

Particulars of Advertiser's Free European Trip on Page Eleven!

CRASH LIKE WANSTEAD WRECK;
A HUNDRED PERISH IN COLORADOSeventy-one Are Dead
and Thirty Wounded
Dying.EXPRESS PLUNGES
INTO A FREIGHTHeavily-Loaded Train on the
Denver and Rio Grande
Wrecked at Siding.

Denver, Col., Jan. 16.—Seventy-one dead, 59 injured, at least 30 of whom will probably die. This is the record of the wreck of the Denver and Rio Grande passenger train, No. 5, near Dotsero, about 50 miles from Glenwood Springs, according to a long distance telephone message from Glenwood Springs today.

Glenwood Springs, Col., Jan. 16.—Fifty persons were killed and as many more were injured in the collision at Dotsero siding, about 20 miles east of this city, on the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad, between passenger train No. 5, westbound, and freight train No. 66, eastbound, at about 10:30 last night.

The passenger train was flying down the grade, making for a siding, five miles west of Dotsero, where it was expected to meet the freight, and the freight was also trying to make the siding. The result was a head-on collision, in which the engines were smashed, the baggage car of the passenger train left standing on end, one of the day coaches telescoped by the chair car immediately behind it, and fifty people in the day coach and chair car mangled almost beyond recognition.

It was from the chair car that the dead were taken, and twenty bodies have been recovered thus far.

The dead: Gus Olsen, engineer of the passenger train, Salida.

Forty-nine passengers, names unknown.

All the sleeping cars remained on the track and none of the passengers in them were injured.

Some of the injured were terribly mangled, and the death list, it is feared, will be greatly increased.

Train No. 5, which was wrecked, left Denver yesterday morning. It was well filled with passengers, many of whom were to get off at this point. Dotsero is a blind siding, with no station and no telegraph office.

Twenty Bodies Recovered.

The chair car was telescoped, and the first passenger coach was wrecked. It was from the chair car that the dead were taken. Twenty bodies have been recovered. It is said that not a single person in the day coach escaped.

The passenger train is said to have been going at a high rate of speed when it reached the siding at Dotsero. It is supposed that the engineer of the passenger train thought the freight had passed the siding, and was going too rapidly to stop his train when he saw the danger.

The great locomotive attached to the passenger train was demolished, and the chair car and passenger coach were turned on their sides and shattered.

With the arrival of the relief train from Glenwood Springs, it was possible to start the work of rescue of the bodies. The injured were pinned under the wreckage, and the heroic work of the passengers of the rear cars saved many lives.

A Complete Wreck.

Throughout the night brief reports indicated that the wreck was most complete as far as the forward cars of the passenger train and the engines of both the freight, which was a double-header, and the passenger trains were concerned. The monster mountain locomotives were standing on end, a mass of twisted and broken iron, while the smoker, the chair car and the forward tourist car of the passenger train were either complete wrecks or badly smashed. The chair bar, in which most of the killed were riding, was cut in twain, and the tourist car was telescoped. The latter was lying overturned alongside the track, while the chair car lay across the right of way. The Pullmans remained on the track and were undamaged. All inside them were unhurt.

The occupants of the Pullmans performed valiant service in caring for the dead and injured, and worked throughout the night at this task.

Train Crews Injured.

Just who is responsible for the accident is not known at this time, for every member of the three engine crews is injured, some of them badly, and have not been interrogated.

It is known, however, that the Continued on Page Eight.

SURPLUS IN THE
TAX DEPARTMENTMajor Hayes Does Good Work
and Has \$1,700 More
Than Estimates.

The city council will receive another windfall from the tax collector's department, for it is expected that there will be a surplus of \$1,700 over the estimated receipts from the collector.

The rolls are in the hands of City Auditor Jewell, and the figures will be verified.

Of this, \$1,200 is in cash, while the remainder is taxes on unclaimed land. "We have turned over the rolls to the auditor," said Major Hayes. "We will have a large surplus I expect. We cannot say what it will be until the city auditors get through with the books. It will be a satisfactory one in any event."

From other sources, it was learned, \$1,700 would be about the amount. This will add to the already large surplus of the council of last year.

NEW TRIAL GRANTED
TO HARRY THAWJury Will Now Decide Whether He Is
Sane or Insane.

Nyack, N. Y., Jan. 16.—Harry K. Thaw will be given a trial in New York city to determine whether he is sane or insane. An order to that effect was issued today by Justice A. S. Tompkins, to whom an appeal asking for trial was made by Mrs. Wm. Thaw, Harry's mother.

PETER HAINS' TRIAL
SOME TIME IN MARCHThe Report of an Insanity Commission
Not Confirmed.

New York, Jan. 16.—District Attorney Frederick C. Dewitt successor of Ira C. Darrin, in Queen's County, said today that Capt. Peter C. Hains would not be called for trial before next March on the charge of killing Wm. E. Ames in Bayshore last summer, for which he is under indictment. Mr. Dewitt refused to discuss a report that a commission would be appointed to inquire into the sanity of Capt. Hains.

CONSOLIDATED
BYLAWS PRINTEDAnd Are Now in the Hands of the
City Clerk.

City Clerk Baker has received the new edition of the consolidated bylaws, and has distributed them to the city officials and aldermen. The printing was done in The Advertiser office, and is a splendid piece of work.

"Somebody gave out the impression that these bylaws would be given away," said Mr. Baker, "and already I have had several who desired to get copies for nothing. Only those entitled to them will receive free copies. The other must be paid for at \$2 a copy. The volumes are worth that much money easily."

THE LOCAL TRADE
IS FAIRLY ACTIVE

Bradstreet's London reports say that trade is fairly active, although the retail movement continues quiet. Local factories are busy with preparations for a good business later on, to which all indications point. Trade in the surrounding country is more active and remittances are good.

WATER SAMPLES
WILL BE TESTEDGovernment Analyst Will Examine
Well Water, Springbank and
River Supply.

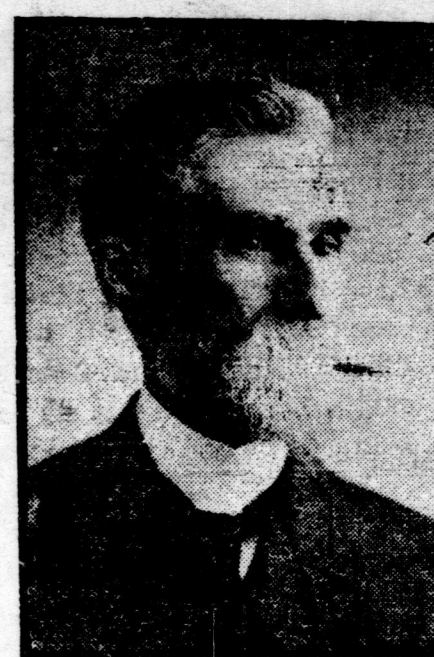
It is expected that early next week the second test will be made as to whether the water in the city will be sufficiently pure to tell whether there is water there in large quantities.

Several experts have been in the city of late, and an effort will be made as soon as the third test will be made to find the three of them forming a triangle to find the direction of the flow of water in the underground channel.

When this is discovered the other three wells will be sunk along the flow.

Dr. Amyot, the provincial analyst, will be in the city next week, and will obtain samples of Springbank water, the well water, and river water, and will make comparative tests of them all as to their purity and composition.

It is expected that the analysis will show distinctly that the well water is not river water, and also that it is as pure and much softer than Springbank water.

DR. PETER MACDONALD,
Postmaster of Wingham, Who Has Been Appointed
Postmaster at London.SMALLPOX CASE
AT THE HOSPITALPatient First Said To Be Suffering
From Chickenpox Taken
To Isolation Hospital.

A case which it was at first thought might be of chickenpox was discovered in the maternity ward at Victoria Hospital yesterday afternoon. The patient is a woman who resides on Hill street. She had been in the hospital for several days, but not until yesterday did she show any symptoms. The attending physician then discovered that she had several small eruptions on her skin and he diagnosed the case as one of chickenpox.

Superintendent Heard and Medical Health Officer Hutchinson were at once notified, however, and Dr. Hutchinson visited the hospital. He was not certain whether or not the case was smallpox, but he ordered the woman to be isolated, and she was taken to the contagious hospital.

May Be Chickenpox.

Smallpox and chickenpox have very similar symptoms at the start, and the attending physician stated this afternoon that it would be impossible to say for some hours definitely whether the woman had smallpox or chickenpox. He thought there was no danger at all to the patients in the hospital, as she had been in a room by herself.

Smallpox All Right.

Dr. Bell, inspector for the provincial board of health, arrived in the city this morning from Toronto, and together with Medical Health Officer Hutchinson, Dr. Niven and Chairman Sereat, investigated the case discovered in the maternity ward yesterday afternoon. Dr. Bell pronounced the case to be one of smallpox. Fortunately the woman was removed from the maternity ward yesterday afternoon to the contagious building, and from there to the smallpox hospital.

Ward Is Closed.

Superintendent Heard stated to The Advertiser this afternoon that Dr. Bell had given orders that the ward be closed for eighteen days and thoroughly fumigated.

Eight nurses who were in attendance on the ward and twelve patients who were in the rooms there will also be kept isolated and will be vaccinated.

Dr. Bell says there will be no danger to the other patients if these rules are carried out. The rest of the hospital is open as usual.

The public will be kept out of the hospital for a few days.

Late Mr. MacRoberts.

The funeral of Mr. Davis MacRoberts was held this afternoon from the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Samuel B. Laird, 490 Oxford street, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Impressive funeral ceremonies were conducted at the house by Rev. F. E. Malott, of Colborne Street Methodist Church.

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THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—COLD.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Jan. 16—8 a.m.

Today—East and northeast gales, with snow.

Sunday—Cold, with snow part of day; northerly winds again by night.

TEMPERATURES. Yesterday.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Max.

London..... 3 3 34

Winnipeg..... 12 23 34

Port Arthur..... 8 20 26

Perry Sound..... 12 0 6

Toronto..... 2 19 28

Ottawa..... 14 0 8

Montreal..... 18 24 28

Quebec..... 22 0 23

Father Point..... 22 0 23

Dawson..... 22 0 23

Atlin..... 22 0 23

Victoria..... 22 0 23

Vancouver..... 22 0 23

Edmonton..... 22 0 23

Battleford..... 22 0 23

Prince Albert..... 22 0 23

Moose Jaw..... 22 0 23

Qu'Appelle..... 22 0 23

St. John..... 22 0 23

Halifax..... 22 0 23

Minus (—) means below zero.

WEATHER NOTES.

A disturbance now developing over the Southern States is likely to move north-eastward, giving a very general snowfall, and along the Atlantic coast heavy gales.

DR. MACDONALD POSTMASTER
SUCCEEDS LATE JOHN CAMERONOfficial Announcement From Ottawa That His Appointment Has
Been Confirmed—Was Deputy Speaker of Dominion
House—Home Is in Wingham.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Jan. 16.—Dr. Peter MacDonald, of Wingham, has been appointed postmaster for the city of London, to succeed the late John Cameron.

The appointment was ratified last evening, and will take effect within a few days.

Dr. MacDonald is a well-known politician. He represented East Huron for four parliaments, being first elected in 1887 in the general elections. Subsequently he was returned in 1891, 1896 and 1900. He ran also in 1904 but was defeated by Dr. Chisholm, the Conservative candidate, after a memorable fight. Since then he has lived retired in Wingham. He took an active interest in the last campaign.

Deputy Speaker of House.

He was deputy speaker of the House of Commons during the parliament of 1900. He held the office until the House dissolved in 1904.

In parliament he was recognized as one of the leading debaters, and one of the best informed men in the House.

