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TWO BIG ICE JAMS

Each a Mile Long Are Said to Block the River

Towards its Mouth—Council Discusses the Advisability of Using Dynamite.

Last night at the city council meeting Ald. Selman asked if it would be advisable to blow up the ice jam at the mouth of the river and avert the threatened flood. If it were as bad as was reported a great flood would be the result.

Ald. McKeough said that the engineer had consulted Supt. Jones on the matter who declared the expense would be enormous of using dynamite and the result doubtful.

Ald. Scane said the engineer and Mr. Jones had told him the best thing to do would be to send men down to saw away the ice below the jam and let it break away when the thaw came.

Ald. Stephens said he had been told there were two jams each a mile long and the ice went right to the bottom of the river.

The matter, it was said, had also been talked over in the township councils and his worship thought it strange the townships had not consulted the city so that joint action could be taken. Dover, Raleigh and Tilbury were all interested.

No one could suggest anyway of averting the coming flood so the problem was referred to the board of works to again consult with the engineer and Supt. Jones and try and devise some plan of action.

New Table Linens, Towels and Towelings

The constant receipt of new goods for every department is making store news faster than we can write it. The most we can do is to hint at what is going on, and ask you to come and see. This week from the home of Linens—the land of the Heather and Shamrock with the whiff of the sea air still on them come New Irish and Scotch Linens, bought direct from the makers and sold for what they actually are—

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68 in. Heavy Union Damask, with fancy red border, excellent weight and quality, choice patterns, special per yard.....	25c	Scotch Crash, 17 in. wide, bleached finish, pure linen, splendid quality, at.....	8c	26 in. Superior Huck Toweling, fine pure linen, bleached finish, heavy weight, very special per yd.....	25c
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IS NOW BULLER'S TURN

To Make an Advance and Force His Way Through the Mountains.

Mafeking Believed to be All Right—Free State Commanders Attempting to Rally Their Forces at Kroonstadt—A Haul of Engines, Trucks and Prisoners at Springfontein.

London, Tuesday, March 20, 4 a.m.—The War Office has had no news up to this hour confirming the report of the relief of Mafeking, but Mr. George Wyndham, Parliamentary Under Secretary of War, replying to a private inquiry in the lobby of the House of Commons about midnight, smilingly said:—"I think it is all right."

The Free Staters seemingly have not quite collapsed. They are in considerable force around Smithfield, although much depressed in spirits.

A British spy from Rouxville reports that Commandant Oliver and a commando are going to Kroonstadt. The agents he left behind are using desperate means to raise recruits, commandeering British and Boers under penalty of death. Kroonstadt, where the Boers are concentrating, is a hundred and thirty-seven miles from Bloemfontein. It is surrounded by a country of hills and jungles.

NEXT FIGHTING IN NATAL.

Gen. Gatacre is now resting at Springfontein preliminary to joining Lord Roberts. Gen. Buller's uphill work before Ladysmith has given him an experience which is about to be used in forcing the Biggarsberg range. It is believed that 20,000 of his 10,000 men are about to engage General Botha's force, and the next news of fighting will probably be from Natal.

The leaders of the Afrikaner bond are circulating a petition in Cape Colony, asking the Imperial Government not to take away the independence of the Boers.

Thirty-two thousand additional troops for South Africa are now at sea.

The Times, commenting editorially upon the report that Germany will ask the belligerents to guarantee the safety of Johannesburg, says:—"We decline to believe that any responsible German statesman would make such a proposal. Certainly the government will not make agreements at foreign investigation."

A despatch to the Daily Telegraph from Bloemfontein says:—"In a speech which he made here a few days before the British entered the town, President Kruger admitted that his men would be unable to keep in the field for another month."

A despatch from Cape Town dated Monday, March 19, says that Sir Alfred Milner and his private secretary left Cape Town that evening by a special train. The despatch does not indicate Sir Alfred's destination and there is a possibility that he is going north on a peace mission.

During the pause in the military operations in South Africa, Mr. Spencer Wilkinson, writing for the Morning Post, deals speculatively with possible movements. He says:—

ENGINES, TRUCKS AND MEN.

London, March 20.—A special to the Times from Cape Town, dated the 17th, says:—"The correspondent of the Cape Argus at Bethulie telegraphs that Capt. Henning, of the Mounted Police and Captain Turner, with his scouts, entered Springfontein on the night of the 15th, and captured two engines, forty trucks and a number of prisoners, mostly Germans and Greeks, belonging to the Johannesburg commando. The prisoners were sent to Bethulie. The Bethulie bridge is not so badly damaged as at first supposed. Bethulie was almost deserted by the Boers, who are said to be greatly incensed by the reported annexation of the Free State by the Transvaal and disconcerted by the transference of the Free State Government to Kroonstadt. Gen. Gatacre's whole force, with artillery and transport, has crossed the river, and is now camped two miles north of Bethulie."

UP AT THE FRONT.

Second Canadian Contingent Have Reached Carnarvon.

A Large Boer Force in the Vicinity—Reckless Courage of the First Contingent.

Carnarvon, Cape Colony, Mar. 19.—The Canadian Mounted Infantry, under Col. Herchmer, and the Canadian Artillery, commanded by Colonel Drury, have arrived here with a contingent of yeomanry. The presence of this force here has had an excellent effect in this district. It is reported that a large force of insurgents is in the vicinity of V. Wyckville.

GETTING EXTRA FOOD.

London, March 20.—A Bloemfontein special says the Canadians arrived there on Wednesday last. They had no casualties during Lord Roberts' march. They acted as supports in the Poplar Grove fight, but took no part in the actual fighting. The men are in excellent health and spirits, and are enjoying an extra food allowance after the hard campaigning.

RECKLESS COURAGE.

London, March 20.—Letters, describing the surrender of Cronje at Paardeburg on Feb. 16, in which the Royal Canadian Regiment took such an active part, are arriving from the war correspondents of the London papers. The Times correspondent says that the Shropshires and Canadians advanced in a series of short rushes, in most gallant style, the Canadians especially showing magnificent, almost reckless courage. Finding that they were unable to advance further, Gen. Buller, who is in command of the ninth division, sent the Cornwalls forward to support the other two regiments, and in passing through picked up a certain number of both Canadians and Shropshires, who had been occupying the trenches under a hot fire. The Cornwalls advanced within eight hundred yards of the Boer position. Perhaps the most reckless bravery was shown by the Welsh, the Cornwalls and the Canadians.

WAR NOTES.

General Sir George Stewart White, the defender of Ladysmith, has arrived at Cape Town, but is unable to permit of a public reception being given in his honor.

Owing to the quarrelsomeness of Col. Schiel, the German officer in charge of the Boer artillery, who was wounded and taken prisoner at the battle of Bladensburg, he has been removed from the prisoners' camp to a transport.

OFFERED ALL SORTS OF MONEY.

London, March 19.—In the house of commons the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, announced that the total number of applications for the war loan had been 39,800, and the total amount of subscriptions £335,500,000. The largest application has been for £10,000,000. Applicants for £10,000 and upwards would get six per cent of their application. Below £10,000 the assignments would vary from six per cent to an allotment in full.

John Charlton has been nominated by the Liberals of North Norfolk.

REDISTRIBUTION.

If Made This Year it will Have to Take Place Again in 1902.

Ottawa, March 20.—In the Senate yesterday Hon. Mr. Macdonald, of British Columbia, asked should a redistribution of seats be made during the present year affecting representation in the House of Commons, will the decennial census be taken in 1901, according to section 61 of the British North American Act, and will another redistribution be made after the completion of the census if taken.

Hon. David Mills said the British North American Act provided that after every census there should be a redistribution, if necessary—that is, if the census showed the population of the Provinces had been changed, so as to render it necessary. If the population was practically the same, it would not be necessary. Senator Macdonald—"The British North American Act says it shall be made, but does not say anything about being necessary."

March 16th, 1900.

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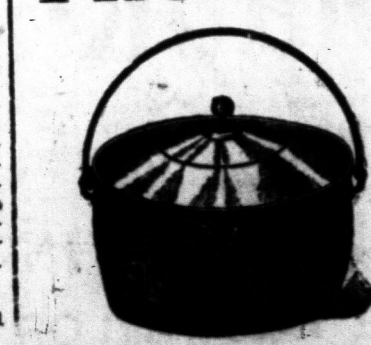
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WHERE OFFENSIVE PARTIZANSHIP DOES NOT COUNT.

Some fault has been found with the minister of customs for dismissing officers on unsupported charges of partizanship. Yet it must be said in his favor that he is not always severe. A return was brought down this week showing how he dealt with H. A. Lemieux, a customs officer at Montreal. Mr. Lemieux's son, now a Liberal member of the house of commons, was a candidate in Gaspe in the general election in 1896. His Conservative opponent, Dr. Ennis, made an interesting discovery after the election, while investigating the conduct of the campaign in the Magdalen Islands section of his constituency. Afterward he forwarded a series of charges to the Minister of Justice. The statement was that Customs Officer Lemieux, in June, 1896, left his work in Montreal, went down to the islands, canvassed there through the campaign and on election day was sworn in as agent for his son at one of the polls. The most peculiar feature of the case was that Mr. Lemieux took a false name and was sworn in as Lemire. He appears under this alias on the record of the clerk of the crown of Gaspe, to whom the election return was made. Dr. Ennis informed the minister of customs of the part of his officer, offered to prove his statements by sworn testimony, and asked for an investigation. This was two years ago and he did not get it. The only action that the minister has taken in regard to these charges of perjury, personation and partizanship has been the promotion of officer Lemieux and an increase to his salary. Mr. Patterson refuses to enquire into the case, though Dr. Ennis tells him that Lemieux has admitted that the charges are true.

AN ELECTION AT HAND.

Our Ottawa correspondent sends word that all signs point to an early and sudden election. The Government organizer for Ontario has taken an office there and is seen in daily conference with the Ministers and campaign literature is going out fast under Government franks. It is believed by many that the Government will not wait to vote next year's supply, but will dissolve the House without completing the business of the session. The Senate is expected to throw out the terry-mander bill for the same reasons that it was thrown out last year. Some think that the day after this is done the Premier will announce his resolution to appeal to the county on the action of the Senate, making that the one issue. Such may be the Premier's intention but he will hardly be able to take the attention of the public away from other issues, which the people may consider of much greater importance than the fate of the terry-mander.

The Planet's impression is, however, that there will be no election until Mr. Tarte returns from France, which will not be for some months in all probability.

But at all events no harm can follow by getting ready for the fray whenever it comes.

In the opinion of the Montreal Gazette, Sir Wilfrid Laurier's refusal to permit enquiry into the West Huron and Brockville ballot frauds has an element of frankness in it which the treatment of like cases by Mr. G. W. Ross has not. Sir Wilfrid openly works to protect the rascals, whereas Mr. Ross pretends to be in hot pursuit of them, when he is really letting them off.

It would have been impossible for the Ontario Government to take any course in regard to the West Huron irregularities which would not have been found fault with by the Opposition.—St. Thomas Journal.

That is a mighty poor excuse for the Hardy-Ross Government's failure to do its duty. This province has fallen low when its governing powers consort with and protect mean criminals. Nothing but the most abject fear of exposure could have caused the Government to take the course it has. What a nice object lesson this province affords when men like Bole can

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order what it is to do in the matter of investigating election crookedness.

