Your Easter Hat is an Important Purchase

The choosing of it takes time and thought, you don't want to select in a hurry and then regret some feature of it everytime you put it on, of course we'll do our best to serve you carefully right up to the last day, but we advise a little forethought-and can promise much better and more careful attention if you come at once We've visions of love'iness is our Millinery Department, and hosts of the season's newest and best materials which dest fingers can make up to your order and you are certain of our best attention to this most interesting part of your apparel. Consult us at once

Exquisite Laces,

One of the lines we're noted for-and this spring we're showing even more levelines than ever in all the dainty "cobwebby" creations that are so dear to every woman's heart. Whatever you want in Laces you'll find here.

SILKS!

WE KNOW WHAT YOU WANT.

Bengulien Silk, very fine quality, beautiful shades of red, pink, blue, sky and gray, 22 inches wide, very special \$1.00 per yard.

Plain Pongee Silk, extra quality, all colors, very special value 60c per yard.

Black Taffeta, 21 inches wide, extra quality \$1.00

SILKS!

Peau De Sois, a magnificent range, the best value we have ever shown at 85c, \$1.00 and \$1.50. Foulard Silk, we have them, and the colorings and designs are handsome. it's worth your while to them, the prices are 50 and 75c per yard.

SATINS

Extra Heavy Satin, 22 in, Side, all colors, extra

Thomas Stone & Son

Direct Importers

Our 50c Ties



Our 50c Ties

For Spring 1900 are the perfection of art in colors and design. The newest fashions in color and shape in neckwear has always been our aim, and our showing this season will sustain us in our claim to the best we have ever been able to show.

....THE SHAPES.....

are Puffs, Imperials, Four in hands, Bat Wing Bows, and the popular English Square, all larger than last season. The increased shape permits of a wider field of ideas and shows the wide, rich stripes and plaids to a better advantage. The new purple and red effects so popular now are decidedly novel, yet refined, and are easily the choice of swell dressers We have a new line in the window made up in all shapes and prevailing colors at 50c. SEE WINDOW.

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Trudell & Tobey

Sole Agents for Shoes and Barrington Hats

HOIST.

Senate Knocks out the Government's Gerrymander Bill

By the Same Old Majority-The Vote

Stood 41 to 19. Ottawa, March 29 .- By a majority

Ottawa, March 29.—By a majority of 22 the Senate yesterday again threw out the Gerrymander Bill. It was the same majority as recorded against the bifl last year, when the vote was 36 to 14. To-day's vote was 41 to 19.

The debate on Sir Mackenzie Bowell's amendment for the six months' hoist was concluded by the Minister of Justice, who, in the course of his speech, declared that the Senate's rejection of the Mann & Mackenzie Yukon reilway bill had "inflicted lasting wrong on the country."

The Senate then divided on the amendment of Sir Mackenzie Bowell, which was carried with the above result. Senator O'Donohue voted with

sult. Senator O'Donohue voted the Liberal Minority.

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Success Well Earned

Success-no longer a matter of anticipation, but an assured fact-his been written all over this enterprise, and measured crowds, sales, and orders received, it has been the most satisfactory Opening Event in the store's history. That our display of high class Millinery was THE FINEST and BEST EVER SEEN in the city of Chatham, was the unanimous verdict of every lady who visited our show rooms yesterday. The reception will be continued for the remainder of the week. If you have not already attended we again extend you a cordial invitation to do so

Children's Hats and Bonnets

We received yesterday a case of the handsomest CHILDREN'S HEADWEAR that has ever been our pleasure to offer you — Rich Embroidered Silk, Muslin and Lawn Hats, Bonnets and Tams. The styles are new and decidedly pretty. As they arrived too late to be shown yesterday we invite you to call and see tham.

ANOTHER BELATED CASE

That arrived too late for yesterday's display contained a choice range of NEW BLACK OREPONS and MATTALASSES in beautiful designs, and all stamped GOLD MEDAL, you know what that means—the best in the market—best material, best dyes, and best finish. They are now en our counters. Ask to see them.

The Busy Cash and One Price Store

John Northway & Co.

That is the Date Set for Lord Roberts' Next Move.

London, March 29. - Immense quantities of litores have now been accumulated at Bloemfontein, and Lord Roberts' infantry is seemingly about to move. An impression, which can be traced to the War Office, is abroad that the advance will begin next Monday. Boer observation parties are hovering near Bloemfontein, but Lord Roberts has 130 miles to cover before reaching the great position which the Boers are preparing at Kroonstadt. Moving ten miles a day is probably the best he can do with field transports. Therefore he can hardly engage the Boers in force for two weeks. The reconstruction of the railway behind him may even delay an invasion of the Transvaal until May. Meanwhile, all the important towns in the Free State within Lord Roberts' reach are being garrisoned. Thaba Ncha, Philippolis, Fauresmith and Jagerstontein are thus held.

HAVE MOVED TEN MILES. London, March 29 - Lord Roberts has sent 10,000 troops to Glen, 10 miles north of Bloemfontein, on the railway. This is a preliminary to the genera

the Morning Post, telegraphing Tues-day, says: The 1st Coldstreams and the 3rd Grenadiers are already at Glen. The Gordons and the cavalry brigade moved Sunday. The fourteenth brigade

"The three span bridge at Glen was dynamited three hours before the Guards reached it. The necessary repairing will delay further advance for a time Gen. Gatacre's forces are now

matter for regret that, owing to the state of the roads and of our horses Commandant Grovelaar's commando Commandant Grovelaar's commando of 6,000 men from Colesburg and the scuthern districts, got away north by travelling day and night close to the Bastuo border before our, force could hope to get near them.

"The latest news is that the Boers have 40,000 men still under arms, of whom 10,000 are in and around the Natal border. Although tents and stores are reaching here, a block on Delight the Eye.

Natal border. Although tents and stores are reaching here, a block on the railway is delaying arrivals from the south considerably. It is asserted that 20,000 Boers are massed at

Kroonstadt."
Gen. French, who has acrived at Boemfontein from Thaba Nchu, says that Commandant Olivier has 6,000 men, and is north of Ladybrand. A CIRCULAR FROM STEYN.

The correspondent of the Times at Lorenzo Marques, telegraphing Monday, says:—"Mr. Steyn has issued a circular letter, dealing with the proclamation of Lord Roberts and declar-ing it to be obvious that the enemy's ing it to be obvious that the enemy's policy is, as it always has been in South Africa, to divide and dominate his opponent. He repudiates the charge that the burghers have been misled by their leaders," and then says:—"The enemy now, by fair promises, seeks to divide us by offering a reward for disloyalty and cowardice. Could a grosser insult be offered than to dissuade us from a sacred duty? Let us not be misled by this cunning ruse. The man who would seduce another to disloyalty cannot himself be faithful. Although the capital is

in the enemy's hands," he says, "the battle is not lost; on the contrary, there is greater reason for fighting more fiercely. The power of the country is not dependent upon any town." There is unmistakable internal evidence that this letter is the work of State Secretary Reitz. Now that Mr. Fischer is gone, it is apparent that Mr. Steyn is dominated by Pretoria.

ARRESTED FOR DESERTION.

ARRESTED FOR DESERTION. Hundreds of the younger Boers, in-cluding officers, are being arrested for desertion. A large number of men over sixty-years of age are being commandeered, although not legally liable

AMMUNITION IS SHORT. According to trustworthy informa-tion from Pretoria, the total stock of Mauser ammunition, 5,000,000 rounds, was issued to the Free State burghers. was issued to the Free State, ourguers. The Boers are now issuing Lee-Metford cartridges, of which they originally possessed 4,000,000. The Creusot smokeless powder, which was manufactured, is proving deficient in quality, and the experiment of recharging and the experiment of recharging ity, and the experiment of recharging the Mauser cartridges has proved a failure, owing to the inability of the Boers to make caps.

ENTRENCHING PRETORIA. Pretoria is being entrenched. A laa ger for women and children is being astructed some miles out of town. constructed some miles out of town. News from responsible parties confirms the report that the Boers intend to blow up the works and shafts of the principal mines on the Rand and on Crown Reef together with the Robinson and Langlaege estate mines, huge charges of exceptionally powerful blasting gelatine having already been placed in position with this object. This is said to be done at the instigation of Mr. Reitz with the concurrence of Mr. Kruger, but against the wishes of many influential burghers. There are grounds for suspecting ers. There are grounds for suspecting that the real motive of the threat is to induce foreign investors to bring

Delight the Eye.

Messrs. Thibodeau & Jacque's Spring Millinery Opening a Great Success

The hardsome dry goods establishment of Thibodeau & Jacques is en fete with their splendid spring their splendid spring opening. The formal millinery opening took place yesterday, when it is estimated that over 1,100 patrons visited the beautifully illuminated establishment, and will continue during the ensuing days of the week. The two large windows, dressed with exquisite taste and skill by Thos. Primeau, are devoted to exhibits of millinery and dress goods respectively and are exceedingly sutrancing.

Inside the millinery rooms have always been provided with he best and prettiest of their kind, and his year is no exception. The styles for the preestablishment, and will continue dur

no exception. The styles for the pre-sent season are as varied as ever, and colors are extremely popular. Fruit is the latest trimming, and luscious looking grapes adorn many of the most fashionable headgear. The Hobbs hat is one of the favorite styles. This is a little round hat which turns off from little round hat which turns off from the face. The Lucy Gerrard is another handsome style and is black straw with eight plumes over upturned rim, which is filled out with piok crushed roses. A hat with high crown, trimmed with feathers made of meline and fringe, is also worthy of notice. Large turbans are popular this year, while the jaunty little sailor will again be seen on the streats. Another exceedingly popular streets. Another exceedingly popular triumph of the millinery art is "The Bobe," a dainty creation with purple rim of violets and crown of white chif-Hobe," a dainty creation with purple rim of violets and crown of white chiffon with lace droopings and brass buckles. It is a very stylish hat. Another charming hat, in prettily ornamented and arranged blue case, is a turban with crown of white tucked tulle, trimmed with narrow black baby ribbon and rim of tucked tulle, with violets and black osprey. Chidren's hats are very dainty and pretty and the bonnets are particularly noticeable. The show-rooms are clad in patriotic decorations and paims.

The entire establishment is in holiday attire and every department is filled with the latest novelties. In dress goods and silk there are black goods, figured poplins, grenadenes, plain and figured, venetians, lustres, eserges, all the new shades of blue, green, gray, fawn, brown and khaki. There are tailor suits, homespuns, covert cloths, plain poplins, henriettas and novelty goods. In sitis all shades are shown. In colored the peau de-chine and in black the peau do-soie.

The corset, hosiery and small wear department is complete with all the leading lines, also embroidery and ladies' white wear, ladies' kid gloves, ribbons and lace curtains.

To the right of the entrance the geous' furoishing department is complete in all its details, also wash goods, staples, sheetings, chirrings, cottonades, etc.

The whole establishment is beautifully decorated and exceedingly attractive.

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A piece of bright dongola kid, a piece of clear sole leather, a few nails, the best of silk, all combined by the best of workmen, make our women's lace or button boots the best value in the city for the price. . .

All Sizes

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The Great Blood Purifier and Narve Remedy, cures Bilious Headache, Dys-pepsian Constipation and all diseases of the blood liver, kidneys and sto-mach. Sold at all druggists. Ask for Freeman and take no other.



A STEPHENSON, Proprietor

"RING" PRICES MAINTAINED.