Dr. Peter MacDonald was born of Scotch parents in Pictou, Nova Scotia, in 1839. His parents removed to Huron County in 1846. In 1872 he graduated from Trinity College, Toronto, in medicine, setting up his practice in Wingham. He early took an interest in municipal and educational affairs in that town, and was elected chairman of the school board, councillor, reeve and mayor. In 1887 he accepted the nomination of the Liberal party, and represented the riding for seventeen years. In religion he is a Presbyterian.

Locomotives May Whistle in City
Bylaw Against It Is Ultra ViresChief Justice Meredith Made It
Plain That Warning Must Be
Sounded at Crossings.

Locomotives may whistle as much as they like going through the city, in spite of the city bylaw to prevent it.

Not long ago City Engineer Graydon wrote to the railroad companies about this matter, and since the assizes, opened he has been receiving replies.

It seems that the companies will not heed the city bylaw, but will continue to foot the whistles as much as they like.

This is one of the outcomes of the Fevings-Grand Trunk suit, in which Judge Meredith gave it as his opinion that a city bylaw did not excuse a railroad company from whistling for crossings; in fact, the companies must instruct their engineers to blow the locomotive whistles at all crossings.

The railroad companies were not slow to see the point, and at once began to pen letters to Mr. Graydon.

Will Blow Whistles.

Superintendent Preat, of the Pere Marquette, who was present at the trial, at once notified City Engineer Graydon that the Pere Marquette would continue to blow their locomotive whistles in spite of the bylaw.

The company had no desire to be mulcted for large damages because the whistle was not blowing.

"What are you going to do," said City Engineer Graydon. "There is the bylaw prohibiting the whistles, and now the judge declares that the whistles must blow in spite of the bylaw. We cannot do anything now."

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FIVE RESIDENTS OF GRIMSBY
KILLED BY A FAST EXPRESSSleigh Load of Persons Returning From a Dance Early Today
Hit at Crossing by a Grand Trunk Flyer Going
Sixty Miles an Hour.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Grimsby, Ont., Jan. 16.—A sleighload of people returning from a dance at Winona was struck by Grand Trunk express No. 8, running at the rate of 60 miles per hour, this morning about 3 o'clock, at a crossing just east of Grimsby Station. Mr. and Mrs. W. Wilson and George Teeter were instantly killed, and Mrs. G. Teeter so badly injured that she died shortly after. Miss Lottie Teeter was badly shaken up, and is thought to be injured internally, but the doctors think she will recover. Gordon Nelson was taken to Hamilton hospital terribly injured, and is not expected to recover. The Teeters' infant child was with the party, and had a miraculous escape, receiving only a few bruises. Both horses were killed and the sleigh was completely demolished. All of the killed and injured belong in Grimsby. The train crew of No. 8 claim the engineer gave the customary whistle signals when approaching the crossing.

GORDON NELSON DEAD.

Hamilton, Jan. 16.—Gordon Nelson, who was injured in the accident at Grimsby this morning, died at the City Hospital at 11:30.

Express No. 8 is one of the fastest trains on the Grand Trunk, and passes through London shortly after midnight. The train left London this morning at 12:14, running exactly on time. It was hauled by Mogul engine No. 959, one of the fastest engines on this division, in charge of Engineer Henderson, of Sarnia. The train was in charge of Conductor Morrissey, of Sarnia. All the crew were of Sarnia and Port Huron.

Undesirables Will Be Deported
City of London Will Take Action

Report of Inspector McCallum
Made Deep Impression on
Finance Committee.

The city will deport a couple of undesirable citizens shortly.

At the meeting of the finance committee yesterday afternoon Inspector McCallum made a report on two cases that had been brought to his attention.

The first case was that of Victor Wells, an Englishman. He had been in the country for about seven years, and a large portion of that time he had been a charge on the city. He was anxious to be placed in the institution for the blind at Guelph or sent back to England.

A Pitiable Case.

"It is a pitiable case," said Mayor Stevely. "Something will have to be done. I think, perhaps, it would be better to send him back to England. The expenses would be \$50 or less, and we would then be rid of him for good. He is willing to go back; in fact he wants to go to England."

Ald. Beattie moved that the matter be left with Inspector McCallum, with power.

Another One.

The other case was that of a colored man named Frank Almas, from Georgia, who came into the city about two months ago. He is over six feet in height, and a typical southerner. But since coming into this fair city Frank has not worked, and after making a "touch" on the mayor and many other citizens, Inspector McCallum thought it better to send the gentleman back to the United States.

Inspector McCallum was instructed to take the necessary steps for his deportation.

Three Years for Desperate Character
Magistrate Sentences Vancouver Crook

Pat Hogan Made a Plea for
Leniency, But It Did Not
Work.

Pat Hogan, the man who claimed to be a lumberman from Vancouver, and who last week was found guilty of stealing an overcoat valued at \$75 from John Terry, a Boston traveller, while he was in the dining car of the International Limited on the G. T. R., was sentenced to three

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WORTLEY ROAD—Two-story brick, 10 rooms, modern conveniences; lot 50x150 feet. Only \$2,700. Call.

YORK STREET—Frame cottage, 7 rooms, stable; lot 25x300 feet. Price, \$1,500.

YORK STREET—Brick cottage, 6 rooms, good cellar, water inside, gas and furnace; lot 25x300 feet. Price, \$1,550.

COLBORNE STREET—Frame cottage, cement foundation, 5 rooms, lot 74x529 feet, barn and woodshed. Only \$1,550.

ONTARIO STREET—Brick-veneer cottage, 5 rooms, soft water, pump inside, w.c.; lot 25x180 feet, fruit trees. \$1,500.

ALL OXFORD STREET—New two-story brick, bath, w.c., furnace, electric light, gas, lot and cold water for bath, laundry in cellar, four tubs, outside entrance; lot 80x125 feet to a lane. WOULD RENT FOR TERM.

HELLMUTH AVENUE—Two-story red brick, 4 bedrooms, laundry, choice residence. Lot, 80x184 feet. Call.

HYMAN STREET—Fine residence. Call.

QUEEN'S AVENUE EAST—New 1½-story red brick, 3 bedrooms, bath, w.c., furnace, electric light and gas. Only \$2,000.

DEGATION STREET, south of Hamilton Road—1½-story brick; lot 64x180 feet; \$2,000. Frame cottage, 5 rooms, modern conveniences, lot 25x125 feet. Call for particulars.

Lot south side of Emery street, 40x135 feet. For quick sale, only \$110.

Lot on Queen's avenue, 40x100 feet, \$50 per foot.

Corner of Craig and Ridout streets, 60x132 feet, \$3,000.

WATERLOO STREET—Brick cottage, stone foundation, slate roof, 6 rooms. Price, \$1,500.

ELMWOOD AVENUE—Two-story house, 7 rooms, all modern conveniences, veranda; lot 24x125 feet. Call for particulars.

ST. JAMES STREET—1½-story brick, modern, \$2,000.

SEVENA, FINE RESIDENCES, \$5,500 to \$14,000.

COLBORNE STREET—Brick cottage, 6 rooms, good cellar, and summer kitchen, pantry, gas and fixtures, water and sink in house, new furnace, walks, fruit trees. Lot 50x145 feet. Call for price.

FORWARD AVENUE—Frame cottage, brick foundation, 5 rooms, cement woodshed, poultry house, fruit. Lot 60x170 feet. \$550.

BRACKENFIELD AVENUE—Story and half brick-veneer, cement foundation, 3 bedrooms, bathroom complete, parlor, dining-room, kitchen and summer kitchen, pantry, gas and fixtures, water and sink in house, new furnace, walks, fruit trees. Lot 50x145 feet. Call for price.

TO LET—Two-story brick, all modern.

FLORENCE STREET—Frame story and half, cement block foundation, 3 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen, cellar under all of house, furnace, hard and soft water in kitchen, on stairs, lot 125x167.9 feet. Call for price.

MATLAND STREET—Story and half brick-veneer, cement foundation, 5 rooms, gas, hard and soft water, piped for furnace, veranda. Call for price.

PRINCCESS AVENUE—1½-story brick, 5 rooms, main, large veranda; lot 25x125 feet. Call for price.

KING STREET—New double brick, 4 bedrooms in each. Will rent for \$25 per month each. Good investment. Call for particulars.

FRANK STREET—Story and half brick, cement block foundation, 7 rooms, hard and soft water, gas, cellar under all, back veranda; lot 80x137 feet. Call for price.

HEAT AVENUE—Story and half red brick, cement foundation, all modern conveniences. Call for particulars. Will sell on easy terms.

ABELAIDE STREET—New two-story red brick-veneer, slate roof, cement and block foundation, 5 bedrooms, modern conveniences, 3 mantels, hardwood floors all downstairs; lot 25x300. Call for particulars.

WATERLOO STREET—Frame cottage, stone foundation, 5 rooms, water and sink in house, large cellar, large lot, large barn, good house. Only \$1,600.

TO LET—Good fire, Talbot street. Low rental. Immediate possession.

Farming in Ontario Is a Very Profitable and Healthful Occupation

Many a man whose health has failed through too close attention to indoor work has regained it by adopting a life of active work while earning his money. Some of them can be bought for little more than what the buildings have cost to put them up. The following are a few of the farms we have for sale:

No. 575—48 acres in the Township of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, soil splendid clay loam, all the drained, watered by well with windmill, fine fences in good condition, brick house 40x20, frame kitchen, cellar under whole of the house, frame barn 40x20, stable 20x40, situated 1½ miles to school, 1½ miles to London. This is a snap for someone, as the owner is leaving up farming.

No. 585—100 acres in the Township of Monro, County of Lambton, soil dark clay loam, 30 acres cleared, all drained by tile and open drains, watered by rock well with windmill, frame house 30x40, 10 other buildings, situated 1½ miles to school, 2 miles to Brigidon R. R. station. Price \$1,500.

No. 585—100 acres in the Township of Adelaide, County of Middlesex, soil clay loam, all cleared, frame house on stone foundation, 10 other buildings, situated 1½ miles to school, 1 mile to church, 2½ miles to Kerwood R. R. station. Price \$1,500.

No. 597—20 acres in the Township of Westminster, County of Middlesex; soil light clay loam, land slightly rolling, all drained by tile, 2-year-old orchard, abundance of water, no house, frame barn 30x40; situated 8 miles from London. Price \$2,000.

No. 598—2½ acres in the Township of London, County of Middlesex, soil clay loam, orchard apples, pears, plums and small fruit, 1-story brick house 30x40, kitchen, new frame barn 30x40, 10 other buildings, situated 1½ miles to school, 1½ miles to London market. Price \$2,000. Will exchange for a small house in London.

For further list see today's Free Press or send for our farm catalogue for any County in Western Ontario.

The Western Real Estate Exchange, Ltd.
78 DUNDAS ST., LONDON, ONT., TELEPHONE 696

It Is Now Time REAL ESTATE

You were making your arrangements for spring. Let us tell you what we have in farms near the city. Here are a few of them:

50 acres in London Township, 1½-story brick house, barn 20x30, on 9-foot cement wall, ½ mile to school, close to city.

100 acres in London Township, 3 acres of maple bush, farm well drained, 3 barns on foundation with stable under.

20 acres in London Township, 1½-story brick house, frame barn 24x34, stable under; 6 miles to market.

15 acres in the Township of Lobo, soil clay loam, 10 acres timber, 2-story modern brick house, 2 frame barns, both on stone foundations, with stable under, 7 miles from market. Price \$1,000. This is a bargain.

100 acres of excellent land in the Province of Saskatchewan, close to railroad, 50 acres broken and ready for crop. Will exchange for farm here.

If you do not see what suits you in the above or for further particulars of the above, call or write.

