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DAMN YOU

A Curse on Mr. Brown's Head

Which He Declares Mrs. Nutbrown Uttered.

SAYS THE LANGUAGE WAS TOO MUCH EVEN FOR MAJOR COOGAN.

Wm. Brown has been having trouble with one of his tenants, Mrs. Catharine Nutbrown, which culminated this morning in a charge of assault laid against her in the police court. The defendant admitted that she did threaten "to hit him with a stick if he came around bothering me."

Mr. Brown told his version of the affair. It appears from his story that he rented to Mrs. Nutbrown "the upstairs, the woodshed and the well, but not the yard; she had no business in the yard." He went into the yard one day recently to look at some wood she had bought and to enquire the price.

"Her two girls," he said, "were standing in the doorway and she told them to call me every name they could. 'Get out of the yard, you old rascal,' they said to me. Then this woman said, 'damn you, I'll break your skull with this——'"

Here a horrified "oh!" from Mrs. Nutbrown brought from the Magistrate a reference to the cells if she interfered with the witness, and Mr. Brown continued:

"'If I catch you in here again.' And she said far worser to McCoogan (Major Coogan) than what she said to me."

Mr. Brown proceeded to state that at this time Mrs. Nutbrown held a big club behind her back and he "had to put the police man betwixt me and her; then she was much quieter. It's true every word I'm telling you and if my witnesses were here they could tell different."

Explaining this last peculiar statement Mr. Brown said that he "could bring other witnesses to show that I am afraid to go on my own property."

The magistrate called Mr. Brown's attention to the fact that his own evidence disproved the charge of assault; when the latter stated in an aggrieved tone that he could "prove that she used dangerous language," and asked if she had a right to call him all the awful things she did, which he characterized as ten times worse than anything he had yet repeated;

"What did you fetch Coogan there for?" asked Mrs. Nutbrown.

"I brought him there to serve you with a notice to get out as soon as you can or I'll raise the rent on you to $8."

"Well, he didn't serve it, did he?" she asked with a smile of triumph. And Mr. Brown was forced to admit that he had not.

The case was adjourned until to-morrow, when Major Coogan's story of the set-to will be heard. Jos. Guttridge, sanitary inspector, and Mrs. Nutbrown's two girls will also give evidence.

BLENHEIM.

Feb. 8.—A special collection on behalf of the famine sufferers in India was asked for in the Presbyterian church yesterday, and over $36 were donated by the congregation—a very liberal offering.

The India Famine Fund started by A. Samson, to be transmitted through the Bank of Commerce to the Governor General, now amounts to $25.

The programs for the concert to be given in the opera house on Thursday evening are out to-day. The cantata "Gypsy Girls," will be preceded by recitations by Miss Carrie Martin, of Chatham, and Miss Edith Johns, and statuesque posing by Miss Martin, and instrumental music by the best local artists.

A special meeting of the Select Knights of Canada will be held to-night to instruct the representative to Grand Legion. Members are requested to be on hand at 8 o'clock sharp.

Mrs. Elizabeth Newcombe, wife of Samuel Newcombe, one of the oldest residents, died Sunday morning. Mrs. Newcombe was nearly 74 years of age. The funeral service will be held in the Baptist church at two o'clock Tuesday afternoon, and the remains will be taken to Newcombe cemetery for interment. Rev. E. L. Steves will conduct the funeral services.

A social will be held Tuesday night at the residence of John S. Laird. Teams will be at Crookshank's and Vontinten's stores to take parties to his place and back.

CHICAGO GRAIN QUOTATIONS.

Chicago, Feb 8.—Per L. J. Atwater private wire.

		Ope.	High.	Low.	Close
Wheat—	May	76¾	77¼	76¾	76¾
	July	78¾	79¼	78¾	78¾
	Sept	70¾	71¼	70¾	70¾
Corn—	May	24¼	24¾	23¾	24
	Sept	26¾	26¾	26	26
	July	25¼	25¾	25	25
Oats—	May	17¼	17¾	17¼	17¼
	July	18¼	18¾	17¼	18
Pork—	July	7 82	7 85	7 80	7 80
	May	7 67	7 77	7 62	7 65
Lard—	July	3 90	3 95	3 90	3 90
	May	3 82	3 85	3 82	3 82
Ribs—	July	4 02	4 05	4 02	4 02
	May	3 90	3 90	3 92	3 92

Souris, Man., Sept. 21, 1896.

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S. S. Smith, Souris, Man.

TO DO UP RIDGETOWN.

Junior Hockeyists Have Gone off for That Purpose To-day.

The Junior Hockey team will travel to Ridgetown this afternoon to take a rise out of the juniors of that place. The boys are in good condition and expect to win, though they do not look for a walkaway, having apponents worthy of their mettle. Chatham will be represented by:—S. A. Mercer, goal; H. Garrett, point; C. Stewart, cover point; and forwards, S. Malcolm, A. Adams, captain; W. A. Campbell, and R. Richardson or W. Mercer.

The Ridgetown team is:—Goal, G. Laing; point, G. Marr; cover point, G. Porter; forwards, R. Scott, O. Scott, F. Schlenker and C. Donald.

A number of Chathamites will drive out with the boys to witness the game, among whom are:—T. S. M. Richardson, P. Errett, Wm. Mercer, Jas. Duggan, J. McCracken, C. Anderson, J. Morrison, W. Couplan, R. Smith, R. Cook, Bert Bradley, Geo. Mitchell, Fred Summerville, C. F. W. Atkinson.

TAX OUR LUMBER

That's What Congress Intends to do

So we may have to Retaliate by Putting an Export Duty on Logs.

Washington, Feb. 8.—The ways and means committee completed the lumber schedule at a late hour to-day. It is practically a re-enactment of the McKinley schedule, with the exception that white pine is taken out and put into the schedule with spruce, which gives it a rate of $2.50 per thousand; rough timber, sawed, squared, or sided not otherwise provided for 1½ cents per cubic foot; sawed boards, plank, and other lumber of hemlock, white wood, sycamore and basswood, $1 per thousand; all other sawed lumber not provided for $2. Lumber planed or finished, and addition of 50 cents per thousand. Planed on one side and grooved on the other, $1.50 per thousand; planed and grooved both sides, $1.50; pine clapboard, $1; spruce clapboards, $1.50; lath 15 cents; hubs, lasts, pickets and wharf lumber, sawed and hewn, 10 per cent ad valorem.

SOME NICE WORK

For the Great Reform Party to Engage in.

Mr. Henry Declares that the Money was Furnished to Help a Criminal Flee the Country.

The Conservatives of Brantford held a meeting on Friday night to take steps towards unseating Mr. Heyd. This extract from Mr. Henry's speech directly charges the Reform party of the riding with aiding and abetting the escape of a captured criminal:

He (Mr. Henry) could say without fear of successful contradiction that greater corruption never prevailed in the constituency than took place on the reform side on Thursday last. (Loud applause.)

The speaker here related the circumstances under which he and Constable Wallace had visited the leading committee rooms of the Reformers and arrested an impersonator. He wondered what leading Reform prohibitionists thought of the fact that there was a whiskey bottle on the table in that inner room. (Laughter and applause.)

"We had that man arrested. Where is he to-day?"

A voice—"Gone to join Maloney." (Loud laughter and applause.)

"Gentlemen, he was let out on bail and Reform money helped him to get away from this city and out of this country. (Loud applause). I tell you they had some shady outsiders here. (Laughter). One of them came to me and said, "Henry, you don't remember me." I replied that I did not. "Well," he said, "the last time I saw you was in the North-West. I am a complete stranger in this city. No one knows me, and you give me the stuff, I'll see that it is worked right for you." I replied that if he said another word to me I would strike him. (Loud applause). That man was sent to try and involve me in order to offset some of their own work. (Loud applause). In two or three of the polling booths I went into they had actually left the windows up, and I ordered them to be closed. These men think they have downed me, but they do not know their man. (Loud applause). The people of this riding are with me, and we do not propose to let strangers choose our member. (Loud applause). Will you let the strangers run this riding. (Cries of "No, No," and loud applause).

Mr. Henry closed by again thanking all who had worked for him, and pledging himself to be ready to fight again as their standard bearer when another contest was on.

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You, we see other stores giving their reasons for so and so and so and so, OUR REASONS for selling so cheap are we buy for CASH, STRICTLY CASH and sell for STRICTLY CASH or produce no credit here, no employing the courts or other expensive process to collect our bills as we so often see in the court records of our brother merchants who eventually go to the wall themselves. ANOTHER REASON, good one, we have the lowest expenses of any firm doing business in the city. These REASONS give us preminence in selling. Will sell you, good heavy wide gray cotton for 3c; good useful white cotton 5c; a heavy wide English twill flannelette for 6c and a thick Canadian flannelette for 5½; good heavy shirting for 7½c; nice gingham for dresses, aprons, etc., 5c; beautiful check dress goods 7c and extra wide goods 11c worth 15c in other stores; 13 bars Judd's soap 25c; 12 LBS. best oatmeal 25c; 25 lbs best granulated sugar in the world $1.00; 7 10c plugs McDonald's best tobacco 50c; 5 cans best fresh corn 25c; good serviceable braces 5c and hundreds and hundreds of other articles in dry goods, gents' furnishings, groceries, boots and shoes and clothing equally cheap. The E. Hennessy Co. Miles' block, opposite market.

FOXY ARCH.

He Declines to Commit Himself

In the Matter of the Fishing Dispute.

MR. CAMPBELL INTIMATES, HOWEVER, THAT HE WILL REMAIN NEUTRAL AND GIVE BOTH SIDES A FAIR SHOW.

Arch. Campbell, M. P., arrived in the city on Saturday and left again for the east this afternoon. One of the member's missions to this district was to enquire into the movement inaugurated by local sportsmen with a view to protecting and perserving our fish. Petitions asking for the prohibition of all fishing with sienes, hoop-nets and gill nets in the bays and tributaries of the St. Clair have been extensively circulated and signed. These, as our readers are aware, have met with considerable opposition at the hands of some of the fishermen, and the member for Kent was deputed to ascertain the nature and objects of the movement.

This morning The Planet interviewed Mr. Campbell in reference to his enquiries but found the member very reticent.

"I can really say nothing at present," he told the reporter. "There seems to be a great difference of opinion in reference to the case. The promoters of the petition argue that the steps they are taking are in the interest of the preservation of our fish, while the fishermen declare that the fish are not being exterminated by their operations. I am entirely neutral on the matter and desire to see the department act in the interests of our district."

"What will be the nature of your report to the government?" Mr. Campbell was asked.

"Well, I really cannot say at present. It's a hard matter to determine. I do not think the matter will be dealt with until the opening of parliament. And then it is a matter that cannot fairly be dealt with locally. What applies to Kent will also apply to Essex and other fishing points in this district, and the government will doubtless want to hear Mr. McGregor, Mr. Cowan, Mr. Clancy and others. I can really say nothing at present."

"When will the matter probably be dealt with?" the reporter asked.

"Probably not before the opening of parliament," was Mr. Campbell's reply. "Some time ago I received a petition asking that no fishing licenses be granted until the petitioning sportsmen had their chance to present their side of the question. This, of course, I forwarded to the Marine department, according to my duty, and I believe it has so far been acted upon. No licenses have yet been granted, and as the minister, Mr. Davies, is away at present, I do not think the department will likely take any action until parliament meets. Then the matter will doubtless be one of the first taken up, and the minister will probably desire to consult the representatives of the districts interested before any decision is arrived at."

"And you can neither forecast your report or the action the department will take?" Mr. Campbell was asked.

"No, not at present. There is a great diversity of opinion, you know," and the member smilingly took his departure.

THREE OLD BACHELORS

Lined Themselves up for Inspection by 200 Ladies—At Least one Taken.

Clayton, Mich. Feb. 8.—Three confirmed old bachelors of Clayton, Dr. E. J. C. Ellis, B. Kessler and A. A. Fox, gave a remarkable reception in Kessler opera house to 200 guests from Clayton and surrounding towns last night.

The three bachelors had arrived at the age of 40 years and upwards, and leap year had passed without any proposals from the fair damsels in the vicinity. The thought staring them in the face of never being able to gain the affections of any of the fair sex, they took this method of presenting themselves for inspection, in the hope of inducing some of the fair ones to enter into life contracts with them.

How well they succeeded remains to be seen, but from reports at least one of them has accomplished the desired end and in the near future will become a benedict.

REGISTRATION CLOSES

For the C. W. A.—Chatham Gets 455 Names on the List.

Chatham will have 455 votes to cast at the annual meeting of the C. W. A. in Toronto. Saturday was the last day for local clubs recording their members with the C. W. A. secretary. Chatham sent down a list of 455 to Toronto with the necessary cash equivalent of 50 cents each. Chatham has the second largest club in the Dominion, Quebec coming first.

GOOD NEWS FOR THE MEN.

Wagon Works Will Have to Run Over time for the Present.

The wagon works which started up last week with about 40 men to-day increased the number to over fifty. The orders ahead are heavy and the works will have to be run over time for the present—12½ hours a day. The company anticipates the most successful season in its history.

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In Diamonds And Other Precious Stones. — We exhibit an assortment without equal in the city, and (as the custom house records will show), being the only importers of these goods in the state, our prices will be found most reasonable!

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CHATHAM, ONT.

DEATH WAS IN THE MILK.

How a Dealer in Lockport, N. Y., Spread Typhoid Fever.