The rates of postage that must be paid on matter intended for the Canadian contingent in South Africa are as follows:—Letters, 2 cents per 1-2 ounce; postcards, 2 cents each; newspapers, books and printed matter, 1 cent per 2 ounces; parcels 1 pound, 2c; 2 pounds, 5c; 3 pounds, 8c; 4 pounds, \$1.06; 5 pounds, \$1.32; 6 pounds, \$1.58; 7 pounds, \$1.84; 8 pounds, \$2.10; 9 pounds, \$2.36; 10 pounds, \$2.62; 11 pounds, \$2.88. There is no fraction of a pound; the limit of weight is 11 pounds, and parcels must not contain specie, bullion, gold dust, nuggets, ostrich feathers, tobacco stalks, essences of tobacco, tea, coffee or chicory. A customs declaration form, which can be obtained from every postmaster, must be affixed to each parcel, giving description of contents, net weight and value, with signature of sender.

Two thieves were sentenced in Cornwall to the Central Prison for stealing an overcoat from Mr. Whittey. That comes of only stealing an overcoat from him. If, like the threshold machine gang, they had stolen the government of a whole province they might have counted on the sheltering protection of the Ross government. But the theft of an overcoat is altogether too grave a crime to overlook.

Ex-Principal Austin, of Alma College, writes the Globe protesting against its sweeping condemnation of spiritualism. He says, among other things, that "Thompson Jay Hudson, author of the 'Law of Psychic Phenomena' of spiritualism to-day is not entitled to be called a septic, he is simply ignorant." Mr. Hudson will have to add this great fault journal to the ignorant list. If there is one piece of humbug that grown people have less excuse for believing in more than another it seems to us it is spiritualism.

AN IMPASSIONED DEFENCE.

London, Eng., Financial News. The unfortunate, but unimportant riotous outbreak between French and English elements in Montreal the other day, has doubtless gratified the hearts of the disloyalists and foreign enemies; but if these persons could read a speech from the Canadian "Herald," which is now before us, they would have to modify their transports. The speech was made a month ago in the Ottawa house of commons, by Sir Adolphe Caron, representative French Canadian. It was an impassioned defence of the loyalty of the French Canadians. Sir Adolphe maintained that so far from there attaching the slightest breath of suspicion to the loyalty of his branch of the Dominion citizens, were the matter ever put to the test it would be the French Canadians who would feel the most keenly any disas-

ter to the Empire, and would set the example of unswerving loyalty. We believe that Sir Adolphe echoed the sentiments of the great majority of the small minority counts for nothing; have we not a small minority of disloyalists in the mother country, who have not even the excuse of alien extraction?

THE HAMILTON VERSION.

Hamilton Herald.

Oh, Paddy, dear, and did ye hear the news that's goin' round? They've locked up the Spectator chap; wid ropes they've got him bound.

This morning, when the shamrocks and the Irish flag he seen The poor old boy went crazy wid the wearin' of the green.

THE WEARING OF THE GREEN.

On the initiative of Lord Roberts a newspaper has been started at Bloemfontein for the edification of the troops. Rudyard Kipling contributed to the inaugural edition the following lines:

O, Terence dear, and did you hear The news that's going round? The shamrock's Erin's badge by law, Where'er her sons are found. From Bloemfontein to Ballybank, 'Tis ordered by the Queen;

We've won our right in open fight— The wearing of the green.

This sounds better than Dion Boucicault's:

O, Terence dear, and did you hear The news that's going round? The shamrock's been forbid by law To grow on Irish ground.

TORONTO PRODUCE.

Toronto, March 17.—Eggs—Receipts only fair, and the market is about steady. Local demand good. Jobbing lots, new laid, 13 1/2 to 14c; and lined 12 cents.

Butter—Market firmer. Deliveries of choice butter rather light. Local demand good. Local quotations to the trade:—Dairy tubs, poor to medium 15 to 17c; strictly choice, 19 to 21c; large rolls, 22 to 23c; small dairy, lb. prints about 23 to 24c; creamery tubs and boxes, 26c; pounds, 27 cents. Poultry—About steady. Chickens job at 40 to 70c; geese at 7 to 7 1/2c; ducks at 60 to 75c per pair, and turkeys 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 40c per bag, and at farm wagons about 50c per bag. Out of store, choice stock brings 45 to 50c per bag. Dried apples—Quiet market. Dealers pay 5 1/2 for dried stock, delivered here, and in small lots resell at 6c; evaporated 7 to 7 1/2c in small lots.

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Baled hay—Choice stock in demand. No. 1 timothy will bring \$8.75 to \$9; No. 2 will at \$8 to \$8.25.

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CARE OF THE HANDS

Told by One Who Has Had Some Experience in This Matter.

"I have never," said a pretty matron, whose hands have long been the admiration and envy of her friends, "been to a manicure in my life and yet, as a Frenchwoman once said to me, with sublime self-satisfaction, 'Tout le monde regarde mes mains.' I have never seen a professional at work, and yet I have given lessons to the Duchesses of Devonshire and many others of the English aristocracy. For my own use my stock in trade consists of two buffers—an unnecessary extravagance I allow myself—a celluloid nail cleanser, carefully selected as regards its cleansing capabilities, one pair of bowed scissors for cutting the nails, a box of emery boards, a box of rose-line and a box of nail enamel. That is sufficient for the best results, and is certainly simple.

"Never dry your hands after washing them in hot water without first cooling them off under the cold water faucet. There is a theory that this whitens them; it certainly hardens them to exposure. If addicted to chapped hands bathe them at night in luke-warm water, then rub in a mixture of rose water and glycerine. Avoid the ordinary concoctions for beautifying the hands. Do not oil your hands and then put on gloves for the night; this only increases the tendency to chaps.

"Never use a steel file on the nails. It thickens them and makes them coarse. Soak the tips of your fingers in hot water until the nail is pliable—this prevents breaking. With the bowed scissors cut carefully in the shape of an almond—do not point them; then, with the fine side of the emery board, file off any rough edges. With a celluloid or ivory nail cleaner remove any discoloration, and then spread thoroughly over each nail and well down into the quick a thin layer of the rose-line. Dip the nail in the powder and polish. Never cut the cuticle, but carefully loosen it from the quick with the nail cleaner. This should be done every morning after the bath. With warm water and a brush remove the red paste entirely and then give a final polish.

"If there are hangnails it is better to tear them off, not roughly, and though the finger may be sore for a day or two, it is preferable to cutting, which only increases the growth. I always prepare a new buffer for polishing by spreading a thin coat of rose-line on its surface, then a layer of powder, and rubbing both well in. My pet buffer has been my constant companion for ten years, and in that time has worn out twice.

"To rejuvenate an old buffer select a piece of chamois, taking care to avoid the thin spots; soak in water and stretch over the frame, pulling tightly, then bind in the groove with the cord and tie firmly. Clip away the superfluous part and you have a buffer as good as new.

"No one should neglect her hands, it matters not how homely or ill-shapen they may be. Carefully tended hands are the hall mark of the well-groomed woman."

Don't be for the Nursery. Don't hang heavy curtains around baby's bed. The most that can be endured are light-wise draperies, and these should be laundered every week. Children need fresh air, especially when sleeping, and curtains prevent free circulation, while they collect dust.

Don't place the baby's crib in a position where the light will fall upon his eyes, nor in a draught. Don't make up the baby's bed on the floor. The air near the floor is always draughty. Don't load a child with heavy clothing. His garments should be warm, but light. Don't neglect to air the bed-clothing every day, and remember that a half hour's airing in the open air is equal to a whole morning's in a room. Don't allow a child to sleep with an elder person, even its own mother. Its rest will be less disturbed and more beneficial alone.

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S. STEWART, M.D.,

Sec'y Building Committee.

Thameville, March 16th, 1900. d.w.d

Tenders Wanted.

Whole or separate tenders will be received for the erection and completion of a R. O. Church at Woodlee, for Rev. Father Hodgkinson, P. P., up to and including Wednesday, April 4th, 1900. Plans and specifications can be seen at the R. O. Presbytery, Woodlee, Ont., or at the office of Harry J. Powell, Architect, Stratford, Ont. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Successful tenderer will be required to give good and sufficient bonds for the performance of the work.

H. J. POWELL,

Architect

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed, bulk or separate tenders will be received at the office of the undersigned architects, addressed to Joseph Cadotte, Esq., Secretary, up till 12 o'clock a.m., Saturday, March 24th, 1900, for the erection of a Brick School House, in School Section No. 4, Township of Dover. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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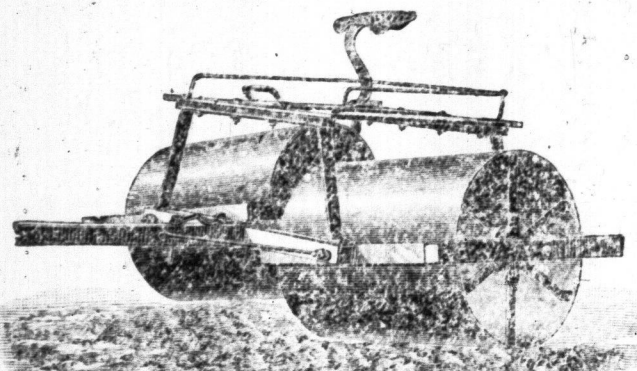
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A Louisville man has a little house dog that chews chewing gum like a human being.

The acolian harp was the invention. It is believed, of Athanasius Kircher, who lived in the seventeenth century. A five-year-old Philadelphia boy told out of a third-story window and his life was saved by lighting on a man wearing a silk hat.

A book published in Japan 1,000 years ago notes that at that time gold silk was already produced in twenty-five provinces of that country.

Rarely indeed is a wealthy Turk seen at his wife's dinner table. He usually dines in a part of the house remote from that occupied by his consubstantial partner.

A Delaware farmer recently purchased a horse which had been in the Spanish-American war, and on being clipped several shot were found imbedded in its flesh.

A Kansas man not long ago shot a dog by accident, and in showing the owner how it was done, he shot him, and later, in showing the coroner how he had shot the man, he shot the coroner.

A rare and beautiful sight was recently witnessed at Mt. Vesuvius during a snow-storm. The volcano was in eruption and three streams of red hot lava were sent spouting through the snow.

The young Duchess of Marlborough and several young ladies of much wealth and rank are going in for falconry. It is an expensive form of sport, an ordinary hawk costing as much as \$200 and requiring quite an outlay for maintenance and training.

A Perkins (O. T.) bachelor started to Joplin, Mo., not long ago with a wagon load of peanuts and on the way he met a widow with seven children. It was a case of first sight love, and, marrying her the next day, he carried a wagon load of family back home with him.

The 10,000 Indians, Cherokees, Creeks and Delawares, who have voluntarily gone from Oklahoma to Mexico to establish a reservation, declare they are actuated by a desire to get as far away as possible from the white man's civilization. They have about \$125,000 and expect further additions after they have organized their settlement.

The largest flower in the world is the rafflesia arnoldii of Sumatra. Its size is fully three feet in diameter—about the size of a carriage wheel. The five petals of this immense flower are oval and creamy white, growing round a centre filled with countless long, violet hued stamens. The flower weighs about fifteen pounds and is capable of containing nearly two gallons of water. The buds are like gigantic brown cabbage heads.

Fred Huson of the Twentieth Kansas volunteers writes from the Philippines: "I am not much afraid of battle. I would let rather go into a battle than climb a Kansas windmill." The Kansas City Journal thinks that this comparison "will be appreciated by every man who has climbed a rickety tower to pour oil into the cogs on one of those buzzing demons."