NEEDHAM & ROBSON

418 TALBOT STREET, LONDON.

Auction Sale

Under instructions from Geo. B. Hodgins, G. A. Hatch, Auctioneer, will offer for sale on Friday, Jan. 22, at 4 p. m., on the premises, No. 11 Leslie street, a beautiful 2-story brick house, with grate and marble, 10 rooms, large lot with fruit trees, are going to sell this property, owner good west. G. A. Hatch, Auctioneer.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

EXCELSIORS HAVE PLACED FOR IMMEDIATE sale, two-story brick dwelling, modern, near market. Sutherland, Market Lane. 624-wt

THE ADVERTISER, LONDON, ONTARIO, SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 1909.

No. 1 January 16, 1909
VALUE, ONE VOTE.

EUROPEAN TRIP CONTEST OF THE LONDON ADVERTISER

I Hereby Vote for
(Name of Candidate.)
As the most popular lady in District No.
of The London Advertiser Trip Contest.
VOID AFTER 5 DAYS FROM DATE.

FOR SALE ANDERSON & HATCH

Room 22, Bank of Toronto Chambers. Phone 2322.

Cor. Bruce and Ridout streets—Fine two-story, 11 rooms, all filled with first-class furniture and board. Anyone going west will sell at a sacrifice.

Two-story solid brick on Ridout street. All modern. Phone 1804. Also 120 acres of land for sale.

Two-story and attic, brick, on Askin street. See this property.

Cottage on Edward street; cars pass door. Will sell cheap on easy terms.

House, frame, on Waterloo street, with quarter acre of land, barn and lots of small fruit. Must be sold; owner going west in spring.

House, Colborne street, barn and fruit, about quarter acre. Move smart if you want a cheap place.

Brick cottage, Emery street, 3 bedrooms. A snap.

Solid brick on Clarence street, heated by hot water and radiators. Cheap property.

To Let—Red brick house on Ontario street, for sale. Also houses to let on Simcoe street, Princess avenue and Piccadilly street.

We have acres of land near city to exchange for city property. Also 120 acres to exchange.

We have whole section in Alberta, N. W. T., to dispose of. Anyone going west call for particulars.

Parties having large farms to exchange for small ones will well give attention. Call. Now is the time to list your property if you wish to sell. Do not waste valuable time running around in search of a farm. We might have just what you are looking for.

We have five acres, good brick house, close to street cars, good barn and fruit; close to London market. Just the place for a retired farmer.

We have 100 acres on main gravel road, miles to London, fine house, good spring creek, good buildings; a nice place to live close to church and school; ½ mile to Cramlin. Price right.

For further list of properties call at office and get particulars.

The London Real Estate

Room 15, Greene-Swift Building, London.
J. A. LAWSON, Auctioneer.

P. Walsh's Bulletin

RIDOUT STREET LOTS are the best and cheapest in South London. We have good lots all over the city.

SIXTEEN ACRES of rich garden land, orchard, well fenced, Oxford street, near the Asylum; 1½-story brick house, with modern improvements, 2½ miles to school. Call for price. Would take a cottage in the city as part payment.

FORTY ACRES OF RICH LAND, with good buildings, near the asylum. Call for price.

ONE HUNDRED ACRES OF SANDY LOAM, large orchard, spring creek, wire fencing, two-story frame house, large barn and other buildings; situated 1½ miles of West Lorne. Price, \$4,300. Will exchange for city property.

SPLENDID FINE FOOT LOT, corner of Talbot and Mill streets, suitable for a handsome residence.

EDWARD STREET—A new frame cottage, 3 bedrooms; lot 40x110 feet. Price, \$850.

ST. JAMES STREET—A new 1½-story brick, 3 bedrooms; sewer connections. Price, \$1,500.

DUFFERIN STREET—Two-story brick, 4 bedrooms, all modern improvements. Call for price.

NEWLY PRESSED BRICK house, 5 bedrooms, double parlors, dining-room, kitchen, bathroom, furnace, up-to-date and \$5,200.

QUEEN'S AVENUE, CENTRAL—1½-story brick, 4 bedrooms, modern improvements. Price, \$2,000. Call for particulars.

THREE CHEAP COTTAGES on Hill street, near Waterloo. Also two on Simcoe street.

THORNTON AVENUE—A new two-story red pressed brick, stone foundation, 4 bedrooms, hot water, all modern improvements; lot 40x150 feet. Price, \$4,000. Secure it at once.

DUFFERIN AVENUE—A new 1½-story brick house, central; parlor, dining-room, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom complete, furnace, electric light and gas. Price \$2,500.

PRINCCESS AVENUE, CENTRAL—Two-story solid brick house, 10 rooms, all modern improvements. Call for price.

KING STREET, near Burwell street—Two-story solid brick, 4 bedrooms, all modern improvements. Price, \$2,500. Cheap.

IF YOU WANT TO SELL YOUR PROPERTY WITH US, NO EXPENSE UNTIL SOLD.

We have a large list of other properties. Call and see us.

P. WALSH
PHONE 1021. 425 RICHMOND ST.

COLBY & CO

117 MASONIC TEMPLE, LONDON.

MONEY TO LOAN AT CURRENT RATES.

Elmwood Avenue—Modern two-story brick, large lot, \$4,000.

Elmwood Avenue—Ten-room brick house, every convenience, \$5,000.

Elmwood Avenue—Two-story red brick-veneer, modern, \$5,000.

Elmwood Avenue—Nine-room brick, modern, except furnace, barn, \$2,500.

Bruce Street—Two-story brick, modern, gas and electric light, \$2,500.

Winndor Avenue—Seven-room brick, modern, \$2,500.

Large list at all prices and in all parts of city.

Desirable building lots in city and suburbs. Call and see list.

Read Particulars of Advertiser Free European Trip on Page Eleven.

DERMATOLOGY.

BUTLERS, 235 DUNDAS—HAIR GOODS, hairdressing, face and scalp treatment. Superficial hair removed.

COMBINGS WANTED—SELL FOUR COMBINGS, any shade, 235 DUNDAS, YWT.

MISS BEATTIE, GRADUATE GRAHAM Dermatological School, Chicago—Superficial hair, moles, warts, permanently removed. Chlorophyl and manicuring. Room 214, Masonic Temple.

OSTEOPATHY.

DR. WHITE, GRADUATE LOS ANGELES College of Osteopathy, member Ontario and American Osteopathic Association. Acute and chronic diseases. Telephone 322, Oxford street.

See ballot for Free Advertiser European Trip on Page Two.

WEATHER PROBS: VERY COLD. SATURDAY, JAN. 16

SMALLMAN AND INGRAM.

The Season's Clearing of DRESS GOODS

WILL COMMENCE MONDAY MORNING

Dress Goods Up To 85c and \$1.00, for 39c
Dress Goods Up To \$1.25 and \$1.50, for 49c
Remnants Too, 1½ to 6 Yards, Half Price, Many Less

This we consider one of the greatest Dress Goods opportunities we ever offered. We have been busy since the first of the year measuring and preparing to take inventory of stock on Wednesday of next week, and a thorough sorting has been given our Dress Goods Stocks, and now, with only three days to complete this, they have been marked, as you will see by the headline above, at very unusual prices, our object being to clear them all in one day, which should easily be accomplished at such prices.

Note Material in List Below

One piece Cardinal Boucle Cloth. Regular \$1 00 goods, for, yard 39c
Three pieces Brown and Black Checks. Regular \$1.00 goods, for, yard 39c
Two pieces Two-tone Stripes (chiffon finish). Regular 85c goods for, yard 39c
Three pieces Chevron Stripes, two-tone. Regular 75c goods for, yard 39c
One piece Prune-color Wool Taffeta. Regular 85c goods for, yard 39c
One piece stripe effect Worsted (all-wool). Regular 85c goods for, yard 39c
Three pieces Stripe Suiting, in navy, brown and purple, with black. Wide width. Regular 1.00. To be cleared at, per yard 49c
Two pieces Chiffon Broadcloth, in cardinal and black, and green and black plaid. Extra quality. Regular \$1.25. To be cleared at, per yard 49c
Five pieces Sedan Suiting, in small plaid effects (broadcloth finish). Extra quality. Regular \$1.25. To clear at, per yard 49c
Two pieces Check Tweed. Regular \$1.25. To clear at, per yard 49c
Three pieces Self-Colored Chevron Stripes Suitings. Regular \$1.00, for, per yard 49c
Three pieces Plaid Worsted Suitings. Regular \$1.25, for, per yard 49c
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One Suit Costume in combination check and stripe, \$12.00, for \$8.00
Two handsome Bordered Costumes. Regular \$20.00, for \$14.50

Remnants-Half Price-Some Less

We have about two hundred Ends which have accumulated during the present season. These will also go on sale Monday—none at more than half-price, and many at less. This is the way to buy your misses' and children's Dresses, Skirts or odd Waists. You may also find lengths long enough for Ladies' Skirts (it takes less for the present styles). You'll find lengths of all kinds of goods, light, medium and heavy, and in all colors, a general assortment collected from our entire stock, and they run from 1½ up to 6-yard Ends.

BLACK DRESS GOODS, TOO

65c and \$1 Panama, 300 Yards to Clear at 49c and 69c Yd.

This season's stock of Plain Fine Weave All-Wool Panama, our best values at 65c and \$1.00, a pre-stock-taking clearing—Monday morning, while they last,
About 150 yards 65c quality for 49c
About 150 yards \$1.00 quality for 69c

MONDAY MORNING—If breakfast is late come without, and have it in the tea room, after the sale.

RICHMOND STREET SECTION

Store closes 6 p.m. daily. Saturday included.

SMALLMAN AND INGRAM.

Dundas and Richmond Streets.

Pay Your Water Rates

ON OR BEFORE THE 20TH INST. AND SAVE 30 Per Cent Discount

65c-11x O. ELLWOOD, Secretary.

DO YOU

That the Price of Lumber Has Dropped

Now is your time to get estimates for your contemplated building.

May we figure with you.

GEO. H. BELTON

Rectory Street, North Grand Trunk Railway.

In the Matter of David Rosenblum, Insolvent

Notice is hereby given that the above-named insolvent, carrying on business at the City of London as the Metropolitan Shirt and Suit Manufacturing Company, has made an assignment of his estate to me for the general benefit of his creditors under the Revised Statutes of Ontario, chapter 147.

All persons claiming to be entitled to rank on the estate must file their claims with me before the 15th day of January, 1909, at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a statement of the insolvent's affairs, for the appointment of inspectors and the giving of directions with reference to the disposal of the estate.

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MEDICAL CARDS.

R. W. SHAW, M.D., L.R.C.P. AND M.R.C.S. (England)—297 King, Phone 829.

DR. MEEK, QUEEN'S AVENUE, LONDON—Specialty, diseases of women.

DR. G. L. CLARKE (RETURNED FROM Europe)—Eye, ear, nose and throat. 43 King street.

DR. W. J. STEVENSON, 381 DUNDAS—Phonetician, Specialist, attention diseases of women and surgery. N-742.

J. B. CAMPBELL, M.A., M.D.—SP-ALTY, diseases stomach. Hours, 2-4, 7-8, and appointment.

DR. CHARLES E. JARVIS, HOMOEOPATHIC—London, electrical treatment diseases of women a specialty.

DR. R. OVENS, EYE AND EAR SURGEON—Phone 1029. Office, 225 Queen's avenue. Residence, 836 Richmond street.

DR. SHOEBOOTHAM, CORNER RICHMOND and John. Phones: Office, 494; residence, 2292.

MUSICAL INSTRUCTION.

NEW STUDIO, 241 DUNDAS STREET—Lament, Galbraith, Institute Royal Academy of Music, London. England. Voice production in song and speech. Hours, 570 Wellington. Phone 5671.

CHARLES E. WHEELER, PIANO, organ, harp, counterpoint and singing. Studio, 429 Waterloo. Telephone.

