

Births, Marriages, Deaths

MARRIED.
DULMAGE-MUTCH—At Chatham, Aug. 31, by the Rev. T. H. Larkin, Mr. Sidney D. Dulmage to Miss Frances Mutch, both of this city.
McDONALD—MONK—On Wednesday, Sept. 21, 1898, at the residence of the groom's parents, 25 Benson street, Ingersoll, by the Rev. Mr. Thompson, Anglican clergyman, Mr. D. E. McDonald to Miss F. Monk.
DEATH.
GRIEVE—On Thursday, Sept. 22, at the residence of her brother-in-law, A. Sharp, 119 Carling street, Jane Grieve.
Funeral on Saturday. Service 2:30; leaves 3 p.m. for Woodland Cemetery. Please omit flowers. Funeral private.

Amusements and Lectures

Advertisements under this heading, two cents per word, or ten cents per line, each insertion.
GRAND OPERA HOUSE
Hollis Stock Company
In Standard Repertoire.
Tonight, matinee tomorrow, and tomorrow night, "Camille." Prices 50c, 25c, 10c, and 5c. Matinee prices, 15c and 10c. Next attraction, "The Real Widow Brown." 40c.
AUDITORIUM TONIGHT—ARTHUR
Leon French, the Great American mimic and ventriloquist. Admission 50c. Reserved seats 25c.
TICKETS TO THE OLD COUNTRY VIA
Allan, Beaver and other lines; also Florida, Barbadoes, all West India Islands, Cuba, Porto Rico, and South America. I sell everywhere via water. F. B. Clarke's Ticket Office, Richmond street, next Advertiser.
FREE LECTURE—COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE, Friday evening, Sept. 23, Professor Weir, New York University, will give his famous lecture "The Place of the Ideal in Education." Public cordially invited. 45c.
SULPHUR SPRINGS—BATHS OPEN
daily. Hot and cold water. Every accommodation for bathers. Dundas street west, commencing for bathers. Dundas street west.
NEW SEASON—NEW ACADEMY—NEW
dances. Everything new and up-to-date at the New Palace Dancing Academy, 422 Richmond street, over Canadian Savings Bank. Opening date, Monday evening, Oct. 3, Dayton & McCormick.

Meetings

LONDON COUNCIL, NO. 23, ROYAL
Arcanum, will meet this (Friday) evening, at 8 o'clock, in Duffield Block.
S. O. E.—CHELSEA LODGE MEETS THIS
Friday evening. Visiting brothers welcome. A. E. Taylor, president.
PLEBISCITE—TWO PROHIBITION MASS
meetings to be addressed by Newton W. Howell. On Saturday, Sept. 24, at 8 p.m., citizens' meeting, for men only, will be held in the City Hall, at which discussion is specially invited. Mr. E. T. Essery and others will also speak. On Sunday, Sept. 25, at 3:30 p.m., mass meeting in the Grand Opera House. Everybody welcome at this meeting. Collection at the door on Sunday. 45c.
Domestics Wanted.
GENERAL SERVANT—WHERE NURSE
is kept. Apply 380 King street.
WANTED IMMEDIATELY—A COOK—
Apply to Mrs. Geo. C. Gibbons, Dufferin avenue.

Male Help Wanted

MAN OR WOMAN OF ENERGY AND
business ability to travel for established firm. \$25 a month and expenses. P. V. Ziegler & Co., 235 Locust street, Philadelphia, Pa.
WANTED AT ONCE—FOUR GOOD
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WANTED—SMART BOY—ABOUT 15—
PLY at 500 Mainland street. 45c.

Female Help Wanted

WANTED—LADIES TO EMBROIDER—
We send work to your home prepaid. Send address, envelope for one piece of embroidery with prices paid. If our terms or work are not to your liking you may return at our expense. Steady work and good pay. Empire Embroidery Works, 23 Duane street, New York. 45c.
FIRST-CLASS SKIRT AND WAIST
makers. Apply Miss Eveleigh, at John H. Chapman & Co. 41c.
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apprentices wanted. Apply Miss Eveleigh, with John H. Chapman & Co. 45c.

Agents Wanted

WANTED
AN EXPERIENCED CANVASSER
to call on private families, or lady or gentleman, well acquainted locally, on salary.
Apply
G. MARSHALL & CO.,
258 Dundas Street, London. 45c.

Wanted

WANTED—A TUBULAR BOILER—TEN
to twenty feet in length, not less than 33 inches diameter, in exchange for a 25 horse-power engine. Address Box 64, this office. 45c.
WANTED TO RENT—COTTAGE OR
room; rent about \$6; not far from street railway, not on railway lines; possession immediate. Address Box 63, this office. 45c.
WANTED TO BUY—500 GOOD SECOND-
HAND pants, suits, overcoats, etc. Highest prices paid. Joseph Fox, pawnbroker, 209 King street, opposite fire hall.
WANTED—\$1,000, FIRST MORTGAGE ON
two houses in city, at 5% per cent. For particulars apply to G. W. Winnett, Barrister, etc., 420 Taib street, London.
HIGHEST PRICE PAID FOR GENTLE
MEN'S cast-off clothing. A. P. Sainsbury, 50 King street. Mail orders attended to.

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Deeks & Co.,
TAILORS,
333 RICHMOND STREET.

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will not be greatly reduced through the purchasing of Footwear in our establishment. We believe in the spot-cash, close-profit system of doing business—that accounts for these low prices:
Workmen's Extra Solid Laced. \$1.00
Men's Medium Fine Solid Leather Laced, new toe. \$1.00
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J. P. Cook, 173 Dundas Street.

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STRAYED OR STOLEN FROM THE premises, let 15, con. 2, West Nisour, 7 head young cattle, as follows: 3-year-old heifers (1 red and 1 red and white). Anyone giving information that will lead to recovery of the same will be liberally rewarded. Address Robert Walker, Thorndale P.O. box 454.
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PARTIAL BOARD WANTED—OR PARTLY furnished rooms for light housekeeping, for a family of four. Address S. S. L., Advertiser office.

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ready for school opening. A complete line of 50 scribbles for 2c. R. V. S. SAUNDERS, 600 Dundas street, East London.
PORK SAUSAGE AND BOLOGNA—
Four pounds for 25c; superior hams, bacon, lard, butter, eggs, cheese and fruits. Lowest prices at Park's, corner Market Lane.
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134 Talbot street, between Carling street and Queen's avenue. All work done efficiently and at moderate prices. A supply of Medical Batteries.
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CUSTOM PAPERS OF ALL KINDS AL-
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partment. You can have them in large or small quantities.
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POSTERS—ALL STYLES—HANGERS
and rollers. Advertiser Job Department.
CATALANO & SANSONE—FRESH BA-
NANAS have commenced to arrive daily. Could give very low price on quantities (whole sale or retail); lemons and oranges also. 200 Dundas street. 45c.

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ONLY \$300 DOWN OR SECURED
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house, 242 King street, 8 rooms, city and soft water. Apply at 185 Dundas street. 45c.
FARM FOR SALE—WESTMINSTER—
con. 2, lot 10, 105 acres, 5 miles from London; this farm is all. Apply Joseph McDougal, Pond Mills, Ont. 35c.
HOUSE NO. 46 QUEEN STREET, AND
large lot, with stable and henhouse, to rent or sell, on monthly, quarterly or half-yearly payments to suit purchaser. Interest 5 per cent per annum on unpaid purchase money. Apply Tennent, McDonagh & Co., 78 Dundas street, London.
NICE TWO-STORY HOUSE TO EX-
CHANGE for good grocery store; new house for sale, splendid location; must sell at once. J. F. Sangster, 403 Richmond street.

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avenue; all modern improvements; centrally located. Apply, in afternoon or evening, on premises. 45c.
TO LET—TWO STORY BRICK—286
Piccadilly street, between Wellington and Waterloo; all modern conveniences. Apply Sterling Bros. 45c.
TO LET—COVERED MOVING VANS—
When moving have your furniture and pianos carefully moved. Address 97 Carling street. Phones 1,162 and 1,167.
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by V. Marchese; 233 Dundas street. Also house No. 397 Piccadilly. Apply Gibbons, Mulken & Harper. 45c.
TO LET—OFFICES IN ODDFELLOWS
Hall building, Cowpley R. K. Taylor, bar-
rister, etc., County Buildings, Court House Square. 35c.
ROOMS TO LET FOR BUSINESS—34
Carling street. 35c.
STORE TO RENT, WITH LARGE STORE-
ROOM, 223 Dundas street. Apply J. C. Trebilcock, next door. 6c.
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Colborne street—Inside half double brick house. Apply 409 King street. 15c.
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STEARNS BICYCLES—AFTERNOON OR
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to Dr. Swan, First-class honors, Toronto University. 207 1/2 Dundas street. Phone 1,181.
DR. W. S. WESTLAND—DENTIST—
Post-graduate in crown and bridge work. Chicago. Edge Block, Richmond street. Phone 930, residence 420.
DR. G. H. KENNEDY—DENTIST—SUC-
cessor to the late Dr. Davis. Specialty preservation of natural teeth. 170 Dundas street. Phone 975.
J. ELLIOTT HOLMES, D.D.S.—ROOM 3—
Duffield Block, Dundas and Carling streets. Phone 367.
DR. L. H. DAWSON—DENTIST—CORNER
Dundas and Lyle streets, East London.
DR. JEFFERY N. WOOD—DENTIST—
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L. McDONALD—DENTIST—
Office 133 1/2 Dundas street, London. Telephone 702.
WOOLVERTON & BENTLEY—DENTISTS—
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TEAL—Centrally located and first-class in every respect. H. Hogan, proprietor.
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Largest and best hotel in Western Ontario. No charge for baggage or sample rooms. Rates \$2 and \$2.50 per day. C. W. Davis, proprietor.
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Weir Mitchell's Hospital for Nervous Diseases, Philadelphia. Massage and Swedish Movements. 497 King street, London, Ont. Phone, 502.

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City of London.

Tax Notice, 1898.

TAXPAYERS are hereby notified that the second installment of taxes of 1898 is now due and must be paid on or before Sept. 30 next, after which date all unpaid amounts will be subject to the additional charge of 5 per cent. G. W. HAYES, Collector.

TO CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS will be received until Wednesday, Sept. 28, for the erection of four semi-detached houses. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. H. C. McKee, Architect.

TAKE NOTICE THAT THE MUNICIPAL
Council of the Corporation of the City of London, intends to construct a tile drainage in South street, commencing at the east side of Clarence street, and running easterly on South street a distance of 320 feet, and to assess the final cost thereof upon the property abutting thereon and to be benefited thereby, and that a statement showing the names of the owners thereof, so far as they can be ascertained from the last revised assessment roll, is now filed in the office of the clerk of the municipality, and is open for inspection during office hours. The estimated cost of the work is \$200, of which \$— is to be provided out of the general funds of the Municipality. A Court of Revision will be held on Friday, the 17th day of October, 1898, at 4 p.m., at the City Hall, in the said city, for the purpose of hearing complaints against the proposed assessment or accuracy of frontage measurements, or any other complaints which persons interested may desire to make, and which is by law cognizable by the court. City clerk's office, 16th day of September, 1898. C. A. Kingston, City Clerk.

The Empress Rules!

Resignation of the Em-
peror of China.
Report Has It That His Im-
perial Highness Is Dead.
The Change Likely to Strengthen
Russian Influence in China.
Belief in India That England
Will Soon Take Khyber Pass.
Loss of a French Vessel With
Her Crew of Thirty-Six.

France Will Not Send Reinforcements
to Marahan—Hundreds of Lives
Lost by the Floods in China—
Gravity of the Situation in France.
RUMORED DEATH OF THE CHINESE
EMPEROR.
Shanghai, Sept. 23.—A local rumor is current here to the effect that the Emperor of China is dead. No details are obtainable, but it is said the gates of Peking are closed.
Pekin, Sept. 23.—An imperial edict just issued definitely announces that the Emperor of China has resigned his power to the empress (dowager empress), who has ordered the ministers to deliver to her in future their official reports.
It is difficult to obtain reliable information from the palace in regard to the proceeding, but the recent reformatory edicts probably caused the change. While the emperor was subservient and a mere figurehead, the dowager empress permitted him to remain in peace. But so soon as he attempted to act on his own initiative his practical deposition was the result. His principal adviser, Kang-Yunel, the Cantonese reformer, fell in spite of the vigorous attempt made to arrest him, and it is said he is now on his way to Shanghai.

THE EFFECT.
The effect of the change must be great, and in all probability Li Hung Chang will be reinstated in power and Russian influence will be made to the hopes of reform so ardently cherished by the intelligent factions of the Chinese are now impossible of fulfillment. The suddenness of the coup is said to be due to the desire of the dowager empress to prevent the mission of the Marquis Ito from being successful. The Japanese statesman recently came to Peking with the object of trying to bring about an alliance, offensive and defensive, between Japan and China. The new order of things will undoubtedly prejudice British interests in China.
The wording of the present edict is not yet obtainable, but it is in effect a declaration that the dowager empress to assume power, this being the third time the request has been made.