ODD THINGS TO HAPPEN.

A Kansas City Irish girl was naturalized in order to become a notary public.

An Ohio minister is in trouble with his congregation for saying that rain-bows existed before the flood.

A Pennsylvania kodak fiend was instantly killed while attempting to get a snapshot of a blast as it exploded.

One Kentucky farmer has an otherwise well-developed calf, born without eyes or tail, and another farmer has four roosters sitting on duck eggs.

A Pennsylvania boy teased a cat with kittens till she jumped at him and mangled the calf of his leg so that he will probably be a cripple for life.

Seventeen victims to Easter eggnog were picked up in the streets of Cambridge, N. J., after that day and classified with the ordinary drunks.

A Pennsylvania woman, aged 102 years committed suicide recently because she was tired of living. The coroner might have rendered a verdict of justifiable homicide.

A Sag, Francisco man who died not long ago with pleurisy, was found to have had three-quarters of an inch of a needle in his heart, which had been there long enough to rust.

A young man in New Jersey became unconscious on a Wednesday to ask what day it was, said he would die on Friday, became unconscious again and on Friday kept his word.

King Humbert is a vegetarian. He lives entirely on vegetables and fruits. The doctors have forbidden him to drink coffee and his beverage is Bordeaux and plenty of water. The Queen has made repeated attempts to become a vegetarian, but finally has given up in despair, being fond of a generous diet.

Honolulu has one theatre, a ramshackle building, in which various crude performances are given by natives. Once in a long while a dramatic company makes the trip from San Francisco, the latest doing so last summer without pecuniary profit. Single entertainers stop there on the way to Australia.

A fifteen-year-old Indiana boy attempted to drown his father, locked his mother in the cellar, stole a basket of eggs she had waiting for a huckster, sold them and bought whiskey, got drunk, was arrested and locked up, tried to hang himself with his suspenders, was cut down in time to steal a hat and vest from a fellow prisoner and was finally sent to the reform farm.

SOLOMON'S MINES FOUND

Carl Peters Asserts That He Found Ophir Where He Looked for It in South Africa.

I have this summer explored the country between the Zambesi and the Pungwe, in Portuguese East Africa and Eastern Mashonaland. Before I started from England I had acquired geographical information on which led me to believe that Fura was near the eastern entrance of the Lupata Gorge. There I have found it. It is situated on the banks of the Mura River, about fifteen miles south of the Zambesi and half-way between Sena and Tete. At the time of my discovery I had with me Mr. Pury and two mining engineers, Messrs. Gramann and Napolski. I should perhaps explain, here, that Fura is the native corruption of the word Ophir, by which name the Arabs of the sixteenth century knew the district of which I am speaking. Fura is the Sabahan or South Arabian form of the Hebrew name Ophir. I have ample proof that the Fura we discovered and explored this summer is the Ophir of the Old Testament. Fura, or Ophir, in the Semitic language, means mine. Fura in the language of the people who now inhabit the district also means mine.

The natives, who are under the powerful chief Macombe, call themselves Makalanga, which means People of the Sun. Unlike any other Africans I know, they are to this day sun and fire worshippers. They are quite unlike the ordinary African, and have a distinct Jewish type of face, and in my opinion they are a mixture of the Asiatic conquerors with the original inhabitants of the country.

On arriving in the district, I soon found that the natives had some idea of the existence of the ancient Ophir. In fact, they wash gold themselves after the rainy season, and after storing it in quills, do a fairly large trade in it with Beira and Tete.

At first I had great difficulties with these people. For five weeks they refused to sell me food and performed war dances to frighten me. Macombe, the chief, then sent his brother Cutete to me, demanding what I meant by entering his country. By this time, however, as I had succeeded in getting food from other sources, Cutete seemed inclined to be friendly. I made friends with him and he has brought me to England. Up to the present his greatest surprise is that he has not seen the sun. This chief subsequently gave me valuable information regarding the position of the ancient ruins, and workings, which I at once investigated. Going to the spot indicated, I found ancient ruins of undoubtedly Semitic type. I discovered phallic emblems, which have always been connected with the ancient Semitic sun worship. Fura itself I found to possess a formation of quartzite and granite, between which gold reefs were running. Under the ruins I found a large alluvial tract, in which we discovered gold and near it magnificent quartz reefs. The ancient workings which I found were the only surface signs of the mine, but there were also shafts and roads hewn into the rock. I have built a station in this district and also one in Inyanga, both of which are in charge of trustworthy Europeans.

I intend next summer to further investigate the traces of diamonds, coal, white mica and salt-petre which we found.

"My theory with regard to Ophir," said to doctor in conclusion "is this: The ancient conquerors landed at the mouth of the Zambesi, crossed the river and sailed up to the eastern entrance of the Lupata, beyond which rapid navigation difficult. They then proceeded overland and found, under the very walls of the fort-covered, ancient and also reef gold. They then settled for a considerable period, and afterward migrated to the west toward the Ruene. They eventually settled all the districts west and southwest as far as the Save River and Tete, and built a great empire along the Zambesi and Sabi rivers. The Sabahan empire probably lasted for thousands of years. Its existence was well known among the Semitic nations, and it is interesting to note that Ophir is always mentioned in the Old Testament without any explanation as to its locality. I have seen enough to be assured that all the products of the ancient Ophir are to be found on the Zambesi.

"As a result of my investigation, the Arabian and Indian theories regarding Ophir fall to pieces, and I claim unhesitatingly to have located this year the Golden Ophir of King Solomon and King Hiram."

Here are Some New Cures for Lunacy. The cures which we have to resort to are in many cases, said the head physician of one of the largest Scottish lunatic asylums, "as curious as our patients' whims."

"One patient had for six years been under the delusion that his head was turned the wrong way physically. We put him in a chair, tied him securely, and then, having he indolent him gave him an electric shock. He got up crying with delight, and after that moment he was as sane as you or I. Another declared he was tormented. We weighted his feet, with two three-stones weights and left him for a day. Whether the extra weight effected the cure or not I don't know, but he to-day holds a very responsible position under the Government, and is one of the 'clearest-headed' men I know."

Another thought that if he went to sleep the world would stop moving. We dosed him with chloroform. When he woke twelve hours later and found everything all right he went with joy then, turned over and went to sleep again, waking six hours later sane."

Sweeping by Electricity. The British government keeps eleven vessels at work sounding and charting the ocean beds to find out where dangerous rocks are. Last year 10,000 square miles were carefully charted in different parts of the world—Asia, Africa and the South Pacific.

Sweeping by Electricity. St. Louis is experimenting with electricity for opening street-sweepers. The street modern cry for cleanliness can never be reconciled with the use of horses. There is every prospect of success in the experiment, and likely every city of the Union will soon have electric sweepers.



The Druggist Knows It is the Best.

"After having a mishap, I suffered with pain in my left side and a lingering cough which grew worse and worse," writes Mrs. Cora Brooks, of Martin, Franklin County, Georgia. "Last spring I got past doing anything and my husband went to the drug store and called for Wine of C—, and the merchant recommended Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, so he bought one bottle. I began to take it as directed in the pamphlet wrapped around the bottle. The book said if the disease was complicated with cough to take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and 'Favorite Prescription' alternately, and Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, on rising every morning. Mr. Brooks went back to the drug store and got the 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and I took it as directed. The cough left me at once and I began to get better so rapidly my husband was astonished at my improvement. I am now able to work on the farm and also do the washing for two families."

FOR THE FAR WEST.

A Well-known Young Raleigh Has Given a Send-Off by His Friends.

A rather sadly sociable evening was spent at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. David Walker, 13th con, Raleigh, on Monday evening on the eve of the departure of their son Tom, for Brandon, Manitoba. The choir, of which he was a member, and the young people, gathered together to bid him farewell and wish him God-speed and prosperity. The evening was spent in games of various kinds, but the feeling of hardly suppressed sadness prevailed among the company. Every one felt it keenly that Tom was to go from our midst. His kindly spirit and genial unselfishness will be greatly missed by all his friends and acquaintances. When all were ready for luncheon several members of the choir presented him with an address accompanied by appropriate gifts as tokens of these esteem. The address, given below, was read by Frank Drew, E. J. Skinner, Miss Maude Pardo and Miss Joe Russell.

Charing Cross, Mar. 12, 1900. Our Dear Tom—It is with deep sorrow and regret that we have learned that you are about to depart from our midst, to seek a new home and fortune in the west. We have always esteemed and respected you because you have been so faithful in your attendance at our church and our choir, and whenever anything was to be done you were always among the first to lend a helping hand.

We feel that we cannot let you go without gathering together with you to wish you God-speed. May God's blessing and prosperity ever attend your way. While we are loath to see you go, yet we would not lay a straw in your way if by going you feel that you can do better than by staying here.

Therefore, we ask you to accept this Bible, Prayer-book, and Hymn Book as a slight token of our regard, with the hope that they may ever remind you of the many pleasant days you have spent in connection with St. George's Church, Charing Cross, and that they may prove a blessing to you in many other ways. We pray that the God whose habitations are all the corners of the earth, may bless you by the way wherever your lot may be cast. Though you may be many miles from us, please remember that you will never be forgotten by your fellow members of the choir. Sign in our behalf, your friend and pastor.

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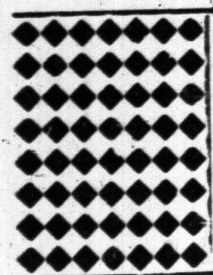
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LOCAL BRIEFS

Will Reade, an employee of the Manson Campbell Co., has returned from a visit to Detroit.

The church practice for the opening of the new organ at Victoria Avenue Methodist Church, will be held this evening at 7:30 sharp.

The Road Etna Sailing Association will meet in the parlors of the Hotel Garner on Friday evening at eight o'clock. A full attendance of the members is requested.

An excellent program has been arranged for the Patriotic Concert to be given in the large lecture hall of the Canada Business College, Thursday evening next, by the members of the Literary Society of the College. Tickets 25 cents.

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George Summers, charged with vagrancy at this morning's police court, made affidavit that he was in regular employment and was released with a warning. O. L. Lewis appeared in his behalf.

The sale of tickets for the grand patriotic concert given in the Grand Opera House, Friday evening, March 23, is now on, and all 50c tickets are subject to rest except the two first rows in the gallery and the first three rows down stairs.

"Don't forget to mention in the paper to-night," said Supt. Jones, "that there is a splendid skating rink on Tecumseh Park. All along under the trees is covered with a smooth sheet of ice and all who so desired could enjoy a skate there."

Every person is anxious to have a share in administering to the comfort of our Chatham boys, now in South Africa. Show your appreciation by turning out on Thursday evening to the Patriotic Concert to be given by C. B. C. Literary Society on Thursday evening. A splendid program has been prepared. Tickets 25c.

A. F. Nash, Windsor, government inspector of gas and electric light plants was in the city to-day. Supt. Jones is estimating the cost of a storage battery to be charged from the electric light plant, to take the place of the electric light alarm system. If practicable it is the intention of the property committee to put in a storage battery, provided anything can be saved by doing so. Mr. Nash tested the strength of the fire hall batteries to-day, both in volts and amperes, for Supt. Jones, so that he would know the strength of the storage battery would require to do the work.

