in London.

Arthur Boucher, the English actor, may appear in New York in the Bernstein play, "Samson."

Creston Clark is playing in Brooklyn in his new play by Adelaide Prince, "The Power That Governs."

Florence Reed, who has been ill, has recovered and rejoined E. H. Sothern's company as leading woman.

George Goldsmith, Jun., has been engaged, to support Hattie Williams as leading man in "Fluffy Ruffles."

Montgomery and Stone's success, "The Red Mill," is credited with a laugh every time "the wheel goes round."

It is likely that Elinor Glyn's book, "Three Weeks," will be dramatized for the Shuberts by Clyde Fitch.

Lester Lonergan and Adelaide No-

wak will head the second company to play "The Great Divide" on tour.

George M. Cohan was in Baltimore last week looking over Paul Armstrong's latest play, "Society and the Bulldog."

Ezra Kendall's new Ade comedy, "The Land of Dollars," is advertised as "three certified checks on the bank of laughter."

Fred Niblo, the monologist, and his wife, Josephine Eohan, have returned to America from a half-around-the-world tour.

Mafia Doro's engagement in New York in "The Morals of Marcus" has been so successful that her time has been extended.

May Robson has scored a hit in "The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary." A member of the supporting company is Miss Nora O'Brien.

Louis Mann will appear in the spring under the management of W. A. Brady in a new play, whose leading role is a serious one.

Ferdinand Bonn has resigned as manager of the Berliner Theater, Berlin, his attempts to Americanize that playhouse having failed.

Tommaso Salvini was reported as dangerously ill last week at his home in Italy. His son announces, however, that there is no cause for anxiety.

Lillian Russell is to appear in New York in her new racing play, "Wildfire," after the first of the year. It is said to have proved a success on the road.

Ruth St. Denis, who made a specialty of East Indian dances, is to appear in Budapest. She will be seen in America some time after the new year.

Justin Huntley McCarthy's new play "Caesare Borgia," was produced at Edinburgh with H. B. Irving and Dorothea Baird in the principal roles.

"The Lion and the Mouse," company at the Thanksgiving dinner on the stage of the Academy of Music, New York, between the matinee and evening performances.

After an absence of two years, Quenle Yassar has returned to the stage and is playing a prominent part in "The Great White Way," now running in New York.

Julia Marlowe has begun rehearsals of the new comedy in which she is to make her reappearance as an individual star. The present title of the play is "The Joke."

Claxton Wiltach, formerly booking representative for the Shuberts, has joined the forces of Henry W. Savage, and is now business manager for "The Merry Widow."

When James K. Hackett appears in St. Paul this week he will be in the odd position of playing against his own attraction. E. M. Holland, in "A House of a Thousand Candles."

Manager Elms, of Bennett's cozy home of polite vaudeville, promises for next week, commencing as usual with the ever-popular Monday matinee, a programme of great diversity made up of eight bright, clean, and clever numbers, which will be headed by an act which has gained the title of "the most artistic act in vaudeville," namely, The Lasky Quintette, a high-class instrumental novelty which is sure to prove one of the season's most delightful musical offerings.

The Lasky Quintette is a real treat to the lovers of all that is good in music, and Manager Elms is greatly pleased in being able to offer such a sterling attraction to his patrons. Besides being a musical triumph, the Quintette carry their own scenic mountings and electrical effects, all of which lend enchantment to the eye. One of the greatest guarantees for this beautiful number is the fact that Victor Herbert, America's foremost musician and composer, personally directed the rehearsals of this great act and arranged especially for them a melody of his own compositions. The instruments used by the Quintette are four cellos, and a harp, a combination unequalled in tone by any concert or vaudeville offering of a similar character.

A young English girl, who recently made critics of New York and the large American cities "sit up and take

notice" with an extensive repertoire of new English character songs is Laurie Ordway, who is heralded as "the surly in vaudeville." Miss Ordway is now making her first tour of the American vaudeville and her success has surpassed that of Vesta Victoria, Marie Lloyd or the winsome Daisy Harcourt who was the talk of this city last season. Miss Ordway has a repertoire of the latest English successes, and many changes of costume which makes her novel act particularly interesting.

The first Klaw & Erlanger act to be presented in London, will be that of the Schenk Brothers, whose marvelous head to head balancing has set the universe "a-talking." It is indeed a wonderful act, and it is predicted that the act will be the biggest acrobatic sensation ever presented in Canada.

Maddox and Melvin, a team of exceptionally clever entertainers, have a skit entitled, "The Messenger Boy and the Actress," which is full to the overflowing point with bright, catchy and up-to-date talk, clever dances and good songs.

Alfred Kelsey, who is assisted by Miss Florence Guise, is to present a

notice "the American Tommy Atkins," is presenting a very neat dancing novelty, and is assisted by Flora Dora. The Bennettograph will wind up this very promising bill which will be seen twice daily next week.

The Real Mrs. Patrick Campbell.

There are some great actresses who will tell you that for hours after they have been playing a part they are still imbued with the part of the woman they have been portraying. Madame Modjeska, for instance, used to say that after acting in "Frou-Frou," the rage and jealousy of Gilberte would still possess her to such a degree that until the next day it was an effort for her to speak pleasantly to the actresses who had impersonated her rival in the play.

Nothing of this sort obtains with Mrs. Campbell. The instant the final curtain falls, whatever the character is disappears and the actress is ready for the usual supper with her friends. She has turned the key upon her profession for the night, and woe betide anyone around the festive board who introduces the stage as a topic. Mrs. Campbell is very apt to glance about her with a preoccupied air and say: "I like the color scheme of this din-

would rather play in the latter tongue than in the mother tongue. In fact, she says she invariably does her thinking in French even when holding a conversation in English. It might be mentioned that she has appeared with Sarah Bernhardt playing opposite roles. Mrs. Campbell is essentially a lover of home life, and nothing, she will tell you, really compensates her for the time she is compelled to pass away from her home. In her London house, she has probably one of the most unique libraries to be seen anywhere. It consists of seven tiny rooms opening from a circular balcony at the top of the house.

Six of these rooms bear over their doors in dull silver letters the names of the country whose literature is to be found within; the countries represented being England, America, France, Russia, Italy and Germany. The seventh room is devoted solely to the plays in which she is interested, and most of the copies bear the autographs of their authors. With each play is a huge scrapbook, bulky with reviews, criticisms and all sorts of interesting newspaper paragraphs which have been printed concerning the author and his work.

She has sufficient reviews, extolling Maeterlinck, Sudermann and Hauptmann to fill a good-sized library in themselves. This critical matter represents the gleanings of several press agencies, to which the actress subscribes in England, America and France. Mrs. Campbell is a capital mimic, although the faculty is seldom used, and very rarely, only for the amusement of her most intimate friends. She has a passion for music, and is a fine pianiste, her favorite composer being Chopin. Of the opera she is very fond, although she has few opportunities for witnessing performances. She reads inordinately—not only plays, but books, periodicals, newspapers—in short, everything that will keep her abreast of the times, and it is no unusual thing for her to pore over a new play from midnight until morning. Hitherto she has been identified chiefly with the mystical school of playwrights, especially with Maeterlinck, and she shares many of his theories.

Her first great success was made with Pinero, in whose striking play—still discussed—"The Second Mrs. Tanqueray," she still appears. It was a perverse and discontented Paula, with her vague longings and strange unrest, that she first drew all London to see her. Before that time she had had the hard and thankless experiences of the provinces, those which give knowledge and experience, but at a cost. With all her stage work, Mrs. Campbell retains her fondness for society, and in it finds relaxation. That she shines in this lighter world it is unnecessary to say, for she is a brilliant conversationalist, be the theme grave or gay, and with an unending fund of anecdotes which she recounts with the skill of a born story-teller.

At the top of the Bennett bill for the week of Dec. 16 will be found the well-known names Welch, Francis & Co., who for the past decade have been prominent among the better farce comedy stars. Welch and Francis are presenting for their vaudeville tour a musical farce comedy entitled, "The Flip Mr. Floy," which is said to be the cleverest, the funniest, the fastest and the brightest of any of the big acts now in vaudeville.

Matthews and Harris, the Dixon Brothers and Herbert Cyril are also prominently mentioned as attractions for Bennett's bill of week of Dec. 16.

General Manager Bennett returned last evening from a trip over his circuit, and reports business conditions great all along the line. Mr. Bennett is now preparing to move to New York with his family, where he will hereafter make his headquarters.

Immense holiday offerings are being arranged for Christmas week at the Bennett theaters.

Jameson Lee Finney, the star in Walter N. Lawrence's production of "The Man on the Box," has achieved unusual distinction as an interpreter of juvenile roles, and has played some of the most important characters of this class seen in New York in recent years. Mr. Finney is a native of St. Louis, therefore, he hails from Missouri, but he is not supposed to be of that class of Missourians who has "to be shown." Instead of having to be shown it can well be said of him that he "shows" other people. Mr. Finney was for a number of years in many of the plays put out by Charles Frohman. Coming under the management of Walter N. Lawrence he assumed the dignity of a first-class star, appearing in a first-class play, and supported by a first-class company. Mr. Lawrence will present Mr. Finney for an engagement here at the Grand today, matinee and evening, when the play will be offered with a large number of those who appeared in it during its long run of almost one year at the Madison Square Theater in New York. Those associated with Mr. Finney are Sydney Booth, Neil Moran, James C. Spottiswood, William Herbert, Fred W. Peters, Robert Tesserman, Chester Becroft, C. W. Schaeffer, Miss Madge Flora, Miss Jeanette Farrall, and Miss Elsie Leslie.

Miss Mabel Tallafiero, "Poly of the Circus," is the daughter of Mrs. Anna Tallafiero, the well-known New York instructor of stage children.

When Kilroy and Britton secured the new melodramatic play they knew what they were about and at the same time what the public wanted—something new in a theatrical way. "The Cowboy Girl," it is said, is decidedly new. It offers a thoroughly good and interesting western stage story of true American life and incidentally thereto many original bits of song and original music are introduced. "The Cowboy Girl" is filled with dashing comedy, players who are perfectly competent to enact the serious roles and to enliven and



MISS FRANCES GRANT,

In "Mrs. Temple's Telegram," at the Grand, Saturday, Dec. 14.

Increase the musical ensemble. A chorus of pretty show girls assists materially in the brilliant musical numbers. A splendid combination of thrilling melodrama, sparkling music and dashing fun is "The Cowboy Girl," which will be the attraction at the Grand next Thursday.

The Russell brothers, better known as "The Irish Servant Girls," are the stars of a new piece called "The Hired Girl's Millions," which will be seen at the Academy early in the new year.

"Mrs. Temple's Telegram," a clean swiftly-moving little farce, will be the attraction at the Grand next Saturday, matinee and evening. The farce is by Frank Wyatt and Wm. Morris, and it possesses the merit of adding charm to a theme by no means new in this particular character of entertainment. It is bright and brimming over with funny sayings and situations, full of amusing twists and tangles, fairly alive with happy action, cleanly in lines and theme and altogether a pleasant enough trifle to be worth three hours of any amusement seekers' time. The production will be the same as was presented for an entire season at the Madison Square Theater, New York.

The "New York Idea," played in America by Mrs. Fiske last season, was presented in London last week with fair success. The aristocracy praised it, while the gallery patrons hissed it.

One thing accomplished by Sidney R. Ellis, manager of golden-voiced Al. H. Wilson, who appears in this city in the near future, is the building up of a clientele commensurate with the abilities of this popular comedian. Mr. Ellis is also the author of the several plays in which Mr. Wilson has scored great success, and his latest, the new "Mets in the Alps" is said to be by far his greatest effort. Picked at random from the titles of Mr. Wilson's new songs that he will render during his forthcoming engagement is "Fairer Flower of All," the music of which is especially pleasant and catchy.

It is said that E. H. Sothern has changed the first date set for his appearance as Lord Dundreary because it was Friday, the 13th. The production will accordingly be made Dec. 12.

Ethel Barrymore's annual New York engagement will be played at the Hudson Theater, beginning Christmas night. Her first play will be "Her Sister," by Clyde Fitch and Cosmo Gordon Lennox.



MR. R. B. TESSEMAN.

The above is the latest photograph of Mr. Robert B. Tesseman, who is a member of the company supporting Mr. Jameson Lee Finney in "The Man on the Box." To be presented in London Saturday, Dec. 7. He is the only son of the late Signor Tesseman, formerly a prominent grand opera singer of Her Majesty's Opera, Covent Garden, London, England, and well-known throughout Canada.

Mr. Tesseman began his stage career about five years ago, starting with Blanche Walsh in a small part, and later entering vaudeville, where he remained for some time, and it was from that field that Mr. Walter Lawrence engaged him to play the part of Victor Longacre, in "The Man in the Case," which opened the season at the Madison Square Theater, New York, and at the withdrawal of that piece Mr. Lawrence sent him on to join "The Man on the Box" Company.

As a comedian, Mr. Tesseman possesses a good deal of ability, and in addition has a rich and powerful baritone voice, which won for him many admirers during his residence in Canada.

His delightful personality and ability to tell a good story when the occasion arises, together with his splendid voice, have made him a big favorite socially, and his many London friends will be glad to learn that he is to be here again, if only for one night, and he, no doubt, will be accorded a warm welcome on his appearance here.