THE EMPRESS IN PERIL.
London, Sept. 23.—The Daily Mail's Peking correspondent, telegraphing Wednesday, says: "The Dowager empress is greatly incensed over Russia's passivity over Li Hung Chang's degradation and Sir Claude McDougal's attitude since Li Hung Chang's resignation. He has been granted to the Russian charge d'affaires, several lengthy audiences. Probably Li Hung Chang will return to power, but not to office. The wildest rumors are afloat. It is reported that the emperor has had alterations with the Tseung Li Yamen, and the dowager empress."

THIRTY LIVES LOST.
Paris, Sept. 23.—The French vessel Ville de Pezcamp docked yesterday off Pezcamp, and her crew of 36 were drowned.
NO REINFORCEMENTS FOR MAR-
CHAND.
Paris, Sept. 23.—An official denial has been issued of the statement published in the Journal that the government intends to send reinforcements to Major Marchand.

TO TAKE KHYBER PASS.
London, Sept. 23.—There is a growing belief in Indian circles here that Great Britain will shortly take possession of Khyber Pass, the principal northern pass from Afghanistan into India.

A SWAP.
Berlin, Sept. 23.—The Zanzibar correspondent of the Frankfurter Zeitung records the prevalent belief existing there that England will cede Zanzibar to Germany, in return for German concessions regarding Delagoa Bay.

PRINCESS OLGA ENGAGED.
Berlin, Sept. 23.—Princess Olga of Wurtemberg, one of the richest heiresses in Europe, is engaged to Prince Max of Schaumburg-Lippe, whose elder brother married her twin sister, Princess Elisa, last year.

BIG WHEAT CROP IN FRANCE.
Paris, Sept. 23.—The French wheat crop is estimated at 123,000,000 hectolitre, the largest since 1874, when the yield was 136,000,000 hectolitres. This will render France independent of foreign importations of wheat.

GERMANS WERE AFRAID.
The Alameda, from Sidney, via
Jewelers.

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO REPAIRING—
J. T. Westland, Engraver and Manufactur-
ing Jeweler, 340 Richmond street (upstairs), London, Ont.

BY AUCTION—ON SATURDAY, SEPT. 24
—on Market Square, 1 Jersey court, with
druggist's refund the money if it fails to cure
25c. Red Copper, Auctioneer.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONEDAY.
Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. All
druggists refund the money if it fails to cure
25c.

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New, Dainty and
Lasting Odors....
Our New Perfumes are
wonderfully true to the rich
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the qualities requisite to satisfy
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FOR FOUR HOURS!

St. Vincent Was Subjected to
Hurricane Fury.
First Accounts of the Devasta-
tion Were Not Exaggerated.

Three Hundred Lives Were Lost in St.

Vincent City Alone—Ten Thousand
Houses Swept Away and 100 Lives
Lost in Barbadoes.

Kingston, Jamaica, Sept. 23.—Mail
advice which reached here today
brought details of the hurricane in
the vicinity of St. Vincent, St. Lucia,
and Barbadoes, showing that the first
accounts were not exaggerated.

At St. Vincent about 300 lives were
lost, not counting the loss of life suf-
fered through the destruction of ship-
ping. The coast is strewn with the
wrecks of vessels.

WRECKED THE ISLAND.

The storm raged from 10 o'clock in
the morning on Sunday, Sept. 11, till
2 o'clock in the afternoon, completely
wrecking the island. At the capital,
Kingston, fully 200 houses were de-
molished.

Throughout the island the destruc-
tion was on the wholesale scale, nearly
all the estates and buildings being
razed and cultivation being demoral-
ized. A dozen towns or villages were
destroyed. No approximate value of
the damage done has been recorded,
but the island has been practically
ruined.

AT ST. LUCIA.

St. Lucia suffered mostly from rain
and landslides, the deluge lasting ten
hours. Thirteen lives were lost. The
full extent of the damage has not been
computed, but it is incomparably less
than at St. Vincent.

TEN THOUSAND HOUSES SWEEP-
TAWAY.

Kingston, Jamaica, Sept. 23.—The hur-
ricane struck the island of Barbadoes
on the night of the 10th, completely
wrecking that flat, exposed island, and
sweeping away ten thousand houses,
while damaging thousands more. This
left three-quarters of the inhabitants
homeless. Over 100 people were killed
as far as known.

NO DELAY!

Cuba Must Be Evacuated by the Span-
iards at Once.

Washington, Sept. 23.—A very per-
emptory message of instruction has
been sent to the Cuban military com-
mission and by them made the basis
of a note to the Spanish commissioners.
The authorities in Washington will not
make public the terms of the note, but
its general tenor is that the United
States will not be satisfied with any
further delay in the evacuation of
Cuba.

It is to the effect that the terms of
the protocol called for the immediate
evacuation of Cuba, and that Spanish
sovereignty must be relinquished. The
American commissioners have been in-
formed that the evacuation of Cuba
must not be delayed.

Elephants can exert the strength of
31 horses.

FAGGED OUT.—None but those who
have become fagged out know what a
depressed, miserable feeling it is. All
strength has gone, and despondency
has taken hold of the sufferers. They
feel as though there was nothing to live
for. There, however, is a cure—one
box of Paralee's Vegetable Pills will
do wonders in restoring health and
strength. Mandrake and Dandelion are
two of the articles entering into the
composition of Paralee's Pills.

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Water White Oil.

LIVE DEALERS HANDLE IT.
WIDEAWAKE HOUSEKEEPERS
WILL CALL FOR NO OTHER.

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The Queen City Oil Co., Limited.

SAMUEL ROGERS, President, Toronto.

THE DAY APPROACHING

A Couple of Letters on the Prohibition Question.

Arguments For and Against the Proposed Measure.

Why Do People Drink?

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

To treat a question in precisely the same way and by the same methods from one century to another, without any practical results therefrom, either morally or legally, ought to convince the average mind that there is something wrong in the treatment, something that needs investigation, something that calls for the full, free and impartial exercise of the faculties of those interested.

No man, therefore, should hesitate to come before the public when he has thought out an entirely opposite view of a question from that generally accepted as true. He should bear in mind that no question concerning the welfare of humanity has ever been treated rightly at the start, or for a long time after the start.

Go as deeply into history as we will, and we find questions of any magnitude to have received for years unwise and blundering treatment from those who could see only on one side. Especially is this true of the aged temperance problem that confronts the nations of the world today, and particularly Canada, which is about to act. I refer to the coming plebiscite.

Some years ago the writer met one of the head officers in a temperance organization in which were two pledges—one calling for total abstinence, the other for partial abstinence. The partial pledge allowed men to take a glass of ale or beer at each meal, or a glass of spirits on retiring, or to treat a caller to a glass of wine and on Sunday, mas day the limit allowed was three or four glasses of whatever liquor was desired.

Both pledges had about an equal number of signers, and were closely equal in the different walks of life. Scarcely a man who took the total abstinence pledge kept it three months at a time, and the broken pledge resulted in a "drunk" of long or short duration.

The partial pledge, too, was broken, but only by a very small number, and to the extent of but two or three glasses beyond what was allowed. Not one "drunk" resulted from the breaking of this pledge.

I mention these facts because they were the direct causes that led to the investigation of the drink problem, and also for the purpose of showing the weakness, deception and impossibility of prohibitory measures. I will state here also, that the investigation was by no means an easy one. It called for such an excessive inquisitiveness from start to finish, that the investigator often barely escaped bodily harm.

I will now proceed with facts that cannot but be interesting, if not convincing, to any mind capable of seeing two sides to a question.

For years men and women, learned and unlearned, have been fighting liquor as a terrible temptation to humanity, as a temptation that tempts all classes to become drunkards against their will or conscience, as a temptation that forcibly rules, controls and owns all who may chance to come within range of the saloon.

Under this so-called monstrous and cruel temptation, standing figures are given, horrible pictures are painted. We are told that thousands upon thousands of intelligent, strong and gifted people are being successfully tempted to give up body and soul to the liquor traffic.

We are asked to believe, also, that this world would be a paradise, free from crime, wrong, poverty, pestilence and famine, if the liquor traffic could be annihilated. To refuse to believe all this is to be called unchristian.

Was the world ever asked, in its darkest day, to believe such wretched falsehood? I think not. And yet we, at the end of the nineteenth century, are asked to receive this blind view of the liquor problem as though it were gospel truth, and principally by men who have never drunk a glass of malt or spirituous liquors in their lives.

Looking at liquor in this false and unfair light, men and women have banded themselves together in political and oath-bound organizations, thousands of dollars have been collected and used, millions of tracts and papers have been printed and distributed, law after law has been enacted, lectures have been employed—and yet, what is the result?

In a few cities liquor has been driven from the saloon into the drug store, and from the drug store into the home. Kitchen bar-rooms have multiplied, more and worse liquor has been drunk, corruption and bribery have increased in police circles, and in injury and temperance that may never be remedied.

This is no idle talk, no cheap sentiment or "big-mouthed" oratory. It is the solemn truth, and I challenge contradiction. And this unfortunate condition will grow and do more injury, just so long as temperance people continue fighting for an impossibility.

If it were only the low and the ignorant people who are tempted to use of liquor there might be a reasonable possibility of the annihilation of the liquor traffic; but when the best people of the land, the cultivated, the refined and the benevolent, the conscientious and devout to the churches, resort to the use of their favorite brands, then the prohibitory use of liquor becomes also a moral wrong, an injustice, a despotic measure. It becomes also a fanatical interference with private rights. No true man ought to advocate it, no true man ought to submit to it.

The abuse of liquor, of course, is, and must be, the main point in the drink question. Humanity has always looked for some kind of stimulant—to satisfy the cravings of mankind. Our race has never been either mentally, socially or physically, perfect enough to get along without a stimulant, certainly not under the Christian dispensation, as the first miracle performed by Christ was to turn water into wine. To prevent the use of liquor, therefore, by making it the direct and only cause for its abuse, is logically unwise, unfair and misleading. It is easy to say that if there was no use there

would be no abuse; but it would be just as wise and reasonable to say that if there were no ships there would be no people drowned, or if there were no railroads there would be no people killed.

Mankind demands liquor, makes it a social and healthful necessity, and 95 per cent of those using it do so without any harmful or dangerous abuse. There have been and always will be "hogs" attached to the human family; but the abuse of the hog should not be allowed to restrict the use of good and Christian people.

Is it any wonder, then, that out of the few hundred men and women who lead the crusade against the liquor traffic, not a dozen great minds can be picked from them?

Any wonder that the humblest lecture against the liquor traffic will cost a \$10 bill?

Do not lose sight of the fact that we are speaking on this subject from an actual study of over eleven years, a study voluntarily undertaken for the sake of personal knowledge on the matter in question.

We hold that the use of liquor leads to its abuse only when there is a mind trouble present. Men and women resort to its abuse when their cares, troubles and burdens become too much for them, when they give up all hope and confidence in God and man, when they arrive at that point of despair that prefers rather to forget or harden themselves against their troubles, than to take them to God or their friends.

For this reason, hide and bury the ugly fact as we will, men and women plunge into the abuse of liquor with no more love or thirst for it than they have for castor oil.

The saloon is simply a place wherein unfortunate and hopeless humanity can go and pawn their troubles, misfortunes, mistakes and disappointments. They carry their burdens into it and come out drunk, and we cover up the black spots in our feasts and fast days by denouncing the rum-seller for destroying his fellow-creatures.

The following table will, I trust, prove interesting. Out of 50 cases of drunkenness, picked from the different walks of life, the following reasons were given, in confidence, as the direct causes that led to the abuse of liquor:

Unhappy marriages 13
Overwork and poor food 8
Late hours and social excitement 6
Inconsolable grief 2
Loss of property and savings 3
Worry about future world 3
Bad company 3
Youthful indiscretion 11

This brings us to a point never yet reached, never even thought of, in the drink problem. It brings us face to face with the fact that liquor in itself does not tempt people to abuse it; it is simply a refuge or shelter for people who have no moral or religious courage to help them bear their troubles. Our drunkards are trouble drunkards.

Take liquor from them and they would resort to drugs, or perhaps try the knife, the pistol, the rope or the river.

And last, but by no means least, it shows that we can, under wise and intelligent treatment, have a liquor traffic and no drunkards, which is much better and more profitable than the prohibition hypocrisy of having drunkards but no liquor traffic.

That liquor may possibly be a temptation to certain people we will admit, but there are not enough genuine hereditary drunkards in Canada to support a dozen saloons.

We have no right, no authority, no law, no argument, no evidence, to tell people addicted to the abuse of liquor that they are in the grasp of a horrible and powerful temptation, from which there is no escape or redemption while a drop of liquor is allowed to be made or sold.