VERNE L. HEWER, CONCERT BARTONE—Vocal instructor, Alma College; leader Wellington Methodist choir. Absolute voice production, breathing and singing. Headquarters, Haver's 211 Dundas street, London.

JAS. CRESSWELL, MUSICAL DIRECTOR Grand Opera House—Violin, horn and orchestral instruments. 42 King street.

J. PARNELL MORRIS, ORGANIST and chorister, Dundas Centre Methodist Church. Voice culture, solo singing, piano, organ, theory. 445 Colborne, Phone, 1561.

MRS. JEAN ROBE, ELUCUTONIST and soprano vocalist; also, music teacher. Accepts concert engagements, 212 Queen's avenue.

VETERINARY SURGEONS.

TAMLIN & SCOTT—OFFICE AND HOSPITAL, 48 Talbot street. Phone 565; residence phone 723.

TENNENT & McDONALD, VETERINARY surgeons—Office, 137 King street; residence, 445 Colborne. Phone 565; Wellington. Phone, Office, 605; residence, 278.

Read Particulars of Advertiser Free European Trip on Page Eleven.

Condensed Advertisements.

No Advertisement Accepted Less Than
Fifteen Words.
Advertisements—Ten cents per line each
insertion, or two cents per word if set
solid.

Meetings—When no admission is charged,
one cent per word each insertion.
Articles for Sale, To Let, Help Wanted,
Situations Wanted, Board and Lodgings,
Lost and Found, Rooms to Let, and all
similar condensed advertisements—First
insertion, one cent a word; each subse-
quent insertion, one-half cent per word.
No advertisement less than fifteen words.

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

BIRTHS.
TAMBLING—On Thursday, Jan. 14, 1909,
to Mr. and Mrs. George R. Tambling,
Helmuth avenue, a son.
BIDNER—At St. Joseph's Hospital, Jan.
14, 1909, to Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Bidner,
a daughter.
BRENNIE—On January 15, at 285 Hyman
street, to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Greene,
a daughter.

AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES

**"The GRIGG"
SUNDAY DINNER**
1 to 2:30 p. m.
PRICE, 50 CENTS.
"You Will Enjoy Our Service."

AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES

**GRAND A. J. SMALL
Sole Prop.**
Today
Partello
Stock Co.

Matinee: Children 10c, Adults 20c.
Prices: Night 10c, 20c, 30c, 50c, 75c, 1.00.

**MONDAY NIGHT
ANNUAL BURNS CONCERT**
Under the Auspices of
SONS OF SONNET AND MALE
CHORUS, BY THE

**Imperial Scots
Concert Co.**
OF GLASGOW, SCOTLAND.
Prices, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, 1.00.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING
Woodstock Operatic Assoc'n**
In the Canadian Comic Opera,
**The BURRA
PUNDIT**

By E. R. Steiner and M. J. Macdonald.
Seats Monday, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, 1.00.

**FRIDAY AND SATURDAY
AND SATURDAY MATINEE**
HARRY GARARD presents the daintiest
of Oriental Operas,
SAN TOY

with the original principals, scenery
and costumes.
All-Star Cast, including:
Agnes East, Sam Collins,
Evelyn Seabrook, Harry Garard,
Sabery Dorrell, Helen Weston,
Laura Christopher, etc.

See the Marvellous Electrical Effects,
300 lights, N. Y. 150 lights, Boston
200 lights, Chicago, 175 lights, \$1.00
Seats Mat. 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, 1.00
Wed. Night, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, 1.00

**Tuesday, JAN. 26
BLANCHE
MARCHESI**

AND
Cyril Dwyer-Edwards
IN A
Song Recital

Assisted by the Belgian Pianist,
BRAHM VAN DEN BERG.
New Scala Williams Piano Used.
Seals Reg. Sat. Tuesday, 50c to \$2.50

**BENNETT'S
Next Week
JOHN DUNN**

Famous Minstrel Baritone
**Biggest Show in
the City.**
Cents 5 Cents

PRIZE DANCE, JAN. 29, AT E. G.
Myers' Hall. Prizes for two dancers.
Grand march 8:45. Band's orchestra.
Gents 50c, ladies free.

JARVIS ST. BAPTIST CHOR
TORONTO
—IN—
Dundas Centre Meth. Church
LONDON
Monday Evening Next

Chorus of 54 voices. Splendid solo-
ists. Admission 30c, 300 reduced, 50c,
at Nordheimer's.

**FIRST ARTISTS' CONCERT
WOMAN'S MUSIC CLUB**
AUDITORIUM, FEB. 1.
Artists—Madame Eleanor Peacock, co-
soprano; Miss Lena Labatt, contralto;
David Duggan, tenor; Cyril Dwyer-
Edwards, baritone. Tickets, \$1.

E. De La Hooke
Agent for all ocean lines crossing to
England, Ireland, Scotland, Continental
and Mediterranean ports. Sailing lists
and all information can be obtained from
this. Special facilities for booking out-
ward and prepaid. "CLOCK CORNER,"
LONDON.

AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES

C.P.R.
Express of Britain sails Friday, Jan.
29. For rates, tickets, folders, apply to
F. B. CLARKE, general steamship trans-
portation agent, Richmond street, next
Bank of Commerce. Low rates to Old
Country.

Mineral Baths
OPEN DAILY, 1 p. m. to 6 p. m.
SATURDAY, 11 a. m. to 5 p. m.
SUNDAY, 12:30 a. m. to 1 p. m.
Phone 2198.

**Traction Company
Hourly Service**
London to St. Thomas, 7 a. m. to 11 p. m.
Every two hours to Port Stanley, 8 a. m.
to 10 p. m.

**PRINCESS-MUSICAL SKATING MAT-
INEE**—Saturday afternoon, 2 p. m. to 5
p. m. In up-to-date and fashionable
skating rink. Admission, 10c and 25c.
WINTERSTOWN RINK—CATERED BY
tonight and Monday. Real ice and real
music. Open afternoons.

**FOREST CITY CLUB—SECOND AN-
NUAL**—Wednesday evening, 8 p. m., at
next Wednesday. Good cash prizes.
Caret Band.

VICTORIA RINK—SKATING TONIGHT.
Catered by the Victoria Hotel. Corner Ade-
lade and Piccadilly streets.

ANNIVERSARY TEA, WELLINGTON
Street Methodist Church, Tuesday evening,
Jan. 19. Tea served from 6:30 to 8 p. m.
Good programme. Tickets, 25c.

**EDMUND V. COOKE, LITERARY EN-
TERTAINER**, Auditorium, Friday, Jan.
22. Reserved seat opens Tuesday
at 10 a. m. Tickets, 25c and 50c.

VIOLIN RECITAL—MISS FLORENCE
Bakelston, graduate of W. York,
Detroit, assisted by Miss Anna Rose-
worthy, teacher, St. Thomas. Recital
of "Alma Lullies" Collection.
Admission, 10c and 25c. Tickets, 15c
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TONY CORTESE, ORIGINAL LONDON
Harper's Music, furnished for all oc-
casions. 161 Maple. Phone 1270.

DANCING, PALACE AUDITORIUM—
Weekly hop, Monday evening. Classes:
Dance, Tuesday, ladies, Thursday,
advanced, Wednesday evening, children.
Saturday afternoon. Private lessons any
hour. Phone, Dwyer & McCann.

**LEARN TO DANCE—RAPID TEACH-
ING.** Low rates. Special attention
wag and two-step. R. B. Millard, 245
Princes avenue.

MUSIC FURNISHED FOR PARTIES
banquets, parties, etc. Victor's
Italian Harpers, 122 Queen's avenue.

MEETINGS.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
East Middlesex Agricultural Society will
be held in the County House, London,
Wednesday, Jan. 20, 1909, at 1 p. m., for
the purpose of electing annual officers
and auditors' reports, and electing officers
for ensuing year. T. H. Shore, presi-
dent, Charles Treloar, secretary.

FRENCH CONVERSATION CLASS—A
limited number of members who wish
to improve their knowledge of French
will, for a short time, be received by
the French Conversation Class con-
ducted by Madame Amritage. For further
particulars address Madame Amritage,
102 Kent street, or the secretary,
C. Wilkins Shuff, 542 Dundas street.

MISS SHAW-HELLER, WILL GIVE A
talk to women on "Physical Care of
the Body," Tuesday evening, 8 p. m., at
College Institute, Silver collection.
Miss McElroy, soloist.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETS OVER
Library Tuesday evening. Interest-
ing paper on "Canadian Postal Sys-
tem" by Dr. Campbell. Public cordially
invited.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT
the general annual meeting and a spe-
cial meeting of the shareholders of
the Eastern Ontario Railway Company
will be held at the head office of the
company, 30 Dundas street east, in the
city of London, Ontario, on Wednesday,
the 3rd day of February, 1909, at 10
a. m., for the purpose of transacting
general business and to authorize the in-
crease of capital stock of the company
and the amount of \$750,000 to be in-
creased to \$1,000,000, and to authorize
the company to issue debentures of the
company to the amount of \$1,000,000.
George H. Henson, secretary-treasurer,
London Street, London, Ontario, dated
the 15th day of January, 1909.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LONDON
District Agricultural Society will be held
at the Western Fair office, Wednesday
evening, Jan. 21, at 8 o'clock. Mem-
bership tickets may be obtained from
A. M. Hunt, secretary-treasurer,
304-306 Dundas street.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
Western Agricultural Society will be
held in London, Ontario, on Monday,
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reports of the officers and to elect
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BUFF ORPINGTON COCKERELS
from imported eggs; also cock and few
pullets. Inspection invited. William
Lambert, 121 Grey street.

**FOR SALE—GOOD CAMERA AND OUT-
FIT**, cheap. 162 Hyman street.

FOR SALE—ONE SPEEDING CUTTER.
Slightly used, a bargain for quick sale.
J. W. Smith, Maple street.

LARGE BARNBURNER WITH OVEN.
double heater, for sale, cheap. 148 Ann
street.

FOR SALE—TWO SWEET CUTTERS.
one speeder. Apply Linnell's Grocery,
405 Hamilton road.

GOOD COAL, CHEAP—GREEN & CO.
405 York street, sell free-burning Lowville
anthracite and chestnut coal, well
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dry mixed blocks, \$15 per load, 1909.

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I CAN SAVE YOU \$2 TO \$4 PER 1,000
feet of lumber: good sawing and planing
is a good thing. I also have a
V-siding at \$30 per thousand, worth \$40;
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mahogany and oak for floors, \$15 per
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Nesell, lumber yard, Komoka.

FOR SALE—TWO FIRST-CLASS NEW
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George Jackson, butcher, 51 Wellington
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years in every respect, and best value
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SOME GOOD SECOND-HAND TOP
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We are making big reductions on all
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These are all the very newest styles.
Come and see them. Large stock of
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LOST—GOLD LOCKET, WITH MONO-
GRAM "C. A." on it; photos inside. Re-
ward if returned, 113 Masonic Temple.

**WILL PERSON WHO FOUND BLUE-
PRINTS and neck piece at 1135, St. George
street, Jan. 9, please return to 123 Talbot
street, and receive reward?**

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ET, marked H. E. S. Reward at 123 Talbot
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LOST, ON THURSDAY—SABLE RUFF.
Reward at this office.

FOUND ON ALBERT STREET, THURSDAY
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Owner may have them at this office.

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Car-Mable Leaf, top, set solid with
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THE POSTMASTERSHIP.

The appointment of a non-resident
 to the postmastership of London is a
 general surprise, and it is not an agree-
 able one to the Liberals of London.