LAURA ORDWAY,

The Inimitable English Character Comedienne, at Bennett's Next Week.

comedy act, which is sure to meet with the approval of all who enjoy the higher class of comedy. The play, let is entitled, "A Tale of a Turkey," and tells a pretty story of the hard luck of an actor during Christmas time. There is some very pretty sentiment expressed in the lines of Mr. Kelsey's offering, and it is well handled by these very clever people, Montgomery and Moore have an act built along new lines which they call "A Few New and Original Ideas in Advanced Entertaining," and from the various reports that have been received upon this act it is only fair to say that Montgomery and Moore will be one of the best-liked features of this pleasing bill.

Agnes Mahr, who has been christ-

ing-room, so very, very much."

It is interesting though to observe the actress behind the scenes as the performance of the evening progresses. She will not see anyone between the acts, as she lives each part that she plays for the time being, and becomes so wrapped up in it that she will not become distracted. She remains steady in her dressing-room until the stage manager taps quietly at her door to notify her that her cue is close at hand. Then without a word she goes to the point from which she is to make her entrance, and stands absorbed in her role, until the cue is given which brings her before the audience.

While she is English to the tips of her fingers, she speaks German and French fluently, and strange to say



MRS. PATRICK CAMPBELL, WHO WILL BE SEEN AT THE GRAND NEXT WEEK.



MR. JAMES LEE FINNEY AND MISS ELSIE LESLIE, WITH "THE MAN ON THE BOX," AT THE GRAND TONIGHT.

Cupid Juggles With Millions

THE LAST OF THE VANDERBILT GIRLS TO BE MARRIED TO AN HUNGARIAN COUNT—SHE IS WORTH \$12,500,000—SAID TO BE A LOVE MATCH.

No more Vanderbilt girls! Let fortune-chasing noblemen road and impecunious youths here up their fondlest hope. The last of the Vanderbilt heiresses has been emptied; there are no more to be married off.

The wedding of Miss Gladys Vanderbilt, youngest child of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt, grandson of the famous Commodore, takes place on in New York city, at the splendid Vanderbilt mansion, Fifty-seventh street and Fifth avenue. The fortunate bridegroom is Count Laszlo Szechenyi, a dashing young nobleman of Budapest, Austria-Hungary.

And so the \$12,500,000 which Miss Vanderbilt inherited from her father's estate goes abroad. All her brothers have married Americans, and so has her sister, but she has elected to choose a title.

There is still an unmarried boy, young Harold Vanderbilt, youngest son of William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., who is a younger brother of Cornelius, Sr. But as he isn't of age and his father is living, he has only what is allowed him.

The other Vanderbilts—Cornelius, Alfred, Reginald, Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney and Gladys—all have every cent now that their father left them. With a fortune of \$12,500,000, of which she can't begin to spend a tithe of the income, Miss Gladys is among the richest young women in America—in her own right. There are girls who may inherit more, but Miss Vanderbilt has hers now.

Of course, New York society was quite taken aback when Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt announced the engagement, several weeks ago. Few in Gotham's fashionable set had ever heard of the count.

But if society hesitated over a Maygar, the Vanderbilts certainly were even more upset. While they may be at the wedding, they made it very plain that they didn't approve. They always happened to have other engagements, when parties were being given for the count—their brother-in-law-to-be. Though Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt gave the count the use of his splendid Newport place, Portland Farm, he left him in charge of the servants. Reginald Vanderbilt, the youngest brother, quietly left Newport altogether, this giving the gossip plenty to talk about. Cornelius went to Chicago.

Count Laszlo Szechenyi is a son of the late Count Emmerich Szechenyi, who was for some years ambassador from Austria-Hungary to Germany. He has an hereditary seat in the Hungarian parliament and is one of the chamberlains of the Austrian emperor. What is more, his estates are not encumbered. He is 23 years old—good-looking, athletic, affable and full of fun.

All last summer the Vanderbilts, mother and daughter, were abroad. Their regular place, the Breakers, at Newport—the great mansion built by Cornelius Vanderbilt—was closed. Visited—it was a gay summer for the rich American widow and her charming young daughter.

Now every nobleman thinks a rich American girl his prey. Mrs. Vanderbilt has her share at her heels. She couldn't take a drive or even a short walk without being bowed to right and

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*BEER is a term which covers lager, ales, porter and stout; and, in the practice of Ontario brewers, implies beverages made under most hygienic conditions from Ontario barley (the best of the world) malt, hops, and pure water.

left by men with irreproachable titles, who imagined their names would command her instant adoration. Instead, they found themselves getting the cold shoulder. Of course, all the Vanderbilt friends thought that Miss Gladys would follow her father's example and marry an American.

A LOVE MATCH.

Then she met the count. Nobody guessed it, but it was a case of love at first sight, for both. Mrs. Vanderbilt herself was immensely interested in the handsome young Hungarian who had such a splendid position at the Austrian court. He was all attention, of course, and when he invited mother and daughter to visit his estates over the Hungarian border, Mrs. Vanderbilt readily agreed to chaperon her daughter.

In August last, Mrs. Vanderbilt and Miss Gladys went to the Hotel Bristol, Vienna, with their retinue of maids. It was then remarked in the American colony that Szechenyi was more than usually attentive to the charming American girl and her young looking mother. But nobody for a moment imagined that anything would come of it.

CAME INTO HER OWN.

While they were there, too, a notable event occurred. On August 25 Miss Vanderbilt celebrated her twenty-fifth birthday. It was also the day on which she came absolutely into the \$12,500,000 which had been accumulating for her since her father's death, in 1899.

This was a notable date in Vanderbilt family history, too, because it meant the final distribution of the great estate left by Cornelius Vanderbilt.

A small host of clerks and accountants had been busy for weeks in the office of the Vanderbilt estate, Forty-second street and Madison avenue, New York, making all the preparations. There were extra money all around the neck of the children—Alfred, Reginald, Mrs. Whitney and Gladys received extra sums.

Cornelius, the oldest son, got nothing extra. He paid the penalty for marrying Miss Grace Wilson, daughter of T. R. Wilson, by being disinherited, and took his \$6,000,000 in a lump from his brother Alfred, as a price for not contesting the will. But he has more than doubled his money, and only Alfred is richer than he today.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Vanderbilt and Gladys had seen more and more of the count. Finally it was all arranged. He proposed, was accepted and Mrs. Vanderbilt consented.

Back to America came mother and daughter, while the count got ready for a trip on a later steamer. Rumors of what he was coming for fluttered Newport before he arrived. But the Vanderbilts kept him in the dark. They told that the trousseau had been ordered in Paris and that the date had been set for December 4. They wanted

Gerald Massey, Poet of the Poor

AN ENGLISH WRITER OF BEWITCHING VERSE SPRUNG FROM THE PEOPLE—PLACED ON CIVIL LIST BY PALMERSTON—HAS JUST DIED AT GREAT AGE.

"In recognition of his services as a poet sprung from the people."

This was the reason given by Lord Palmerston in 1863 for placing on the civil pension list the name of Gerald Massey, the powerful poet of the poor, Christian Socialist, essayist and reviewer, spiritualist and Egyptologist, and model for George Eliot's "Felix Holt, the Radical," who died a few days ago in his home at South Norwood, London, England, at the age of 73 years.

Though born in the poorest circumstances—his father was a canal boat man—and bred to the hideous factory life of England because of the poverty of his parents, Gerald Massey had a remarkable and rapid literary career. At the age of 28 he was a reviewer on the staff and exclusive literary weekly, the Athenaeum, and he counted among his friends Walter Savage Landor,

ed their little surprise on New York society.

But they didn't keep it very long. On October 2 the count arrived in Newport, aboard Alfred Vanderbilt's private car, Wayfarer, and accompanied by his valet and a number of trunks. Miss Vanderbilt, in her basket phaeton, was at the station to meet him, and, of course, everybody guessed. But the secret was kept for another day.

Then on October 3, Mrs. Vanderbilt formally announced the engagement of her daughter to the Hungarian.

"Mine's a love match," declared Miss Vanderbilt to those of her intimates who asked her pointedly about it. "I hope you all will like him, because he's one of the finest in the world."

Mrs. Vanderbilt was all in smiles, but it didn't seem that the Vanderbilts went out of the way to be cordial to him. They were polite, but not a bit exuberant, and Reginald went so far as to frankly admit that while he hadn't a thing against the match, he wasn't very strong for the match.

Next she took up coaching, and her mother gave her a coach and four, under the guise of a professional wish. She joined the Ladies' Four-in-Hand Club, of New York, and is eligible to take part in their annual parades in Central Park.

She swims, too, and sometimes sails a boat. She likes tennis and golf, but hasn't given either game the time to make herself an expert.

Miss Vanderbilt made her formal debut in New York society in December, 1904. Her mother gave a large ball in her honor, and Miss Vanderbilt led the cotillion with that premier of cotillion leaders of New York, Worthington Whitehouse. After that the entire Vanderbilt connection gave a series of entertainments for the debutante, topped off by a grand ball at Mrs. Vanderbilt's for the pick of society in January, 1905.

The fashionable found a debutante that wasn't bored, as most of them are in New York. Miss Gladys was having all kinds of fun. And so simple were her clothes that a girl without money, her couldn't have envied this girl with \$12,500,000. She went to one wedding in a simple white muslin gown unadorned with a particle of lace. With it she wore a white sailor hat trimmed with a quill and a white velvet bow. It was Mrs. Vanderbilt's idea to bring her up unspoiled by great wealth, and she was rewarded by her daughter's simple tastes. Miss Gladys and Miss Vanderbilt is an Episcopalian. For that reason, there will have to be a regulation dispensation, and a church wedding must be foregone.

The arrangements have all been made. The ceremony will be performed by a priest in the Vanderbilt mansion. The wedding will be a big reception afterward, and a wedding journey both here and abroad.

By this marriage there will be left a girl of the name of Vanderbilt, the last of the children of the old generation. Consuelo is the Duchess of Marlborough, Gertrude is Mrs. Whitney. Their aunts are Mrs. Elliot F. Shepard, Mrs. William D. Sloan, Mrs. Seward Webb, Mrs. Walter Webb and Mrs. H. McKay Twombly, all of whom brought Vanderbilt millions as their dowries.

George Eliot, Frederick Denison Maurice, John Ruskin and Charles Kingsley. During the first half of the Victorian era of literature he was one of its striking figures, and his earlier poems, which were drenched with the bitter experience of the sorrows and trials of the factory child. More than of Burns it could be said of him that "he learnt in suffering what he taught in song."

What little schooling the future singer of political ballads and writer of delightful lyrics got before he entered the factory was shut off so that he could aid in keeping the ever-prowling wolf from the door. He would read by the light of a tallow dip after working hours, but even such a trifling light could not often be wasted for reading in the home of the canal boat man. Little Gerald left the factory and became a "boy of all work" at a lady's boarding school at Tring, and here he surreptitiously studied until the principal suggested that he should try his fortune in London.

He became an errand boy in the metropolis, but was discharged for loitering at book stalls and for lampooning the florid poet. He began to imitate literature especially devoted to exploiting the economic injustices. Young Massey was next heard of as the editor of "The Spirit of Freedom," a journal which fostered the Chartism propaganda.

Dr. Samuel Smiles, author of "Self-Help," wrote that no poet of his class had done anything equal to the lyrics written by Massey at 22 years of age. It is Dr. Smiles who tells of the discovery of the poet of the poor by Hepworth, editor of the Athenaeum. Dixon was caught in a shower of rain and sought refuge in a news dealer's doorway. He picked up a periodical and was attracted by the front page. The title line of which was represented by an arrangement of bayonets and daggers. Underneath the title line, "Song of the Red Republican," appeared a poem which opened as follows:

"Fling out the red banner, its fiery front under,"

Come gather ye, gather ye, Champions of Right! And roll round the world with the voice of God's thunder

The wrongs were to be reckoned, oppressions to smite."

The sonorous and ringing third line lingered in Hepworth's Dixon's memory, and when, later, a small volume, entitled "Poems by Gerald Massey," was sent to the Athenaeum for review he saw the "Song of the Red Republican" again. He gave the book a favorable review. In those days this meant much to a struggling author, and young Massey woke up to find himself famous.

Walter Savage Landor came out of his shell and praised the work of the

poet of the poor. John Ruskin, Frederick Denison Maurice, and Charles Kingsley became his friends. While editing "The Spirit of Freedom," he had lost eleven positions which he tried to keep in order to live. He became a reviewer of the Athenaeum, wrote for the Quarterly Review and published "The Ballad of Babe Christabel" and "Craigcrook Castle," which further increased his reputation.

"Havelock's March" and "A Tale of Eternity" added to his fame. The latter was a spiritualistic poem, which unfolds a page of the author's awful personal experiences of the phenomena with which he declared he had been brought face to face for many years. Another remarkable work by him was "The Secret Drama of Shakespeare's Sonnets."