So, a conclusion is false, and shows an ignorance and a bigotry on the drink question that is both childish and idiotic.

By treating liquor in this unwise and unstudied fashion, we attach a sympathy, a deception, an encouragement to the abuse of liquor that is cruel, dangerous and unchristian.

We have no ground for the drunkard to stand upon, no chance for personal effort, no room for exercise of will power, nothing to do but to keep drunk until liquor is banished from the face of the earth.

In conclusion, let me say that the drink question is too great a question to be left in the hands of hirelings and fanatics; it has been strangled, weakened, corrupted and disgraced altogether too much and too long.

Long, indeed, has this question been under false and mercenary treatment, that no one seems willing to try a new, more intelligent and honest mode of treatment. Like most of our great problems of today, they come a business in the hands of a few.

The problem of drink is certainly old enough to stand a new view of it, and any view, whether held by professor or mechanic, that tends to uplift and regulate a traffic that cannot be removed because called for by a countless majority of the people, ought to receive just and honest consideration from all good men and women who are capable of thinking and judging for themselves.

When it becomes generally understood that people who abuse liquor are simply trying to harden themselves against some mind or body trouble, or to forget their troubles, and that drunkenness is a crime of secrecy on the part of the drunkard, and not a crime of temptation on the part of the liquor dealer, there will come an age of temperance that we can all feel proud of.

On this fair and intelligent basis the aid and co-operation of both consumer and seller can be secured in behalf of temperance. What the law has made legal the people have a perfect right to make moral.

To sever law, morality and religion from the liquor traffic is a fatal mistake in the interest of reform, the mistake of a few hundred people who are fanatical on the drink question, but asleep on every other question before the world.

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A Workingman's Argument.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

Will you allow a working man to give expression to a few God-given thoughts on the coming campaign. My soul has been stirred while reading articles written by some of our grandest and most talented men, and the influence for the continuance of the greatest evil in existence, an influence all the more deadly coming from such a source, knowing well thousands will be led to give up the cause of temperance, by such high authority, while at the same time thinking men and women cannot fail to see the hollow and absurd and evasive way of twisting the truth and evading the main issue.

We hear a great deal about the State of Maine, where prohibition has been tried. I deny it. There can be no prohibition where the manufacture and importation of liquor is legal. Professor Goldwin Smith says all that wish can get it in the State of Maine. Certainly. What's to hinder if they have the money to send for it? But he does not say how small a percentage that is compared with other places, and that's

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why drunkenness is more prominent in some places than in others. These young men will combine together and demand for it in large quantities and have a regular spree. That's the reason why we want prohibition so that importation shall become a crime. The professor also says that there will be a loss to the government of \$7,000,000 and \$50,000,000 more as a loss of capital invested in labor. Why doesn't he state the real facts and tell us what even a school boy knows—that the same amount accumulated by the distiller in any other business would require 50 per cent more capital for labor, instead of about 50 per cent, and would enrich the individual instead of the masses. They say taxes will be increased. They may at the outset, but what about the millions spent in drink? Will it be hoarded up? Suppose they put a tax on drygoods or stoves. You have only to visit the desolate homes and see the half-clad children, made up of the scraps of what a demand there would be for furniture, shoes and stoves, and many more things. The money now spent would be thrown into its right channel. It's not overproduction that's ruining our country, but underconsumption. The distiller is amassing wealth that should find its way into the homes of our workingmen, and would do so if the drink was abolished. We are told it would interfere with our liberty. Yes, I believe it would. Show me a single law that does not interfere with the liberty of some. There is liberty to do wrong, and true liberty. God sanctions the one, the devil the other. Did the abolition of evil ever interfere with true liberty? It brings ruin in its train. Decidedly no, and never will. We have a long letter in the Free Press on the word temperance being a misnomer. I have always held that view. But the line of argument used is that temperance means a moderate use of alcohol is permitted. Why temperance is a misnomer because drink is an evil and a curse in every way. Therefore temperance does not apply to drink. The true definition of temperance is total abstinence from all evil and temperance in that which is good. Temperance does not apply to swearing or stealing because it is evil. Temperance belongs only to anything good in itself. Just a word as to who is responsible. Surely it is not the distiller or brewer. They are decidedly men of the world, and might as well sin in one way as another. But God puts the responsibility on the church, that is found praying for the poor drunkard, and they deliberately put the stumbling block in their way by their vote. They will take the blood money from the lawbreaker to further the Lord's work, and then sit in judgment, saying by their actions, "Stand on one side, I am holier than thou."

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Claims the Pennant

St. Thomas Will Appeal Against the Decision

That Gave the Canadian League Championship to Hamilton.

English Cricketers Defeat the New Yorkers by 122 Runs and an Inning to Spare—Turf and Other Sporting Events.

BASEBALL

THE CANADIAN LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP.

The management of the St. Thomas baseball club contend that they won the Canadian League pennant on its merits, and that they are justly entitled to it, notwithstanding the action of the board of directors at London in giving everything in sight to Hamilton, thereby awarding them the rag for 1898. They intend laying the facts before President Nick Young, and are satisfied that he will not tolerate such dirty underhand work.

It is stated that Mr. Robertson, of St. Thomas, who represented the ball club of that city at the recent meeting here, will appeal from the decision of the board of directors to President Young, sending to him a full statement of the transactions of the wind-up.

COMMENT ON THE WINDUP.

St. Thomas Times: The league ended up in disgrace—Poor old Hamilton. Stole the "rag" from the pennant in the directors' room. There is nothing there anything Hamilton could wish for?—Not a sporting editor in the country acknowledges the Hams as winners. Hamilton was awarded a game (Sept. 6) when their own players weren't even on the ground. The pennant awarded itself the pennant, but everybody will certainly recognize the St. Thomas team as the champions on the diamond. The runnings made at the meeting are ridiculous, and the league will be the laughing-stock of the whole country. It was a case of St. Thomas shall not have the pennant; Hamilton must get it. They got the rag, but the Saints are champions.

St. Thomas Journal: St. Thomas is disgusted with professional ball. For sale, cheap—A franchise in a dirty baseball league. Apply to St. Thomas. The directors of the St. Thomas association will appeal to Nick Young against the decision of the Canadian League Association made at its meeting last night. The name of the Canadian League should be changed to the Hamilton League. They are the whole push. They sneak everything, and others are denied simple justice. London report: The meeting of the Canadian League Association, but a Hamilton reporter, it appears, was admitted. That is a sample of fair treatment meted out by the league, and shows the pull the Hams have.

Hamilton Spectator: The season has not been altogether successful financially, and President Stroud will be money out of pocket. For the past three years the Hams have been in a league which has had a struggle for existence. Next year an effort should be made to get a franchise in the Eastern League, or, better still, reorganize the International League on the basis proposed some time ago. St. Thomas fans can come down and take a peep at the pennant. The Saints should be arrested for obtaining that reception under false pretences. That celebration to the St. Thomas champions is the funniest thing that ever happened. It is to be hoped that the St. Thomas management will not make the players pay for the reception. Besides playing "The Conquering Heroes," the St. Thomas band should have played "So Near and Yet So Far."

Hamilton Herald: The championship is verified—President Reid and Bert Sheere are of the right sort. The Saints' bulky tactics were effectively squelched. It is generally conceded in London that the best team won. They are now wondering in St. Thomas who ordered out that band. St. Thomas today stands discredited in the eyes of the Canadian sportsmen. Mr. Robertson should stick to his business as a grocer in St. Thomas. As a manipulator of baseball matters he is a magnificent failure. During the entire proceedings at London last night, Director Reid, of St. Thomas, exhibited not the slightest evidence of shame. The Saints have been taught a lesson, in the future they should conduct themselves more like sports and less like a parcel of wrangling kids. In order not to dis-

In the old days of the Christian martyrs it was not unusual for the savagely brutal to cast innocent women into a den of lions, to suffer horrible agony and fear before death finally came to them. There is a marvelous medicine for women that cures all weakness and disease of the distinctly feminine organism. It acts directly on the delicate and important organs concerned in maternity and makes them strong and healthy. It is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It allays inflammation, heals ulceration and aches pains. Under its magic influence the headaches and pains in the back and sides, the dragging and burning sensations, the nervousness, weakness, lassitude and despondency that result from so-called female weakness are banished. It fits for wifehood and motherhood. Taken during the period of solicitude, it banishes the usual discomforts and makes baby's entry to the world easy and almost painless. It insures the new comer's health and an ample supply of nourishment. Thousands of women have testified to its marvelous merits. All good druggists sell it.

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turb Mr. Robertson's peace of mind, the directors allowed him nearly everything he asked for, and yet the Saints could not win. President Reid, of London, is a gentleman made up of the right material, and he warmly defended his club against the slanders of the St. Thomas soreheads. Mr. Smith, the new Chatham director, is a man of sound judgment and good business ability. It did not take him long to get at the bottom of the St. Thomas plait.

NATIONAL LEAGUE—THURSDAY.

At Baltimore—R. H. E. Baltimore, 15 10 2 Chicago, 1 1 0
Batteries—Kison and Robinson; Phyle and Nichols.
Second game—
At Chicago—Chicago, 3 4 1
Called at the end of the sixth, rain. Batteries—Hughes and Clarke; Woods and Nichols.
At Brooklyn—Brooklyn, 3 13 2
Called at the end of the tenth, darkness. Batteries—McKenna and Ryan; Hughes and Clement.
At New York—New York, 2 8 3
Louisville, 7 11 0
Batteries—Kison and Robinson; Phyle and Nichols.
At Philadelphia—Philadelphia, 13 20 9
Cleveland, 3 11 8
Batteries—Fildes and McFarland; Cuddy and Criger.
At Boston—Boston, 8 16 0
Pittsburgh, 1 1 3
Batteries—Klobedanz and Berken; Gardner and Schirmer.

FLYS.

For Shortstop Cockman's release \$1,000 is asked.
Harry Stiefeloff swung his bat for four hits out of five times at bat for Cincinnati on Wednesday. He got one three-bagger in the bunch.
Both the Boston and Baltimore teams are in first-class shape. The injured men are all back in the game again, and the pitchers are capable of pitching good games until the end of the season.

Globe: Director Charley Campbell, of the Toronto Ball Club, said yesterday that Manager Irwin would not be back next season and that Wallie Taylor would assume the management of the local club.
At a Montreal exhibition game Jack Barry went the round of the bases in 14 3-5 seconds. The record is 14 1-2 seconds, held by Gore, of the Chicago. Jack flew around the bases like a deer, but stumbled at third base and the home plate. Mr. Gore had a close call. Dick Butler went around in 15 seconds. Kid Jackitz and Butler tried for the long distance throw held by John Hatfield, of 133 yards, 1 foot 7 1/2 inches. Jackitz threw 133 yards, 2 inches and Butler 131 yards 3 inches. The Hams have disbanded.
Buffalo and Detroit are both after Friske.
Dan Lowney is in Chatham trying to fix up his dispute with the management.
Pitcher Lee, who was supposed to have signed with Toronto, has signed with Buffalo.
Gore's Black is completing arrangements with Mr. Sleeman, of Guilford, for a Royal City team next season.
McHale has gone to California; McKevitt and Elton to Michigan; Bradshaw and Congalton to Guilford, and Conwell to Tarentum, Pa.
The Babes and the Page Fence Giants play exhibition games at Chatham on Monday and Tuesday.
Brantford wants a league team next season. Beware, Brantford!

TURF.

Readville, Mass., Sept. 23.—Joe Patchen and John R. Gentry had a match race at the Readville track yesterday, and Patchen won in two straight heats. A stiff wind blew down the stretch and held the horses back, so the time was slow, the first heat being in 2:05 1/2, and the second in 2:04 1/2. Summaries: 2:19 class, pacing; purse \$300.
Frank Rysdyk, b. g. 1 1 1
Little girl, ro. m. 2 2 2
Dark Light, br. m. 3 4 4
McMurry's Pal, br. h. 4 5 5
Mary Christine, b. m. 5 6 6
Libbie C., b. m. 6 7 7
Nellie R., b. m. 7 8 8
The Duke, ch. g. 8 9 9
Time—2:12 1/2, 2:13 1/2, 2:16 1/2.
Match race, pacing; purse \$300.
Joe Patchen, b. h. 1 1
John R. Gentry, b. h. 2 2
Time—2:05 1/2, 2:04 1/2.
2:14 class, pace; purse \$700.
Hal B., b. h. 1 1 1
John, b. g. 2 2 2
Nelson, b. h. 3 3 3
Flare-Up, b. g. 4 4 4
Silver-Maker, g. g. 5 5 5
Emma E., ch. g. 6 6 6
Sally Bush, g. m. 7 7 7
Annie Shedd, b. m. 8 8 8
Delfo, b. g. 9 9 9
Time—2:14 1/2, 2:15 1/2, 2:19 1/2.

FORT ERIE RACES.