Cities everywhere are increasing their precautions against the sale of impure milk. There is no doubt that such milk is a most successful conductor of disease. A case illustrative of this comes from Lockport, New York. A. J. McMaster, who has several cows, has a son who is 17 years old. This son used to take care of his father's cows and do the work around the barn, after which he would deliver milk to his father's customers in different parts of the city. Some three weeks ago the young man was taken down with typhoid fever. He had been doing the milking and barn work up to the time of taking to his bed with the disease. When he at last had to stop work his father would go from his room where he was sick and milk the cows and handle the pans. The result is that several of McMaster's customers have contracted typhoid fever and one victim is already dead. This case plainly demonstrates how necessary it is for the health officers to keep strict supervision over the sources of a city's milk supply. It seems little less than attempted murder for a dealer to send forth to his unsuspecting customers from a house, where a contagious disease exists, food which is almost certain to contain the germs of death.

DISGRACEFUL WORK.

When Liberal Pluggers are Caught They are Allowed to Escape.

The Liberals have played the same game in South Brant they did in London when one of their personators was caught. He was released on a paltry bond and when his case was called at the police court he was of course missing. The whole proceeding is a disgrace to those concerned, and the magistrate who fixed the amount of bail should have his commission revoked. What use is it trying to conduct pure elections if the Liberal party will persist in sending their organized gangs of pluggers all over the country, and then when any of them are caught abet their escape. The capture of one of these scoundrels simply means a fine on the party at most of $200. Liberal magistrates and Liberal crown prosecutors seem to have fixed on that sum as a reasonable amount of bail for crooks who should go to Kingston. The farce of taking the prisoner's own bail in $200 more is gone through just as if the bond of an unknown criminal is any restraint on him skipping out.

Speaking of the systematic corruption in South Brant by the Liberals, the Brantford Courier says:

"One personator was actually arrested within the sacred precincts of the Reform committee rooms, where he was found, in company with others, discussing a noonday meal with a bottle of whiskey on the table as an accompaniment.

"On the reserve boodling was openly indulged in, and so the humiliating tale might be repeated ad nauseam.

"Numbers of cases are on record in which citizens were offered money for their votes.

"In addition intimidation was used in the instance of more than one workingman, and other details of a like kind will possibly be a subject of future ventilation.

"What course may be decided on, this paper is not prepared to say, but it will be an everlasting disgrace to this riding if the doings of the past few days are not suitably and thoroughly ventilated in the courts of the land."

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RETALIATION IN ORDER.

Two Can Play at the Game of Excluding Alien Laborers.

Mr. Laurier assured a deputation of railway men that if the United States did not mitigate their anti-alien labor laws against Canadians he would put those self-same laws in operation in Canada word for word. Public opinion in Canada will justify Mr. Laurier in doing this. If he can go a nation, that has permitted such narrow-minded and illiberal legislation to go on its statute books, one better his action will still meet with general approval.

As an instance of the one-sided condition of international labor privileges at present the above deputation informed the premier that on the run between Toronto and Buffalo the Canadian crew of the train is dispossessed at Niagara Falls, on the border, and an American crew takes the train through to Buffalo. On the return, however, the American train hands run clear through from Buffalo to Toronto, and back to Buffalo there being no legal restriction on foreigners running trains through Dominion territory. This anomaly is particularly severe upon Canadian trainsmen wherever the divisional point is situated on the United States side of the line. The wonder is Canada has been so long suffering in matters such as this. Patience is no longer a virtue; it is not even common sense.

Windsor and some of these other little places that are ringing curfew bells to make their inhabitants go to bed are more in need of gattling guns to wake themselves up.

LOST LIGHT.

I cannot make her smile again.
That sunshine on her face
That used to make this worn earth seem
At times so gay a place.
The same dear eyes look but at me;
The features are the same;
But, O, the smile is out of them,
And I must be to blame.

Sometimes I see it still; I went
With her the other day
To meet a long-missed friend, and while
We still were on the way,
Her confidence in waiting love,
Brought back to me to see
The old-time love light in her eyes
That will not shine for me.

They tell me money waits for me,
They say I might have fame,
I like those gewgaws quite as well
As others like the same.
But I care not for what I have
Nor just for what I lack.
One tithe as much as my heart longs,
To call that lost light back.

Come back, dear banished smile, come back
And into exile drive
All thoughts and aims and jealous hopes
That in thy stead would thrive.
Who wants the earth without its sun,
And what has life for me
That's worth a thought, if as its price,
It leaves me robbed of thee?

MERLIN.

Feb. 4.—C. B. Armstrong and wife, of London, returned home last Saturday after a weeks' visit to Merlin.

Messrs. Ballah, Halliday, Marshall and Mason have got in their supply of ice for the summer. The ice on Beattie's pond is the best ever packed in Merlin.

George Baird, of Blenheim, has returned home, after spending a few days with his numerous friends. Blenheim is now represented by O. Morris who is visiting on the Middle Road.

A large consignment of cheese was made last week from the factory. It was shipped from Jennette's Creek are only 26 left now.

Mr. Wood, of the "News" staff was in town last week and secured several new subscribers for his paper.

Ed. Winters, of Leamington, was in town last week explaining the mathematical blocks. He did not sell any in Merlin.

Miss Lewis has commenced dressmaking in the shop lately occupied by Miss Hodgkin. Now is the time for the ladies to take their spring dresses and have them made in the latest style.

Miss Turner, of Chatham and Miss Cascadden, of Ruthven, are the guests of Mrs. (Dr.) Oliver.

Miss Anderson, of Comber, was visiting the Misses Smith last week.

Wm. Scott was married last Wednesday to Miss Stephenson.

John Scott, who has been ailing for several years, passed away last Friday morning. He has lived here 22 years, was an excellent neighbor and made a host of friends.

Last Saturday morning Robert Wands entered his barn with a lantern, which exploded and burnt down the building. The loss is estimated at about $600, and is covered by insurance.

J. H. Ballah and L. B. Marshall were in Chatham last Saturday attending the Raleigh Agricultural Society meeting. The meeting adjourned for two weeks and little business was done.

Several weeks ago we announced that a lodge of the Sons of England Benefit Society was about to be formed. The primary arrangements having been carried out, S. G. P. Clatworthy, of Toronto, came last Tuesday and dedicated the lodge and installed the officers. The name of the lodge is "Pride of England," and judging from the list of officers and successful opening, the name is perfect. The society was formed in the year 1874, and was established for the purpose of uniting Englishmen and their descendants together for mutual benefit and support. All worthy Englishmen are assured of a hearty welcome into the society. There are six new candidates for initiation at the next meeting. After initiation dedication of lodge and installation of officers an excellent supper provided by Mr. Ballah, was partaken of at the hotel. Toasts, songs, and speeches, concluded the evening's entertainment. The company broke up in the wee sma' hours, having enjoyed themselves as only Englismen can. The opening of "Pride of England" will long be remembered by those present. Dr. Oliver and Mr. Hutton, of Tilbury, were invited to attend, but were unable to attend. A large body a members from Chatham and Fargo lodges attended and assisted the P. S. G. P. The officers-elect of No. 231, S. O. E. B. S. are: President, W. Dupp; P. Pres., R. Simmons; Vice Pres., C. Dent; Chap., C. Embray; Sec'y P. O. Slater; Treasurer, W. H. Trott; 1st Guide, J. Dent; 2nd Guide, J. Lasker; 3rd Guide, L. Rollett; 4th Guide, W. Tasker, 5th Guide, R. Ford; 5th Guide, H. Knight; Inner Guard, P. Tasker; surgeon, Dr. Oliver.

Joseph S. Moorhouse and family were entertained by Mr. Simpson on Monday evening prior to their departure to Missouri. A large number of friends were at the station Tuesday evening to bid them farewell.

A few Merlinites attended the lecture by Father Paul, of Chatham, last Sunday evening in St. Patricks church, Raleigh. The Rev. Father had a large congragation of young men to hear his eloquent discourse.

W. H. Trott spent Wednesday in Chatham.

Sales & Wellwood are gradually increasing their orders for spring delivery of which more in a later issue.

The old story of Prometheus is a parable. Prometheus was on terms of intimacy with the gods. From them he stole fire, and gave it to men. For this sin he was bound to the rocks of Mount Caucassus, and vultures were set upon him. They only ate his liver. This grew again as fast as it was pecked away. Are his sufferings to be imagined?

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The lark and thrush be dumb;
But Love can constant summer make
Within the walls of home.

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In market-place and square;
Though greed and strife in street and lane
Make discord on the air;
Yet angry feelings enter not,
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And though the years bring pain and woe,
And many an hour of care;
Though soft cheeks pale and hollow grow,
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—M. Rock, in Chambers' Journal.

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I hope it ain't presumin', sir, too much for me to say,
I don't see how you manage so to let news get away.

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When I never find a cussed word about the folks at home.
I hope that you'll excuse me if I emphasize my views—
But you show most blamed poor judgment in selectin' of your news,

Who cares about the Sultan of New Jersey, anyway?
I want to know how Wayback went for mayor t'other day,
Who cares for Venezoola, or for Cuba or for Spain?
Who cares how many turkeys Abdul Hamid's folks have slain?

We all know that McKinley was elected president,
But what I want to know now is how Wayback township went,
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Has Biffkins sold his grocery? Is huskin' ended yet?

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Frank S. Pixley, in Chicago Record.

Listowel, Sept. 22nd, 1896.

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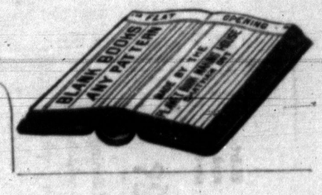
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"My first engagement was at the house of a rich provincial manufacturer, who, having made a fortune, had left his native town and started an establishment in the west end. Some friends—for a consideration, you may be sure—introduced him to so many good people that he at last ventured to issue invitations for a dinner, with a ball to follow, but the day before the event the poor man had such a number of refusals that he had to apply to Mr. Whiteley, and I, among others, helped to fill the vacancies.

"It must not be supposed that the part of a hired guest is an easy one to play. The conversational tastes of the people we visit are so varied that I have not only to keep myself posted on all questions and gossip of the day, but be prepared to set the ball rolling on all sorts of abstruse topics from theology to spiritualism.

"As a rule, I generally get my instructions some days beforehand, but if they don't come to hand I either call or write. Public questions require very delicate handling. For instance, if the discussion turns on the wretched Armenian business, I find that the ladies are for interference at all costs, while the gentlemen are not.

"From dining out so much I have naturally cultivated a very fastidious palate. This is fortunate, for were I to eat otherwise than sparingly the brilliancy of my conversation would be sadly dimmed. Dinner conversation requires considerable management. When I first started, I used to let off some of my best jokes to while away that melancholy half hour which precedes the dinner. They were invariably so utterly wasted that I now never joke till after the first course, and then only slightly, till I see how the dinner is appreciated.

"Although I do well during the season, I think I like Christmas best. Strange as it may seem, there are still a number of families who love to keep Christmas in the old fashioned way.

"Not long since one of the sons of my host blurted out during the evening that it was his last night at home, as next morning a pal and himself intended starting for South America, and, after making their way to the Amazon river, start orchid hunting to make their fortunes.

"Being the favorite son, the family, of course, were greatly disturbed at the news, seeing which I calmly announced that during my travels in South America I had personally explored every inch of the river. 'You are too late, my boy,' I said. 'All the naturalists I met last year were terribly disappointed. The country has been literally stripped. You won't find an orchid there, I can promise you.'

"The grateful look the mother gave me pleased me almost as much as the £5 note my host slipped into my hand at parting.

"The growing dislike of patrician young men to dancing sends many a Belgravian footman to Whiteley's during the season. Although we hired guests are treated with the most charming courtesy in high life—indeed, the higher we go the nicer I find the people are—still some of our tasks are far from pleasant. 'Look here, Mr. ——,' young Lord —— once said to me: 'My sister's been and fallen in love with a cad of a fellow I hate. Now, I want you to cut him out. You're a good looking fellow, so I think you'll succeed. If you try, but fail, I'll give you £5; if you succeed, I'll make it £20.'

"I did succeed, but my rival took it out of me in Regent street the night after he got his conge. I am a bit of a bruiser myself, but he was a better.

"Two other hired guests and myself were once the means of bringing about the marriage of a very accomplished, amiable, but dreadfully plain girl. At the house where I was engaged I noticed that not only was she not asked to dance, but was completely ignored by all the marriageable men present. But after the hired guests—there were three of us—had trotted her out a dozen times and whispered it about the room that she was a very nice girl and not a bit ugly when you came to talk to her, other fellows took her on.

"When I met her at a ball six months later, I was glad to hear she was engaged.

"A distinctly unpleasant episode occurred to me last Christmas. One of the daughters at a house where I was engaged to dance lured me during the evening into a violent flirtation. As she knew who I was her conduct naturally surprised me.

"Still, the way in which she encouraged me was so unmistakable that at last I decided she was really in love. For quite a couple of hours I debated with myself what to do, deciding that it would be my duty to tell her during the next dance that an impassable gulf separated us.

"I might have saved myself the trouble, for after a short conversation with a good looking fellow she had not spoken to during the evening she came to me and said: 'Please forgive me. It was very wrong, I know, but I have only been flirting with you to make Charley jealous. I had a row with him yesterday. I think I'll make it up now. Don't say a word. I told Charley you were a South African millionaire. Please don't tell him who you really are.'"—Pearson's Weekly.

Class Passions In France.

In France a government always does wrong to rely solely for support upon the exclusive interests and selfish passions of one class. This can only succeed with nations more self interested and less vain than ours. With us, when a government established upon this basis becomes unpopular, it follows that the members of the very class for whose sake it has lost its popularity prefer the pleasure of traducing it with all the world to the privileges which it assures them. The old French aristocracy, which was more enlightened than our modern middle class and possessed much greater esprit de corps, had already given the same example. It had ended by thinking it a mark of distinction to run down its own privileges and by thundering against the abuses upon which it existed. That is why I think that, upon the whole, the safest method of government for us to adopt in order to endure is that governing well—of governing in the interest of everybody. I am bound to confess, however, that even when one follows this course it is not very certain that one will endure for long.—Recollections of De Tocqueville.