Gerald Massey was not spoiled by fame. After being placed on the civil list he visited the United States, where he had thousands of readers and where he made a successful lecture tour. He was married twice, and after he had turned his thoughts to spiritualism he claimed to receive visits from his first wife. For the last 30 years, however, he devoted himself to Egyptology, and recently published a book, "Ancient Egypt: The Light of the World." He regarded ancient Egypt as the cradle of the human race, and he went to study in darkest Africa, which he considered the very birthplace of the world.

He wrote no more lyrics after he turned his thoughts toward psychic phenomena, and his studies in Africa so absorbed his mind that he said shortly before his death:

"If on death I might be a poet, but I have come to this—that I would rest!"

Overeating on Board Ship

THE GLASGOW NEWS SAYS IT IS A COMMON FAILING—GLUTTONY AND WASTE ON AN ATLANTIC LINER APPALLING.

While the world generally is at present most interested in the speed of the Lusitania, there are cooks, provision merchants, and Transatlantic travelers in large numbers who are curious regarding her bill of fare. Apart from speed and food, one Atlantic liner is very much like another; all cabins are much the same in space and arrangement, though they may differ in upholstery, all saloons are comfortable; all stewards are attentive and intelligent; all smoke-rooms are seductive; and the proudest vessel on the western ocean trade can offer no recreations to her passengers that cannot be had on the least pretentious. It is only in speed and in the food provided that any ship now may proffer exclusive attractions for the experienced traveler who is hurried and always hungry, and we can fancy that the menu cards of the Lusitania will be more interesting to the American traveler than her log.

For the great pastime on ocean liners is neither shuffle-board, deck quoits, nor flirting (though these, too, have their devotees), but feeding. It is no wonder that Mr. George Bernard Shaw, crossing to America some time ago, should be astonished and disgusted at the gluttony and waste he saw around him, for every meal in the cabin of an Atlantic liner is a feast. The classes have paid when they bought their tickets, so that all of them feel compelled to take the utmost advantage of it, though their health should suffer. The North German Lloyd Company has taken the public into their confidence, and informed us that the provisions used on board their ships last year were of a value close on to \$4,000,000. The figures convey but a poor idea of what epicureanism can mean. The passenger gets tea or coffee, bread or fruit, in his cabin in the morning; a breakfast which includes every variety of fruit, fish, flesh and cereals; soup and biscuits on deck later; a heavy lunch of many courses in the middle of the day; afternoon tea; a dinner of Mansion House or Municipal Buildings extravagance; and a supper of sandwiches. The bugle which summons to meals seems to be blowing in the alleysways at every hour of the day, and in their ordinary way of life would feed with sensible frugality, stuff themselves from sheer greed till their cheeks began to puff; and women, who subsist in their own homes mainly on tea and macaroons, signal a mal-de-mere by excesses at the table which render them stupid in intellect, bloated in complexion, and sluggish in body. Perhaps it is from this instinct that the most self-indulgent should be cautioned from as soon as possible that so many of them desire to have the voyage shortened in point of time. The experience of unprejudiced and observant travelers on ocean liners is that the most intemperate voluptuaries are the Germans and Americans. Teutons are great eaters naturally, and have venerable traditions of elaborate and tempting cuisine; hotel and

restaurant life in the United States have developed sensualism in eating among Americans, and those of them who travel the seas demand a debauch of food to every meal. To indulge their taste for variety, and give them the choice of many dishes, though only to be pecked at perfunctorily, involves an enormous destruction of good viands. There is no more shameful and suggestive sight to any reflective man, not himself a glutton, than that of an ocean liner's dinner table after the passengers have satiated themselves by pulling elaborately prepared dishes to pieces. What is consumed is only a small proportion of what is left in debris, to be thrown into the scrap casks, or into the sea.

On some of the larger lines not a scrap of this valuable food, left over in huge quantities from every meal, is turned to any account, but is thrown over the side of the ship—a pitiful commentary on the economies of an age when millions are starving.

—Glasgow News.

Where good people go.

A haven of rest for the muckrakers and tortured sociologists has at last been found. They may shake the dust of these states from their feet and forgo the Kuskwagumites, a tribe of perfect men and women that has been discovered somewhere near the base of Mount McKinley in the wilds of Alaska by Dr. George B. Gordon, of the University of Pennsylvania.

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"There are only 400 of them left. It is to be hoped for their sake that they die out before the white traders get to them; then they can die as clean and happy as they lived."

This paradise is not beyond the reach of perfect souls embowed by the imperfections of civilized white men, being situated only 800 miles from the mouth of the Kuskokwim River. One long-drawn-out sweet song is life in Kuskwagumetland. There the square deal always reigns and there is nothing to reform. It is obvious that only the good should go to the land of the millennium up near the Arctic Circle, but the name of the good among us is legion. There ought to be a rush to Kuskwagumetland when the ice breaks up in July.—New York Sun.

THE ORIGIN OF KISSING.

Originally, kissing was a form of mere salutation corresponding to the custom among the Esquimaux of rubbing noses. Thus, in the very olden days, it seemed to many a seemly and even pious act to kiss the feet of idols, just as even now millions would rejoice in the opportunity after the modern manner of course—to kiss the toe of the Pope. St. Paul extended this phase of the ceremony by inventing and enjoining the "holy kiss," or kiss of charity, signifying Christian love and brotherhood. So far as we have been able to learn, this method of presenting evidence of fellowship served satisfactorily while confined to the brethren, but gradual, and apparently not unwilling, participation in it by the sisters gave rise to uncertainties in the mind of so many husbands of selfish disposition that the practice was long ago discontinued, and is now never observed, except under an unusual stress of circumstances, or when a peculiarly plausible pretext can be found. As a matter of fact, the kiss prescribed by the apostle was as harmless a thing as the kisses of Arabian women upon the beards of their male relatives; but, as the requirements of the times became less rigorous, the distance between cheek or forehead and lips seemed to shorten, and abandonment of the pretty custom became necessary, for reasons which we need not recount, since they may be readily supplied by intelligent and experienced readers of both sexes.—North American Review.

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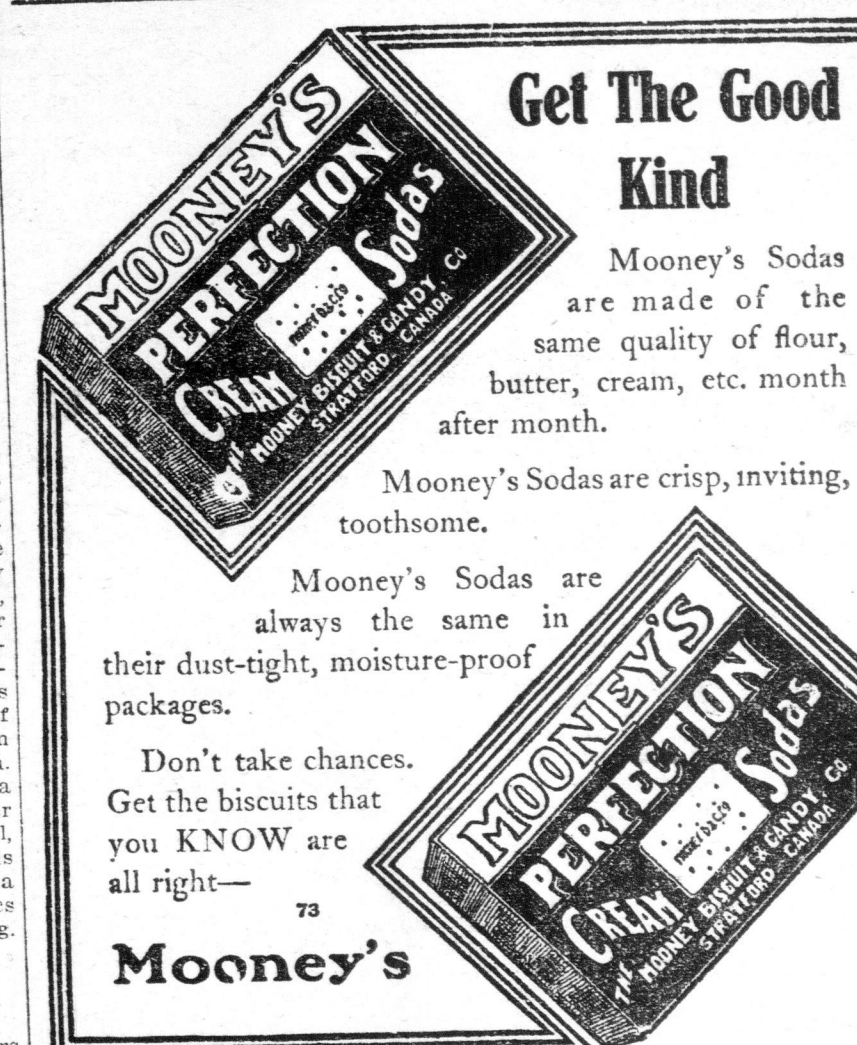
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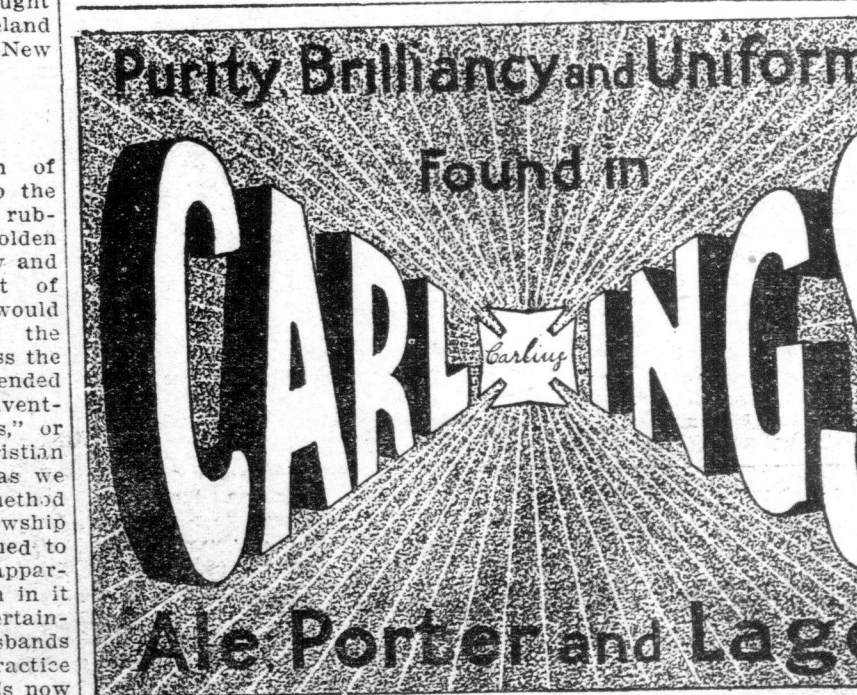
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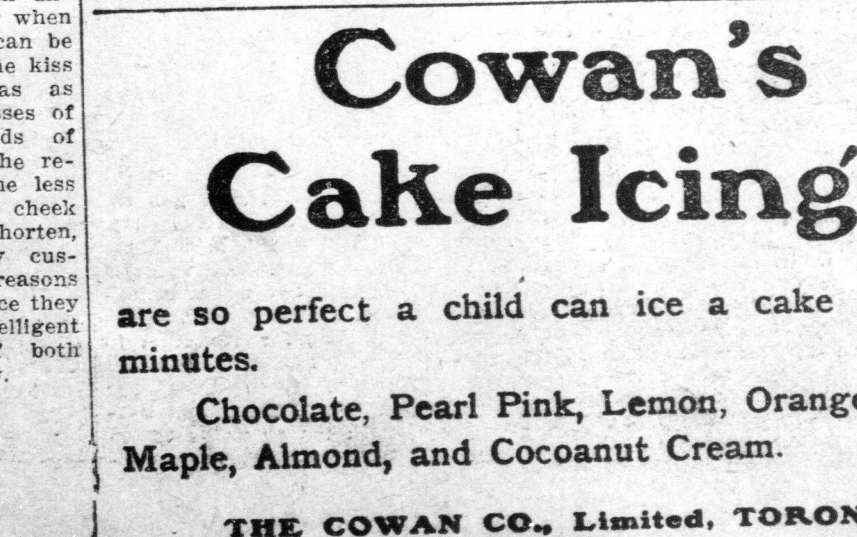


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A Trip Up the River Nile

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THE GREAT WILDERNESSES OF THE
ANCIENT WORLD AND NOW
DRY AND BARREN—A FERTILE
STRIP ALONG THE NILE—A
GOVERNMENT STEAMER.

(By Frank T. Carpenter.)

Wady Halfa, Egypt, Nov. 7.—For the past two days I have been steaming up the Nile, above Egypt, through one of the oldest lands of the globe. I have been traveling through the country which belonged to Noah's grandson, Cush, and which, in later days, was known to the Greeks and Romans as Ethiopia. The Egyptians called it Nubia, from their word noub, which means gold, and it is known that a large part of the gold of ancient times came from it. There are miners working in it today. It has been recently parceled out by the Government to three English syndicates, with capital ranging from a quarter of a million dollars to one million and a half dollars, and one of these companies, known as the Sudan Goldfield, Limited, has already sunk three shafts in the ancient workings of On Nabardi and is now building a railroad, to connect them with the Government line which crosses the desert from Wady Halfa to Abu Hamad.