In the Senate, in answer to Sir Mackenzie Bowell and Mr. Percy, Hon. David Mills gave statistics of the sale of binder twine, 288,845 pounds having been sold this year, and 5,820 pounds being on band on March 20th, last. Farmers were supplied at from 81.2 to 14 cents per pound. The Government sold to wholesale men at wholesale rates, and to purchasers of small lots at retail rates. They tried to keep as near as possible to the trade retail prices. Thus the object with which the manufacture of prison binder twine was introduced is defeated. That object was to cheapen the product to the farmer, but as the Government, occording to Mr. Mills, has adopted "ring" prices the farmer loses all the advantage that the late Conservative administration intended he should get. If the Government had considered the interests of the agriculturists instead of the ringsters, and cut the prices, the combine would have had to meet the cut and the farmers would have secured twine at reasonable prices. But some way the unfortunate consumers always seem to get the worst

MR. PATERSON'S OPINION OF MR FIELDING'S SURPLUS.

The remarks once made by Hon Wm. Paterson, controller of customs. on the occasion of a Conservative surplus, apply very aptly to Finance Minister Fielding's case. Mr. Paterson said (Hansard, 1883, pages 354 and

"When the government find they have beyond doubt a surplus, when they can carculate to a certainty of having one, it is their bounden duty

"It is no part of the duty of a finout of the pockets of the people than is absolutely wanted to carry on publie affairs.

"Fangy what would be said of Chancellor of the Exchequer in England if he could not estimate the requirements of the public service.

"He would be ridiculed as unable to grasp the financial condition of the

"If the surplus was paid by the minister himself, if he had some means of taking it out of his own pocket and. putting it into the public treasury, or if the combined supporters of the min istry had some means of putting that money into the treasury, then we could hail them as benefactors of their country.

"but when the Hon. Finance Minister has put his hand into your pocketi and my pocket, and the pockets of the people of this country, and has taken therefrom this \$16,000,000, then ed any great feat."

Mr. Paterson's reasoning clear the mistake of Mr. Fielding in declining to take off the additional

CO-OPERATIVE COLD STORAGE.

Of lute years a great deal has been produce export trade to Britain, where the demand for Canadian farm products has been steadily increasing. The principal obstacle in the way of our farmers participating in the great advantages of this profitable market to the extent that they should, has been the lack of cold storage facilities. The great essential to building up this trade on a permanent basis is that the shipments should be of first-class quality and arrive at their destination in good condition. The latter condition can only be secured by cold stor age within easy access of the producer. In order to encourage the establishHave you seen the

Noisless Shoes?



THE STANDARD SHOE FOR TEN-DER FEET, HOTEL, HOSPITAL, HOUSE OR CONVENT WEAR, AT

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WE DEAL IN RUBBER BEELS.

ment of cold storage stations, Hon.

John Dryden has introduced a bill into the provincial legislature providing a simple and inexpensive scheme whereby farmers who desire to co-operate for this object can become incorporated and can secure financial aid from! the ! Provincial Treasury. According to its provision any five or more desiring to associate for carrying on the business of the storage of fruits, dairy products, animal products, vegetables, etc., can form a cooperative cold storage association by merely adopting a set of rules and signing a certificate to be registered on payment of a fee of fifty cents. No member can own shares exceeding one thousand dollars and the stock is transferable subject to the consent and approval of the association. The liability of members is limited to the amount of their capital. Each association thus formed may receive from the province a grant within the sum of \$500, and not more than one-fifth of the cost of construction and equipment of their buildings provided the latter are examined by the public works department and found to be suitable in structure and equipment for cold storage purposes. The time during which this aid will be granted is limited to five years. hould this measure give to the erection of cold storage stations it will do much to increase agriculturah prosperity and equalize prices by enabling farmers to hold their products until there is a remunerative

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The Most Stylish Millinery

Let Us Sell You your Spring Dress

We have the right goods at the right prices ASK TO SEE OUR WASH

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Thibodeau & Jacques

The Best Show Room

ANIMITY IN THE COURT OF APPEAL

Some time since The Planet pointed to the judgments of the court of appeal to show in what a peculiar manner the laws of the land were applied. The court being composed of several judges on nearly every case some found one way and some the other, the decision of the majority carrying the day, It was patent to anyone that both sides could not be interpreting the law correctly in the cases was. there was dissent. Therefore is was evident the statutes were in such shape that they could not be intelligently interpreted or else that we had at least some judges without sufficient ability or legal knowledge to interpret them intelligently.

Now there is a change. In the published reports of a large batch of judgments handed down on Tuesday last we do not find one announcement of

dissent. Yet formerly, as the Globe once pointed out, the judges differed n as many cases as seven out of ten. Has there been a remarkable change among the judges, or is the information being suppressed by the court re porters who supply the news to the press. The Toronto papers who have the means at hand of looking into this matter should do so.

Doesn't the Banner propose to retract its slander against the ladies of the Red Cross in the matter of furnshing false returns?

Judge McDougall, in a typewritten judgment of fourteen pages, concludes that the modern citizen is accustomed in the matter of eating and drinking, to substantially the same condition on Sunday as on week days, and that ice-cream has become in a modified sense a necessity. He is, therefore, of the opinion that, under all the circumstances of the case, the ice cream supplied in the case before him was in the nature of a light refreshment, and was supplied in the ordinary course of the defendant's business as a restaurant keeper. This, Judge Mc-Dougall rules, does not constitute an offence under the statute, and he quashes the conviction

> SAME HERE. Hamilton Spectator.

We regret to observe that Mr. Whit ney has again declared himself in favor of the municipal bonus. It is not every leader of opposition who is strong enough to throw away material for a most popular plank in his allat forms

THE FEDERAL LIFE.

The annual report of the Federal Life Assurance Commany will be found in another part of this issue, and will prove profitable and interest ing reading.

The Federal Life Association is one of the largest and most successful organizations of its kind in America, and the report shows the steady and substantial progress made. At the present time the insurance in force amounts to \$11,847.070, being an inincrease of \$721,504, over last year, and this rapid progress she sign of continuance on a still larger scale. The capital and assets at the end of 1899 reached the large sums of \$1,669,660, am increase of \$194,377 over over 1898. The whole report is calcullated to make very satisfactory reading for the shareholders as well as the policy holders in this enterprising company, and its local representatives ought to have no difficulty in pushing business hereabouts after such a satisfactory showing.

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The Best Lighted Store

Love, Business and Marriage Past, Present and Future

Hotel Garner Room 8

SUDDEN AND REMARKABLE UN- MURPHY OF THE IRISH FUSILIERS.

The Latest London Music Hall Song. You may talk of Julius Caesar, or describe the Queen of Spain, But they couldn't hold a candle, boys,

You might travel out to Timbuctoo and back to town again, Still you couldn't find the aiqual there

of Murphy. He cou'd make the ladies love him, he could make the peelers quake, He's the pride of every wedding, and the backbone of every wake;

le had got all the materials to make Dungarvan shake, and the darlint of the Fusiliers was Murphy.

Chorus:

Murphy was a terror, Murphy was a He could hould more whisky than any

of threats and jeers, He fought for Queen and country, boys, in the Irish Fusiliers.

Says Murphy, "Cheers for Kimberley and the defence it made; Here's three times three for Kekewich," shouts Murphy;
"And the gallant Irish leader of our

cavalry brigade, Who is driving Boers in front of him,"

says Murphy.

"Now the Boers when learning languages have had a sasty wrench,
Though they've (foreigners to show
them how positions to entrench;
Still we're teaching them some English and they've learnt a bit of French; French is giving them French polishing," says Murphy.

The order was for Pieter's Hill-they took it double quick.

Sure the Scotch went up 'long side of "Ay, the Irish boys were working till begad they did the trick—Sure I'm tould the Queen is proud of us," says Murphy.
"We now can cheer Majuba Day, and

mark it with a star, And, sure, Irish White, of Ladysmith, fears neither wound nor sear. But the best of all the Irish boys is Bobs of Kandahar; Oh! Lord Roberts is the general for

Murphy. There are Irishmen, I'm tould, who for our enemies give cheers; But they none of them are fighting men," says Murphy.
'For the friends of those who try to

kill the Irish Fusiliers, They are mightly pleasant Irishmen," says Murphy. one place, the field of battle, they'll take care they're never

seen; They may talk their petty trason, or may wave their flags of green.
But they can't stop Irish soldiers, who
are fighting for the Queen;
Sure, God bless her, we would die for
her," says Murphy.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL.

Re Township of Colchester North and Township of Gosfield North. — Judgment on appeal by Township of Colchester North from the judgment of the Drainage Referee confirming a report by William Newman, engineer, reporting a scheme for drainage in these townships. It was contended in the proceedings to obinter alia that the proceedings to obtain the report were not in accordance with the provisions of the municipal drainage act, that the petition was insufficient under Sec. 3, and that the engineer did not make and file the af-fidavit required by Sec. 5; that work n question was a new drainage cheme for Gosfield North, and not the improvement of existing drain No 15; that the proposed drainage work is in breach of an agreement between the township pursuant to which Col-chester North has paid Gosfield North \$2,000. That the proposed work was not authorized by Sec. 75 of the act; that the assessments in connection with the work were unjust and improper; that the drain would work injury to land in Colchester North beyond its termination, which result had not been taken into consideration, and not been taken into consideration, and that evidence had been improperly excluded, and an amendment of the engineer's report improperly allowed by the referee. Held, that while an appearise pending against a report a council cannot refer it back for amendment unless upon consent of all parties, and that treating the amended report as an original report it is bad, ties, and that treating the amended report as an original report it is bad, because the engineer before making it had not taken again the oath of office, which is an essential requisite of jurisdiction. Appeal allowed with costs. Britton, Q. C., and Langton, Q. C., for Township of Colchester North. A. H. Clarke, Windsor, for Township of Gosfield North.

TENDERS WANTED

Sealed Tenders, marked "Tender for Church." will be received by the undersigned up to March 30th, 1900, for the several works required for the erection of a new Presbyterian Church at Themesville. The plans and specifications can be seen at my office. The lowest or any t nder not necessively accounted.

8. STEWART, M.D., Nec'y Building Committee meaville, March 16th, 1900. dawtd

Minard's Liniment is used by Phy-

Miss Cathcart's

llinery Opening

Thursday, Priday, Saturday, 29th, 30th, 31st of March

CHATTANOOGA.

Among those who have expressed a great approval of Lincoln J. Carter's latest play "Chattanooga," are the young soldiers who have just returned from the Spanish war. Many of them were camped during the recent war near the scene of this play, and they find great pleasure in pointing out to each other the spots which they traversed while they were preparing to go to Cuba to fight for their country. Mr. Carter has made a special effort to give a historically, picturesquely correct view of Lookout Mountain and surrounding points, and it is universally conceded that he has succeeded. The play is one of thrilling interest, full of action, comedy and beautiful pictures, and has delighted thousands of people in the larger cities where it has been presented. It comes to Chatham for one night only, next Saturday. only, next Saturday.

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OGS ASTPAY—Came to my premises, Lot 18, Con, 13, about 1st March, two hands me setter dors, one white and yellow and the other white and itiver. The oweer is requested to call, pay charge and take them away, or they will be sold to pay ex-

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Elizabeth St., directly back of Mr. Holmes' Victori Av., residence, containing Dining Room, Parlot Kitchen and Summer Kitchen of ground floor and ave good sized bedrooms upstairs—there are two lot of ground with a large number of fruit trees such as apples, Peaches, Plums, Grapes and small fruits. It is council and occupied by Mr. Carpeter and till be sold of eap as the owner is about to move to be State of Illinois.

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Thrilling and Romantic
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Notice to Contractors.

Bulk and separate tenders will be received up till 7 o'clock p. m., Friday, April 6th. by the undersigned archi-tects, at whose office plans may be obtained, addressed to James Forsyth, Esq., Chatham township for alterations and additions to residence near Eberts station. Lowest or any render not necessarily accepted.