POLICE COURT.
Fred. Fuller and John Gulkin, charged with drunkenness at this morning's police court, were dismissed. The case against Harvey Wilson for alleged assault was enlarged for a week. Emma Leavelle, convicted of vagrancy, was sentenced to six months in the Mercer reformatory.



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Thos. Kime, jr., who recently had a growth removed from his knee, is doing well.

Ephraim Wright, an old and respected colored resident of the 10th concession, Chatham township, passed away Sunday.

Margaret Alice, the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Williamson, of Kent Bridge, died Sunday. The funeral took place to-day at 11 o'clock to Maple Leaf cemetery.

Misses Agnes Wright, J. Randall and Byron, of the Thibodeau & Jacques millinery establishment, left for Detroit at noon to-day to attend the spring millinery openings in that city.

The tickets for the patriotic concert Friday, March 23, have been placed in all the banks in the city, and don't forget that the 35 cent tickets are subject to reserve as soon as they are secured.

The remains of the late Joseph Bechard will be interred on Wednesday in the cemetery. The funeral services will be held in the church there at 10 o'clock.

Lieutenant R. McNabb Kerr and Miss Maggie Kerr, who have been spending a few days the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Stone, Cross St., returned to their home in Detroit to-day. Lieut. Kerr served during the Spanish-Cuban war in the 33rd Michigan regiment.

Sampson Russell, the fifteen-year-old son of Wm. Russell, Charing Cross, was brought in to St. Joseph's hospital last night. He is lying very low with rheumatic inflammation of the heart.

WAR RELICS.
Ex-Ald. Geo. Heyward has his window decorated in honor of the concert of the Red Cross Society Friday night. Amongst the instruments of war is a collection of cannon balls used in the war of 1812. In size they range from the small grape shot to the heavy 24 lb. cannon ball.

These relics are the property of A. F. Falls, who secured them when they were dredged from the river at his old home in Amherstburg. Over a hundred cannon balls were discovered in that ancient town when some dredging was being done for the Cuddy-Mullen coal docks. How or where they came from no one seems to know. The window of Mr. Heyward is decorated with Red Cross flags, Union Jacks and pictures of the Queen and Canadian soldiers.

INSTANTLY KILLED.
Chicago Young Lady Shot by an Unknown Woman.

Chicago, March 20.—Miss Annie Strother, cashier in a restaurant at 150 Twenty-second street was shot and instantly killed last night by a well-dressed, heavily veiled woman. The strange woman came in the front door and walking to the cashier's desk, fired four shots point blank at Miss Strother and escaped. No person except the cashier was in the front part of the restaurant at the time.

Three hours after the shooting Mrs. Charles Smith, 21 years old, wife of a saloonkeeper, was arrested and made a confession, saying she had shot Miss Strother because the latter had taken her husband's love.

SEED PEAS.
The Raleigh Agricultural Society has purchased a car of Seed Peas in the East, and will deliver the same at the C. P. R. station on Saturday, 24th inst. Farmers wishing them will apply at once to S. L. Wellwood, Pres., or A. H. White, Sec.

"Better late than never. It is best, however, to be never late about taking Hood's Sarsaparilla to purify your blood. Take it now."

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WAS FOUND DEAD.
Illinois Man Had been Treated by a Faith Curist.

Havana, Ill., March 20.—Henry Taylor, who had been under the treatment of a faith cure doctor, was found lying dead in his home yesterday. It is not known how long he had been dead, as a paper was found pinned on his breast on which was written: "This man is not dead, but in a trance." The authorities are looking for the faith cure doctor.

FIVE VIEWS OF A MAN.
A healthy man, a man with a cough, a man with congested lungs, a man in consumption, a dying man, a dead man. All from neglecting, when the cough started, to take Four T's, the great guaranteed one day cough and cold remedy. Price 25c. a bottle at the Central Drug Store.

RUSSIA'S REPLY.

It Will Make a Bluff at Britain Through Kruger.

A Bridge Blown up Near Bloemfontein—War Gossip.

Berlin, March 20.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the St. Petersburg telegraph has prepared an official communique, which will be published within the next day or two. It contains Russia's answer to President Kruger's request for intervention in South Africa.

The communique has been drawn up with the knowledge and consent of France and Germany, and has received the full approval of the czar.

As regards its contents, all that the correspondent has been able to learn is that the note is directed, with due precaution, against England, and its tone is very serious and will certainly not fail to make a deep impression.

BRIDGE BLOWN UP.
Bloemfontein, Monday, March 19.—The Boers blew up the railroad bridge over the Modder river, 14 miles north last night. The law courts were reopened to-day.

SETTLERS WANTED.
New York, March 20.—A despatch to the World from London says:—A part of the British plan for the pacification of South Africa is now prepared in the announcement that the British authorities there will make every effort to induce reservists, the time-expired men, the volunteers and the colonials from abroad to settle there, soon as the war is over, by giving them 240 acres of land each, provided they will occupy it for ten years.

The agents of all the colonies and the authorities of Rhodesia and British South Africa Co. in London are sending aid to the plan. It is said that the men who do not wish to take up land will be made tempting offers to enlist in the Chartered (British) South African Co.'s field force under Gen. Carrington.

It is declared officially that the war office will not sanction or encourage transfers from the colonials, volunteers or geomatic to the regular establishment of the British army.

FAITH OF JOHANNESBURG.
London, March 20.—It is reasonable to believe that the relief of Mafeking may be heard of at any hour.

Gen. Kitchener has entered Pretoria, Cape Colony, without opposition, the insurgents laying down their arms, which, nearly confining the previous reports of their willingness to submit. Gen. Roberts and Buller are still in action.

Considerable interest is attached to the fate of Johannesburg. Commenting on the reported consultation between Secretary Hay and the German ambassador at Washington, Dr. Von Holleben, is a proposition that both belligerents be urged to leave Johannesburg, alone, the Pall Mall Gazette says.

"This time Dr. Leyds has, as we may without impropriety assume, put in circulation the tale to the effect that the German ambassador at Washington and the American consul at Pretoria are concocting a little scheme of German intervention. This is a really glorious yarn and one which shows to what desperate straits the enemies of this country are reduced. Just imagine a government which has so recently declared all outside intervention permitting Germany to dictate the course of Lord Roberts' march to Pretoria. The German foreign office knows better than to involve the snail it would infallibly receive if it ventured to whisper so preposterous a proposal in Downing street."

WILL REMAIN UNITED.
Chatham matters occupied some time at the recent meeting of the executive committee of the Church of England, in London. Holy Trinity and St. Thomas Church, Dover, have for many years been supplied by the one clergyman, who receives his stipend partly from each congregation, but some of those connected with the Dover Church favored a change, and some of the members of the executive committee thought that Holy Trinity alone should be the new ecclesiastical center.

St. Thomas Church, Dover, should be connected with some weaker church in Raleigh or at Mitchell's Bay, so that the endowment for St. Thomas Church should, with contributions from the congregation, maintain a separate clergyman, resident in Dover, but giving services also at weaker outlying places. The Rural Deanery of Kent seemed to favor joining St. Thomas with missions in Raleigh, while the missions committee reported that it should be separated from Holy Trinity and joined to Mitchell's Bay. After a long discussion and after the deed of the late Miss Smith had been read and re-read and explained by the Chancellor, whose opinion was very decided that the income from the endowment is now being applied in the way authorized by Miss Smith, the donor, it was decided by the executive committee to leave St. Thomas and Holy Trinity churches united, as heretofore, and to request his lordship to make some arrangement with the rector of those churches to hold a weekly or other service at Mitchell's Bay.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT'S TREAT.
Miss Miss Compliments Manager (Yeoman on Securing (Ails Trebell).

Mr. McVean, City.
Dear Sir,—Permit me to express my pleasure on seeing by Saturday evening's papers, that you have engaged Middle Trebell, for a concert here this week.

I have had the pleasure of hearing her on several occasions in Toronto, and I am delighted to know that the young singers of our city are to have the privilege of hearing such a gifted and brilliant artist. I hope they and the musical profession and public generally will show their appreciation of your effort in providing such a treat, giving you a full house.

Yours truly,
ELDA IDLE.
Chatham, March 18th, 1900.

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And take it to your druggist, A. I. McCall & Co. who will present you with a Trial Bottle of the wonderful New Medicine they have secured the exclusive Agency for, Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, and all Throat and Lung Affections. Its cures are simply marvellous, absolutely curing where all else fails, and has saved thousands from an early grave, even physicians are astonished at this marvellous cure. It costs nothing and is always convincing. A guaranteed cure goes with large bottles.

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THE HOG CASE DISMISSED.

Before Judge Houston at the police court this morning the case against John Duff was heard.

In the matter that defendant is alleged to have sold hogs on Nov. 22, last, knowing they were affected by a contagious disease. The evidence put in by J. A. Walker for the prosecution was that Mr. Duff, the accused, bought 18 hogs from his brother, George Duff, a farmer in Harwich. These hogs were thinned and the custom among hog dealers is to give thinned hogs out to be fattened. The 18 hogs were sent to Thomas Montgomery, of Raleigh. He kept them a week and one of them died. He then brought them in and delivered them back to John Duff, who shipped them the same day.

The evidence of Dr. Kime showed that it was impossible for any person to tell whether the hogs were affected by the disease known as swine plague or not, except upon examination of the carcasses after being killed and could not be fattened. Those in question, Thomas Montgomery, the prosecutor, stated that although he had the pigs in his possession for a week he could not say what was the matter with them, excepting that they had not fed well. Mr. Montgomery's son gave substantial evidence.

J. B. Rankin, Q.C., appeared for the defendant and moved for the dismissal of the case. The judge held that the statute provided that the person tried must be shown to know the animals were affected and as this was not shown against the defendant, the case must be dismissed.

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Promptness in the execution of any want of our customers, small or large. Reliability in the material and in the price. The lowest consistent with honest quality and perfection of style and fit. The make of our Clothing stands out pre-eminently as the best general line manufactured in Canada to-day.

Spring---1900---Spring
We will show the people of Chatham the noblest, the nicest and best put-together Clothing ever shown to the trade, it will pay you to look us up for your spring outfit. Watch our windows and keep your eyes on this space for up-to-the-minute ideas. We handle everything made in the clothing line.

Men's Suits, Boys' Top Coats and Children's Pants, Overalls, Smocks, Etc.
Made in all the leading styles, all the new colorings and patterns shown for this season's trade, at prices that will astonish you—see us.

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Our Special Iron Fram Linen Unlaundried Shirts 50c
Double back and front, linen bosoms and bands, good quality cotton, sizes 13 to 18, the best in Canada.

Men's White Laundried Shirts 50c, 75c and \$1.00
Made by the best manufacturers in Canada, made all styles, perfect fitting, full range of sizes.

Men's Neat Negligee Shirts
Made from all the new cloths, neat patterns, check, neat stripes, with cuffs attached and detached, beautiful colorings, all sizes, very special values 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50.

Men's Colored Dress Shirts
We bought a big job in colored stiff bosom shirts, the best makers in Canada, all colors arranged, all the pretty designs and colorings, cuffs attached or detached, sizes 14 to 18 sold all over at \$1 and \$1.25, your choice while they last for 75c.

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4th Supporter—32 inch light and dark prints, extra fine cloth and choice patterns, equal in quality to 12 1/2c goods, our price 10c per yard.

5th Supporter—Emblematic table linen, our own special patterns, rose, harp and thistle, these goods are made of pure flax and last twice as long as ordinary table linen at the same price, per yard 50c.