It was get-away day at Fort Erie on Thursday afternoon. Ed Farrell won the Alice Nielson purse, all the members of the opera troupe being present to cheer the winner. The Toronto meeting, next on the Canadian circuit, opens on Saturday. Results:
First race, 3-year-olds and up, selling, 6 furlongs—Can I See 'Em I, Josephine K. 2, Earl Fonso 3. Time, 1:15.
Annie Teuton, Annie Laurette, Pinkey Potter, Brulure, Sister Mamie, Daniel and Rainwater finished as named.
Second race, maidens, 2-year-olds, 5 furlongs—Kittie Regent 1, Mark Hanna 2, Reed 3. Time, 1:02 1/2. Defiance, Ivy Cotta, Elase Ban, Our Lida, Sadie Ross, Rachel Bird, Zapetose and Diana finished as named.
Third race, Allie Nielson purse, 3-year-olds and up, 1 mile—Ed Farrell 1, Henry Launt 2, Simon D. 3. Time, 1:41 1/2. De Bride, Bob Turner, Sim W. and Old Saugus finished as named.
Fourth race, 2-year-olds, selling, 6 furlongs—By George 1, Model 2, Cosada 3. Time, 1:17 1/2. Darbonne, Eurine, Cavotte, Lizzie R. and Metoxen finished as named.
Fifth race, 3-year-olds and up, selling, 1 1/4 miles—Clay Pointer 1, Rockwood 2, Reed K. 3. Time, 2:11 1/2. Also ran as named: Annie Taylor, Bagpipe, Never, Nero, Colistot.
Sixth race, 3-year-olds and up, 6 furlongs, selling—Lady Irene 1, Halton 2, Farm Lida 3. Time, 1:16. Also ran: Taranto, Sir Tenny.

MANCHESTER RACES.

London, Sept. 23.—At the first day's racing of the Manchester September meeting yesterday, the race for the Peel Park plate of 200 sovereigns was won by Mr. H. McAlmont's 2-year-old horse Haughty.
The De Trafford handicap of 500 sovereigns, for 3-year-olds and up, was won by 1 1/2 miles, was won by Mr. G. H. Summer's 4-year-old filly Carnalton. Nine horses ran. Tod Sloane had the mount on the Lorillard-Boreford stable Jiffy II, which was not placed.
The Thursday selling plate of 200

sovereigns was won by the 3-year-old colt Pan II, ridden by Sloan. Eight horses ran.

MAUD S. MOTHER DEAD.

Miss Russell, dam of Maud S., the first mare to trot better than 2:10, died at the home of her owner, A. J. Alexander, in Woodford county, Kentucky, this week, aged 33. She was probably one of the most famous brood mares in the world.

FATHER OF THE GRAND CIRCUIT.

In the death of Col. William Edwards, who dropped dead at his home in Cleveland Wednesday night, the American trotting turf loses one of its staunchest supporters. Over 20 years ago he conceived the idea of a trotting circuit that would make a stand for clean support, and he lived to see his ideal realized.

AMERICAN TURF CONGRESS.

Cincinnati, O., Sept. 23.—The American Turf Congress was in executive session here Wednesday from noon till midnight. The name of the Little Rock Club was changed to the Arkansas Jockey Club. The application of Arthur Duffy for reinstatement was referred to the Latonia judges. In the case of R. R. Rice and vs. Stanton and Tucker, it was decided that Rice & Co. were entitled to \$800 of Irene's winnings and Stanton & Tucker to \$335 of that amount for training and expenses. All pending applications for relief were referred to Hopper, Labold, Tarlton and Reese as a special committee. This included such cases as Vengeance, the alleged rider at Windsor, three years ago. The following officers were elected: President, S. R. Montgomery; Memphis: vice-president, Robert Auld; St. Louis; treasurer, O. L. Bradley; Lexington, Ky.; secretary, E. H. Hopper, Covington, Ky.

OTHER WINNERS.

At Harlem, Chicago—Excelsior, Don't Skip Me, Found, Boney Boy, Dr. Marks and Capelin.
At Gravesend, New York—Decatur, Lady Lindsay, Sea Breeze, Dr. Cattlet, Diminutive and Mr. Phinixy.
At Newport, Ky.—Hungry Hill, Sir Blatton, Doctor Fireside, Miss Bramble, Kathie May.

WHEEL.

Referee Orr has awarded the time prize in the recent R. Q. T. road race to Melvor, of Goderich, who covered the course in 57:32 4-5.

ENGLISHMEN WON EASILY.

New York, Sept. 22.—The match between the English cricketers and the New York eleven was resumed at Livingston, Staten Island, yesterday. The Englishmen finished their first inning with a total of 419 runs. The New Yorkers were all out in their second inning for 122 runs, leaving the Englishmen the winners by 247 runs and an inning to spare.

THE FISTO ARENA.

VAN HEEST KNOCKED OUT. Tommy Hogan, of New York, knocked out Johnny Van Heest, of Michigan, at Louisville, Tuesday night, in the 17th round of what was to have been a 20-round bout.

AQUATIC.

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 23.—There are prospects of another professional outdoor race here this season for \$1,000 a side. It will be arranged by a contest between Lynch brothers and Ten Eyck and Rogers, of Worcester, Mass. The latter have challenged the winners of yesterday's race, Eddie Durand and John Van Heest, to a contest at either of the Lynch brothers.

FOOTBALL.

It is now stated that McCrea, the big Ottawa College forward, is permanently retired from the game. John Dods has been elected captain of the D. A. C. football team.

GOOD SHOWS

At Zurich, St. Thomas and Ottawa.

ZURICH.

Zurich, Sept. 23.—Zurich Fall Fair, held yesterday, was a great success. The fair was held in its utmost, all lines being well represented. There was a good crowd, but the rain kept many back. In all, the society feels proud of the grand success.

CANADA CENTRAL.

Ottawa, Sept. 23.—The Canada Central Fair is a great success this year. The attendance, Wednesday, counting those at the evening show, was 30,000, and the receipts were over 10,000. This is nearly \$3,000 more than was taken in the same day last year.

ELGIN FARMER.

St. Thomas, Ont., Sept. 2.—The second day of the Elgin Farmers' Fair made the financial success, at least, of the venture secure. The race, which consisted of farmers' trot and a pony race, and an exhibition by the trotting stallion, Nutting Ing, were won in straight heats. Summaries: Farmers' trot, half-mile heat—Myrtle, A. J. Miller 1 1 1
Flying Indian, Dr. McKillop 2 2 2
Nettie W., D. J. Watson 3 3 3
Frank D., D. McPherson 4 4 4
Time—1:25 1/2, 1:28, 1:34.
Pony race, half-mile heat—Dan S., F. Queen 1 1 1
Merry L., L. H. H. 2 2 2
Tom Thumb, A. Parker 3 3 3
Time—2:15, 2:45.
Starter, Dr. Guest, Shedd, Judges, Messrs. James Macenzie and J. McCall.
During the afternoon baseball match was played between the Stars and the Collegiate Institute nine, which the latter won, 9 to 8. There were fireworks at night.

HEAT

In the warm weather many suffer from various forms of ructions which are spoken of as "Heat Rashes." These skin diseases are simply an outward manifestation of impure blood and can easily be cured by Burdock Blood Bitters. It keeps the bowels regular, the liver stimulated to healthy action, the kidneys free; and in this way, through the natural channels of the body, it moves all poisons and impures from the system and lives the skin clear and smooth.

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A THIRSTY LOT

Were Those People Up in North Waterloo.

But Drinks Were Plentiful—Votes Going at \$2 Each—How the Conservative M. P. Secured His Majority

Berlin, Sept. 22.—The trial of the North Waterloo election protest began here this afternoon before Justices McMahon and Rose.

The first charge, as read by Mr. Johnston, was corrupt practice by treating at Mr. Lackner's meeting in Bridgeport.

Edwin Shantz, the first witness examined by Mr. Johnston, said he had some drinks at Grassers' the night of the election.

J. H. Zinkman, who was also present at the meeting in question, swore that after adjournment he went to the hotel. Shantz called for drinks for the crowd. They left Grassers' for Albert's Hotel, where they had one drink from the landlord. Lackner was there. Saw no money paid for drinks that night. No one was trying to influence his vote. He was also a Reformer.

Roland Weaver swore that he was present at Dr. Lackner's meeting and repaid to the bar with the rest when the meeting was over. He had drunk with his partner, called for drinks, but didn't know who ordered them. He left Grassers' for his father-in-law's, Albert's Hotel, where he and several drinks were served. But he didn't remember who ordered or paid for them. He didn't remember seeing Dr. Lackner.

John Grasser, hotelkeeper, sworn, said he remembered the evening of the election. He saw Mr. Scully in the crowd. Before Scully left to attend another meeting at Bloomington he told witness to treat the crowd. He and he would pay him, which he (Scully) did when he came back. Scully never had left orders of this kind before at witness' hotel.

This closed the evidence on charge No. 1, and Mr. Johnston arose and submitted parallel cases to prove corrupt practices.

Mr. Aylesworth contended that the drinking which took place after the meeting was not a treating of some of those who were at it, but of the party of Mr. Scully. It looked to him, as if merely in a patronizing and friendly way. Mr. Aylesworth submitted that in order to the time and expense he would accept the ruling of the court in this case, which he thought was a fair average of what was to follow succeeding charges in determining for voiding the election.

Mr. Johnston was inclined to accept this suggestion with the proviso that the Winterbourne meeting be taken up, which he considered still stronger. Their lordships agreed.

CHEAP VOTES.

Charges of bribery were then taken up. One witness swore that he got \$2 from John Eden, through the treasurer, Wm. Ross, at the latter's office. Other witnesses swore to having received different sums during the election.

MIDDLESEX MATTERS

Boy Badly Hurt by a Horse at Bryanston.

Capt. Robson Captures a Number of Prizes at Canada's Leading Fair.

Butternuts are plentiful around Belmont. The people want a roller mill. Hugh McIntyre, of Lobo, has sold his entire crop of apples at \$12 per barrel, unopened.

Sheriff Cameron was in Belmont on Wednesday, arranging matters for the plebiscite vote. The sheriff was the guest of Squire Nugent.

Wm. Sewell and Wm. Dyer have purchased carriages from the new Belmont carriage factory, carried on by Messrs. Peniview & Stratton.

Expected that the Newbury Episcopalian Church will be ready for reopening on Oct. 22, when the Bishop of Huron will preach morning and evening.

Mr. Samuel Fulton, 16th concession of London township, has bought the residence of Mr. Charles Foster, sen., Granton, and intends moving there shortly.

The 5-year-old son of Mr. Charles Marshall, Bryanston, was kicked in the head by a horse on Wednesday evening last, and the skull fractured. The little fellow was unconscious for several hours, but is reported to be improving.

Capt. T. E. Robson, of Ilberton, the popular clerk of Middlesex, is one of the most successful breeders and exhibitors of Shorthorn cattle in Canada.

At the Industrial Fair, Toronto, this year, he captured the following prizes: First on bull, first on cow, first on 3-year-old heifer, third on 2-year-old heifer, third on yearling heifer, first on heifer calf under 12 months, sweepstakes for best bull, any age, besides carrying off the herd prize. At the Western Fair he was even more successful, for, besides again securing the above prizes, he was awarded first for heifer calved since Feb. 1.

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1,000 HORSES SOLD

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New York, Sept. 23.—The third day of the sale of the horses of the Roosevelt Rough Riders was begun yesterday. Nearly 1,000 horses had been sold, and but 169 remained to go under the hammer. The auctioneers said that the first day's sales had realized \$12,000, and Wednesday's \$14,000. It was expected that the entire sale would realize about \$35,000, for horses which had cost the government over \$65,000.

The crowd was somewhat slim, but the horses shown looked better than any yet sold, as they have been receiving better food recently. The first horse sold today was that of Lieut. Col. Brodie, who succeeded Col. Roosevelt. He was a steel-gray, good-looking horse, but he only brought \$40. Other animals sold at from \$5 to \$55 apiece.

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Why Don't They Marry?

The Canadian press is vigorously discussing the question of Ontario's birth-rate, mooted by Rev. David Williams in the Anglican Synod. There is a general agreement of opinion that the marriage-rate and not the birth-rate is the cause of the effect which Dr. Williams deprecates. The Hamilton Times very aptly points out that in this province the average family is 5.1, according to the census returns of 1891, while in Great Britain, Germany and Russia the average family is 5. If the ratio of births to population is abnormally low in Ontario—and the assertion is based on an imperfect registration—the fault does not rest with Ontario motherhood. The responsibility is with the children rather than the parents.