JAMES L. WILSON & SON,

Jes. Forsythe, E.q., Airchitects, Proprietor. 1w Chatham, Ont.

Notice to Contractors. Bulk or separate tenders will be received up to 12 o'clock, noon, Wednesday, April 4th, 1900, for the erection and completion of three veneered

On each of these buildings there will and slating.

sarily accepted. Tenders to be left at the Architect's office by the time specified above.

JAMES W. CARSWELL, Architect.

Market Building, Chatham, Ont. March 24th. 1900.

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Mr. Foster

DISSECTS AR. FIELDING'S BUDGET -OVER SIX MILLIONS FILCH-ED FROM THE PEOPLE.

Ottawa, March 28.-Mr. Foster's reply to Mr. Fielding's budget speech was an able effort. His contention was in brief that if the condition of is due rather to circumstances of world-wide prevalence than to anything meritorious in the management of our financial affairs. Mr. Foster spoke for atout four and a balf hours, after which came the adjourn.

fielding's speech as a speech Mr. Foster went on to quote from the Liberal platform of 1893 and the speeches of Liberal leaders down to 1896 professions of the horror with which the party looked upon an expenditure of \$38,000, -000 a year, and a capinet of fourteen ministers, while Mr. McMullen railed gainst the institution of the depart. ment of trade and commerce as a "resting place for the balance of his life to
the honorable gentleman who now occupies the office, and who is drawing cupies the office, and who is drawing fore, Mr. Fielding boasted of his surplies, and who is drawing fore, Mr. Fielding boasted of his surplies, and who is drawing to the first will suppose, said Mr. Foster, who honorable gentleman now says of the first while office about the statement of the first will be statement. that this office should be retained in order to give a resting place to the Ontooker of the Cabinet, who has passed his period of active service. And how had those honorable gentlement their promises. To use the

men kept their promises? To use the plain words of Sir Richard Cartwright a opposition, this \$6,189,000 of ed reveuue last year was simply

FROM THE WAGE EARNERS, the farmers and the laboring classes \$1.16 per head of the population. These live millions more of customs and excise revenue meant \$1 per head from the people who were already bled white. While as to the surplus of \$4,837,000, it would have been the customs and the people who were already bled white. would have been the criticism of the Liberals that the Finance Minister had Liberals that the Finance Minister had no business with the surplus after he had taken sufficient out of the pockets of the people for the ordinary expenditure of the country. The average expenditure on consolidated fund account under the textrapaget? (Consequent) ture of the county penditure on consolidated fund account under the 'extravagant' Conservative under the 'extravagant' Conservative Government of 1892 to 1896 was \$37.-249,223. In 1897 it was \$38,000,000; in 1898 it was nearly \$39,000,000, and in 1899 it was \$41,903,502. Then as to the total expenditure—in 1892 it was \$42,272,136, in 1893, \$40,853,727; in 1894, \$43,700,223; in 1895, \$42,872,338; in 1896, it was \$41,702,383—an average of \$42,141,763. In 1897, the total expenditure rose to \$42,977,755; in 1998, \$45,334,281; in 1899, \$51,542,635, and the expenditure for 1896 included \$2,394,000, which Mr. Fielding tacked on for the North Shore Railway subsidy—at 1996, and that in 1896. the North Shore Railway subsidy—a debt incurred in 1892, and that in 1896, debt incurred in 1892, and that in 1896, and although it was charged up to the latter year ne defied the Finance Minister to say that he had paid off that liability yet The summation was that the Liberal-Conservative Government arent 2303 237 less per year from 1892 the Liberal-Conservative Government spent \$338,237 less per year from 1892 to 1896 than from 1887 to 1891, while the present government exceeded the average Conservative expenditure by \$330,992 in 1897; by \$3,192,518 in 1898, and by \$9,400,872 in 1899. Taking the total expenditure per head of the population it stood:—1895, \$8.41; 896, \$8.14; 1897, \$8.28; 1898, \$8.63; 1899, \$9.72. Compared with the year 1893, when the Liberals railed against the extravagance of the Government, the consolidated fund expenditure in 1899 was \$5,089,448 greater, and the total expenditure \$10,689,108 greater. Thus had the Liberals kept their pledge and shown their appreciation of economy, and, worse still this year the revenue is to reach \$51,000,000—an increase of \$4.

reach \$51,000,000—an increase of \$4,-400,000 over last year, and the expenditure is to be increased by \$1,500,000, (Ches.) AN UNFAIR STATEMENT. Mr. Foster next dealt with what he

Coldy and Calmly termed the finance minister's unfair statement of additions to the debt, in comparing the additions during the 18 years from 1878 to 1896 with those of the past three years. It was during those '18 years that the country had spent \$65,000,000 on the C. P. R., whereas the present government whereas the present government spent just \$23,000,000 on that road in the poist three years; on canals, \$36,000,000, against \$9,300,000; on debts of the provinces, \$10,300,000, against \$260,000; on the I. C. R., \$20,500,000, against \$1,400,000; on the St. Lawrence channel debt, \$2,700,000, against nothing; on the North Shore Railway, \$2,396,000 against nothing; on territorial expenses, \$900,000 against nothing; on the Northwest rebellion, \$4,800,000, to nothing spent by them. Taken in all, the Conservatives had spent \$142,600,000, the conservatives had spent \$142,600,000, the conservatives had spent \$142,600,000, and the conservative had spent \$142,600,000, and the conserva fiscal affairs is particularly bright, it | 000 on these great constructions of the other side of the ledger would show that they had taken but \$26,500,000 year in taxation, as against \$31,-000,000 taken on an average during the past three years and increased it by \$1,000,000 this year. At a similar rate of taxation the Conservatives add have added little or nothing to

And as for the surplus why in 1882 Sir Richard Cartwright, denouncing Mr. Tilley's surplus of \$4,000,000, said that \$1,100,000 was "derived from two of the most odious, oppressive taxes ever imposed in any civilized country—the taxes on breadstuffs and fuel." servative regime, it should be borne in mind that in 1891 the government in mind that in 1891 the government remitted sugar taxation to the a-mount of \$227,473; in 1892, to \$5,200,-000; in 1893, to \$1,000,000. Up to 1895 the sum of \$19,800,000 had been remit-ted. And, besides, in three years the present government had collected \$18,000,000 more from the people than had been taken in the three years had been taken in the three years preceding their accession to power.

Proceeding, Mr. Fosterscompared the ordinary expenditure of 1896 with that of 1899, showing increases of from 31-2 to 800 per cent, in every department of the public service, including an increase of 41-2 per cent, on superannuation and 800 per cent.

on superannuation and 800 per cent. on "trade and commerce." The TAXATION PER HEAD of the population is now as follows:—1892-95, \$8.41; 1896, \$8.14; 1897, \$8.28; 1898, \$8.63; 1899, \$9.12. As to the tariff 1898, \$8,63; 1899. \$9.12. As to the tariff rates, the highest year was in 1889, when it was 21.65 per cent; in 1890 it was 21.21 per cent; in 1891 it was 20.06; in 1892 it was 17.56; in 1894, 17.13 per cent; in 1895, 16.99 per cent; in 1896, when 4 he sugar duties were put back, it wis 18.28. Comparing 1899 with 1895 there was a reduction of 4.66 per cent there was a reduction of 4.66 per cent in taxation, which, on the basis of the imports of the latter year, meant a reduction of \$5,900,000. The reduction from 1896 to 1899 was 1.58 per cent—a reduction of \$2,435,000 found cent—a reduction of \$2,455,000 found on the imports of 1896. Taking the average rate of taxation it would be seen, that the reduction by the Libs-erals had been thirty-one hundredths

Mr. Foster then drew attention to the unfairness of the Minister of Cus-toms to include in our list of im-ports and exports some 23,000,000 bushels of American corn, mostly ports and exports some 23,000,000 bushels of American corn, mostly passing through Canada in transit to Europe. The value of that was \$8,966,025, and it was put down as "entered for home consumption," while in the exports it figured for \$6,362,683, and it was by adding this six millions of free goods that the average rate of duty was brought down to 16.70 per cent., whereas it should be 17.36 per cent. as against 18.23 per cent. in 1896—a reduction of duty of ninety-two one hundredths of one per cent., equivalent to \$1,417,000, as compared with 1896, and not \$3,017,000, as claimed by the Finance Minister. In 1896 the average rate of duty on goods from Great Britain was 30.20; in 1899 it was 29.62 per cent., or just fifty-eight one hundredths of a reduction under the preference was to swallow up the decimal. But how arrantly foolish to declare that it was because they came into power in 1896 that trade had increased since. Sir Richard Cartwright in Massey Hall, declared the increase

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lips to laugh in spite of pain, but the will never be partner in that deceit.

eyes will never be p Deep hollows, dark circles, wrinkles at

the corners, tell the story of pain and sleeplessness. Much of the nerv-

by women, is caused by a dis-eased condition of

womanly or-s. When that

\$82,000,000, but the correct increase of our trade was the imports for home consumption and the exports of home consumption and the exports of nome produce. On this basis the imports are about \$44,000,000 greater than in 1893, and the exports of home produce are \$27,600,000 greater—a total increase of real trade of \$71,700,000, and taking out the carn which goes and taking out the corn which goes out of the country, it reduces the figures to \$64,000,000, the correct gain of 1899 over 1895—a gain that any government and the countr might be proud of. But the differ might be proud of. But the difference in value ought to be taken into account as well as the difference in volume. According to Bradstreet's register of prices here had been a falling off in values a staples of 47 per cent, between 1890 and 1895, so that trade of the latter year at the prices of 1890 would be not \$203,504. 395, but \$299,150,000. In 1899 the prices were 17 per cent, higher, or \$34,700,700, on the trade of 1895, bringing it up to \$238,000,000; so that the increase of trade for 1899 would be brought down to \$30,700,000—still a magnificent growth and one of be brought down to \$30,000,000—still a magnificent growth and one of which Conservatives "were proud. The increases of experts of produce of mines, of animals, agriculture, forests and manufactures in 1899, as compared with 1893, was \$27,680,000. Wouldn't have been a dollar less if the Conservatives had been in power? Certainly off. Then why make tainly not. Then why make A HUSTINGS SPEECH

and call it a budget to try and make the people of the country believe otherwise. For six months believe otherwise. For six months of the current year there had been a great falling off in value of exports. How was it the Government had permitted this? And was it not an evidence that unless legislation were totally wrong and pig-headed, governments had little to do with increasing or retarding trade. Taking the ng or retarding trade. Taking the of the farmer, it found that prices of what he had to sell had depreciated, while the values of what he had to buy, had increased. In support of this contention, Mr. Foster read a list of the prices of Foster read a list of the prices of a great many articles an 1895, 1898 and 1899. The conclusion was that if the farmer to-day was enjoying prosperity it was not because less taxation was imposed upon him under present financial (egislation, nor because he was getting higher prices, but because he was getting a ready price and was raising larger quantities, and in many respects a better grade of stuff for the market. As to the trade with Great Britain, there was a strong divergence of ex-As to the trade with Great Britain, there was a strong divergence of expressed opinions between the two political parties. The Liberals took the ground that the added trade with Great Britain was due to the prefer-Continued on Fifth Page.

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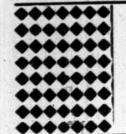
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House parfors at 1.15 p. m. to-morrow, (Friday) to attend in a body the funeral of our late Beo. J. L. Simpson,

W. M. Stringer, of this city, has re-

ceived word that his son, John Ross Stringer, is seriously ill with pneu-

THE ADVANCE IN PORK.