The office is a local one, and has
 been hitherto treated as such by the
 present Government. The reason for
 departing from this practice is not
 apparent, and the Liberals of London,
 whose representations have been
 ignored, are entitled to an explanation.
 The claims of several citizens, fully
 competent for the position, were
 strongly urged at Ottawa by their
 friends. If the Government choose an
 outsider because of the difficulty of
 discriminating between local applic-
 ants, it has merely made more trouble
 for itself. If a London man had been
 appointed, some of the rival candidates
 and their backers might have been
 sore for a time; now all the active Lib-
 erals of London are sore. They feel
 that in the opinion of the Government
 they are a negligible quantity. The
 cabinet ministers who are responsible
 in the present case should be given to
 understand that London is too impor-
 tant to be treated in this manner. The
 Advertiser is no admirer of the patron-
 age system, but while the system exists
 it should be exercised with some re-
 gard for public sentiment.

All this may be said without in the
 least reflecting upon Dr. Macdonald.
 He is a man of ability and fine per-
 sonal qualities, and will fill the office
 with credit to himself and the postal
 service.

THE ONTARIO OPPOSITION.

It is said that Hon. A. G. Mackay
 has suggested that the interests of the
 Liberal party would be served by his
 retirement from the leadership, in view
 of the result of the general election,
 and that he has intimated his willing-
 ness to cheerfully step aside as soon
 as a successor is named. It is not a
 question that can be settled hurriedly,
 and it is to be hoped that he will at
 least consent to direct the Opposition
 during the ensuing session of the Leg-
 islature.

No leader could have fought with
 more energy and pluck than Mr. Mac-
 kay in the last campaign. His sup-
 porters know they were striving
 against hopeless odds, and although
 they met with a more decisive defeat
 than either party expected, Mr. Mackay
 has no reason to think it has been in-
 terpreted by Liberals as in any de-
 gree disparaging to himself.

The report that Mr. Mackay would
 be succeeded by Mr. J. A. Macdonald, editor of the Globe,
 has no foundation other than Mr. Mac-
 donald's acceptability to the rank and
 file of the party. He has few equals
 on the platform; he would be a virile
 and aggressive leader, and would take
 advanced ground. But it is not likely
 that he could be induced to relinquish
 his present and more important posi-
 tion. George Brown used to say he
 would rather be editor of the Globe
 than prime minister of Canada. It
 may be taken for granted that Mr.
 Macdonald would rather be editor of
 the Globe than leader of the Ontario
 Opposition. He might be both, but as
 a journalist he is likely to prefer the
 detachment he now enjoys. Mr. Brown
 filled the dual role, but the Globe to-
 day would lose prestige if it were the
 mouthpiece of any party. The old-
 fashioned party organ is a thing of the
 past.

The subject may be more freely can-
 vassed when Mr. Mackay's decision is
 definitely known. Perhaps it is one of
 his reasons for calling a Liberal con-
 vention after the session.

THE LORDS AND THE LIBERALS.

The English Liberal press generally
 endorses the view of Premier Asquith
 that the issue with the House of
 Lords must be made the paramount
 one in the next general elections. In
 the opinion of the Westminster
 Gazette the question is one affecting
 the very existence of the Liberal
 party. It is true that in spite of the
 obstructive attitude of the peers to-
 wards measures brought forward by
 the Government, the recent session
 was not entirely barren of result, as
 the passage of the old age pension act,
 the children's act, the miners' eight-
 hour bill and the port of London bill
 shows; nevertheless, it is felt that
 the close of the session marked, if
 not a crisis, at least a very definite
 and important stage in the history of
 Liberalism. The session has made
 clear what limits the Conservative
 party is endeavoring, as a matter of
 definite policy to impose upon a Lib-
 eral Government, and if it succeeds,
 eventually on the Liberal party, look-

ing back to the beginning of the
 present Parliament it is found that
 the House of Lords' veto has been
 imposed on all the most character-
 istic features of the distinctively
 Liberal programme. On this point
 the Westminster Gazette says:

"The education bill, the plural
 voting bill, the Scottish land bill,
 have all been destroyed. It is as
 though Mr. Balfour and Lord Lans-
 downe had registered a vow that
 the Liberal party should make no
 further progress with church,
 schools, land, licensing and Parlia-
 mentary reform. The education bill
 of 1906 represented the minimum of
 the Liberal policy which was placed
 before the country in the election of
 that year, and it was destroyed in
 the first session without any pre-
 tense that opinion had wavered in
 the interval. The plural voting bill
 was similarly treated, also in the
 first session, though the anomaly
 which it sought to abolish has no
 serious defenders or solid popular
 support. The licensing bill embod-
 ies a principle that was before Parlia-
 ment in 1871, on the proposal of
 the then home secretary, and which
 was only withdrawn in that year
 because the temperance party
 thought it too favorable to the
 license-holder."

Apologists for the House of Lords
 point to the passage of the English
 small holdings bill as evidence that
 Conservative peers are not actuated by
 party hostility, but what must be said
 of the rejection of the two Scottish
 bills? Moreover, it is understood to be
 the declared intention of the majority
 in the upper house to summarily dis-
 pose of the Welsh disestablishment bill
 when the Government brings it in, not-
 withstanding the fact that the church
 in Wales represents but a small minor-
 ity of the Welsh people.

What is characteristically Liberal in
 the Government's programme must be
 brought to a standstill if the House of
 Lords is to have the final word on
 such questions. "If," asks the Gazette,
 "the immense majority, fresh from the
 polls of 1906, was unable to carry out
 the Liberal policy in regard to educa-
 tion, what prospect is there that any
 other majority will ever be able to
 carry it?" It is little wonder, then,
 that Liberals are beginning to regard
 the House of Lords question as the
 most vital of all questions to the party.
 There must be a speedy mending of the
 upper chamber, if ending is impossible,
 or some constitutional innovation, such
 as the referendum, which will allow
 the people to break a deadlock be-
 tween the two chambers on any issue.

BANQUET REFORM.

A public man and a graceful after-
 dinner speaker, who recently delighted
 a London audience, made a plea for
 banquet reform, in a conversation with
 The Advertiser. He frequently speaks
 at banquets in the United States, and
 is much impressed by the system upon
 which these functions are conducted in
 the larger American cities. A public
 dinner there begins not later than 7
 o'clock and ends before midnight.
 There are no conventional toasts, ex-
 cept that to the President. The only
 speeches are delivered by the guests
 of honor to whom subjects have been
 assigned, and each speaker is expected
 to keep within a time limit.

In this country the average banquet
 starts between 9 and 10 o'clock; the
 chairman rises between 10 and 11;
 there is a string of time-worn toasts,
 such as the "Governor-General," "Parlia-
 ment," "The Militia," etc., etc., etc.,
 which are merely perfunctory, and
 bring perfunctory responses, as a rule,
 from local celebrities whom nobody
 came to hear; then about midnight the
 first big gun is fired, and the guests get
 the real oratory of the evening at a
 time when they should be home and
 in their beds, and when many of them
 would prefer to be there. There may
 not be the culinary facilities to permit
 banquets to begin at 7 o'clock or
 sooner in a city of this size, but there
 is no reason, except custom and pre-
 cedent, why they should invariably end
 at such unreasonable hours. Even
 if they began at 8 o'clock they could
 be finished at a respectable time of
 night by omitting the formal toasts,
 and the elaborate introductions to the
 others. With these reforms many peo-
 ple would go to banquets not because
 they were urged to buy tickets, but be-
 cause they expected a pleasurable
 evening.

PEACE IN THE BALKANS.

The influence exerted by Great
 Britain, Russia and France at Con-
 stantinople has smoothed the relations
 between Turkey and Austria. For a
 monetary consideration of \$10,000,000
 the Ottoman Government consents to
 Austria's retention of Bosnia and
 Herzegovina, and a war cloud of
 considerable size has been dispersed.
 There still remains to be settled the
 Turk's account with Bulgaria in con-
 nection with the latter's declaration
 of her independence. The Government
 as Sofia has expressed a willingness
 to pay a lump sum in place of the an-
 nual tribute imposed by the Berlin
 treaty upon Bulgaria, and to purchase
 outright Turkey's interests in the
 Eastern Roumelian section of the
 Oriental Railway, but Turkey wants
 to drive a harder bargain. In resist-
 ing Turkey's claims Bulgaria has no
 doubt been encouraged by the belief
 that she could rely on the backing of
 Austria. But Austria's settlement
 seems to have changed the attitude of
 that power, and her influence with
 Bulgaria is more likely now to be

directed towards a peaceful settle-
 ment. If the disputing nations find it
 impossible to reach an agreement, the
 international conference which is to
 be convened in order to uphold the
 principles of the inviolability of
 treaties, may consider it a duty to
 adjust matters.

There should be less difficulty in sat-
 isfying Serbia and Montenegro, the
 only other malcontents. A few small
 concessions should be sufficient in the
 case of the latter. The Servians, how-
 ever, have been threatening war ever
 since the annexation of Bosnia and
 Herzegovina, which provinces they
 claim rightfully belong to their coun-
 try. War would certainly be ruinous to
 Serbia, but she might get something to
 keep the peace. It has been intimated
 that she might be allowed to construct
 a railway to the Adriatic, which would
 give an outlet for her products, which
 she is badly in need of, the high Aus-
 trian and Bulgarian tariffs keeping her
 out of profitable markets.

To all appearances, peace is assured
 in Southeastern Europe if the Turkish
 reformers prove equal to their re-
 sponsibilities.

Of course, a London man will have
 the reversion of the postmastership
 of Wingham.

There will be war to the knife, now
 that a suffragette has interrupted an
 Englishman at his dinner.

The postmastership business is an-
 other proof that patronage is more a
 weakness than a strength to any Gov-
 ernment.

Justice Magee advocates the lash for
 the wife-beater. There would be simple
 justice in treating the wife-beater just
 as he treats his wife.

The Minister of Railways says em-
 phatically that the Intercolonial is not
 to be sold or leased. He is taking the
 most popular, if not the most profit-
 able, course.

The New York Sun comments on the
 soundness of Canada's credit. This is
 disappointing to Canadian partisans
 who have been arguing that the Gov-
 ernment's railway policy is sending the
 country into bankruptcy. Perhaps it
 was only election clap-trap.

To the layman's mind the only dif-
 ference between the Shaw and Hains
 cases on the one hand, and the Moir
 case on the other, is that in the former
 the crimes were premeditated and coolly
 committed, while Moir acted on the
 spur of the moment, in a transport of
 rage. Confinement for life will be
 adequate punishment, and it will be
 the only logical alternative of the
 gallows.

HOW DID YOU FIGHT?

[Edward Vance Cries.]
 You are beaten to earth? Well, well,
 what's that?
 Come up with a smiling face.
 It's nothing against you to fall down flat,
 But to lie there—that's disgrace.
 The harder you're thrown, why the higher
 you bounce.
 Be proud of your blackened eye!
 It isn't the fact that you're licked that
 counts;
 It's how did you fight—and who?

RATHER PERSONAL.

In a small village a clergyman married
 a lady with whom he received the sub-
 stantial dowry of £10,000, and a fair pros-
 pect of more, which fact was well known
 to his flock. Shortly afterward, while oc-
 cupying the pulpit, he gave out a hymn,
 read the first four verses, and then pro-
 ceeding to read the fifth, commencing:
 "Forever let my grateful heart," when he
 hesitated, coughed and said: "Ahem, omit
 the fifth verse," and then sat down. The
 congregation, attracted by his apparent
 confusion, read the verse for themselves,
 and smiled almost audibly as they read:
 "Forever let my grateful heart
 His boundless grace adore,
 Which gives ten thousand blessings now,
 And bids me hope for more."

POWER OF THE WILL.

[Puck.]
 "I've just been reading about the power
 of the will. It's a wonderful thing."
 "Yes, I know of a will that makes seven
 children and thirty-two grandchildren
 behave."

MIDDLE AGED.

[Pall Mall Gazette.]
 When youth's desire of pleasure cloy,
 And life has reached a wiser stage,
 'Tis sweet to count the placid joys
 Of middle age.