If matrimony is declining, one can readily find apparent causes in the social and industrial phenomena of the age. It has been often stated, and with truth, that the young men of today, are more influenced by worldly considerations in respect to matrimony than were the young men a generation ago. The standard of living is much higher. A young man, contemplating marriage, wishes to give his wife at least the degree of comfort her parents afford her, or that which her social aspirations demand. If he cannot, his pride will frighten him away. By the time he has sufficient means for wedded bliss perhaps he has not sufficient desire for it, and he lapses into confirmed bachelorhood. That is a chief reason why so many men marry late in life or not at all. If the bachelors of this province could be cross-examined, most of them would confess having had matrimonial intentions in their younger days, but chill penury repressed them until the connubial current of their souls became permanently frozen. There's a tide in the affairs of the average man's heart that, taken at the flood, leads on to "the happy event"; omitted, all the voyage of his life is bound in—well, that's his own business.

Are not the young women partly accountable for this state of affairs? To use a common expression, they "want to start where their parents leave off." Wealth, culture, domestic comforts and all the luxuries and superfluities of a settled, civilized, prosperous community have multiplied in the last decade or two, but these in turn have created artificial social conditions far removed from the simple, natural habits of our grandparents. The latter were not troubled by the conventionalities which now oppress people, especially in city and town life. They had fewer "appearances" to keep up. Husband and wife were content to start life in humble surroundings. It was no reproach to be poor—most of our ancestors were poor, judged by present standards. It is different now. The average young woman has her "society" connections to maintain. She counts it a disgrace to wed below her station. She is the slave of convention. She is afraid of what her friends think. If she marries she must furnish her house, dress and entertain on a scale commensurate not with her means but with her social standing. It is a realization of these things that causes many a young couple who could live together in rational comfort, to postpone marriage because they cannot live as pretentiously as society dictates. Evidently we need a return to primitive simplicity.

Another tendency to the discouragement of matrimony is the invasion by women of new fields of employment, many of which were formerly closed to them. Women earning good wages in congenial pursuits have not the incentive to marriage which dependence upon others gives them.

In this province the emigration of young men to the United States and the Canadian Northwest has operated to reduce the marriage-rate. The exodus appears to have almost ceased, like the depression which largely caused it. The institution of wedlock ought to share in the better times.

The committee appointed by the Anglican Synod has a very large problem on its hands, but the Christian church cannot too soon begin to interest itself in sociological questions.

Singing as a Military Accomplishment.

Mr. Howard Vincent, the well-known English M. P., does not agree with those weary ones who are always professing to have discovered that the physique of the British army is deteriorating. He says that instead of becoming less robust there is a distinct improvement in the soldiers in the British army in the last 25 years, and he attributes it to the short-term service, and the system of assigning territorial headquarters to the regiments. Improvement is yet possible in making the life of the defenders of the Empire more comfortable, says this friend of Tommy Atkins. The colonel makes a suggestion which may be of interest to our military experts when they are considering how to make military service more popular. He says: "Why in the world our soldiers are not taught to sing on the march no foreigner can understand. It helps the German and the Russian tremendously, and the man who leads the singing does so much for the common

good that a little privilege, such as freedom from guard or picket or fatigue duty, may well be given him as well as to a bandsman."

Wanted—A Canadian Cable News Service.

There is a demand for a cable news service that shall give more British news, and more news of things transpiring in Great Britain of special interest to Canadians. Why should there be any difficulty? The C. P. R. telegraph system is in working relations with the Associated Press, and it also has its own cable. It ought to be as easy as rolling off a log to get what is required. All it needs is a capable, alert, all-round, impartial Canadian newspaper man in England, to collate and forward, under the sea, an excellent budget of the right sort of news every day. Why is it not done?

The Yukon and the Northwest Government.

We understand that Mr. Haultain's Government in the Northwest Territories, when it learned that the Yukon country (over which it never exercised any jurisdiction—nor can it, with the resources in its power) was about to be organized, undertook to issue permits or licenses to sell liquor in the Yukon country. If the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage was to take place in the Yukon, common sense would say that it was either for the Federal Government, or for a government established in the Yukon country, to say whether this should be permitted or not. The Northwest Territories had no actual jurisdiction, could establish no communication with the country, could do nothing to maintain authority in it, and certainly ought not to have intervened in settling an important question of public policy for a country that was about to have a government of its own. Proceedings of that sort do not rest upon any very excellent ethical basis, and it could scarcely be regarded as a very friendly act on the part of the Northwest Government toward the Federal Government to issue a large number of permits to sell liquor in a country where disorder, and mayhap, riot, were liable to take place, for the suppression of which the Northwest Government could not be held responsible.

If the complaints against Major Walsh have no more in them than that he did not give effect to these liquor licenses, he will be regarded by most fair-minded men as a very estimable public officer.

"A Strong Lead."

According to a Montreal correspondent of the New York Sun, "the general feeling of the Liberals is that their leaders have been ruined by success, and that the only way for the party to recover its strength is for it to go back to Opposition and allow the Tories to come back to power again"; with more of the same sort. It adds: "The country is ripe for a change, but it must get a strong lead from the outside"—i. e., from Washington.

The Liberal Government of the Dominion has already got a strong lead—a lead given by the confidence and hearty good-will of the great majority of the people of Canada. That is all the lead it desires or needs.

Of course Major Marchand and party only went to Fashoda for their health.

The new woman may be self-assertive, but she is not a patch on the old woman who rules the roost in China.

If it only requires a fifth of a second for a message to go 2,900 miles across "the Canadian continent," it cannot be said that much time is lost in transmission.

It is not surprising that the Queen of Spain favors disarmament. In the meantime Great Britain is helping along the good cause by disarming the Derivishes and the Bashi-Bazouks.

A dozen important towns and cities in Ontario have this year voted to reduce the number of their aldermen and to abolish the ward system. We believe the people of London are in the humor to vote the same way if the question were put to them.

Earl Grey recently entertained at his country seat 500 delegates from the various co-operative societies of Northumberland. If there were more of this kind of co-operation between the aristocracy and the working masses, there would be less heard about class distinctions.

Though his party was defeated in the recent elections in Cape Colony, Cecil Rhodes issued an address, in which he said that time would show that the victory he had won was a great victory. This must be analogous to the "great moral victory" which we in Canada hear so much about from the camp of the defeated Opposition after every general election. It is a most convenient excuse, and twin brother to the cry that Yankee gold was the cause of the defeat.

The probability of a wrongdoer escaping, even though he flees to the ends of the earth, are yearly decreasing, and now it is next to impossible for the law-breaker to get out of the reach of justice. The latest country to establish an extradition treaty with Great Britain is Chile. Under the treaty which has just been signed, a mutual surrender of criminals is provided for, and those charged with any

one of 23 different offenses are to be given up on legal demand.

Ottawa civic authorities gave its fair visitors a forenoon exhibition of what their fire brigade is ready to do if a fire were to break out that would affect the highest structure in the city. There may be a point here for the Western Fair managers.

There is something incongruous in the idea of Kaiser William, the incarnation of militarism, making a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and testifying his devotion to the Prince of Peace with martial pomp and pageantry. But it may be said in the Kaiser's favor that he has always shown a spirit of religious reverence in his high and mighty way. No doubt William is sincere. He regards himself as a chosen instrument of the Deity, according to the doctrine of the divine right of kings, which he is always preaching. The world will probably hear a good deal of it from Jerusalem when he gets there.

WHAT OTHERS SAY.

Envious of Mulock.

The Emperor of China had evidently been reading of the big ovations tendered Hon. William Mulock when he decided to establish that postal system.

A Fair Substitute.

【Woodstock Sentinel-Review.】
The Soudanese and Cuban campaigns being over, the newspaper reader is deprived of his stirring war news from day to day. But with Rugby football enthusiasm now in our midst we have an admirable substitute.

The Kansas Populists.

【New York Sun.】
All Populists are remarkable, and the Kansas Populists are the most remarkable of all Populists. The tornado howls along their platform. They have become a burden to the grass-roots. They have produced more platforms and a greater per capita distribution of stump speeches than all their brethren in all other States. They raise spring and fall declarations of nothing but resolutions out of everything. They have a new set of notions and cranks every thirty days. They are a most versatile and industrious phalanx. From agricultural sub-treasuries to interstate railroads and irrigation ditches, from money out of nothing to resolutions out of everything, their genius leaps exuberantly. If they had been at the Tower of Babel, it would have been all platforms.

Bro. Courtice's Trials.

【Stratford Beacon.】
We think Bro. Courtice has had trials peculiar to religious journalism. Long-published obituaries have been sent him to publish, which it has grieved him to refuse. Brethren have sent some congratulatory notices from their local press, puffing themselves, and in many cases written by themselves, which it has not grieved him to put in the waste paper basket. His articles have been denounced by letter and in private conversation as too narrow or too broad, as orthodox and unorthodox, as empty. Catering to a peculiar constituency of clerical brethren as well as the Methodist people generally, he has found that there is as much of the old in the average sinner, if these temptations and trials must be the lot of his security, as there is of the new in the contemporary. We recommend Bro. Courtice to hew out a line for himself and then hew to it.

LIGHT AND SHADE.

The Howling Derivishes.

The derivishes are howling on the Nile. They are scampering across the burning plains. They are giving small attention unto style. And most of them are full of shooting pains. The old khalifa's going like the wind. And heads of the great are dripping from the cuse. The members of the harem they are hurrying on behind. And yelling at him, "Pa, you wait for us!"—Cleveland Leader.

Can Be Hired.

"The Nutrich family are a living proof that you can't buy good manners."
"Yes, but their butler and coachman prove that you can hire plenty of them if you have the price."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

In the Shade.

Two Irish laborers, old-time friends, met on the street in San Francisco recently, and after a cordial hand-shake one of them inquired: "An' where have you been Moike?" "Workin' on the farm in Southern California," was the reply. "An' O'm might glad to git back." "The next inquiry," "Th' weather. It was too doomed hot. Why, when O' was a-workin' near Frisco th' thermometer marked 116 degrees in th' shade." "Is that so?" "Will, they didn't make yez worruk in th' shade, did they?"—San Francisco Argonaut.

A Baby's Feet.

A baby's feet, like sea-shell pink, Might tempt, should heaven see meet, An angel's lips to kiss, we think, A baby's feet.

Like rose-hued sea-flowers toward the They stretch and spread and wink. Their ten soft buds that part and meet, On baby's feet.

No flower-bells that expand and shrink Gleam half so heavenly sweet As shine on life's untrodden brink A baby's feet. —Swinburne.

Obtuse.

"My father-in-law is really a simpleton! The other day I wrote him that my pecuniary embarrassments were turning my hair gray, and what do you suppose his answer was? He sent me a little of hair-dye!"—Fignedene Blatter.

If you suffer from sores, boils, pimples, or if your nerves are weak and your system run down, you should take Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Simla, India, is built on the side of a steep hill, and the roof of one house is on a level with the foundation of one in the next tier.

PLEA FOR THE YOUNG WOMEN

They Should Receive the Same Philanthropic Care as Young Men.—Letter From Mrs. English.

To the Editor of The Advertiser

May I bespeak an attentive hearing on a subject which is of importance to all? namely, the apparent difference in the interest taken by citizens of London in the welfare of young men and young women, respectively.

There is a handsome Y. M. C. A. building for the benefit of young men, a place of whose external appearance and interior equipment we may be justly proud.

Wisely managed, it derives great assistance from communities of influential and generous men and women, who realize what a great power for good is wielded there.

Large sums of money have been willingly given for the young men's building that they might not be hindered in their work by want of room or money. That is as it should be.

Why is not a similar interest taken in a young women's society which aims to offer advantages to young women parallel to those provided by the Y. M. C. A. for men? The "Y's," as they are familiarly called by hundreds of people, have worked long and earnestly in the interests of young women and girls. Without much money or time they are a most successful organization.

Please understand that this is not a charity—it is an enterprise carried on in the interests of young women. There is a fixed fee, paid by each girl who belongs to the society, which defrays the expense of the advantages she receives.

These young women experience the practical benefit of co-operation. The annual fee, used in other ways, would bring them but a small fraction of the comfort and satisfaction they find from the united fees of many.

The "Y's" are pleasant, comfortably furnished, lighted and heated. There is a table well-filled with current literature, a bookcase with interesting books, to which donations are welcome. There is a piano and a table where a young woman may sit and write or rest. There are also classes of various kinds of instruction; some are paid for, some free, for sewing, cooking, drawing, and the ordinary English branches.

Much interest is taken in literature. Authors are studied with great enjoyment, talks are given on popular subjects. There is a regular Bible class held, also a circle of devoted King's Daughters, who minister to the needs of such poor or distressed families as may be known to the members. There is always a secretary or member at hand to attend to guests or business.

The "Y's" also provide a place in which to spend a brief summer holiday. Summerhouse is a cottage, by Lake Erie, owned by them, where members can enjoy the needed advantage of change of air at a low charge, so the visit usually ends in refreshment. Relay after relay of happy girls come down during the season to enjoy the thousand pleasures of summer by the lake. This is self-supporting. They go home with bright eyes, "oiler cheeks, renewed energy and pleasant memories to enliven the short, dark days of winter.

