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Births, Marriages and Deaths.

BORN.

MATTHEWS—At 354 Dufferin avenue, London, on Dec. 10, 1896, the wife of Richard F. Matthews, jun., of a son.

MARRIED.

GALL—PIRIE—In Ingersoll, on Thursday, Dec. 10, 1896, by Rev. E. R. Hutt, Wm. Gall, city, to Norah Edith, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Pirie, Putnam.

DIED.

GUNN—In this city, on Dec. 13, at her late residence, 166 Queen's avenue, Margaret, relict of the late Alexander Gunn, aged 71 years.

Funeral private on Wednesday. 89u

VICK—On Aug. 26, at Conneaut, Ohio, George Ebenezer Vick, aged 16 years and 8 months.

Funeral will take place from Robinson Hall Chambers, Tuesday, at 3 p.m. Services at 2:30.

JACKSON—On Dec. 13, of tubercular meningitis, William Gordon Reynolds (Rennie), aged 11 years and 9 months, only son of W. E. and M. R. Jackson, 768 Dundas street.

Services at Memorial Church, Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. Funeral to St. John's cemetery. Friends will please accept this intimation.

Amusements and Lectures

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

MUSIC HALL—

PROF. JOHN REYNOLDS,

The Greatest Living Mesmerist,

ONE WEEK, COMMENCING, MONDAY, DECEMBER 14th.

Admission—25 and 35 cents. 87h

TONIGHT—ORIENT MINSTRELS—AT the Grand Opera House. Prices, 15c, 25c, 35c and 50c. b

GRAND CONCERT—UNDER THE AUSPICES of Court Jeffery, A. O. F., in Society Hall, Anderson Block, East London, Tuesday, Dec. 15. Admission 10c. b

TONIGHT—REV. E. O. TAYLOR AND Miss Runals, the ballad singer, St. Andrew's Church. Silver collection. b

TOMORROW EVENING—PIANO RECITAL. Mr. Thomas Martin, Bishop Cronyn Hall. Plan now open at Nordheimer's, (Anderson's book store). Reserved seats 50 cents. b

TONIGHT AT LEMMON'S BOXING Academy—Six-round glove contest between Alf. Jenkins, of Toronto, and George Bolton, of London. b

WHEN HAVING CHRISTMAS PARTIES and your friends to spend a jolly evening, try the wonderful Graphophone. Church and school entertainments. J. C. LOCKHART, 423 Park avenue.

CHRISTMAS IN ENGLAND—LAST chance to visit the folks at Christmas. The St. Louis, Wednesday, Dec. 16, will land you in time for Christmas. FRANK B. CLARKE, Richmond street, next Advertiser.

SWITZERLAND AND SCOTLAND—HEAR Rev. W. J. Clark's lecture in First Presbyterian Church, Monday evening, Dec. 14th. Silver collection. 88u

THE WONDERFUL GRAPHOPHONE, Imperial Quartet, Grand Male Chorus, Roselle Pocock and a number of noted London vocalists at Colborne Street Methodist Church concert on Monday evening, Dec. 14, Tickets 15 cents. 88u

PALACE DANCING ACADEMY—ADVANCED class opens Jan. 6. New classes for beginners: Gentlemen, Jan. 4; ladies, Jan. 5; children, Saturday afternoon, Jan. 9. DAYTON & MCCORMICK.

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING BY Mr. R. B. Millard, at his residence, 315 Princess avenue. Special attention given to the waltz, two-step, court waltz, two-step Jersey and the cycle. Satisfaction guaranteed. Lessons any hour.

Meetings.

One cent per word each insertion. No advertisement less than 10 words.

BATHS, SINKS, PUMPS, WATER-CLOSETS, steam and hot water boilers. SMITH BROS., 376 Richmond street. z

EUREKA LODGE, NO. 30, I. O. O. F. meets Tuesday evening. Members are requested to attend the lodge meetings. Visitors welcome. z

Domestics Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT—With references; two in family. Apply Mrs. ERNEST H. SMITH, corner Wortley road and Elmwood avenue. 89c

GENERAL SERVANT WANTED—APPLY Mrs. BUCKE, 571 Queen's avenue. 88c

NURSE WANTED—MUST HAVE REFERENCES. Apply to Mrs. GATES, 613 Wellington street. 88c

WANTED—GOOD GENERAL SERVANT, small family, reference required. Apply 296 Queen's avenue. 87tf

WANTED—A HOUSEMAID—REFERENCES required. MRS. BEDDOME, Bank of Montreal. 83tf

HELLO!—RING UP 1,121—HOTEL COOKS dining-room girls, kitchen girls, general servants, chambermaids, nurse girls, housekeepers and coachman. Dwyer's Employment Agency, 601 Richmond street.

Male Help Wanted.

WANTED—CUTTER—MUST HAVE EXPERIENCE in wholesale trade. BUBAS & LEWIS. 87c

WANTED—AN IDEA—WHO CAN think of some simple thing to patent? Protect your ideas; they may bring you wealth. Write JOHN WEDDERBURN & Co., patent attorneys, Washington, D. C., for their $1,800 prize offer and list of two hundred inventions wanted.

AGENTS—WANTED—$20 PER WEEK—Apply to GEO. MARSHALL & Co., tea importers, 236 Dundas street.

Agents Wanted.

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ARE YOU MAKING FIVE DOLLARS per day? If so, don't stop to read this; we cannot guarantee it, but we promise you ten per week (have some representing us making far more), and will teach you how to make it free. If you are not afraid of work, write immediately; both sexes, but no idlers. J. L. NICHOLS & Co., 33 Richmond street west, Toronto. 86tf-d8 w

WANTED—MALE AND FEMALE agents to sell Mexican Remedies to families in and out of city. Mexican Medicine Company, 256 Dundas street.

Houses, Etc., To Let.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

ROOMS TO LET—WARM AND COMFORTABLE, newly furnished. 168 Kent street. 86bu

TO LET—HOUSE—521 DUNDAS STREET, between Maitland and William; 4 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen and summer kitchen, soft and hard water. Apply to Mrs. WILLIAM CAMERON, 531 Dundas street. 41tf

HOUSE TO LET—428 PARK AVENUE—5 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen; city and soft water; bath, etc. J. C. TREBILCOCK, 325 Dundas street. 24tf

Articles For Sale.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

FOR $1 25 PURCHASE AT PARSON'S Fair, you receive free a bread knife, sold by hardware merchants for 30c. 14n

FOR SALE—A FEW CHOICE CANARIES cheap. Apply 82 Bruce street, South London. 88c

ONE THOMAS ORGAN AND A GOOD assortment of coal cook stoves to be sold cheap at the Ark, Market Square.

50 SET HARNESS FROM $7 UP. Blankets, Bells and robes. J. DARCH & SONS, 377-379 Talbot street.

ORGANS BY THOMAS AND DOHERTY—Also Steinway piano; easy payments. Heintzman & Co., 238 Dundas street. H. W. BURNETT, manager.

STOVES SOLD CHEAP AT KEENE'S stove and furniture warehouse, 12 Masonic Temple, Market Square.

RUBBER STAMPS, SEALS—RAZORS sharpened; guns, rifles, revolvers and locks repaired. D. MCKENZIE & Co., 388 Richmond street.

PIANOS, PIANOS—NEW AND SECOND HAND, also a beautiful assortment of music and musical merchandise for Christmas presents. Call into Anderson's Book Store, Nordheimer's Piano Agency, 183 Dundas street.

FOR SALE—ONE 30 HORSEPOWER automatic "Brown" engine, built by Goldie, McCulloch & Co., Galt. Cylinder 10 inches, stroke 24 inches; can be run at 60 revolutions, or as high as 90 revolutions; also one tubular exhaust feed water heater. The engine is in daily operation and can be seen at The Advertiser office, London, Ont. 61f-3tf

Situations Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

WANTED—SITUATION AS BOOKKEEPER by young lady experienced in wholesale and manufacturing business. Address Box 7, this office. 87c

WANTED—SITUATION AS TRAVELLER for saddlery, hardware or leather house. Eleven years' experience, good connection west and north. Address box 34, this office. 85n

Wanted.



No better medium than "THE ADVERTISER" Sure returns. 20c for 10 words—three insertions.

WANTED—PRIVATE LESSONS ON subjects required for Part I., senior leaving examination. No. 38, Advertiser. 89c

WRITERS WANTED TO DO COPYING at home, Law College, Lima, O. 87k

WANTED—25 BICYCLE RIDERS TO get their low frames made high at HUTCHINSON'S, 651 Dundas street.

Miscellaneous.

THE LIQUOR HABIT—INTEMPERANCE—A new home treatment, known as Dyke Cure, by which every victim of the liquor habit can be permanently cured of all crave or desire for intoxicants in from two to five days without loss of time from business duties. A purely vegetable medicine, taken privately. No injections and no bad after effects. Cure guaranteed—Keeley failures included. Correspondence strictly confidential. Many cases cured in London, Toronto and Montreal, by permission, given as references. Address DR. MCTAGGART, London, Ont., or A. H. DIXON, Toronto. 64a tz

Real Estate.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

FOR SALE CHEAP—TWO DOUBLE roughcast cottages, corner Dufferin avenue and Elizabeth street. Apply LEWIS CLARK, 358 Rectory street.

S. CHADWICK & SON—REAL ESTATE Agents. Homes. Investments. Speculation. Call Room 2 Albion Building.

Lost and Found.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

STRAYED ON THE PREMISES OF Wm. Cousin, lot 4, con. 6, township of Westminster, on or about Nov. 15, a brown filly, 2 years old; white star on forehead. Owner can have same by proving property and paying expenses. bd-17u

LOST—FRIDAY EVENING, BROWN FUR neckpiece. Reward by returning to this office. 88u

Educational.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

MR. J. W. G. ANDRAS PREPARES pupils separately for all university and professional examinations; 308 Waterloo street. 20tf

Musical Instruction.

MRS. NOBLE, TEACHER OF PIANO, organ and harmony; terms moderate. Residence 526 King street. zxv

CHARLES E. WHEELER, LATE FROM Leipzig, Germany, organist St. Andrew's Church. Instructions given in organ, piano, harmony and singing. Address 315 King.

W. H. HEWLETT, ORGANIST OF Dundas Center Methodist Church, teacher of piano, organ, harmony and composition. Address 518 Waterloo street.

Architects.

MCBRIDE & FARNCOMBE—ARCHITECTS and surveyors, 213 Dundas street, Duffield Block. H. C. MCBRIDE, F. W. FARNCOMBE.

MOORE & HENRY—ARCHITECTS AND civil engineers, Albion Buildings, London. JOHN M. MOORE, FRED HENRY.

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

Jewelers.

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

Marriage Licenses.

MARRIAGE LICENSES AT SHUFF'S drug store, 549 Dundas street east, corner William. Trolley cars pass the door. No witnesses required.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED BY W. H. BARTRAM, 99 Dundas street.

WM. H. WESTON, GROCER, ISSUES licenses at his office, 64 Stanley street. No bonds required.

LICENSES ISSUED BY THOS. GILLEAN jeweler 402 Richmond street.

Money to Loan.

SOME MONEY TO LOAN ON MIDDLESEX farm property at 5 and 5½ per cent and on city property at 5½ and 6 per cent. WEEKES & SCANDRETT, solicitors, 98 Dundas street, London

MONEY TO LOAN ON FIRST AND second mortgages, notes and other securities at lowest rates. G. W. FRANCIS, 784 Dundas street, London. Branch offices, Strathroy and Watford.

Topics of Today.

The Dominion Tariff Commission will hear the farmer delegations immediately after the new year.

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Premier and Madame Laurier gave a dinner party in honor of Madame Albani at Ottawa on Saturday evening.

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A proclamation has been issued, proroguing the Dominion Parliament pro forma to Tuesday, Jan. 26. Parliament is not likely to meet before the latter half of February.

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Mr. W. D. Lovitt, of Yarmouth, is to succeed the late Senator Kaulbach in the Upper House. Mr. Lovitt was formerly a Liberal M. P. He is a leading ship owner, and has done much to develop trade with the West Indies.

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The New York Record recently ceased publication, after an existence of two years. Its proprietors had sunk nearly a million dollars in the vain attempt to build up a circulation, and the concern became bankrupt. In its last number the Record boasted that it had the largest circulation of any paper in New York.

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Hon. Mr. Tarte says that his department will not undertake a work of any importance without his personal knowledge of the undertaking. It is apparent that the Minister of Public Works comprehends what personal responsibility is.

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On Wednesday night next, Premier Greenway and Hon. Mr. Sifton leave Winnipeg for Ottawa to meet the Dominion Cabinet for the discussion of immigration plans.

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On Saturday next, a convention to choose a candidate to represent the Liberal party in South Brant at the Dominion bye-election will be held at Brantford.

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Mr. D. Rolling, of St. Thomas, has visited the Gordon "coal" mine, near Sudbury, Ont. A reporter interviewed him. Mr. Rolling is a typical Yorkshireman, and was employed for about twenty years coal mining in his native county. He does not merely think the Chelmsford deposit is coal, but is dead sure of it. We all hope that his view will be generally sustained.

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Since July last the new Government have appointed seven senators. All the vacancies have now been filled.

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The Saskatchewan Dominion election will result in a Liberal being elected in any case. At the nomination on Saturday the candidates selected were two Liberals—Mr. T. O. Davis and Mr. J. R. McPhail. In last Parliament the district was represented by a Conservative.

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For the five months ended Nov. 30, the income of the Dominion this year was $14,734,913, against $14,954,142 for the same period last year. The expenditure is $1,581,454 46, against $1,783,941 78 for the like term of 1895. In this expenditure the following items are included: Extra summer session of Parliament, $400,000; on account of militia camps, not in the year before, $100,000; accounts accumulated in the Postoffice Department, which should have been paid the preceding year, $150,000, or a total extraordinary expenditure of $650,000. There is also a big payment for the new equipment of the militia.

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The Montreal Herald has ceased printing its morning edition, and will confine its attention to printing several day editions, after the example set by The Advertiser. The Herald management make the change in order to get at a wider circle of readers.

ANOTHER GUSHER FOR BOTHWELL

Bothwell, Dec. 12.—Another big oil well has been struck. It is situated on the Johnston farm, and is pumping over 100 barrels per day.



MAIL CONTRACT.

SEALED SEPERATE TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster-General, will be received at Ottawa until noon, on Friday, Jan. 22, 1897, for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails, on two proposed contracts for four years, six and twenty-four times per week each way, respectively, between Belmont and London, and London and London East, from the 1st of April next.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen and blank forms of tender may be obtained at the postoffices on the routes and at this office.

Postoffice Inspector's Office, London, Dec. 11, 1896. DANIEL SPRY, Postoffice Inspector.

89c z

WILL BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, by J. W. Jones, at his rooms, Dundas street, London, on **Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 2:30 p.m.**, the stock of W. J. Brett, Windsor:

Groceries	$ 688 80
Crockery	993 12
Fixtures	1,837 15
Total	$3,519 07

Terms—Quarter down; balance, 2, 4 and 6 months, approved, secured, with interest at 7 per cent. Lists can be had on premises. T. B. ESCOTT, trustee; GIBBONS, MULKERN & HARPER, vendor's solicitors 86c-wlz

TO THE ELECTORS OF

No. 5 WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for

Frank Plant,

THE WORKINGMEN'S CANDIDATE

AS ALDERMAN FOR 1897.

86td

Flatly Denied

That Abdul Protested Against President Cleveland's Language

Regarding the Treatment of the Turkish Question.

Protest Against the Excessive Tax Imposed on Ireland.

MARQUIS OF MONTCALM DEAD.

London, Dec. 14.—The Marquis of Montcalm, the last male descendant of the defender of Quebec, is dead.

PUBLIC OPINION AGAINST THEM.

London, Dec. 14.—The London and Northwestern Railway Company, finding public opinion strongly against them, have reinstated 65 employes, who had been summarily dismissed because they refused to forswear allegiance to the trade union.

QUESTIONABLE.

London, Dec. 14.—A report received yesterday in a special dispatch to the Berlin Tageblatt that ex-Sultan Murad, brother of the present Sultan of Turkey, had escaped from the place where he had been confined for twenty years, is not credited in official and diplomatic circles in London.

FLATLY DENIED.

An emphatic and positive denial is made at the State Department in Washington of the published report that Mustapha Bey, the Turkish Minister, by direction of the Sultan, has entered a protest against the language of the President's message to Congress in its treatment of the Turkish question.

THE DOCKERS.

Hamburg, Dec. 14.—There are some signs of weakening on the part of the strikers here. Some of the ship owners save succeeded in satisfactorily loading and discharging vessels by means of imported labor. Meetings of strikers have been held, and resolutions adopted favoring negotiations with the employers to bring about the termination of the dispute.

VESSEL LOST.

London, Dec. 14.—The British steamer Damara, (Capt. Chambers), from Halifax, on Nov. 24, arrived here on Friday and landed five members of the crew of the British brig Victoria, recently from St. Johns, Newfoundland, which vessel was abandoned in a sinking condition on Dec. 6 in latitude 48, longitude 21. Two other members of the crew were drowned.

VENEZUELA.

London, Dec. 14.—The Washington correspondent of the London Chronicle telegraphs that Senor Andrade, Venezuelan minister to the United States, who is now in Caracas, received an intimation before he started for Venezuela that the latter country could have a member on the tribunal of arbitration to settle the boundary dispute between Venezuela and Great Britain. The correspondent adds that Secretary Olney will make no further concession to Venezuela.

ENGLAND'S COAL SUPPLY.

London, Dec. 14.—The report of Dr. Leneve Foster, official mineralogist, brings England face to face with the fact of possible coal exhaustion. He says that the supply will not stand a yearly increase of 3 1-2 per cent in the output, and that signs of decline probably will become apparent within a lifetime. Prof. Jevons' estimate was that a century of the present rate of progress would exhaust English mines to a depth of 4,000 feet, which is 1,500 feet deeper than the deepest.

ANTI-TAX AGITATION.

London, Dec. 14.—A meeting was held at Cork Saturday to protest against the excessive taxation imposed on Ireland by the British Government, as compared with the taxation in England, Scotland and Wales. Lord Castletown, of Upper Ossory, made a speech in which he denounced the obstinacy of the British treasury in refusing to right the grievance of the Irish in respect of the matter of taxation. He added that the hoped history might not repeat itself, and the people of Cork follow the example set by Boston in 1773, when indignant residents of that place threw a quantity of tea into the harbor as a protest against the tax of 3 pence per pound imposed on that article by the British Parliament. This expression called forth cheers from the audience.

BRITISH RADICALS

Ready to Go for Chamberlain's Scalp—The Raid Revelations.

London, Dec. 14.—The Radical sentiment against Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, the Colonial Secretary, for some of his recent utterances, does not mitigate, but seems to concentrate into hatred, which, as soon as Parliament reconvenes, is likely to find expression in antipathy to the Government's policy in the Transvaal. Labouchere and his followers seem to think that at last they have got the Secretary on the hip in connection with the Jameson raid revelations. The newest form of the charges against Mr. Chamberlain is that Sir John Willoughby and other officers leading the raid on the Transvaal had Mr. Chamberlain's assurance that he approved of the movement and would support it.