Chicago, Mar. 29.—In ninety days pork is up to \$3 a barrel, lard up over \$3 a tierce and ribs up 1c a lb. Provision advances yesterday would be con-

sidered good if accemplished in a mouth

-pork up almost 50c, lard up almost

a dollar a tierce, ribs up almost 20c a cwt. So far this week pork shows an advance of 80c a bbl., lard over 30c a cwt. and ribs over 35c a cwt.

THE RED CROSS BALE.

The ladies of the Red Cross Society

finished packing their bale yesterday

afternoon, and they have sent it to the Red Cross headquarters in To-ronto, to be forwarded from there.

night shirts, I. L. Davis for Florida water, Mrs. Robert Fisher for two knitted caps, and W. J. Kenny, for

WADDELL VS. GORDON. A game of curling was indulged in last night for the oyeters between rinks skipped by Jno. Waddell and W. Gordon. It was agreed to play 12 ends but

under the personal supervision of the manager of the company, Robert Hunter. Mr. Hunter knows his busi-

ness well, and the excellence of the

brdige is a tribute to his skill. While

here he made many friends who are exceedingly sorry to see him leave,

Last evening a large number of his friends gave him a farewell oyster

supper, and the time was most pleas-

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN.

The usual hero and the usual villain

are found in Lincoln J. Carter's new play, "Chattanooga," which comes to the Grand here on Saturday, but the

hero and the villain have almost a na-

tional importance in this piece, for

they assist in carrying out a story incident to the battle of Lookout

Mountain, an event which is always

full of interest to people of all sections. Mr? Carter has produced in "Chattanooga," a play so full of stirring incidents, so strong in drama-

atic situations and so lively in deli-

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THE PROBABILITIES. *

G. N. W. Special. Toronto, March 29.-10 a. m.-Mod erate winds, fair. Friday, north-easter-ly to north-westerly winds, cloudy, with a few local snow flurries.

Jerome J. Masse, of St. Marys, is the guest of Frank M. Bechard. Mrs. Richard Pritchard was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital yesterday. O. K. Watson, of Ridgetown, was in

the city to-day on professional busi-Horses! Geo. Stephens & Co. have a number of good Farm Horses for sale

A special sale of lamps, all up to date, will take place at the Ark. This will be a great cut-rate sale, but the bargains have to be seen to be appre-

To-morrow, Friday, March 30th, is the last day for entering cases for trial at the non-jury sittings of the county court, which opens on Tuesday, April 3rd, at Harrison Hall, before His Honor Judge Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Bruce, who have been residents of this city for the past three years, are moving to London today. Mr. Bruce is well known. He was a teacher in the Central school here some fifteen or twenty years ago, the played on which Mr. Waddell scored two, winning the game. The ice was in failly good condition. The rinks

An "At Home" will be given on in fairly good condition. The rinks Mooday evening next from seven until, were: Monday evening next from seven until, were:

ten o'clock at the residence of A. E
Pilkey, Cross Street, in aid of the
Pilkey, Cross Street, in aid of the
India Famine Fund. A silver collect
tion will be taken up.

The Monday evening next from seven until, were:

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J. P Dunlop
J. McCoig
W. J. Bray
Ino. Waddell, sk—12 W. Gerdon, sk—10

An admirable program of sacred selections, comprising solos, duetts, trios, ladies' and male quartettes and quintette, with a large choral membership, will be rendered at the Sacred Concert in the William St. Baptist Church, under the auspices of the Ladian' Aid Society, next Tuesday evending the personal supervision of the Ridge and Boiler Co., of Kincardine, and the personal supervision of the Ridge and Boiler Co., of Kincardine, and the personal supervision of the Ridge and Boiler Co., of Kincardine, and the personal supervision of the Ridge and Boiler Co., of Kincardine, and the personal supervision of the Ridge and Boiler Co., of Kincardine, and the personal supervision of the Ridge and Boiler Co., of Kincardine, and the personal supervision of the Ridge and Boiler Co., of Kincardine, and the personal supervision of the Ridge and Boiler Co., of Kincardine, and the personal supervision of the Ridge and Boiler Co., of Kincardine, and the Ridge and Ridge dies' Aid Society, next Tuesday even-ing. A silver collection of ten cents and upwards will be taken at the door. One of the most delightful sacred

musical programs ever presented in the Maple City will be heard at the William St. Baptist Church next Tuesday evening, at the Sacred Concert under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society. The program in its en-tirety will be published in Saturday's issue of The Planet.

The insurance on the Snell mill, towned by Morrison Bros., and burned on Sunday morning, has been adjusted. The building was insured in the ed. The building was insured in the Anglo-American for \$1,2)0, and Mor-rison Bros. received \$1,075 from the company. The contents were insured for \$500 in the Victoria Company, of Montreal, of which John Sowerby is the local agent. The machinery was not much damaged and \$90, all that was claimed by the firm, was allowed by the company. WAR PICTURES TO NIGHT.

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J. L. Wilson & Son are getting out plans for a fine residence for Dr. Frazer, of Thamesville.

Probate of the will of the late Jeremiah Rushton, of Howard township, was granted to John Thumb. The estate was valued at \$3,405.

Mary Johnson, charged with using insulting language, was fined \$1 and costs at the police court this morning. The charge was laid by Mrs. Valade. Letters of administration to the estate of the late Ebenezer Miller, of the city of Detroit, were granted today to Mary Jane Miller. The estate is valued at \$7,400.

Miss Richmond, daughter of Henry Richmond, Chatham township, passed Richmond, Chatham township, passes away at St. Joseph's hosp tal yester-day, in her 23rd year. The funeral will take place to morrov to Jack's cam tery, Dover township.

cem tely, Dover townsmp.

M. jar J. B. Rankin wishes to acThrotic Fund, being the preceeds
from the concert given under the auspices of the Canada Business College,
and for \$15 from the C. M. B. A., being one-half of the net proceeds derived from St. Patrick's concert. The
latter amount is to be applied to the
Boys from Kent Fund.

This evening commencing at

This evening, commencing at 8 o'clock, the Oddfellows of the city will give an At Home in the I.O.CW F. Temple to their ladies and non-affliated Oddfellows. All Oddfellows not receiving an invitation will consider themselves cordially javited. The receiving an invitation will consider themselves cordially lavited. The program will consist of one half-hour reception, from 8 till 8.30. A concert will then take place in the lodge room. After the concert, refreshments will be served in the auditorium. There will also be games and other amusements. Come and enjoy a pleasant evening!

TILBURY.

March 29.-J. McVicers was in St. Thomas last week.

Mrs Savage, of Detroit, is the guest of her sister bere, Mrs. Henry Ric-

M. Johnston, of Detroit, is the guest of his brother here, W. A. Johnson. Henry Powell, of Essex, was in town

yesterday.
A. A. Wilson was in Detroit yester

Mrs. James Struthers is quite ill. The Daily Planet is on sale at Johnson's Drug Store.

The British Found Boer Cannon and Ammunition

At Fauresmith-The English Liberal Policy Respecting South Africa.

London, March 29 .- The war office has received the following from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, March

Gen. Clements occupied Fauresmith o-day without opposition. One ninepounder and one Martini-Maxim were discovered in a prospecting shaft of a mine, where a large quantity of am-

munition was buried. Arms are being surrendered gradually, and the inhabitants are settling down. Colonel Pilcher visited Ladybrand

March 26. On leaving the town he was attacked by a party of the enemy. One of his force was wounded and five are missing. During a skirmish north of the

river, March 25, five men were wounded. Three are reported missing. Capt. Sloane-Stanley, of the Sixteenth Lancers and five men of that regiment were taken prisoners. OLD FLAG MUST WAVE.

Speaking at a breakfast of the Lib-eral agents at Nottingham yesterday, Harbert Gladstone, son of the late William E. Gladstone, and member of parliament for West Leeds, declared that nearly the Liberals had agreed in regard to the settlement of the South African question that it was the duty of the government to make a recurrence of the war impossible and to show to the world that British power in South Africa was predominant, and that the British flag must wave over the whole of South

FOUGHT TO THE DEATH. Cape Town, March 29.-Gen. White has related several instances of the courage of the British troops during the Ladysmith sage. He said:—"Dur-ing the attack on Caesar's camp a remote corner was neid by sixteen of the Manchesters, who fought from the Manchesters, who fought from three in the morning until dusk, when the Devonshires reinforced them. Fourteen lay dead, but the two survivors, one of whom was wounded, still held the position. The same day a sergeant with one of the guns had be guns had a sergeant one arm shot off. He fell. a leg and one arm shot off. He fell across the train of the gun, and said: "Roll me out of the way and go on working the gun."

WAR NOTES.

. Two Boer prisoners escaped from Simonstown. The Boers claim to have recaptured Ladybrand.

Mafeking reports that it can hold out for some time yet. The Beers are now letting natives pass through their lines.
Col. Otter has reported to the Ottawa authorities the action at Paarde

berg. It contains nothing more than we already knew.

It is said Hon. Joseph Chamberlain is consulting the colonies as to the best disposition to make of the South African Republics.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL. Bicknell vs. Gordon and Ironside.— Defendants appealed from judgment of Meredith, C. J., in favor of plaintiff of Meredith, C. J., in favor of plaintill for \$1,000 balance due in respect of cattle shipped from Chatham in July, 1898, and dismissing counter claim for \$360, the difference between the sale of the cattle on plaintiff's refusing to take them back, and the price realized on a sale by defendants in England. Appeal dismissed with costs.

Smart boy wanted at the Bell Tele-

We are showing some very pretty Wall Papers in stripe effects, which is the fashionable thing in Wall Paper this season. Frices range from 10c for p etty bed room papers to magnificent patterns for drawing rooms, sitting rooms and pariors, at 15c, 25c and 35c.

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MR. COUTTS STILL HOPES IN VAIN.

Barrister John Coutts, of Thameswille, was in the city to-day, looking well and happy in spite of his defeat for the county court clerkship. Perhaps he has not yet lost hope though Mr. Pardo says the matter is settled. When asked about the appointment Mr. Coutts said: "Well, you know I was recommend-

ed for the position by our member, and the recommendation still stands." "How about Mr. Farquharson as an aspirant?" asked the reporter.
"Mr. Farquharson is an exceedingly

ways qualified for the position. In fact I think he is in every way qualified for nearly all the duties," said the Thamesvillian in a way that drew at-tention to the fact that Mr. Farquharon was not a lawyer.
"As to James Holmes he is all right

but I can't say anything about him. am in the city purely on one of my business trips which bring me here every week and my visit has nothing to do with the county court clerkship.

A BASEBALL LEAGUE.

A meeting of baseball representa-tives was held in Detroit yesterday with the object of forming an interna-tional league. Four Michigan cities were proposed, with London, Hamil-ton, Woodstock and Guelph on this side the border. Delegates were said to have been present from Chatham also to seek admission.

The Canadian delegates gave the Michigan people two weeks to perfect their end of the league. If it is not completed by then Canada will go in for a four or six club league of its own. The season will open May 7 and last four months.

TORONTO PRODUCE.

Toronto, March 28.-Eggs-Receipts only fair, and the market is about steady. Local demand good. Jobbing lots, new laid, 12 1-2 to 13c Butter-Market firmer. Deliveries

of choice butter rather light. Local demand good. Local quotations to the trade:—Dairy tubs, poor to medium, none in; large rolls, 17 to 18c; lb. prints, 19 to 20c.; creamery, tubs and boxes 22c.; pounds, 24c. Poultry—About steady. Chickens job at 40 to 70c; geese at 7 to 71-2c.; ducks at 60 to 75c. per pair, and tur-

keys at 12 to 13c. per lb.
Potatoes—Free deliveries and a slow
local demand keep prices down. Car
lots are sold on track here at 35c. to lots are sold on track here at 30c. to
40c. per bag, and at farmers' wagons
about 50c per bag. Out of store, choice
stock brings 45 to 50c. per bag.
Dried apples—Quiet market. Dealers pay 51-2 for dried stock, delivered here, and in small lots resell at
6c; evaporated 7 to 71-2c, in small

Honey—Strong. Dealers quote from 9 to 10c per 1b. for 5, 10, or 60-lb tine, and in comb at around \$2 to \$2.25 per

dozen sections.