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The whole system of locomotion is threatened with imminent revolution. The two horses, one of flesh and one of iron, one eating oats and the other coal, find their vocations going away together. Science threatens to burn their carcasses on the same pyre. Electricity offers itself as a locomotive force for the nations. The steam locomotive, vaunted emblem and token of the greatest of centuries, finds itself at the close about to be relegated to the great ash heap of curiosities before which civilization stands laughing. But the thing is not yet certain. We cannot make haste to dig a grave for the locomotive. It may be that the twentieth century will still demand that heavy, clumsy, but very efficient brute whose office it has been for two generations to carry man and his products to the ends of the earth. The substitution of electricity for steam as a motive force on the great railways of the United States, which now seems so imminent, will be, if it comes, the most marvelous single change that has ever occurred among the physics of the civilized life of man.

Oddly enough, the event is held back by one of the caprices of progress. The strength of the locomotive is its imperfection. The application of steam to engihery is accompanied with an error which has cost civilization more dearly than any other flaw in her apparatus. The acceptance of electricity as the one great motive force is strongly impeded by a circumstance which, according to all logical deduction, ought long since to have been obviated. This circumstance lies in the application of heat, or rather in the evolution of heat and its economy in the production of power. Fully four-fifths of all the fuel of the world is thrown away. The 70,000,000 people in the United States are burning up their own most precious resources with an absolute waste of more than 80 per cent of the whole. Victor Hugo chided the Parisians for sending annually through the sewers 25,000,000 francs into the sea. What shall we say of the whole world shoveling coal into the roaring throats of 100,000,000 furnaces? There is not an engine anywhere, or ever was, that economizes more than 20 per cent of the fuel which it devours.—John Clark Ridpath in Brooklyn Times.

SUPREME JUSTICES' GOWNS.

Our Early Statesmen's Task In Selecting a Fitting Court Dress.

Ex-President Harrison tells of the contention created over the question of an appropriate court dress for the justices of the federal supreme court in The Ladies' Home Journal. "When the constitutional organization of the court had been settled and the high duty of selecting the justices had been performed by Washington," he says, "the smaller but not wholly unimportant question of a court dress loomed up and much agitated and divided the minds of our public men. Shall the justices wear gowns? And, if yes, the gown of the scholar, of the Roman senator or of the priest? Shall they wear the wig of the English judges? Jefferson and Hamilton, who had differed so widely in their views as to the frame of the constitution, were again in opposition upon these questions relating to millinery and hairdressing.

"Jefferson was against any needless official apparel, but, if the gown was to carry, he said, 'For heaven's sake discard the monstrous wig which makes the English judges look like rats peeping through bunches of oakum.' Hamilton was for the English wig with the English gown. Burr was for the English gown, but against the 'inverted woolsack termed a wig.' The English gown was taken and the wig left, and I am sure that the flowing black silk gown still worn by the justices helps to preserve in the courtroom that dignity and sense of solemnity which should always characterize the place of judgment."

The Old and the New Terror.

It is known generally that the monitor Terror, which has just gone into commission, has been building for a score of years. The same is true of the other monitors—Puritan, Monadnock and Amphitrite. The Miantonomoh, which went into commission about two years ago, was also started at the same time that the others were laid down. That was in 1874 and in 1875.

This group of monitors represents a different grade of vessel from that for which they were intended originally. The delay in finishing them has resulted in making them modern. They are now unsurpassed in their fighting qualities. They have modern guns, modern armor, modern engines and twin screws. These ships have been built and rebuilt. To convert them into fighting machines of an advanced type it has been necessary to rebuild them under the guise of "repairs." It is believed generally that the Terror has never been in commission until recently. The executive officer of the Terror surprised his mates in the wardroom the other day by saying:

"Do you know, I once sailed into Havana harbor on this very ship—that is to say, the Terror was in commission when I was a young officer, and I was attached to her. This is supposed to be the same vessel. It is a new ship instead. Still there must be some one piece of the old ship in this one. She has been completely rebuilt under the 'repairs' system. Some day I'm going to try to hunt around and see if I can find that piece of the original vessel. It must be here somewhere, but I venture to say it will be many moons before we find it."—New York Sun.

Primacy of Ancient Literature.

You do not know the world until you know the men who have possessed it and tried its wares before ever you were given your brief run upon it. And there is no sanity comparable with that which is schooled in the thoughts that will keep. It is such a schooling that we get from the world's literature. The books have disappeared which were not genuine—which spoke things which, if they were worth saying at all, were not worth hearing more than once, as well as the books which spoke permanent things clumsily and without the gift of interpretation. The kind air which blows from age to age has disposed of them like vagrant leaves. There was sap in them for a little, but now they are gone, we do not know where. All literature that has lasted has this claim upon us—that it is not dead. But we cannot be quite so sure of any as we are of the ancient literature that still lives, because none has lived so long. It holds a sort of primacy in the aristocracy of natural selection.—Professor Woodrow in Forum.

The first king of the Vandals was Gunderic, who ascended the throne in 406 A. D. Their last king was Gelimer, 531-534.

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—Chicago Tribune.

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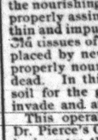
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LOCAL BRIEFS

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Lead wanted at The Planet office.

A. E. Ham leaves for Chicago this evening.

Miss Nina Waffle, Dresden, is visiting friends in Blenheim.

Miss Myra Smith is visiting her brother in Dover Center.

Dr. W. H. Tye went to Detroit to-day on professional business.

Miss L. Carpenter, of Ridgetown, is a guest at Hotel Garner.

William Clements, of Louisville, passed away yesterday in his eighty-sixth year.

Artistic funeral designs made up on notice at Victoria avenue Greenhouses. Phone 181. tf

Fred. Johnston, merchant tailor, is out again after being laid up a week with la grippe.

Roses, Carnations, Violets, Smilax, and Asparagus Plumosus, in great quantity at Tissiman's Greenhouses.

Miss Laura Rudd, of Dresden, spent Sunday the guest of Miss Orah Grandbois, Elizabeth street.

The remains of Miss Sterling of the Jacobs road, Dover, were interred at St. Peter's church burying ground this afternoon.

The city waterworks department are engaged to-day in making the necessary connections for the Grand Trunk Railway service.

Miss Catherine McNaughton, of the Scotch settlement, passed away on Saturday at the age of forty-five years. The remains were interred this afternoon.

Wm. Potter, captain of Chatham Encampment degree team, received an invitation to visit Alpha Encampment, Sarnia, on Thursday the 25th of Feb. The invitation has been accepted and the degree staff will rehearse on Wednesday evening next.

Word has been received here that there died in Watsonville, Santa Cruz Co., California, on Dec. 29th last David Hayes Ruttle, a native of Ireland, aged 69 years. He formerly lived in Chatham, and leaves a widow and one daughter, Mrs. E. R. Clute, to moura his loss.

The assault case, Fred. Ward vs. Geo. Brandes, was again laid over for a week at police court this morning. The complaint at first placed the assault on Jan. 28th, it was subsequently altered to the 21st, later to the 19th, and now it has again been changed to the 20th.

At the last drawing of the Promotive of Arts Association, of which H. A. Rispin is the Chatham agent, James Lamont, of 375 King street, London, drew $150 on ticket 56959. The ticket calling for $1,000 was not out at all, while another calling for $400, remained unsold in London.

STREET OBSTRUCTION.

Robert Philips, in charge of the heading mill on Baldoon street, was before the magistrate this morning charged with obstructing an alley adjoining the mill. The charge was laid by street inspector Delahunty. Mr. Philips deposed that the bolts in the alley were not placed there by his orders; they were not his property until they were measured up and paid for. The magistrate dismissed the case without costs, holding that the fact of Philips' removing the bolts from the street was not sufficient proof of the fact that they were placed there by him or under his orders.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

A capital meeting of the Macaulay Club was held on Saturday evening, when the abolition of capital punishment was thoroughly discussed. Ex-Ald. Fred. Stone championed the affirmative and John Reeve conducted the negative. Capt. Patteson occupied the chair and rendered the decision for the negative. Three new members, D. Glass, W. A. Campbell and Wm. Milner, were elected. Next Saturday evening the debate is—Resolved that all monopolies, such as supplying light, heat, water, power, railways, telegraphs, express, etc., should be operated by the people for the people. Affirmative, J. S. Black; negative, S. B. Arnold.

THE PRINCESS BONNIE.

Unless some unforseen circumstance occurs, "the Princess Bonnie," will appear in the Opera House on the evening of the 16th. Mr. W. Philp went to Detroit this morning to arrange for special costumes and other material in connection with the opera. John Tilt has been engaged to paint special scenery for the first act. The company are sparing neither expense nor hord work and hope to give our citizens a great musical treat at the presentation of this beautiful opera. Mr. Willard Spenser, the author, writes that several church societies have given the opera, and he can assure us that there is not a line, action or word that could offend the most rigid church goer. Practice this evening for everybody at the usual time and place.



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THE PILL THAT WILL.

Mrs. Blonde was admitted to St. St. Joseph's hospital this morning.

High Constable Major Coogan is in Sarnia to-day on detective business.

Ed. Hodgins, of Toronto, formerly of of this city, is in town on a short visit.

Ald. D. J. O'Keefe this morning severed his connection with The Banner newspaper.

Mrs. and Miss Lowe returned to Toronto this afternoon. They have been visiting at Miss Pillsworth's.

Two bandits, with masks and revolvers robbed Whiteside Bros.' meat store and Luxford's grocery in Walkerville Saturday night.

W. S. Verrall, of S. S. No. 6, Chatham township, who was home ill with the grippe for a few days last week, resumed his school this morning.

A well-attended and successful seance was held at the residence of J. T. Baikie last evening. There were rappings, whisperings, and all the other weird things.

Matthew Tomlinson, sr., died this morning on the Moore Farm, Raleigh. He was 81 years of age. Funeral will take place Wednesday from his son's residence, Wade street. He was in town last Thursday or Friday, looking as well as usual.

We never carry stock from one season to another. New goods every season. We are making greater reductions than usual. We have a larger stock on hand than ever before at this time of the year. Every garment must go at once. $10 $20 overcoats of best imported black and blue Kersey, lined with farmer satin. Silk sleeves. $12.50 overcoats of black and blue Kersey, plaid cashmere lining. At this great sacrifice the overcoats will soon be cleared out. All garments are a quarter of half off marked price. The 2T's cash only.

INJURY AND NEGLECT.

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

Deseronto, Feb. 8. — Special — 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 over-lifting 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."

CANADIAN BEANS IN ENGLAND.

Mr. Harrison Watson, curator of the Canadian section of the Imperial Institute, in a letter to the Department of Agriculture of Ontario, states that there has been a large demand for Canadian beans in the English markets, but that owing to improper grading the dealers who purchased the Canadian product have been put to considerable loss. Mr. Watson is, however, of the opinion that the Canadian product will meet with a ready sale if care be taken in shipping to meet the requirements of the English trade. He also states that there is a good chance for a large trade in canned goods to be worked up. In his letter to the department, Mr. Watson quotes the opinion of a London dealer on a shipment of canned peas, which is most favorable.

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Inposition of Duty by the U. S. on our Lumber.

We Must Meet it with an Export Duty on Logs, Says John Piggott.

"If the McKinley tariff is re-enacted by the American government," said John Piggott, to The Planet, "it will be a good thing for the Canadian dealers when the Canadian government reciprocates, as it must, with a corresponding export duty on logs. It will encourage home industry beside preserving our timber from being slaughtered at the present rapid rate. The lumber market, as every one knows, is in a bad condition. Some of the reasons of this state of affairs are given inpmy letter to the Detroit Tribune a few weeks ago. Others are: The financial stringency, and reduced consumption. The latter arises from the increasing use of wire fencing, concrete for walks, and iron in modern structures.

"I think the imposition of this tariff cannot help the American lumbermen nor the American consumer of lumber."

"You think then that the proposed enactment will benefit the Canadian more than the American lumberman?"

"Certainly. It cannot fail to do so when the Canadian government reciprocates with a duty on logs. I very much doubt," concluded Mr. Piggott, "if they will pass it. Deputations have gone to Washington from Michigan and Minnesota to oppose it and it will be a strong fight—so strong as to make its passage very doubtful."

THREW HIM DOWN A SHAFT.

John Smith, of Chatham, Robbed in New York—Now in a Hospital.

Word was to-day received from New York concerning John Smith, a youth, recently employed about the Rankin House, and who left a few days ago to to return to his home in Germany.

Friendless and alone in the great city he encountered a stranger, a German, who he took into his confidence. The stranger friendly and immediately taking an interest in Smith, his fellow-country man, he volunteered to look after him until he was safely aboard his steamer and away for home.

Before long the two were joined by a companion and the three adjourned to the lodgings of stranger No. 1. This was in the third story of a large building. Here Smith was robbed of everything of any value he had about him and dropped down the elevator shaft.

He is now in an hospital with one leg broken in two places, the other in one place, and one arm broken. He is in a critical condition.

U. S. BATTLESHIPS MISSING.

Charleston, S. C., Feb. 8.—A terrific storm is raging along the Atlantic coast and anxiety is felt for the four ships of the North Atlantic squadron, which is supposed to be somewhere off this harbor. Two vessels searched in vain for the missing warships all yesterday.

BOMBARDMENT AT LAST.

Berlin, Feb. 8.—A special dispatch received here from Athens says it is rumored there that the foreign warships have begun a bombardment of Canea, island of Crete.

WEYLER'S CLOSE CALL.

New York, Feb. 8.—As Gen. Weyler was marching with his columns just before entering Santa Clara, his horse was shot under him by a Cuban sharpshooter. It is supposed the shot came from a distant hillside.

BOBBIE'S CONCLUSION.

"I sometimes wish that I'd been Noah,"
said Bobbie unto me;
"Because I'm fond of animals, and
rather like the sea.
He had more fun than any man that
ever I did know,
And that is why I wish that I'd been
Noah long ago.