POPULATION OF ANCIENT NUBIA.

Ancient Nubia had a considerable population, and it was noted for its riches and power. It was something of a country about the time the pyramids were built, and in the most prosperous days of old Egypt it had large towns and magnificent temples dedicated to the worship of the Egyptian gods. On my way here I passed Abu Simbel, a great temple on the banks of the Nile, which was cut out of the rocks by Rameses II., the Pharaoh who oppressed the Egyptians and would not let them go; and a little farther down the river lies the Temple of the Lions, where that same old king himself was worshipped as a god.

Nubia was tributary to the Pharaohs until 1100 B. C. It then became independent and later still the armies of Egypt and conquered it. As other nations came into the lower part of the Nile Valley they sent armies against the Nubians, only to be driven back, and at the time the Romans entered Egypt the country was ruled by a succession of queens named Candace, one of whom made war upon Rome. Shortly after Christ the people adopted Christianity, and later, when the Mohammedans took possession of Egypt and the Upper Nile Valley, they were converted to Mohammedanism. They are still followers of the prophet, and they formed some of the boldest soldiers of the Mahdi in his recent war against the forces of Egypt and England.

A land with such a history ought to be a rich one. The Nubia of today is about as barren as any country on earth. With the exception of a narrow strip along the Nile it is altogether desert. It begins in the sands of Libya and goes for several hundred miles eastward to the Red Sea, and it is only in a few places that the soil has enough moisture to furnish a scanty pasture for camels and sheep. The bulk of the desert population is made up of Bisharin Bedouins, who live in tents of matting and move about with their flocks from place to place. Each tribe has a certain number of wells, and their water is the

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principal part of its visible wealth. During the past few years the English officials of the Sudan have located these wells, and they have now information as to their depth and the quality of the water. The Government has also sunk some wells and has found water at about 109 feet.

The Nubia of today is a part of the Upper Nile Valley. If you will imagine a cultivated strip, about a quarter of a mile wide, running its way like a snake from north to south as far as from New York City to Detroit, and embracing both sides of a river as large as the Mississippi, you may have some idea of this country. You must not think that the cultivated strip has any regularity of width. In some places the desert comes close to the river, and in others the stream is walled with black rocky hills, which rise almost straight up, a thousand feet above it. Farther on may be yet low sand, spotted with black rocks, which show signs of volcanic origin, and farther still a low bend in the river, where the water can be conducted out over the sands and make a cultivated patch three miles in width. In no place can you get out of sight of the desert. There are always rock and sand on the other side of the green, and generally only a thin strip of green separates the Nile from the desert reaching out beyond to the horizon.

IRRIGATION IN NUBIA.

The valley of the Nile here is narrow to an extreme. The river has cut its way through the rocks, and is so walled with hills that its waters have to be lifted in order to flow over any level place whatsoever. This is done chiefly by sakeys, of which there are something like 4,000 on the Nubian Nile. The great wheels, moving in a big circle, can be seen, here and there, high up on the banks, with their strings of buckets hanging to them. As the water descends each dip into the water and carries to the top a few quarts. In some places men raise the waters they carry it up by hand and water little patches, 20 to 30 feet wide, where the river slopes at such an angle that this can be done. Every low place in the river is used, and as the Nile falls, the sand banks and islands are planted.

Wherever there is a strip of cultivated land a village of huts, made of mud and stones, has grown up, and such villages spot the banks for hundreds of miles. At times there will be no green except between them and the river, and one wonders how they can be born and live and die there. Nevertheless there are more than 100,000 people to whom this region is the center of life.

I understand that this Nile strip is very fertile. The Government officials tell me that it raises excellent cotton, and that a movement is under way to open up cotton plantations wherever there is enough block of land for the purpose. At present the chief crops are wheat, barley and millet, and the chief fruit is the date tree. The date thrives, and the fruit is sweeter and larger than that grown farther down the Nile Valley. One sees date palms almost everywhere along the banks. The Government looks upon them as a source of revenue, and taxes them at the rate of ten cents per tree.

ON A GOVERNMENT STEAMER.

This, on which I have been traveling, is one of the little steamers of the Sudan Government which goes twice a week from Shellal, just above the Assuan dam, to Wady Halfa, where the railroad across the desert begins. The ship is a sternwheeler, like those on our rivers. It is about 20 feet wide, 150 feet long, and it draws only 6 inches. We move about six miles per hour, and our pilot, a dark-faced, short-bearded Nubian, in turban and gown, winds his way from one side of the river to the other as we go up the stream.

We fly the Egyptian and Sudanese flags, but the steamer belongs to the Government of the Sudan, and that means it is English. The captain, however, is a German, and the rest of the crew are Nubians, most of whom are as black as your hat. The captain speaks German, French, English and Arabic. He attends to everything connected with the steamer, even to the meals, to seeing that the passengers are properly served. Our waiters are black-faced Nubians, in long white gowns, belted in at the waist by sashes of bright red. They wear white turbans and their feet are either bare or clad in red slippers.

The steamer is comfortable and the company agreeable. The boat has two decks. On the lower one are the cabins and the dining-room, where our meals are served table d'hôte. Over the upper an awning is stretched, so that we can sit out and watch the scenery as we go up the river.

Our party consists of several commercial travelers, who are bound for the Sudan and Central Africa to sell or buy goods; two missionaries, who are going up the Sobat River; a capitalist, largely interested in land development enterprises about Khartoum, and of people who are on their way to the Blue Nile to hunt big game. Among the latter are a German baron and his wife and several British army officers from India, who are spending their leave in this way. Most of our party appears in evening clothes at dinner, although we are far away in the wilds of Nubia, with nothing but desert on each side. Our meals are served in course, with a half-dozen changes of plates, knives and forks, and we have napkins.

HOW ONE SUFFERS IN THE DESERT.

Indeed, it may interest you to know just how one suffers out here in the Desert of Nubia. I will give you the story of one day. At 7 this morning, while I was yet in bed, my black boy appeared and handed me a cup of hot tea, with two sweet crackers on each side of the saucer. At 8 o'clock the bell rang for breakfast in the dining-room. The meal was as follows: Fried fish, fresh from the Nile; bacon and eggs, bread and butter and jam, with tea or coffee to order. At 1 o'clock came luncheon, consisting of rice, giblets, chicken, mutton chops and fruit, with bread and butter and cheese. Coffee, of course. At 8 o'clock we had dinner, and the menu was as follows: First, an excel-

lent soup, then a boiled fish just out of the Nile, followed by a complot of pigeons, roast lamb and mint sauce, with potatoes and string beans. Then there was a course of tomato salad, and after that a pudding and fruit. All this was eaten about as far as the Mediterranean Sea as Omaha is above New Orleans, and the meals were served well. The charge for the food alone is \$2 per day, and the fare without food for the two days' trip is \$35.

I do not find travel in Africa at all cheap. If one travels along the Nile he must expect to spend \$10 or \$15 a day, the cost increasing as he goes up the river. My trip from Shellal to Khartoum and back by rail and steamer, not very much longer than from New York to Chicago, will be \$115, or about 6 cents per mile, and I shall doubtless have to pay at Khartoum a most very good hotel. In Egypt charges that much, and the extras are proportionately high.

If one attempts to travel economically he must expect many discomforts. On this boat first-class passengers are only as carried. We have second and third class passengers, but they live not on the steamer, but on a low barge, which we tow along by our side. This barge has a flat deck of rough boards, covered by a roof. The people upon it carry their bedding and lay it down on the boards. They must supply their own food, and as the servants of the first-class passengers and natives, who are none too happy, go in that way, the company is not overly desirable. Besides it is very cold after dark and those who sleep on the decks have the desert breezes blowing over them all night long. It is cooler here than in Egypt, although we are nearer the equator. I have a woolen blanket on my bed, and on top of that a heavy traveling rug, and still am none too warm. In the early morning I wear an overcoat when on deck, although at noon it is as hot out on the breeze that I would faint take off my flesh and sit in my bones.

THE PLAGUE OF THE FLIES.

Sailing up the Nubian Nile we are almost free from flies, such as are found by the millions in Egypt, but Nubia has a kind of fly of its own which is almost unbearable. This is known as the Nimetta, a small midge, which appears in countless myriads during the winter season. Its bite causes a slight fever and the natives sometimes wear bunches of smoldering grass twisted about their heads to keep it away.

As to the flies of Egypt, they are probably the descendants of those which the Lord sent in to afflict the children of Israel. They look not unlike the common fly of our country, but are more bold and hungry. Their feet stick to one as though they were glued, and they will not move until brushed off. Their favorite feeding place seems to be on one's eye, and the Egyptian peasants have become so used to them that they let them feed at will. This is especially so of the children, a common sight being a child with its eyes so fringed with flies that it seems to have double eyelashes. The flies cover the meat in the markets, they roost on the buffaloes, camels and donkeys, and they attack the tourist to such an extent that the only way to escape them is to become an Egyptian. In the desert bushes are tassel-like affairs with long strings similar to the hairs of a horse's tail.

Every one knows that flies carry disease, and many of the troubles of the Egyptians of today are due to them. This is especially so of ophthalmia. There are blind people everywhere, and one-eyed men and women are common. Diseases of the eye are universal here. Egypt is a country of Lower Egypt doctors. These men are supported by a rich Englishman, who has given a fund for the purpose. The doctors go from village to village, carrying their tents with them. As they enter a town the people go out to the poor who will be treated without charge, and crowds come to their tents to have their eyes examined and cured. They remain in one town for a month or so, and during this time the poor are cured of their eyes without money and without price, as told the institution does great good.

WILL PHILAE BE DROWNED.

The port of Shellal, where I took the steamer for Wady Halfa, is just opposite the Island of Philae, and during my stay there I rowed a boat and took photographs of the ruined temples as they have been more or less affected by the backing up of the water from the Assuan dam. Now that the dam is built 15 feet higher, the most of the temples will be drowned when the reservoir is full, and the probability is that they will soon pass away. When the dam was first proposed a great outcry was raised by the savants of antiquaries, and the world on account of the injury that it would do to Philae, but the material results have been so valuable to Egypt that the dam is to be raised regardless of the preservation of these ancient ruins. Something like \$100,000 was spent in fortifying the old structures during the building of the dam, and it is probable that twice this amount would suffice to take up the temples which are now there and carry them to the mainland, or even transport them to Cairo, where all the world might see.

The Island of Philae is situated on the edge of Lower Nubia. In the center of the Nile, just above the first cataract, and it is reached by ferry-boat from Shellal or from Khartoum and the dam. The island is about 1,500 feet long and 500 feet wide; it is almost covered with temples built by the Ptolemies and others two or three centuries before Christ. The chief deity of Philae was the goddess, Isis; but Osiris, Hathor and the gods of the cataracts were also worshipped there. Under the Roman emperors the temples were enlarged, but when Egypt was converted to Christianity the Island of Philae and other temples were abandoned and the fanatics made their way into Nubia.

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and took possession of it. They turned some of the temples into Christian churches and their mutilations of the splendid carvings put up in the honor of the gods of old Egypt can be plainly seen.

The ruins today are well worth a visit. Some of the structures have a forest of columns about them, and the Kiosk, which is known as Pharaoh's bed, is one of the most beautiful of the Egyptian temples. The stones of which Philae is built are of great size. They probably came from the Assuan quarries, or it may be from the granite rocks in the desert about. That region is almost all granite. I rode for about 30 miles on a back-bone over it, making my way through the desert in and out of granitic boulders, worn smooth by the sandstorms of thousands of years. The rocks are of all shapes and are so piled up, one on another, as to make one a building material. The stones stand high over those surrounding them, as though on a pedestal; there others are massed like fortifications, and again they rise in towers.—Copyright, 1907, by Frank G. Carpenter.

CURIOUS VAGARIES OF GULF STREAM

HAPPENINGS SINCE EXISTENCE BECAME KNOWN.

Capt. James Horne, of the British ship Looh Garry, on a recent trip from Australia to Boston, witnessed a manifestation of the Gulf Stream which is rather rarely observed. Since the first serious attempt by Benjamin Franklin to lay bare the mysteries of that river in the deep, Maury and others have done much to bring this great natural phenomenon before the world. The last word has not yet been said with respect to it. The Looh Garry, a few days before arrival at Boston, lay becalmed, a ripple on the sea surface aroused the captain's attention. This proved to be an indication, not of wind, as was supposed, but of the close proximity of the Gulf Stream. Spars, lumber, a lifeboat and other floats, were borne past the ship to the eastward at the rate of about a couple of miles an hour; yet the vessel herself remained motionless. A small boat of the ocean, which served, as it were, as a bank for the comparatively warm waters of the river in mid-ocean. One day, during the night, a boatload of runners under Capt. Roberts left Wilmington, N. C., intent on gaining the open sea. Next morning, much to the surprise of the crew, a small boat was seen without awakening suspicion in the minds of the pursuers, got into the favorable current while the paddle-wheeler was still against the adverse current on the other side of the ripple, and got clear away. A Nantucket whaler, Capt. Folger, first pointed out to Franklin that the Gulf Stream was a factor in the passage of the ordinary cargo-carrier, despite the fact that the latter followed a more circuitous route. Capt. Folger showed that while the Gulf Stream retarded the pack-ages along the northern track, it helped the less well found cargo-carriers keeping well south. Some years ago, in a speech made at Boston, he stated that Maury right and the United States weather service, and, as is well known to seamen, England's weather service is due to another seaman, Admiral Fitzroy. Curious enough, following what is too often the rule, the seafarers take too much of a back seat in both services now.