Baled hay—Choice stock in demand. No. 1 timothy will bring \$8.75 to \$9; No. 2 colls at \$8 to \$8.25. Straw—Nomical. Car lots are quoted at \$4.50 to \$5, on track.

Hops—Quiet. Dealers here quote
choice Canada '99's at 14 to 16c. Outside holders are asking from 16 1-2

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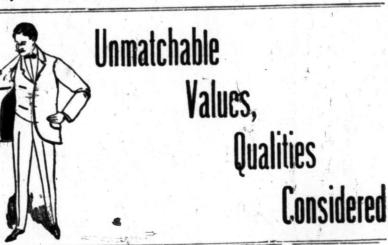
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French Beans, 15c a can.

Baked Beans, 5c and 10c a can. Canned Apples, 25c a can.

Canned Pumpkin, 10c a can. Canned Blueberries, 19c a can

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THE MARKETS

CHATHAM GRAIN MARKET .; Planet Office, Wednesday evening,

March 28. J. B. Stringer & Co. give the following grain gossio:

Wheat-Fhe market is about steady. The time has now arrived when crop failure scares are in vogue. As soon the ice and snow leave the ground reports of damage to the crop by frost and the Hessian fly will be mooted. The market as a consequence is apt o do more changing in the next 30 to do more changing in the next 30 days than it has done all winter.

Outs—The export price is about a half cent higher. Local market continues unchanged,

Oorn—in none of the grains are there any receipts. Even corn.

there any receipts. Even corn, altain. Last season's yield has about all

been marketed. Beans-No movement. The price remains the same as has been for the

past month. Dressed Hogs-The price strengthened and \$6.50 per cwt. is be-in paid this week. O'Keefe & Drew will endeavor to make up a car from receipts between now and Saturday.

Live hogs.—Scarce. Demand good.

As high as \$5.50 is now being paid for the right kind of hogs.

Wheat, 65c. Mixed oats, 26 to 27 White oats, 27 to 28c. Corn shelled, 40c. Pease (seed), 80 to 90c. Beans, \$1.30 to \$1.40. Buckwheat, 65 to 75c. Barley, 80 to 85c. pe Clover seed, \$4 to \$4.75. Alsike, \$5 to \$6.50. Red clover, \$5 to \$5,50. Timothy, \$1 to \$1.25.

HAY AND HOGS. Hay, timothy, per ton, \$7 to \$7.50. Hay, clover, \$5.50 to \$7. Hay, baled, \$8.50 to \$10. Live hogs, \$5.25 to \$5.50, for weighing from 160 lbs. up. Dressed hogs, \$6.50.

LOCAL WOOL AND HIDES. Wool, washed, 16c. cash, 18c. trade. Wool; unwashed, 12c. trade, 11c. cash Calf skins, 71-2c. Calf skins, 71-2c.
Sheep skins, 30 to 75c,
Lamb skins 40 to 55c.
Pélts, 20 to 30c.
Cow hides, No. 1, 7c; No. 2, 6c.
Horse hides, \$1, to \$2.
Fox skins, \$1 to \$1.50.
Coon skins, 25 to 75c.
Maskrata (corist) 10, to 12c. Muskrats (spring) 10 to 12c.

HOUSEKEEPERS' PRICES.

Butter, 22 to 23c. Eggs, 15c Apples, 20c to 50c. a peck.
Celery 10c a hunch.
Cabbages, 5c. to 12c. each.
Potatoes, 70 to 75c per bag.
Onions, yellow, 20c., white, 30:
Parsnips, 10 to 15c. a peck.
Turnips, 10c. a peck.
Chickens, 25 to 35 cents. les, 20c to 50c. a peck. Mapie syrup, 35a a qt. Ducks, 25 to 30c. Ducks, 25 to 30c.

Turkeys, 75 to \$1.25.

Lamb, 6 to 7c.

Angton, 5 to 6c.

Pork, 7c to 8c. Beef, 50 to 6c.

FISH MARKET: Manitoba white fish, 10c. a 1b. Salmon trout, 10c a lb. Haddock, 10c a lb. Mullet and care, 10 to 40c. apiece

TORONTO BEAN MARKET. Toronto, March 28.—Beans—Choice hand-picked beans sell at \$1.60 to \$1.70, delivered here, and resell at \$1.75 to \$1.80.

TORONTO DRESSED HOGS. Toronto, March 28.—Dressed hogs coming in slowly, and market strong. Local demand good. Choice weight dressed hogs, car lots delivered, sell at \$6.50 to \$7; sows at 50c. to \$1 off (these prices. On the street, in farmers' loads, choice bring from \$7 to \$7.25, according to quality.

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VERY BRILLIANT. Scathing Criticism.

The Spring Millinery Display at Northway & Co.'s.

It is Viewed by Crowds of Ladiesome Beautiful Creations-Aa Orchestra Presen .

Northway & Co.'s is again the centre of attraction among the spring millin-ery openings. No more splendidly rich and beautiful, no such peerlessly rich and beautiful, no such peerlessly elegant and extensive display has been made in this city nor in any other in Canada. The proverbial "bower of beauty" is of a truth here realized. The visitor to the palatial millinery showrooms, presided over by Miss Hateyn, cannot fail to be charmed with the loveliness of the picture. The millinery effects which form a background to the scene afforded are exquisite. An artist hath picture. form a forded are exquisite. An artist hath

To attempt an adequate description of the rich millinery display would be folly. At any rate, there could be but one result, and that failure. But the temptation to give some outline of the salient features of the season's offerings as properly seen here cannot be resisted. The rare beauty of the colors in vogue is such as has not be-fore been approached. They are so luxuriantly soft and blending. THE LEADING SHADES

are aquarelle, Pastel, Fresque (new green tones) Reubens, Raphel (old rose tones) Watteau Murillo (blue tones) Athos, Porthos and Aramis (helitrope tones) In the manufacture of this season's hats and bonnets wigs composed of leise and sequins of various colorings will be black silsequins, gold braid and sequins, and tuscan and silver braid, with the various colored sequins. Trimming for the edges, about three inches in width, is composed of black horsehair crowned with small straw balls. The crowned with small straw balls. The French drooping from this is composed of straw sequins and crystal beads. One very pretty bandeau in particu-lar is composed of tuscan-colored fine satin plait formed of medallions, with tuscan beads drooping, large and small, from the medallions.

small, from the medallions.

Crowns are in immense variety. A description of a few of them will not be out of place. One black satin crown is a pattern of medallions. The pattern is formed with the use of silver sequins and fine silver beads. The effect is very pretty. Another has a feise crown with black and silver sequins in scroll form all over. Yet another is a maltese lace having medallions about three inches in diameter. Around each medallion is a very pretscroll and trimmings to match, is

made from fine Swiss braid interlaced with tuscan veining, the shape being that of a New South Wales Lancer. The color is khaki. All the leading shapes can be had in horsehair cov-ered with sequins, in different patblack. All shapes are terns and in shown for mourning millinery, such as grenadines and lisse.

SOME OF THE CREATIONS. The imported hats are in magnifi-ent array. Here is one - French, of course. The crown is black Brussels net, intersected with hair, on which is claire de lune béads with steel spangles. The trimming is off the face and consists of astrich silk braid and grapes in the green and red tints. The ornament is in the form of a ornament harp, and is half silver, half gold,

studded with diamonds.

A French creation that is lovely is a hat drooping in front, turned up at the sides and having a flat crown peaked at the back. It is made of French braid insertion and biege net to match. The trimming is sombre to match. The trimming is sombre chiffen, Intersected with tropical leaves. Over each is a very beautiful Cape ostrich feather.

Another hat, French in origin, re-

minds one of Marie Antoinette. is elegantly careless. The crown is composed of a French satin braid. composed of a French satin braid.
From the crown to the edge of the rim is silk mulle. The edging of the brim is similar to the crown in satin.
straw. The trimming is a very fine.
French satin braid insertion. The crown trimming is a chiffon blended with the satin braid, with Paradise feathers intersected.

One of the latest novelties is of an Oriental turban adopted by the French One of the latest novered with chentille, over which comes the sequin hair. It rolls off the face. The trimming is a dull net, edged with panuse velvet. The wings are of lisse and sequins, and the bandeau is sequins. At the side is osprey. The trimming over the face is a rich bunch of grapes.

A beautiful French production is made from a Swiss braid. The coloring is shades of khaki. It is trimmed with khaki-colored net intermixed with crushed leaves and ombre, very soft French ribbon in the pastel shades. The ornaments are gold and dismond effects.

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Continued from Third Page. ence given under the tariff. The view that he himself took was that although there might be from the preferential tariff a slight practical quickening influence on the exports from Great Britian to this country, but the managed increase of trade. from Great Britian to this country, yet the general increase of trade with the mother country was due to an influence which had shown itself in all branches of commerce the world over. Whilst there was a small practical differential in favor of the exporter from Great Britain, this was largely offset by the greater distance and the larger cost attended upon imports from that tendent upon imports from that

As to imports into Canada, was it true that those from Great British had increased in greater proportion then those from other countries? The imports from Great British for home continuation was in 1992, and 270 740. sumption were in 1896, \$32 979,742; in 1899 they were \$37,060,123—an increase of 121/2 per cent. During the same priod those from the United States had increased from \$58,574,000 to \$93,-007,000 or 59 per cent. The increase from other countries in these years was -France, 38 per cent ; Germany, 24 per cent.; Spain, 48 per cent.; Portugal, 39 per cent.; Italy, 52 per cent.; Italy, 52 per cent.; Aloliand, 67 per cent.; Belgium, 151 per cent.; South America, 107 per cent.; China and Japan, 4 per cent.; Switzerland, 76 per cent. The total imports in 1896 were \$\frac{410.587}{480}\$, and in 1899. 1896 were \$110,587,480, and in 1899, \$154,051,593; or an increase of 39 per cent. The figures then showed an increase of 1232 per cent. from Great Britain, of 39 per cent. from the world at large, and of 59 per cent. from the United States. The percentage of increase of inc crease from Great Britain was almost tue last on the list, and it was much ver, gold, claire de lune, nickel and gun metal. The bandeau is also going to be a large factor. These are composed of net chiffons covered with port cortributed by Great Britain was 22.19 in 1896 and 15.70 in 1899 – a de-

crease of 6 49 per cent. The United States percentage contributton of the free goods was 64 07 in 1896, and 73 43 in 1899—an increase of In 1896 the trade of Canada with Great Britain was 31.15 per cent of our total trade; 1899 it was 24.72 per cent. or 6 43 per cent. less 10 1896 the trade of Canada with the United States was 50.80 per cent. of our total trade; 1899, it was 59 24 per cent. or an in-crease of 8 44 per cent. It was ob-

British imports had resulted in a preference to Canadian exports in the British market? One could see some tily laid fine tuscan braid. The general effect when made up with suitable surroundings, with bandeau and sprell and a surroundings. lead to some increase in the import trade, but it was difficult on business The array of small flowers is very grand. They are for face trimming as the season advances. Forget-menots are included. Trailing flowers will be much in vogue. Medallions in both ornaments and pins are the correct thing. The leaders will be roses, poppies, grapes and/beautiful colorings in the pastel shades of soft mushin, which looks particularly well in roses and poppies. Ospreys in cross, whip and paradise, demi-tips and 3-4 flats will also be used considerably.