No more the love of frenzied sport,
 No more the things to do and dare,
 With mild philosophy I court
 My easy chair.

There with my soothing pipe I sit
 And watch its graceful rings arise,
 Feeling my vision and my wit
 Grow ripe and wise.

No more I join the weary wights
 Who dangle in a maiden's trail,
 Giving their daytimes and their nights
 To woe and wail.

I seek no mad emprise to jog
 And goad me in a perilous way,
 But meditate that every dog
 Must have his day.

I note the price of stock and share
 With cautious speculative ends,
 And to the credit side I bear
 Life's dividends.

Perchance to golfing fields I fare,
 To enterprise with putt and loe,
 And scorn the cad's and fustian stare
 At what he sees.

I never ask of life too much;
 And she rewards with ample wage
 Of peaceful joys that are in touch
 With middle age.

HIS CONDITION.

[Illustrated Bits.]
 "In what condition was the Patriarch
 Job at the end of his life?" asked a Sun-
 day school teacher of a quiet-looking boy
 at the foot of the class.
 "Dead," calmly replied the quiet-looking
 boy.

A CHANGE FOR THE BETTER.

[Chicago Tribune.]
 "I suppose," said Mrs. Kawner, "you
 have saved all the letters your husband
 wrote to you before you were married?"

London Life POLICIES

GOOD AS GOLD

Have you provided for those who are dependent upon you? Good intentions or good resolutions will not count for much when your widow is struggling to make a living. Ask for booklet, "Endowment at Life Rate."

W. A. Winterstein Inspectors
 Geo. McBroom Ordinary Branch
 J. F. Maine, Supt. Indus. Branch.

"Oh, yes, sacredly," answered Mrs. Crossway.
 "And when he's away from home you take those old letters out and read them, no doubt?"

"Mercy, no! John always writes to me when he's away from home, and his letters are so much more sensible now-a-days!"

THE DOMESTIC RUFFIAN.
 [Toronto Globe.]
 A Saskatchewan husband drove his wife out of the house into a temperature 50 below zero, and she was found frozen to death beside the woodpile in the morning. For mendacity this happily stands alone. There is an uncanny list of this species of brutality at the moment.

In another case, after months, perhaps years of cruelty, a wife at length finds in death the only relief that was possible, her poor bruised body attesting her martyrdom. In Toronto itself a wife is whipped until the weapon broke in the hand of the lord and master. Men do show at his meanness and worst when he exercises his brute strength or the power of the purse at the expense of the poor creature who for her sins is attached to his evil temper and cowardly disposition. There are men walking the streets of Toronto who if their lives in this respect could be revealed as by a lightning flash, would experience the contempt and detestation of their fellow-men.

NEWSPAPERS AND PARTIES.
 [Kingston Standard.]
 A very sensible editorial appeared in last night's Whig, having to do with party exactions in Kingston, and with the demand upon a newspaper by men who expect the party to sacrifice itself for them or for their political cause. It is a sensible thing that in King-
 ington the impression seems to be in the minds of some men that a newspaper is made to be "used," that it has not a life of its own, and that it must perform exactly what this, that and the other one wants it to do. We do not know where this sort of thing came from, because it is so absolutely an erroneous one that any self-respecting newspaper—and the Standard counts itself one, as we feel sure the Whig also counts itself—would not stand for such a thing for an instant.

GINGER SUPPLIED.
 [Exchange.]
 Mrs. Homer—How do you manage to get your carpets so clean? Do you engage a professional carpet-beater?
 Mrs. Neighbor—No; my husband beats them, and I always do something to make him angry just before he begins the job.

A NEW RELIGION.
 [Toronto News.]
 Seated in a Toronto drawing-room the other day, a talented young woman from the United States discussed the progress of foreign missions. In her opinion "The American religion" was to redeem the world. No longer Christianity, but the American religion! The young woman was wholly unconscious of any peculiarity in her remark. No doubt, if we are good, we shall go to an American heaven. If we are bad shall we be doomed to sit for ever beneath the Stars and Stripes?

WHY?
 [Life.]
 Elsie—What do you think of Charlie's proposing to me when he hasn't known me a week?
 Jenny—I think that's the reason.

ALREADY RISEN.
 [Victoria Colonist, Conservative.]
 An eastern paper speaks of Mr. Redcliffe Leslie as "a rising man." We incline to the opinion that the postmaster-general has already risen. A gentleman who has just taken the postmaster's office in London to Mr. John Bull's claim for a standing among the nations, is not only rising, but he is up and dressed and ready for business. It is impossible not to admire this genial, tactful, good-looking French-Canadian. Some of us may be disposed at times to say "confound his politics," but we will all join in declaring that he's a jolly good fellow, which nobody can deny.

HIGH PRESSURE WATER SYSTEM.
 [New York Sun.]
 There is a gratifying absence of complaints from frozen hydrants, no water and other familiar handicaps to the efforts of the firemen in the accounts of the three fires in the wholesale business district on Thursday evening. Instead we have praise for the new high pressure fire system, which, with only seven of its

THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

LIABILITIES		Dec. 31, 1907.	Dec. 31, 1908.
To the Public:			
Deposits bearing interest	\$20,216,479.53	\$24,300,726.66	
Deposits not bearing interest	12,989,309.56	13,090,564.60	
Interest accrued on deposits	59,709.11	52,150.33	
Total Deposits	\$33,265,498.20	\$37,443,441.59	

Notes of the Bank in Circulation	3,653,910.65	3,556,432.65
Balances due to other Banks in Canada	156,508.45	133,102.61
Balances due to Agents in Great Britain	193,897.06	
Balances due to Agents in Foreign Countries	436,961.62	560,818.84

To the Shareholders:		
Capital Paid-up	\$3,900,000.00	\$3,900,000.00
Reserve Fund	4,390,000.00	4,600,000.00
Dividend No. 81 (quarterly at 10 per cent)	97,500.00	
Dividend No. 85 (quarterly at 10 per cent)		97,500.00
Former Dividends unclaimed	312.61	230.00
Rebate on Bills Discounted, not yet due	100,000.00	100,000.00
Balance on Profits carried forward	156,909.76	78,685.26
	\$46,351,498.35	\$50,470,210.95

ASSETS		
Gold and Silver Coin	\$ 2,514,350 84	\$3,221,717 14
Dominion Government Notes	2,990,185 75	3,760,344 35
Deposit with Government for Security of Note Circulation	180,000 00	190,000 00
Notes of and Checks on other Banks	2,285,589 00	2,985,741 48
Balances due from other banks in Canada	64,304 52	36,289 51
Balances due from Agents in Great Britain		372,956 60
Balances due from Agencies in Foreign Countries	772,073 15	896,657 33
Government and Municipal Securities	3,482,695 45	2,693,101 20
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	3,365,048 98	4,501,489 26
Call and Short Loans on Stocks and Bonds	3,916,543 97	3,286,141 29
	\$19,570,793 56	\$21,844,440 19
Loans to other banks in Canada		496,246 95
Loans to Provincial Governments	18,373 75	107,656 95
Current Loans and Discounts	25,862,931 29	26,736,164 99
Overdue Debts (Loss Provided for)	17,713 13	34,776 28
Bank Premises	881,686 62	1,150,924 39
	\$46,351,498 25	\$50,470,210 95

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

By net Profits for the Year, after deducting Charges of Management, Accrued Interest on Deposits, full provision for all bad and doubtful debts, and rebate of interest on unmatured bills	746,775.50	
By balance of Profit and Loss Account, Dec. 31, 1907	156,909.76	\$903,685.26
Appropriated as follows:		
To dividend (10 per cent)	390,000.00	
To transferred to Officers' Pension Fund	25,000.00	
To written off Bank Premises' Account	200,000.00	
To transferred to Reserve Fund	210,000.00	
To balance of Profit and Loss carried forward	78,685.26	\$903,685.26

EDSON L. PEASE,
 General Manager.

ten pumps working, supplied as much water as the firemen could use. Other conditions have too frequently prevailed in the past.

When the new mains were first put to use some fault was found with them. This was undoubtedly the result of unfamiliarity with the system. The pipe-men, accustomed to the engine pressure, had to learn how to handle the tremendous force imparted to the water by the pumping stations. This they seem to have done. The longer they are at the work the better protection they will be able to give to the city.

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"The Devil" was played by the Par-
 tello Stock Company at the Grand last
 evening to the largest audience of the
 week. The offering pleased the audi-
 ence, and the interpretation of the
 different roles by the company was
 meritorious.

Harry J. Leland assayed the lead-
 ing role, and did well. Miss Kennedy
 and John Western were strong in
 their respective parts.
 This afternoon the play will be
 "When the Harvest Days Are Over,"
 a play of more than usual merit to-
 night. "The Girl of Eagle Ranch," will
 be given.

The business of the week has been
 gratifying, and there is no doubt that
 large houses will witness both per-
 formances today.

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ST. MARY'S COUNCIL COME TO DEADLOCK

Balked on the Appointment of a Board of Works.

St. Marys, Jan. 16.—The town coun-
 cil, after making their declaration of
 office, appointed Frank Young chief
 constable; Miss M. E. Long treasurer,
 and L. Harstone town clerk for Janu-
 ary. A deadlock took place in striking
 committee, the board of works being
 the stumbling block, and the meeting
 was declared off. The members will
 meet again on Monday.

Citizens are anxiously waiting to
 hear of some further movement re-
 garding the North Midland Electric
 Railway from London to St. Marys.
 Mr. L. H. Resor has been appointed
 chairman of the water, light and heat
 commission.

Mr. Alcorn, of Picton, Ont., is the
 guest of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Leslie,
 Church street.

Mrs. Thomas Northgraves, of Eliz-
 abeth street, recently underwent a
 serious operation successfully at Vic-
 toria Hospital, London.

The J. D. Moore Company have men

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BY F. A. SMITH
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Samples of the cooking passed to visitors.
 Explanations of methods employed given on
 any point of the work. See McClary's Caloric
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Begins Monday

Special Demonstration of Cooking, 3 to 4 P.M.
 EVERYBODY IS WELCOME

and teams busily engaged cutting the
 ice harvest off Trout Creek for their
 new large cold storage building.

J. W. Wood, of Brantford, is a Stone

SAM LOYD'S PUZZLES.

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PICTURE ARITHMETIC

THE ANSWER TO THIS SUM IS



HERE'S ANOTHER TO WORK OUT.



Here we see how addition and subtraction may be applied to the alphabet. It is a simple but interesting sort of puzzle to work out after one has grasped the idea.

The upper sum clearly illustrates the method, and shows how the answer is produced. What is the answer to the lower sum?

ANSWER TO POSTMASTER'S PUZZLE PRINTED FRIDAY.

To solve the problem it is necessary to divide the dollar into two amounts, one of which is divisible by five, for the five-cent stamps, and the other amount first divisible by six, as the one-cent stamps require five times as much money as the five-cent stamps. Then that one-sixth reserved for the two-cent stamps, of course, be divisible by two. It will be found that the clerk received 50 one-cent stamps, 5 two-cent and 8 five-cent.

THE LOST MILLIONAIRE

BY L. CAMPBELL DAVIDSON.

His mission at the home was more complicated than he had expected. The child had been formally taken to the place and entered in the books, and he must remain there till he was old enough to be apprenticed, or put

Advertiser Patterns
DESIGNED BY MARTHA DEAN.



NO. 8369—A CHIC COAT MODEL FOR A YOUNG MISS.

Blue chiffon broadcloth was used for this design, which is cut in box style, and with double-breasted fronts. The sleeve is a two-piece leg-of-mutton model, finished with a pretty cuff. The coat closes at the neck edge under a turn-down collar. The pattern is cut in five sizes—6, 8, 10, 12 and 14 years. It requires 3 1/2 yards of 4-inch material for the 12-year size. A pattern of this illustration will be mailed to any address on receipt of 10 cents in silver or stamps.