Curious enough, following what is too often the rule, the seafarers take too much of a back seat in both services now. The Looh Garry's appearance on the scene it had been so long expected that the seamen were only fit to tack ship or wash down decks; and the illustrious navigator has left on record that he could not represent a clerk when he reported the fact that none but a civilian could carry on work to a successful finish which intended solely for the guidance of seamen remote from the land. Maury's chapters on the Gulf Stream are as interesting, even now, as a rollicking nautical story by Clark Russell, while, at the same time, the Looh Garry's story was that was then both new and true. During the past two or three years reports have been received from the masters of quite a number of steamships, including the Missouri and the Admiral Schley, which regard to alleged vagaries of the Gulf Stream, and Capt. John, of the barken, Boston, quite recently reported that he was far north on his way from Brazil to St. Johns, Nfld. On Green Bank the sea surface temperature was as high as any part of the stream, and a most marked vapor hung over the mingling of the cold water of the Labrador current with the warmer water of the Gulf Stream. Consequent on these reports from ship-masters, apparently, there appeared a chart on one of the monthly series of North Atlantic pilot charts, issued by the United States Hydrographic office, giving a new route from New York to port south of Hatteras, arranged by Commander Hopworth, C.E. R.N.R., so as to avoid the passage to the south of Hatteras.

What cannot be done, according to the seafarer, by pushing and striving, can often be done by a little contriving, and the green tint of the comparatively fresher water of the cold Labrador current, which acts as the inshore bank of the Gulf Stream from Maine to Florida, aided by a ripple like that observed by Capt. Horne in fine weather, clearly indicate the mingling margins of the two ocean currents. The necessity for a knowledge of where to find the favorable wind and a helpful sea-surface current has not been put out of court by the advance of steam as a motive power on the high seas, and the most subtle routes for both steam and sail are clearly laid down on the pilot charts of the North Atlantic, North Pacific and Indian Ocean, which are now published by America, England and Germany.—Shipping Illustrated.

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By S. E. Kiser, in the Chicago Record-Herald.

[Extracts from the memoirs of a bogus lord.]

I shall never forget the experience I had when I returned to Pittsburgh. One of the first things I did after getting into the town was to go up Smithfield street to the corner where I had spent most of my time while serving as a policeman. I had a pleasant thrill as I looked upon the familiar scene and read the signs that had attracted my attention in the days before I had over- felt the soft, round arms of a bewitching heiress about my neck. Men who had in the past been kind enough to hand me cigars and cordially address me as "Chief" hurried in and out of their places of business without recognizing me, but, of course, that was only natural. My splendid clothes and the carefully-trained mustache which I wore had completely changed my appearance, and having been several weeks in the best society, I possessed a dignity and an ease of bearing that I never could have acquired upon the force.

As I stood there endeavoring to think out a plan of campaign, a splendid limousine car whizzed past, and I turned the corner and stopped in front of one of the greatest banks in Pittsburgh. Imagine my feelings when I saw stepping out Marian Ellison, prettier and daintier even than the had seemed when I had been in the habit of standing on the corner, swinging my club and thinking I would be willing to risk my life for the mere privilege of kissing her finger tips. Marian had the reputation of being the wealthiest girl in Pittsburgh, and her father was so rich that the proprietors of some of the most fashionable restaurants in New York called him by his first name. There was a rumor that the Ellisons washed their bugles with champagne, but I think it was never confirmed. Having seen Marian step from her car, I did not hesitate for a moment. Why should I have done so? Why should the shadow of a large denomination bill be cast upon that she had intended to visit her dressmaker. The footman obsequiously opened the door for her, and it was then that she caught her first glimpse of me. She neither screamed nor made a remark of any kind. My splendid bearing had evidently caused her to believe that I had merely made a mistake. As she stood there looking at me curiously I produced one of my cards and handed it to her. I should have explained that I had assumed the title of Earl of Stubblefield. One glance was all she gave herself time to take. Flushing herself into my arms, she asked in tones that were full of emotion:

"Oh, Earl, have you come for me? Don't keep me in suspense. All my life I have longed to be an earless if you wish to know how much papa is worth, I can take you into the bank right now and get them to give you the figures."

"Dearest," I replied, "do not cause me pain by referring to money. Can't you see that I love you for yourself alone? Do not show by my looks and actions that you would be dear to me even if your father had not more than \$100,000,000 or \$15,000,000 to his name?" A crowd had by that time begun to assemble, and I gave the chauffeur instructions to take us home as swiftly as possible, which he did, running over an old woman of no importance and disabling a newsboy on the way.

I think I can look back to the moment when I met her mother as the happiest and proudest one of my life. She was still a beautiful woman, not much past 40, and when Marian introduced me the good lady, without waiting to lay aside the \$75,000 stonemason's check she had just taken off, she had been at the grocery—came to me and placing her arms around my neck and looking fondly into my eyes, asked:

"Will you let me live with you at the castle part of the time, and have you any pull, so that you could get me introduced at court?"

I assured her that it would give me great pleasure to have her with us both at the castle and at our town house in London, and, in addition to presenting her at court, I promised to get up a little week-end house party as soon as we were settled, and have as guests the Duke of Devonshire, I King Edward third. I must say that I felt a little guilty as I saw the tears of joy gather in her eyes, but, then, every profession has its pathetic side. And, after all, why should my conscience bother me in the least? Wasn't the joy I was giving her worth all the disappointment she was to feel later? I am afraid we do not always look at things in the right light. When you come to the last analysis, as our honored President would put it, it is governed by the laws of compensation. It is just that the one whom I have gladdened should curse me for a sorcerer. Then, one day, a Pittsburgh business came home for the purpose of increasing the stringency of the law, and she and I met her at once pulled her "Burke's Peerage" on me.

Poor, sweet Marian! They succeeded in keeping it out of the papers, but I know that it must have almost broken her heart, and I suppose the grief of her mother was terrible. I am sorry it had to be, but I have not yet despaired. I have an idea that I shall go back some day, and, disguised as a Hungarian count or a backman in disguise? Let us be philosophical about these things.

Marian's engagement to me was announced that night, and her father informed me that I could draw on him for any amount up to \$150,000. He asked me to go beyond that prior to a wedding, but he hinted to me privately that if our first child was a boy he would settle on us an income of \$800,000 a year.

Of all the heiresses, who have gladdened me with their love I think Marian Ellison was the sweetest. She possessed so much refinement and had spent so much of her time in New York that she hardly ever sounded the final R. But, alas! the splendid days in Pittsburgh could not last. For

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SIDELIGHTS ON NOTABLE PEOPLE BY THE MARQUISE DE FONTENOY

Lord Manvers, who has sustained such severe injuries in the hunting field while fulfilling his duties as master of the Rufford hounds, is a man in the neighborhood of 60, and the chief of the English branch of the house of Pierpont, to which he, like J. Pierpont Morgan, however, belongs through descent on the distaff side of the family, and the principal representative in the male line of which is Henry Evelyn Pierpont of Columbia Heights, Brooklyn, N. Y., the family having become extinct in the male line in England.

The founder of the family was Sir Robert de Pierpont, one of the companions in arms of William the Conqueror at the battle of Hastings, and who received from that monarch the manor of Holme Pierpont in Yorkshire, of which he was the first lord.

The chief of the family in the seventeenth century in the male line direct was Sir George Pierpont, who became Earl of Bristol, and from whom the name of Holme Pierpont in Yorkshire, of which he was the first lord, was derived. He left the whole of his vast fortune to the duchess, whereupon Philip Meadows, who had married the duke's only sister, Lady Frances Pierpont, brought charges against the duchess to the effect that her marriage with the duke had been of a bigamous and therefore invalid character.

A sensational trial of the duchess by the House of Lords showed that prior to her marriage to the duke she had been secretly married to Augustus Hervey, a lieutenant of the royal navy, who had in the meanwhile become Earl of Bristol, and from whom she had never obtained any divorce. She was therefore convicted of bigamy by her peers, and, in consequence thereof, divested of the title and style of Duchess of Kingston.

This had the effect of reducing her to the status of Countess of Bristol. The penalty of bigamy in those days was death. But as Countess of Bristol she was able to plead the privilege of the peerage, and escaped all punishment beyond the payment of the fees of the trial and of certain fines.

This she was well able to afford to do. For while her conviction of bigamy cost her her strawberry-leaved coronet of duchess, it left her in possession of the great fortune of the duke, while Philip Meadows, who was responsible for the suit against her, found himself completely ruined.

The ex-duchess retired to the continent, and, having, during her extraordinary career, played a role in the lives of Frederick the Great of Prussia, of Voltaire, of the electors of Saxony, and of other great personages of her time, died at the chateau de St. Assise, near Fontainebleau, when it was found that, perhaps by reason of compunction, she had left the fortune which she had inherited from the duke to one of the latter's nephews, Charles Meadows—that is to say, the son of the man who had robbed her of her title of duchess, and whom she had ruined.

On coming into possession of all the property of his mother's brother, the last Duke of Kingston, at the death of the ex-duchess Charles Meadows assumed, by permission of the crown, the patronymic and the arms of the Pierpont family, and was eventually raised to the peerage, first as Baron Pierpont of Holme Pierpont, as Viscount Newark of Newark-on-Trent, and as Earl Manvers. The present Lord Manvers is the fourth earl of the line in direct male succession.

Sir George Pierpont, the grandfather of the first Duke of Kingston, had a younger son of the name of William Pierpont, whose son, James Pierpont, went to America and died at Ipswich, Mass., towards the end of the seventeenth century, leaving two sons—namely, John and Robert.

From these the late Juliet Pierpont, the mother of J. Pierpont Morgan, and Henry Evelyn Pierpont, of Brooklyn, are descended in a direct line.

But while the Pierponts of America may justly claim to represent the male line of the ancient and historic Anglo-Norman house of Pierpont, they can put forward no pretensions to any of the honors and estates of the Pierponts of England, the late Duke of Kingston, since the various peerages which he possessed were acquired by his father considerably after the other branch of his family had emigrated to America.

The principal country seat of Lord Manvers, which was formerly the home of the two Pierpont dukes of Kingston and which was bequeathed to the first Earl of Manvers by the bigamous ex-Duchess of Kingston, is Thornesby, in Shropshire forest, which is justly regarded as the architectural pride of the "dukeries," and which stands, so to speak, enshrined in an immense park, among the features of which are the quaking and gurgling oaks, beneath the shade of which bold Robin Hood was wont to roam in days of old.

It was the home, too, of Lady Mary Wortley Montagu, and familiar as

such to the readers of her writings. The mansion has been on several occasions visited by fire, but was to a great extent rebuilt by the late earl, whose widow is a most charming old Scotch-Frenchwoman, the daughter of the last French duc de Coigny. Let me add that the Pierpont family hails originally from the castle of Pierpont, on the borders of Picardy, the ruins of which are still in existence.

King Alfonso is reported by a number of Austrian, French, and English newspapers to have recently honored the Spanish stage by conferring the Grandezza and the title of count upon Don Fernando de Mendoza. There is no truth in this story, for the simple reason that Don Fernando, a lineal descendant of the "Don Juan" of Byronic great power, has possessed the Grandezza by right of inheritance and of royal recognition ever since he attained manhood, and that he likewise owes to inheritance the titles of Count of Lalain in Belgium and in Spain, and of Marquis of Fontanar and of Duke of Balazote in the peerage of the land of his birth. Moreover, he is by his first marriage a son-in-law of that famous Marshal Serrano, duc de la Torre, who on several occasions was regent of the Kingdom of Spain and at one time president of the Spanish Republic, and who, moreover, is generally believed to have been the real father of Alfonso XII.

In the eighties one of the most celebrated salons at Madrid was that of the Duchess de la Torre, and as her young daughter, Dona Ventura, was passionately fond of acting, she caused a private theater to be constructed in one of the huge state apartments on the ground floor of her palace, where throughout the season a succession of amateur theatrical performances were given in which the leading members of the Spanish aristocracy took part. In honor of the young girl it received the name of the Teatro Ventura, and among the principal stars of the masculine persuasion was Don Fernando de Mendoza, then the acknowledged leader of the youthful of Madrid, possessed of illustrious birth and of large fortune. Together with Dona Ventura he gave that charming comedy of the seventeenth century, "El Vergonzoso en Palacio" ("The Rashful Youth in the Palace") wherein the heroine, in order to encourage her timid lover pretends to be asleep, and in her dream discloses her love for him. The play turned into reality. Don Fernando and Dona Ventura were married, royalty and all the grandezza of Spain being present at the wedding. But their happiness only lasted for a brief time and within a couple of years Don Fernando was a widower.