6th Supporter—White P. K's and wash walls are still in favor for the coming season, we have them in a variety of different weaves, at 15c, 17c, 20c, 22c, 25c and 35c per yard.

7th Supporter—23x53 inch bleached cotton damask dresser covers, each 15c.

8th Supporter—Applique d'oylies, dresser covers and stand covers just in. Dresser covers at 50c each. D'Oyilies, at 5c and 10c each. Stand Covers, at 25c each.

9th Supporter—17x39 inch heavy crepe towels, red border, fringed ends, 10c each.

10th Supporter—Princess P. K's, suitable for children's dresses, white and pink ground, with small pattern, reg. 15c quality, special per yard 12 1/2c.

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THE CITY COUNCIL

Rush Through an Evening's
Business in 45 Minutes.

Board of Works Will try to Induce
the King Street Property
Owners to go in for a
Pavement—Miscellaneous
Business.

The city council met last evening and got through the evening's work in 45 minutes. There were present, Mayor Smith and Aldermen Liddy, Fleming, Taylor, Marshall, McKenough, McCall, Scane, Stephens, Sulman, City Clerk Merritt, Secretary Weir and Sergeant-at-arms Holmes.

A communication was received from A. L. Jarvis, secretary of department of agriculture, Ottawa, acknowledging the receipt of letter from Acting Mayor Sulman on the subject of the encouragement of beet sugar industry in Ontario and stating that the matter will receive the attention and consideration of the minister of agriculture.—Received.

A similar letter was also received from Hon. John Dryden, minister of agriculture, Toronto, stating that the city's letter had been forwarded to the Premier who had the matter under consideration at the present time.—Received.

W. H. G. Colles wrote re trimming tree in front of his residence.—Referred the chief of police.

A similar request from James A. Watt was also referred.

A communication from Wells and MacMurphy, Toronto, representing the C. P. R., was ordered received. The communication asked if there were not some possibility of having the results of the conference between Mr. Dunlop and the city arranged as they wished to have this done before the judge appointed a day for hearing the appeal.

A recommendation was received from Chief Jacques to effect that Sandy Holmes and M. Side be appointed call men in place of Alfred Perry and Fred Fitzsimmons, left town.—Referred to property.

From Reeva John Grant, of Dover, enclosing check for \$64.39, township's annual share of Woods drain assessment. He also stated that two lots assessed for 3 cents and 16 cents could not be collected.—Referred to finance.

A notice of action from Sebina Stephens claiming damages for accident on Murray street was received. The claimant stipulated a fall on the ice.

Aud. Liddy asked accounts for electric lighting repairs were being read if Supt. Jones was not expected to do this work.

The Mayor said he thought Mr. Jones ought to be able to do some of the work anyway and the accounts were referred to consult with him.

FINANCE REPORT.
Ald. Stephens for finance reported as follows: That the request of John R. Gray for funds towards erecting a military memorial in the city of Toronto be not granted.

That in reference to the Canadian Pacific appeal against their assessment on William street sewer, we recommend no action.

By request of the city clerk of the city of Ottawa, would recommend that this council have a petition forwarded to the legislative assembly asking for the repeal or amendment of the Commence act on the clause relating to the C. P. R. The Mayor asked if the matter had been thoroughly considered.

Ald. Sulman said the committee believed the C. P. R. should pay taxes as well as anyone else. If they were dissatisfied they could go to the county judge.

Ald. McKenough—He always turns them down.

Ald. Sulman—So he ought.

Clause passed. Clause 4 read, re Commence bill.

The Mayor—The city ought to back up Ottawa's request in that matter, because the Commence Act is just a piece of robbery passed to suit one man.

Clause passed and report adopted.

BOARD OF WORKS.
Ald. McKenough, for the board of works reported as follows:

The tender of John Piggott & Son for white pine, cedar and paving posts, being the lowest received, we advise the acceptance of same.

We recommend the acceptance of Westman Bros. tender for nails, oakum and tar paper.

We recommend the acceptance of D. W. Crow's tender for sand and gravel, viz. 15c per cubic yard and on bank, 10c delivered, and 10c for river gravel on bank and 12 cents delivered.

We recommend the acceptance of James Cornhill's tender for porous tile, it being the only one received, and also his tender for brick, viz. \$1.25 per 1,000 common bricks, and \$1.50 per 1,000 circle bricks, the same being the lowest received.

We recommend the acceptance of Messrs. J. & J. Oldershaw's tender for glazed tile, pipe, elbows, T's, etc., the same being the only tender received.

We recommend the acceptance of Messrs. Backus & Dennis' tender for brooms.

We accepted the tender of William Blight, for alterations and repairs to Adelaide street bridge, for \$197, it being the lowest tender received for same, and as Mr. Blight was desirous of proceeding with the work before the ice left the creek.

The board of works deem it advisable that King street from the post office to King St. from the post office permanently paved in the near future and have instructed the city engineer to prepare plans and specifications for the construction of a vitrified brick pavement on a solid concrete foundation, including the making of all proper water, gas and sewer connections, and when same are prepared we propose to advertise for tenders for the work, so as to definitely ascertain the cost of the same, when a petition for the pavement will be prepared and the property owners on King street will be asked to sign same after they are fully informed as to the quality of the proposed road and its cost.

Ald. McKenough explained that a number of the ratepayers had told him they opposed the pavement on King

street because they had not sufficient information. It was like a leap in the dark. It was proposed to obtain full information and call for tenders, and then ask them to sign a petition, which they expressed their willingness to do.

The Mayor—There is no coercion about that.

Ald. McKenough—No coercion.

The report was adopted.

Ald. Marshall and Taylor thought the proposed footway on the Adelaide street bridge would be more convenient on the west than east side, and a motion was passed leaving the matter to the board of works.

PROPERTY REPORT.
Ald. Fleming reported as follows for the property committee: Re the matter of dog tags, would recommend, as suggested by the Mayor, that the treasurer give a receipt for the payment of dog tax instead of a tag, thereby saving about \$16, the amount necessary to purchase sufficient tags. The treasurer announces that he has all necessary blank receipts and wishes it stated that he is now prepared to receive dog taxes.—Repealed.

ACCOUNTS PASSED.
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Con. E. Sheppard, \$8.00.
Thos. M. French, \$5.00.
F. Jacques, \$7.15.
Bell Telephone Co., 60c.
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P. Mulvihill, \$1.
Johnson Electric Co., Toronto, \$10.80.
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A Large Audience Listened to and
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A splendid patronage last evening greeted the presentation of the St. Patrick's concert at the Grand opera house, the auspices of Branch No. 8, C. M. B. A. An admirable program was rendered, to which an enthusiastic audience testified most heartily.

The curtain rose upon a beautiful stage setting, emblematic of the loyalty of the Emerald Isle, and the graceful arrangement of delicate decorations, which were attractive and picturesque. Thos. Primeau had charge of the adorning of the stage and was ably assisted by Miss Nellie Rhody, Miss Agnes Reilly and Wm. Peacock. The work of this accomplished quartette was done with exquisite taste and skill.

Of the program, too much cannot be said. It was excellent in its entirety and individually each number called forth hearty appreciation and applause. It was admirably arranged and the accomplished contributions were Owen A. Smith, the celebrated humorist and elocutionist, of Toronto, and a collection of the best Maple City musical talent.

Mr. Smith's admirable renditions highly delighted the large audience. They were selected with care and were exceedingly appropriate. He is a most talented exponent of the art of the pathetic and the humorous, and is always an attraction in the Maple City.

The lady vocalists, Miss Lizzie Smith, Mrs. John Cooper, Miss Edna Eids and Collie Eids, were at their best and their exquisite renditions were exceedingly brilliant and pleasing.

Hamilton Nicholls, who received a hearty reception, renewed his hold on Chatham audiences, after an absence of some years, by his splendid and spirited rendering of two magnificent tenor solos.

The Young Ladies' Mandolin Club, under the direction of Miss Adele McLean, also contributed two excellent selections, which were highly appreciated.

The violin selections of Henry McCaw were one of the features of the evening, as was also the violin duo of Messrs. McCaw and Wilson.

During the evening the accompaniments were most acceptably played by Miss Nellie Rhody, Miss Sara E. McCaw, Wm. H. Brackin and Frank Phelps.

The Program.
The following is the magnificent program arranged for St. Patrick's concert to be held in the Grand Opera House on Monday evening under the auspices of Branch No. 8, C. M. B. A.

1. "The Young Ladies' mandolin club, Miss A. McLean director.

2. Poem—"The Boer and the Britisher," Smiley, Mr. Owen A. Smiley.

3. Ballad—"Come back to Erin"—Miss Lizzie Smith.

4. Song—"The Absent Minded Beggar," Kipling-Sullivan, Mrs. John Cooper.

5. Sketch—"The Troublesome Wit," Smiley, Mr. Owen A. Smiley.

6. Violin selection—"St. Patrick's Day with Variations," H. Vienxtemples, Mr. H. R. McCaw, accompanist, Miss S. E. McCaw.

7. Ballad—"The Killarney," Raife, Song—"Barney O'Hea," Lever, Miss Edna Eids.

8. Song—"British Lion"—Mr. Hamilton Nicholls.

9. Musical sketch—"Music and the Mind," Smiley, Mr. Owen A. Smiley.

PART II.
10. Vocal duet—"I Heard a Voice," Glover—Misses Edna and Collie Eids. Propose, Smiley—Mr. Owen A. Smiley.

11. Song—"The Harp that once through Tara's Hall," Tom Moore—Miss Lizzie Smith, violin obligato Mr. W. Brackin.

12. Song—"Barney O'Brien," Sullivan—Mrs. John Cooper.

13. Duo—Violin and flute, Selected—Messrs. H. R. McCaw and J. W. Wilson.

14. Tragic Poem—"The Revenge," Tenney—Mr. Owen A. Smiley.

15. Solo—"Lo, Hear the Gentle Lark," Bishop—Miss Edna Eids, with flute obligato—J. W. Wilson.

16. Song—"The Queen's Letter"—Mr. Hamilton Nicholls.

17. Poem—"Pat's Confederates," Brooks—Mr. Owen A. Smiley.

18. The Last Rose of Summer—The young ladies' mandolin club.

19. God Save the Queen.

20. Miss Nellie Rhody—Accompanist.

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Extra heavy Crystal Cord Silks, new blues and stripes, at \$1.00 yd.
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All-Over Black Silk Laces, for dress trims, from 60c to \$1.00 yd.
An exquisite line of Cream and Black Pleated Chiffons at \$1.00 yd.

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New Belle Sarge's full range, warranted for all weather from 42c to \$1.00 yd.
7 pc. all-wool Poplin, 45 inches wide, at 75c yd.
Ladies' Cloth Suitings, all-wool, all colors, 50c, 75c and \$1.00 yd.
6 pc. fine Twill Summer Sarge, 60 in wide, all colors, worth 75c for 50c yd.
Fine pin hole checks, all-wool, 48 inch wide, Euphy Sarge, 82c to \$1.00 yd.
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Mr. and Mrs. J. Winstanley and son, Master Bertrand, of Detroit, have returned home after a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. D. McCog, Lansdowne avenue.

Wanted—Soprano—Two soprano singers for choir work; must have good voices and some knowledge of music. Remuneration. Address at once. Planet.

A notice issued by the mounted police department is that an officer will be at the Grigg House, London, on the 3rd, 4th and 5th of April to examine recruits for the Northwest mounted police.