There are hints from the Radicals that another eminent politician who saw Mr. Rhodes while he was in England pledged himself to support the expedition. Here Sir Wm. Vernon Hercourt is aimed at. There certainly exists correspondence, which Sir John Willoughby's solicitors held, showing that Jameson, Willoughby and other leaders of the raid had been led to believe that Mr. Chamberlain, for the Government, and Sir William Vernon Harcourt, for the Opposition, had given their sanction to the attack on the Transvaal. But it can be stated with absolute certainty that there exists no documentary proof implicating either Mr. Chamberlain or Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt. The evidence, which will be brought before the parliamentary commission, will consist chiefly of letters passing between Sir John Willoughby, Mr. Jameson and brother officers, relating to interviews with Mr. Chamberlain, Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt and others. Neither Mr. Chamberlain nor Sir William will be found to have given themselves away by documentary evidence.

Diametrically Opposite

The Stories Told of the Cuban Leader's Death.

The Statement That He Was Assassinated Flatly Denied.

While Another Account States That Maco Is Still Alive.

Cincinnati, Dec. 14.—The Commercial Tribune special from Jacksonville, Fla., says: J. A. Huan, agent of the Cuban junta, in this city, received a long letter this noon from his confidential correspondent in Havana, giving full details of the assassination too foul for civilized nations of earth to tolerate. The letter goes on to say that as Maceo crossed the trocha going to the place appointed for the meeting he passed the Spanish sentinels under Spanish protection, and they presented arms in his honor. Going forward some four miles from the trocha, Maceo and his staff, numbering 35 men and officers, came to a hillside thickly studded with small pines and underbrush. Here a Spanish outpost was observed. Maceo sent forward his flag, and in a few moments he was signaled to advance. As the party did so, hundreds of Spanish soldiers arose out of the underbrush, completely surrounding the party. Major Cirujeda galloped up and demanded Maceo's surrender.

"Never," shouted the intrepid Cuban leader, drawing his sword, as he saw that he was entrapped.

"Forward, my men, death to the cowards!" said Cirujeda.

At this the Spanish soldiers poured in a fire of leaden bullets. Maceo fell at the first fire, and young Gomez next. The fire was continued, and every man was killed, except Dr. Zertucha, whom the Cubans say is a traitor.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—The Spanish Minister, Depuy De Lome, expressed the hope today that the American people will suspend judgment regarding the alleged assassination of Gen. Maceo until the facts are known. He ridiculed the statement that Vice-Capt.-Gen. Ahumada should be a party to such an occurrence.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 14.—A special from Key West says: Passengers by the Olivette today announce that Maceo is still alive. Dr. Zertucha, who claims to be his physician, betrayed him, and only escaped by a miracle. He went with Maceo as far as the trocha, and saw the party safely through. They were commanded by a mulatto who resembles Maceo, who was killed in the engagement after passing the trocha. Then Maceo and his followers returned to the Pinar Del Rio Province and went into a cabin, when the doctor reported to the Spaniards. They succeeded in killing most of the party, but Maceo brained the first man and escaped to the woods, leaving his clothing and effects at the cabin. Great excitement exists here over the news.

Havana, Dec. 14.—It is announced in official circles here that the accounts received by the Cuban junta detailing the manner in which Maceo met his death are absolutely untrue. The statement that Maceo was assassinated, through the instrumentality of Dr. Zertucha, who it was claimed led Maceo and his staff across the trocha, where they were met by Ahumada and the Spanish soldiers and murdered after being invited to a conference, is officially and emphatically denied.

Washington, Dec. 14.—The headquarters of the Cuban Legation in this city was the center of interest to a number of callers yesterday who had come to express to Senor Quesada their sorrow at the death of Gen. Maceo, and to offer their sympathy, and in some cases help, for the Cuban cause. These callers included a number of congressmen and two senators, whose names the Cuban representative declined to disclose. Senor Quesada says that he has received during the past few days many letters, some of them coming from organizations, offering to send men to fight for Cuban liberty. Among the states and cities represented in the letters are Washington, Wyoming, Kansas, Indianapolis, Buffalo, Evansville, and Waterbury, Conn. Responsive to these letters, Mr. Quesada authorizes his former statement that the Cubans have enough men and leaders to gain the cause for which they are fighting. They can avail themselves of 60,000 men and more, if necessary, but what they need is arms and ammunition and medicine for the sick and wounded.

SHOT A CURIOSITY.

Half Fox, Half Squirrel—Two London Huntsmen Make a Rare Capture.

Mr. Alexander Mason and Mr. Wm. Weir, Horton street, are the proud possessors of an animal curiosity, the admiration and envy of every huntsman who has seen it. A local taxidermist declares it to be a half-fox and half-squirrel, and says he never before saw its like. The owners shot it on Thanksgiving Day, a quarter of a mile from Mount Brydges. They took it for a gray squirrel at first sight, but on closer examination were much struck by its odd coloring. The hair was shaggy, and mostly gray, but the fox was seen in the strange streaks of dull red on the tail, sides and back, and in other vulpine peculiarities, too plain to be mistaken. The breast and ears were chiefly white. When the two huntsmen returned to the village with their prize, it created quite a sensation. It appeared that every Mount Brydges man who owned a gun had been laying for this particular animal, which had been seen at various times in the adjacent woods. They were somewhat disappointed that London men should bag the game, and several tried to procure it at fancy prices, but it was not for sale.

The squirrel-fox is a plump, handsome critter, and Messrs. Mason and Weir rightly prize it as a rare trophy of their good luck and marksmanship.

J. & W. Flatt, timber merchants, Hamilton, have just sold timber to the value of $325,000 to Messrs. Dobell, Beckett & Co., of Quebec.

Ebony Toilet Goods

Mirrors,
Hair Brushes,
Cloth Brushes,
Military Brushes,
Manicure Sets,
Puff Boxes, etc.

New, Dainty and Inexpensive.

Cairncross & Lawrence,
Chemists, etc.,
Corner Dundas St. and Park Ave.,
London, - - Ont.
Branch—Corner Richmond and Piccadilly.

TO HONOR NICHOLAS WILSON.

The Movement to Secure a Testimonial Very Popular—Ex-Pupils Notified.

The proposal to celebrate Mr. Nicholas Wilson 50th anniversary as teacher, has met with enthusiastic response and the movement to secure a fitting testimonial for the popular pedagogue has taken definite shape. The subcommittee will send circulars to all the ex-pupils in the city and at a distance, notifying them of the project, and those whom they are unable to locate are invited to communicate at once with Mr. T. H. Purdom, the president, or Mr. E. W. M. Flock, the secretary, as soon as possible, as time is limited. Subscriptions, which are already flowing in, should be forwarded immediately.

As an instance of the popularity of the plan, Mr. T. H. Purdom, the day after the committee was formed received a letter from a married couple in the Northwest Territory, both ex-pupils of Mr. Wilson, stating that they had seen in the Advertiser that Mr. Wilson's 50th anniversary as a teacher was approaching, and suggested that a testimonial be presented to him. They inclosed a sum of money to start the movement. This formed the nucleus of the present fund.

The form of the testimonial has not yet been decided upon, but it will be worthy of the recipient and the occasion.

CHOSE THE SAME TEXT.

An Odd Pulpit Coincidence Yesterday—Various Church Notes—A Choir of Married People.

A somewhat remarkable coincidence occurred yesterday at the First Methodist Church. In the morning Rev. Dr. Daniel preached from the text Matthew, xvii., 20, and gave a splendid sermon on faith. At the evening service Conference President Jackson occupied the pulpit, and when he announced his text from the same verse as that given by Dr. Daniel in the morning the congregation smiled. Dr. Jackson's discourse was on entirely different lines of thought from the sermon of the morning, and proved very instructive and entertaining.

CHURCH NOTES.

Twenty-three persons were received into membership at the Dundas Street Center Methodist Church last night at the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Mr. Frank Callander has resigned his position as organist and choirmaster at the Askin Street Church owing to ill-health.

Several new members were baptized at the Christian Church, East London, last night.

The anniversary services of the Listowel Methodist Church will take place on Sunday and Monday, Dec. 20 and 21. Rev. E. B. Lanceley, of this city, will preach on Sunday.

Anniversary services were held at the Colborne Street Methodist Church yesterday. Rev. Dr. Hannon, of Stratford, preached in the morning, and Rev. Dr. Daniel, pastor of the First Methodist Church, in the evening. An open session of the Sunday school was held in the afternoon at which pleasing addresses were delivered by Revs. Dr. Hannon and George Jackson. The choir at the services was composed of the married members of the church.

A number of pulpit changes were made in Episcopal churches yesterday. Rev. W. M. Seaborne of St. Matthews' Church, exchanged services with Rev. G. W. Racey, of Belmont; Rev. J. H. Moorhouse, of Christ Church, exchanged with Rev. Geo. Elliott, of Glencoe, and Rev. W. F. Brownlee preached at St. James' in the morning. Rev. T. D. Westgate preached at Christ Church in the evening.

Rev. T. D. Westgate, who was ordained deacon at St. Paul's yesterday, has been appointed to Comber in the place of Rev. J. W. Ten Eyck, who comes to this city to take the place of Rev. W. L. Armitage at the Memorial and All Saints' churches. Mr. Armitage leaves on Tuesday or Wednesday for his new church in Peterboro. The other three ordained clergymen return to their present charges.

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A New Enterprise.

Opening of the Presbyterian Church at Pottersburg.

Sermons by Rev. George Gilmore and Rev. Robert Johnston.

A Branch of St. Andrew's—Potterburg Liberality—The Mission Work Flourishing Under Mr. Gilmore.

The enthusiasm shown by the people of Pottersburg and the members and friends of St. Andrew's, in connection with the new church that was dedicated yesterday to the worship of God, would go far to refute the statement that the old Gospel is gradually losing its pristine power over the hearts and lives of the people of this progressive century.

Pottersburg is a growing suburb of London, which, in the near future, is destined to be a place of some importance. It is only one mile from the city, with which it is likely to be connected next summer by the electric street railway. As there are upwards of 70 families in the village and neighborhood, the need of a suitable place of worship was keenly felt. In 1889 the people purchased material and went about the erection of a hall with their own hands, in which Sunday school and evening service were held for some time. The work was then under the care of Rev. W. M. Roger, then pastor of King Street Presbyterian Church. This building was destroyed by fire on March 8, 1896.

At a meeting of the residents of the place, with representatives from King Street Church, it was agreed that the property and mission work be placed under the care of St. Andrew's Church, London. This congregation, that has always been to the front in aggressive Christian work, gladly assumed the responsibility, and as a result the work began to show more interesting phases.

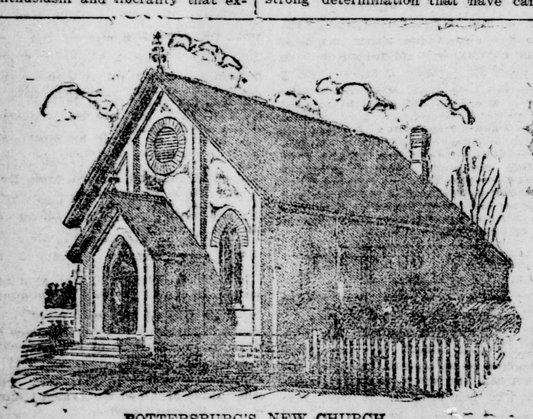
The services of Rev. George Gilmore were secured for a season, and he was authorized to take steps along with the people of Pottersburg towards the erection of a new and suitable place of worship. Through his efforts half of the money needed has been subscribed by the members and friends of St. Andrew's, the people of Pottersburg coming forward with a degree of enthusiasm and liberality that exseated specially, was well filled with an enthusiastic and appreciative audience. The preacher took his text from Joshua iv., 6: "What mean ye by these stones?" and preached an appropriate sermon on the meaning, purpose and work of the Church of Christ.

In the afternoon a children's rally was held. The Rev. W. Moffatt, of the Waterloo Street Mission, addressed the young people in a very interesting way.

In the evening the building was crowded to hear Rev. Mr. Gilmore, who is in charge of St. Andrew's extension work, and to whose untiring efforts the success of the project is largely due. Mr. Gilmore was born in Aghadowey, County Derry, Ireland. He lost his father while yet a child, and his elder brother a few years after, so that he was forced to go into the world and battle for himself as a boy. He came to Canada in May, 1887, and for eighteen months was engaged in the lumber industry. His first winter in Canada was spent among the snows of the Upper Ottawa region. Soon after he gave up business altogether in order that he might give closer attention to the studies which, from a child, he was eager to enter into. He had to work morning and evening in order to defray expenses and go to school during the day. After two years spent in the high school, Ottawa, he entered McGill University, and there took his literary course. He took a scholarship in honors in each of his first two years in theology, and at graduation carried off two scholarships and the students' gold medal, the highest award of the year for general proficiency in all work, pass and honor. The lofty ambition and strong determination that have carried him through these struggles are easily perceived by those who come in contact with him. The way he has conducted the work in Pottersburg and the North End is characteristic of him. As a preacher he is unusually gifted. He has the enthusiasm and energy of youth, and is forcible and clear in both thought and expression. He has a strong, rich voice, and the physical equipments indispensable to the trying work which he has undertaken. His past record augurs great success in his sphere of labor, which will, no doubt, continually enlarge.



REV. GEORGE GILMORE.



POTTERSBURG'S NEW CHURCH.

The opening services of the new church will be continued for several Sundays, and Messrs. Gilmore and Johnston will be assisted by Rev. W. J. Clark and other local ministers.

ceeded the expectations of the most sanguine friends of the work.

The building opened yesterday is a model of its kind, and as some have said, "as pretty as a picture." It will accommodate 300 persons, and has all parts and conveniences necessary. A McClary furnace heats the building, and it is lighted by three of the magnificent "Juno" lamps. The seating was furnished by the Valley City Company, Dundas, Ont., and the pulpit furniture was the gift of Mr. John Ferguson. A six-octave Scribner combination pipe organ is used in the building, and under the manipulation of Miss Angus is giving complete satisfaction. Miss Angus, the organist, is a member of Pottersburg's musical family, and has kindly consented to take this part of the work under her charge. Mr. John A. Stewart, chairman of the managing board, has done much in overseeing the erection of the building, and Mr. George Cairncross, secretary-treasurer, has devoted much of his time to the work.

Yesterday morning Rev. Robert Johnston, the eloquent, energetic and popular pastor of St. Andrew's, dedicated the building by conducting divine service. The building, which was

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Western Ontario.

Huron Council Winds Up by Incorporating Hensall Village.

Two Men Badly Hurt by a Locomotive—Sudden Death of a Stratford Man.

In Petrolea bread is 6 cents a loaf.

Kincardine 4 1-2 per cent debentures sold lately for 103 2-3.

Woodstock citizens will vote on a free library bylaw in January.

The brick work of the new Knox Church at Woodstock is completed.

S. C. May, St. Thomas, sold his 3-year-old gelding Surena to Angus Sinclair, Chatham, for $600.

Walkerton has a young girl who celebrated her 11th birthday last week, and who turns the scales at 219 pounds.

Miss Annie Taylor has been engaged as first assistant teacher for Brussels public school for 1897 at a salary of $300.

The estate of Peter Ross, Kintore, offers to creditors 5 cents on the dollar. There are $3,000 unsecured debts and $200 assets.

Squire McMichael, of Blenheim, a Kent pioneer, native of Ireland, died recently at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Enoch Stevens, aged 81.

The Chatham city council have decided to submit a bylaw providing for the expenditure of $15,000 in the purchase of a civil electric lighting plant.

Cloy's large ship chandlery at lock 24, on the new Welland Canal, at Thorold, was destroyed by fire Friday night. Loss on building, $3,400; loss on stock not learned, but it was total.

One of the best known residents of Oxford passed away Friday in the person of Mr. James Dunn, of Blandford. Deceased was 86 years of age, and had lived in the township for 50 years.

The family of Rev. W. Hartley, St. Thomas, had a narrow escape from being asphyxiated Friday evening by escaping gas from the coal stove. All the family were more or less overcome by the gas.

Henry Winthrups, of Walkerville was arrested Saturday by Officer Giles for beating children who were attending the Louis avenue school. He was also charged with being drunk, and was fined $5.

Miss Nellie Smith, of Brantford, has secured a verdict of $150 from the Singer Manufacturing Company, because the company summoned her before the police court for alleged nonpayment of $5, which she had paid.

Kent veterans of 1866 have organized a society, with officers as follows: President, Capt. S. M. Smith; secretary-treasurer, J. C. Weir; advisory board, Messrs. G. K. Atkinson, John Turner, J. K. Morris, James Cornhill, J. M. Northwood.

At a meeting of the creditors of the estate of Jessop & Co., general merchants, of Blyth, a statement was presented, showing assets of $1,200 and liabilities of $3,500. The stock will be sold and inspectors appointed to examine into the affairs of the estate.

Mr. David Allenby, who in July was discharged from the Woodstock police force after an investigation by the market and police committee, has taken action against the town council and Police Magistrate Field for defamation of character, claiming a large amount as damages.

A fire that is believed to have been incendiary broke out early Friday morning in J. Truman's barn, Wyandotte street, Windsor, just in the rear of the mayor's residence. There were three horses in the barn, one of which was suffocated, and one so badly injured that it had to be shot.

The death of Mary Newman, relict of the late Wm. Hobbs, of North Oxford, is announced at the advanced age of 71 years. The cause of death was disease of the lung. Her husband in his lifetime kept a meat shop on the market square, Ingersoll, and he died about twelve or thirteen years ago.

John Wark and Henry Johnston, of Arran, were driving out of Tara, when the rig was struck by a locomotive. The wagon was smashed, one of the horses so badly injured that it had to be killed, and Messrs. Johnston and Wark thrown some distance. Mr. Wark received severe injuries, and Mr. Johnston was also very seriously hurt.

The final session of the 51 members of the county council of Huron crowned its labors by incorporating the village of Hensall. The bylaw passed the committee, and was given its third reading the other night. Hensall is now in its 21st year. The place was called Hensall by J. and G. Petty, after their native place in Yorkshire, England.

The three-year-old child of Mr. W. Armstrong, of the Maryborough boundary, a few miles east of Listowel, the other day, was playing on a horse-pewer in the yard, which another little fellow was giving him a ride on. A larger boy coming along, gave the power a boost, when the little fellow fell, and was caught between the large wheels and smaller cogs, and was fatally crushed, living only 20 minutes.

Chief of Police Pow, of Tilsonburg, took to Woodstock on Friday George Smith, who was arrested in Welland on the charge of stealing a bicycle from Chas. Graves, of Tilsonburg, on July 29. Smith is an old offender. When Chief Pow arrested him in Welland he had just completed a term of 60 days for stealing a bicycle at Niagara Falls. The St. Catharines police also want him to answer to the charge of house-breaking.

Mr. John C. Hoffman, of Stratford, formerly drygoods merchant there, was stricken with apoplexy while on the train from the west when near Forest on Saturday evening. The train was met at Stratford by a conveyance, and medical assistance, and he was immediately taken home, but only survived a couple of hours. Mr. Hoffman had been visiting in Little Rock, Ark., for two or three months, but feeling unwell, left for home on Monday last, coming by easy stages. He leaves a widow, son and daughter.