During their married life they had both been terribly extravagant. She had never known the value of money, while he idolized her to such an extent that it was impossible for him to refuse her anything, and when he was left alone he found himself bereft not only of wife, but also of fortune. His widowed mother-in-law, the Duchess de la Torre, was a frightfully imperious woman, who could never forget that she had been the first lady of the land in Spain, and who, moreover, was addicted in an extraordinary degree not merely to gambling at cards, but also gambling on the stock exchange, and was, consequently, in spite of her wealth, frequently in need of money. It was monetary questions and her imperious manner that led to a quarrel between herself and her son-in-law and declining with all the pride of a true Hidalgo to be a dependent on her bounty, he set to work to earn his own living. His succession before the footlights as an amateur naturally turned his thoughts to the stage, which he now joined in a professional capacity, and ere long he had become the leading Spanish actor and the star of the Teatro Espanol, which is the counterpart at Madrid of the Comedie Francaise at Paris.

Frequently thrown into contact with the great Spanish actresses, Maria Guerrero, who possesses all the dramatic genius and wonderful voice of Sarah Bernhardt, with an infinitely greater amount of beauty and an unblemished character, Don Fernando fell in love with her and married her, she becoming through the union of a duchess, a marquise, a countess, a grandee, and an excellence, while he, through her advice and thanks to her tuition, became a still greater actor. It speaks well for the Spanish aristocracy that in spite of their notorious pride they should never have altered their attitude to Don Fernando, who has never had to suffer in a social way for joining the stage and who has never ceased to belong to the principal clubs of Madrid. Naturally he does not make use of his titles, either for professional purposes or for the matter of that, in society. Few of the members of the grandezza do. They prefer to be known by their Christian name and the prefix of "don," leaving to the mushroom nobility the satisfaction of flourishing their newly acquired titular distinctions. He is known everywhere as "Don Fernando," his wife addressed as

"Dona Maria," and known as "La Guerrero," while their company, with which they have visited Paris, Cuba, and the Spanish speaking republics of America, has been dubbed with the name of the "Teatro des Hidalgos."

They have two sons and are leading an extremely happy life. His brother, Don Mariano, has joined him on the stage and is a member of his company, only instead of using his patronymic of Mendoza he has assumed the family name of his mother, Aguado. Another sister is the eldest son of the officials of the department of public works at Madrid, and like his elder brother, belongs to the Madrilene clubs. One of their sisters is the duchess of Tetuan, the duke being the eldest son of that duke of Tetuan who was minister of foreign affairs at the time of the Spanish-American war in 1898, and a grandson of the famous Field Marshal O'Donnell, who was so many times dictator and prime minister of Spain. Another sister is the Comtesse de San Luis, one of the most charming, popular, and still beautiful great ladies of the Madrilene aristocracy.

Both brothers—that is to say, Don Fernando and Don Mariano Aguado, the actors, and their sisters, the Duchesse de Tetuan and the Comtesse de San Luis, are, as I have mentioned above, the lineal descendants of "Don Juan," the hero of Lord Byron's poem, and who has furnished the model for the last 200 years. His real name was Don Juan Manaray Mendoza and he was born at Seville in 1626. His parents had shortly before moved from Corsica to Seville. They were very rich. The fortune of the Manarays had been amassed in the Orient and was so considerable that when Don Matteo Manara, Count de Leca, loaned his sovereign a sum equivalent to \$1,000,000 of American money, of which loan the official record exists today, he was able to ask the monarch whether he preferred to have it in gold or silver. It is needless to say that the members of the Manara family had for centuries marked their way with murder and drenched it with blood, having been the terror of husbands and lovers.

The "Don Juan" of the poem had inherited all the passions of his ancestors, together with extraordinary comeliness and wit and cunning.

It is unnecessary for me to recall here the shocking record of his crimes, of the women whom he ruined, and of the men whom he killed. But at last he met his fate. He was a little over 30 when he met for the first time and fell deeply in love with Girolina Mendoza, his second cousin. He married her, and for five years their happiness was complete. Then she sickened and died. So great was his grief that his mind gave way and he became haunted by all sorts of terrible hallucinations. One day he met a funeral and attacked the mourners, endeavoring to burst open the coffin, insisting that Girolina had been put into it alive. Another day a woman having the gait and figure of his wife passed him, he followed her, and suddenly taking hold of her arm he made her turn briskly and then fell into a swoon, crying: "Her face is already a skeleton."

Finally his madness disappeared and gave way to quiet and deep sadness, which led to his devoting the remainder of his life to deeds of charity. Indeed, he founded that order of the Brothers of Mercy which exists to this day for the purpose of bringing comfort and relief to the destitute and to the criminals, especially at the time of their death. It was he who took charge of the interment of all those who had been put to death by the law or else who had died destitute, in many cases burying them with his own hands. It was he, too, who gave orders and directions for the celebrated and frightful picture by Valdo Leal, called "The Triumph of Death," which is in the museum at Madrid and of which many is said to have remarked: "You cannot look at it without having your handkerchief near at hand." When he died his own body, deprived of shroud and coffin, according to his will, was followed to the grave he dug for himself by a string of beggars.

Lord Creve, having now married off all his three daughters by his first marriage and having no issue by his second, Lady Mary de Pennington, the daughter of Lord Rosebery, has decided to sell his London mansion, Creve house, and unless a purchaser is found between now and February it will be disposed of in that month by public auction. Lord Creve bought it only about nine or ten years ago for a sum of \$500,000, and immediately invested it with his own name in lieu of that of Wharnclyffe house, by which it had been known for over a hundred years.

In fact, as Wharnclyffe house it played quite an important role in the social and political world of England during the latter part of the eighteenth and the greater part of the nineteenth centuries, and may be said to have enjoyed altogether European fame. It is a typical Georgian house, was built in the reign of George II, before Mayfair had become the center of the fashionable world, and is a low pitched, wide fronted mansion, with Ionic columns standing in the midst of spacious grounds, the velvet lawns of which are shaded by majestic trees and cut off from busy traffic of the street by a brick wall, fronted by a green hedge, which it almost conceals.

The latter, in connection with the quaint looking porter's lodge, all covered with flowers and creepers, to the right of the great gates, gives the entire place a rural aspect, which contrasts in a rather graceful fashion with the huge white carved stone palace of the Duchess of Marlborough, known as Sunderland house, just across the way. Lord Creve is today lord president of the privy council, and this self same house was held at the beginning of the

reign of Queen Victoria by one of the most distinguished of the lords of Wharnclyffe, who made the house a political and social center.

It was there, too, that another Lord Wharnclyffe edited the sprightly letters of his great-grandmother, Lady Mary Wortley Montagu, and in the time of the late Lord Wharnclyffe the house enjoyed fame not only for the brilliancy of its salon, but also for the art treasures which the earl had managed to gather around him there. It was for him that the late Sir Edward Burne-Jones painted "King Copthelm and the Beggar Maid," the finest of that artist's pictures, and when it was completed the price previously agreed upon seemed so manifestly inadequate that without any suggestion on the part of the artist he doubled the check.

Gen. Turr, who has now placed himself at the head of the newly established Hungarian branch of the International Anti-Dueling League, is quite an old man, whose rank of general comes to him from the late King Victor Emmanuel, of Italy, as a reward for services which at the head of a Hungarian legion he rendered to Italy, first of all at the battle of Novara in 1849 and afterwards in 1859 and 1860 in the war that drove the Austrians out of Italy and which added the so-called two Sicilies to the kingdom of united Italy.

His wife, who died several years ago, was the illegitimate daughter of Princess Letitia Bonaparte, the latter a child of the great Napoleon's brother Louis.

Princess Letitia married Sir Thomas Wyse, who was British envoy at Athens, but after bearing him two sons separated from him, and several years later had three other children, one of them becoming the wife of Gen. Turr, the second being the late Mme. Ratazzi, and the third that Lieut. Bonaparte Wyse of the French navy whose name is so intimately connected with the earlier stages of France's disastrous Panama canal enterprise.

The Wyse family, which is an old Irish house of County Waterford, absolutely refused to recognize the relationship of Mme. Turr, of Mme. Ratazzi, or of Lieut. Bonaparte Wyse, and some twenty years ago published a collectively signed letter in the London Times and other English papers explaining how it was that none of the last three born children of Princess Letitia Bonaparte could be the offspring of Sir Thomas Wyse, and that they had no right, therefore, to bear his name.

The Wyse estates in Ireland are now in the possession of the son of the oldest child of Princess Letitia, to whom she gave birth before parting from her husband.

Gen. Turr is the creator of the Corinthian canal, which has brought financial disaster upon all the companies which have undertaken to run it, but which, nevertheless, is a great feat of engineering.

Born at Baja, in Hungary, he has had a most extraordinary career. For after making his debut as an officer in the Austrian army he deserted in order to join the revolutionary forces of Hungary when the great insurrection of 1848 broke out.

After fighting under King Charles Albert, of Sardinia, against the Austrians he figured as a colonel of the revolutionary forces in the grand duchy of Baden against old Emperor William, at that time Prince of Prussia, who was engaged in suppressing the rebellion.

Condemned to death, then, as he had previously been in Hungary and Austria, he made his escape and fled to England, where, on the outbreak of the latter's war with Russia, he joined the foreign legion of the British army, with the rank of colonel.

Sent by the British Government in his capacity as an English officer to Bucharest to purchase horses for the cavalry, he found the Rumanian capital occupied by Austrian troops, who seized him and were about to put him to death, not only as a deserter but also for having borne arms against his native country in the latter's war with Italy, but was sentenced to be hanged, and it was only through Queen Victoria's personal and pressing appeal to Emperor Francis Joseph that the sentence was commuted to perpetual banishment, which was remitted about thirty years ago.

The active president of the International Anti-Dueling League is Don Alfonso, of Bourbon, the only brother of Don Carlos, the pretender to the throne of Spain. He, like Gen. Turr, is a born fighter, and greatly distinguished himself as a fearless commander during the last two Carlist wars.

ITALIAN BEGGARS.

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It is, however, better to make a firm rule not to give. In the first place, your money, when given to manifestly needy beggars, is often extorted from them by able-bodied loafers. Besides, if you give to one, you'll soon find a crowd after you. If you must give, give little. A soldo (equivalent to our cent) is sufficient. Knowledge of methods of dismissing importuning beggars, tourists and vendors, will be found useful on reaching Naples and other cities of the south.

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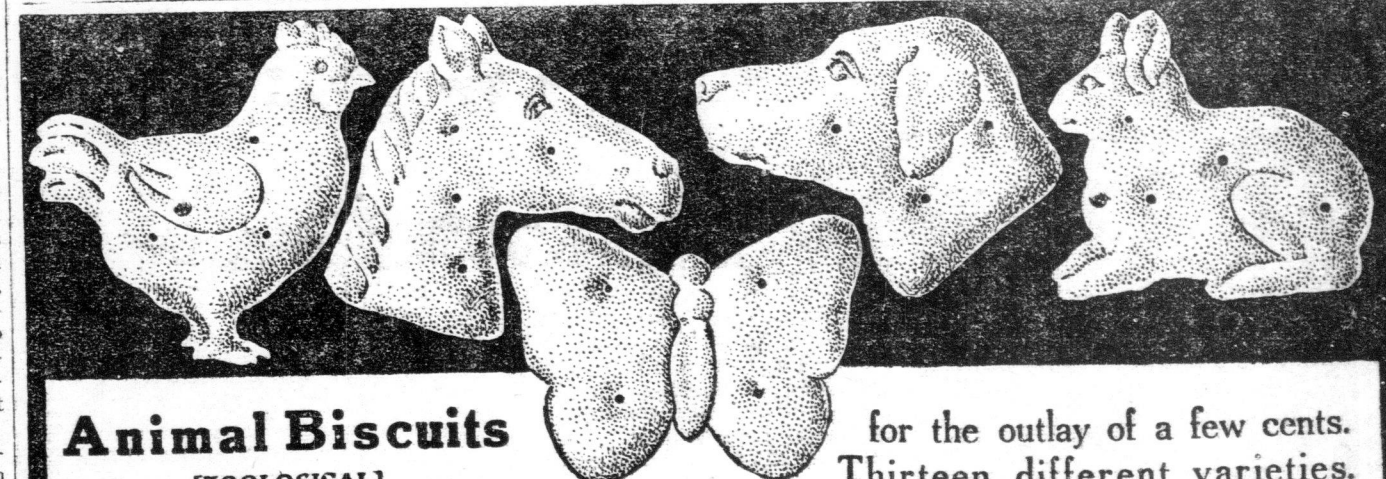
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Drawing Lessons for School Children



1. Drawn by Edith Christie, Grade VI., Talbot Street School. Winner of first prize.

Note.—Owing to circumstances which are not likely to occur again, the drawings by Grades I, II, and III, King Street School, were overlooked last week. The covers from the three grades were all particularly good, and I regret that they were not given credit at the proper time. The children whose names are given below in order of merit are deserving of honorable mention.