"Just think of it," he added—"think
of sailing in a boat,
With two big tigers, monkeys, guns,
and me with just a goat!
I tell you he had really more than
ordinary chance
For fun with big gorillas, lions, camels, elephants.

"Just think of having in your house
a panther or wild-cat.
I think 'twould be a heap of fun to
live with things like that!
The tapir and rhinoceros, the ostrich
and the bok,
The polar bear and grizzlies, and the
bird they call the roc!

"Just think of two fine zebras bold
—each like a toasted horse—
Two donkeys and a pair of those hippotomi, of course!
Dear me, I do not know what any other boy may think,
But as for me, this splendid zoo would be just rinky-dink!

"Of course I don't believe that Noah
could sleep with these aboard,
Particularly when I think of how they
must have roared.
But I'm a boy, and don't you know,
while I good hours keep,
I, after all, do not care much for
what's called 'solid sleep.'

"I wouldn't want to sleep at all if
down-stairs I could find
A great big zoo like Barnum's, or of
any other kind.
And if I only felt that I was really
truly boss
I wouldn't mind the care of camels,
hens, or albatross.

"But when I think it over I am much
inclined to say,
That while old Mr. N. enjoyed the fine
things of his day,
In spite of his advantages I'm after
all ahead,
Because, you see, I'm living, and I'm
told that Noah is dead."

A COMFORT SOMETIMES.

When health is far gone in Consumption, then sometimes only ease and comfort can be secured from the use of Scott's Emulsion. What is much better is to take this medicine in time to save your health.

C. C. I. STAR LECTURE COURSE.

No. 5, of the series of six. The X Rays, F. W. Merchant, M. A., Principal London C. I., Friday, Feb. 12, at 8 p. m., in Collegiate Hall. Admission—other than coupons, 25c and 15c (pupils). Experiments fully illustrative. See program. 1w

ON THE STEEL BLADES

Nilsen and McCulloch Make New Records at Montreal.

The 5000 Metre Race and Three Mile Professional Race Must Be Re-Skated To-day—Noticeable Work by John Davidson of Toronto—Pilkie of the Tecumseh Lacrosse Club Again Among the Also Rans.

Montreal, Feb. 6.—Despite the fact that the elements were unpropitious, some remarkable records were made to-day at the meeting of the Amateur Skating Association of Canada. A light sleet, half snow and half rain, which commenced to fall during the morning, rendered the ice extremely heavy and a very strong wind blew during the afternoon. These features handicapped the skaters considerably, and when the conditions are taken into account the time made must be regarded as remarkable.

Neilson, the Minneapolis flyer, performed the greatest feat of the day by establishing a new world's record of 14.47 for the five-mile professional race. McCulloch, the Canadian champion, won two more events, the 1500 metres, in which he outran Nass, the Norwegian, in a close and exciting race, and the 10,000-metre race, in which he proved faster than Zeller of Bavaria. Had McCulloch been allowed the 5000 metres race, which was declared off yesterday, he would have been entitled to the title of world's amateur champion, having won three out of four principal events.

In the 1500-metre race, which was the first event on the card, McCulloch tied with Nass by covering the distance in the same time—2.42 2-5—and the tie was raced off, resulting in one of the closest and most exciting races of the day. Both men put forth all their powers, but McCulloch was superior, and despite all the efforts of Nass he kept ahead and crossed the finish line one second ahead. McCulloch's victory was hailed with deafening applause.

In the half-mile professional, the principal race, however, was between Neilson and Harley Davidson. Neilson showed his wonderful speed by covering the distance in 1.17 1-5.

In the 10,000-metre race, Zeller of Bavaria and Greebe of Smith's Falls, Ont., showed up in splendid form and succeeded in covering the distance in 20.42 1-5. McCulloch, who paired with John Davidson, was in magnificent form and covered the ground in a wonderful manner, defeating Zeller's time by 40 seconds, covering the distance in 20.02 2-5. John Davidson, a clean and graceful skater, came pretty near equalling Zeller's time.

In the five-mile professional the feature was the race between Neilson and Joe Donoghue. There has been considerable coldness between the two men for some time and Neilson was heard to remark before the race:

"Donoghue has been doing a great deal of talking, but I will give him something to talk about."

Neilson took the lead from the start and increased it until he had gained a lap on the Newburg boy. In the fifth mile he was two clear laps ahead of Donoghue. Neilson's skating was simply marvelous. He covered the ground with wonderful strides and crossed the line in 14.47, breaking the best previous record of 17.15.

The judges have decided to declare off the 5000 metre race and the three-mile professional race of Friday, as it was found that a mistake had been made by the scorers in the counting of the laps. The races will be run over on Monday.

A WET BLANKET

Appears to Have Been Thrown Upon the Canadian Blatters' Mission to the United States Capital.

Buffalo, N.Y., Feb. 7.—A despatch from Washington published in to-day's Express says: Messrs. Cartwright and Davies of the Canadian Cabinet had interviews with a number of public men. They were escorted by Representative Hitt of Illinois, who introduced them to the leaders of both Houses. They had a half hour's talk with Speaker Reed, which ended with the remark by Sir Richard Cartwright that it seemed to be the idea of people of each country that if they could build a high tariff wall around their own domains they could enrich themselves at the expense of their neighbors. Speaking for the new Canadian Administration, he said it was their hope that the United States would see that reciprocal commercial arrangements would benefit both peoples.

The Canadians have encountered a barrier to the success of their mission in the Ways and Means Committee, which is framing the new tariff bill. They base their reciprocity scheme upon an exchange of concessions, by which Canada will admit the manufactures of the United States upon favorable tariff terms in return for tariff concessions to Canadian farm products. Members of the Ways and Means Committee have announced their intention to give particular benefits to the American farmers, and to secure to the American farmers the entire home market for their products. Several of them said to-day that they would not consider any reciprocity scheme which would take any of the home market from the farmers. Their policy of giving the farmer ample protection is shown in the agricultural and lumber schedules of the new tariff bill, which have become known. The Canadians have met with another discouragement in the Immigration bill now before Congress, which excludes Canadian laborers from the United States.

SKIPPED WITH A RIG

And Now Ryan is a Prisoner Awaiting Trial for His Wrong-Doing in Owen Sound.

Owen Sound, Feb. 7—(Special).—A man, giving his name as Ryan, called at Owens' livery on Friday morning and hired a team of horses and double sleigh to go on a nine-mile trip in Derby, and saying he would be back early in the afternoon. He did not come back, and all day yesterday the police and Mr. Owens were out together trying to get track of him. Late last night the outfit was brought into town by a farmer named Bowland, who was coming into town. Late to-day Policeman Shouldice arrested Ryan near the village of Durham. He will come before P. M. George Spencer to-morrow morning.

A MOTHER'S AWFUL DEED.

Threw Her Three Babies Into the River and Jumped in After Them—All Four Drowned.

Big Timber, Mont., Feb. 7.—The wife of John Cort last evening threw her three children into the Yellowstone River and then jumped in after them. All were drowned and the bodies have not yet been recovered. The cause of the tragedy is said to have been domestic unhappiness. The three children were under 2 years of age, two being twins.

Wedded to a Britisher.

Chicago, Feb. 6.—Miss Marion Peck, eldest daughter of Mrs. Harold S. Peck, was married at high noon to-day in St. James Episcopal Church to William Ryckman Farquhar of London, son of Admiral Sir Arthur Farquhar.

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DRESDEN.

Feb. 8.—The sacrament of the Lord's supper was administered in the English, Presbyterian and Methodist churches yesterday morning. In the Methodist church in the evening the pastor preached.

The funeral of Mrs. Hicks, sr., took place yesterday from her son's residence. The funeral cortege left the house at 2.30 p. m. and proceeded to the Methodist church, where the sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. McTavish. The church was crowded to the doors with friends of the deceased.

Mr. Tiddell, of Brantford, rendered three solos in the Presbyterian church yesterday—one in the morning and two in the evening. The solos were the best ever heard in Dresden. Rev. Mr. Currie, of Wallaceburg, preached in the evening, and delivered an excellent oration.

Four of our citizens were fined $5 each for raising a disturbance last Friday night in North Dresden.

Miss Edith Lawrence, of Darrell, spent Saturday and Sunday here.

Miss Maud McKelvy, of Wallaceburg, is the guest of Miss Mabel Leonard.

Rev. Mr. McCullough preached in Wallaceburg last evening.

Don't forget the chalk talk at the Epworth League to-night, by the Rev. Mr. Haylock.

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3 lb. pail Cottolene	30c
10 lbs. buckwheat flour	25c
10 lbs rolled oats	25c
3 lb. mince meat (Delhi)	25c

2 Packages Mince Meat 15c

2 oz. bottle vanilla and lemon, (Sheriff's)	10c
Gold dust washing compound	25c

10 Bars Congo Soap 25c

Good corn, per 2 lb. can	6½c
1 gal. can apples (Delhi)	20c
Tomatoes, solid meat, 4 cans	25c
COFFEE—selected Java and Mocha, per lb	40c

3 lbs. for $1.00.

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THAT BOY OF YOURS

He is being Outstripped by the Girls.

The Male Population is Degenerating, Says Rev. E. O. Taylor, on Account of Their Bad Habits.

Rev. E. O. Taylor, the eminent temperance lecturer, who is visiting the city under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. at the present time, delivered an introductory scientific address in the union rooms on Saturday evening, dealing with the physical ruin wrought by over-indulgence in liquor.

Last evening, however, he delivered the first in a series of eloquent lectures in the First Presbyterian church on "That boy of yours."

The speaker introduced his subject by telling the large audience that God's grandest production was man. His most glorious woman, the most beautiful a girl and the biggest conundrum a boy. Youth was the promise of the nation, and a great controversy was going on between the good and the bad to obtain the first impressions on child life. There were Sunday schools and saloon Sunday schools, the latter being held in the back rooms of our saloons, open to our boys every Sunday afternoon. The anarchists of to-day were the men engaged in winning the young for evil.

Continuing, the lecturer touched on the social question. That social vices among the young were on the increase he said was a sad fact. This was largely due to diabolical agencies which distributed vile communications and pictures throughout our schools. In Tilsonburg recently a man was sent to the Central prison for eleven months for carrying on this nefarious practice.

Proceeding to the "terrible cigarette and cigar habit," Rev. Mr. Taylor gave it as the reason that the girls were to-day outdoing the boys in all educational work. Girls were graduating from the public schools in the ratio of four to one boy. What did this mean? Unless there were soon a change, the country must go under woman rule.

"We will have a woman President of the United States," declared the lecturer, "inside of 25 years if things are allowed to continue as they are at present." Sooner or later educational forces move to the front in governmental affairs, and if men continue to allow their sisters to outdo them, they cannot save themselves if they would.

In conclusion, the lecturer pointed out the value of good home-training on the youth. If the boys were taught to respect law and command in the home, the influence on their after career would be most beneficial.

Mr. Taylor will lecture this evening in the Baptist church on "The analysis of a glass of beer."

IF THE BIBLE SAITH TRULY

True Spiritualism is an Impossibility—Some Extracts from the Book of Books.

Editor Planet.—If our friends who are taken up with these seances would just open their Bibles and read the following, it might open their eyes to the deception:

In Job 14, 12, read—Men lieth down down and riseth not till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake or be raised out of their sleep.

Job. 14, 21.—His sons come to honor, and he knoweth it not, and they are brought low but he perceiveth it not of them.

In Ps. 146, 4—His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.

And in Eccl. 9, 6—Also their love and and their hatred, and their envy is now perished, neither have they a portion any more in anything that is done under the sun.

But the hour is coming (i. e., the resurrection) when all that are in the graves shall hear His voice and shall come forth—as we see by John 5, 28-29.

A READER OF GOD'S WORD.

TILBURY

Feb. 8.—Village council met on Friday evening, with members all present. John Struthers asked that the water service be removed from his premises. Paul Astiel applied for charity; he is already receiving $4 per month. In regard to the application of John Struthers it was moved by Messrs. Smith and Sloan that whereas clause No. 2 of by-law No. 75 provides that any person desiring shutting off of their water supply must give notice to the water committee to that effect on or before Dec. 31, that the clerk be instructed to notify Mr. Struthers to that effect.—Carried. On motion of Messrs. Smith and Sloan, it was decided that the reeve be chairman of all committees. Collector Thomas Anderson presented an account of $10 for collecting electric rates last year, and on motion the account was paid. Mrs. Frederick was refunded one dollar, error in dog tax. On motion the reeve was instructed to canvass the town for subscribers to the proposed new electric lighting system; the clerk was instructed to write Engineer Lorrey, of the M. C. R., and council adjourned to call of reeve.

A new time card comes into effect on the Michigan Central, but there will be no change in the running of trains timed to stop at Tilbury.

Local physicians are kept busy these days attending to victims of the grippe.

Tilbury East council is in session at Valetta to-day.

The Gant Jubilee Quartette Club, of Chatham, will furnish the program for a Foresters' concert in the Union Hall at Quinn to-morrow night, and a number of the brethren from here are expected to attend.

The inspector of the Waterloo Mutual Fire Insurance Company is expected here to-day to adjust the loss of J. J. VanGunten from Thursday's fire.

The fire alarm has been fixed and there will be no danger of any more breakages at future alarms.

T. N. Leigh, teacher, of Dover, spent Saturday and Sunday weith his family here.

ARTHUR HILLS IDEA.

Saginaw, Mich., Feb. 8.—Arthur Hill, the Saginaw lumberman has addressed a pamphlet letter to Justin S. Morrill, chairman of the senate committee on finance, saying:

"As an American lumberman, operating both in Canada and this country, I desire to protest against any change in the present wood schedule, which shall directly or indirectly prevent the free importation of white pine logs and rough white pine lumber into the United States."