The "Y's" during a splendid work, with very sufficient means. They deserve the hearty support and practical assistance of our citizens.

In many cities, for this is a branch of a national society, the Y. W. C. A. have a building large enough to enable some of the members to board in the house; this is a self-supporting department; or they have a 5-cent lunch room, where a very comfortable hot luncheon is served for this small sum.

Self-supporting. There may be also a woman's exchange. These are useful branches of effort, which are debarred the London "Y's," because of their limited pace and means, both of which are managed with care and economy.

If we need a society in London—as we do—whose sole business is the brightening of life for young women, offering them fresh interests and developing a cultured, womanly character, why cannot assistance be given the "Y's" as helped the Y. M. C. A.? Then they may have better rooms or a house if their very own, thus sparing the little band of seven or eight devoted girls who compose the executive th "carkling crew" of not knowing how to pay the rent.

Will not some energetic people join this committee and give a dash and impetus by their help? Will not some generous business men invest a sum of money for their benefit, giving them the interest?

Great help would be rendered if people who are in sympathy with this work would send \$5 each year to the treasurer at the "Y's" rooms, Dundas street, thus becoming a sustaining member—of hom many are needed.

Many kind friends have helped in the past, and we are gratefully remembered, but fish needs call for further assistance.

Though I write as is not a member of this association, she has had many opportunities of knowing the truth of the statements here made. With many thanks, Mr. Editor, for the space so generously accorded, I am, sir, yours very respectfully,

MARY S. ENGLISH.
Hellmuth 416, Sept. 21, 1898.

MANITBA'S WHEAT

Drop of 22,000 Bushels, or Double the product of 1897.

Montreal, Sept. 23.—W. W. Ogilvie, the miller, is received a telegram from his manager in Winnipeg stating that the wheat crop this year would total 33,000,000 bushels, or nearly double that of last year.

MARRIE AT A CONCERT.
Berlin, Sept. 23.—A public marriage took place in the exhibition building of the North Waterloos Agricultural Society Tuesday night, in connection with a concert. The contracting parties were Mr. Cornelius Figures and Miss Madeline Youngblood. For and Miss Madeline Youngblood. For and Miss Madeline Youngblood. For and Miss Madeline Youngblood.

THEIR WORK ENDED

Closing Session of the Methodist Conference.

The Women's Rights Question Tabled.—The Canteen Matter To Be Laid Before Parliament.

Toronto, Sept. 23.—At the Methodist general conference yesterday morning the report of the memorial committee came up. The first clause which gave rise to discussion was one declaring that a number of young ministers of the Methodist Church in Canada, without getting any credentials from the conference to which they are attached, have gone over to the United States and obtained ministerial employment, and it was pointed out that they should be entitled to show they were regularly entitled to such employment. Dr. Carman was instructed to communicate with the College of Bishops of the Methodist Church of the United States to negotiate for some understanding on the subject.

The question of the admission of women to all councils of the church and placing them on an equal footing with men next came up.

Judge Chesley, of Halifax, moved that the discipline of the church be altered to give effect to this.

Rev. Dr. Potts said that it was brought in by "new women."

Judge Chesley said that it was opposed by "old women."

Several delegates spoke very warmly in favor of the admission of women to the same rights as men in the church, but they were not strongly urged, and it was a surprise to conference when, on a vote being taken on the proposition to admit women, it was overwhelmingly defeated.

Rev. Dr. W. J. Hunter was appointed the delegate of conference to the M. E. Church of the United States, and Rev. Dr. Brecken, of Nova Scotia, was appointed delegate to the M. E. Church South.

The following named gentlemen were appointed members of the court of appeals: Revs. Dr. J. Shaw, Dr. S. E. Huestis, J. R. Gundy and Dr. Antilife, and laymen, Judge Chesley, N. W. Rowell, Principal Mills, J. J. MacLaren, B. M. Britton, M.P., and Judge Dehn.

The following were appointed a committee to make representations to the Dominion Government in regard to the sale of liquor in canteens at military camps and concerning the granting of liquor permits in the Yukon, viz.: Rev. Dr. Rose, Rev. Thos. Crossley, Mr. Thos. Nixon, and Rev. Dr. Bolton.

The conference decided also to memorialize the government to abolish all orders of precedence at state functions.

At the evening's session Mr. J. J. MacLaren, Q.C., moved that the representation of clergymen at the next general conference should be one in fifteen, instead of one in twelve. This was voted down.

It was decided to leave the choice of place of the meeting of the next general conference to the special general conference committee.

A suggestion came up as to whether or not the conference should pay the salary of Mr. Takagi, the Japanese delegate, who is attending college here, and was appointed delegate from the Japanese conference to save expense. He has put in a bill for \$200, which will be his expenses home. The committee threw the bill out, but conference, after considering the circumstances, decided to pay it.

The following were appointed members of the new special committee of general conference, which will act in place of the general conference during the next four years: Revs. Dr. Potts, Briggs, Burwash, Ryckman, J. C. Ross, J. L. Williamson, Dr. W. C. Henderson, Dr. Griffin, Hartz, Wakefield, Rev. E. Roberts, Rev. W. T. Joiliffe, laymen, Hon. Geo. A. Cox, R. Brown, Johnnie, J. Ellis, J. Ford, Dr. Allison, Dr. J. MacLaren, Q.C., M.P., H. P. Moore, John George, J. Mance, E. Garney and Dr. Lavelle.

A resolution was passed, setting apart the first few weeks of 1901 as a time for special prayer and spiritual reflection.

The general conference then passed various votes of thanks, and its proceedings were formally closed.

CLOSE OF PROVINCIAL SYNOD.

Montreal, Sept. 23.—Anglican synod prorogued yesterday. Dr. Davidson precipitated an acrimonious discussion on the question of the opening synod service, which he objected to as not being sufficiently suitable to congregational needs. A motion which he made, calling for the relegation of such matters to a committee of the synod was tabled.

Mr. Montague.

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CHAPTER XXVI.

When Esmer awakened after the first sleep, the clock was striking ten, and a bright sun was finding its way through the rose-colored curtains. Mellowed though it was, the light pained her eyes; she still felt tired; her head ached, too, as if a tight band were round it.

She would not rise yet; she would have a cup of chocolate, and sleep longer. In turning on her face pillow, to resume her slumber, her gaze rested, through the silken curtains, upon Mademoiselle Steplaine.

She was arranging a wonderful complication of creamy satin, lace bouffants, snowy flowers, and pearls.

It banished sleep; Esmer started up with a cry of ecstasy.

"Oh! Steplaine, how lovely!" she exclaimed, clasping her hands.

"It is a chef-d'œuvre, my lady," rejoined her companion, drawing a foot or so away, and viewing the bridal dress she had tastefully arranged with a critical and admiring gaze. "You will look angelic. Mademoiselle Steplaine! It came last night, the earl thought you would like to see it. You will wear it at your first drawing-room, when you are presented as the Countess of Leithington."

Fetching a large morocco case, Mademoiselle Steplaine opened it, displaying to Esmer's enraptured eyes the dazzling gems of a countless diadem.

"Ah! dear Steplaine," she cried, "tomorrow—tomorrow I shall have the right to wear it."

Esmer thought no more of sleep. She was anxious to dress, to try on the wedding-robe, to see the perfect fit of which one of Madame Delacour's head women was in attendance.

This important ceremony, the jewels, the admiration of Lady Davenant and her daughters, the visitors who came to inspect the handsome wedding presents, rendered that day one of great excitement to Esmer. Never had she felt happier—never appeared so beautiful. Her complexion was vivid, her eyes flashing, her figure, as it fitted about, looked like some bright, dazling, tropical bird, which, watching her with real admiration.

"Good-night, my darling!" he said, shortly after dinner. Lady Davenant tells me I must not remain later this evening, or I shall lose you.

"You tire me, Gerard. The idea!" she laughed. "Yet, still I should not like pale cheeks for tomorrow. People would think I was sorry, instead of being as happy as I could be."

As the earl stooped to kiss her for the apparent affection, he could not prevent the thought occurring, whether the happiness arose entirely out of love for him or the accomplishment of an ambition.

"And now that you are going," proceeded Esmer, keeping his head down by her arms clasped around his neck, so that she might look into his face.

"I will tell you a surprise I have for you."

"A surprise?" he smiled.

"Yes, the name of my chief bridesmaid," she replied, still holding him prisoner. "Who do you think it is?"

"You told me—Rosemary Davenant."

"Rosemary Davenant indeed! And Esmer's head man, the contemplative, said, 'She is not suited to be chief bridesmaid to the daughter and bride of an earl, Gerard. No, Lady Westbrooke, there.'"

The earl started violently. Nothing on earth could have prevented him doing so, and his countenance displayed grave annoyance, as he said: "Esmer, why was this? After what has passed between us, I repeat, why?"

"Because I thought I should like it," and her eyes glittered into his. "I thought I should like the belle of the season to be my bridesmaid, so I asked her, and she consented. To please me also she promised to keep a secret from you."

"From me?" broke out Gerard. "You asked Lady Westbrooke this?"

"No, not exactly in those words. I asked her not to tell; for I knew it would be a pleasurable surprise to you her paying me this compliment."

"And what did Lady Westbrooke say?" inquired the earl, with difficulty rubbing his anger.

She looked at me quietly a moment, afterwards smiled, then answered, she would yield to my desire with pleasure, adding to herself, though I heard her, 'Perhaps it would be better,' of course she meant not letting you know."

Such was not Gerard's opinion. He guessed that his future wife, and could imagine how full of pitying scorn her smile had been. She, as he, no doubt, had become aware how society had

coupled their names, and had recognized that her consenting to become Esmer's bridesmaid would give the death blow to any yet floating suspicions.

Still he could not blind himself to his cousin's meaning. Regarding her almost sternly, he said:

"If your words were true, Esmer, I could excuse you; but confess, was it only as a pleasant surprise to me that you did this?"

His glance was one of the description she could rarely encounter. Her eyes fell, a vivid flush suffused her cheeks. He understood it all. When the cup others had forced to his lips was apparently the sweetest, she dashed into it the bitterness of gall.

"Esmer," he cried passionately, "I think in the evidently wretched future for both, 'you will not let me love you; you do not love me, for affection never dwells where there is mistrust. One day you will regret this terrible jealousy, the bane of your existence.'"

He moved from her, far from dreaming how soon his prediction was to be realized.

In a second his cousin was again at his side. Her hands clasped his arm, hysterical tears were in her eyes.

"Gerard, cousin, forgive me," she pleaded. "All you say is true. I was jealous. She is so beautiful, so so graceful; but from this moment I cease to be, I trust you. Do not tonight let us part like this."

"Foolish child, for your own sake, keep this promise," he answered. "There," he added, rather wearily, as he kissed her in token of pardon; "you are making yourself ill; you are excited and feverish, I should say go to bed early. Good night."

He went, and Esmer, so happy as to be really penitent, not caring for the Misses Davenant's company, retired to her own apartments.

"You look tired, my lady," remarked Mademoiselle Steplaine, on her excitement of the day. "If I might advise, I should say go to bed."

"I think I will; I do feel tired," responded Esmer, gasping. "Besides, to-morrow I must be calm; and her eyes brightened. Oh! Steplaine, she before another sun sets I shall be a countess!"

That thought followed her to her pillow, and even in her sleep, which was broken and restless.

Meanwhile, as the clock of Westminster, giving the signal to other clocks, struck out midnight, Lucille sat alone before the fire in her dressing room. Attired in a soft white dress, she was trimmed dressing gown, reclining in a low chair, her hands clasped on her lap, and her eyes bent on the fire, she was lost in reverie.

Abruptly she directed her gaze to her bridesmaid's toilet placed ready for the morrow.

"It will be a trying ordeal," she murmured to herself. "I am not accustomed to it. I would not have stooped to, had it not been to blind the world to the truth. No way fitter. Had Lady Westbrooke loved, or been loved, and deceived, she would, they say, scarcely play bridesmaid to her rival."

Sighing, she placed her hands before her face. A trying ordeal, indeed. On that morning, to which Esmer looked forward so triumphantly, Lucille was to stand by, and, smiling, hear uttered the vows which made another's the only man she had really loved. As, mentally the confession rose in her lips, she moved her head quickly and colored.

"It seems so cruel to say—even to think it," she murmured. "Poor, poor fellow! His affection was sincere, if mine was not!"

Going to a book case, where she kept some favorite volumes, she brought one back with her. It was the same Maria had selected, and discovered on the fly-leaf the name "W. Selwyn." It was at this part that Lucille opened it, and her eyes rested on the name until the green dim with tears.

"Poor, poor fellow," she remarked again, closing the volume. "Better, perhaps, as it was. I know now, mine was not love. I never loved but once, and that was when I was a child. I added, proudly as she arose: 'What! am I so destitute of maidenly pride that I can love one who is to be the husband of another? No! as heaven hears me, from this moment, Gerard, I must—I will forget you!'"