Ball, Booth's Brigade.

The Volunteers of America Fully Organized.

Election of a Grand Field Council—Cardinal Doctrines of the Organization.

New York, Dec. 14.—After nearly a week of deliberation the directors of the Volunteers of America have succeeded in framing a constitution to meet the requirements of the movement started by Ballington Booth about nine months ago. The field officers of the Volunteers, representing battalions in every part of the United States, have been in session in this city since last Monday. They elected a grand field council, composed of 30 members. In making up their constitution the members of the Grand Council endeavored to follow the spirit of the constitution of the United States, and remove entirely any semblance of autocratic power, and also to avoid any possibility of theological discussion.

Article 1 affirms the purpose of the organization, as follows: "The Volunteers of America is a movement military in its methods, organized for the reaching and the uplifting of all sections of the people, and bringing them to the immediate knowledge and active service of God." Article 2 provides that "this is and must ever be an American institution, recognizing the spirit and justice of the constitution of the United States, and it is not and never shall be controlled or governed by any foreign power whatever. It is further provided that all members of the incorporated society must be citizens of the United States or persons who have declared their intention of becoming citizens."

The standard of the Volunteers, while being emblematical of the principles and truths in which they believe, will be distinctively American. Accordingly, the ground of the standard will be white, emblematical of purity. In the center there will be a five-pointed star, typical of hope. In the center of the star there will be a white cross, emblematical of sacrifice for others, and in the upper corner standard, nearest the staff, there will be, on a blue field, as many stars as there are States in the Union. Over the central blue star is the motto, "The Lord My Banner."

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Will be Pushed Through at the Next Session of Congress.

Republicans Resolved on Passing a Tariff of Such a Character.

Washington, Dec. 14.—The Republican Senators are determined to test the temper of Congress on the subject of Chinese wall protection. The shrewdest men among them are opposed to the policy, but the majority favor it, and they have the hearty support of the Republican members of the House ways and means committee. The prospect for the passage of such legislation is admitted to be far from clear, but the argument is made that if any bill can pass a high protection measure can be put through, and if concessions must be made the ultimate result will be more satisfactory if the schedules when first submitted are at the top notch. "Trading," it is admitted, will have an important effect upon the next tariff bill, and the managers who are now controlling affairs propose to have something to trade on. With this policy in view, the Republican majority of the ways and means committee will proceed to give hearings to all interested persons before the schedules are drafted, and the familiar scenes which have always preceded the formation of a tariff bill promises to be again witnessed at both ends of the capitol. Manufacturers and their paid agents will soon throng the corridors of the House and Senate and crowd the hotel lobbies. Each one will come to secure the largest possible measure of protection and each will have a right to ask the hearty support of at least one member and two Senators. It will be a game of log rolling from start to finish, with the prospect that "mutual concessions" will all be in the direction of more protection until the new tariff bill, when submitted to the two Houses at the extra session next March, will not not only close the gates of commerce, but, if enacted, will cause a surplus to gather in the treasury within the following year that will constitute an almost irresistible temptation to the grossest Congressional extravagance.

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Ireland Ahead.

Hale Won the Six Day's Cycling Race in New York,

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Annual Meeting of the Ontario Rugby Union—A Kicker Breaks His Leg.

THE WHEEL.

THE SIX-DAYS' RACE—HALE WINS.

New York, Dec. 14.—The great international six-days' cycling race closed Saturday night, with Hale, the Irishman, more than 28 miles ahead of his nearest opponent.

Enthusiasm reached fever heat early in the afternoon, when Hale and Rice, with less than 27 miles between them, commenced to ride in dead earnest. The Irishman's eyes flamed and snapped fire, and he invited the Wilkesbarre lad to "come on." The latter accepted the challenge, but was pumped dry at the end of half a mile, and the Irishman and "Major" Taylor had a go.

The contestants, fagged out as they all must have been, took new courage in the applause of the crowd, and even Glick made an occasional spurt. Forster was making desperate efforts to regain his place ahead of Reading, but the Soldier appeared to hold him safe. Rice was keeping up good work, and at 3:30 o'clock had reduced Hale's lead ten miles since noon. It was mutually agreed by the riders to withdraw from the track between 4 and 5 o'clock, during which hour several spirited races were run.

Eddie Bald rode an exhibition mile in 2:15 3-5, the last lap being covered in 11 seconds. L. R. Lefferson, of the Harlem Wheelmen, rode a half-mile, unpaced, in 1:04. This is the fastest time for the distance ever made in the garden. The final heat of the half-mile professional race was won by Con Baker; time, 1:08 3-5. C. G. Carpenter finished second.

The closing hours of the race were marked by the greatest enthusiasm ever displayed at such a contest in this country. Nearly 10,000 persons were in the garden at 8 o'clock, and in many of the boxes were elegantly attired women. The throng in the arena was so great that the services of the police were required to prevent the spectators from pressing too close against the railing around the track.

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon Maddox told his friends that he was going to give Moore a run for tenth place. At that time Maddox was 1,596 miles and Moore 1,599. At 7 o'clock Maddox had gained on the Philadelphian, and at 8 o'clock he was riding at sprinting speed. Maddox made three laps to every two made by the other riders. He rode with as much vim as he did at the beginning of the race, and every time he passed the other riders the crowd yelled itself hoarse.

The final score at 10 p.m. was: Hale, 1,910.3; Rice, 1,882.6; Reading, 1,855.3; Forster, 1,825.4; Schock, 1,766.2; Smith, 1,754.7; Pierce, 1,758.1; Taylor, 1,732.2; Ashinger, 1,673.3; Moore, 1,661.7; Maddox, 1,644.3; Cassidy, 1,605; Gannon, 1,366.8; McLeod, 1,350.2; Glick, 1,096.3.

FOOTBALL

ONTARIO RUGBY UNION.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Rugby Union, (football) was held at the Rossin House, Toronto, on Saturday.

The first matter of business taken up was the amendments to the constitution that had been proposed, when the following changes were made: The time of play from one hour and twenty minutes to one hour and ten minutes. A goal kicked from a try shall now count but two points, whereas it formerly counted six. All protests shall be in the hands of the secretary within 48 hours after the protested match, Sunday included. In every match under the auspices of the union the visiting club shall be paid by the home club a guarantee at the rate of 3c per railroad mile (one way) for sixteen men, provided that no payment under the section shall exceed the sum of $50, and the share of the visiting club in the gate receipts shall be taken as a payment on account of the guarantee. In home and home matches no club that has received the above guarantee can default unless the amount is refunded. A protest lies now with the executive from the referee as to the construction of the rules, but not from a decision as to a question of fact. By the new regulations, at all general and annual meetings each club in the union that has played a union match is entitled to representation by two delegates, exclusive of the members of the executive, not a delegate, to have one vote.

In respect to ties, the following rules were added: In intermediate junior games, the net receipts shall be equally divided between the competing clubs. In all cases a certified itemized copy of the receipts and expenses shall be sent to the secretary of the union within three days, and also to the secretary of the visiting club. The referee must now send notice of the result of each match to the secretary of the union within three days.

When the question of amending section 2 of the regulations came up there was a great deal of discussion. Barker, of T. A. C., thought that it was unfair to the college teams, and should be abolished, or else the same restrictions should be put on the city teams. Pope thought that in order to permit western teams to enter the union the section would have to be struck out. Others followed in the same spirit, and when the amendment was put the whole section, save the first clause, was suspended.

The secretary was granted $100 for his services. Mr. Ed. Bayley was granted $50.

The election of officers then came up, and resulted as follows: President, Ford, by acclamation; first vice-president, D'Arcy Martin, by acclamation; second vice-president, Easson, by acclamation; secretary-treasurer, Fitzgibbons; committee, Counsell ('Varsity), Gilmour (T. A. C.), Jones (Trinity), Osler (Osgoode), Ross (Queen's), Farrel (Kingston), Moncrief (Petrolea); representatives to C. R. F. U., McDougall, Ford and Osler. During the proceedings the championship badges were presented to three champion teams.

BROKE HIS LEG.

Utica, Mich., Dec. 14.—George Kelsey, a prominent football and baseball player of this place, broke his leg Saturday night while playing football.

AQUATIC.

GAUDAUR AND BARRY.

London, Dec. 24.—There are two reasons why the articles Oarsman Barry has sent to Gaudaur are not likely to lead to a match with Gaudaur for the championship of the world. In the first place, they do not offer such terms and conditions as would induce his to go to England, which is what Barry asks. But, beyond this, Mr. Barry will have business enough to engage him at home. Little "Wag" Harding, whom the record shows to be the best of English scullers, is not disposed to be overlooked by his fellow countryman. He wants a match.

HANLAN ON DECK.

Hanlan has written his old backer, Chris Barras, of Newcastle, that he would go to England next spring if he could arrange a series of races with such men as Harding, Barry, Bubear, Johnson and Emmett. He thinks any of them would be easy game, and wonders why Jake Gaudaur will not go over.

BASEBALL.

SECRETARY BOBISON DEAD.

Cleveland, Dec. 14.—J. Howard Robison, secretary and treasurer of the Cleveland Baseball Club, and a brother of F. D. Haas Robison, died Saturday, aged 44 years, from inflammation of the brain. He had been sick about three weeks. The deceased had been secretary of the club since 1892, and had also taken care of the finances of the organization since that time. He leaves a widow.

FLYS.

Pete Browning wants a job on Nick Young's umpire staff.

Inspector of umpires is a new position created by the magnates. The duties, while not exactly onerous, are by no means genial, and a good-sized salary should be attached to it.

ATHLETICS.

TOM LEMMON'S TONIGHT.

Tom Lemmon promises an interesting programme at his King street academy tonight. Alf Jenkins, of Toronto, and George Bolton, of London, will meet in a six-round glove contest. Tom Lemmon, Arthur Acre, Harry Norson, John Robinson, Geo. Munro and Charlie Moore will appear in sparring exhibitions.

BLOWS.

Peter Maher has wired his Pittsburg backers as follows: "Started training today. Try and get a match with Sharkey. He is the next man I want to meet."

The other day in New York a female bag-puncher said she had just received an offer from a well-known seminary to impart the art of self-defense to its young women, and at the Sharkey-Fitzsimmons scrap as many as 100 women are said to have been admitted to the show. This, as a sign of the times, may be construed into meaning that brooms and flat-irons may recede before a more artistic style of domestic warfare.

THE TURF.

TIPS.

The English racing swindler, H. Miller, whose "Perfection System" would enable all clients to win without fail if they trusted him with their money and bet on horse races, did business on no mean scale. At the trial an advertising agent testified that through one agency alone in six months the system was advertised to the extent of £2,165, and Miller's bill for printing pamphlets and circulars in the same period ran up to £600. These accounts are paid—with his customers' money.

CHESS.

The chess match [illegible] ina between Janowski and Winawer ended Nov. 24 in favor of the former by 5 to 2 games.

Lasker has won the tenth game of the chess match against Steinitz after 40 moves. It was a Ruy Lopez opened by the winner. Present score: Lasker, 6; Steinitz, 0; drawn, 4

Opening Gun

Of the Plebiscite Educational Campaign.

Rev. E. O. Taylor, of Chicago, Addresses Large Audiences

On "Christian Citizenship" and "That Boy of Yours."

The plebiscite educational campaign, which is to be conducted in this city under the direction of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, was opened yesterday by Rev. Elbert O. Taylor, of Chicago, at the First Congregational Church. Mr. Taylor's introductory lecture was on "Christian Citizenship," and only in the latter portion of his address did he deal specifically with the drink question. His ability as a platform speaker is far famed, and some time before the meeting was opened the building was packed to the doors. Mr. Taylor spoke for an hour and ten minutes, and throughout was interesting, clear and forcible.

On being introduced by Rev. Mr. Pedley, the pastor of the church, the speaker of the afternoon said he had no sentiment to offer, no stories to tell, nor was he there to amuse his hearers. "I shall not soar aloft on the wings of eloquence, because I have no such wings, but I have brought along with me a few burning facts, and a little bit of logic in connection with the special subject for the purpose of discussing which I have been called by the W. C. T. U."

CHRIST AS A REFORMER.

The speaker chose as his text, St. John, ii., 13-17. In his opening remarks he referred to one of the latest sensations in that most sensational city, Chicago, which was the book by W. T. Stead, in which Christ was referred to as "a reformer." He then dealt with the question as to whether or not Christ was a reformer, and set forth the many reasons for believing Him to be an ideal reformer. The old theory was an eye for an eye. Christ gave a new law, "Love your enemies." He advocated reform principles, taught reform doctrines, and did reform work. Anything in the way of the removal of a stumbling-block in the way of a man's life, anything that improves society, that makes it harder for men to do wrong, and easier for them to do right, was reform work. Some people say that Christian work is one thing and reform work another thing, and some even go so far as to say that temperance work is one thing and Christian work another. Reform work is Christian work. Christian work is temperance work, and there is no line separating them. The line should be obliterated wherever it has been drawn.

Continuing, the speaker said: "What are some of the characteristics of the Christ as an ideal reformer, in the light of which I trust we may see what good your Christian citizenship means? If He were here today, I am very certain He would stand up with His grand principles of

GOOD GOVERNMENT.

He everywhere valued government. Everywhere He went He considered Himself amenable to the law, and obeyed it. A very common notion is that divine government is only of divine origin, but it is a very false idea. Shall not Christian men, to say the least, have as much regard for one ordinance of God as another? Certainly; and you know very well that numbers of our Christian men who would sooner lose their right arm than miss a communion service, will easily miss the ballot box and pay very little attention to God's other ordinances in political affairs. Let me say to you that one is just as truly an ordinance as the other."

Mr. Taylor said it was necessary to be as careful and conscientious in electing God's ministers for governments as the ministers of the Gospel. "We have the notion," said he, "that any sort of a scallawag is good enough for an officer of the law. If you give your men to understand that the government is an ordinance of God, and that the officer is to properly represent God's policy in the government, then you will have a better class of men in your offices." A large number of people did not concern themselves with citizenship affairs, and said if the government was to go to the dogs or the devil, let it go. That accounted for the difficulty in securing a righteous law when it is needed, and enforcing a righteous law when one was secured. This the speaker protested against. After conversion, a man should be more of a politician than he ever was in his life before. "Politics is not a health half-acre, where a man can go and

PLAY WITH THE DEVIL

for a half-hour, and not be held responsible for what he does. Politics come under the jurisdiction of Almighty God, and the politician is held accountable for his doings in political life as anywhere else. He then referred to people without backbone and compared them to the

JELLY-FISH.

He said: "I suppose there are a great many of them in your community who float with social tides or customs. You find them in religious life. People float into our church membership when the revival tide is high. They follow other people in, and they stay there until the revival tide is a little higher in another church, and they float into it. There are political jelly-fish also who do not stop to think politically. They have no great arrest of political thought, and do not go to the bottom questions to find out what should be done. When Simon says 'Thumbs up,' their thumbs go up. They keep step with the political music. Independence in politics is the great need of the hour, but when I say that, I do not mean that political parties are not worthy of our interest. Let no man decry political parties. Have a party. Do not dare to be without one. If you cannot find one to suit you, build one. You have a right to do that. Have a party, but hold to it loosely enough so that you can dictate your convictions to it, and not let it make you a slave to it."

Miss Lily Runals, who accompanies Mr. Taylor, sang two beautiful solos very sweetly.

"That Boy of Yours."

"That Boy of Yours" was Rev. E. O. Taylor's topic at the First Methodist Church last night. The edifice was crowded early in the evening, and when the first service was over the majority of the people kept their seats, the large number being greatly augmented by persons from other churches. Before beginning his address Mr. Taylor said: "I shall have nothing to do with your politics, nor with your political parties. I have not come from another country to yours to interfere with your politics. My work here is purely an educational one."

The text from which Mr. Taylor spoke was Ezekial vii., 23: "Make a chain, for the land is full of bloody crimes, and the city is full of violence." Mr. Taylor said the greatest thing in the nation was a man, the most glorious thing in the nation was a woman, the prettiest thing was a girl (and the biggest conundrum!).

There were 16,000 young men under the age of 21 out of the 5,000,000 of population among whom the greatest moral conflict was now raging. If a boy were trained in the way he should go he would not depart from it when he was of age. All understood the fact that it was the first years of a child's life in which its character was being molded.

BAD SCHOOLS.

The Anarchists in this country were little known before the throwing of the bomb in Haymarket Square, but since that time they had been holding Sunday schools in the rear of saloons, which, shameless and nameless, for want of a better name, were called dens and dives. The gamblers had their schools and it was necessary to have a counteracting influence. Anthony Comstock had said that out of 275 teachers in one place 40 of these had secured from children under them a class of literature which planted the first seeds of vice. This literature he characterized as a movement to destroy children. There was much more crime among children now than there was 25 years ago. "That is true over in my country," said the speaker, "and it may prove true in your country. We have in the reform schools over there 10,000 boys between the age of 7 and 17 years, every one guilty of a penitentiary offense. We never saw the like of that in the history of our nation before." He then told of a newspaper account of where a young boy had held up a train, and he, with some 54 of his companions, was committed to the same industrial school. "We never saw the like of that before," said Mr. Taylor. "Moreover, we have the boy smoker and

THE BOY DRUNKARD

today, something we never had before. It is an ordinary thing to see boys 10 years old lying in the gutter. That makes one of the differences between 30 years ago and today. The other day I went into a school in Dakota and found a boy only 7 years old so drunk that he could not sit up, and was helped home by some of the other boys. I have just come over from an extended tour in the prohibition State of Kansas. I spoke in 92 places in that State and challenged them to produce a drinking boy under 10 years of age. Whisky men are trying to upset prohibition in that State. I can pass out of that State in every direction and show you boy drunks 10 years old—almost as many as drunken men in Kansas. That is the difference between prohibition and a licensed State.

YOUTHFUL SMOKERS.

The people who learned to use tobacco in the first decade were between the ages of 25 and 30, in the second, 15 to 20; in the third, 10 to 15, and in the last decade the majority of those who learned its use were between 5 and 10 years. The State of Nebraska has passed a law prohibiting the use of tobacco by boys under the age of 18 years. If they use it in the schools they are expelled. Continuing, he said it was a significant fact that in the United States four girls were graduating from the high school for every one boy. In these latter days a boy does not know as much as a girl. Educators had told us so, and then parents went to the schools to discover the cause. The use of tobacco went directly to embalm the faculties of perception, observation and memory. This was why the standard of scholarship in the American colleges was higher among women than men. Reforms were not generally undertaken until there was an alarming tendency to overthrow the Government, and he gave his hearers to understand that if things continued as they were now that that country of his, the United States, would soon be under the

ABSOLUTE CONTROL OF WOMEN.