Mr. Hill claims the invasion of our markets by Canadian lumber is not the cause of the present depression in that trade, since there has been no appreciable change in importations since 1889. He says a $2 tariff is not protection to protect Americans, but to prohibit Canadians. He closes:

"Shall we now, while Canada opens wider and wider her doors to American trade, shout our doors in her face, and if we do, what will be the result?"

MUNYON SPEAKS.

He Asks the People of Ontario If They Want

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HAS HE NOT?

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A GRATEFUL WOMAN

Mrs. S. L. Baldwin, Rockingham, Ontario, says: "I was a great sufferer from catarrh and blood disease for over two years. I could not do any work. Was most of the time confined to my bed. Had terrible pains every day. Running ulcers broke out and were not healed for many months. The trouble was accompanied by sore throat, and even my mouth became full of ulcers. In fact I was a confirmed invalid. The village doctor gave me medicine and gargles, which did me no good. He then advised me to go to a hospital where I was treated by five doctors, but when I got home I was worse than ever, and confined to my bed. No appetite and completely prostrated. I finally began the use of Munyon's Catarrh and Blood Cures, and two bottles of each have made me a well woman, and oh! how grateful I am."

SUFFERED FOR MONTHS

Miss Minnie Maxwell, a saleslady in Eaton's store on Yonge street, and residing in Parkdale, Toronto, says: "For several months I suffered with general debility and biliousness. I did not get any better, although I tried a number of different medicines. A few bottles of Munyon's Debility Cure effected a complete cure, and I have had no further trouble since using these remedies."

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ALDERMEN MEET TO-NIGHT

And Will, It is Said, Reinstate Watchman Coyle of the Fire Brigade.

This evening's meeting of the city council promises to be an important one. In addition to the regular routine the aldermen will be called upon to consider the withdrawal of Matthew Wilson, Q.C., for the defence of the Graham vs. Chatham suit. The electric railway matter will come up for further consideration, and action will probably be taken on the suspension of Fire Watchman Robt. Coyle.

"I think Coyle will be reinstated," an alderman told The Planet. "There has been a strong canvass on his behalf."

"What will Chief Jacques say?"

"What can he say? Of course it will be a snub for the chief but what can he do? Coyle has the asthma and a family of three children. It is said he cannot work anywhere else than in the tower. That is the argument used by people who have called on me. I had heard the same thing a number of times before and it had no effect this time, but my impression is that the council will reinstate Coyle."

Any tendency to premature baldness may be promptly checked by the use of Ayer's Hair Vigor. Don't delay till the scalp is bare and the hair-roots destroyed. If you would realize the best results, begin at once with this invaluable preparation.

WALLACEBURG.

Feb. 8.—The body of Wm. Cook, of Bay City, Mich., brother-in-law of Dr. Mitchell, was brought here on Saturday evening and interred yesterday afternoon in the Wallaceburg cemetery. The funeral was conducted by the local I. O. O. F. lodge.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Carscallen died yesterday.

Rev. Mr. McCullough, of Dresden, exchanged pulpits with Rev. D. Currie last evening, and delivered an excellent discourse to a large congregation.

Herbert Little, Lorraine, Ohio, an old Wallaceburg boy, has been visiting friends her for the past few days.

Capt. Andrews, of the Salvation Army, gives a lantern entertainment at the barracks here on Wednesday evening, Feb. 10th.

The funeral of Neil McPherson was held this afternoon to the Little burying ground. He was aged 52 years and

Frank T. Gamble is now attending to the patrons of Murphy's liquor store.

Mrs. A. G. Laird has returned to Chatham after a week's visit with Wallaceburg friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Carscallen, Dresden, spent Sunday with their son here.

Special services will be held in the Nelson street Methodist church every evening this week, Rev. Peter Myers, of Dover, presiding to-night, and Rev. Mr. Wilson, of Port Lambton, on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

T. B. Dundass has taken the position of correspondent, at the glass works, his duties beginning this morning. The new principal at the public school, Mr. Tiewes, also takes command to-day.

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Everybody is familiar with the old, pathetic poem, with its melancholy refrain

Stitch, Stitch, Stitch!

But there are shirts and shirts. The garments made by overworked and underpaid seamstresses in the old land may well excite the horrified comment:

Oh, God, that bread should be so dear,
And flesh and blood so cheap.

Those handled in this store are not the product of white-slave labor, but the work of skilled makers, aided by the most improved machinery; and each and all have been turned out at prices which not only renumerate the sewer, but also the maker of the material and the manufacturer in whose establishment they were produced. And yet, so well adjusted are the various items of cost, these goods come to the retailer at a figure astonishingly low. This House in particular, can testify on the subject; for it effected a big purchase recently at a take-'em-all quotation. Now it purposes letting its customers into the deal.

The Margin of Profit is so Small

That only in a general clearance can it show at all. That clearance is our object for the next few days.

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6 Cans Vegetables	25c.
2 Gal. Oil	13c.
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1 Bottle Pickles	10c.
3 lb. B. Soda	5c.
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3 lb. New Almonds	15c

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TRIALS OF AN AGENT.

ONE DAY'S BITTER EXPERIENCES OF A MAN IN NEED.

Unable to Find Other Employment, He Undertook the Task of Peddling—He Now Appeals to Housewives In Behalf of the Chaps Who Ring the Doorbell.

If perchance my reader is a busy housewife whose patience and temper are sorely tried by the incessant ringing of hucksters, peddlers, agents and the like, I adjure her to stay her wrath, for these men are trying as best they can to gain a living from a hard and unsympathetic world. And a very poor living and a very hard world it is to these hapless waifs of fortune, many of whom are forced by hard luck and poverty to take up this most unpleasant employment. None, I am sure, does so from choice. It is this or—starvation. Too proud to beg, too honest to steal, from door to door the weary agent goes, meeting with rebuffs and insults and callous regard that cut a man's heart to the quick.

It fell to the writer's lot, through circumstances unnecessary to detail, that he was forced to try to earn his bread by any honest means he could. The "ignis fatuus" of promised employment had lured him into the bog of penniless. I knew that an agent's life was not a rosy one, but I had heard of men making at least a living, and, being young and strong, why should not I? I looked around for something to sell and finally chanced upon a safety pin. I could get a dozen for 60 cents, which I could retail for 10 cents each, quite a nice profit, and visions of dozens sold in a day brought a speedy solution of my financial difficulties.

Never shall I forget my sensation when I rang the first doorbell. I could feel my cheeks burn, and had it not been for the presence of two men on the opposite corner I believe I would have turned and fled. It was too late. The door opened, and before me stood my first possible customer.

For a moment I was too embarrassed to speak; then I stammered, "Is—is—the lady of the house in?" (The proper formula, I believe.) "Yes, sir," she was. With a grand effort I produced a sample of my pin and began: "I have here, madam, a new safety pin, an excellent thing for children; will positively not come unfastened, cannot bend or break and which I am selling at 10 cents; would you take one?" She must have read my inexperience at a glance, for it was with a smile she answered, "No, I do not need any; good day," and the door was closed. Setback No. 1. Well, next door perhaps they will need some. No, they had no children. The next had children, but they didn't need pins; so on to another; perhaps they were pinless. Here I met no response to my ringing, and lacking courage to ring again I walked past a few houses to brace up for another trial.

Hardly had the bell ceased to jingle in the place I was then trying when a window raised, and in no gentle accents I heard: "Get off my steps with your dirty feet. We don't want anything." I got.

Although my shoes were neatly blackened, I felt as if I had acres of mud on them. And mean! Great heavens, if a man convicted of some cowardly crime could feel more abject than I did I pity him! I walked so fast to get away and cover my mortification that I passed out of the block before I could collect my senses. It seemed to me as if every window held some one watching me and that every one knew my errand and had contempt for me. My purpose was an honest one, but shame was on me. I had thought that being neatly dressed and as I flattered myself of genteel appearance I would not have the agent's stamp; now my disguise was torn from me, and I was scorned by all men.

However, this was not going to do. My last few cents were represented by these wretched pins, and sell them somehow I must. I soothed my injured feelings by thoughts of better luck, and, though sadly lacking my former confidence, I started on another row of houses. At some I was listened to with patience. I fancied once I had a customer. At others I scarcely began before the stereotyped "Don't want any" came. Time and again the door was closed in my face at the first sign of my calling, and at several places the householder contented herself with answering from a window. My prospects of selling seemed to grow less and less.

While less sensitive than at the first, I was still haunted by the idea that everybody was looking at me, and had I not chanced upon my first customer I would have even then given up in despair. At the last house in the row a cheery little woman answered the bell, and when I showed her my attractive (?) article she was attention at once. "Why, that is just what I want." Would I wait a minute until she got her purse? Would I? I would have waited hours. God bless her! The word of encouragement and kind good day was like water to a thirsty traveler.

That 10 cent piece she gave me I would not part with were I starving. I grew hopeful again; had walked through two blocks and sold one pin; time, 20 minutes. I had 11 left. Twenty-two blocks and 3 hours and 40 minutes more and all would be gone. Doggedly I went from door to door, with a defiant air that sadly belied my feeling. I really would have been surprised if I had sold a pin, but I meant to see the thing through to the bitter end. Growing more and more tired and heartsick, I kept on until dusk found me miles from home. It was not so much the inability to dispose of my stock in trade; it was a bitter feeling of resentment against the callous, hard hearted world that deprived me of desire or courage to face its insult, rebuffs and thoughtless cruelty to one so unfortunate as to be—an agent.

I have the 11 pins yet. Any one can have them at cost, with lots of experience thrown in. All I have to say to one embarking on such a career is, lose your pride and sensitiveness, recognize in yourself an outcast and a nuisance. If you cannot, go and break stones on the highways. Stones are not harder than hearts to the unfortunate.—Philadelphia Exchange.

A Short Sermon.

No time or place is sacred to the enthusiastic joker. Duclos tells, in his memoirs, how the prince archbishop of Cologne asked license to preach in the royal chapel at Versailles, when visiting Louis XIV himself. All the court assembled. It was April 1. The prince archbishop mounted the pulpit in stately fashion, bowed from side to side and stood a moment as if collecting his thoughts, then shouted "April fools!" picked up his skirts and ran.

Accidentally Overheard.

"Pa, are you only an imitation man?"
"No, child. Why?"
"'Cause I heard sister Belle tell Mr. Padger in th' hall las' night 'at he was th' on'y real man in th' whole world."—Chicago Record.

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THE OPERA.

The glitter of diamonds and big, bright eyes
Rival each other in a box there,
And the smiling red mouth which always denies
The old, old story of heartache and care,
And the spirit which ever defies.

But the shine of tears in her brooding eyes
Rivals the jewels which gleam in her hair,
While I feel that her coldness is only lies,
That such routine she can hardly bear,
For her pale face droops as the voices rise.

I wonder if memory sings a lay
Of last winter's sport and an ardent boy,
And the darling moods of that passionate day
When she won and maddened her favorite toy,
Then left him alone and rode away.
—Irene Osgood in Vanity Fair.

THE HUTCHINSON LETTERS.

Franklin Would Never Reveal How He Obtained the Documents.

High officials in Massachusetts had in private letters to the secretary of George Grenville discussed in bitter terms the liberal movement in the colony and had recommended coercive measures on the part of the home government. These letters, in some unexplained way, fell into Franklin's hands, and he felt in duty bound to send them to Boston for inspection by the popular leaders. As might have been expected, they caused a great furor both in Massachusetts and in England, and in the latter country a dispute between two gentlemen as to how they had been obtained led to a nearly fatal duel. Franklin now intervened, stated that he had forwarded the letters, but refused to say how he came by them and faced the storm of popular disfavor as calmly as only a philosopher could. He was examined before the privy council, insulted in a scurrilous and shameful manner by the solicitor general, Wedderburn, and the councilors themselves, dismissed from his postmastership and deprived of much of the public respect that had been previously shown him, but not of the self respect that marked his behavior throughout the entire affair.

His conduct has since been defended and reprobated and must always, in one particular, be hard to characterize. Our final verdict must plainly depend on a knowledge of how he got the letters, but this is just what he never would reveal. We are therefore left to infer from Franklin's character whether he would have taken them in an improper way. He himself certainly believed that he had done nothing wrong, but it remains to be determined whether he was an absolutely fair judge of what a gentleman should have done under the circumstances.

From a purely political point of view he stands abundantly justified. Nine-tenths of the English and American statesmen of the time would have taken the letters gladly and asked no inconvenient questions as to how they were obtained. But would Burke or Washington have done so? The answer cannot be doubtful. Neither Burke nor Washington would have touched the papers without being first convinced that the person offering them came by them honestly and being provided with proper safeguards for his own personal honor.—Professor W. P. Trent in McClure's.

The Buddhist Sacred Tree.

Father Hue, when he could not understand what seemed to him to be marvelous, invariably set it down to the devil. There was a sacred tree near a lamasery which put out leaves impressed with a sacred character of the Tibetan language. Bayard Taylor, however, explained how it was done. In the bulletin of the American Geographical society the exact character of this tree is described and how the letters are made.

The story of the sacred tree that grows in front of the temple in the Tibetan lamasery of Kumbum has been severely shaken by recent investigations. Father Hue told, in his charming book, of this tree, whose leaves were miraculously inscribed with figures of Buddha, sacred formulæ or prayers. Later explorers, among whom were Potanine, Grenard and Szechenyi, saw the tree and attempted to explain the mysterious markings on its leaves and bark. M. Potanine thought some insect wrought the tracings. Another explanation was that the markings pertained naturally to the tree, which was very remarkable, indeed, inasmuch as whole sentences in the Tibetan language might be read on the leaves. The one thing certain was that the priests sold the leaves at a very high price to the faithful. M. Edouard Blanc, the explorer, who has returned to France, saw the sacred tree while in Tibet, and asserts that the holy inscriptions are an evident artifice of human hands, and that the imposition has been handed down from one generation to another of the lamas of Kumbum, who number about 2,000. Some of the leaves were submitted last summer to Mr. Thiselton-Dyer of Kew Gardens, London. He says that the tree is an ordinary syringa villosa, common in China, and that the markings are impressed on the leaves by molds, aided probably with heat.