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Please send above-mentioned pattern, as per directions given below, to:

Name

Street Address

Town

Province

Measurement: Bust Waist

Age (if child's or misses' pattern)

CAUTION.—Be careful to inclose above illustration and send size of pattern wanted. When the pattern is sent measure, you need only mark 32, 34, or whatever it may be. When in waist measure, 22, 24, 26, or whatever it may be. If a skirt, give waist and length measure. When misses' or child's pattern, write "my figure representing the age. It is not necessary to write "inches" or "years." Patterns cannot reach you in less than one week from the date of order. The price of each pattern is ten cents in cash or in postage stamps.

PATTERN DEPARTMENT, LONDON ADVERTISER.

and leaped in after him. "Drive to the first clothing shop you can find," he shouted to the man on the box.

Poor little millionaire baby! He was in a world unknown as he stood in the fitting-room of a draper who sold ready-made garments for boys. The young lady who condescended so far as to kneel on the floor and try suits on a child from the orphan home was only won to doing it by Suter's handsome face and his winning smile.

The boy stood like a rock, but his eyes shone. When he was dressed in a neat little sailor suit and a hat with "H. M. S. Hero" on it he picked up a sudden confidence. The sight of himself in the long mirror opposite brought a broad smile to his lips. He turned to Suter with a sudden effusion and thrust his hand into the big one above, cuddling up to the man's side. Suter felt his heart melt. "Poor little beggar!" he said to himself, and the little hand had a hearty squeeze.

CHAPTER XXIII.

The New Relation.

The Brays were still away. Suter felt that with all their kindness he must not intrude on them with a child. He had arranged for his luggage to be sent to a hotel in the city, and he had written a letter of warm gratitude to his kind hostess, telling her he had taken the child.

But to find a little boy in his sole society was awkward. He did not know what to talk about or what to do with him. He drove to the hotel where his luggage had been sent, and ordered a room with two beds. He dared not let the millionaire child out of his sight and yet he did not know what to do with him. He ordered a meal with nervousness. Dinner for himself would have been easy. But surely children did not take late dinners. He remembered the thick bread and dripping at the home and that gave him hope. He saw the room assigned to him.

Then he rang the bell for a chambermaid. "Look here," he said, with desperation as a slim young woman with a strong air of fancying herself came to his summons. "I've got to take this child home to his mother, and I don't know any more about small boys than the man in the moon! What do they eat? What should you order for him if he were your own?" He was going to say, but he turned it into "your little brother," as more likely to propitiate her.

The chambermaid smiled. "La, sir, to be sure! Why he ought to have bread and milk, and a soft-boiled egg and some jam. Children's so fond of sweets. Shall I take him and undress him when he wants to go to bed?" She gave an arch glance up under her eyelashes. Suter's good looks brought him willing service from the other sex.

"Oh, thank you," Suter was beginning, but the small boy broke in. His voice was hoarse and nasal, and he had a hideous, unmusical, croaky, please, sir, I undress myself. We all do so."

Suter smiled at him and patted the meagre shoulder. "Very well, lad, so you shall. Thank you, though," to the chambermaid's engaging smile. He went on to the coffee-room with the white lace Nottingham curtains and the striped blinds. The long table held but one lately arrived traveller eating cold beef and salad. Suter put a chair to the other end of the table and lifted little James Brown up to it. The top of his narrow little red head only came a few inches above the table's edge. Suter looked round, in haste and seeking cushions on a horsehair sofa, hurried over to appropriate them. With their aid, added to that of a huge ledger that lay on a table in the corner, he brought him nearer to some relation to the bread and milk.

He watched the child fold his little freckled hands and began to chant his grace. When it was over, James Brown fell to at the bowl with ardor and finished the contents in the flash of an eye. He had certain queer little institution tricks and he was not used to a serviette. Suter found much amusement in teaching him, and the time the meal was over a kind of friendship was established between the two dissimilar companions.

"I must get him used to some other name than James Brown," Suter thought to himself as he went up the wide old shallow staircase by his adopted son's side.

"Look here, Bobby," he said, looking down at the red head that poked up below him, "you're going to have a new name from tonight. You're Richard Nigel Mandeville Suter—do you understand? You're not James Brown any longer. You must forget they ever called you that. It never was your name. Richard Nigel Mandeville Suter—can you remember that, do you think?"

The pale eyes, looking up trustfully to his, lit with pride of power as the unattractive voice lisped out the name after him.

Just the poor little chap is ugly! I trust his mother won't take a fright at his voice and his language! If only I could, I might keep him somewhere till he'd learned to look and speak more like a gentleman's child. I should be wild if Grace Melville hated him. Yet she never seemed fond of her own child. To try and make me stop looking for him! Why, if I'd listened to her, he'd have lived and died in that home! But it's unlucky he's so hideous. She loves beauty. And I can't think where the silly little chap took about Grace having a red-haired ancestor; but no Suter had the faintest look of the poor little chap. He's got 'peasant' stamped on every inch of him. Provoking for his mother, since she feels as she does! Now, if he were mine and Violet's he might look like anything he chose, so that he was our child."

The thought went with him as he watched the poor little outcast fellow undress himself and fold up his garments with prim exactness, as he had been taught in the home. A queer pang ran through him as he saw it. He thought of the nurseries at The Towers and the troop of servants to wait on the millionaire baby. He had been torn from all that to a hut and an orphan home. He went down to his own dinner when the soft breathings from the bed across the room from his own and the peaceful streak of red above the bedclothes told him that his little cousin slept.

After he had eaten his chops and apple tart, and drunk the bottle of claret he allowed himself in celebration of the joyful occasion, he thought

Scores of Lives Lost

A philosopher has said that "All men think all men mortal but themselves," and it is quite true that there is a tendency to look upon our own individual case as being somehow or other, different from others, and outside the influences which affect the health and lives of our fellow-men and women.

Perhaps someone who reads these lines is in the grip of Lung trouble. You have tried all sorts of remedies, and paid heavy doctors' bills, only to be told at the end that nothing can be done for you; that your case is hopeless, and that nothing remains but to face the inevitable as bravely as possible.

There is indisputable proof that PSYCHINE is a genuine and certain remedy for such cases as yours. Mr. I. Peer, of Belmont, Ont., says: "Some time ago I was in a very low condition physically owing to severe Lung trouble. THE DOCTORS GAVE ME UP with the assurance that I should not live until the spring. My attention was called to your remedies, and I ventured to send for a trial bottle of PSYCHINE, which did me so much good that I continued the treatment, and in two months I was completely cured. I have not needed to take any medicine since." In a recent letter his wife states: "Since last writing to you I am delighted to tell you that my husband has had splendid health, although there is no doubt at the time he began to take PSYCHINE he was in the last stages of Consumption. We are certain that it was nothing but PSYCHINE that brought him back from the verge of the grave. My husband works hard, and never was stronger and better in his life than now."

What PSYCHINE has done for Mr. Peer it can do for you. The chance of complete recovery is in your own hands. Do not delay any longer, but try PSYCHINE and prove its marvellous power as a health restorer. Sold by all druggists and stores in bottles, 50c. and \$1.

out his plans. He was as certain as reason could make him that the boy who slept in his room above was the millionaire baby. But he wanted to hear from the fountain-head the story of how he had been placed, with the daughter of the people in Astoria. He wanted to be able to trace every step of the story from start to finish. He thought it all out as he sipped his wine.

To Be Continued.

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SUGGESTS A CONFERENCE

Mabee Asks Express Companies and Fruit Shippers To Get Together.

Toronto, Jan. 15.—The board of railway commissioners for Canada yesterday completed the hearing of complaints against the express companies, and the next sitting of the commissioners will be in ex-Mr. John, N. B. At the beginning of February the commission will go to Winnipeg, and thence on to the coast. Before adjourning Chief Commissioner Mabee strongly hinted that an amicable arrangement with the fruit shippers and the express companies might be arrived at if a conference were agreed to between the parties.

Fruit shippers today aired several grievances against the express companies, the chief complaints being made by shippers from the Niagara fruit belt. They complained of high rates, dirty freight cars for fruit shipping, and the careless handling of fruit. Two shippers from other districts complained of unjust discrimination.

Among those who gave evidence were President W. H. Bunting, of the Niagara Fruit Growers' Association, and Mr. D. D. Smith, ex-M. P., of Windsor, the latter of whom said he paid between \$30,000 and \$40,000 a year in express charges.

Donald Johnston pointed out alleged glaring inequalities in the rates. From Toronto, Ont., to Winnipeg the rate is \$4.20, while from Windsor, Ont., to Winnipeg the rate is \$2.40.

James Johnson spoke of how Simcoe is discriminated against. The rate from Simcoe to Hamilton, 41 miles, is 50 cents; from St. Catharines to Simcoe, 22 miles, 30 cents, or 20 cents difference for nine miles. From Simcoe to Toronto the rate is 50 cents, from St. Catharines 40 cents. The same irregularity exists in other directions out of Simcoe.

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DERAILED BY SNOWSLIDE

Freight Rolled Down a Bank and Killed Two Engineers.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 15.—C. P. R. train No. 97, eastbound, was derailed near Kamloops, about 8:30 o'clock yesterday, by a snowslide. Two engines were pulling the heavy freight on account of the heavy snowstorm. The engines, baggage car and colonist and express car were sent rolling down the steep bank into the Fraser River, which at this point runs close to the tracks. Engineers Foster and Cascarden were killed, and three trainmen and several passengers severely injured, though, it is thought, not fatally. A relief train was quickly dispatched from Vancouver, carrying nurses and physicians.

The accident took place about seven miles from Yale, B. C.

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TESTING THE TOWERS.

Toronto, Jan. 15.—Word has been received by the hydro-electric commission that the sample towers for use on the transmission line from Niagara Falls, will be ready next week for a test at the Walkerville Works. The members of the commission and the officials connected therewith will go to Walkerville to witness the tests. The announcement is that 80 per cent of the right-of-way for the power line has been now secured, and if the towers prove satisfactory, as is confidently expected, the contractors will begin to lay

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footing on March 1. This work will be started by two gangs of men, one working between Hamilton and Niagara Falls, and the other between Hamilton and Toronto.

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WORTHLESS ORDERS

A Couple of Hotels in Hamilton Were Fleeced.

Hamilton, Jan. 15.—The ex-telegraph operator who by means of forged and altered money order books from the Canadian and Dominion Express Companies, and who has left a trail of these worthless orders all over Canada and in London, Eng., fleeced a couple of the local hotels. He secured the first book on Aug. 11 last, with orders good for \$1,000 from the Canadian Express Company, and later secured one for \$2,500 from the Dominion Express Company. St. Thomas Hotels were his chief victims. He succeeded in working some off in Hamilton. He appears to have had as many names as checks, and among the names he appropriated were: Clifford Morris, George W. Foster, Henry Reid, D. K. Clinch, Charles McLean, Thomas P. Meredith, Robert B. Killgore and James D. Taylor.

After securing the first book he made a trip over to the old world, and left numerous mementos of his visit to London in the shape of worthless orders. Then when the first book ran out, he came back to Canada and secured a new supply of orders.

While in Hamilton he put up at the Royal Hotel and cut a wide swath. He paid his bill at the hotel with worthless orders and managed to put in a good time by the same method.

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BANK SWINDLER CAUGHT.

Montreal, Jan. 15.—James Sugden,

Easy Expensive Errors

ARE OFTEN PREVENTED BY AVOIDING THE POSSIBILITY OF them. To extract teeth that could be made to do good service is an error that a dentist can make, and the patient not be aware of it.