Patriotic Concert by the Literary Society of the Canada Business College, Chatham, Thursday evening next. Tickets 25c.

It was on the seventeenth of March that Noah is supposed to have set sail on his famous forty days' voyage. Principal Brackin of McKenough school, was also born on the 17th, so that Noah and Mr. Brackin must also share with St. Patrick the honor of leading importance to that particular date.

Slater Shoe Polish in Black and Tan, at The 2 T's.

Thos. R. Rawson, of Fleming, Assa, who has been spending the winter with his father, Rev. J. Rawson, of Kingsville, has returned to his home in Chatham, where he is now a resident of Kingsville's most popular young ladies, is in the city accompanied by his bride, and is the guest of his aunt, Mrs. Robinson, Lacroix street. Mr. and Mrs. Rawson will leave for the west on Wednesday.

DIED IN HARVICH.
Mrs. R. J. McIntyre, of the River Road, Harwich, died this morning in her seventy-eighth year, after an illness of over two years. The deceased was a daughter of the late Jacob Dolson, Pine Grove, Raleigh, who was well known throughout the western part of the county, and had been a resident of Harwich for nearly sixty years. Mrs. George E. Thomas C. McIntyre, Alexander, who is living in Butte, Montana, and James, a resident of Chicago, are the only surviving children. The funeral will take place to-morrow, Wednesday, at 3 o'clock.

WHY THEY CHEERED.
Two rather striking incidents have happened in connection with the war, says the Leisure Hour. The one was when the Canadians settled on Green Point, Cape Town, and a local cyclist rode in. To his surprise he was greeted with voluminous cheers. Being a perfect stranger he could not understand why he received such an ovation. He was told later. The boys recognized the wheel he was riding as of Canadian make. It was an E. & D. and they were so pleased at meeting an old acquaintance so far from home that they were cheering the machine and not the man.

THEIR QUIET DAY.
The clergy of the deanery of Kent held a quiet day in Christ Church, Dreden, yesterday. All the clergy of the deanery were present with two or three exceptions. The day commenced with a celebration of holy communion. Devotional addresses were delivered by Rev. A. K. Griffin and Rural Dean McCosh. Special prayers were offered for special objects. The greater portion of the time was spent in prayer.

Many earnest prayers were offered to God during the quiet hours of the day for a higher sense of responsibility amongst the clergy and greater spiritual life amongst both the lay and clerical members of the Church of God. The day was a very profitable and instructive one and all the clergy present felt that the first of the quiet days to be held for the clergy in the deanery had proved very helpful and inspiring. The next quiet day will be held in Christ Church, Chatham.

OUTLOOK IS DARK

For the Snow and Ice Going
Away Without Damage.

Supt. Jones Thinks the Circumstances are Favorable for the Most Appalling Flood in Kent County's History.

Frank Crowe, being interested in the event of a flood, went down last week and investigated the jam reported at the mouth of the river. He found that the lake had not broken up this winter, and neither had the river up as far as Chas. Dolson's place. From there up the river six miles, to the Williams place, all the ice from the freshest last month had jammed and frozen. Some of it had managed to work away underneath, but there were still four or five thicknesses of ice jammed there. Mr. Crowe cut several holes and found the water flowing beneath.

Another indication that the water has an outlet into the lake is that the river hasn't risen to any appreciable extent with the recent rains and melted snow. If, however, we should get a heavy rain for a couple of days the city would be inundated and Chatham would suffer severely. Should the weather, on the other hand, continue as it has started, mild one day and then cold, so that the water has a chance to go away gradually, there will be no evil effects. Bad results from yesterday's rain were checked by the cold weather last night and today.

A SIX-MILE JAM.
Supt. Jones says the danger, to his mind, depends on the weather conditions which may be forthcoming. I haven't seen the jam, but I have learned that it is six miles long and extends in this direction from the short bend below the French Church. With that blockade there already and the pretty thick ice that is now on the river above us, it is appalling to estimate the results of continued rain. A heavy rain would break up the ice above us and unless the water broke through the jam, we would have one of the worst floods in the history of Kent. The time will come some day when all the conditions will be favorable for an awful flood and I have learned that it is six miles long and extends in this direction from the short bend below the French Church. With that blockade there already and the pretty thick ice that is now on the river above us, it is appalling to estimate the results of continued rain. 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COMPOSITE SEA SERPENT

Capture of a Strange Monster Off British Columbia—Combination Of Snake, Animal and Fish. Natives Frightened And Scientists Puzzled.

The sea serpent, so long regarded as hardly more than a myth, can be held so no longer, says the San Francisco Examiner, for a creature that answers very well to the description so often given of it has been captured in Esqueltat rapids, not far from Vancouver, B. C., and exhibited before its death to thousands of people there.

Cover the body of a 17 foot serpent with scales, attach to it above and below and for its full length a long, flowing mane, and to this creature add the head of a wolf, with two rows of grinning teeth, and the result will be very much such a monster as has just died in that city, its body now being in process of preservation. It has been viewed by members of the Harlan Smith and Dr.

Ronz parties, now representing the Smithsonian institution, but they have not been able to classify it.

D. H. Forbes and Simon Ryan, two Vancouver fishermen, were its captors. They were fishing for cod in Esqueltat rapids when they first saw it in pursuit of a fish which one of the men was drawing to their canoe. Forbes threw a cod spear at it and succeeded in striking it.

But it was some thing to strike and quite another thing to capture it. The spear held, and the monster started away at a rate that threatened to capsize the boat dragging behind it. Finally Ryan succeeded in planting his spear in the creature's body, and by means of the double hold thus secured they at last hauled their strange captive into the canoe.

But the question whether they were captors or captured was in abeyance for some time longer, for the hideous serpent made a desperate fight for life and liberty. With his paddle Ryan attempted to hold it down, but it seized the paddle blade between its teeth and splintered it into fragments. In the meantime, however, Forbes was beating it with his paddle, and it apparently succumbed. It was then placed in a box of water, and the men concluded that they were the victors in the struggle. This conclusion seemed subject to revision thereafter, as the monster once again revived and made another unsuccessful attempt to get at its captors.

Forbes and Ryan took their captive, still living, to Shoal bay, where the Indians regarded it with a mixture of fear and superstitious reverence, refusing to come near the sloop in which it was kept. Thence it was brought to Vancouver, and in that city it was viewed by thousands before its death, four days later. Among these thousands, scientists and others, was not a person who had either seen or heard of such a creature except it might have been in the presumably fabulous narratives relating to sea serpents. After the body has been preserved it will be sold either to the British Columbia museum or to some similar British institution.

The serpent's body is 17 feet in length and about 5 inches in diameter. It is covered with scales. Two manes, one above and the other below its body, extend from its head to the end of its tail, each mane being about 5 inches in length. The head, which is repulsive and brutish beyond description, is fitted as to its jawing mouth with a double row of teeth. The front set are sharp and cruel, teeth for battle, while those in the rear are molars. Its every motion was that of a snake.



STRANGE SEA MONSTER CAPTURED OFF VANCOUVER

Slight protuberances on the back of its skull might be considered embryo horns. Take it for all in all, this strange, ugly resident of the deep might well pass for the sea serpent of the many tales. It lacks nothing except it is in length and if it had chased that Fishermen Forbes and Ryan had run upon a larger specimen of the same genus—well, there would have been left no Forbes and Ryan to tell the tale.

The daring fishermen make the following affidavit, which is duly attested before a notary public:

"These are the facts as to the capture of the sea serpent, wolf fish or whatever it may be that we, the undersigned, take our oath to: While fishing for cod in the Esqueltat rapids, a furiously running stream up the coast from Vancouver, B.

C., an animal's head suddenly appeared above the water with a snake-like body trailing after it. The strange monster was following a cod about to be hauled into the boat. Fearing that the canoe would be upset by the onrush, one of us, an old fisherman known throughout British Columbia as the 'White Frenchman,' snatched the uncanny monster in the side two feet from the head and after a struggle hauled him in the canoe, which happened to be a very large one. There the monster made a desperate fight for liberty. The strange marine animal was finally stunned by a blow from the canoe paddle, but not before it had crumpled the paddle in pieces between its strong tooth ribbed, vicious looking jaws. The strange creature was taken quickly to land and placed in a tank of salt water to keep it alive. From Esqueltat rapids we shipped him to Shoal bay and from Shoal bay to Vancouver, where we exhibited him for four days, when he died from his wounds. Three thousand people have seen the monster, and not any of them have ventured to name what appears to be part snake and part animal and part fish, or attempt to classify it."

SOUTH SEA STYLE.

How a San Francisco Woman Lived on Tahiti Island.

Mrs. A. A. d'Ancona, wife of a physician of this city, has just added a delightful chapter to her experiences, says the San Francisco Chronicle. She made a trip to the south sea islands on the Tropic Bird. This voyage has given Mrs.



MRS. A. A. D'ANCONA

d'Ancona a book full of the most interesting notes and cabinets of rare things. She is a wide awake traveler, saw things with intelligent and alert eyes and has the rare faculty of being able to tell all about it in graphic narrative. She entered into the very spirit of the country, dressed like the natives during her stay among them and got more out of her weeks there than others have out of years. The voyage, she says, from the time the ship left San Francisco until she dropped anchor again in the home port was like a sail upon a still pond. Through the balmy days of the Tropic Bird slipped down to the islands in 31 days, but the return trip, because the winds were fickle and would not blow except in zephyrs, took 13 days longer. Mrs. d'Ancona enters a protest against every book that has been written about these far-away islands. She says that they do not give the reader even a suggestion of these happy Isles, where no one is busy, where the natives live while the food comes gratuitously or drift about on the clearest of waters on fishing excursions. The longest stay was at Tahiti, where Mrs. d'Ancona dressed like the natives and went about the country in the way of a native. She found the natives far into the country from the main settlement and found the natives, whenever they could, reverting to their original grass dresses and interesting ways of living.

What the Animals Do.

The machinist employs a dog on his lathe. He takes a hog out, if the tool will stand it, and the castings are made from pigs of iron.

A mechanic puts his work upon a horse, or buck, and punches or bends it by a convenient bear. Hoisting is done by a crab, and a convenient cat is a part of the outfit of a shop crane, and a lot of tools is ever on hand.

A crow helps to straighten work, a jack to lift it. A mule pulley aids in driving machinery that a donkey engine turns. A fish connects parts end to end or staggers a broken beam. Shells are used all over. A worm does powerful but quiet work.

A cock shuts off the water, one kind of ram lifts it, and another does heavy work. A prating press is a fly, the first locomotive had a grasshopper valve motion, and drive and butterfly valves are common.

Herringbone gears are used by the best builders, turtles fit printing press cylinders, and flywheels are running all over the world. In drilling, even, an old man is called into service, and doctors prevent faulty lathe work—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Australian Aborigines.

At the close of the last century there were supposed to be 1,000,000 aborigines in Australia. There are now fewer than 100,000, and among them are still some cannibals.

THE DISTRICT.

MITCHELL'S BAY.

A party of sports, consisting of Wallaceburg's elite, paid us a flying visit last Friday. We are sorry to state that fish were not biting very freely, which made it necessary to use a silver hook.

Quite a number of our young friends attended the party given by Richard Bark recently.

Geo. S. Foster, soliciting agent for the United States Express Co., called on some of our fishermen last week.