Lively New York.

He was a New Yorker and proud of his city, and although his Chicago friend pointed out sight after sight, boasted of the city's fine boulevards and drove the New Yorker over them, he failed to excite in his guest more than a slight curiosity. Then he brought up the subject of tall buildings.

"Chicago beats the world," he said. "Our tall buildings top anything ever erected."

"Well, well," said the New Yorker "that's queer. Ever heard of that building in New York that the clouds bump against? Never heard of it, eh? I'll tell you something about it. When they put the last story on it, a workman fell off the top. Some time later I was passing along the street below when a newsboy yelled 'Extry! Full account of the accident.' I bought a paper, and it described how the man toppled off and all that. But—what do you think? While I was reading it something dropped with a crash. What was it? Why, the workman, of course! He'd just reached the ground!"—Harper's Round Table.

The Snake Flag.

Among the suggestions offered for the union of the United States flag when the first congress was considering the subject of a national standard was a rattlesnake with 13 rattles, and a flag bearing this device, with the motto, "Don't tread on me," was actually employed by one of the states.

The nest of the tree wasp or hornet is made of a true paper, wood being ground to pulp by the jaws of the wasp and treated with an adhesive matter secreted in the creature's mouth.

Henry III of England ordained that the English penny should equal the weight of 32 grains of wheat.

According to mailing distance, Cyprus is 17 days from New York city.

KANGAROO HUNTING.

There are two ways of hunting kangaroos in Australia, one followed by native hunters and the other by white men. The natives surrounded a herd of the animals, narrow the circle and then, when the kangaroos dash at them in wild effort to escape, kill them with short spears and clubs, commonly called waddies. It is lively work for the native. The kangaroo uses its hind legs with vicious and with great judgment, and dogs, horses and men have been torn open by the nails of its hind feet.

The white men prefer to follow the kangaroos with dogs. Every herd of kangaroos has a leader, known as the old man or boomer, which warns its followers of the approach of danger by stamping the ground with its hind foot, making a booming sound that starts all the kangaroos in hearing on a run. A scared herd will run twenty or thirty miles at times, or until it reaches safety. A male weighs from 100 to 175 pounds and is seven or eight feet long. The English make up parties of hunters and follow the kangaroo with dogs somewhat like foxhounds, but of greater size and strength. Women and men join in the sport, riding to the hounds on good horses.

"Riding to the place where a herd of the beasts had been seen the day before by bushmen," a Sportsmen's Magazine writer says, "we came to the bush, a growth of ubiquitous to trees and tree ferns, fit to brush one off his horse. Quiet was the word of caution passed when we came near the sparsely grown ground beyond the bush where the kangaroos had been seen. The dogs were called in and then we road from the bush into view of the herd's sentinel, and then went away the kangaroos, followed by the dogs, and we were at the tail tips of the dogs. The kangaroos could not run, but folded their fore legs across their breasts, they sat down. Then, with tail and hind legs away they went by hops, no hop being less than twenty feet long and others being more than thirty feet. They cleared shrubs twelve feet high.

"Curiously enough, the kangaroo travels faster up hill than down, the dogs catching up on the down slopes. The beast sometimes breaks its neck while running down hill by going head over heels. The does began to throw their young out of their pouches, and we knew they were hard pressed. They turned suddenly for the water. We found the dogs at a water hole with two boomers at bay. We dismounted and, drawing our knives, waited an opportunity to run in and hamstring them. A dog rushed in and was caught by a hind leg of a boomer and pressed under water, where it was quickly drowned. Then a dog got one of the beasts by the back and threw it, whereupon my cousin quickly hamstrung it, while I rapped its nose with my whip, killing it. We had kangaroo tail soup and steaks for dinner several days."

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He had charge of the famous Henry Villard party that went through on the Northern Pacific in triumphal procession—the party that left St. Paul under arches of roses after unlimited champagne and came back a week later, Villard's power gone, with beer the only drink and abuse in the place of arches. Nearly all of the oriental magnates who have crossed on the road Sherwood has dined and wined. He had Kipling under his charge in 1890 when that writer, then unknown to fame, took the passage from west to east on the long journey from India to Egypt, and that he has never retraced. He took Rufus Hatch and a party of 110 New York brokers on their famous free excursion from Chicago to the Yellowstone in 1883, when, it is of record, more wine was consumed than during any transcontinental route before or since. Possible investors in western railroad stocks and bonds, mines, towns, syndicates, etc., for whom it was desired to make a most favorable introduction into the promised land, have been plicted westward and back by Sherwood, and many times.

Mr. Sherwood expects to pass 15 or 20 more years in transcontinental service, and he has an ambition to cover 5,000,000 miles before he starts out to see the rest of the world on his own account.—Minneapolis Letter in New York Sun.

A Puzzling Situation.

"As it seems the fad," said the old practitioner, "I'll just relate one of my earlier experiences in the profession.

"I first swung my shingle in northern Indiana. At that time it was largely made up of tamarack swamps, and the doctor that was supplied with whisky and quinine didn't need much else. You can appreciate that it did not require a great jurist to serve as justice of the peace. I had been elected prosecuting attorney and was chock full of ambition.

"I had not been in office 30 days when two men in southern Michigan had an ugly quarrel over a line fence. One of them introduced a gun into the argument, and the other came sprinting into Hoosierdom like an express train. He stopped on receiving a load of buckshot in the shoulder, and his enemy was just curious enough to follow and ascertain the damage.

"The shooter was promptly arrested and taken before the justice of the township to be given a preliminary hearing. There it was proved beyond any chance to squirm that the gun had been fired in Michigan and the shot had taken effect in Indiana. If there had been an attempt to commit great bodily injury, the attempt was conceived and made in Michigan. If this bodily injury had resulted, it was in Indiana.

"You can readily conceive, gentlemen, how that justice was twisted and tangled on the question of jurisdiction. He was a combative representative of the blind goddess, and, as I had done as much as any one else to keep him guessing, he simply ordered the prisoner released. The shooter and the shootee became reconciled, and that ended the affair."—Detroit Free Press.

A Little Known Company.

The Merchant Venturers is a Bristol company which is comparatively little known to the world at large, although it is a very old corporation, dating back to the reigns of Edward VI, from whom its charter is derived.

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The history of the company in its later period demonstrates the fact, to which attention has been drawn by the poet, that "many a rose is born to blush unseen and waste its sweetness on the desert air."—London Tit-Bits.

A Bit of Diplomacy.

"Yes," said Mrs. Gimp as the door closed behind the new maid, "she's the most reliable girl I ever engaged. Of course she isn't a beauty"—

"Well, I don't know about that," interrupted Mr. Gimp with some suddenness. "It depends a good deal upon what you consider beauty. The girl has a lovely eye, hasn't she, Briggs?"

"A fine eye," says Briggs.

"And a beautifully rounded arm. Did you notice her arm, Briggs?"

"It was a nice arm," said Briggs.

At this moment Mrs. Gimp arose suddenly and left the apartment.

"I say," said Briggs, "what in thunder"—

"Listen!" said Mr. Gimp.

The sound of voices in altercation came from the direction of the kitchen.

"Mrs. Gimp is discharging the new girl," said Mr. Gimp, with a smile of satisfaction.—Pearson's Weekly.

Simple.

The Electrical World says that a certain little mechanical device is called in Germany "Automatischesplegelglassplattenblitzschutzvorrichtung." "As its name clearly indicates, it is an apparatusforprotectingagainstlightningconsistingofplateofmirrorglassvotingautomatically. In this country we are in the habit of calling this simple device a 'cut out.'"

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HUGO'S DRAWINGS.

The Famous French Author Might Have Been a Great Painter.

It will not be without interest to say a word or two with regard to the drawings of Victor Hugo. We shall find some excellent specimens hanging in the billiard room. Victor Hugo drew with passionate enthusiasm, and this enthusiasm passed from his brain into the least line he drew. He had besides this an instinct for the dramatic; he found it everywhere—in the tempest, in the calm, in a tuft of grass as well as in the sidereal immensities. This perpetual consciousness of the dramatic in everything was so natural to him that if he took a sheet of paper, a little black coffee and the end of a match he could, by looking into his own imagination, that transformer of memory, draw in quick succession, as if from life, the dramatic pictures which followed one another there.

There is only one other man who possessed to so great a degree this faculty for creating the fantastic and visionary. This was Gustave Dore. But the fantastic of Dore is commonplace and without dignity, whereas that of Hugo is superb and original. And why? Without doubt because Hugo was transmuting his own particular dreams, while Dore realized those of all the world.

There is no scientific skill in the vulgar sense in Hugo's drawings, but a spontaneous creativeness, contemptuous of all rule and of everything ever seen before. It is the vigorous and pure expression of the idea predominating for the moment in his mind, the only one, because of its very intensity, and this spontaneity is carried to such a degree that almost all these drawings seem to have been done by the light of a flash of lightning. Add to this that this man, so adept with his hands and persevering, brought an immense amount of concentration and skill to bear upon his works, which gave them the air of things materially rare. These observations seem to me to explain why Victor Hugo, in his manifestations as a graphic artist, remains an inimitable master and of power equal to that which he displayed in a literary direction.—G. Jeanniot in Scribner's.

TRAINING THE DEAF.

Habits Formed In the Earliest Classes Are of Fundamental Importance.

The first few months of the school life are devoted chiefly to exercises for the development and training of those senses still possessed by the child, which must do the work of the missing sense in addition to their own and in cultivating in him the habits of obedience, attention and concentration, without which he can make no progress. The attention on the part of the deaf child in the classroom must be closer than is required of a hearing pupil, for if his eyes wander from the teacher's lips he immediately loses the connection, since his ears do not tell him what is being said. The habits formed in the earliest classes are of fundamental importance, and a great responsibility rests upon the teachers of the lowest grades.

Before the actual teaching of speech the attention of the child must be aroused, his interest awakened, the spirit of observation, imitation and obedience cultivated, and the senses of sight and touch rendered alert. This is attained by a series of introductory exercises nearly in the form of play. The games are arranged to train the sight to rapid and accurate recognition of objects, colors, number, forms and movements and to develop in the sense of touch a swift and delicate discrimination between forms, surfaces, textures, weights and finally vibrations. The eyes must do the work of the ears in comprehending the speech of others, and the tactile sense must come to the rescue in the training and guiding of the pupil's own organs of speech. The ability to distinguish differences of vibration by touch is the objective point of all tactile training, and the exercises bearing directly upon this are conducted with musical instruments, such as the guitar, zither and piano and then applied to the vibrations of the voice as felt in the chest, throat and head.—John Dutton Wright in Century.

Dancing In Hungary.

It was the first time I had ever attempted to dance the czardas, though I had seen it performed on the stage and in the villages scores of times before. However, we started off in great style, and the adagio movement proved easy enough. The music grew quicker and quicker; the dancers whirled and twirled and pirouetted. So did I. My feet kept time, and I filled in the interstices with all the ballet steps imaginable. The others left off one after the other, but still my partner went on, under the impression that I wanted to dance him down. The gypsies played as though they were possessed. I grew breathless; the perspiration rolled down my partner's brown cheeks and fell off on to his white shirt in big drops. "Nagy faradt, nagy faradt!" I gasped, meaning to say I was very tired, though not saying exactly what I meant. He, poor man, took this as a great compliment and only danced on the harder. I dared not stop, because the countess had warned me beforehand that I must get through the dances somehow or it would create offense. Each time we passed near them I shrieked: "Do stop him! I shall be dead!" But they were enjoying the scene, and the more eccentric my steps became the louder grew the buzz of admiration. The peasants thought it must be the latest fashion. At last the count insinuated that it was enough, some one signed to the gypsies to stop, and I dropped into a chair exhausted.—H. Ellen Browning in "Wanderings In Hungary."

Paid In His Own Coin.

The obsequious European person who seeks fees from travelers by pretending to take them for members of the nobility occasionally meets an American tourist who fails to fall into his trap.

An American gentleman of somewhat imposing personal appearance had a door opened for him at the Paris Opera House by an ouvreur, or usher, who bowed low and said:

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THAMESVILLE.

Feb. 8.—The social under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian church on Friday evening, was a decided success. The spacious parlors of Mrs. Ripley's residence were crowded. There was a good program consisting of solos, duets, recitations, etc. Among those who took part were Miss Lavelle, of Chatham, Miss Raiser, Miss Jennie Lowrie, and W. J. Miller. Addresses were also given by Rev. Mr. Sherwood, Rev. Mr. Becket, John Davidson and A. E. Cameron. Refreshments were then served, after which a very happy hour was spent in social chat, charades and other games. "A very enjoyable evening," was the verdict of every one in attendance.

There was no skating on Saturday night owing to the mild weather.

The Ridgetown curlers are simply not in it when trying conclusions with our Scotchmen, as they were defeated by 39 shots when playing with them on Friday.

Miss Maggie McPherson is visiting friends in Bothwell.

John Purdom, of Detroit, is here for a few days.

Reeve Sayer has announced by posters that collectors have been appointed to canvass the town and vicinity in behalf of the India Relief Fund, and also that contributions might be enclosed in envelopes and put on the collection plates in the different churches on Sunday, 14th Feb.

On Saturday the oil company had just reached a very interesting depth and splendid indications of oil were being brought up when something went wrong with the machinery, and great will be the suspense until work is resumed.

Miss Belle Ferguson returned on Saturday from a few days visit to Blenheim.