Like some beautiful priestess performing a holy rite, she raised her fair arms and her eyes upward, as if in ratification of her vow. In a few seconds an angelic peace took possession of her features. Her arms slowly dropped to her side; she had fought and conquered. Half an hour later she was sleeping calmly, a smile on her lip.

How did the earl pass that last night before his wedding? With one exception, in no way different from those other nights since he resolved to fulfill his duty in every point to his cousin. From that time his countenance had lost much of its brightness. A cold passivity held possession of his face, and his manner, which was more kind and lacking of spirit. This night's exception had not been of long duration. Once more his face was his usual face, as, unlocking his desk, he drew out a packet containing a once-worn glove, a knot of ribbons, and a few faded wild flowers. Perhaps he could never to have kept them; certainly he must not now.

A spasm of acute mental agony convulsed him as, for a space, he regarded these stolen treasures; then, overcoming the eager longing to press them to his lips, approaching the fire, reverent and hushed, he placed them on a watch-dog box until they were consumed.

(To be Continued.)

LONDON WOMEN

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WESTERN ONARIO

Guelph Farmer Killed by a Fall.

Elgin's Tobacco Crop Harvested in Good Condition—Farm Laborer Killed at Guelph.

Daniel Scotton is reported to have bought 50 acres of land in Sandwich West at \$266 an acre.

Dutton merchants will close their stores at 6 p.m. during November, December, January and February.

Herbert Ellis and Miss Annie Drouillard were married at All Saints' Church, Windsor, on Tuesday evening.

A load of baled hay driven by E. Marshall, St. Marys, while passing over a bridge near that town, fell through, and the driver nearly lost his life.

The Methodist parsonage and barn at Oakland village, also Mrs. Charlotte Mills' barn, were burned at noon Wednesday. The cause is unknown.

Frank McQuillan, a farmer living about four miles from Guelph, was killed on Thursday by falling 25 feet from the top of a silo into a stone cellar.

The bigamist O'Brien, arrested recently at Portage la Prairie, Man., was yesterday sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. He admitted having three wives.

The mills of the Tillson Company at Tillsonburg are working to full capacity every hour of the day, and it is about impossible to keep up to the demand.

Miss Carrie E. Wallace, formerly of Enniskillen, was married at Omaha, Neb., last week, to J. Livingston, D.D., and they will in future reside in Millford, Iowa.

The tobacco crop of Elgin has been harvested in good condition. This year proves that with reasonable care a harvest of tobacco can be raised in the county.

A deputation of the R. T. of T. Council, No. 34, waited upon Rev. G. Trotter Carr, of Stratford, and presented him with a farewell address on the eve of his departure for England.

A pretty wedding took place Wednesday afternoon in Trinity Church, Simcoe, when Miss Alice Chadwick was married to Mr. Cyrus Somers, of Ingersoll. Rev. Mr. Hicks performed the ceremony.

The will of the late Cora Curry, of Windsor, has been limited to probate. She leaves everything to her mother. The estate is valued at \$20,000, outside of the amount involved in the lawsuit of Curry vs. Curry.

Some time Tuesday morning forcible entry was made into the Roman Catholic Church at Windsor, and the church and its belongings were thoroughly ransacked, but as far as can be learned nothing was stolen.

C. W. Gauthier, who is with a Windsor party in the Klondike, writes that lumber sells for \$200 a thousand feet in Dawson City, oranges for \$2 each, lemons \$5 a dozen, restaurant meals \$3 each, cheese and butter \$2 a pound and potatoes \$1.50 a pound.

Grand trunk officials have been at Selma in connection with the proposed new roundhouse, to be erected at the tunnel station. The site has been located and the ground staked out, south of the tunnel station, and almost in line with the continuation of Russell street.

The adjourned case of Thomas Howard vs. Mary Hyde, both of Blanshard, was heard at the Stratford police court Thursday. The trouble arises out of the alleged failure of the defendant to carry out a marriage contract, and the plaintiff seeks to recover \$215. Defendant was committed for trial.

There was a pleasant reception to Mr. and Mrs. E. Wood when they returned to Tillsonburg from their bridal tour to Montreal and Quebec on Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. George Frost and Mr. and Mrs. T. Wood, of Ingersoll, had taken possession of the house, and were there to welcome the young people.

A man giving his name as R. O. Webb, of Pittsburgh, Pa., called at Holton & Co.'s bank, Windsor, on Wednesday, and presented a check on a Pittsburgh bank, for \$50, with the name of Arc MacNee, editor of the Record, written in a line with the number ten in the back of the check. The money was paid over and the stranger departed. Soon after it was found that Mr. MacNee's indorsement was a forgery.

While the annual war dance of the "Western Ontario" was in progress near Fargo Tuesday night a fight arose, in which Charles Dodge received almost fatal injuries. High Constable Coogan drove out to the scene of the dance and placed under arrest the two men, a Canadian and a two full-blooded Chippewa Indians, who are charged with the assault.

Word has been received at Kincardine of the death of Mr. David Collins, of that town. He had been ill for upwards of three months. Mr. Collins went to Kincardine thirty years ago, and engaged in the dry goods business. He was a member of the quarterly board of the Methodist Church, the board of education, and the Masonic order. He was a wife, three sons and two daughters.

Mrs. Maria Millman, relict of the late Robert Millman, of Yarmouth, died Wednesday at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Henry Dennis, con. 6, Yarmouth, aged 90 years and 11 days. Deceased came to this country from Holdsworth, Devonshire, England, 57 years ago. She leaves three sons and three daughters: Robert, of New Westminster, B. C.; Richard and William, of Yarmouth; Joseph, of Windsor; and New Westminster, B. C.; Mrs. Wallace Tisdale, of Orwell, and Mrs. Henry Dennis, Yarmouth.

Piles Cured Without the Knife by Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment.

Mr. George Browne, painter, of Woodville, Ont., Victoria county, says: "For thirteen years I was a sufferer from bleeding piles and the intense agony which I passed through during those years and relief I obtained by Chase's Ointment prompts me to give this testimonial. My physician wished me to have an operation, but I felt I could be cured without the knife. Three boxes of Dr. Chase's Ointment stopped the bleeding and effected a permanent cure."

A woman of Belfast, Me., last week pawned her best bonnet in order to obtain money to pay the license tax on her pet dog.

LIFE SAVED.—Mr. James Bryson Cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the lungs and was given through during those years and relief I obtained by Chase's Ointment prompts me to give this testimonial. My physician wished me to have an operation, but I felt I could be cured without the knife. Three boxes of Dr. Chase's Ointment stopped the bleeding and effected a permanent cure."

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Blenheim, Drumbo, Sept. 27-28.

Palmerston, Palmerston, Sept. 27-28.

Wingham, Sept. 27-28.

Center, Falsley, Sept. 27-28.

Peninsular, Chatham, Sept. 27-29.

Northwestern, Goderich, Sept. 27-29.

Sombra Township Agricultural Fair, Sept. 28.

Petrol and Enniskillen, Sept. 28-29.

Zone and Bothwell, Bothwell, Sept. 29-30.

Pelee Island, Pelee, Sept. 29-30.

Mornington, Milverton, Sept. 29-30.

Oxford, Kempsville, Sept. 29-30.

West Elgin, Wallacetown, Sept. 29-30.

East Nissouri, Thamesford, Sept. 29-30.

Windsor, Sept. 29-30.

Bosancourt, Theodora, Sept. 30.

Plympton and Wyoming, Sept. 30.

London Township, Ilderton, Sept. 30.

East Nissouri, Thamesford, Sept. 30.

Springfield, Sept. 30-Oct. 1.

Tilbury West and North, Comber, Oct. 3-4.

Raleigh, Oct. 3-4.

North Riding of Oxford, Woodstock, Oct. 3-5.

Thamesville, Thamesville, Oct. 3-5.

Merlin, Oct. 3-4.

Deereham and South Oxford, Tilson, Oct. 4-5.

Moore Township, Bridgen, Oct. 4-5.

North Brant, Paris, Oct. 4-5.

Forest Union, Paris, Oct. 4-5.

South Perth, St. Marys, Oct. 4-5.

Elma, Atwood, Oct. 4-5.

Sydenham, Bothwell's Corners, Oct. 4-5.

Tilbury East, Valetta, Oct. 5.

Alvinston, Alvinston, Oct. 5-6.

Ridgeway, Oct. 5-7.

West Lambton, Oct. 5-7.

Oxford and Norwich, Ottaville, Oct. 5-7.

Dorchester, Oct. 12.

Dresden, Oct. 12-13.

Rodney, Oct. 10-11.

World's Fair, Rockton, Oct. 11-12.

St. Catharines, Thorndale, Oct. 12.

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MR. EVANTUREL VERY ILL.

Vanleek Hill, Ont., Sept. 23.—Hon. Mr. Ewanturel, speaker of the Ontario Legislature, is seriously ill at his home in Alfred. He was suddenly taken with inflammation of the lungs on Friday. His condition is serious.

LOCOMOTIVE FIREMEN.

Toronto, Sept. 23.—The Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen spent all yesterday morning discussing the report of the grand executive on the report of the grand treasurer. A prolonged discussion had not been expected, and will have the effect of postponing the conclusion of proceedings probably until Saturday evening.

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart of Gorton, S. D.: "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my saviour, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and, thank God, I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Sold by all druggists, 50 cents and \$1. Guaranteed or price refunded.

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FAIR AND WARMER.

Toronto, Ont., Sept. 23, 11 p.m.—The low area which was central near the Lake of the Woods last night has dispersed. A small low which has moved quickly to the lakes is causing a general fall of rain in Ontario. The pressure is generally low in the Northwest, and is decreasing in Eastern Canada. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 52-60; Barkerville, 36-54; Kamloops, 54-66; Calgary, 40-60; Battleford, 46-62; Qu'Appelle, 44-60; Winnipeg, 44-56; Port Arthur, 50-68; Parry Sound, 48-74; Toronto, 48-68; Ottawa, 44-72; Montreal, 50-70; Quebec, 46-68; Halifax, 40-62.

Toronto, Sept. 23, 1 a.m.—Probabilities for the lower lakes: Fresh southeasterly to southwest winds; fair and warm, preceded by showers in some places.

Local temperatures—The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Thursday, Sept. 22, were 66 degrees and 49.5 degrees.

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A LOCAL BUDGET

—The hospital committee has been called to meet tonight.

—Consulting Engineer Willis Chipman is in the city today on a tour of inspection.

—Thursday, Sept. 29, plebiscite day, is not a holiday in the public schools, says Hon. George W. Ross, minister of education.

—Miss Duclow, Miss Farr and the Misses Cleary have obtained situations in London, where they will reside.—Hamilton Times.

—Miss Maggie McCarthy, of Brantford, who has been visiting her friend, Mrs. Murray, of Beatty street, has gone to Port Huron before returning home.

—Rev. Mother General Digby, head of the Order of the Sacred Heart throughout the world, left the city yesterday afternoon for Detroit, where she will visit the convents for a few days.

—Word has been received by The Advertiser that "A Bachelor's Honeymoon" Company opened at Ottawa on Monday night last to a large house and that the play made a great hit.

—Mr. Charles Pugh, of Scandrett Bros., is holidaying for a few weeks at Buffalo, Detroit, and other western points for his health, and his many friends hope to see him return much improved.

—Mrs. Lydia E. Shaw, widow of the late Thomas H. Shaw, died at Hyde Park early yesterday morning, aged 40 years. Deceased was a native Canadian, and for the past twelve years had been a resident here, where she was well-known and highly esteemed. Two sons, Charles and William, both of London, are left to mourn her decease.

—Fred Wilson, who has been for several years with his brother, J. A. Wilson, in the grocery business here, left Monday night to take a position as bookkeeper in the Hobbs Hardware Company, London. Mr. Wilson was a prominent member of the Park Street Methodist Church, and one of the Maple City's most popular young men.—Chatham Planet.

—The Temperance and General Life Assurance Company have secured offices in the Bank of Commerce building, corner of Dundas and Richmond streets, which will be in charge of Mr. D. Munro, general agent for London and Middlesex. This progressive company has taken a front place in insurance in Canada, and evidently intend to secure their full share of the business from this district. Mr. J. O. McCarthy, of Toronto, superintendent of agencies, is in the city this week.

—Four more cases were entered yesterday for hearing at the coming Middlesex assizes, as follows: Jury—Rowe vs. Stephens, action for damages for breach of warranty; T. G. Meredith, for plaintiff; Fraser, for defense; Patmore vs. Crane—For damages for breach of contract; Hellmuth, for plaintiff; Miller, for defense.

—Miss Jane Grieve, a well-known and highly respected young lady, died at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Arch. Sharp, 119 Carling street, last night. The deceased was a native of Westminster township, and for ten years had been employed in the office of Mr. Adam Murray, ex-county treasurer, of South London. Two years ago she was attacked by la grippe, from which she never completely recovered. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, where she had a large circle of friends.