Women, like the civilized Japanese army marching on to the heathen capital of China, were an educational force, with a higher moral and social standing. They will march into the capital of this Dominion and of the United States. Only 5 per cent of the men of the United States belong to the church, and only 25 per cent ever go into one, leaving 75 per cent who never go near a church. Sixty per cent of American boys, he said, were guilty of social vices, and 90 to 95 guilty of social evils or licentiousness. "I don't believe that is the case in this country," said the speaker. Why was it, he asked, that society put the iron heel of ostracism upon a fallen woman and allowed the fallen man to go about in society? What business man chose an ostracised woman to represent his business? None; but there were thousands of ostracised men representing the wealth of the nation, who were brought in by unthinking parents and introduced to their virtuous daughters, and this often meant the beginning of vice. Three-fourths to nine-tenths of the crime was the outcome of the liquor traffic. Prohibition Kansas had one penitentiary with 398 convicts, and Texas—a State with 100,000 less population—had two penitentiaries, with 3,000 convicts. The speaker then dwelt upon the necessity of obedience to the law, and said lawlessness in the home meant lawlessness in the nation.

THE DOVER OUTRAGE.

Chatham, Dec. 14.—Crown Attorney Douglas visited the hospital and heard from Widow Snook particulars, so far as she could, in her dazed state, give them, of the terrible assault committed on her with a shotgun at her home in Dover. She has divulged enough to give the authorities a clue, which may result in the capture of her murderous assailants. Major Coogan, high constable, will leave no stone unturned to detect the perpetrators of one of the most diabolical crimes in Kent county annals. Mrs. Snook's condition is critical.

Count Trauttmansdorff-Weinberg, president of the Austrian House of Lords, is dead.

Allan Bronson, who was tried at the Belleville assizes on the charge of killing a young man in Rawdon township a year ago, was acquitted.

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It is reported that the petition against the return of Hon. Mr. Paterson, as M. P. for North Grey, will not now be proceeded with.

For the bye-election for Brandon, Man., caused by the elevation of Hon. Clifford Sifton to the Dominion Cabinet, the Conservatives have not nominated a candidate. Mr. Fraser is the Liberal candidate, and Mr. Postlethwaite represents the Patrons.

Some marked economies are being effected at Ottawa these days. Hon. J. I. Tarte has given the contract for the gardening of Parliament Hill to Mr. Greaves, the lowest tenderer. The amount is $3,000 per annum, or exactly one-half the amount hitherto paid.

Says the Toronto Sentinel: "No man can now plead as an excuse for leaving Canada that the country is not as prosperous as it ought to be. Canada is all right." Yes, the future of the Dominion is assured, if men will cease stirring up religious rancour, and unite in promoting the material welfare of the people.

In Quebec Province, too, the number of insane persons is increasing. Last year the inmates of insane asylums increased from 2,663 to 2,731. The average age at death of lunatics appears to be 55 years, and about 10 per cent live after 70. From the age of patients admitted it seems that the most dangerous period of life to become insane is from 20 to 30 and from 50 to 60.

Hon. Mr. Fisher and the Fat Cattle.

A dispatch from Guelph says that when Hon. Sydney Fisher, Dominion Minister of Agriculture, visited the Fat Cattle Show in that city last week, he expressed himself as greatly pleased with the exhibition, and much interested in the determination of cattle raisers to produce the best animals possible for breeding purposes, and for export. Mr. Fisher, the correspondent adds, was somewhat astonished to find he was the first Dominion Minister of Agriculture who had ever attended the Fat Cattle Show. With a practical farmer at the head of the Agricultural Department, there will doubtless be a steady advance year by year. We promise that if Hon. Mr. Fisher comes to the Fat Cattle Show in this city next year he will see much that will interest him. In the central city of Western Ontario, the Fat Cattle Show of 1897 is bound to be a great success.

Public Lands Almost All Gone.

The report of the Minister of the Interior shows that the public land of the United States that can be profitably cultivated is about all appropriated. Up to June 30 last 946,000,000 acres had been sold or given away, leaving public domain still vacant estimated at over 600,000,000, not including the district of Alaska, with an area of over 369,000,000 acres. Since the homestead act was passed, May 20, 1862, there have been 162,891,132 acres entered by homestead settlers. Of this almost 103,000,000 acres will be patented when the legal conditions have been made. Of the remainder, 42,000,000 acres represent entries canceled and commuted to cash. The total number of mineral entries up to date is 29,820; patents to railways and wagon roads, since the first grant was made, reach 65,729,751 acres. There also have been 335,691,752 acres disposed of by preemption, cash sales, scrip, locations, military bounty land warrants, town sites, desert land, timber culture, timber and stone entries, Indian allotments and donations to settlers. There are yet due to railroads and wagon roads under their grants 114,736,639 acres, of which not more than 60 per cent are available for patenting under the conditions of the grants. The total grants of lands to the various States and Territories up to March 12 last aggregated 381,868,630 acres, in addition to agricultural college scrip for 7,830,000 acres. If the rate of disposition of the last thirteen years, which was 25,000,000 acres a year, is continued for another thirteen years, there will be little of the public domain outside of Alaska in possession of the Government at the expiration of that time. Much of the land yet in the possession of the United States Government will with difficulty be settled, as it is either mountainous or in tarritories where droughts make crop-growing most precarious.

Canadian lands, we venture to prophesy, will be more and more sought after by progressive United States citizens as the years go by.

Cabled Correspondence

Russia Makes a Good Bargain With China --A Matter of Grave Import.

London Losing Prestige as a Distributing Center—Balloons in the Army—Germany's Spy System Rattled — Antiquarians Agitated — A Great Shooting Party.

London, Dec. 13.—The text of the Russian-Chinese treaty has aroused considerable discussion on all sides, and it is regarded as a matter of the greatest importance. Some of the newspapers refuse to believe it authentic, as it would be such a victory for Russian diplomacy. The Spectator today, however, believes it to be exact and says: "No forger would have tried so elaborately to protect the pride of China, while securing every Russian object, nothing is ceded openly; but Russia is permitted to run a railway to Kirin, and is expressly authorized to keep all the troops she pleases to protect the Manchurian stations, and she is also to fortify Port Arthur for China. No glass is required to interpret phrases like these, which completely invest Russia with military control of Manchuria and the Lia Tung peninsula." Continuing, the Spectator says it thinks the arrangement threatens Japan more than Great Britain, which can resist when her commercial rights are threatened.

Sir Charles Dilke, in a speech, has expressed the opinion that the treaty will place Northern China at the feet of Russia, and that it is wholly inconsistent with the promises which China made to England when she left Fort Hamilton. He favored the reoccupation of that port.

Sir Arthur B. Forward, member of Parliament for the southwest division of Lancashire, Conservative, said that, probably, China would became to Russia what India was to England, and that English trade in China would be superseded by Russian manufacturers. In regard to the doubts expressed as to the actual completion of the treaty, the speaker said he happened to know that Russian Government engineers were now in Manchuria studying the proposed railway.

SALISBURY NOT SURPRISED.

The Russo-Chinese convention is by no means a surprise to Lord Salisbury, nor are the main clauses of the agreement opposed to England's interests. The substance of the convention was discussed upon the occasion of the visit of Li Hung Chang to London, and was known to Sir Nicholas O'Connor, then British minister to China, before he left Peking to assume the duties of ambassador at St. Petersburg. The convention does not contain any concession of territory, but only secures to Russia the right to construct a railway through Manchuria to Vladivostock. The branch railway to Port Arthur is purely a Chinese enterprise.

THE IRISH PARTY'S PROGRAMME.

Mr. Dillon will raise a debate on the address in reply to the Queen's speech opening the session of Parliament, calling attention to the report of the commission on the financial relations between Great Britain and Ireland. The Irish party contemplates no division on the debate, but when the budget comes before the House the combined Irish sections will insist upon an immediate adjustment of Irish finances as reported upon by the commission.

PROSPECTS OF A GREAT STRIKE.

A press representative had another interview with Thos. Colbury, secretary of the National Sailors' and Firemen's Union. He found him full of hope over the prospects of an international strike. Ballot papers from every quarter, he said, approved a strike. An international strike would certainly come if the employers refused to do justice to the men. If a wholesale strike was forced upon them they would get the New York men to join, for their condition was wretchedly bad, perhaps even worse than the British dockers. Mr. McHugh had reported that American men were willing to join, and were quite ready for organization and action. Besides New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, New Orleans and all the other ports were ready to act in concert.

A CLAIM ON SPAIN.

The Foreign Office has sent a demand for compensation to the Spanish Government for the imprisonment of Thomas and K. Beattie, tobacco and sugar merchants, in Cuba. Thomas Beattie has large plantations in Cuba, has been long a resident there, and in point of fact is inclined toward Cuban independence from the regime of the imported Spaniard. There may be a substantial basis for the charge against him, that he has used strong language against the methods of Gen. Weyler, but the Foreign Office and Messrs. Beattie's friends scout the notion that Gen. Weyler has any proof of Beattie's acting as secret agent for the insurgents.

BALLOONS IN THE ARMY.

Some interesting experiments have been carried out at Shoeburyness, where is located the British army's school of gunnery and experimental ranges, the object being to test the efficacy of balloons as engines of war. A balloon was sent up just 2,000 yards. The height to which the captive was hoisted was not communicated to the artillerymen. The gunners began to fire, and the first shot showed that they had got the range. The balloon was hit at the fourth shot and smashed at the seventh. The fifteen-pounders were used by the gunners. It has been suggested that he would be a bold man who should go ballooning in war times when guns are about warranted to bring him down at one mile, but it must be borne in mind before hastily arriving at the conclusion that war ballooning is played out, that this balloon was captive, and that nearly every condition on this occasion favored the gunners. In fact, as a leading expert who was a spectator of the experiment points out, they proved nothing more than was already known, viz., that it is possible to hit a balloon at a comparatively low elevation, where the range can be fairly approximated.

GERMANY'S SPY SYSTEM.

A Berlin correspondent cables as follows: The revelations of the Luetzow trial and the arrest of Baron von Tausch, the commissioner of detectives, are having unimagined consequences, one of which is that the whole police spy system, as organized under Von Puttkamer, and perfected under Zu Eulenberg and Von Koeller, will be either modified or abolished. The Cabinet has held daily sessions during the week, elaborating a plan for bringing about one or the other of these results. The Emperor, since his return from Hanover and Buckenburg, has conferred with Count zu Eulenberg, Police Chief Windheim, Prince von Hohenlohe and Baron Marschall von Bieberstein, and it is reported in court circles that his Majesty is in no way satisfied with the bold public way in which Hohenlohe and Baron Marschall unearthed in court the police espionage, whereof they have been the victims for years, believing that the exposure will prejudice the home authority and German influence abroad.

RAILWAY STRIKE AVERTED.

The trouble with the Northwestern Railway has been partly settled by the intervention of the Board of Trade. The Northwestern employes have been agitating for improved conditions, hinting at a strike which would paralyze Christmas traffic unless their demands were conceded. The railroad authorities, however, took the bull by the horns. After they had engaged numbers of reliable men, they dismissed several of the most discontented, who admitted they would strike if called out by the union. This caused a general outcry from all the Northwestern employes, and the situation became critical until the railroad chiefs submitted the matter to the Board of Trade, which arranged an amicable settlment, involving the reinstatement of the dismissed men and the recognition of their union, which the company has hitherto ignored. The men claim to have won the victory, but the question of the improvement of their lot is still unsettled. Especial interest and importance is attached to the arbitrary attitude of the railroad officials, and their subsequent change of front, owing to the personnel of the company's stockholders, which includes the Marquis of Salisbury, Lord Rosebery, the Duke of Norfolk, and other prominent people.

GREAT SHOOTING PARTY.

Sir Edward Lawson, the principal proprietor of the Daily Telegraph, and a large and distinguished shooting party, met the Prince of Wales at Sir Edward's country place, Hall Barn, Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire, during the past three days. The party included Baron Russell of Kilowen, Sir Henry Irving, Sir Edwin Arnold, Sir Frank Lockwood, Mr. William Waldorf Astor and the Duke of Devonshire.

LONDON LOSING PRESTIGE.

The statement made by Sir Thomas Sutherland, chairman of the Peninsula and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, to the stockholders of that concern, that trade with the port of London is waning, has attracted attention, and is generally indorsed in shipping and mercantile circles. London is declared to be still the leading port of the world, but it is losing its prestige as a distributing center, and goods are being taken direct to continental ports. The two chief reasons given are the exorbitant dock charges and the dearness of London labor.

A COMPARISON.

John Morley, addressing an educational meeting at Battersea, gave a good definition of the difference between the youth of Great Britain and the fatherland. In Germany, the father says, "Thank God, I have a son"; but in England the son says, "Thank God, I have a father."

ANTIQUARIANS AGITATED.

Great indignation prevails in antiquarian circles at the news that a number of Druidical remains at Dartmoor have been destroyed, notably a stone avenue, and several hut circles on Sherberton Common. It appears that the rural council contractors broke up the ruins in order to utilize the pieces of stone in mending the roads.

THEATRICAL.

"The Circus Girl," produced at the Gaiety, has been the chief theatrical attraction of the week, and promises to be a great success. The music is catchy, and the topical songs are bright and pointed.

Sir Henry Irving has at last definitely decided upon the cast of "Richard III.," which will be produced on Saturday night, Dec. 19. Sir Henry will adhere strictly to the original text and there will be no fusion of the commonly accepted Colly Cibber version.

The incidental music which Edward German had expressly composed for George Alexander's rival of "As You Like it," has been a feature of the comedy.

CABLE NOTES.

The ice in the German northern rivers is already very thick, and navigation has been entirely stopped except in the Baltic Canal, which thus far has not been frozen.

The French Government, apparently, has at length decided to aboiish the penal establishment in New Caledonia, which the Australians have long demanded. The convicts will be sent to Madagascar instead.

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Beautiful Dress Goods, All Wool Tweeds and fancy effects, have been selling at 50c per yard; now only 25c per yard.

For Fancy Work.

Nice Plain Silks in light colors, two different lines worth 25c, selling at 15c and 20c per yard.

Over the Hills to the Poorhouse He Has Gone.

A manufacturer's stock of Ladies' Skirts going at very low prices. A splendid skirt, nice and warm, only 39c. All other lines going at 25 per cent. off.

Knotted Dress Goods.

There is still a very nice assortment left; goods that have been 65c and 75c per yard, all going at 48c per yard.

Another Case

Of those Two-Toned Dress Goods, arrived late, regular price 25c, going at 17c per yard.

Christmas Goods.

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Commercial.

Wheat at Chicago Closed Firm and Higher.

Local Market.

(Reported by A. M. Hamilton & Son.)

London, Monday, Dec. 14.

Wheat, per bu	78c to 80c
Oats, per bu	14 1-4c to 20c
Peas, per bu	38c to 44c
Corn, per bu	22 1-2c to 33 1-2c
Corn, per bu	25c to 34c
Buckwheat, per bu	24c to 29c
Rye, per bu	28c to 30c
Barley, per bu	20c to 29c
Beans, per bu	60c to 65c

Today's session was a quiet one. Receipts were light, the demand was steady, and prices on some lines a little different from our last report. The notable changes are in wheat, oats and barley.

Wheat—Sales mostly made at $1 35, when the sample was second grade. Some sales were made below this price, but none went much under $1 33. There was a weakness in oats. Light weights sold at 40c to 45c by sample, and when sold by weight the price was 52c per cwt for 34 pounds to the bushel, 50c for 33 pounds, and 48c for 32 pound oats.

Feeding barley sold off 2c to 3c, at 42c per cwt.

No other kinds of grain offered.

Hay sales were slow; $7 to $8 was the price.

Quotations:

GRAIN.			
Wheat, white, per 100 lbs	1 35	to	1 35
Wheat, red per 100 lbs	1 33	to	1 35
Wheat, spring, per 100 lbs	1 33	to	1 35
Oats, per 100 lbs	40	to	60
Peas per 100 lbs	60	to	74
Corn per 100 lbs	40	to	60
Barley, per 100 lbs	42	to	60
Rye, per 100 lbs	50	to	53
Beans, bu	45	to	60
Buckwheat, per 100 lbs	40	to	55
PROVISIONS.			
Honey	8	to	12
Cheese, per lb	9	to	10
Honey	8	to	12
Eggs single dozen	18	to	20
Eggs fresh, basket, per doz	17	to	18
Eggs, fresh, store lots, per doz	15	to	17
Butter single rolls per lb	14	to	16
Butter, perlb, 1 lb rolls, baskets	13	to	14
Butter per lb, large rolls or crocks	14	to	15
Butter, per lb, tubs or firkins	9	to	12
Lard, per lb	9	to	9
MEAT, HIDES, ETC.			
Beef, quarters, per lb	3½	to	5
Mutton quarters, per lb	5	to	6
Veal, quarters, per lb	5	to	8
Lamb, quarter	7	to	8
Dressed hogs, 100 lb	4 00	to	4 20
Live hogs	3 25	to	3 50
Hides, No. 1, per lb	5	to	5
Hides, No. 2, per lb	4	to	4
Hides, No. 3, per lb	3	to	3
Calfskins, green	5	to	5
Calfskins dry, each	25	to	25
Sheepskins, each	50	to	50
Lambskins, each	50	to	50
Wool, per lb	18	to	18
Tallow, rendered, per lb	3	to	3
Tallow, rough, per lb	1½	to	1½
HAY AND SEED.			
Hay per ton	7 00	to	8 00
Straw, per load	2 00	to	3 50

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English Markets.

(Beerbohm's Report by Cable.)

Liverpool, Dec. 14—12:35 p.m.

Wheat—Spot quiet; demand poor; futures dull and unchanged.

Corn—Spot dull; futures dull; near positions ¼d lower; distant positions unchanged.

Bacon—Quiet; demand poor; Cumberland cut, 2s to 20 lbs, 29s; short ribs, 20 to 24 lbs, 28s 6d; long clear light, 35 to 38 lbs, 28s; long clear heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, 28s; short clear backs, light, 18 lbs, 28s 6d; short clear middies heavy, 45 to 50 lbs, 26s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, 28s 6d.

Shoulders—Square, 12 to 13 lbs, 29s.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, 40s 6d.

Tallow—Fine North American, 18s 6d.

Beef—Extra India mess, 60s; prime mess, 80s.

Pork—Prime mess, fine western, 43s 9d; medium western, 41s 3d.

Lard—Steady; prime western, 21s; refined in pails, 23s.

Cheese—Quiet; demand poor; finest American white (Sept.) 51s; finest American colored (Sept.), 51s.

Butter—Finest United States, 95s; good, 60s.

Turpentine spirits—29s 6d.

Rosin common—5s 6d.

Cotton seed oil—Liverpool refined, 15s 6d.

Linseed oil—16s 6d.

Petroleum—Refined, 6½d.

Refrigerator beef—Forequarter, 3½d; hindquarter, 5½d.

Bleaching powder—Hardwood, f. o. b., Liverpool, £7.

Hops—At London (Pacific Coast), £3 10s.

London, Dec. 14.

Carcoes off coast—Wheat steady; corn quiet.

On passage—Wheat, firm, partially 3d to 6d higher; corn steady.

Country markets—English partially 6d cheaper; French steady.