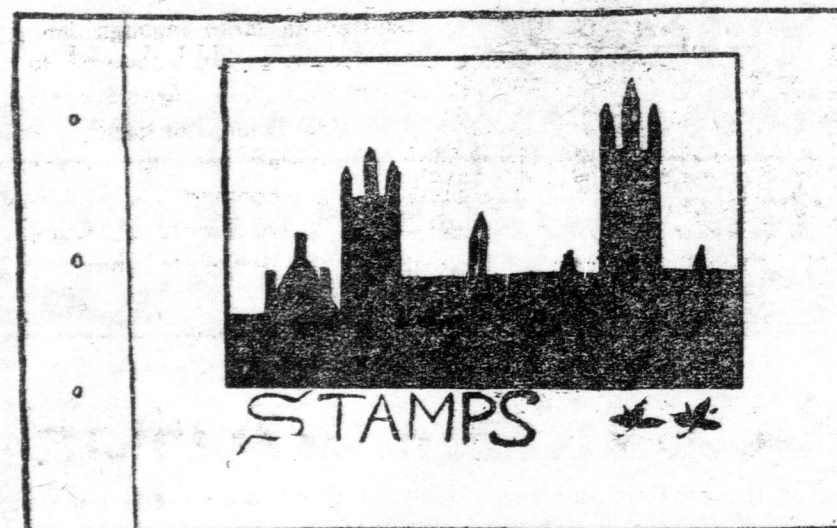
Grade I.—Fred Robinson, Arthur Sussex, George Shearer, Merton Bice, Elgin Emigh, Joseph Brain.

Grade II.—Nellie Linder, Gladys Grenfell, Adrian Collins, Lorne Finch, Ralph Dundass, Leslie Bowman.

Grade III.—Edna Southern, Lily Miles, Olive May, Jessie Carter, Alfred Rogers.

SIX BEST IN GRADES IV, V, AND VI.

1. Edith Christie, Grade VI., Talbot Street School.
2. Levena Charlton, Grade V., West London School.
3. Fred Ward, Grade IV., Talbot Street School.
4. Alfred Halliday, Grade VI., Talbot Street School.
5. Ada Downing, Grade 5, West London School.
6. Laurine Williamson, Grade IV., Lorne Avenue School.



2. Drawn by Levena Charlton, Grade V., West London School. Winner of second prize.

SIX BEST IN GRADE IV.

1. Fred Ward, Talbot Street School.
2. Laurine Williamson, Lorne Avenue School.
3. Albert Long, Colborne Street School.
4. Harold Heath, Princess Avenue School.
5. Blanche Heritage, West London School.
6. Frank Finch, King Street School.

SIX BEST IN GRADE V.

1. Levena Charlton, West London School.
2. Ada Downing, West London School.
3. Adanana Webster, Talbot Street School.
4. Marjorie Beattie, St. George's School.
5. Robbie Harvie, Lorne Avenue School.
6. G. Slater, Wortley Road School.

SIX BEST IN GRADE VI.

1. Edith Christie, Talbot Street School.
2. Alfred Halliday, Talbot Street School.



3. Drawn by Fred Ward, Grade IV., Talbot Street School. Winner of third prize.



4. Drawn by Laurine Williamson, Grade IV., Lorne Avenue School.

own part in the balance and composition of the whole decoration.

Art composition is something that requires more attention than we are giving it. A knowledge of it is of such value all through life, no matter what our position may be, that it is well worth while spending time on it now. If we had thought of our covers from the standpoint of composition some of the panels enclosing the sky lines would have been of such a size and shape as to harmonize better with the size and shape of the cover.

If we realized the decorative possibilities of lettering most of us would make greater use of the titles. Some of these have been carefully spaced and printed, but very few are well proportioned. Where the space to be occupied is broad and shallow the letters should be broad and shallow. You know letters may be proportioned to fit a space, and usually those that are broad and short are more decorative than the long, narrow ones. Lettering may be so managed as to have the effect of a beautiful design without losing any of its legibility. In a problem such as the one we had for our last lesson, the title looks better when placed near enough to the decorative panel to form a part of it without actually touching it.

The devices used to occupy vacant spaces that the lettering cannot be planned to fill, should be as simple in form as the letters and should in no case attract attention to themselves. Do not see that the title has a right to be there and receive attention, while the devices are only invited to fill up, like the fourteenth at a dinner party?

The covers from Grade IV., Chesley Avenue, would have been greatly improved if the decorative panel had been outlined. A skyline appearing abruptly in the middle of a space does not explain itself. But outlined, it forms an inlay or applied panel. Some of these were placed rather too close to the hinge of the cover.

Grade IV., Aberdeen needs some practice in brush handling. To make a good line the brush must be held vertically. F. Norton and Eva Buckler have made the best lines.

Grade IV., Lorne Avenue, has splen-

excellent and very careful work. One or two have not kept the device, which occupies the empty letter spaces, in subordination to the other parts of the cover. Make a simple geometric unit, and paste it over these elaborate designs, and note the improvement.

The children in this class have chosen skylines that are more intricate than fine in spacing, but they deserve much credit for the beautiful exactness with which they have painted them.

I think those from Grade IV., Princess Avenue, and Grade IV., Talbot Street, have handed in better work-upon the whole this time than ever before.

When the skyline is placed the other way across the page it should be proportioned to fit the cover in that way. Grade V., Rectory Street School, have made the panels enclosing the skyline too wide for the height, and also out of proportion to the size of the cover. Otherwise they are good. If they had not left out the lettering it would have made the apparent length of the panel greater, and thus have improved its appearance.

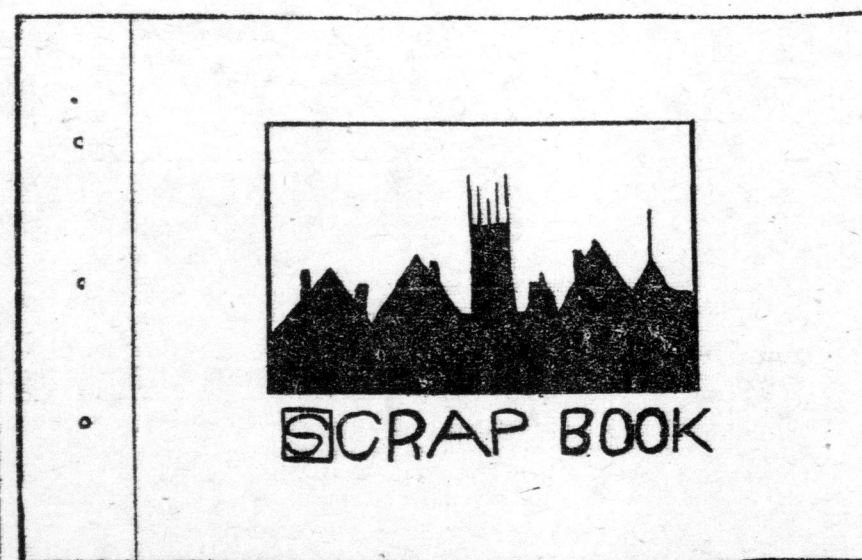
Had Grade V., Wortley Road, made the letters in the titles broader and shorter, the space would have been occupied in a more decorative way.

The lettering on the covers from Grade V., St. George's, is particularly good, but I don't think the title exactly suits a skyline. It is not usual to sow or study seeds from the house-tops.

Grade VI., Chesley Avenue, has neglected to paint an ink line indicating the edges of the book cover. I do not quite like the use this class has made of rabbits for stops—something geometric or conventional would have been more desirable.

The covers by Grade VI., Princess Avenue, are very attractive, but this class has forgotten to ink the outline of the cover. The names should not have been printed on the cover. Never print the name in ink unless you are asked to do so. All the difficult things have been well managed by this class, however.

Grade VI., Aberdeen, has shown too much detail. Keep it simple and bring all your energies to bear on making



5. Drawn by Ada Downing, Grade V., West London School.

did skylines, but the printing is poor, right to be there and receive attention.

Those from Grade IV., West London, are good in every respect but the placing of the decorated panel. Jack Chapman's would have been excellent had his title been heavy enough to balance the rest of the decoration. I have indicated with pencil lines how this fault may be remedied without destroying the spacing.

Frank Finch, Grade IV., King Street, had an interesting cover, but don't you think, Frank, it is a great waste to have such an unnecessarily wide hinge?

Those from Grade IV., Rectory Street, should have made a great deal more of the lettering. Lottie Schaick has a good skyline, but has spoiled it by a lot of fussy marks in the sky. Do learn to leave unnecessary things out. Lottie, if anything is just as good without these extra tiffes you will find it will in the end be infinitely better. When we have learned the value of simplicity in everything the world will be a happier spot.

Grade IV., Colborne, has done some

everything beautifully exact and in good proportion.

The printing done by Grade VI., Wortley Road School, is very satisfactory.

Some of the drawings sent in had neither name of school nor grade, so it is very doubtful whether they can be returned.

—A. A. POWELL.

HONORABLE MENTION.

Grade IV.

Douglass Riddell, Rectory street.
Jack Chapman, West London.
Kathleen Tait, West London.
Reg. Beal, Colborne street.
Dick Talbot, West London.

Jack Talbot, Princess avenue.
Hazel Gilbank, Talbot street.
Marjorie Skinner, Colborne street.
Roy Belton, Colborne street.

Willie Austin, Princess avenue.
Birdie Ames, Talbot street.
James McLachlan, Rectory street.
Willie Gregory, Princess avenue.

Ethel Fitzsimmons, Chesley avenue.
Helen McFarlane, Chesley avenue.
Nellie McKerlie, Chesley avenue.
Ethel Ewart, Lorne avenue.

Lizzie Emigh, Princess avenue.

Linton Jones, Princess avenue.
Kennon Johns, Colborne street.
Harold White, Colborne street.
Lottie Schaick, Rectory street.
Olive Potter, Rectory street.
Orville, Howey, West London.
Theresa Griffin, Lorne avenue.
Elsie Walters, Lorne avenue.
F. Norton, Aberdeen.
Winnifred Pearson, Talbot street.
Geraldine Glover, Talbot street.
Eva Buckler, Aberdeen.
Mark Scott, Rectory street.
Rhea Westell, Rectory street.
Annie McCoy, West London.
Lottie Couke, Lorne avenue.
Ralph Weekes, Lorne avenue.
Beatrice Lake, Chesley avenue.
Mazara Easton, Chesley avenue.
Amy White, Aberdeen.
George Leslie, Aberdeen.

GRADE V.

Jack Raison, King street.
Walter Crundwell, Rectory street.
Jessie Kipp, West London.
Ruth Wallace, St. George's.
Albert Hedges, West London.
Gordon Herman, West London.
Sidney Drake, Victoria.
Bruce McNeill, Wortley road.
Roy Thompson, King street.
Willie Hines, Rectory street.
Bernie Sanders, Lorne avenue.
N. McPherson, Victoria.
Robert McCoy, Victoria.
R. Reynolds, Victoria.
R. T. Welch, Lorne avenue.
Janie Insell, Lorne avenue.
Ethel Clibby, St. George's.
Jessie Bell, St. George's.
Duncan Small, Rectory street.
George Glennie, Rectory street.
Roy Barrell, Rectory street.
James McGregor, King street.
Maurice Lee, Wortley road.
Martha Culbert, West London.
George Vroman, Wortley road.
Jim McIntosh, King street.
Daniel Bartlett, Rectory street.
Willie Heaslip, St. George's.
Willie Small, St. George's.
Herbie Brownlee, Lorne avenue.
Cora Hutchinson, Lorne avenue.
Wilbert Horne, Victoria.
L. Pritchett, Victoria.

GRADE VI.

Bessie Kennedy, Rectory street.
John Skelly, Wortley road.
Lucy Herron, Aberdeen.
Clarence Lossins, Wortley road.
Alice Baker, Wortley road.

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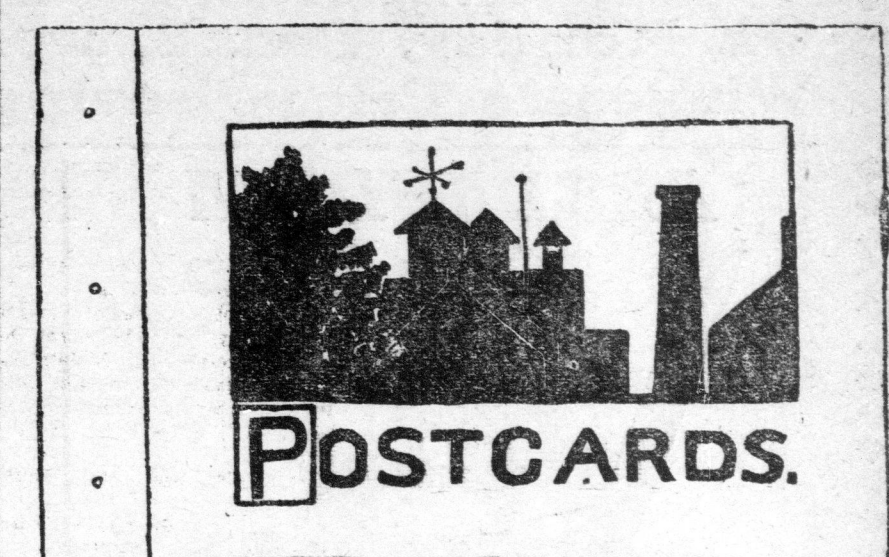
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6. Drawn by Alfred Halliday, Grade VI., Talbot Street School.