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Of feathers, the importation has been upon a magnificent scale.

AS TO SHAPE.

Khaki is the prominent among the shape colorings. Tuscan will probably be the most worn of anything. The leghorn is also popular. One of the shapes shown is made from fine Swiss braid interlaced.

49 per cent; Belgium, 370 per cent; cent.; France, 170 the spirit of that propheses, which propheses peace, security and rest on the provincible power. Gradually she is growing and has grown responsive to the spirit of that propheses, which propheses peace, security and rest on the provincible power. Gradually she is growing and has grown responsive to the spirit of that propheses, which propheses peace, security and rest on the provincible power. Gradually she is growing and has grown responsive to the spirit of that propheses, which propheses peace, security and rest on the spirit of that large increase in the exports to Great Britain, that increase was not nearly so large as with nearly all the principal countries, with which Canada traded. None of these other countries were supposed to have that generous feeling which would make them buy Canadian goods without regard buy Canadian goods without regard to business principles, and yet there was this large increase. The United States last year had the largest ex-ports in her history, and a larger proportion of it went to England than in any preceding year, and yet there proportion of it went to England than in any preceding year, and yet there was no preference. There had been no answering throb in the great English heart which would spur them to buy more from the United States because of the insetting ble hearts. because of the inestimable benefits of

the Dingley Act.
Mr. Foster then referred to the meat products of this country, which No. 1 hard, 79c, North Bay, and 80c upon the government by the spring g. i. t. policy which he as finance minister, introduced with reference to the was the beginning of a policy urged upon the government by the pro-ducers. The duties upon meat pro-ducts were then put up because im-ports from the United States were destroying the Canadian farmers standing ground in the home market, thus making it impossible for him to reach out for the foreign market. The present minister of trade and comnerce had opposed those duties, and offered a resolution against them warning the house that it was

AN INSANE PROPOSITION to undertake to put a duty on pork and pork products in this country, one reason being that it would irritate the United States producer of pork and thus contribute to keep us out of the markets of the United States. What happened! In '91 the export of bacon was eight million nounds: in 1898 it happened? In '91 the export of bacon was eight million pounds; in 1898 it was 47 million, and in 1899 it rose to 111,800,000 pounds. This showed that when the Canadian farmer had the home market he had a base which enabled him to reach out successfully for the British market until now he had practically his own home marly for the British market until now he had practically his own home mar-ket and held his own in the foreign market. Between 1891 and 1897 the exports of cheese increased 46 per cent.; bacon 6.40 per cent., and grain 4.10 per cent. i From 1897 to 1899 the increase was :—Cheese, 15 per cent.; bacon, 89 per cent.; grain 27 per cent. From 1898 to 1899 there was a decrease in cheese of five per was a decrease in cheese of five per cent.; of grain 26 per cent.; in other words, in all these great staples what had taken place since these gentlemen came into power was an extension under better conditions of the movement which had previously been inaugurated. From the United States in 1890 the exports were \$857,-000,000; in 1895 they were \$824,000,-

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and, was obviously due to none of the causes by which the Liberals sought to explain the increase of the Cana-dian export trade to Great Britain. The fact was that all the great European countries had had a large extension of the export and import trade within the lastrathree years. The preferential tariff might have a small influence on the imports, but had practically none at all on the ex-

Mr. Foster then proceeded to touch upon the different trade policies which had been advocated at different times by the Liberals, and in this connection has read extended in this connection. tion he read extracts from the past utterances of several Liberal leaders. His concluding sentences were decidedly patriotic. He said: "In these last years Canada has awakened and heard as it were a voice calling in the night the first ring of the anthem which British forces are now singing around the ures show that whilst there was a the farthest limits of Britain's Im-

Thursday.

TORONTO GRAIN.

Toronto, March 28 .- Wheat .- The decrease in the world's visible gave better tone to the western markets. tone locally was rather better Local prices were also easier. Quotations are as follows: Ontario, red and white, 64 1-2 to 65c, according to near ness to the mill. points, and 65 to 651-2d, east; goose wheat 69c low freights to New York;

riour—Steady to firm. Outside millers offer straight roller in buyers' bags, middle freights, at \$2.60 per bbb., and export agents bid \$2.50. Special brands, in wood, for local account sell at around \$3.

Millfeed—Scarce. Bran is quoted at \$16 to \$16,50; shorts; \$17 to \$17.50, at the mill door, through

ern Ontario. Corn-Steady. No. 2, American yellow quoted at 44 to 44 1-20 track To-rronto, mixed 44c. Canadian corn 43 to 43 1-2c. on track, Toronto. Offerings of Canadian corn are light. Pease—Prices have risen another ent. Car louds 60c, north and west,

nd 61 east. Barley-Rather firmer. Car lots of No. 2, middle freights at 42 1-2c, and east at 43c. Demand fair, but offerings are very light. Rye-Firm. Car lots 52c west and

Oats—Higher. White oats, north and west 28c middle freights, 281-2c.; Buckwheat-Quiet. Offerings light. earl ots, outside, quoted at 51 to 52c.

Sentenced to Death. "You are in the last stages of Con-"You are in the last stages of Consumption and cannot live more than a month," were the words of doom heard by Mrs. Rosa Richardson, of Laurel springs, N. C., from her doctors, "but she began to use Dr. King's New Discovery" writes R. L. Daughton, of that place, "and was wholly cured by it. She is now a stout, well woman." Its the supreme cure for desperate diseases of throat and lungs. Infallible for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma, Croup, Whooping Cough, Guaranteed bottles 50c and \$1. Trial bottles at A. I. McColl & Co's drag store.

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Regretted Alike by Friends and Foes--Kruger or Botha will Succeed Him.

correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing yesterday, says: "Gen. Jou-bert died of peritonitis Tuesday night at 11 o'clock. He was 68 years of age. The funeral will take place to morrow (Thursday). The government is pleading with his widow to allow a temporary interment here, with a state funral. Joubert always expressed a debuilt on his farm.

"His successor in the chief command will probably be Gen. Louis Botha, now commanding in Natal."

All the morning papers print singularly kind editorials concerning Gen. Loubert They praise his military Joubert. They praise his military skill, uphold his chivalrous conduct. and regret that so strong and moder-ate a mind should be absent from the

final settlement of the dispute. Although some of the younger com-manders thought the old soldier wanting in dash and enterprise, his raid into the country south of the Tugela the farthest limits of the flag of perial sway, ready to defend our own perial sway. Perial sway, ready to defend our own perial sway, ready to defend our own perial sway, ready to defend our own perial sway. Perial sway, ready to defend our own perial sway, ready to de greatly superior forces, he isolated Gen. Hildyard's brigade at Estcourt, and at the same time threatened Gen. Barton's camp at Mooi river. Then, as British reinforcements were pushed up, Joubert re-crossed the Tugelu without losing a prisoner, a wagon or a gun. Gen. White's estimate of him, ronounced on Tuesday before he as a gentleman and a brave and honorable opponent, strikes the tone of

The afternoon newspapers yesterday also publish long biographies of

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London, March 29.—The Pretoria | Gen. Joubert. Generally, they were in orrespondent tof the Daily Mail, tele-"Piet Joubert was the one contem-

porary Transvaal Boer, except ex-Chief Justice Kotze, whose death could call forth a sincere tribute of respect from Englishmen of all par-ties. He was the antipodes in the Transvaal world of Leyds, and perconally was honest, straight-handed and clean.

In connection with the announcement of the death of Gen. Joubert, it is interesting to note that Sir George White, the British general who com-manded the garrison which defended Ladysmith, in a speech at Cape Town yesterday evening, declared that Joupert was a soldier and, a gentleman and a a brave and honorable opponent. A private despatch to Brussels says that President Kruger will personally ally take chief command of the Boer forces in the field.

worth a shipload of argument What shall be said, then, of thousands of facts? Every cure by Hood's Sar-saparilla is a fact, presenting the strongest possible evidence of the strongest possible evidence of the merit of this medicine. Thousands and thousands of such facts prove that Hood's Sarsaparilla will oure all diseases caused or pramoted by impure blood. It is the best medicine money can buy.

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MERLIN'S PATRIOTIC CONCERT.

The patriotic concert held in Mer-The patriotic concert held in Mer-tin on March 20th, was a grand success for such a small village. The talent displayed in music would do credit to a city. The young lady, Miss Wietzburg of Detroit, is a gifted elo-cutionist, her numbers being loudly applauded and the audience demanded an encore. She responded with her usual grace.

msual grace. Miss Stitt, Detroit, has a very sweet Miss Stitt, Detroit, has a very voice, which shows its training.

Loraine Breathour, the child elocutionist, of Merlin, took down the house. He certainly deserves great

credit Miss Charbonneau, of Merlin, de-Miss Charbonneau, of Merlin, deserves special mention for the magnificent rendition of "The Witches' Dance. Merliners must certainly be proud to have such a talented musician in their midst. She is also an accomplished soloist and gave a brilliant rendition of "Sons of the Sea." Her last number, "Won't You Play House With me?" was the gem of the evening and met with an enthusiastic reception.

reception. Mr. Daykin has a rich bari one and

Mr. Daykin has a rich bari one and his numbers were well applauded. He gave an exquisite rendition of "The Story of Inkerman," and in response to an enthusiastic encore sang "A Soldier of Fortune."

A most pleasing feature of the program was the fancy drill by No. 2 Co., 21st Batt., Leamington.

During the course of the evening speeches were made by Rev. Mr. McQuarrie and Dr. Samson. Dr. Samson gave a very eloquent and touching account of the war, which brought forth warm applause. He is always an especial favorite.

The biano accompaniments were

The plano accompaniments were played in excellent style by Miss Char-Dr. Oliver who is always well re-

ceived, was at his best, and his numbers were well applauded.

The program was brought to a close by "God Save the Queen." The committee deserve praise for their work, and the handsome sam of \$115

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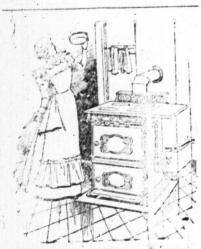
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And when he dies, go plant him deep That naught may break his dreamless

sleep. Where no rude clamor may dispel The quiet that he loved so well, And that the world may know its loss Place on his grave a wreath of moss And on the stone above, "Here lies A chump who wouldn't advertise."

-Exchange.

A VENTURE FOR LOVE.

"Oh, me, I am certainly no beauty! It was the gilding which made Ver-mount swallow such a nauseous pill." In a Venetian mirror was reflected an oval face, pale and sad looking, with dark, liquid eyes, a nose of nondescript order, and a mouth rather large than otherwise, Clarisse, Lady Vermount, turned from the study of her features to take from a table loaded with photographs the portrait of a handsome man. "I am unhappy, for being which I am an idiot," she said, addressing the smiling stace which looked at her from out its frame of pierced silver, "and it is all your doing. When you asked me to marry you I did not care a snap of my fingers for you, and I know you did not for me. It was a convenient arrangement; you wanted my money. I your title. How you shuddered on our wedding day over the top-evident rapture of my parents at having a titled som in law! I saw it as we stood in the vestry of the hurch. You put your hands on mir when we were alone in the car-, but did you for one moment imthat I thought love inspired the n? Not a bit of it, I remembered

the shudder too well. 'And then-well, and then I told you you had got what you wanted, the we lith of my Chicago papa, and I had achieved my ambition, I was 'my 'ady.' For the rest, in the eyes of the world, we were husband and wife, and-that was to be all. If you wished anything different, you did not show it, and I

imagined myself content. She threw the photograph impatiently from her. It was nearly time to dress for dinner, and she went slowly up the stairs. On the landing Lord Vermount's man stood aside for her to pass. .