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American Fruit Markets.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—The week came to a conclusion on the wheat market with prices firm and higher, and with the talent inclined to favor the bull side. Liverpool cables were ¼d higher—scarcely enough to reflect yesterday's improvement on this side. The shipments from both coasts for the week were very large, at 4,220,000 bu; they having considerable of a strengthening effect. Crop damage reports from Argentina continued to arrive, but as they have become almost a routine matter their bearing on prices was not particularly forcible. Closing continental cables gave advances. May wheat opened from 80¼c to 80¼c advanced to 80¾c, closing at 80¾c to 83¾c—1c higher. Cash wheat was firm and 1c higher. Corn was a shade lower, and oats declined ¼c to ½c. Provisions were higher.

The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—No. 2 Dec., 76¾c; May, 80¾c to 80¾c; July, 74¾c.

Corn—No. 2 Dec., 22½c; Jan., 23c; May, 25½c.

Oats—No. 2 Dec., 17c; May, 20½c.

Mess pork—Dec., $6 87½; Jan., $7 02½; May, $7 92½.

Lard—Dec., $3 75; Jan., $3 87½; May, $4 07½.

Short ribs—Dec., $3 90; Jan., $3 87½; May, $4 02½.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour steady; No. 2 spring wheat, 76½c to 77c; No. 3 spring wheat, 75½c to 80c; No. 2 red, 80½c to 80¾c; No. 2 corn, 22½c to 23½c; No. 2 oats, 17½c to 18c; No. 2 rye, 39½c; No. 2 barley, 38c; No. 1 flaxseed, 75½c to 78c; prime timothy seed, $2 55; mess pork, $6 85 to $6 90; lard, $3 80 to $3 82½; short rib sides, $3 80 to $4 10; dry salted shoulders, $4 25 to $4 50; short clear sides, $4 to $4 12½.

Receipts—			
Flour	4,000	Wheat	27,000
Corn	123,000	Oats	412,000
Rye	11,000	Barley	67,000
Shipments—			
Flour	5,000	Wheat	129,000
Corn	53,000	Oats	194,000
Rye		Barley	147,000

Live Stock Markets.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 12.—Beeves—Receipts, 299 head; market steady.

Calves—Receipts, 61 head; dull and unchanged. Poor to good veals, $4 to $6.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 3,153; trade less active and prices barely steady for sheep, while lambs declined 15c. Ordinary to prime sheep, $2 75 to $3 45; good to choice lambs, $5 to $5 75.

Hogs—Receipts, 2,857 head; prices steady.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—Hogs—Estimated receipts today, 33,000; left over, 2,000; rather slow; prices strong to 5c higher; light, $3 20 to $3 50; mixed, $3 30 to $3 55; heavy, $3 05 to $3 50; rough, $3 05 to $3 15.

Cattle—Receipts, 15,000; quiet but steady; beeves, $3 40 to $5 50; cows and heifers, $1 60 to $4; Texas, $2 80 to $3 15; stockers and feeders, $2 95 to $3 90.

Sheep—Receipts, 18,000; good grades steady; others weak.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, Dec. 12.—Cattle—Two cars; unsteady.

Hogs—30 cars; steady; Yorkers, $3 55 to $3 60; light, $3 60 to $3 65; pigs, $3 75 to $3 90; extra choice, $4; mixed packers, $3 45 to $3 50; heavy, $3 40 to $3 45; roughs, $2 90 to $3 05; stags, $2 25 to $2 65.

Sheep and Lambs—29 cars; sheep slow; lambs 10c to 15c lower; prime lambs, $4 90 to $5; fair to good, $4 to $4 50; culls and common, $3 50 to $4; good to choice mixed sheep, $3 25 to $3 50; culls and common, $1 75 to $2 25. At the close: Cattle weak.

Hogs easier for all kinds.

Sheep and Lambs—Total offerings, 21 cars, of which 8 cars were Canadas; of Canadas 5 cars were held over from yesterday, and were rather bucky and mostly heavy; shippers should be advised that heavy lambs are a dead loss and cannot be sold here at any profitable figure; choice handy weights of 88 to 92 lbs, sell well and will sell better; those of that weight today brought $4 75 to $4 85, while the top price for the heavy lots was $4 50, and they sold down to $4 25; culls at $3 50 to $4 40, and some culled and heavy lambs unsold at the close; sheep very dull, but likely to be more active next week under the holiday demand.

The Dairy Markets.

LONDON.

The attendance of cheese men at the board Saturday was hardly as large as that of a week ago, and only about half the quantity of cheese was offered—4,235 boxes. The price is practically unchanged, the prevailing bids being 9 1-2c for October, and 8c for November. Only one factory sold—180 boxes at 9 1-2c. The following factories were represented:

Cedarvale	110
Centralia	80
Kerwood	337
Keyser	63
Gladstone	650
Bryanston	350
Delaware	440
North Street	240
North Branch	210
Thames	180
Crinan	250
Belmont	300
Westminster	400
Blanchard	170
Pond Mills	455
Total	4,235

The question of a cheese standard, arising out of the difficulty between Mr. Hodgins and Mr. Hibbert, was brought up and discussed. Notice was given two weeks ago of a motion making the standard for this market the same as that of Montreal, but this did not suit the salesmen, who thought that possibly the Montreal standard might be changed.

Mr. Leitch thought the question should be brought up at the cheese men's convention at Brantford, when arrangements could be made for the adoption of a standard for the western district.

Mr. Duncan McMillan could not see the advisability of the organization of a western district, because in the northern and western cheese centers the farming community were blessed with spring water, which ran through their farms, and from which their cattle drank. It was not so in this immediate district, which had very few spring water creeks. Pure water was an important element in the making of good cheese and butter, and if a standard were adopted for a western district, the cheese would often in some districts be below that standard.

On motion of Messrs. McMillan and Gilmour, a committee was appointed, consisting of three buyers and three salesmen, to take into consideration the fixing of a standard for cheese bought and sold between the members of the London market and report at next meeting.

On motion of Messrs. Riley and Robertson, the following were appointed on the committee: D. McMillan, Evelyn; John Gilmour, Nilestown; W. Fitzpatrick, Belmont, to represent the salesmen; and Messrs. R. Ballantyne, Stratford; W. P. Hibbert, Stratford, and J. W. Cook, Ingersoll.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Dec. 12.—Cheese quiet; demand poor; finest American white and colored, September, 51s.

Butter—Finest United States, 95s; good, 60s.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 12.—Butter quiet; State dairy, 11c to 20c; do, creamery, 15c to 25c; do, factory, 7c to 12c; Elgins, 24c.

Cheese—Quiet; State large, 7 1-4c to 10 1-2c; do, small, 7 1-2c to 10 1-2c; part skims, 3 1-2c to 7c; full skims, 2 1-2c to 3c.

PATRONS TO BE HEARD

Their Views to be Placed Before the Tariff Commission.

Special to The Advertiser.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—The Government has received a communication from the Patrons asking that they be allowed to send representatives to expound their views of the tariff before the tariff commission.

The request will be complied with.

Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet without any pain. What it has done once it will do again.

Voters' List Revised.

A Six Hours Session of the Court on Saturday.

The Changes Were Numerous — Many Names Added and Many Struck Off.

The revision of the city voters' list was not completed on Saturday until 4 p.m. The session began at 10 a.m., and for six hours, without adjournment, the court dealt with the appeals. The decisions given by Judge William Elliot were as follows;

NAMES ADDED.

The following names were allowed on: T. B. Godfrey, John K. Morris, John Stirling, W. A. B. Fishleigh, F. J. Westlake, Frederick Woolsey, E. H. A. Woonton, John M. Mills, Edward Sutherland, Joseph H. Thompson, John A. Smith, Jos. Wallace, W. Lindsay, Mrs. Jane Dagg, W. C. Wright, Margaret Ann Burgess, Harry Nicholls, J. Dunnett, Edwin A. Shoebotham, Thos. Lindsay, Dr. Hunter, M. A. Thomas, W. F. Robinson, J. W. Hunter, Alex. Leslie, Walter Morgan, Elijah Jaynes, R. J. Faulds, H. B. Coombs, A. E. Short, Elizabeth Willis, E. Burke, B. Mohan, M. Parent, Jas. Dean, Mary Carroll, W. H. Searle, Wm. Wigmore, C. N. Ellis, James Count, A. Arbuckle, Geo. Lewis, E. S. Neil, Frank Coles, jun., Paul Cook, Jas. Perry, Wm. Bunnear, C. N. Brown, E. M. Waldeck, M. A. Dillon, H. B. Dillon, Mary R., Eleanor, Susan and Victoria Blackburn, B. McFadden, J. Tracey, Geo. E. Brown, Amelia Alfred, F. E. Hornsby, Walter Graham, Wm. Smith, Arthur Peacock, P. McPhillips, C. A. Cline, Ed. Willis, W. Logan, A. W. Smith, B. L. Parkinson, W. H. Walker, John Logan, W. Walker, W. Carson, Jas. A. Ardiel, L. C. McKenzie, Joseph Percival, A. Widder, John Hutchinson, John Frederick, Jos. Knowles, Geo. L. Westland, Richard Wreay, L. Love, Isabella Danett, E. W. Scatcherd, Jas. Blanshard, John Flowers, George Murray, H. McGowen, Geo. Winlow, J. Routledge, Wm. Adams, J. A. Ryder.

APPLICATIONS TO ADD DISMISSED.

John Howe, J. S. Fallows, Herbert Matthews, Charles Gatecliffe, George Gatecliffe, Joseph Thompson, Frank Robertson, Edward T. Burns, George Vanstone, Wm. B. Rumball, John Hunter, W. B. Graves, Joseph Thompson, Ed. Sutherland, F. Farnworth, Chas. Farnworth, Mrs. Oates, Mrs. Hodgins, A. Vick, A. Essery, Robt. Gray, Thos. McNab, Henry Clark, Samuel Glass, W. S. Lipsey, R. S. Wood, E. Platt, W. E. Templar, J. G. Dwyer, Geo. Dwyer, Mary Jones, John M. Watt, Rose Ludwig, W. R. Faulds, Maud Armstrong, Walter Wigmore, Catherine Hoskins, J. A. Graham, H. M. Flock, L. N. Griffin, Catherine Towhey, Fred. Hohen, W. J. Brown, Chas. Turner, Jas. McDonald, Frank Smith, J. McKenzie, Geo. H. Allen, Robert Berry, J. St. George, J. W. Westervelt, W. D. Yeo, T. Macbeth, E. Jarmain, F. Jarmain, Jos. Webber, Robt. Chauncey,

STRUCK OFF.

The following names have been struck off: J. E. Crawford, L. W. Crawford, E. Caswell, Dan Dewar, J. R. Shuttleworth, W. A. Brown, Andrew Thompson, Wm. Johnston, G. H. Williams, Samuel Poole, A. E. Christian, John Grayson, Robert Burns, J. McGregor, J. R. Milne, Mrs. May Thornley, Jane Darch, T.M. King, Ella Cosford, John P. Lewis, John Beveridge, John Bell, Dennis Connors, Clarence Graves, R. J. Holton, Geo. Watson, J. T. Laurie, H. Talbot, D. T. Ware, F. W. Hodson, Melville Cater, Harry Donald, L. E. Orendorf, John E. Orendorf, P. H. Ross, A. J. McPherson, Duncan Ross, John W. Cowan, Thos. S. Hobbs, Margaret McDonald, Geo. Gould, Ellen Beaumont, Fred Beltz, James Laut, Leonard O'Dell, Wm. Watson, Archibald Mann, W. J. Logie, Kate Halt, Walter Dutton, Wm. Gates, Arthur Noyes, L. D. Thompson, Leir Carley, Henry Payne, E. Softley, J. H. Fraser, M. D. Fraser, Stephen Garside, Alfred Inglis, E. H. Cooper, George Day, Alex. Milne, B. A. Smith, Charles McPherson, Wm. Gooley, John W. Clark, R. M. Currie, Catharine Lovell, John Wetinger, James Buckingham, W. Welcher, Allan S. Leys, John S. Leys, and Thos. Gerry.

APPLICATIONS TO STRIKE OFF DISMISSED.

E. Jarmain, Wm. Jarmain, W. H. Niles, David Walsh, Fred Simpson, Maria Rowland, J. D. LeBel, A. S. McGregor, Alex. Milne, J. W. McCallum, A. D. Aikenhead, Albert Aikenhead, A. R. Bridge, R.H. Geise, Chas. Johns, A. W. Goodwin, Peter Webster, D. W. Gillies, W. A. Martin, John McAlpine, Dr. G. C. Davis, Henry Edmunds, Chas. H. Firth, Lewis McCarthy, Jas. McDonald, Hugh Loveless, A. Roswell, W. A. Beaumont, Frank C. Green, M. Johnston, George Lambkin, Thos. H. Lashbrook, John McDonald, Marie H. Coyne, Eliza Miller, Thos. Evans, Albert Johns, E. Wright, Minnie Trebilcock, Alfred Page, Laird David, H. E. Jory, O. W. Cheesman, Elste Sutherland, B. C. McCann, Maggie Brophy, Truman LeClear, Herbert Henderson, Samuel Elgar, W. Mason, W. Pate, G. Talbot, M. Walker, F. Shore, Ed. Crouch, Wm. Davis, Horace Bates, Chas. Davidson, John Tuke, S. R. Pictet, S. Armitage, R. B. McPherson, R. Griffiths, W. J. Berry, Wm. McGillivay, Frank Posh, Elmer Palmer, Mary Walker, John Fortner, E. D. Parke, A. D. Westman, John Brazille, D. F. Marshall, J. Tilson, Catharine Crawford, Mary A. Standfield.

CAPTURED A MOOSE.

It Will Be Placed in the Provincial Park at Rondeau.

Toronto, Dec. 14.—Mr. John J. Kontze, of Ridgetown, has arrived from North Bay. He has been prospecting in the Lake of the Woods district for more than a year, and reports the region to be crowded with gold-seekers, many of whom are having great success.

With Mr. Kontze was a young bull moose, which he obtained from Indians some four months ago on Hunter's Island, and has been preserving it for transference to the Provincial Park on Lake Erie, respecting which he has been in correspondence with Hon. A. S. Hardy. The animal is about 6 months old, is confined in an impromptu cage, and this morning attracted a large number of visitors to the Union station.

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You know how important it is to have a prompt remedy on hand. Nerviline—nerve pain cure—has a wonderful and immediate influence upon this malady. It relieves in one minute, and cures in five. Pleasant to the taste, and the best remedy in the world for pain.

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Special offer for this week only. Every buyer who takes 1,000 shares at 20c share will receive 100 share bonus free. John A. Moody, London. tf

Throws Up the Sponge.

John A. McGillivray, Conservative, Quits in North Ontario.

The Ottawa correspondent of the Toronto World (Conservative) says: "John A. McGillivray, M. P. for North Ontario, was in town today. Tomorrow he will be an ex-M. P. He informed your correspondent Sunday that he had definitely made up his mind to resign his seat in the House of Commons, and will so inform Mr. Speaker Edgar tomorrow. He will not offer himself for re-election, but devote all his energy to this Forestry work." This means that Mr. McGillivray has resolved not to face the proposed investigation into the means by which he was elected last June.

TOWN AND COUNTRY.

Mrs. Wrencher, of Bothwell, visited her sister, Mrs. Haggeth, in Newbury last week.

A business change has been made at Newbury, John Burr buying the livery business from B. Miller.

The death occurred Friday of Mr. John Hutcheson, farmer, residing near Pond Mills. Deceased was aged 75 years.

On Friday evening a very enjoyable concert was held at Belmont school house, the proceeds of which are to be used in purchasing supplies for the school. During the evening certificates were presented to the successful pupils in the recent examinations.

After a few weeks' illness, Mr. Edward Leech, sen., of Newbury, passed away quietly the other morning at his late residence, about two miles east of Newbury. Mr. Leech was in his 85th year, and up till his last illness was energetic and vigorous, always taking his part in the work on the farm. His six sons were the pallbearers.

The tenth anniversary service of Ivan Presbyterian Church will be conducted by the Rev. John Johnston, of Paisley, on Sunday 20th, at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., also a teameeting on the Monday evening following. Rev. W. J. Clark, of London, will give his lecture, "My Trip to the Old World." Music by the Strathroy Olympic Quartet, reading by Miss Boone, of London.

Mr. John Murray, chief of the Provincial detective force, is making inquiries into the circumstances in connection with the finding of the skeleton on the farm of George Weir, South Dorchester, on Monday, Nov. 8, last. The skeleton by some is supposed to be all that remains of Peter McLellan, who disappeared ten years ago. Upon the result of Mr. Murray's inquiries depends whether an inquest will be held or not.

AILSA CRAIG.

Advertiser Agent, Chas. Walker.

Ailsa Craig, Dec. 12.—On Friday morning, about four miles west of here, the driver of the 917 express noticed a man lying on the side of the track. On stopping, it was found that the man was dead, and the body still warm, with large cuts in the back of the head and neck. The body was taken to Parkhill. It is supposed that the man fell off the morning express, due here at 7:20. By information found on his person, it appeared that his name was Nesbitt, from Lexington, Ky. He has a sister living in Michigan, and his mother at Blyth, Ont.

At the W. F. M. S. meeting, held Thursday evening in the Presbyterian Church, the attendance was large and the thank-offering was well responded by the audience. Amount, $19.

Rev. Edward F. M. Smith, Hawkesbury, Ont., who recently received a unanimous call to Lucan and Granton Presbyterian congregations, will be ordained and inducted at Granton on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 22.

Mr. Edgar Hodgins and bride paid a visit to the village on Friday evening, looking gay and happy.

GRANTON.

Advertiser Agent, J. A. Grant.

Granton, Dec. 12.—A meeting of the Presbytery of Stratford will be held in the Granton Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, the 22nd December, for the ordination of Rev. Mr. Smith and his induction to the pastorate of the united congregations of Granton and Lucan.

The entertainment in the Methodist Church last night was well patronized, considering the state of the roads. The musical part of the programme was excellent, as was also the illustrations of scenes in "Ten Nights in a Bar-room."

Mr. George Fitzgerald, of West Nissouri, has rented the Missee Hobbs' residence, and will take possession in January. The Misses Hobbs intend living in London.

LUCAN.

Agent, W. Hodgins.

Lucan, Dec. 14.—Mr. James Wright has returned home from Petrolea, and intends spending Christmas with his mother here.

Rev. R. H. Shaw has been suffering for some days with a severe cold. Mr. Jas. Irwin, our popular editor, took the services for him on Sunday evening.

Dr. Shaw was called to meet the 8 p.m. train on Saturday night, in which lay a Stratford man in a dying condition. The poor man had been South for the benefit of his health and was returning home when he suffered a paralytic stroke, between Forest and Camlachie.

Mrs. Mitchell Haskett is seriously ill with inflammation of the lungs. She is about 70 years of age, and on that account slight hopes of her recovery are entertained.

Mr. John Guilfoyl has returned home after a long absence. At one time it was reported he was lost, but we are glad to say he is yet in the land of the living, both hale and hearty.

John S. Atkinson, of this village, has been appointed bailiff of the Third Division Court of the County of Middlesex, in the stead of Edward Mara, resigned.

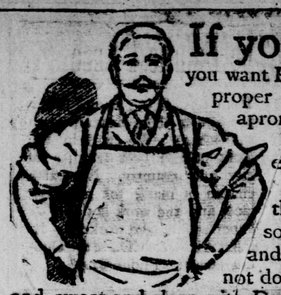
A 50-barrel oil well was struck on the Porter farm near Petrolea.