Mrs. Bird and Mrs. H. H. H. were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Huff.

CHATHAM TOWNSHIP.

On the 14th of March there was a grand dance at David Forsyth's. It was very largely attended and everyone expressed themselves well pleased with the evening's enjoyment.

James Griffiths took a party to his brother Miles' home on the River road, Chatham township, on March 7th. The evening was spent in dancing, pedro and crokinole. All who were there enjoyed themselves until a late hour.

Our genial and popular young friend, Frank Green, who has been visiting at William Weaver's, has returned to his home.

Bruce Weaver had his valuable horse severely cut last week.

John Griffiths is very busy hauling wood.

Lovell Weaver and Miss Ethel Weaver, who have been ill the past week, are recovering.

Mrs. James Cormode, who has been visiting in town has returned home.

A sleighing party drove out to Mr. Wm. Weaver's, 23 in number, on Thursday last. They met with a slight mishap, but arrived home about four o'clock in the morning.

HUFFMAN'S CORNERS.

S. D. Barnes, of Birnam, Lambton Co., was a guest at the parsonage Sunday, March 13th.

On March 3th Mrs. Campbell celebrated her 77th birthday. A number of friends from the immediate vicinity spent the day with her.

The attendance at the Epworth League Tuesday evening was good. Miss M. Bustin led the meeting.

Mrs. A. Rockie has been indisposed for a few days.

J. W. Huffman has been adding down material for a small addition to his home.

Quite a number attended the anniversary service in Glenside Methodist church on Sunday.

This neighborhood was represented at the funeral of the late Ethel Newcombe, of the townline.

FOLLOWED THE BOOK

He was Certainly a Past Master in Politeness

An Example set and Some Amusement Created by His Advent.

Some men are born polite; some achieve politeness. Whether any ever have politeness thrust upon them is an open question for the debating societies. To the second class—those who achieve politeness—must be assigned a young man who has lately appeared on the social horizon of St. Paul—a young man of limited intellectual capacity, but a paragon of politeness, at least in his own estimation. He makes a living, and apparently a good living, by selling a pocket dictionary. To his credit it is said, he has so diligently studied his dictionary as to have mastered every line of its varied contents, so that he knows exactly what he is talking about when he offers it for sale. Said contents include, among other things, a set of "rules for deportment," a copy of which was at hand. There, in the "Rules for Deportment," was found a direction to this effect: "When you are introduced to a person, you should say, 'I am happy to meet you,' or the equivalent." The secret was out. The paragon of politeness had deemed the last three words of the quoted phrase a necessary part of the prescribed greeting and had "followed the rule."

A few evenings since he was at a social gathering where to most of the company he was a stranger. A kind friend essayed to introduce him. Presenting him to Miss Smith as "My friend, Mr. X—," she was amazed to hear him say to the lady, "I am happy to meet you or the equivalent." Introducing him to Miss Jones, his greeting was the same, "I am happy to meet you or the equivalent." Announcing Miss Robinson, the wonder deepened, as to her also he said, "I am happy to meet you or the equivalent."

By this time the whole company was in a titter—wonder as to what Mr. X— meant being no small ingredient in the general amusement. Finally a person present had a thought which impelled him to consult the "pocket dictionary," a copy of which was at hand. There, in the "Rules for Deportment," was found a direction to this effect: "When you are introduced to a person, you should say, 'I am happy to meet you,' or the equivalent." The secret was out. The paragon of politeness had deemed the last three words of the quoted phrase a necessary part of the prescribed greeting and had "followed the rule."

Desirous of saving the young man from mortification through a repetition of his error, a friend took him aside and endeavored to show him that the three words which had provoked so much fun at his expense should be "left off" his greeting. But X— would not admit this. He indignantly pointed to the phrase as it was printed in that infallible dictionary and insisted that he was right. And at last accounts he was still saying to every person whose acquaintance he made, "I am happy to meet you or the equivalent."—St. Paul Pioneer-Press.

SHE AND REVENGE.

"Do you know," he said, "that every time I look at you I have thoughts of revenge?"

"Why?" she gasped.

"Because," he answered, "revenge is sweet."

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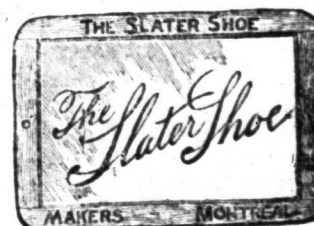
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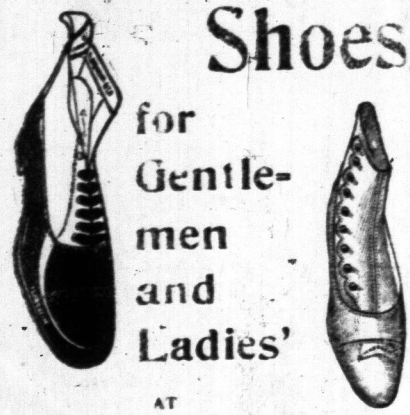
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Persons are often wanting to borrow money on mortgages at low rates should apply personally and see the manager and learn the conditions. Interest allowed on deposits of \$1 and upward. Depositors insured from 1 to 5 years, interest paid yearly.

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SKETCH OF A WELL-KNOWN CAR-
RIAGE MANUFACTURER.

A new and high class trade monthly whose object is described by its name, "The Carriage and Implement Journal of Canada," has just been issued at Toronto. The initial number contains an excellent portrait of President Robert Gray, of the Wm. Gray & Sons Co., of this city. The picture is accompanied by the following sketch:

We take pleasure in presenting in the initial number of "The Carriage and Implement Journal," a cut of one of the most widely known members of the trade, Mr. Robert Gray, President of the Wm. Gray & Sons Co., Limited, Chatham. The subject of this sketch is well known to the business community of a superior order; he is a favorite in social circles in his native city, and he has won the respect and confidence of all those brought in contact with him in a business way.

The enterprise of which he is now at the head, was founded in 1844 by his father, Mr. Wm. Gray. The original shop, which stood where the present handsome, three-story factory now is, was a small one. Chatham was then little more than a village, and in fact those were pioneer days in the Western Ontario Peninsula. London, the largest centre not having yet attained there than the dignity of a town. The country was not then, as now, crisscrossed with railways—the Grand Trunk to Windsor was the one rail-way running out from London west, and it had just been completed. Mr. Gray, Sr., was the only carriage builder in the "Maple City," his workshop was housed in a small building, and his recommendation to the early residents, particularly in view of the fact that in their intercourse with one another, they were compelled to drive long distances. Gray himself found their way into the several contiguous towns, but their builder went unhesitatingly on laying the foundation of bigger things in the future. Later on his two sons, Messrs. Robert and James S. Gray, became associated with him. The same policy was pursued and success continued to follow them.

In 1880 the present three-story brick factory was erected, and the firm went still further afield for business. Their trade went on, yearly showing a healthy increase, until the capacity of their present extensive premises is found to be inadequate, and it is the intention of the management to add to the building and increase the plant to double its output of 5,000 rigs.

In addition to carriages, they will also devote some attention to automobiles, for which they anticipate considerable demand, will develop in the near future. They will be on the market shortly with two special steam-propelled "mobies."

Wm. Gray & Sons Co., Limited, pride themselves on their ability to build vehicles to meet the popular fancy as it arises, and through this happy faculty they have to a large extent been enabled to attain their high standing. The concern was incorporated in December, 1898, with Mr. Robert Gray as President and Mr. James S. Gray as Secretary-Treasurer.

"THE STRENGTH OF TWENTY MEN."

When Shakespeare employed this phrase he referred, of course, to healthy, able-bodied men. If he had lived in these days he would have known that men and women who are not healthy may become so by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. This medicine, by making the blood rich and pure and giving good appetite and perfect digestion, imparts vitality and strength to the system.

The non-irritating cathartic—Hood's Pills.

WALL CEBURG.

March 20.—Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Torrance leave soon for a three months' trip through the West Indies. Several of our streets present the appearance of small rivers.

Mrs. F. O'Neil has returned from Fostoria, Ohio, where she has been attending the funeral of her mother.

C. Saurey left yesterday morning for Wyoming, where Messrs. Snively & Saurey have purchased a bankrupt stock.

George Colwell was home over Sunday.

Minard's Liniment Cures Gargot in Cows.

A SCHOOL CHANGE

Winnipeg Roman Catholics Petition the Public Board

To take over all Five Separate Schools in that City.

Winnipeg, March 20.—A very important resolution was passed Sunday afternoon at a representative gathering of the parishioners of St. Mary's and the Immaculate Conception, the two Roman Catholic churches of this city, requesting the Public school board to take over the Separate schools of the city. The motion reads as follows:—

"That the Public school board be requested to take over the five schools now maintained by the St. Mary's and Immaculate Conception congregations, where upwards of 700 children attend school; that the Public school board rent the present buildings, maintain and keep them in repair, and that the schools be inspected by the Public school inspector, and retain the present teachers, who will be subject to the same rules and regulations as those now teaching in the Public schools."

This meeting was attended by about 75 prominent citizens of the Roman Catholic persuasion, and they nominated the members of the Catholic school board as a deputation to wait on the Public school board and present the foregoing motion for consideration.

QUEEN'S WISDOM.

T. P. O'Connor Praises it for the Irish Concessions.

Permission to wear the Green, he Says, Will Have Vast Consequences.

New York, March 19.—T. P. O'Connor, M. P., in the London Daily Mail, writes: "I am asked to state my views with regard to the momentous announcement of approval by the Queen of the wearing of the shamrock by Irish soldiers, and as to Her Majesty's visit to Ireland."

"As to the wearing of the shamrock, it is a tribute to Irish nationality which will be greatly appreciated. The shamrock is a small plant, but the wearing of it means to an Irishman centuries of sacred memories of wrongs resisted and hopes maintained. The sanction of the wearing of it by the Irish soldier, then, is a concession—I had almost called it a tremendous concession—to Irish sentiment by the British throne, which may have vast consequences."

"I may point out that the conduct of English ministers toward this small question is a very remarkable and significant example of the slowness and dullness of wit, which has characterized relations between England and Ireland. While the Scotch soldier could wear the thistle without interference, while the Welsh soldier could wear the leek, the Irish soldier for years past was sent by some stupid officer to prison because he wore the emblem of his nationality. Now, after all the bitterness of these years, the controversy is ended by the order of the highest and greatest figure in the realm. Assuredly, the concession has not come too soon."

A CHANCE FOR THE CHILDREN.

The Red Cross Society have decided upon a novel idea for the sale of tickets for the Grand Patriotic Concert on March 23. The tickets have been placed in the hands of the school children and the society have made a special inducement for them. Each boy and girl will receive one ticket, and the name of the boy and girl will be announced in the concert Friday evening, and they will also receive honorary mention in the papers. The Red Cross Society urge every boy and girl to try and compete for this prize, for it is quite an honor to be the lucky person in selling tickets for such a cause. The pupils can receive tickets from their teachers, and if the teachers have not got any of the tickets can be secured from Mrs. Thomas or Mrs. Alveyard.

ON A SINGLE WIRE

This Frenchman Claims He can Send Several Telegrams.

Paris, March 20.—M. Merceadier, a French inventor, claims to have solved the problem of sending a number of despatches simultaneously on a single wire. His system, which was explained yesterday before the academy of sciences, was recently tried successfully between Paris and Pau. Twelve independent currents were sent on the circuit at once, and in each direction, making a total of 24 telegrams.