"His lordship dines at home tonight?" she asked. "Yes, my lady," The servant's footsteps padded decorously down the thickly carpeted staircase.

She passed by the door of her husband's bedroom, then passed on and entered her own. A moment and she was back again and stood within his chamber. His clothes lay ready for him, and on the dressing table a black silk mask, while propped against the looking-glass were two cards of admission to masked balls. One for this very night, the other one for three days hence. She took them up, twisting them nervously round in her fingers. Strange thoughts coursed through her brain. She put the cards down and ran out, coming back a minute later with a needleful of thick blue silk in her hands. She ran the needle in and out along the tail of his coat.

There was a sound of quick footsteps on the stairs. With a whisk she was out of the room and in her own. She shut the door then stole softly to the one which divided her champer from her husband's. It was locked, as it always was, and the key was stiff in its socket. She pressed her lips against the woodwork. "It is a venture for love." she whispered, and her eyes shone like stars.

What pretty bird is it that wears blue tail?"

The words spoken in soft cooing accents struck Lord Vermount's ear as he stood against a pillar of the ball room. He turned sharply. A white

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clad figure stood by him holding up his coat tail by a thread of blue silk, while behind a white domino dark eyes danced merrily.

"That would be telling," he answered, "but I think I'll shed my gay plumage," twisting to get hold of the

"And I think I'll keep it, Sir Bird. drawing it out and winding it in and out of the links of a gold chain that held her long cloak together. will reverse the old order; the ladv shall wear her knight's colors. Doth it please you, Sir Bird?" She dropped him a courtesy as she spoke and a faint scent of white violet came to him, along with the silver chiming of

"Are we to dance?" he questioned. A slight movement of her hooded head and his hand slid around her waist beneath the cloak. For a space neither spoke. He felt her violet scented breath coming in little quick gasps. and the music of her silver anklet bells

ure of her footsteps. He breathed some tender words in her ear, and felt about his coat sieeve altered his pur her whole frame quiver. A moment pose. He took a step or two into the and she had drawn herself from him, room. and, lifting her head, let her glowing eyes rest on his face.

"In truth, fair maiden, it does," he

which had replaced it made the blood glasses were also on the tray. beat quickly in his veins, as, without a word she yielded herself into his arms. He felt her slight form tremble in this clasp as they glided around the

"Are you tired?" he whispered. "No, no, my knight."

He bent again and whispered some tender words in her ear; the scent of her violets, the chiming of her bells, had intoxicated him. They neared the entrance.

"I am thred now," she whispered, and before he realized her intention, she had slipped from him and fled. Something white lay at her feet. He stooped to pick it up; it was a slip of paper, violet scented. "Three nights hence I shall be here again," was written on it. He put it away in his pocket and left the building.

"It will depend on Lady Vermo int whether I come again or not," he said to himself. I've tried to keep straight, but I'd be hanged if I can go on with this arrangement at nome much longer. I was a fool to begin with it, but I felt I owed so much to her that

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his eigar viciously, hailed a hansom and was driven homeward. He tried to think of his wife, but the jingle of the horse's bells recalled too vividly the girl in the white cloak. She had cast a spell over him which Lady Vermount's coldness-more pointed than ever during the next day or two-was calculated to loosen.

Lord Vermount found himself on the night of the second masked ball dressing eagerly; he even ran up to his room at the last moment with a thread of blue silk, purloined from his wife's work bag, and with clumsy fingers inserted it in the tail of his coat. He would lose no chance of being recognized by his sorceress.

It was hours before he saw her white-cloaked figure drawing near him through the crowd of dancers, which he had watched with all the weariness of hope deferred. She did not speak, but slipping one white rounded arm from the shelter of her cloak, laid it

"My knight," she whispered, "dare

I say au revoir?" "Do not go," implored Lord Ver-mount, stretching out his hand to catch, not her cloak, but a little slip of paper. He stood looking at it sullenly long after the chiming of bells, which marked her flight, had ceased. "Little witch, let her go," he muttered, but untwisted the paper all the same.

"What impertinence! Well, I'll be hanged! So this is some scheme of her ladyship's; thinks to entangle me with this young woman that she may be free to carry out some little game of her own. I wonder what she will say to this revealing of her plot. H'm," reading the note. "All Americans are not as cold as you deem your wife to be; go home and ask her who I am; she knows." He smoked no cigar on the homeward drive on this night; his temper was too ruffled. He meant to have it out with his wife; despite the lateness, or rather earliness of the hour; such affairs as this were better gone into at once. She would have to get herself into a dressing gown and come down to her boudoir, or else give him, for once, access to her bedroom. He went with no light footstep up the stairs, and paused at her door, which was on the

latch. "Vermount, is that you? Push oner the door a bit. I want to tell con something: I have had a letter from papa; he has just made a big thing over some railways; that means more dollars for you some day. Good night shut the door now, and firmly, please.

Lady Vermount's voice was hard and seemed to his heated fancy to beat out the words: "Love, love!" to the measmatters drop; they some faint scent violets which doubtiess still hun

A rose colored satin curtain bans ing down at right angles from the fire place shut out his wife from his sight answered, "but it would please me sull but beyond its edge protruded a little Moorish stand on which were set a The eyes behind the white domino had lost their merry look, but that

my-where is Lady Vermount?" "She is"-fumbling for one moment with the mask which the next moment lay on the floor-"she is here."

She sprang to her feet as she spoke and stood facing him, the cloak with its gold clasp threaded through with the strand of blue silk, hanging back from her white shoulders.

"Clarisse, why, what does it mean?" he asked, gaspingly. "It means"-she put out her hands

imploringly-"it means-oh, don't you see? It was a venture on my part, a venture to gain your love."

He let her stand there a full minute, the color coming and going in her cheeks, her dark eyes misty with unshed tears. He had never been a quick thinker, and he was fighting now against the prim prejudices of generations.

"Have I failed?" There was a heartache in each word. He felt the pain of

"No," he cried; "come!" and with a little shiver of gladness she let herself be caught in his outstretched arms.-Frank Douglas.

EXTERMINATE THEM.

Now Mexicans Propose to Deal With Yaquis.

El Paso, Texas, March 27.-J. A. Cronkheit of Guawamas, Mex., manager of extensive mine interests, gives some interesting facts about the Yaqui war. He said: "From conversations with Gen. Torres and Gov. Ortiz, I learned that the policy of the, Mexican commander is to exterminate the Yaquis who have taken up arms. All prisoners taken by the Mexicans are to be executed, and when sufficient troops arrive, the Yaquis, who are now practically surrounded, will be forced to surrender and be completely exterminated. Unless the policy of the government is changed, no prisoners will be taken."

Oronkhett says the Yaquis are in a fortified position, but humber only about 1,500 men, while the Mexican troops now in the field number over 5,000. ager of extensive mine interests, gives

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MORE THAN ONE. "Henry, did you attend the lecture last evening, as you expected?"
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you I had a great treat."
"Unless appearances belie the facts,
Henry, you must have had a good deal
more than one."

I did not like to oppose her wisnes. Who would have imagined such a strength of cold parpose behind those eyes of hers?" He bit off the end of

Federal Life Assurance Company of Canada

shareholders of the Federal Life Assurance Company of Canada was held at the head office of the Company in Hamilton, on the 6th of March, 1900. The Managing Director, Mr. David Dexter, presented the following reports and financial statement:

DIRECTORS' REPORT. The directors have pleasure in sub-mitting for the information and ap-proval of the shareholders the following report of the business of the company, together with a statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the year which closed on 31st December, 1899, and of the Assets and Liabili-

1899, and of the Assets and Liabilities on that date.

New business consisted of eighteen hundred and fifty-seven applications for insurance aggregating \$2,639,700, of which seventeen hundred and ninety-five applications for \$2,497,900 were accepted; applications for \$141,800 having been rejected or held for further information.

Annuity premiums to the amount of \$4,003 were also received.

During the year, as in previous years, about 90 per cent, of the new business of the Company was on its investment plans, is howing that investment insurance still holds favor in comparison with other forms of in-

in comparison with other forms of investment on which interest earnings are depreciating steadily. ture of profit accumulations for a term of years is increasing in popularity.

The increasing prosperity of the country has extended its influence to Life Insurance, as indicated by the

Life Insurance, as indicated by the large increase in the Premium Income and Assets of the Company.

The gross income of the Company shows a gratifying increase over previous years and the addition of \$194,377.39 to the assets is especially noticeable, the total assets having risen to \$1,060,660.80, exclusive of gragarates capital

guarantee capital. The security for Policy-holders, including Guarantee Capital amounted to \$1,669,660.80, and the liabilities for

The 18th annual meeting of the hareholders of the Federal Life Ashareholders of the Federal Life Ashareholders was \$114.257.77.

Assurances for \$106,000 on forty-five Assurances for \$106,000 on forty-five lives became claims through death, of which amount the Company was reinsured for \$4,000. Including cash dividends and dividends applied to the reduction of premiums, \$21,460.52, with annuities \$2,572.07, the total payments to Policy-holders amounted \$125,454.89

\$125,454.89.
As foreshadowed in the last report, the securing of the special Act of In-corporation from the parliament of

Canada has greatly increased our in-vestments in other provinces much to the advantage of the Company. the advantage of the Company.

The investments of the Company have been carefully managed, and have yielded results considerably above the average results of all Companies doing business in Canada. Expenses have been kept within reasonable limits, while due effort has been made for new business. The chief officers and agents of the Company are entitled to much credit for their representaed to much credit for their representation of the Company's interest. The office staff have also proved faithful

in the Company's service.

The accompanying Certificate from the Auditors vouches for the correctness of the statements submitted herewith All accounts, securities and

vouchers have been examined by them.
DAVID DEXTER.
Mennging Director.
JAMES H. BEATTY.

President

AUDITORS' REPORT. To the President and Directors of the Federal Life Assurance Company: Gentlemen: We have made a careful audit of the books of your Com-

pany for the year ending 31st December, 1899, and have certified to their The securities have been inspected

The securities have been inspected and compared with the ledger accounts and found to agree therewith.

The financial position of your Company, as on 31st December, is indicated by the accompanying statement.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. STEPHENS,

SHERMAN E. TOWNSEND,

Anditors

reserves and all outstanding claims \$946,403,03—showing a surplus of \$723,257.77. Exclusive of uncalled Hamilton, 1st March, 1900. Premium Income...... \$ 398,306 55 \$ 440,289 14 Paid to Policy Holders for Death Claims, Endowments, Surrender 125, 454 89 Values and Profits.

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verton, presented an interesting report, of which one of the most gratifying features to Shareholders and Policyholders alike was the item showing the death rate for the year to have been the lowest experienced by the Company in the past ten years.

An excellent portrait of the President, Mr. Jas. H. Beatty, by the well-deatty.

The Medical Director, Dr. A. Wol- | known-artist, Mr. J. W. L. Forster, was placed on the wall of the Board-room, as a token of the esteem in which Mr. Beatty is held by the Direct

tors and Snareholders.