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Ottawa, Feb. 7.—(Special.)—The executive of the Canadian Military Rifle League has decided that owing to the uncertainty as to what arm will be adopted at Bisley this year, and the delay in the general issue in Canada of the new Lee-Enfield rifle, the league will hold its matches on very much the same lines, as last year. If possible, however, the Snider will be dropped.

A certificate for marksmen has been approved of and adopted. It will be a very handsome thing, quite a work of art, in fact, and will be issued in two classes. That of first-class marksmanship will be of the greatest difficulty to obtain. The second class, while less difficult, will be by no means easy of capturing. It is a steel engraving, printed by the British America Bank Note Company, and will be given in addition to the issue of badges. Its issue will be authorized by the Department of Militia and Defence, and will probably be signed by the Minister and the Major-General commanding.

Although not yet definitely decided upon, the prizes given by the league will be of sterling silver, not plate, but other pieces suitable for regimental messes. In connection with this year's matches some anxiety exists in regard to Martini ammunition. It is said that now there are something less than 1,000,000 rounds in the country, which includes some 350,000 rounds of imported cartridges which have been found by experience to be faulty.

SEVEN MONTHS' ACCOUNTS.

The statement of revenue and expenditure for the seven months ending Jan. 31 was published in The Canada Gazette yesterday. The figures for the seven months in each year are as follows:

	1896.	1897.
Customs	$11,530,272	$10,843,513
Excise	4,724,034	5,712,682
Postoffice	1,723,857	1,786,844
Public works and railways	2,183,558	2,150,950
Miscellaneous	857,867	1,005,210
Total	$21,020,209	$20,499,210
Expenditure	$19,499,716	$20,502,226
Surplus for 1896	$1,521,493.	
Deficit for 1897,	$3016.	

In round figures there is a decrease in the revenue of $500,000 below last year and an increase in the expenditure of $1,000,000, a difference of a million and a half. The net debt increased by $3,252,471.

Thomas Walter Horn, Thomas Pennycuick and John Greer of Toronto, John M. Ewen and Henry M. Bacon of Chicago are seeking incorporation as the Luxfer Prism Company, to manufacture and deal in prismatic glass and other devices in glass goods.

Claims are before the Customs Department for rebate of duty on the raw material used in the construction of iron bridges along the line of the Canadian Pacific Railway. This was part of the Government's contract with the C.P.R., and it was agreed that the substitution of iron for woodenwork constituted original construction. The men who supplied the material ask a rebate of something like $20 per ton.

The Marine Department has been notified by the owners of the steamer Sir S. L. Tilley that she struck last fall, when drawing 14 feet of water, about half a mile from the outer light and on the alignment of the range lights at Port Colborne. Mr. Stewart, in charge of the hydrographic survey, reports that this shoal is situated 2650 feet s.s.w. 1-4 w. from the main light, and has on it at present only 12 feet of water. It lies only 100 feet to westward of the alignment of lights.

A new set of regulations has been established by Order-in-Council governing the ferrying across the Ottawa River at Pembroke. The limit extends five miles up and down stream, and a boat must be maintained 80 feet in length and two sureties of $1000 must be given the Inland Revenue Department for the contract covering five years.

Hon. Sydney Fisher, who was unable to go to Winnipeg to the tariff settlings on account of pressure of business in his department preparing for the session, will be unable to go to the agricultural meetings there from the 15th to the 19th for the same reason. He, however, expects to go west next summer.

The Lighthouse Board of the United States has notified the Marine Department that on the opening of navigation a 10-inch steam whistle will be established at the light station on Tibbet's Point, south side of the head of the St. Lawrence River, to sound during thick or foggy weather blasts of three seconds duration, separated by silent intervals of 87 seconds.

Richard Pope, Deputy Commissioner of Patents, died this morning after a brief illness. He was formerly Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, but was transferred to the Patents branch in 1887 after the racket about gazetting of members. John A. Barron, ex-M.P., will succeed to the Deputy Commissionership if his campaign of solicitation, started about three weeks ago, is effective. The position is worth $3200 a year.

The proclamation summoning Parliament to meet for the despatch of business on Thursday, March 11, was issued yesterday.

The Board of Examiners for Dominion Land Surveyors meets here tomorrow.

F. Colquhoun has been appointed Collector of Customs at Waterloo, succeeding R. Y. Fish, resigned.

Captain Spain, Commandant of the Fishery Protection Service, returned from the Maritime Provinces yesterday, where he arranged for the repairs needed to Canadian cruisers.

The Welland Power and Supply Canal Co., Ltd., will ask Parliament for an extension of time in which to commence construction.

Lack of snow is seriously hampering lumbering operations.

Another request was received at the Maritime Department yesterday from an American fishing schooner for permission to buy provisions to enable her to reach home. It was the schooner Harry H. of Gloucester, which put into Liverpool, N.S., in distress.

Full particulars concerning the Tennessee Continental Exposition are published in The Canada Gazette by Order-in-Council for the information of intending individual exhibitors. It opens May 1, and closes Oct. 30, of this year.

Dr. Grenfell of the Deep Sea Mission lectured to a large audience here last evening.

Their Excellencies are leaving very shortly for Nashville, Tenn., to be present at the marriage of Lady Aberdeen's brother, Mr. A. Majoribanks, to Miss M. Brown of that city.

The Merchants' Credit Indemnity Association of Canada will seek incorporation from Parliament next session.

CHIGNECTO. RAILWAY.

Mr. Provand and Other Shareholders Complain Against the Canadian Government

Ottawa, Feb. 7.—(Special.)—The Government has received a full report of the recent meeting in London of shareholders of the Chignecto Marine Transport Railway. Evidently these gentlemen are not well pleased with the late Conservative Government. Mr. Provand, M.P. for Blackfriars, Glasgow, who has frequently visited Ottawa on the company's behalf, and was here last autumn, in the course of his remarks said he obtained in 1882 from the Government an Order-in-Council, promising that, if the company could satisfy them that they were in a position to go on with the work, a recommendation to pass the necessary legislation would be made to Parliament. Ever since then he had been engaged in a struggle to get the Canadian Government to carry out that promise. Towards the close of 1894 the Canadian Finance Minister (Mr. Foster) came to London. A deputation waited on him, and he promised that immediately on his return to Canada the matter would be settled, and added that the Government would not look on the question in a strictly legal sense but that they would consider the moral and equitable grounds on which the company based their claims for reinstatement.

Owing to various circumstances that promise was not fulfilled, and when the late Government went out of office no settlement had been arrived at. On bringing the question before the present Government soon after their accession to office, he was informed that no immediate reply could be given as to what they would do, but that before Parliament met a reply should be sent to his representations. It was with that understanding that he left the matter in the hands of the committee of the Cabinet. On obtaining an Order-in-Council as late as last May, promising the necessary legislation to reinstate the company, the board, feeling that, whatever change of Government might take place, it would not affect the position of the company, expended certain sums of money for the purpose of preserving the works. They believed that any Government going into office would respect an Order-in-Council granted by a previous Government, and so they undertook certain necessary engineering preparations, with the result that they had run short of funds for wages, etc., and required to raise a sum of £800 to meet all liabilities incurred up to the end of the month of January, 1897. When in Canada he visited the works, and found that, generally speaking, they were in an excellent state of preservation. The hydraulic machinery, which was in houses at each end of the line, was apparently in the same condition as when left there by the contractors some years ago. The only changes that had taken place were in the earth works, which were weather worn by exposure to four winters. Some cement was damaged, and a number of sleepers had become unsound, but these were trifling matters, and a few thousand pounds would replace everything.

Several stockholders spoke. A Mr. Van Raalte observed that many of them had been for a long time familiar with the way in which foreign enterprises were financed, but no one could recall any instance in which a body of investors had been treated as they had been by the Canadian Government. Various acts of Parliament were passed in order to obtain the money for the railway in London, and they had heard from Mr. Provand how the terms of the subsidy were altered in order to secure the necessary capital. There was no promotion of any kind in this country in reference to the Chignecto Ship Railway. It came to them entirely promoted by the Canadian Government and the Canadian people. The case was one of the most painful that investors in London had ever experienced. They had all heard statements from Canadians that the people of this country did not invest in Canada to anything like the extent that they did in other colonies. These statements had really been made in the form of a complaint, but how was it possible that English people could be expected to invest their money in a country when, in an enterprise promoted by the Canadian Government and people, and introduced here in the same way as a Government loan would be, they were subjected to such treatment as they had to complain of in connection with this company? It was quite certain no investor who heard of the way in which the bondholders and shareholders of the Chignecto Ship Railway had been treated would invest in any Canadian business in the future until they had been fairly dealt with. Up to the present time very little had been said in this country regarding the conduct of the Canadian Government with the Chignecto Campany, but he hoped that until such time as the matter was settled it would be kept prominently before the public. From what he could hear of the present Canadian Prime Minister, he entertained the hope that before long the causes of their complaint would be removed.

After some further discussion, the following resolution was carried unanimously: "That, having heard from Mr. Provand an account of the present position of the claims of the company which are now before a committee of the Privy Council of Canada for report, it is resolved that this meeting of bondholders and shareholders of the Chignecto Marine Transport Company is unanimously of opinion that the claims of the company on the Government of Canada for the re-enactment of the subsidy cannot, consistently with good faith on the part of the Government and Legislature of Canada, be any longer refused or delayed, and that Mr. Provand be requested to use his exertions to press upon the present administration the strong feelings of the meeting in regard to the present position of this question."

Anent Mr. Van Raalte's remarks there is this to be said: The Canadian Parliament passed the subsidy on the express understanding that the works were to be completed within a given time. The company failed to carry out its part of the bargain, and, therefore, it is difficult to see what obligation rests on Canada to grant an extension of time.

The Fireman Was Killed

Williamsport, Pa., Feb. 6.—A passenger train on the Fall Brook Railroad jumped from the rails this afternoon near Cedar Run Station about five miles northwest of Williamsport. Three cars rolled over a 12-foot embankment into the bed of Pine Creek. Andrew Husted, the fireman, jumped from the engine and was killed. No other person was seriously injured. There were only five passengers on the train at the time.

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WILL THERE BE WAR?

All Europe Agitated Over the Egyptian Affair.

French Papers Speak Out Angrily—German Newspapers Indicate That the Fatherland is in Sympathy With Great Britain in the Matter—A General Warming Up in Political Circles in England—Comments of New York Correspondents.

London, Feb. 6.—(Special Cable Letter.)—"The mischievous and dangerous language of menace and defiance towards France and Russian"; that is how Sir William Harcourt, the responsible leader of the Opposition, characterized Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's remarkable outburst in the House of Commons last night in the Egyptian debate. The outburst throws a fresh firebrand upon the flames of European jealousies, and makes a concentrated effort to coerce the Sultan ten times more difficult. France, supported by Russia, he suggested in so many words, had influened the mixed Court of Appeal to deny Egypt the power to repay the cost of the Dongola expedition out of the reserve fund, but "England was not to be worried out of her policy by such hindrances and difficulties." Next year, when the revision of the mixed tribunals falls due, it will be a grave question whether the tribunals shall be allowed thus to usurp authority.

"We are," he added, amid great Tory cheering, "in occupation of Egypt. Our payment for the expedition is rather calculated to proleng than shorten our occupation. This season our troops will move forward from Dongola to Abu Hamud, afterwards possibly beyond; how far I do no think it right to say. Meanwhile, a railroad will be run from Waddy Halfa to Abu-Hamed." He ended by moving a resolution granting the sum of £788,000 to meet the total cost of the Anglo-Egyptian expedition to Dongola, including the maintenance of the garrisons at Suakim and elsewhere in the Soudan, and the Indian troops in Egypt, which Great Britain would pay. This was adopted by a vote of 169 to 57.

Mr. George Curzon, speaking later, added the startling assertion that Italy first proposed the Dongola expedition. Much must be allowed for a Chancellor of the Exchequer who is forced to pay half a million sterling in the face of his own pledge that the expedition would not cost the British taxpayer one farthing. Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, moreover, is suffering from bronchial catarrah, which may explain the aggressive manner of a Minister who always has been regarded as a strong element of moderation and common sense in the Cabinet.

Apart from the Egyptian debate this has been a stormy week in English politics. The Ministry secured the first reading of the new Church Schools' Relief Bill by closure, and the party majority which the Irish Roman Catholics helped to swell, but many Goverament supporters, while answering the party whip, have not hidden their resentment at the whole method and policy of the measure. The church party say that the state grant of five shillings per child is quite inadequate to enable the church schools to keep pace with the rate-aided board schools. Especially they resent the fact that the $3,300,000 which the bill grants will not be received during the current financial year, the Chancellor of the Exchequer having, as Sir Charles Dilke said, sunk in the sands of the Soudan, the money pledged to the church at the last session. They accuse the Government of breach of faith, inasmuch as Parliament was summoned early expressly to secure immediate relief for the church schools.

London is to be fortified against a possible invasion by forces landing on the southern coast. The plan of fort works dates as far back as the time of the Duke of Wellington, but has been revived by Lord Wolseley and other military authorities, and adapted to the changes of modern warfare. The military works will provides for the construction of a chain of fort works from the Southern Downs to the heights on the south of London, on which Crystal Palace is a conspicuous object. The scheme includes barracks and other military work. The cost, which will be something formidable for the Treasury to face, will be met by advances from the consolidated fund, to be repaid by instalments extending over 20 years.

FRANCE IS WRATHY.

Over Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's Rash Words—Challenge Must Be Accepted

Paris, Feb. 6.—The Paris press are greatly excited over the speech delivered in the British House of Commons yesterday by Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, regarding Egypt. The Journal says:

"The insolent challenge thrown to France and Russia ought to be taken up."

The Autorite says: "England disdains and defies France, and Russia will continue to do so until both of these powers resort to the sword."

La Libre Parole says: "The reply to England's challenge must be action, not mere words."

OPINION IN GERMANY.

Britain Believed to Have the Support of the Fatherland.