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Of twenty years' experience tells what a blessing Indian Woman's Balm has been to her many patients.

This is to certify that I have been a ladies' nurse for the past twenty years, and I am pleased to say that for the past five years a number of my patients have used Indian Woman's Balm, and it has proved a grand success in every case. I would heartily recommend it to all ladies during pregnancy. MRS. E. IRWIN, Orangeville, Ont.

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200 Dolls, with natural eyes, long hair and washable faces, will be sold for 17c. They are 27 inches long, and go for this price because we saved one-fourth in the buying.

We have smaller Dolls at smaller prices, and we have larger Dolls at larger prices, but no matter whether you take a large or a small Doll you will find that it is prettily shaped, prettily decorated and easy-priced.

We make a specialty of pretty specialties. There's no use our describing any particular styles of Toy. Perhaps you will come looking for a Doll and fall in love with our Picture Books, or perhaps you'll have Tin Trains in your mind and decide on a Set of Blocks. All we can say is this—if you want to buy Toys come to us: we have every creation of the toy-maker's art.

BIBLES.

We advertised a special lot of Bibles a few days ago. There was only enough for one day's selling, so that some of our customers were disappointed, either because they didn't get exactly what they wanted, or else because they could not get any at all. The moral is this: Be in time, next time. The "next time" has arrived. A big lot of Bibles have been received and they've been marked for a quick goodbye.

Teachers' Bibles, with solid leather covers, leather lining, silk sewing and gilt edges go at a snap.

The $4 75 ones are yours for $3 50.

The price of the $3 49 ones has been pared down to $1 95.

The $2 49 ones go at $1 25.

We have a lot of other Bibles, some with extra large print, some smaller print and smaller size for the pocket, and some have references, maps, psalms and all that goes to make a perfect Bible. We still keep full lines of English and Catholic Prayer Books.

Onyx Tables, Hall Racks and Oak and Cherry Pedestals.

All these goods go at an extremely low price. This low price means the clearance of several lines from our regular stock.

ONYX TABLES.

$12 ones are $8 35.

$10 85 ones for $6 25.

$15 35 ones are yours for $9 85.

HALL RACKS.

$2 buys a $3 50 Rack, round or square.

$2 buys our Square Rack—they were $3 50.

Oak and Cherry Pedestals.

$1 95 for a $3 Square Pedestal.

$1 95 for our $2 95 Square Cherry Pedestal.

$2 buys a $3 50 one; $1 45 a $2 25 one.

CHRISTMAS CARDS.

We have lots of Cards and Booklets of all kinds and they are all going at prices that will make you feel ashamed if by not sending a card or booklet you neglect some dear friend or overlook some acquaintance.

A pretty decorated Folding Card for 2c.

Double Folding Cards at 5c.

Floral Decorated Text Book and Booklets for 25c and 10c.

PERFUMES.

You never saw such elegance in Cut Glass Bottles of Perfume as our counter displays We never had the like before and we are the acknowledged leaders in perfume selling.

We have cut glass bottles with glass stoppers, filled with the most delicate perfume, for 25c.

A better grade, both as regards the bottle, the stopper and the perfume, goes at 50c.

BASEMENT SALE.

We have started a sale in our basement that will make goods sail out of the basement faster that ever before. A lot of the heavier class of goods will be disposed of there, Sleighs, Express Wagons, Toy Carts and Wheelbarrows, Rocking Horses, Jardiniers, Tubs and the like.

INAUGURAL INDUCEMENTS.

50 Wooden Pails, with two hoops, are to be sold at 5c. These goods were 15c, but a little paint was scraped off some of them in the buying, so we scraped off nearly all the price. Come quick!

Large Wooden Tubs, were 60c, but Basement Sale made them 35c.

Coal Hods, gilt-banded and heavily Japanned, will be sacrificed at 15c.

INTRODUCTORY ITEMS.

The best Tin Boilers, with heavy copper bottoms, only 69c instead of the dollar we expected to get for them.

We have three lots of Peeled Willow Clothes Baskets; these goods are well made and very serviceable, they go at 25c, 33c and 50c.

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Snowdrop.....	3	Little Olive.....	5
Ibex.....	3½	Silver Bell.....	9
Kohinoor.....	10	Butte.....	7½
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Commerce and Finance.

Montreal Stock Market.

MONTREAL, Dec. 14.

	Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	56	55½
Duluth, common	5	4½
Duluth, preferred	12	9
Commercial Cable	165¾	165½
Wabash, common	..	..
Wabash, preferred	..	..
Montreal Telegraph	175	166
Richelieu and Ontario	88	85½
Montreal Street Railway	219½	219
Montreal Street Railway, new	..	..
Montreal Gas Company	182½	182
Bell Telephone	..	..
Royal Electric, xd	131	127
Toronto Railway	70½	70½
Bank of Montreal	230	227½
Ontario Bank	..	80
Banque du Peuple	..	..
Molsons Bank	..	180
Bank of Toronto	..	227
Banque Jacques Cartier	..	..
Merchants Bank	170	168½
Merchants Bank of Halifax	..	162½
Quebec Bank	..	..
Union Bank	..	..
Bank of Commerce	130	127
Northwest Land preferred	..	..
Montreal Cotton Company, xd	125	122½
Canada Colored Cottons	60	35
Dominion Cotton	..	..
Postal Telegraph	94	94½

SALES—Duluth, pref., 100 at 9½; Com. Cable, 100 at 165½; Mont. St. Ry, 125 at 219½, 150 at 219; Mont. Gas, 25 at 182, 25 at 183, 25 at 182½, 25 at 182½; Toronto Ry, 125 at 70½, 25 at 70½; Postal Tel., 100 at 93¾.

Toronto Stock Market.

TORONTO, Dec. 14.

	Ask.	Off.
Montreal	230	227
Ontario	..	80
Moisons	..	..
Toronto	232	227½
Merchants	173	168
Commerce	128	127½
Imperial	181	178
Dominion	230	161
Standard	165	152
Hamilton	153	152
British America	121	119½
Western Assurance	163	162½
Canada Life	..	..
Confederation Life	..	278
Consumers' Gas	202½	200
Dominion Telegraph	125	123
Montreal Telegraph	..	..
Northwest Land Company, pref	50	..
Northwest Land Company, com	..	..
Canada Pacific Railway Stock	56½	55½
Commercial Cable Company	165½	165
Postal Telegraph	94	93½
Bell Telephone Company	158½	157½
Montreal Street Rail way	219½	218½
Montreal Street Railway (new)	..	..
Toronto Street Railway	70	69½
Dominion Savings and Invest., xd	80	75
Farmers Loan and Savings	95	..
Farmers' L. and S., 20 per cent	..	..
Huron and Erie L. and S	..	160
Huron and Erie, 20 per cent	..	150
London and Canada, L. and A	92	..
London Loan	..	103
London and Ontario	101	..
Ontario Loan and Debenture, xd	..	118

SALES—1 p.m. board—Hamilton, 1 at 152; Com. Cable, 25 at 165; Postal Tel., 10 at 93½. 11:15 a.m. board—Toronto, 10, 5 at 227½; Hamilton, 1 at 152; Western Assurance, 50, 50 at 162½; Com. Cable, 50, 25 at 165½; 25 at 165¾; Postal Tel., 25 at 93¾.

COMMERCIAL.

Latest Montreal Markets.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 14.

GRAINS AND FLOUR.

Oats—In store No. 2 white, 25½c.
Feed barley—32c to 33c.
Buckwheat—35c.
Peas—47½c.
Rye No. 2—40c.
Flour—Manitoba strong bakers, $4 85 to $5 00; spring wheat patents, $5 10 to $5 30; winter patents, $4 75 to $5 00; straight roller, $4 30 to $4 70.
Feed—Bran, $9 50 to $10 50; shorts, $11 00 to $12 00.

PROVISIONS.

Canadian short cut, clear, $10 to $10 25.
Ham—8c to 9c.
Bacon—7c to 8c.
Lard—Pure, 7c to 7½c; compound, 5½c to 5¾c.
Produce—Cheese, nominal.
Butter—Creamery, 18c to 18½c; western dairy, 13c to 14c.
Eggs—Prices nominal; market quiet.

Toronto Grain Market.

Toronto, Dec. 14.—Wheat—The offerings are only fair, the demand is rather better, and the market is steady; cars of red are quoted at 80c to 81c west, and white at 82c. Manitoba wheat is in fair demand and rather firmer; No. 1 hard is quoted at 94c west and 95c east, at 98c all rail North Bay, and No. 2 hard at 96c.

Flour—In fair demand and steady; 2 cars of choice straight roller sold west today at $4 15 for export. Manitoba flour is in good demand and firm.

Mill-feed—Quiet at $8 for shorts west and $7 for bran.

Barley—Dull and easy; No. 1 is quoted at 30c to 31c; No. 1 extra at 34c, No. 2 at 27c, No. 3 extra at 23c and 24c, and feed at 21c outside.

Buckwheat—Nominal at 28c west.

Rye—Quoted by buyers here at 34c north and west and 35c middle freights.

Corn—Steady at 25c for new yellow and 27c to 27 1-2c for old west.

Oats—Offering at 19c for white on the G. T. R. west, but exporters say they cannot pay more than 18c for No. 2 white; mixed are quoted west at 18c; white are quoted east at 20c.

Peas—Steady, with sales north and west at 40c.

The Oil Market.

PETROLEA.

Petrolea, Dec. 14.—Oil opened and closed at $1 52

American Produce Markets.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 14.

Flour—Receipts, 58,100 bbls; sales, 2,500 packages; state and western quiet but steady; city mills patents, $5 10 to $5 35; city mill clears, $4 05 to $5 05; Minnesota patents, $4 50 to $5; Minnesota bakers, $3 40 to $4 10; winter patents, $4 90 to $5 10; winter straights, $4 65 to $4 75; winter extras, $3 35 to $3 90.

Rye flour—Quiet; sales, 100 packages; superfine, $2 85 to $3 05; fancy, $3 10 to $3 15.

Wheat—Receipts, 85,100 bu; sales, 1,200,000 bu; options, No. 2 red; opened weaker on prospective heavy world's shipments and lower cables, but recovered on bullish Argentine news; May, 85½c to 86 11-16c.

Rye—Nominal.

Corn—Receipts, 71,100; sales, 65 000; options quiet but firmer on light receipts; May, 31¾c to 31½c.

Oats—Receipts, 194,400; sales, 10,000; May, 24½c to 24 11-16c; track white, 22c to 23c.

Beef—Steady; family, $9 to $10; extra mess, $7.

Pork—Dull; mess, $8 25 to $8 75; family, $8 75 to $10 50.

Lard—Steady; prime western, steam, $4 20; nominal.

Butter—Receipts, 7 509 packages; dull; state dairy, 11c to 20c; state creamery, 14c to 23c; western creamery, 13c to 21c; Elgins, 21c; factory, 7c to 12c.

Eggs—Receipts, 5,784; weak; state and Pennsylvania, 20c to 22c; western, 15c to 20c.

Cheese—Receipts, 1,310 packages; quiet; large, 7½c to 10½c; small, 7½c to 10½c; part skims, 3½c to 7c; full skims, 2½c to 3c.

Sugar—Raw, easy; fair refining, 2½c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3¾c; refined quiet; crushed, 5c; powdered, 4¾c; granulated, 4½c.

Petroleum—Dull.

Coffee—Quiet.

Hops—Dull.

Lead—Strong; bullion price, $2 75; exchange price, $3 to $3 05.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—Opening—Wheat, May, 80¾c; July, 73½c. Corn, May, 25½c. Oats, May, 20¼c. Pork, Jan., $7 67½; May, $7 95. Lard, May, $4 05½; Jan., $3 87½. Ribs, May, $4 05.

BUFFALO.

Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 14.—Spring wheat—Dull; No. 1 hard, spot, 90½c; No. 1 northern, 87¼c; do old, 88¼c; No. 2 northern, 84½c. Winter wheat—Dull; No. 2 red, 93½c.

Corn—Steady; No. 2 yellow, 25¾c; No. 3 yellow, 24½c; No. 4 yellow, 23¾c; No. 2 corn, 24½c; No. 3 corn, 24c; No. 4 corn, 23c.

Oats—Dull; No. 2 white, 23¾c; No. 3 white, 21¾c; No. 4 white, 19c; No. 3 mixed 19c.

DETROIT.

Detroit, Dec. 14.—Wheat—No. 1 white 90½c; No. 2 red cash and Dec., 90½c; May, 93½c.

TOLEDO.

Toledo, Dec. 14.—Wheat—No. 2 Cash and Jan., 93¼c; July, 94½c.
Corn—July, 26c.
Oats—July, 21c.

MILWAUKEE.

Milwaukee, Dec. 14.—Wheat, cash, 77½c; May, 80½c.

English Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 14.—4:15 p.m.

Wheat—Spot quiet; demand poor; No. 2 red winter; nothing quoted; No. 2 red spring, 6s 8½d; No. 1 hard Manitoba, nominal; No. 1 Cal., 7s 3d; futures opened dull, with near and distant positions unchanged; later weakened and closed quiet, with near and distant positions 4d lower; business about equally distributed; Dec., nominal; Jan., 6s 8½; Feb., 6s 8½d; March, 6s 8½d; April, nominal; May, 6s 8½d.

Corn—Spot dull; American mixed, new 2s 10½d; futures opened dull, with near positions, ¼d lower and distant positions unchange; closed quiet, with near and distant positions unchanged to ¼d lower; business about equally distributed; Dec., 2s 9½d; Jan., Feb. and March, 2s 9¼d; April and May, 2s 9½d.

Flour—Dull; demand poor; St. Louis fancy winter, 9s 3d.

Peas—Canadian, 4s 5½d.

Chicago Exchange.

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

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—Dec.	77	78½	76¾	78½
May	8 4-4	82½	80	82½
July	73½	75¾	73¼	75¾
Corn—Dec.	22¾	22¾	22¾	22¾
May	25¾	26½	25¾	26
Oats—Dec.	17	17½	17	17½
May	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾
Pork—Jan.	7 67	7 80	7 65	7 75
May	7 95	8 05	7 92	8 00
Lard—Jan.	3 87	3 92	3 87	3 90
May	4 07	4 12	4 07	4 10
Ribs—Jan.	3 90	3 12	3 90	3 90
May	4 05	....	4 02	4 05

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TREACHEROUS ICE.

Three Children Drowned in a Mill Pond.

Nashua, N. H., Dec. 14.—The bodies of two girls and a boy, aged, 7, 8, and 11, respectively, children of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Farnsworth, of Brookline, N. H., were taken from the old mill pond there yesterday. The children started Friday at the usual hour to attend school, but stopped to play on the ice, which broke under them. They carried their dinners with them, and it was not until dark that their failure to return was noticed. When it was ascertained that the children had not been at school, a search of the surrounding district was made, and at a late hour the ice on the mill pond was found broken. Yesterday the whole population turned out, and after a long search the bodies were found in the water.

Edward Farnsworth, father of the drowned children, disappeared soon after the bodies were found, and has not been seen since. He was greatly overcome by the death of his children, and it is feared that his mind has become unbalanced. Suicide is considered a probability.

Cheltenham, Ont., Dec. 14.—While some children were playing on the Credit River at noon Saturday, the ice gave way under them. The little son and daughter of Mr. A. H. Irame went under; the daughter was rescued immediately, but when the little boy, Thomas, was found about twenty minutes after, life was extinct.

CANADIAN LUMBER IMPORTS BOTHER THEM.

Tonawanda, N. Y., Dec. 12.—The lumber merchants of the Twin Cities meet at Hotel Sheldon today to appoint delegates and arrange for attending the lumbermen's convention at Cincinnati. The object of the convention is to draft a petition to Congress for the protection of lumber interests, and Tonawanda's merchants are particularly interested, inasmuch as the trade here has been seriously affected by lumber coming in from Canada.

Local Brevities.

—Miss Gertie Simpson, of Chatham, left on Saturday for London.

—Miss Laird, of the Belle Telephone exchange, city, recently spent a week in Newbury.

—Mrs. James Robinson, of London, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. S. B. Saunby, at Dungannon.

—Assistant Superintendent Williams, of the C. P. R., was here Saturday on an inspection tour.

—City Council meets tonight to appoint polling places and deputies for the municipal elections.

—Sittings of the Ninth Division Court tomorrow (Tuesday). About thirty cases to be disposed of.

—The metal polishers will attend the Orient minstrel performance tonight at the Grand in a body.

—Miss Mills, of the Colborne street school, who has been ill for several weeks, is now able to attend her classes again.

—Mr. F. E. Finster, acting appraiser, United States customs, Port Huron, Mich., spent Sunday as the guest of friends in this city.

—H. C. Page and George Kerrigan represented the London club at the meeting of the Ontario Rugby Union on Saturday in Toronto.

—Mr. Alf. Turner, of Vancouver, B. C., an old London boy, is visiting his parents, Becher street, after an absence on the coast for five years.

—The annual meeting of the Proof Line Road Company was held this morning, and the old board was re-elected. The yearly statement was submitted.

—The Orient Minstrels paraded the business section Saturday night headed by their brass band. The boys were nattily dressed, and made a good showing.

—The many friends of Capt. R. Cartwright, formerly of the Military School here, will be glad to learn that he is gazetted adjutant of Toronto regimental district.

—John Enoch, a colored drunk, was the only prisoner at the Police Court this morning, and he was discharged by Magistrate Parke. The case of Lilley vs. Waters will come up on Thursday.

—Mr. George Robinson, of Robinson, Little & Co., presented a fine suit of underclothing to each of the ten street railway men who worked fourteen hours per day under the old horse car system.

—The morning street car on the Springbank line will hereafter leave the corner of Dundas and Richmond street at 7:30 instead of 6:30, as before. The other cars leave at 2:30 and 5:30, as before.

—Prof. Reynolds, the mesmerist, will open a week's engagement at the Music Hall tonight, with a matinee on Saturday. The amount of fun furnished by the professor is unlimited. He has many new ways of putting his subjects through laughable situations. A prosperous week's business is assured him.

—The name of Eminent Sir Knight W. J. Carson, of Richard Coeur de Lion Preceptory, No. 4, Knights Templar, of this city, was inadvertently omitted from the list of Sir Knights appointed by Grand Master Whyte to visit Detroit Commandery in January, and present that body with a testimonial from the Great Priory of Canada.

—Commencing today, a new time card will go into effect in the Grand Trunk car shops at Stratford. Hereafter the men will work from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day, instead of from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for five days, and from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, as at present. The change will not affect the total hours of work put in in a week, viz., 45. It is announced that three holidays will be allowed for Christmas, commencing Thursday, and two holidays at New Year's, ending Saturday.

GEORGE VICK'S BODY.

The body of George Vick, which was found on the Michigan Southern Railway track on Aug. 26, a little east of Conneaut, Ohio, and which was handed over to the Cleveland University authorities, arrived here last night. The remains were taken to his father's residence at Robinson Hall Chambers, whence the funeral will take place. The body is in a perfect state of preservation.

TONIGHT.