Money to Lend on Mortgages—Farmers and others wanting to borrow money on mortgages at best rates and save expense and time, and secure other advantages, should apply personally to the Chatham Loan & Savings Company.

THE GREAT TREBELL.

Of the great Trebelli, who appears here to-morrow evening at the Grand, the San Francisco papers speak as follows:

She came upon us as a revelation, and awakened such an enthusiasm, as has seldom been shown by the stolid, and some say non-appreciative, San Francisco public. Her true school and exquisitely fresh quality of voice captivated every auditor at once.—Bulletin.

She is a concert singer of the highest type. Her musical training has been genuine and sound, and she needs no artifice to supplement either technique or voice.—Chronicle.

There are few sopranos in the world who have a sweeter, purer voice, whose rendering has such grace, drama and such magnetism.—Wave.

PARIS

EXPOSITION:

Messrs. Wright, Kay & Company, for many years Jewelers and Importers of Precious Stones and Art Wares, at Detroit, will shortly open an office

IN PARIS.

at Nos. 24 and 26 Rue des Petits Hotels (Place de la Fayette), and offer their services for the purchase, packing and shipment to any point in the United States or Canada of the various articles on sale at

THE EXPOSITION

at Exhibitors' prices, thus relieving their customers of all care and responsibility in these regards. A note addressed to

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will receive careful attention. Please preserve the above address for reference.

Dr. A. W. Thornton

D. D. S. Toronto University.
Associate Dr. C. A. Snell, Honor Graduate,
Toronto University. Office—First Door
East of Standard Bank. Telephone 164.

A HOSTILE POLICY

Towards Foreign Nations is Pursued in China.

Great Britain Will Protect Her Interests in That Unfortunate Country.

Peking, March 20.—The ascendancy of the anti-foreign party is becoming more pronounced daily. The Dowager Empress appears unable to sufficiently reward the officials who exhibit marked hostility to everything not Chinese. Hien Tung, probably the most bitterly anti-foreign official of the Empire, has been decorated with the three-eagle peacock feather, which had not been conferred for 50 years. The notorious Li Peng stung, who was dismissed from the governorship of Shan Tung on German demand, has been advanced to the first rank, and the former Governor Yu Sien, of Shan Tung, has been appointed Governor of the Shan Si district—a snub to the powers interested, and likely to prejudice British interests in the province, as the powers believe his administration is the cause of the present state of affairs in Shan Tung.

BRITAIN'S INTERESTS.

London, March 20.—Hilary asked a question in the House of Commons to-day regarding the reports of trouble threatening in China, the Parliamentary Secretary of the Foreign Office, Wm. St. John Brodrick, said Her Majesty's Government had taken and continued to take all necessary steps to protect British interests in this situation. He also denied the story published in the United States that the American Government was sending warships to China.

NOT SEEKING WAR.

England Hardly Likely to Fight With France.

Paris, March 20.—The Gaulois publishes several answers to the question whether England intends to make war on France when the hostilities in South Africa are ended. Cardinal Vaughan, archbishop of Westminster, replied: "Nobody in England dreams of turning our military and naval forces against the colonies of other nations. Our experience in South Africa has taught us not to expose the empire a second time to the perils of a second world war with France, the proposition is diabolical. Great regret is felt among us because of the hostile tone of a portion of the French press, but we have a great desire to live on friendly terms."

St. Chas. Dilke replied in a similar strain, adding: "There is only one question that is really dangerous for the relations between the two countries, I mean Newfoundland, and this may be settled without difficulty and to the satisfaction of both parties."

HE HAS WITHDRAWN.

Prof. McIlhenny has Left the Presbyterian Church.

New York, March 20.—Professor Arthur C. McIlhenny, of Union Theological seminary, long under charges of heresy, has withdrawn from the Presbyterian Church. He mailed a letter to Moderator Duffield, of the New York Presbytery, asking that his name be stricken from the rolls. It was impossible to obtain a copy of the letter, but it is known that it contained nothing beyond the simple request. It is said, however, that Prof. McIlhenny at some future time will give his reasons at length.

THE STORY THAT THE ANCESTRALS

of the Church will be refused at Easter to all Windsor Catholics who decline to pledge themselves to support separate schools in denied.

How we do it.

The garments we sell we make. They are made under the best possible conditions, under one roof and our personal supervision.

Years of clothing experience go into their cut, fit, quality, workmanship and style, and we stand over the cutting, shaping and making from the wetting of the first sponge to the last finishing touch.

We buy directly at the mill and get every discount that goes with direct and big buying and, in the making, of course, much is done with power machines. But then those machines are the best that money can buy and they are operated by the most experienced work-people money can hire—workpeople in a workshop that would gladly den your heart to see.

A good machine in the hands of the careless or inexperienced is a dangerous thing. The open blunders and hidden havoc to good goods that can be made with a machine capable of 2200 stitches a minute can be imagined if not calculated.

It's not hand-work it's handiwork and that genius known as a capacity for taking pains that makes the good garment.

That genius is ours and we stand by every garment we make and and every seam, stitch, button and square-inch of fabric in their make up.

Thornton & Douglas

Will be open in a few days.

TILBURY.

March 20.—Miss Bell Shaw, of Merlin, spent Sunday with her parents here.

On Sunday evening before the service commenced in the Methodist Church, John Trees, who was somewhat surly on entering the building, discovered it filled with smoke, which had originated from the floor beneath the stove, becoming ignited. The prompt application of a few pails of water extinguished the flames, which in a few moments would have gone beneath the floor.

A number from here will attend the patriotic concert in Merlin this evening.

Dr. C. Wright is on a business trip to Detroit.

Miss Khatari, of Fletcher, has arrived in town to spend the spring season at the millinery with Miss Stinson.

Messrs. Hilton and James Laird, of Ingersoll, are in town.

G. C. Kippens, of Windsor, was in town yesterday.

The Daily Planet is on sale at John's Drug Store.

DRESDEN.

March 20.—The concert held in the Methodist Church last night in connection with the anniversary services was well attended.

Miss Lyle Blackburn, who has been ill for the last two weeks, is now able to resume her studies at the Chatham Collegiate Institute.

Mrs. Boyce, North Dresden, is very ill and her recovery is doubtful.

Mrs. James Blackburn has returned from the Chatham hospital. We regret to learn that Mrs. Blackburn is still very ill.

Benson Gillespie, who fell and injured his hip on Thursday last, is recovering.

Roy Caracellan had both ears badly frozen while driving home from Florence on Saturday last.

Jas. Thatch, of Ridgeway, was in town yesterday.

Eleven English Church clergymen enjoyed a day of rest, with the Rev. A. K. Griffin yesterday.

Walter H. Willson is in Detroit the guest of his aunt, Mrs. E. Miller.

BLENHEIM.

March 20.—Messrs. J. W. Elliott and George Elliott, together with their families, left yesterday for Edmonton, N.W.T., where they purpose residing permanently.

R. J. Powell and J. W. Baird, also started on a prospecting tour to the Northwest yesterday looking for a good ranching section. It is their intention to be absent about six weeks, and on their return buy up stock and ship west.

Mrs. Fennacey had a relapse yesterday, and very little hopes are entertained of her recovery.

Dr. Story, who has been calling for some time, is better now and able to make the daily round of his patients again.

The Daily Planet is on sale at J. N. Babcock's Drug Store, where subscriptions will be taken, and the paper delivered to any part of the town.

THAMESVILLE.

March 20.—R. Ferguson, M. P., was home from Toronto for Sunday and Monday.

The building committee of the Presbyterian Church met in R. Ferguson's office last night. Work will be commenced on the new church as soon as the ground can be prepared.

Dr. Stewart was in Chatham yesterday.

The monthly meeting of the board of management of the public library did not materialize last night, there being no quorum.

The raising of fine bred chickens is becoming quite an industry here. Several of our citizens have invested in some high priced fowl.

NOTICE.

To my Clients and Others.—Wishing to take a vacation and a business trip west I have sold out my commission business to William Strong, operator, who has been in my employ for the last three years, and who will continue the business just the same as before. Thanks for past patronage and hoping to be able to serve you again at some later date. Respectfully,

L. J. ATWATER,
Chatham, March 19.

WHY KING STREET IS LIKE HADES

The man came into The Planet office as if he had a grand idea which he hardly knew how to express.

"The intention is to pave King street, isn't it?" he asked.

"Yes, some day. That has been the intention for several years."

"Very good. Now, can you tell me why King street is like Hades?"

The Planet gave it up.

"Because it is paved with good intentions."

Robert J. Burdette says that Evangelist McCrossan's book, "Love and Life," now on sale at Dingman's Book Store, is one of the finest religious story books he ever read. Bound in cloth, 25c.

Toronto, March 20.—Dr. Barrie, the Y. M. C. A. worker with the first Canadian contingent in South Africa, has written home encouraging letters concerning his labors among the soldiers.

So far thirty conversions have been made, and the field seems to be an unusually promising one. A large part of the Y. M. C. A. work in the field consists of nursing and tending the wounded, and Dr. Barrie is at present with the Canadian invalids at Orange River.

All Goods

Purchased at the Jewellery Store of

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CHILD WANTED.—In a family of two, must be thoroughly competent. Apply at this office.

MAN WANTED.—Married or single, to work on a farm and in the dairy. Apply to A. HUFF, Box 24, Chatham.

WANTED.—A capable woman for farm work, willing to milk, good wages to competent person. Apply at once to MRS. C. W. RICHARDSON, Morpeth, Ontario.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

HOUSE TO RENT.—Large cottage on Adelaide Street, first house from St. Thomas, 6 rooms. Full particulars apply on the premises.

SEVEN LOTS FOR SALE.—One on Victoria Avenue and six on Maple Street. For full particulars apply to S. STEPHENSON, Piano Office.

TWO HOUSES FOR SALE.—Corner Harvey and Laurier Sts., the garden attached to each, city water. About eight minutes walk from Post Office. Apply to LOUIS STANIEWICZ, Piano Office.

FOR SALE.—Two very desirable building lots, on easy terms, no cash payment required. Purchase money may be paid on mortgage at five per cent. for five or ten years. Apply to P. D. McKELLAR, 70 Duke St.

LOTS FOR SALE.—One and one-half acres at the head of Victoria Avenue, and six lots on Maple Street. Apply to MRS. TISSIMAN, 198 St. Victoria Avenue, or the Piano Office.

FOR SALE.—Commodious city residence, ten rooms, one and one-half blocks from the market square, for cash, or part cash and easy terms for balance. For further particulars and information apply to J. W. WHITE, Barrister, King Street, W.

SQUARE PIANO FOR SALE.—American make, in good repair, very little used. Address G. L. Planet Office.

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PLAIN AND ORNAMENTAL. Our work is on the Hospital, the residences of R. Gray, J. M. Park and many others. All work guaranteed. Write for estimates.

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MARRIED WOMEN

If you are irregular or troubled with suppression write to MRS. HARRISON WILMOT (Box P. 23), Bridgeport, Vt., and she will send you the formula that will relieve the worst case in two to five days. No pain. This receipt has brought happiness to hundreds of unfortunate women.

Spring Paper Hanging

H. D. Eldridge, A practical paper hanger, has opened a shop on Wellington Street, opposite the Central School, where he will be pleased to receive orders. The work will be first-class in every particular and the prices will be satisfactory. 20 years experience. Orders can be left at residence on Gray Street, four doors from Laurier Street.