Berlin, Feb. 6.—Official and newspaper opinions in Germany regarding the renewed strain between France and England with complete equanimity and the declarations concerning Egypt made by Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, the British Chancellor of the Exchequer in the House of Commons in London yesterday, are attributed to that gentleman's knowledge that England has the support of Germany, Austria and Italy in regard to her occupation of Egypt.

The Hamburg correspondent in an article on the subject gives expression to the opinion generally entertained in Berlin, when it says that France has no legal right to force England to evacuate Egypt, even if all the great powers should back her up. But, the papers adds, the powers will do nothing of the kind, for the reason that they have no interest in England's welfare, and even Russia, though for reasons of policy, she has joined France in an entente, will go no further than she has already gone. Concerning the attitude of Russia toward Egypt, The St. Petersburg Novoe Vreunya says that Russia intends to confine herself to piecing the Suez Canal under international control; otherwise she has no interest in Egypt.

Speaking of the attitude of the Austro-Hungarian government, The Pesther Lloyd in an inspired communication from Vienna, expresses regret that the line of the Franco-Russian entente menaces the concord of the powers at the very time when a perfect harmony is most urgently needed.

"The effect will likely be," the paper adds, "to defeat a solution of the difficulties in Turkey and we must now exert every effort to restore the harmony between France and Great Britain."

The adhesion of Germany and England to a common policy in regard to Egypt, it had been hoped, would lead to an abatement of aggression in the Transvaal, but advices received here announce the occurrence of a serious split between Dr. Leyds, the Secretary of State of the South African Republic, and President Kruger, which advices furnish an explanation for the reported intention of Dr. Leyds to resign his office. Dr. Leyds has a large number of followers, and according to the despatches the prediction is freely made that he will obtain a Boer majority in favor of the Anglo-Boer convention, which will give the Transvaal Government absolute control over itself.

The Vossische Zeitung publishes a despatch from its correspondent in Pretoria which says that the fort works which have been in course of construction around the Boar capital are now being pushed forward to completion with feverish haste.

The despatch also says that distrust of England is increasing everywhere in the Transvaal, and a rapidly increasing war feeling has set in.

NEW YORK CORRESPONDENTS

Have No Lengthy Comments, But Write Briefly for U. S Readers.

New York, Feb. 7.—Correspondents of the leading papers pay especial attention to the speech of Sir Michael Hicks-Beach in the House of Commons on Friday.

In his special cable to The Sun Mr. Chamberlain says: "The Egyptian situation was at last put before the world in plain language by the Chancellor of the Exchequer in his speech announcing the intentions of the British Government. He spoke with unconcealed contempt of the decision of the mixed tribunal ordering return to the Treasury of the money advanced for the Nile expedition, and forthwith declared that Great Britain was fully determined to take Khartoum. Moreover, he gave notice to the world, with significant emphasis, that when England made up her mind what was the right policy in regard to Egypt, she would not be 'worried out or it' by such difficulties as a refusal of money." Harold Frederic, in his special cable to The Times, says: "Sir William Harcourt is not alone in the belief that it will be estimated as a downright defiance of France and will prove displeasing to Russia. This untimely utterance, which practically says 'Hands off' to France, however cleverly it may subsequently be explained away, may prove to have an upsetting effect on the conference of the Ambassadors at Constantinople."

Mr. Isaac N. Ford says of the speech, in his special cable to The Tribune: "It was sober and terse, but courageous and firm. Altogether it was a bold and resolute speech, with a sterling English ring and with a defiant note, which could hardly fail to cause intense irritation in France. Sir William Harcourt, Mr. John Morley and Sir Charles Dilke condemned it as dangerous and imprudent and provocative of evil results; but when the subject had been debated with great heat the financial vote was carried by a rousing majority. The Government, with their great majority and petty policies need courageous leadership like Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's, with its lucid common sense and direct appeal to English pride."

MORE FIGHTING IN CRETE.

Great Excitement in the Chamber at Athens—British Warships and Greek Troops Ordered Forward.

Athens, Feb. 6.—The galleries of the Chamber of Deputies were filled with members and spectators when that body was called to order to-day, and intense excitement prevailed. Several deputies at once offered resolutions calling upon the Government to actively intervene in Crete in order that further massacres of Christians in that island might be prevented.

Premier Delyannis replied that the Foreign Office had received despatches confirming the reports that the city of Canea was in flames, and that many Christians there had been killed, and assured the chamber that the Government would do their duty in the matter.

British Warships for Crete

London, Feb. 6.—Several British warships of the Mediterranean squadron have been ordered to proceed to Crete at once in view of the renewal of disturbances.

More Fighting.

Athens, Feb. 7.—A despatch from Canea to The Asty states that incessant rifle and cannon firing was heard outside Canea yesterday and today, and that the Turkish troops took part in the fighting, using artillery. Many Christians were killed. It is reported that the Christians have captured the arsenal at Suda. The Asty's correspondent adds that he saw Moslems pillaging the bankers' quarter in Canea and killing and mutilating Epirot bankers.

Later Reports

London, Feb. 7.—Advices from Canea, Crete, the scene of the disturbances between the Christians and Mussulmans, say that the city is quiet today, though the situation is still serious. The latest reports declare that there has been no massacre of Christians and that the fighting was less fatal than was supposed. The British Consul at Canea reports that thirty Christians were killed.

A despatch from Athens to the Central News says that the Greek Government has asked the Chamber to grant a credit of 100,000 drachmas to be devoted to the support of the Cretans who are fleeing to Greece owing to the disturbances in Crete.

Prince George, second son of the King of Greece, will command the Grecian torpedo fleet, which is in readiness to start for Crete.

The Standard's Athens correspondent telegraphs that sailors were landed from the foreign vessels in the harbor of Canea to prevent the entire destruction of that city by the incendiary fires that were started on Friday. The flames were not subdued until they had burned for 36 hours. The despatch adds that a number of Turks, aided by the troops, have marched to Halepa, which place is defended by Christians. With the exception of Canea, Retimo and Heraklion, nearly the whole island is reported to be in possession of armed Christians, who were only awaiting a signal from Greece to proclaim the union of Crete with Greece.

DEAD IN HIS OFFICE.

Dr. Lamniman of Bowmanville Found Dead on His Couch—Evidently an Overdose of Chloral.

Bowmanville, Ont., Feb. 7.—Dr. Lamniman, one of our most prominent physicians, was found dead in his office this morning. He was last seen alive on Friday. This morning his brother-in-law, Mr. Ellis of Solina, came in to see him, and, being unable to get any trace of him around town or get into his office, the front door being locked, got access through Mr. McLean's house and found the doctor lying dead on his couch. Dr. Hillier was at once summoned, and said he must have been dead since Friday night, evidently from an overdose of chloral, as some was found on his table, not wholly dissolved, also a bottle of the same medicine close at hand.

The coroner, Dr. Mitchell of Enniskillen, was notified, but decided from evidence given that an inquest was not necessary. The deceased was about 38 years old, and has been practising in Bowmanville for about ten years, formerly in partnership with Dr. Hillier. He was a prominent Mason, and his death will be sincerely regretted all through this district, as the doctor was universally esteemed.

QUEBEC ELECTIONS.

The Date of Their Bringing on Not Yet Announced—Candidates Being Put in the Field.

Quebec, Feb. 6.—It is expected that the date for the Provincial elections will be decided upon by the Government next week.

Hon. H. R. A. Turcotte has been offered the Liberal candidature for Three Rivers County. He has also been offered the direction of the party in that district, but has not yet signified his acceptance.

Mr. Duhamel, notary, of L'Assomption, has been chosen as the Liberal standard-bearer in that constituency.

"What do you suppose caused the natives to think that little Billy had a wife up in the city?"

"Oh, from his happy, careless manner, they naturally judged that he was freed for the time being from some weight on his mind."

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BUSINESS IN ENGLAND.

A Montreal Banker Says the Old Land is Prosperous—Canadian Credit Good.

Montreal, Feb. 7.—(Special.)—Mr. Edwin Hanson of the banking firm of Hanson Bros., St. James'-street, arrived home by the Majestic.

"In England trade is very fair," said the Montreal banker, "and the railway companies, bankers and shopkeepers have had a very good year.

"I should judge," he continued, "that the emigration agent would have a more arduous task now in Britain than for many years past, owing to the fact that the people over there are doing fairly well."

Continuing, Mr. Hanson states that general satisfaction is expressed at the recent signing of the Anglo-American Arbitration Treaty, and business people especially express the hope that it will be ratified by the American Congress.

"What about Canadian affairs?" Mr. Hanson was asked.

"There is a good deal of interest," he replied, "in financial circles over the probable fiscal and general policy of the Laurier Government. So far the new Government had done very little that would put them in bad odor with the Imperial authorities or with the public mind of Great Britain. On the contrary, I find that a very good opinion prevails as regards Hon. Mr. Laurier, and when the Canadian Premier makes his visit to the Old Land, as the guest of the British nation he will be accorded a very hearty reception both from the Government and from the people of England.

"The mines of British Columbia are also the subject of very great interest on all sides, while the Crow's Nest road has become a live question amongst British capitalists and those who look for the speedy development of the Pacific Province."

Mr. Hanson also referred to another question which had been much discussed in London since Mr. Provand's return, and that is the Chignecto Ship Railway. There is a pretty general feeling, he says, that the Canadian Government, after pledging itself to the scheme, should see that it is carried out. "You will understand," he said, "that anything smacking of repudiation finds little encouragement in Great Britain."

Mr. Hanson's chief mission to England was in connection with the conversion of the Quebec city debt, which has had the very greatest success. So good, in fact, did the credit of the Ancient Capital appear in the eyes of the English bondholders that not one out of twenty-five wanted their money, but preferred instead to invest in the new issue.

"England," he concluded, "has the strongest faith in Canada and I believe she has also a greater faith in Canadian than American honor."

MASKED ROBBERS

In a Most Daring Way Hold Up Two Walkerville Merchants—Get Nearly $200.

Detroit, Feb. 7.—Two of the most daring robberies that ever occurred in Western Ontario took place in Walkerville last night. A few minutes before 9 o'clock a man, wearing a mask, entered the general store of J. H. Luxford, on Wyandotte-street, and, pulling a revolver from his pocket, presented it at the heads of the astonished proprietor and his clerk, at the same time demanding in a low voice that they hand over all the money in their possession. About $75 was poured into the fellow's hands.

While this was transpiring, a scene precisely similar was being enacted in the meat shop of Whiteside Bros., next door. The two stores are practically under the same roof. John Whiteside, the senior partner, was alone in his store, and the robber had no difficulty in securing what cash there was in the till, amounting to about $120. As though by preconcerted arrangement, both men left the stores at exactly the same time and met just outside. They jumped into a waiting buggy and drove rapidly out the Walker-road. As soon as the men had left Mr. Luxford started out to give the alarm and was met by Mr. Whiteside, also bound on the same errnd. Chief Constable Griffith of Walkerville and Chief Wills of Windsor were notified by telephone, and men were put on duty at the ferry docks to see that no suspicious characters crossed the river. Detective Campau also started out to look for the robbers, but up to a late hour nothing had been seen or heard of them. But little description of the men can be obtained. They are said to have been about 5 feet 10 inches in height, and were dressed in dark clothes. Both wore heavy overcoats. The whole affair occupied but a very few minutes, and from the time the robbers entered the stores until they took their departure could not have been over a couple of minutes.

Died in Australia.

Guelph, Feb. 7.—Word was received by Mr. Samuel Terrell by letter this morning from Melbourne, Australia, of the death from inflammation of the lungs of Mr. Thomas Graham, which occurred about a month ago. It will be remembered that the deceased went to Australia many years ago as a book agent for Mr. Lyon with Mr. Beney and several others, and was quite successful in his enterprise. Deceased was 41 years of age. His mother is still living in the city, his father, the late William Graham, having died about a year ago.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Flour—Trade is quiet and prices are unchanged. Straight rollers are quoted at $3.75 to $3.80.

Bran—Trade quiet, with bran quoted outside west at $7 to $7.50, and shorts at $8.

Wheat—The wheat market is quiet and prices are rather firmer. Red winter wheat is quoted at 76c and white at 77c west. No. 1 Manitoba hard sold at 90c, Toronto freight, but it generally held higher. At Midland it is quoted at 88c.

Buckwheat—Trade is dull, with car lots quoted at 25c to 26c outside.

Barley—The market is quiet. No. 1 quoted at 32c, No. 2 at 27c to 28c, No. 3 extra at 24c, and No. 4 at 22c.

Oats—Market is unchanged, with sales of white at 17½c to 18c west, and mixed is quoted at 16½c.

Peas—Trade quiet and prices unchanged, there being sales north and west at 29c, and at 40c, middle freights.

Corn—The market is steady, with new mixed selling at 20c to 21c west.

Rye—The market is dull, with fair offering. Cars are quoted at 34c.

Oatmeal—The market is quiet and prices unchanged. Car lots, $2.85 to $3.

BRITISH MARKETS.

Liverpool, Feb. 6.—Spring wheat, 6s 6d to 6s 8d; red, no stock; No. 1 Cal., 6s 7½d to 6s 8½d; corn 2s 7½; peas, 4s 5½d; pork, 46s 3d; lard, 20s 0d; bacon, l.c., heavy, 25s 6d; do. light, 24s 6d; do., s.c. heavy, 22s 6d; tallow, 18s 0d; cheese, white and colored, 50s.

Liverpool—Close—Spot wheat quiet; futures steady at 6s 4d for March, 6s 4¼d for April and 6s 5¾d for July. Maize quiet at 2s 7½d for Feb. and March, 2s 8¼d for April, 2s 8½d for May, and 2s 9½d for July. Flour 22s 6d.

London—Close—Wheat off coast buyers and sellers apart, on passage steadier. Maize quiet and steady.

Paris—Wheat quiet at 22f 80c for March. Flour 47f 60c for March.

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