Tonight, in the First Presbyterian Church lecture hall, Rev. W. J. Clark will speak on "Scotland and Switzerland." Mr. Clark visited both countries last summer, and came back very much impressed with what he saw and heard. Those who attend tonight's lecture will no doubt hear a graphic description of scenes and incidents pertaining to the two countries, which have this in common—neither has ever been conquered. All welcome; silver collection for mission fund.

PRESENTATION AT THE HOSPITAL.

Miss M. O'Dell, graduate nurse, London General Hospital, was presented with a beautiful jewel case by the nursing staff, on the eve of her departure for New York, last week, where she goes to take a post graduate course. Miss Tye, the lady superintendent, in making the presentation, expressed the sincere regret of the nursing staff at parting with Miss O'Dell, and wished her every success in the studies which she has undertaken for the advancement of her life's work.

DEATH OF MRS. TANTON.

The widow of the late Mr. John Tanton died very suddenly at 11 o'clock this morning at the family residence, King street. She suffered a paralytic stroke while at the Dundas Center Church yesterday morning, and never rallied, although four doctors were immediately summoned. On going to church with her daughters, one of the latter remarked the unusually strong and hearty appearance of deceased, but before the service was over the stroke came. The late Mrs. Tanton was well known in the community, having lived here for many years. Prior to her last marriage she was the wife of the late Joseph Scandrett. She was a sister of Mrs. John Scandrett, of Princess avenue; Mrs. Charles Sifton, of Arva; Mrs. (Rev.) Thomas Howard, of Hagersville, and Mr. F. A. Fitzgerald, of this city. Her children who survive are Miss Dinah Scandrett, Mrs. (Rev.) McCulloch, of Thorndale; Miss M. Tanton, Mr. L. Scandrett, and Mr. John B. Tanton.

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Christianity in China.

Interesting Address of Miss Leslie, Missionary From Foo Chow.

At the Meeting of the W. A. M. A. —Miss Rose Also One of the Speakers.

A general meeting of the London branches of the Women's Auxiliary Missionary Association was held this morning in the Bishop Cronyn Hall. The Bishop of Huron presided, and among the other clergymen on the platform were Rev. Dean Innes, Canon Richardson, Archdeacon Davis and Rev. Mr. Sage. The audience, though composed chiefly of ladies, included quite a number of gentlemen, and much interest was manifested in the work of the association. Miss Leslie, Church of England Zenana missionary from Foo Chow, China, gave an intensely interesting address about her work in the foreign field. Miss Leslie is a very pleasant speaker, greatly devoted to the work in which she has been engaged for the past six years. She is very earnest, and her descriptions of the customs and conditions of the natives of Fukien province were most vivid. Speaking of the language, she said there were several dialects, and the one the speaker learned is spoken by 7,000,000 people. A peculiarity of the language is that characters of the same sound, when pronounced in different tones, have different meanings. By reason of this the beginner is apt to make many strange mistakes. Miss Leslie illustrated her talk with maps and charts. She also showed an ancestral tablet, the use of which arises from the Chinese belief that a person has three souls, one of which goes to the grave with the body, one to an unseen world, and the other wanders about this world aimlessly, unless an ancestral tablet is erected for it. The tablet contains the name of the deceased, date of death, and other information.

Miss Leslie spoke feelingly of the time of the terrible massacre when Mr. and Mrs. Stewart, Canadian missionaries, lost their lives.

In conclusion Miss Leslie made an earnest appeal for more workers to go to the missionary field.

Miss Rose, association secretary for Liverpool, Cheshire and the Isle of Man, then supplemented Miss Leslie's appeal for help and more workers. She referred to the abject poverty in England, which, she said, must be met and grappled with some way.

A liberal offering was given in aid of Zenana work in India and China.

Miss Leslie begins next week on her journey to China, going by way of Winnipeg.

DEATH OF MRS. ALEXANDER GUNN

Another Old Resident Passed Away—A Useful and Honored Life.

A very large circle of friends will hear with profound regret of the death of Mrs. A. Gunn, which took place at her late residence, 466 Queen's avenue, at 8:15 on Sunday morning. After an illness of six month, she passed peacefully away, leaning upon the arm of her Saviour.

Deceased was born in the year 1825 in the township of Dunwich, county of Elgin. At the age of 13 years she came to London to attend Mrs. Pringle's school. In 1843 she was married to the late Alexander Gunn, whom she did not long survive. She possessed more than ordinary ability, and her beauty of disposition and brightness of spirit attracted many to her to whom she was a source of great comfort and inspiration.

In 1856 she became a member of the Methodist New Connexion Church, and subsequently the Dundas Street Center Methodist Church, and from the first was a most active, enthusiastic and untiring worker in all branches of religious and charitable work. Her hand was ever open to the poor and needy, her one aim in life being to help the destitute and bring souls to Christ. She was a devoted wife, a loving and indulgent mother, and a ray of sunshine to all who came under the influence of her presence. She leaves two sons and two daughters—Alexander B., Walter W., Emily M., and Florence K., who have the sympathy of many in their great loss.

CAKE AND FOUNTAIN SENTENCED

Fountain Gets Three and a Half Years and Cake Two and a Half Years.

Edward Fountain was this morning sentenced by Judge Elliott to three years and a half in Kingston Penitentiary, for receiving stolen goods, and Thomas Cake to two and a half years for robbing the street car fare boxes on Nov. 7. An affidavit was produced by Mr. McPhillips, to show that Cake had nothing to do with the robbery, and that it was done by a man named Armstrong. He moved for a new trial.

The judge said he did not consider the affidavit, which was made by Edward White, worth anything, while the weight of evidence fully justified the verdict returned by the jury.

Certificates of naturalization were read from Simon Schwarts, a Russian, and E. H. Cowan, an American.

The court then adjourned until Dec. 23, when lists of jurors for 1897 will be selected by the county selectors.

DIED SUDDENLY.

An East End Man Stricken by Paralysis.

Mr. Joseph Greenfield, of 755 York street, died suddenly this morning of paralysis. He was for years an employe of the Canada Chemical Company, but several months ago was disabled by a paralytic stroke. He was further enfeebled by a second stroke, and the third one this morning proved fatal. He ate breakfast in his usual health, but was soon after stricken down, and death quickly followed.

He was a hard-working, respected man, about 68 years of age. His wife and two daughters, the latter in Detroit, survive him. Deceased was a member of the Centennial Methodist Church.

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

UNSEATED!

John A. McGillivray Loses the North Ontario Commons Seat.

Cannington, Dec. 14.—The protest proceedings in the North Ontario election were concluded today. John A. McGillivray was unseated.

MADE AN M. P.

Rev. "Jamaica" Johnston, Well Known Here, Honored in the West Indies.

The many friends in London of Rev. James Johnston, the African explorer and brilliant lecturer, will hear with pleasure that he has been elected a member of Parliament in Jamaica, West Indies, where he spent several years of his life in mission work. Rev. Mr. Johnston was in this city for some time, attending the bedside of his brother, Mr. George Johnston, tailor, who is seriously ill, but he had to leave on Saturday to fill an engagement at Montreal. It is a tribute to his popularity that he should be elected in his absence.

RAILS FREE OF DUTY

Toronto Street Railway Company Wins Its Case—A Saving of $59,044.

Special to The Advertiser.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—In the Exchequer Court today judgment was given for the Toronto Street Railway Company in the case against the crown in connection with the importation of street rails for $59,044, being the amount of rebate of duty which the company is entitled to.

This is the outcome of the judgment of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council declaring that rails of a certain weight for street railways should be free of duty.

ALL FOUR KILLED.

A Scientist and His Assistants Blown to Atoms.

London, Dec. 14.—A Times dispatch from Berlin says that an explosion occurred on Saturday afternoon in the Moabite quarter in the house of the scientist George Isaac, who was experimenting with the manufacture of acetyline gas. Isaac and three assistants were blown to atoms. It is stated that Emperor William had intended to visit Mr. Isaac's laboratory, as his experiments had attracted the Emperor's attention.

RECALL DEMANDED.

Ambassadors Talk Business to Abdul Hamid.

Constantinople, Dec. 14.—The ambassadors of the powers have sent a joint note to the Porte demanding the recall within 48 hours of the Porte's special envoy to Crete, Saad-ed Bin Pasha, who is accused of thwarting the reforms projected there. These reforms included the nomination of a Christian governor of Crete, which was accorded, economic autonomy with the payment of a tribute to the Sultan, the reorganization of the gendarmie by European officers, and the independence of the judiciary of Crete by the creation of a high court at Canea.

INFANTICIDE IN TORONTO

Probable Murder of a Babe — The Body Found in Victoria University Grounds.

Special to The Advertiser.

Toronto, Dec. 14.—The body of a well-nourished female child, apparently about four weeks old, was found early this morning in the grounds of Victoria University, under circumstances which point very strongly to murder.

The little one's face was covered with blood. The body was dressed in the best of child's clothing, and over this was pinned a lady's fine undergarment. The whole was then wrapped in what seemed a piece of black skirt, and left on the ground. Over the dead face was clinging a lace-trimmed lady's handkerchief. This was clotted with blood from the child's nose and mouth, which were very much flattened as if from a blow.

GOVERNOR-GENERAL AT WINNIPEG.

Inspected the Boys' Brigade and Took a Hand at the Rearin' Game.

Winnipeg, Dec. 14.—Lord and Lady Aberdeen arrived here on Saturday. His Excellency in the afternoon inspected the Boys' Brigade, and later engaged in a curling match with Winnipeg curlers. In the evening at Government House their Excellencies met a large number of prominent citizens. Sunday they spent quietly, attending service at the Presbyterian Church. This evening a ball will be given in their honor at Government House. Early on Tuesday morning they go east, Lord Aberdeen having declined an invitation to the Sifton banquet on Tuesday night.

Canon Pettit, late rector of Cornwall, died suddenly on Sunday in Toronto, aged 69 years.

Mr. Michael Brennan, barrister, of St. Catharines, has been appointed county crown attorney of Lincoln county.

Two more cases of smallpox have been reported to the health officials in Winnipeg, one on Saturday and the other yesterday. This makes five cases in that city.

Mr. John Kidney, a well-to-do farmer, who lives about three miles from Arthur, Ont., while in the act of felling trees, had both legs broken by the tree which he was cutting falling upon him.

A man giving his name as Daniel A. Hayes, and his age 47, died in Toronto hospital on Thursday. When admitted he said he had only $1 in his possession. After Hayes' death the hospital nurse found a Dominion Bank book showing that over $2,000 was in the savings department of that institution to his credit. He also proved to be Wm. Hay, for ten years an employe of the Toronto Street Railway Company.

Steamship Arrivals.

Dec. 12.	At	From
Lake Superior	St. John	Liverpool
St. Louis	New York	Southampton
Dec. 13.	**At**	**From**
La Bretagne	Havre	New York
La Bourgogne	New York	Havre

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MARRIED AT A DEATHBED

Archbishop Fabre Officiates at the Wedding of His Niece.

Montreal, Dec. 14.—At 11:30 Saturday morning Archbishop Fabre was in a very weak condition, but his physicians say there is no immediate likelihood of the end, and he may live for several days yet.

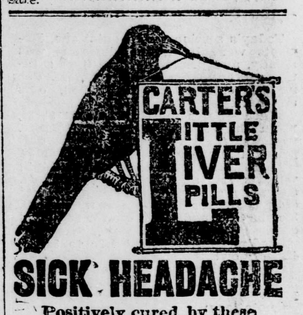
A touching and impressive ceremony took place on Wednesday morning in the private chapel of his grace, when, at his express desire, the marriage of his niece, Mlle. Fabre, to M. D'African, was celebrated. Notwithstanding his feeble condition, the ceremony was performed by Mgr. Fabre in person. The marriage, which had been arranged to take place in January, was hastened in order that the desire of his grace might be gratified. The ceremony was of the most private character, only the immediate relatives of the bride and bridegroom being present.

DEATH OF COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS EWING.

Special to The Advertiser.

Cobourg, Ont., Dec. 14.—After a long illness, Charles B. Ewing, the collector of customs here, died Saturday morning. He was in the employ of the Government over 30 years.

The liquor store of Thomas Brown, ex-mayor of Welland, was broken into on Friday and $700 taken from the safe.



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"It didn't seem as if she'd been gone long enough to get there, when she came flying back, pale as death, wringing her hands, and seeming half-frightened out of her senses. I rushed to the door to meet her, when she fell into my arms in a dead faint. When she came to she was so unnerved by what she had seen that we had hard work to get the truth out of her, but finally made out that upon reaching Henly's she had knocked on the door. No one answered, and she stepped in, as she had often done, when she saw Mrs. Henly lying on the floor, a terrible bruise and gash on her forehead. My wife was so frightened and shocked that she dropepd her cup on the floor, where it broke in a dozen pieces, and then, with a scream, turned and ran, as fast as her trembling limbs would carry her, toward home. I called my son and one of my men, and we started at once for the place. We found the woman lying as my wife had described her, only instead of her being dead, as she thought, she was now rolling her head from side to side, and moaning as if in great pain."

"Not dead!" interrupted Geoffrey, in a startled tone.

"No, sir, praise the Lord, not dead. We lifted her and laid her on the bed, just off the kitchen, when I sent my man for a doctor, and my son back home to bring his mother, while I got some water and bathed the poor woman's head. My wife was too sensible to nurse her own feelings when she found she was needed and that her friend was not dead, and she came immediately to do what she could for her.

"When the doctor came he said it was doubtful if the poor thing could live; the blow on her head had been a fearful one, and it was a wonder that it had not killed her outright. Besides that, there was the print of three fingers on her throat, showing that there had been a struggle with some one, and pointing to foul play.

"Of course, when we found that Henly had decamped, taking the boy with him, we suspected him of having done the deed, and the authorities were at once set on the track. But nothing has ever been heard of him or the child from that day to this; at least, not to my knowledge. His wife had a tough time of it. We had her brought over here, and my wife and daughter took care of her through a three months' illness, and when she did get up again she was but the shadow of her former self."

"Did she get well?" Geoffrey exclaimed, amazed.

"Yes; she recovered her health, though she was not as strong as she had been, and her head was apt to trouble her at times. But her heart was broken over the disappearance of her husband, and the boy. It was a long time before we could make her tell how she had been injured, and then she excused Henly. She said he had come home the worse of liquor, and did not know what he was about. She said he must have been frightened, believing he had killed her, and then taken the boy and fled. I suspect there was something more to it, but that was all we could ever get out of her."

"Ah!" thought Geoffrey, "she shielded him from the suspicion of having murdered me, also, and she must have suffered torture on my account as well as his."

"As soon as she was able to get about," resumed the farmer, "she insisted upon going away altogether from the place. She could not go back to her home and live alone, she said, and she wanted to search for her husband and let him know that he had not killed her, as he must believe. I imagine, too, that she couldn't bear to meet the boy's father when he should come again and find that he had disappeared. She sold all her household goods, offered a reward of $1,000—having deposited that amount in a bank in San Francisco for the purpose—to any one who should find her husband or secure any definite information regarding him, and then she left the place herself. We have never seen her since, nor heard what became of her."

"Did she leave no address?" Geoffrey inquired. "If not, how could she expect to be communicated with in case any tidings of her husband were obtained?"

"I believe a personal of some kind was to be inserted in certain newspapers in the leading cities of the country by those who had charge of the affair," replied the farmer, "but I guess it has never been printed. Their house has never been occupied since. A good many people believe that Henly murdered the boy also, and concealed the body somewhere on the farm, so the place has had the reputation of being haunted; therefore we have never had any neighbors there."

"Since Mrs. Henly was not murdered, I am at liberty to set your heart at rest upon that subject," Geoffrey responded. "The boy is alive and well. I am that boy!"

The farmer started from his chair and stared at him in open-mouthed astonishment at this electrifying statement.

"I can't believe it," he said, at last, and bending to look more closely into his visitor's face, "and yet you said your name was Huntress."

"Yes, my name is Geoffrey Dale Huntress," Geoffrey replied, with a smile at his host's astonishment.

"That was the child's name, Geoffrey Dale—it must be true; do tell me how you happen to come back here after all these years?" the farmer urged, in an eager tone. Geoffrey felt that he was warranted in so doing, since Margery Henly had lived, and there was no longer any need of concealment on Jack's part.

"Jack escaped all pursuit," he said, "wandering from place to place; went to Texas on a sheep ranch for a few years, and finally turned up in New York, where I became separated from him, and could not be found. Just about this time we became convinced that the officers were on his track—they must have been those who were working for Mrs. Henly's thousand-dollar reward—and Jack was so frightened that he suddenly shipped for Australia."

"Poor fellow," said the farmer, sympathetically, "he must have suffered keenly. But this is the strangest part of the whole story. I never imagined that we should get the sequel to that tragedy over yonder. Was the man kind to you? I used to think he was not over fond of you when you were a little fellow."

"No one could have been more kind than he was, as long as I was with him," Geoffrey said gravely, as he recalled all that Jack had so recently told him.

He thought, too, as long as Margery had kept the secret of his having been nearly murdered also, it would be best to still preserve silence upon that point.

"It was my own fault," he continued, "that I was lost, for I wandered away without his knowledge, and he was not able to find, me, although he labored faithfully to do so, until driven to desperation by the belief that he was being tracked."

"How did you learn that he had sailed for Australia, if you were lost before he went?"

"I learned that later," Geoffrey replied briefly.

"And what became of you?"

"A philanthropic gentleman became interested in me, adopted me, and has given me a good education."

"Well, well, well! Wonders will never cease! It's a strangely romantic tale, young man. But how about your own father?" questioned the farmer.

"That is a mystery which I came here to try to solve," Geoffrey returned, looking troubled, for he seemed to be no nearer the solution than ever. "All that I really know about my father is that he was called Capt. William Dale, and that he at one time owned shares in some of the mines of New Mexico, where my mother died. I have been there, trying to gain some trace of him, but without success. Then I came on here, hoping to learn something of him through people who had known the Henlys. I thought it probable that he would come here, some time, to see me, as he had previously been in the habit of doing, and, finding that I had disappeared, would leave his address, so that he could be informed if anything was learned of my fate."

To be Continued.

INJURY AND NEGLECT.

He Failed in Health and Strength—His Kidneys Ached and He Took Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Deseronto, Dec. 14.—Among business people here, and especially by his fellow-workmen, great interest has been taken in the case of Mr. James Stokes, who for the past fifteen years has been shipper for the Rathburn Company.

Lately he had run down in health and strength to the point of being compelled to quit work, and his recovery now, as the result of using Dodd's Kidney Pills, is the talk of the town. On seeing Mr. Stokes, he said:

"From overlifting and strain I suffered greatly from kidney trouble, being advised, after all else had failed, to use Dodd's Kidney Pills; from the first dose I got relief, and hundreds of people here can vouch for my cure."

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The Esquimalt Defenses

Are Being Made Very Nearly Impregnable.

Entrance to Puget Sound Will Be Virtually Under British Control.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 14.—Few persons realize the immense activity now displayed by the British Government on the Pacific in constructing almost impregnable defenses at Esquimalt, B. C., on Vancouver Island. The works have been in progress for nearly four years and are far from being completed. Major Muirhead, of the Royal Engineers, is in charge. His staff already consists of 200 Royal Engineers. This force will be augmented in a few days by 150 members of the same corps, who arrived at Halifax last week on the Allan Line steamer Carthaginian, en route for Victoria, via the Canadian Pacific Railroad.