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Tom Brown, Princess avenue.
Cora Joan, Rectory street.
Constance Bowman, Talbot street.
Charlie Simpson, Aberdeen.
Phonley Collyer, Wortley road.
Rose Hertel, Talbot street.
Stella Palmby, Aberdeen.
George Young, Chesley avenue.
Rhea Beattie, Chesley avenue.
Gordon Blair, Princess avenue.
Cyril Thomas, Princess avenue.
Rory Modeland, Rectory street.
Eve Sharratt, Rectory street.

Henry Steer, Aberdeen.
Clarence Doyle, Rectory street.
Willie Lane, Aberdeen.
Lottie Gough, Rectory street.
Isabel Tanton, Princess avenue.
Edith Dutton, Wortley road.
Lottie Hair, Chesley avenue.
F. Brooks, Chesley avenue.
Ida Gibbank, Talbot street.
Grace Rumble, Chesley avenue.

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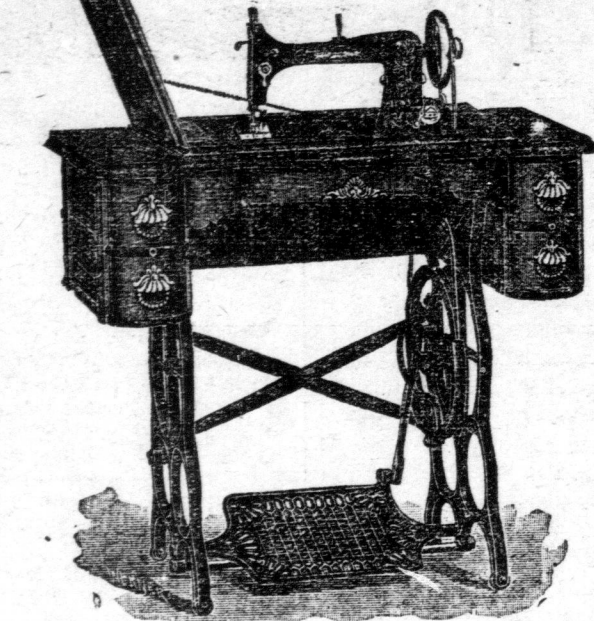
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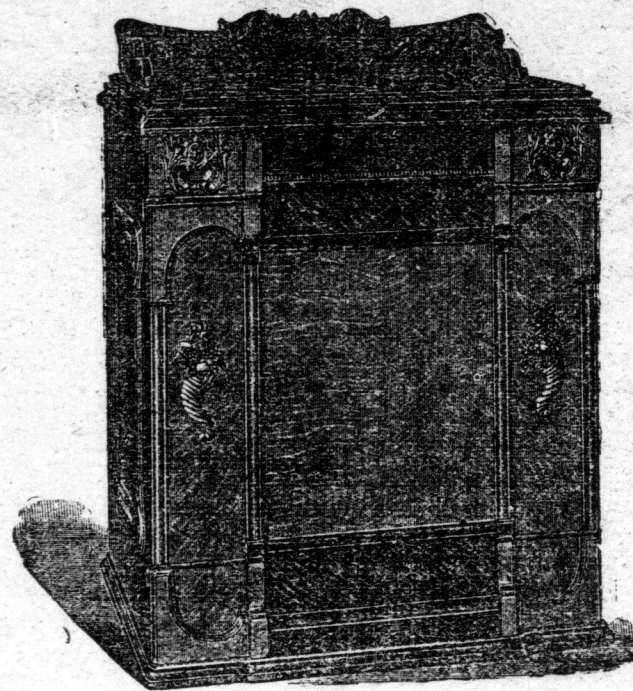
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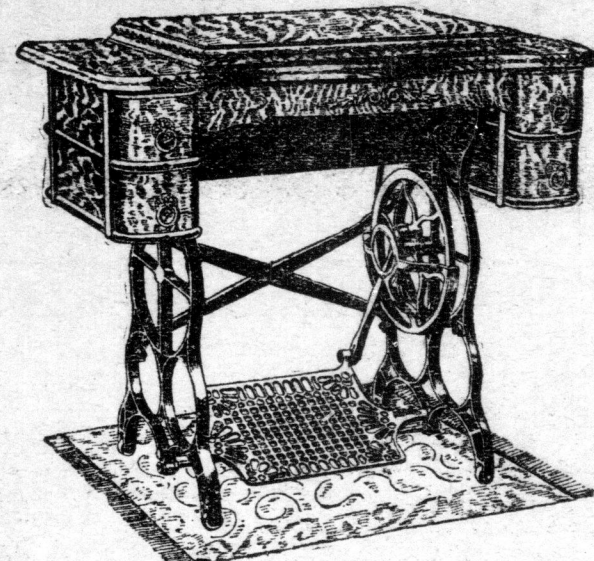
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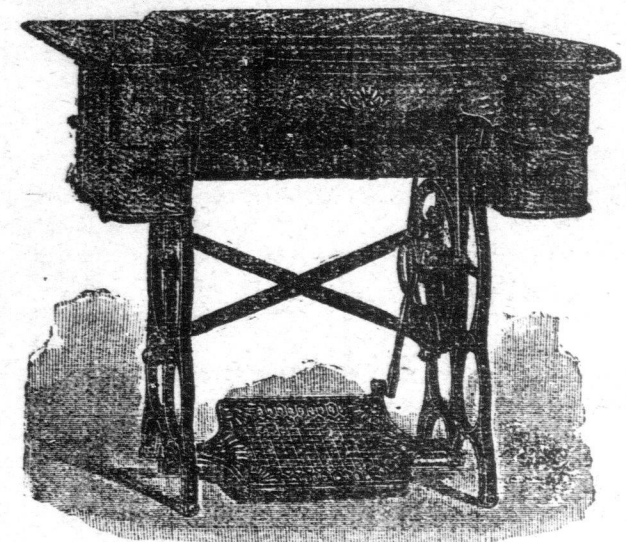


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"I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills."—Psalm cxxi., 1.

It was no haphazard chance, but the yielding to a natural instinct, that men in early times offered up their sacrifices on the tops of mountains. God seemed to be nearer on a lofty peak than in the valley below. Heaven appeared to touch the earth when the clouds kissed the hill tops. This was the thought that stirred the heart of primitive man; and today, I imagine, the majority of us can think of God more easily when we gaze from some towering elevation into "the silence of the starry sky" and feel, almost as a divine presence, "the sleep among the lonely hills."

It is absolutely necessary for us to have ideals. If we have none, then we will sink to the level of the beasts of the field. We will go through life as dumb driven cattle, and not as heroes with the light of God shining in our faces. If we wish worthily to achieve our destiny, then there must ever be before us "the vision splendid." Our religion, as the highest of ideals, beckons us upward and bids us go forward and practice what we believe in daily life and duty.

If it be true that most men "chatter and love and hate, gather and squander, are raised aloft, are hurled in the dust, striving blindly, achieving nothing," then let it not be true of us. We can if we will cherish some splendid ideal of character and service. Many men have done this. History glitters with their names; why cannot we do likewise?

Let us therefore determine to be "souls tempered with fire," and refuse to look upon life as something mean and contemptible. It is good, notwithstanding what cowards and croakers say to the contrary. It is always our own fault if we let it be barren and fruitless.

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est, pure and of good report. So gazing our eyes will be effectually turned away from things false, impure and low.

We shall have opportunities every day, almost every hour, of showing our philosophy of life. It depends entirely upon ourselves in what direction we will direct our gaze—toward those things which will lift us up or drag us down; toward the snow-capped mountain peaks, glittering in the sunlight, or to the dark, foul, fever-mountain swamps of the valley.

Bunyan, in his "Pilgrim's Progress," sees a man with a muck-rake. Over his head hovers an angel proffering him a celestial crown for that which he holds in his hands. But the man will not look up and continues to rake together the sticks and straws on the floor. It is a true picture, grim in its reality, of a man with no ideals; the saddest kind of a human tragedy.

—George Downing Sparks.

MEANING IN HANDSHAKES

AS SUGGESTED THEREBY A MAN
TELLS A SHORT STORY OF A
PARTING SHAKE.

They had been talking about various ways of shaking hands and had pretty well gone over the ground covered by all the philosophic writings on handshakes, when one of the men in the group said:

"The most expressive handshake I ever saw was given by one man to another. There was no kinship between them.

"Each was about 40. Both were in perfect health. One had the prospect of many years of life. The other was to die within a minute, and the man whose hand he held was to kill him.

"It seemed to me then that I could read the meaning of the handshake given by the man about to die to the man about to kill him. It seemed to say: 'You are a good man, and I like you. I thank you for many acts of kindness, and especially for this final friendly grasp.'

"Then, with a gently lingering cling, he let the other man's hand slip from his own. There was a volume of meaning bound up in that motion.

"It seemed to say that there were the morrow's sunrise and many more for the man whose hand he was releasing, but for him a few moments more of life, and then— It seemed to say that there was an age of human companionship in every instant while the hands touched.

"It seemed to say that when the

clasp was broken he was forever cut off from the living and was as one dead. And many other things it seemed to say that I cannot translate into words.

"Within a few seconds one of the men had given the signal that ended the life of the other.

"It was a case," the story teller continued, "of the hanging of a man in Connecticut for murder. While under the influence of liquor with other men he had dealt a blow that resulted in his death.

"The condemned man was not by nature or inclination a criminal. He had never been arrested before he was taken into custody for murder.

"The Sheriff who shook hands with him on the gallows just before the drop fell had a genuine liking for him. He offered the condemned man the usual meretricious portion of liquor before the execution, but the man refused it.

"By the way, I have seen several persons hanged, and I think this man was the only one I ever saw go to the scaffold without being 'doped' with liquor, and he was the steadiest in nerve of them all. His only betrayal of weakness, if it was such, was his noticeable clinging to the Sheriff's hand before releasing it."

BISHOP POTTER'S GUEST.

The indignation that has been expressed in Richmond because Bishop Potter entertained Bishop Adair at his house, gives practical point, quickly and unexpectedly, to the objections so earnestly raised against the institution, with the sanction of the Episcopal convention, of colored suffragan bishops and sub-dioceses for the negroes.

We all know Bishop Potter too well to believe in the entertainment of a distinguished negro prelate meant anything more than an expression of courtesy to a fellow-being and a fellow-bishop. Bishop Potter's social activities are infrequently of a sort to set him at variance with any polite community. It seems quite impossible, however, for the most sophisticated Northerner to grasp the Southern point of view in this matter. But the incident is of slight importance on its own account. Neither Bishop Potter's social standing nor his clerical influence is the least endangered.

But the annoyance caused in the South by the mere fact that a white clergyman of prominence has broken bread with a negro bishop indicates the weakness of the new system. The colored suffragans, which the negro race did not demand, will be beyond the pale. Their churches will be part of the regular diocesan churches. Their congregations will never commune with the white congregations. The result must inevitably be to keep the negroes of the South out of the Protestant Episcopal Church. They must secure salvation by other means.—New York Times.

The most elevated electric railway in Germany was opened on Monday, May 13. The railway serves to connect the line from Grandmer to the summit of the Schuchel Pass with Munster. This connection is 6.8 miles in length, and is partly a rack railway and partly ordinary track. The section furnished with tooth gear is nearly one and one-half miles long. The summit is 4,333 feet above the sea level, and the line has been completed at a cost of \$87,000.

The railroads of England and Ireland are of different gauges. Those of Ireland are 5 feet 3 inches; of England, 4 feet 8½ inches.

A BRILLIANT WELSHMAN

DAVID LLOYD-GEORGE CAN HAVE
ROYAL HONORS IF HE
WANTS THEM.

It is understood that King Edward is not only willing but desirous of doing something very handsome for David Lloyd-George, president of the London board of trade, in recognition of his services to the nation in connection with averting what promised to be the most disastrous labor uprising Great Britain ever faced.

But the difficulty seems to be to hit upon something that will be at once adequate and fitting, and acceptable to Mr. Lloyd-George. When it was intimated to him that the King was ready to confer on him a title, it is said he replied very positively that he did not want a title and would not accept one if it were offered. Of course it goes without saying that he is ambitious, only that he prefers to work out his own salvation in his own way, and in course of time the disposition of the King to help him will find an opportunity.

It is an open secret that David Lloyd-George has long had dreams of some day being premier, and the vision does not look so far away now as it did only a very few years ago, which is another beautiful illustration of the fickleness of popular sentiment—except that it usually changes the other way, from good to bad.

During the Boer war he was so well hated and unpopular that his life was

actually in jeopardy, because, with unflinching courage, he denounced the war, its authors and its motives. There was a riot when he boldly invaded Birmingham to assuage Chamberlain's South African policy under his very nose. Lloyd-George had to be smuggled out of the hall in a policeman's cape and helmet.

He is a Welshman, a brilliant, incisive speaker, pleasant mannered, unspoiled by his present success, with its attendant praise. He is a born politician, of intense principles.

When he first stepped in between the railway directors and the employees both were ugly and not amenable to reason. He then bluntly warned both sides of the fatal consequences of a strike, and he practically forced them to accept his plan of settlement.

He is 44 years old, the son of a Unitarian schoolmaster, and a lawyer by profession. Beginning life without influence he has won his way to the front ranks. His success is looked on by the public as a triumph for character and ability.

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