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EARNINGS OF STREET RAILWAY FOR FAIR WEEK.

The statement of earnings of the street railway for the week ending Sept. 17, has been forwarded to the directors. The increase this year is more than 15 per cent over last year. Monday was the only day the receipts fell below last year's total. The earnings amounted to \$7,970.99, an increase of \$1,071.72 over 1897.

MANDOLIN CLUB.

A meeting of the Y. M. C. A. Mandolin, Guitar and Banjo Club was held last night, and the following officers were elected: Honorary president, Col. Levey; president, Wm. Ashplant; vice-president, George Wilson; secretary-treasurer, Andy Williams; reporter, Fred R. Clarke; executive committee, George Fraser, Will Thompson, leader, B. E. Chadwick. The first practice will be held next Monday evening.

BARBOUR-FRAM.

St. Marys Journal: A popular young merchant of St. Marys, Mr. P. J. Barbour, was united in marriage at four o'clock on Wednesday to Miss Annie R. Fram, daughter of Mr. J. B. Fram, of London, formerly of con. 4, West Nisour, the ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Cluff, of Thorncliffe, at the residence of the bride's parents, 406 Princess avenue, London. The affair was quiet, the families only of the contracting parties being present. The bride was made the recipient of many handsome presents.

HARRIS AND PRODIGERS GUILTY.

John Harris (colored) and John Prodiges, who have been in jail for the past two months on the charge of a brutal assault on William Godwin, aged 70 years, whom they beat, bound and left in a half-dead condition, after breaking into his house and robbing him, were before Judge Edward Elliott yesterday. The elected trial by jury, but afterwards changed their minds, and pleaded guilty when arraigned before the county judge. They also pleaded guilty to stealing from Mrs. Helge. Both the accused were remanded until Wednesday next, when sentence will be passed. Prodiges has heretofore had a good character, and is well connected. A petition for mercy will be presented on his behalf. Harris has a bad record.

IGNORED

London Township's Proposal Before the Board of Works.

More Accounts Passed for the Financial Committee's Consideration—Assessment Commissioner's Quarters Too Small.

The board of works met last night with Ald. Douglass (chairman), Carrothers, Greenless, Cooper and Dreaney present. The board's depleted treasury accounted for an absence of spirited discussion, as no expensive projects were suggested.

A communication from the London Township Council, relating to the open drain on the south side of Dundas street, east of Egerton street, was filed. Ald. Dreaney wanted the drain covered over, but the other members opposed it. M. J. Kent and others petitioned to have the sidewalk on Wellington street, west side, between Central avenue and Hyman street, resurfaced with asphalt. The cost will be about \$20. The work will be done on the understanding that the ratepayers pay two-thirds and the city one-third of the cost.

The request of the Bell Telephone Company for permission to open several streets for the purpose of laying conduits to connect with their new cable. So, also, was a similar request from the People's Telephone Company. The chairman said the assessment commissioner and his assistants required a bigger room than the one occupied. It was thought that if the assistants and the clerks use some of the spare rooms on the second floor on the south side of the city hall, Mr. Grant would find his quarters comfortable, and at the same time he will continue to be convenient to the inquiring public.

The pay sheet, amounting to \$221.32, and accounts totaling \$752.08, were passed.

"What's the use of passing them if we haven't got money to pay with?" was the significant comment of Ald. Dreaney.

The matter of dispensing with workmen at Victoria Park was referred to Ald. Cooper and the chairman.

A Frightful Blunder.

Will often cause a horrible Burn, Scald, Cut or Bruise. Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world, will kill the pain and promptly heal it. Cures Old Sores, Fever Sores, Ulcers, Boils, Felons, Corns, all Skin Eruptions. Best File cure on earth. Only 25 cents a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by all druggists.

PAY OR ARBITRATE

Sewer Committee Again Conside Mr. J. A. Thomas' Claims.

Council Asked to Pay Him \$1,000 or Consent to Arbitration.—London Foundry Company Claim Damages.

Mr. J. A. Thomas again waited upon the special sewer committee last night for the purpose of hastening to a conclusion the settlement for his property on Becher street appropriated by the city when the King street bridge was built. He has been kept waiting many months. A short time ago the matter was practically settled that he should be given \$1,000. But later it was considered that as the rowing club have a right of way over part of the property, and as this right of way is said to be obstructed by an abutment of the sewer bridge, Mr. Thomas should get the rowing club's assurance that they would bring no action against the city for damages. The rowing club was not agreeable to this, and Mr. Thomas urged that his claim be paid or settled at once by arbitration.

Ald. Cooper—I've heard many people say the bridge has benefited Mr. Thomas' property to the extent of \$3,000. "You can have the whole property for \$3,000," was Mr. Thomas' prompt reply. His offer was not accepted. Continuing, he said he had submitted, through Mr. McEvoy, an offer of his property as a site for the Normal School at \$3,500. There could be no question, he thought, about the bridge, with its consequent traffic of farmers' rigs, from early morning far into the night, having damaged his property to a considerable extent, and he was satisfied he would get more than he asked if it went to arbitration.

On motion of Ald. Douglass, the council will be recommended to complete the purchase for \$1,000, leaving out of consideration the possible trouble with the rowing club. If this is not done, arbitration will be suggested as the proper course.

Ald. Carrothers asked that a report from Engineer Chipman be obtained as to the cost of shifting the abutment in question off the club's right of way. Mr. Thomas—I will agree to give \$50 towards it.

The report will be had. Another nut to crack was heralded by a notice from the London Foundry Company, stating they would hold the city liable for damages resulting through the construction of the King street bridge.

The company's solicitor will be asked to attend the next meeting of the committee.

Ald. Cooper (chairman), Greenless, Carrothers, Dreaney and Douglass were present at last night's meeting.

TEMPERANCE TALK

The Sum of \$473,200,000 Spent for Liquors in 15 Years.

Addresses Dealing With Prohibition Delivered in Talbot Street Baptist Church.

A meeting was held last evening in the Talbot Street Baptist Church, where addresses were delivered in the interest of prohibition. The weather was unfavorable, and the attendance not so large as expected. Mr. Charles Sayer, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., presided, and after opening the meeting, introduced the Rev. John Morrison. The speaker prefaced his remarks by expressing his hatred of the liquor traffic. Among other things he deprecated in the strongest terms the use of whisky in the making of brandy sauce for Christmas puddings. Mr. Morrison regretted very much the introduction of political animus into the contest. Liberals, he said, would refrain from voting because it would put Sir Wilfrid Laurier in a hole. Some Conservatives would vote simply because they thought it would help defeat the government, and thus rob the nation of the Dominion. He opposed the license system as a wrong that must be righted speedily. If prohibition were passed it would be a fruitful source of perjury, theft, smuggling, and kindred crimes, but would only bring to the surface the perjury, etc., that now existed, without increasing it.

Mr. Sayer, in his remarks, took a logical view of the matter, and told his hearers not "to go too much on the extreme taken from speeches on either side, as they were only stray sentences, and when taken alone sometimes actually misrepresented the speaker. He quoted F. S. Spence, of the Toronto Globe, criticizing the posters of the anti-prohibitionists, which was a jumble of jiggled figures and throughout misleading. Mr. Sayer thought there was very little in the arguments that the Dominion government would be "put in a hole" if the people declared in favor of prohibition, and referred to the Globe cartoon and Hon. Geo. E. Foster's statement that if prohibition carried cost would put his hand on the shoulder of a finance minister who would look after the revenue of the country." The speaker then quoted from a speech made by Mr. Foster in 1894, when the minister submitted a table prepared by himself showing the cost of liquor consumed in Canada from 1868 to 1892, inclusive, to have been \$473,200,000. On that occasion Mr. Foster said: "One can scarcely grasp the awful significance of these figures. The immense quantities of grain that have been wasted by people. The cost of liquor for one year exceeds the whole revenue of the Dominion of Canada. The cost per head has been fully twice as much as the total cost per head of the customs duties since Confederation. The total amount spent in the fifteen years aggregates, without counting interest, nearly \$500,000,000. This would have defrayed all our cost of government, built our railways, and left us without a shadow of a national debt. To all this we must add the incalculable loss of citizens slain, labor destroyed, pauperism, crime and crime, and the cost of the war. The wonder is, that with such a terrible waste, our country enjoys any prosperity. If this waste could be made to cease, Canada, in ten years, would be the most prosperous and wealthy nation in the world. Surely it is the part of all good citizens to see to it that such a frightful source of waste and destruction is dried up. Prohibition is the only cure."

When Mr. Sayer finished, H. H. Wallace informed the audience that if prohibition carried, the country, from a pecuniary standpoint, would be just the same as it is now. Whisky was given for money value, and if it could

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You are very cordially invited to visit our big stores and to see the new goods in every department that our buyer has just imported from Europe. You will find the styles and the colorings the newest, and the prices lower than the lowest.

Kingsmill's.

Our Big Window For

\$2 GRAHAM BROS

VERY QUEER SITUATION

Wedded, but No Wife—Mrs. Hollihan's Husband Is Slow in Taking Up Housekeeping.

AMUSEMENTS

JEFFERSON'S SON OUTWITS HIS FATHER.

A good story is going the rounds about Mr. William Winter Jefferson, youngest son of Mr. Joseph Jefferson. Willie is a member of the cast in "A Bachelor's Honeymoon" this season, and appears at the Grand on Oct. 6, and he plays the part of Howston, a young lawyer, who, being bitten by a dog, imagines he has hydrophobia, and is only cured by liberal and frequent doses of "spirits of frument," the seeming effects of which creates great fun for the audience. Willie is a great favorite of his father, and during the past summer, when he came to age, his father decided to give him an interest in his business, the same as his other sons. They demurred at first with Willie becoming associated in the business interests, but the old gentleman was inexorable, saying: "Little man must be taken care of." Elated at his financial prospects, Willie hid himself to Europe, and while there met a number of his old friends and pals of the profession. Seeing the town of the Imperial to the Royalty, Piccadilly, he would have to "touch" his father for funds, and the following cables tell the story:

London, Aug. 6, 1897.

10 a.m.

Joseph Jefferson, Gray Gables, Mass., U.S.A.:

Dear Dad,—Cable me £100, advance on season.

William W. Jefferson.

Boston, Aug. 6, 1897.

10 p.m.

W. W. Jefferson, London: Papa.

What for?

London, Aug. 7, 1897.

5 a.m.

Joseph Jefferson, Boston, Mass., U.S.A.:

For Little Willie.

W. W. J.

He got it.

WOMEN LOVE BRIDES.

That women are interested above all things in a bride was discovered by Edith Shannon through a peculiar experience recently in Chicago. She had occasion to visit one of the large dry-goods stores on State street to make some purchases for her appearance as the bride of the second act of "The World at the Flame" at the opening of Powers' new theater. Stepping up to one of the counters she said to one of the saleswomen: "I should like to see some orange blossoms, please." The girl's eyes immediately extended, and she stared for quite an instant at her customer. Other saleswomen who heard the remark immediately sided up to Miss Shannon's vicinity, and, with other purchasers who were near by, began to take the greatest interest in Miss Shannon's purchases. The assortment of orange blossoms which were brought out also attracted the attention of other women in the store, and the actress was soon the center of a group of women who were inspecting her closely from head to foot, doubtless commenting some of them audibly, as to the kind of bride she would be. Miss Shannon felt exceedingly annoyed at first, but as the true position of matters dawned upon her, she could scarcely conceal her enjoyment of the huge joke. Not a woman budged while she was making her selections. When she had finally completed her purchases, she had to run the gauntlet of many sharp, feminine glances, seasonable observations and speculations as to her identity as she walked out of the store.

The Shannon-Kelcey Company appear in London on Thursday next, the 29th, in "The Moth and the Flame."

"Though soldiers are paid by the month," said the Cheerful idiot, as he paused. "Well, what?" asked the transient boarder. "The commission will be paid for peace work."—Indianapolis Journal.

Remember the Fly.

TRIPLE TRAGEDY.

Cumberland, Md., Sept. 23.—Frank P. Myers shot and instantly killed John Lenhart, a constable, and Michael Kerns, a bystander, at Garrett, Md., yesterday, while resisting eviction from a house which was the subject of a family dispute.

He was captured by the sheriff, and as he was being taken to jail someone in the crowd shot the prisoner in the head.

THE PEW TROUBLE.

Windsor, Sept. 23.—The action of Father Bayard, parish priest, of Windsor, in ordering E. Hanrahan and a lady friend out of the pew that he had paid for, and sending it to Senator Casgrain, has been overruled by the Bishop, who gave the pew back to the Hanrahans. As a result of this Senator Casgrain has severed his connection with the church.

The secretary of the United States treasury has received a conscription fund contribution of \$500 from an unknown citizen of Topeka, Kan.

He fell dead in the sheriff's arms.

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