With Victoria, Esquimalt, or Vancouver as a base, a British fleet would be in a position to dispute, if not control, the entrance to Puget Sound. The slowness with which the American seaboard defenses in Wasaington and Oregon are being built leaves Seattle and Portland in danger of a hostile invasion. Gen. Miles, on his last annual tour of inspection, appreciated the efforts made by the British Government and laid great stress upon them in his report.

Beacon Hill, near the entrance to Victoria Harbor, has already been equipped with twelve 6-inch guns. The main defenses, however, are at Esquimalt, a sheltered harbor three miles from Victoria. It is the station and rendezvous of the Pacific fleet. The entrance is scarcely a mile wide. The harbor itself is three miles long and two miles wide. It is surrounded by heavy ridges covered with dense pine timber. In the harbor could be anchored the entire British navy. At the western end is the dry dock, constructed jointly by the Imperial and Dominion Governments, at a cost of $2,500,000. It is 408 feet long and has been pronounced the equal of the dry dock at Halifax.

Major Muirhead's engineers will not complete the works for at least two years. There is a vast system of submarine mines and tunnels radiating from Gull Island, near the entrance, and extending under the narrow entrance. Civilians are not permitted to visit in the neighborhood, and the plans are kept a most profound secret. Communicating with the defenses is a series of shore batteries equipped with, it is said, 40 or 50 of the most modern guns, ranging from 22 tons to mortars. All the projectiles for the fleet are stored in three magazines, at a point near the Victoria road.

The fortifications and submarine works with the armament, according to Canadian Parliamentary returns, have already cost $1,250,000. Of this one-fourth is borne by Canada.

Next in importance, in a strategical sense, is Vancouver, on the mainland of British Columbia, 40 miles across the straits. It is the western terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railroad, and possesses a population of 20,000. Here the proposed defenses embrace submarine mines and shore batteries. Another vulnerable point, called Plumpers' Pass, a narrow ship channel half way distant between Victoria and Vancouver, will also be protected.

The British naval force in the Pacific waters just now is composed of the first-class armored cruiser Royal Arthur (flagship), the third-class cruisers Comus and Satellite, and three small sloops and gunboats. The reserve is represented by the three fast steamers of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the Empress of India, the Empress of China, and the Empress of Japan. They are engaged in the Asiatic trade. Their armament is already in store at Esquimalt. The Royal Arthur is a vessel of 7,700 tons, 12,000 horse-power, and has a speed of nineteen knots an hour. She carries one 22-ton, twelve 6-inch, twelve 6-pounders, some 3-pounders, and two torpedo tubes. The Comus is only of 2,380 tons. She is armed with ten 6-inch guns and minor auxiliary armament. The Satellite has a speed of but thirteen knots an hour. It carries two 6-inch and six 5-inch pieces.

GAVE UP THE STRUGGLE.

Mme. Jerocka Took Poison—Double Suicide in Boston.

New York, Dec. 14.—Josephine S. Jerocka, a niece of the Gen. Pulaski who fought in the war of the American revolution and was killed at Savannah, Ga., committed suicide by poison at her home in Brooklyn on Saturday. Mme. Jerocka was a claimant for $2,000,000, which, it is said, her famous grandfather had advanced to the United States Government to aid it in its prosecution of the war of independence. She had, according to her story, been robbed of the papers which established her claim, and was obliged to take a government clerkship in Washington, from which, however, she was dismissed by President Cleveland in his first term. Since this she has had a terrible struggle with poverty, and was finally reduced to selling papers. For some time she has been entirely dependent upon charity. Mme Jerocka wrote to the Washington Star in a hopeless strain, intimating that she intended to commit suicide. It was in accordance with this threat that she killed herself.

Boston, Dec. 14.—Samuel L. Putnam, president of the Free Thought Congress, and Mary L. Collins, both of Chicago, were found dead upon the floor of an apartment in St. Botolph street, in the fashionable Back Bay district of this city. The woman was 20 years of age, and the man 50. A gas cock in the room was wide open, and the fumes of the gas had been the cause of death.

HOG CHOLERA.

Iowa's Farmers Lose $15,000 by the Disease—More of It in Essex.

Dubuque, Iowa, Dec. 14.—Statistics compiled by the crop department of Iowa show a loss of over 30 per cent of all the hogs by cholera, the percentage being from 1 to 77 in the different counties. The loss in money is given at $15,000,000.

Windsor, Dec. 14.—Hog cholera has broken out in Essex county in several more places. Hogs were found to be affected with the disease in the townships of Sandwich East, West and South. The inspectors decided to quarantine the three townships, and no hogs will be allowed to go out of the districts until the epidemic has abated.

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For Perjury

Jordan Goes to Kingston for Five Years.

Swore a 13-Year-Old Girl Was 18—The Jury Soon Made Up Their Minds.

Windsor, Dec. 14.—The Essex county court and general sessions were finished at Sandwich Saturday. John Mulder, the colored man tried on a charge of stealing wheat from a farmer in Colchester South, will have to stand another trial. The jurymen were locked up all Friday night, but were unable to agree, and Judge Horne admitted Mulder to bail to appear at the next term of court.

Willis Jordan was put on trial on the charge of perjury. Jordan is a colored man, about 60 years old. He obtained a marriage license for himself and a 13-year-old girl named Josephine Steele. In securing the same Jordan gave the girl's age as 18 years. It took the jury only fifteen minutes to find the prisoner guilty. He was sentenced to five years in Kingston Penitentiary.

George Edmonds, his wife and Laura Wilson were next tried on a charge of conspiracy in assisting Jordan to secure his license. The evidence showed that Edmonds only drove the party to Windsor, and he was discharged. The two women were found guilty, but were recommended to mercy, as they evidently did not understand the enormity of the crime. The judge will consider the plea for mercy. He will pronounce sentence Thursday.

Thomas Carswell, who was found guilty of stealing a gun and a boat, was sentenced to 23 months in the Central Prison.

A Woman's Novel Will.

Dr. Wilson Bequeaths Her Body to Howard University

For the Benefit of Women Medical Students—Her Skeleton Donated to a School.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—The late Dr. Carein Brown Winslow, the well-known woman physician, who died last week, left a will bequeathing her body to Howard University, to be carefully dissected by a woman medical student for the purpose of advancing her knowledge of anatomy.

After that she desired that the several parts of her skeleton should be wired together for the use of the minor normal schools of the district founded by her friend Myrtilla Minor, the skeleton to occupy the place in the school the founder designed that her skeleton should occupy.

Dr. Winslow desired this disposition of her body, because the laws of the country require that every medical student shall obtain and dissect one human body before he or she can graduate or receive a diploma, and because there are no methods provided by which such bodies can be legally obtained, except by bequest or sale by the owner previous to death.

If the trustees of the university decline to receive the bequest the body will be cremated.

DOUBLE QUICK DIVORCE.

A Chicago Woman Shakes Her Husband in Half an Hour.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—Teresa Dean Tallman, a well-known newspaper writer, Saturday secured a divorce before Judge Horton.

Her husband, Dr. Tallman, the house physician at the Great Northern Hotel, disappeared some weeks ago, and rumors were current that he was accompanied by a divorced woman from Danville, Ill., who had been a guest at the Great Northern. The decree was secured by Mrs. Tallman in 21 minutes after the filing of the bill. Alimony of $3,000 a year was asked for and granted.

Dr. Tallman's attorneys stated he was in Chicago Friday, and was now recuperating at an Indiana watering place. The bill charged Dr. Tallman with improper conduct with Mrs. Jane McKinley Cannon, who formerly resided in Danville, Ill., and who married a nephew of Congressman Joseph Cannon.

WIFE CUT THE ROPE

And Precipitated Her Dangling Husband to Death.

New York, Dec. 14.—Henry Farmhouse, of 313 Meeker avenue, Williamsburg, is dead, under very remarkable circumstances. He had been out of work for many weeks. He hanged himself outside a second-story window with a clothesline. Then he repented, seized the rope with his hands and tried to climb back. His wife, awakened by the noise, rushed to the window, failed in her efforts to draw him back, and in her excitement seized a knife and cut the rope. Farmhouse fell and was dead when picked up.

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London and Environs

—Mr. John Gilson was visiting in Courtice last week.

—Mrs. R. H. Turner is visiting her sister at London, Ont., who is ill.—Bowmanville Statesman.

—Miss Lila Webber, of East London, has returned home from a three months' stay in Port Elgin.

—The pupils of the lower classes of London West public school will celebrate the festive season with a Christmas tree.

—Whidden Graham, representing Harry Furniss, the English artist-entertainer, was in the city Saturday, arranging for Mr. Furniss' appearance in "The Humors of Parliament," an amusing illustrated description of scenes in the British House of Lords and House of Commons, at the Grand Opera House, early next month.

—The Chosen Friends' Hall at Byron, the other night, was crowded, the occasion being a concert given under the auspices of the Chosen Friends. The first part of the programme included many songs, recitations and speeches, and in the latter part a farce-comedy was given. Among those who took part were the Baldwin Bros., better known as Messrs. Chamberlain and Marshall, and Messrs. Charles Williamson, J. Hughes, J. Logan and H. P. Williams. The affair was in every particular a decided success.

SCOTT VS. SHORT.

Judge Elliott held a session of the County Court on Saturday, and disposed of the non-jury case of W. Scott vs. A. E. Short. The action was for $200 damages for injuries received from an assault which occurred at the Duke of York Hotel on July 2. The plaintiff claimed that he was struck, kicked and bitten by Short, and defendant alleged that he was first assaulted, and that Scott struck and kicked him, and that any injuries resulting were inflicted in self-defense. Judgment for defendant. Love for plaintiff; Jarvis and Vining for defendant.

COURT ORIENT.

At the regular meeting of Court Orient, No. 331, C. O. F., held in Foresters' Hall, East London, recently, for the nomination of officers for the ensuing term, there was a good attendance of members, and the result of the nominations was very satisfactory. After initiations and the general business of the court was disposed of, the hall was cleared for a smoking concert, when different games were participated in, after which refreshments were served. Several members and visitors were then called on by the chairman, Bro. Blair, C. R. Bro. Towe, P. H. C. R., gave a neat speech on the work of the High Court and the order generally, touching on the new sick and funeral law. He was followed by Bro. Reid, P. C. R., from Court Defiance, and Bro. Dr. Macarthur. Songs and more short speeches followed, and a very pleasant, social and agreeable evening was spent. The National Anthem being sung, the pleasant meeting broke up, all present having thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

AN APPRECIATED ORGANIST.

The other evening about 70 of the congregation of Grove Methodist Church gathered at the residence of Mrs. Wm. Kernohan, 2nd concession, London township, to recognize the services of her daughter Ella. The following address was read by Miss Grace Trebilcock: "Dear Friend,—Your many friends of The Grove desire to convey to you their deep sense of the value of your services among them. You have faithfully discharged the duties of organist, and worked earnestly in our Sunday school and Endeavor, and all meetings in connection with the church, as well as in our social reunions. You have endeared yourself to us all by your uniform kindness, your genial disposition and Christian deportment. We desire to express our appreciation in some more tangible way than by mere words, and take great pleasure in presenting you with this watch as a token of our esteem and affection, and hope it may prove a strong and extra link to bind you to us." Miss Lizzie Robinson handed Miss Kernohan a very pretty gold watch, which was purchased at A. Morphy & Co.'s, Dundas street jewelers. Miss Kernohan was completely taken by surprise, but made a feeling reply. A very pleasant time was spent, ample amusement being provided for all, and the evening was brought to a close by a social and enjoyable tea.

FASHIONABLE WEDDING.

In chronicling the marriage last Wednesday night of Miss Grace M. Boyd, one of Lucknow's favorite young ladies, and third daughter of Mr. John Boyd, to Mr. John D. Nichol, the popular manager of the Bank of Hamilton in Lucknow, the Sentinel says: "The ceremony was performed in the Presbyterian Church, which was filled with several hundreds of young people of the village and surrounding country. Dr. Nichol and Mr. R. Kidd, of Listowel, acted as ushers. Promptly at 8:30, the groom, accompanied by his supporter, Mr. Duncan Boyd, of Chicago, brother of the bride, walked up the aisle, and took his place. One minute later, the bride, beautifully and becomingly attired in a dress of pearl gray duchess satin, with train and bridal veil, the dress being trimmed with pearls and orange blossoms, appeared, leaning on the arm of her father, and preceded by her maid of honor, Miss Nichol, sister of the groom, and her little niece, Miss Gracie McGill, of Chicago, as flower girl, while immediately following her were the bridesmaids, her sister, Miss Boyd, and her cousin, Miss McDonald, of London, all carrying beautiful bouquets of cream and pink roses. Miss Nichol's dress was a handsome pink and white silk, with chiffon. Miss Boyd and Miss McDonald wore rich dressed of Nile green silk trimmed with cut crystal, while the little flower girl, carrying a large bouquet of roses and the wedding ring, looked sweet indeed, in pink silk and chiffon. The marriage ite was celebrated by the brother-in-law of the groom, Rev. Mr. Morrison, of Toronto, assisted by Rev. Mr. McKay, pastor of the church, and was quickly and impressively performed. The presents were many and valuable. The groom's gift to his bride was a sunburst pendant set with diamond and pearls, and the bridesmaids were the recipients of sword pins, also set with pearls. The happy couple went to New York and other eastern points to celebrate their honeymoon.

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FINE AND COLDER.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 12—11 p.m.—A depression which started in Iowa Saturday is now central over the lower St. Lawrence, and is giving high winds in Eastern Quebec. Higher pressure is developing over the lakes. In the Northwest the pressure is low, with comparatively high temperature.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Calgary, 22-40; Edmonton, 10-28; Qu'Appelle, 14-26; Winnipeg, 4 below-22; Port Arthur, 24-28; Parry Sound, 30-40; Toronto, 32-43; Ottawa, 24-40; Montreal, 30-42; Quebec, 28-34; Halifax, 34-44.

PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Dec. 14—1 a.m.—Probabilities for 24 hours for lower lake region: Northwest to northeast winds;; fine, turning colder.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory Saturday were 51.5 above and 35.5 above; on Sunday, 43.5 above and 34 above.

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Tributes to the Dean

By the Bishop of Huron and Rev. J. C. Farthing.

Rev. Mr. Innes' 25th Anniversary as Rector of St. Paul's—Ordination of Young Men as Priests and Deacons.

The Dean of Huron's quarter century anniversary as rector of St. Paul's Cathedral was marked yesterday by large congregations, special services and eloquent sermons. In the morning the bishop was the preacher, and was assisted by the Dean, Rev. Provost Watkins, Rev. Canon Dann, Rev. Canon Smith, Rev. E. N. English, Ven. Archdeacon Davis, and Rev. J. C. Farthing (Woodstock). In addition three young men were ordained to the priesthood and one to the order of deacon. The candidates were: For priesthood, Rev. C. A. Anderson, of Alvinston; Rev. M. Durnford, of Point Edward, and Rev. G. McQuillan, of Kirkton; for deacon, Mr. T. D. Westgate, of Huron College.

The bishop's sermon followed the opening hymn, and concluded with this eulogistic reference to the Dean:

"The distinguishing feature of this day, other than that of the ordination, is the gratitude which this congregation is evincing in celebrating the 25th anniversary of the rector's appointment. A quarter of a century ago your dearly-beloved pastor was inducted into the spiritual and temporal responsibilities of this the cathedral church of the Diocese of Huron. In the long period that has elapsed since that memorable day, how many and how serious are the changes that have taken place! How many loved ones have silently gone out, and how unlike is the present to the long and cherished past! During all this time, the profound love and esteem of this congregation for its head has been steadily on the increase. You have seen him not only in the church and pulpit, but at your house and fireside at all times; in the saddest as well as in the most joyous moments of your life. He has baptized your children, married your sons and daughters, and sat with you in the weary hours of bereavement and pain; and when at last all you loved was gone he has committed their mortal remains to their resting place in the full hope of the resurrection and eternal life. No wonder, therefore, if, after all these years, when his character has been tried, his love been tested, and his devotion manifested, your love and esteem have grown towards the man whose history has been so interwoven with all the deep joys and vicissitudes of your own experience. We all admire, the diocese admires, the unselfish liberality of his nature, his readiness to help, his willingness to forget himself that he may minister in that way to those who are in most need of his care. He has been a soldier of her Majesty the Queen, and he has been a soldier for a higher King. In both the ranks of the material army and in the ranks of the grand host which is moving upwards to meet its God, he has fought the good fight. May the great Head of the Church long spare him in his present position to minister to your wants and faithfully proclaim the Lord Jesus Christ, not only in the pulpit but throughout this diocese, will be, I am sure, the subject of our unwearying prayers."

Among other notable things which the bishop said in his general sermon are:

"People often imagine that because a certain man is profoundly learned and gifted with extraordinary powers of intellect, that he is pre-eminently qualified to expound the Scriptures and to speak with authority concerning the things of God. No greater mistake could be made. The learned man whose brilliancy we often admire does not constitute the telescope by which we can sweep the sky, resolve the mysteries of the firmament, and render them clear and palpable to the human mind. On the contrary, a man may be spiritually dark, though the sun is blazing in his face. Astronomers tell us that if we were to go a million miles from this planet, into open space, we would find ourselves plunged into almost utter darkness and pierced with the most benumbing cold, and this, strangs to say, nearer the disc of the sun by a million miles. How is this to be explained? The mystery of this lies in the fact that before the beams of the sun can produce either light or heat they must come into contact with the atmosphere of our planet. It is the impact of the solar beams with our all-pervading atmosphere which produces these beneficent results which we call light and heat. So it is with the brighter beams of the Sun of Righteousness. What the atmosphere is to the sun in making it luminous, so the Holy Ghost is to rays which come from the Sun of Righteousness, which pass the unregenerated man as sunbeams pass the rough space, in darkness and death-like cold, but which make the man who is indwelt by the Holy Spirit instinct with luminosity and divine light and power."

IN THE EVENING.

In the evening Rev. J. C. Farthing, M.A., of Woodstock, paid the Dean another tribute. It was one of the blessings of the Church of England system, he said, that their ministers were able to continue their work to the end in the formation of Christ-like characters. They could not be built up in a year or two. A brief pastorate might have its influence, but had not time to form the character of his people. It required time for a people to know their minister well enough to trust him with their confidence, to come to him in the hour of trouble or necessity. Nothing was more beautiful than when a pastor, as the aged servant of the Lord Jesus Christ, with hair white and ripe for the harvest, moved among his people as a father among his children, knowing and loving even as he was known and loved. And their rector would look back tonight upon these long years with gratitude for the many blessings poured out upon him. To him would come, as it did to every true man, the faithful consciousness of a work well done. But to those who looked upon the results and saw this enlarged and beautiful church, and enjoyed the artistic and beautiful service, who witnessed the crowds Sunday after Sunday, to show their reality in the worship of Almighty God, it was theirs to rejoice in these tokens of blessing they saw about them.

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