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That is Mr. Whitney's Suspicion Grants to Volunteers-Ibe Surpius Again

Toronto, March 23. — In that innocent-looking bill before the Legislature, entitled "The Provincial Draining Aid Act." the Opposition scents a sinister object, and they made their suspicions known yesterday.
"It is plain to the ordinary casual observer," said Mr. Whitney, "that the sole object of legislation of this kind is to debuuch the electorate. A bill with a more vicious principle at the

with a more vicious principle at the with a more victous principle at the bottom of it has never been introduced into this House. Without any such legislation, the Government had," Mr. Whitney continued, "aided municipal drainage schemes in the past, and consequently there was no need for this measure. It was just an invitation to the municipalities, just before the general elections. to just before the general elections, to come to the Government and obtain aid, they in return aiding the Govern-

ment at the polls."
Mr. Preston, South Brant, with the Grand River specially in mind, ask-ed the Government to appoint a commission to enquire into the possibility of preventing floods by storing the water or by straightening the courses of the rivers, and also investigate the liability and responsibility for floods. Premier Ross said it was a very meritorious bill, and the Government's sincere intention was the reclaiming of three or four million acres of swamp lands in the Province. Much good and been done in the past by occasion-il grants, and it was now proposed o adopt a comprehensive scheme to place the whole system of drainage within the reach of municipalities. A sinister motive might just as easily be found in every act of the Legislature, whether public or private, but the Government had no such motive in this bill. The Premier promised to give Mr. Preston's suggestion consid-

FOR THE SOLDIERS. Mr. Gibson's bills for preserving to members of the Canadian contingent in South Africa their rights of fran-chise in Ontario, and to authorize mun-

chise in Ontario, and to authorize municipal grants for the benefit of Canadians on military service in South Africa, were read a second time.

Mr. Gibson grasped the occasion to speak of the spiendid work of our soldiers, and of the generous public response to the Canadian Patriotic Fund, which remarks were endorsed by Mr. which remarks were endorsed by Mr.

Whitney.
On the motion to go into committee of supply, Col. Matheson went minutely into the question of the school funds in the hands of the Dominion, and showed that they could not be used to meet provincial debts.

LEFT 'EM STRANDED.

How Baltimore Sie wart Took the Derost Footballers to St. Louis.

St Louis March 28 -The troubles of the Detroit football players who were stranded here owing to the disappearance of their manager, A. W. Stewart, who, it is alleged, had transportation for the party, came to an end to-day. Shortly after noon Presi dent Gillispie of the St. Louis asso

We have jost track of Stewart enfirely and have given up hunting for General Passenger Agent Crane of the Wabash has furnished the De-

A. W. "Baltimore" Ste A. W. "Baltimore" Stewart, who took the Detroit foot ball players to St. Louis, has a poor reputation among local football players. Some years ago he took a bunch of them to Baltimore and got into a similar mudile. Last fall he had a like experience in Chicago, and about four year age he got into trouble in Detroit, owing to a worthless check that he used. It is said that before he left from his room mate.

"ABORTED" CONFERENCE. Meeting at The Hague so Called in the

Belglin Senite. Brussels, March 28.-In the senat o-day Monsignor Kossonin, referring to the date peace conference at Hague said it could be regarded as ing aborted because it had been followed by the South African war, "in which numerous lives have been sacrificed for gold,

Montefiore Levi then protested against the attacks made by the Belgian press on Great Britain.

The minister of foreign affairs, M. de Favreau, said he concurred in this protest. "The press," he added, "forgets what England has done for our country, which owes it a debt of pro-found gratitude. I deeply regret

LIKES HIS ROBINS WHITE.

"The robins are here making th days merry with their music, but for beauty they don't compare with the white robins of South America any more that does the sparrow with the peacock, or a St. Thomas girl with a Chatham lady." So spoke James Etches. "Some ten, years ago I saw one in Chatham township while gunning for game. Its plumage was of snowy whiteness and I wouldn't have known that it was a robin only its whistle attracted me. The music was similar to a red-breast's, but louder and much to a red-breast's, but louder and much sweeter. An investigation on my part found the singer perched on the top of a large elm. He was so far away that I was afraid I would miss him. Well I waited around the whole afternoon attently following that bird. At one time I would be too close and afraid of biowing it to pieces, at another time I would be too far away, and the bird finally got lost so that I couldn't find it. Thus I missed getting that exceedingly pretty bird. The white robin is a native of South America, and this one must have got its compass mixed and come porth by mistake."

Excavations recently made in Nevada revealed in the sandstone the distinct impress of a woman's foot 19 inches long, left there ages and ages ago. And yet they have been playing Chicago off as a modern city.

Troubles of a Minister.

To benefit others Rev. J. T. W. Vernoa, of Hartwell, Gar. writes: "For a long time I had a running sore on my leg. I tried many remedies without benefit, until I used a bottle of Electric Bitters and a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, which cured me sound and well." Sores, Eruptions, Boils, Eczema, Tetter, Salt Rheum show impure blood. Thousands have found in Electric Bitters a grand blood purifier that absolutely cures these troubles. Satisfaction is guaranteed or bles. Satisfaction is guaranteed or money refunded by A. I. McColl & Co. Large bottles only 50c.

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Mrs. Wiggins, remarked the minister, we wish you would let your daughter join the choir. Oh, I couldn't think of it, was the reply. Minnie has such a sweet disposition and I don't want to spoil her.

"Take care of the pennies and the Large things are but an aggregation of small things. If we take care of the small things we are in effect taking care of the large things which the small things combine to make.

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"GOING UP SALT RIVER"

Origin of the Phrase and Debates in Con ress About It.

In his collection of anecdotes and humorous bits from the speeches of public men, George S. Hilton revives, the story of "Salt River." This is the It is well known that when a candi

date for a political office, or a politi-cal party, has been defeated, he or it is said to have gone or been sent up Salt river. Brown & Strauss' "Dictionary of American Politics," published in 1888, in speaking of the term "It is said that the phrase arose from

a small stream of that name in Kentucky the navigation of which was very difficult, and the unpleasant-ness of a journey up that stream was thought fairly to represent the feelings of the politicians to whom the phrase was applied." Page 460.

But in 1895 the origin of the term or phrase was thus explained in a newspaper article:

Away back in the early forties au old office friend, who lived in Pike county, Mo., about the mouth of Salt river, ran for the Legislature and was defeated. He moved into the next county, further up the river, and once more announced himself as a candidate for the Legislature. Again he was defeated. Nothing daunted, he moved further up the river and once more announced himself as a candidate for the Legislature. Once more his constituents started him on his voyage further up the river in search of political elevation.

Many years afterward, when people made inquiries about the office seeker. the answer would invariably be: "He is still moving up Salt river and running for the Legislature."

There are a few people still living about Florida, Mo., who knew the map whose constant defeat has given birth to a phrase that will live long. Mitchell's Atlas, published in 1864 shows a "Salt River" in both Missouri and Kentucky, The one in Missouri flows through Monroe county, where Florida (Mark Twain's old home) is situated, into Pike county, where it empties into the Mississippi river. The one in Kentucky enters into the Ohio

river at or near West Point.

Here is Mr. Hilton's account of the debates in Congress over the mythicat

Salt river politics: In July, 1852, David K. Carter, of Ohio, a Democrat, offered in the House of Representatives the following amendment to a river and harbor appropriation bill then pending in that house: "For the improvement of the navigation of Salt river, \$5,000,000, to be expended before the 4th of March next, under the direction of the secretary of the treasury."

Mr. Carter then said: "Mr. Chairman, this amendment has been suggested to me-

Mr. Jones, of Tennessee-"I rise to a question of order.' Mr. Carter-"Does the gentleman deny the nationality of this river? (Laughter.) Mr. Jones-"I had supposed that the

friends of those who were to sail up that lriver would provide for its improvement (Renewed laughter.) Mr. Carter—"If my friend from Tennessee had noticed the particular phraseology of the amendment he would not have risen to a question of order. I provide in that amendment that the appropriation shall be expended under the direction of the secretary of the treasury, with a view of leaving it in the hands of its friends (laughter), presuming that he will not appropriate it. (Renewed laughter.) But there is no doubt about the nationality of that etream. It has been nationally navigated for a great many years. I have been up it myself recently. (Laughter.) I know something of its navigation, and from what lit-tle observation I have made I know that it has snags in it, and I do not wish to leave to those who have got to take the passage quite so hard a trip as I have had. I hope it will be voted early, with a view to providing an open navigation there in season, for somebody has got to occupy it. (Laughter.) The prospect now is that the gentlemen who are in favor, par excellence of improvement of rivers will ask them to come forward and vote for it. There can be no equivocation as to its nationality. It runs through all of the States and through all of the districts of the States. (Laughter.) It embraces a portion of all of the constituencies, and therefore, must of necessity be national, and if you depart from the works which ought to be legitimate-works upon the high seas of the nation-and go to expending the national treasure upon rivers, I insist that this one shall have the first place.' The amendment was rejected. But

in February, 1885, a Salt river amendment to a river and harbor bill met with better success.

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cedent and I'm not competent to give you any advice."—Chicago Post. Hit Below the Belt. "You and young Chubbleigh don't speak to each other any more, Ethel. What is the matter?"

What is the matter?"
"Nothing, only he told me one day
when we were at the park that I had
a swanlike neck, and I told him he had
a swanlike walk."—Chicago Tribune. Remembered. "Whom did you marry, Billy?" "You always did like the ame
Tones.' You used to tag round after
a little snub-nosed Jones girl when we
went to school together."
"Yes; the's the g':' I married." Sentenced to Death

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THE STRAWBERRY.

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It Costs he More to thew Good Fruit Than Poor Stuff - A ell Attunded Atceting

The lectures given in Christ Church Sunday school last night under the auspices of the Horticultural society, were highly instructive and were listened to by a large audience. The hall was prettily decorated. The alcove above the speakers was hung with glorious Union Jacks. In front of the platform were arranged beautiful foliage and palm plants from the city green houses. The plants were the property of T. A. Smith, Chas. Baxter, and McKenzie Ross & Sons. Pres.dent Gordon Boles, Secy-Treasurer Geot Massey and the two speakers of the evening were on the platform. Capt. Boles, who occupied the chair, opened the meeting with a splendid narration of the work, purpose and success of the Chatham Horticultural society. He then introduced E. B. Stevenson, of Port Rowan, the first speaker. His subject was THE STRAWBERRY.

After a history of the berry, Mr. Stevenson stated that the different species of strawberries were distinguished as the wild, the Alpine, the Chilian and the native American. The Chilian was the best of these, and the origin of the garden berries of Ontario was a pross between the Chilian and origin of the garden berries of Ontario was a cross between the Chaian and the Native American. There were a large number of new varieties of these four primary kinds and new ones were being produced every year, but these were obtained by crossing. He characterized as rubbish a great many of the bearles now on the market. It took no more time for the cultivation of the good kinds and the large varieties than it did to grow the small berties than it did to grow the small berries. As an instance, the case of two ries. As an instance, the case of two growers near Hamilton was pointed out. One invested \$10 in new plants and sold his yield at 11 cents a box. The other who had not purchased new plants, but had used plants obtained from stock grown on his farm for years, sold his berries for a cent and a half a box. It is better to eat fruit in the fruit season, as it is healthy and much more beneficial fresh than cooked. than cooked.

Profits accrue from a field of ber Profits accrue from a field of berries according to the manure, muscle and brain utilized in their production. The average returns are from \$200 to \$300 per acre, but five, six, seven and eight hundred dollars per acre have been realized by some men. There are a hundred varieties of berries, but only a few do well on all soits. The producer must find out what kind will do best on his own ground.

do best on his own ground.

William Gammage, of London, also gave an address and answered all the

gave an address and answered all the questions on hortfulture propounded by the members of the society.

Miss laggic Kerr sang a splendid solo in a most pleasing manner, Miss Eina Dennis playing the accompaniment. During the evening capital musical selections were furnished by an orchestra. Frank Phelps presided an orchestra. Frank Phelps presided an orchestra. Frank Phelips presided at the plano and Claude Eberts played the guitar. A cordial vote of thanks, moved by John A. Walker and second-ed by Alister McKay, was passed to

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