Why Should a Tooth Be Extracted

when the indications are well worth saving it? This decision, when supported by trusty experience, will insure the best that can be done for your teeth.

The desire that critical patients have to endorse my operations, is one evidence that my work is the kind that pleases.

DR. HUTCHISON

214 DUNDAS STREET. PHONE 1372.

a bank swindler, for whom the police and the banks have been anxious to catch for some time and who was recently caught working his game in a branch bank in Lachine, near here, appeared in court today and pleaded guilty to the charges against him. He was remanded for sentence. It is believed that for years Sugden, who resided in Westmont, has been making a good thing out of the banks by opening accounts in branch banks and manipulating forged paper. He left

A Woman's Sympathy

Are you discouraged? Is your doctor's bill a heavy financial load? Is your pain a heavy physical burden? I know what these mean to delicate women—I have been discouraged, too, but learned how to cure myself. I want to relieve your burdens. Why not end the pain and stop the doctor's bill? I can do this for you and will if you will assist me.

All you need do is to write for a free box of the remedy which has been placed in my hands to be given away. Perhaps this one box will cure you—it has done so for others. If so, I shall be happy and you will be cured for 2c (the cost of a postage stamp). Your letters held confidentially. Write to-day for my free treatment, MRS. F. E. CURRAH, Windsor, Ont.

a trail of forgeries in Ontario and United States cities before coming here.

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR SALE EVERYWHERE.

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PASTORS DEFEND REV. CARMICHAEL

Minister Who Killed Browning Buried From Church He Built.

Romulus, Mich., Jan. 15.—In the presence of a crowd of about 500 people from the countryside, the funeral services for Rev. John H. Carmichael, he of the Columbus church, tragedy, were held in the little Methodist Church here yesterday morning.

In the church which his own efforts built in 1904 during his three years' pastorate in this village, and the first funeral in which was that of his beloved daughter, Oneda, some years ago.

The ceremonies of this morning were impressive, this in spite of the fact that many of the women in the congregation had brought their babies and very small children, who kept up a running staccato of cries and murmurs throughout the even tenor of the proceedings. The remarks of the several ministers were given more than a restricted interest by the "hot shot" of two of the reverend gentlemen, who took the world to task for the interest it has shown in the remarkable case, and who scored the newspapermen for their zeal in digging up facts and supposed facts which ultimately laid bare the story.

DEAL IS WITH 300 LINE

Shaughnessy's Guarded Denial of Wisconsin Central Story.

Montreal, Jan. 15.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the C. P. R., says that the C. P. R. is not in negotiation for the Wisconsin Central, but that the Soo line, with which the C. P. R. has close relations, is, and he understands that the negotiations are far advanced. As the Soo line is owned by the C. P. R. this is confirmation of the rumor.

Sir Thomas couldn't refrain from smiling as he gave the answer.

Read Particulars of Advertiser Free European Trip on Page Eleven.

SOME NEWSY NOTES FROM PETROLEA

Council Gets Busy—A Pulpit Vacant—Primitive Dentistry.

Petrolia, Jan. 15.—This new town fathers, who by the way, are the same as last year, (except that Mr. E. E. Grant succeeds Mr. A. E. Edwards as mayor, and Mr. John McRobie succeeds Mr. D. Hawken as councillor) are already in harness and ready for all that lies before them. The old council have all been re-appointed to their former positions, as chairmen and members of the various standing committees, but the new member (Mr. McRobie) objects strongly to being "handed out" the principle business for the council this year will be the laying of a new pavement on Front street, and as the matter was fully taken up by last year's council, there should be no more unnecessary delays over technicalities.

The chairmanship of the board of water works is again in the hands of Mr. G. S. Pitkin for 1909, and citizens are confident that our waterworks department will continue on a paying basis, with a snug surplus at the close of the year. Mr. Bloss P. Corey is the new commissioner this year, succeeding Mr. John Kerr.

Mr. Archibald McDonald, who passed away so suddenly, having been found on his knees at his devotion when the end came (as already published in these columns) was a loyal Presbyterian and patriotic member of St. Andrew's Society. He leaves a son and daughter.

It is rumored that Mr. Walter McDonald will be chairman of the public school board for the ensuing year, but there are other aspirants on the board, and nothing definite will be known until after next week's meeting.

The Presbyterian Church will probably hold a meeting on Tuesday night next for the purpose of considering the application for their vacant pulpit. The members are becoming anxious to have a settled pastor among them again.

John Witty was locked up Thursday night and on Friday morning appeared before the magistrate. It appears that while under the influence of liquor and without any provocation, he struck a stranger a fierce blow in the face, knocking out two false teeth. The magistrate ordered him to be put on the Indian list, and in consideration of his wife and family, let him off on suspended sentence.

Mr. John H. Ford, an employee of Mr. J. H. Fairbank's office for some fifteen years has left for Oklahoma, where he has secured a situation.

Miss Gundry, of Aylmer Collegiate Institute, has been engaged as classical mistress at the high school here.

Mr. Wm. Clyde succeeds Mr. J. J. Bell to the principalship.

Rev. Mr. Judson, the Welland Canal missionary, addressed a meeting in

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"THERE'S A REASON."

The Baptist Church on Thursday evening and was listened to with much interest. His addresses are always inspiring.

Rev. R. L. Warner, of Alma Ladies' College, St. Thomas, will preach educational sermons in the Methodist Church on Sunday, Jan. 17.

THEY "KNOCKED" C. P. R.

Company Takes Action Over Alleged Defamatory Statements.

Chicago, Jan. 15.—A Chicago dispatch says: Judge Kohlsaat, in the United States circuit court, granted a temporary injunction to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, restraining Burton D. Nichols, George H. Nichols and the Nichols partnership, from circulating alleged defamatory circulars concerning the business of the railway company in selling Canadian lands. Nichols Brothers acted as agents in disposing of the land, embracing 3,000,000 acres in Canada up to a fortnight ago. The defendants have offices in Chicago and many other United States cities.

The circulars complained of are alleged to have been sent out by Nichols Brothers to clients explaining their withdrawal as agents of the railway on the grounds the latter's land was of little value.

See ballot for Free Advertiser European Trip on Page Two.

OBERNESSER COMMITTED

Charged With Hitting Man With a Billiard Cue in Hotel.

Hamilton, Jan. 15.—Jacob Obernesser, proprietor of the Union Hotel, for whom the police have been looking for two days, walked into the police court yesterday morning with his lawyer, Frank Morrison, and announced that he wished to give himself up to the court and stand his trial on the charge of assaulting John A. Walker on Tuesday night last at his hotel. The police did not put him in the prisoners' pen, and he sat beside his lawyer while his case went on. Walker said he was playing pool in the defendant's hotel on the night in question, and that he had a long reach to make to get a shot. He looked for a rest and did not find one and sat on the table. Obernesser asked him why he didn't use the rest and he said he couldn't find one. With that the defendant hit him with his cue. Robert Walker, brother of the complainant, corroborated his testimony, and as Obernesser did not want to testify, having declined to elect when he pleaded not guilty, he was committed for trial.

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NEITHER SALE OR LEASE

But Intercolonial May Be Put Under a New Management.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—In connection with the discussion which has been proceeding in the late press of Canada relative to the future of the Intercolonial Railway, Hon. George P. Graham, minister of railways, made the following statement today:

"Of course, I have been deeply interested in the newspaper discussion and the various policies which have been outlined for the Intercolonial Railway system. These articles have contained considerable information, which has not gone unnoticed. I do not regret this widespread discussion, because it tends to a better understanding of a problem which is not as generally understood as is desirable.

"It is a mistake to think that the idea of any changes in the working of the I. C. R. was inspired on account of the falling off in traffic this year. The truth is that the Government line in this respect is like all other roads, its condition certainly no worse.

"But company roads are constantly making changes for the better in their methods of management, and why not the Government lines?"

"I might say that if changes be decided on they will not include either the sale or the lease of the Government line."

SUGGESTS THE LASH

Might Be Used to Good Effect on Brutal Wife-Beaters.

Toronto, Jan. 15.—The grand jury at the assizes yesterday recommended the prohibition of mixed marriages between whites and blacks and between whites and Chinese. They also urged the law in addition to imprisonment for wife-beaters.

Referring to the clause last recommended, Justice Magee said: "I do not think the law could be improved, but the enforcement can be made more strict. A feeling seems to prevail that any man who is brutal enough to beat a wife, whom he has promised to love, cherish and protect, should receive the utmost punishment the law allows. Magistrates throughout the country are beginning to feel that in these cases a man does not fear a long punishment, which would seem to be true.

"It is said, however, that the lash is degrading. At the same time, it is true that men of this class cannot feel the shame and degradation of a lashing, and where they can only be made to feel through their skins, the lash might be used to good effect."

U. S. TO SUE PAPER

Washington, Jan. 15.—It is learned today upon reliable authority that the department of justice has turned over to United States Attorney Stimson, of the southern district of New York, all the papers connected with the Panama Canal purchase that has been the target for criticism for the last six months.

It is believed that this transfer is made with the view of bringing criminal action in New York against publishers of newspapers who have been held responsible for the reflections on the transaction. Attorney Stimson, it is expected, will turn the papers over to District Attorney Jerome for presentation to the grand jury that a suit may be brought under the laws of New York.

MISTAKE MADE IN LEAVING TIBET

Explorer Hedin Says Manchus Have Profited by Exclusion of the English.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 15.—Sven Hedin, the explorer, who is now en route to Stockholm, in chatting about his travels, said the English acted very illegally in their recent dealings with Tibet. They took it and then gave it up.

The result is that China, whose influence and authority there has been slack and waning for centuries, is now taking a firm hold again; in fact, is reaping the grip of steel in which the early Manchu emperors held the country.

Among the main causes of Hedin's immunity from the hostility to foreigners, which practically makes it impossible for others to explore Tibet, was a simple incident which quite undesignedly on his part made the natives ascribe miraculous powers to him. He said:

"I made several expeditions in a boat on the great lakes in the interior of Tibet, and there quickly spread remarkable legends through the country about a foreigner who had power over the elements and wings with which he could fly on the waters.

"The Tibetans came to believe that I commanded the weather, thanks to my boating trips, for they had never seen a boat of any kind before and never dreamed of venturing upon the water of their inland seas themselves in any way."

AYLESWORTH SUMMONED

Called to Washington in Connection With Waterways Treaty.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—A. E. Aylesworth has left for Washington, having been summoned by Hon. James Bryce in connection with the waterways treaty between Canada and the United States.

It is rumored that there are a number of details yet to be arranged before the treaty is signed, and it was deemed advisable to submit a number of points to the Minister of Justice first.

Here's a Message to All Women

MADAME LETOURNEAU TELLS THEM TO USE DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.

Read Why She Gives This Advice and How She Was Relieved of Her Sufferings.

St. Paul du Buton, Montmagny Co., Quebec, Jan. 15.—It is a message of hope that Madame F. X. Letourneau of this place sends to the suffering women of Canada.

"After my last child was born," she states, "I suffered with kidney disease which developed into rheumatism, sciatica and backache. I was fearfully nervous. My limbs were heavy and I had a dragging sensation across the loins and pains in the back of my head and through the eyes. I was a perfect wreck.

"Chancing to read that my symptoms were those of kidney disease I began using Dodd's Kidney Pills and began to improve. In a few days, six boxes worked a complete cure."

"Diseased kidneys are the cause of nine-tenths of the ills that make life a burden to so many women in Canada. Dodd's Kidney Pills always cure diseased kidneys."

FIFTY YEARS TO SEE END OF IRON ORE

So Declares Professor in Paper Dealing With Michigan Deposits.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Jan. 15.—Prof. John Ammen, of the engineering department, read a paper today before the Michigan Engineering Society, in which he showed the gas engine to be a great factor in the conservation of our national resources.

"One of the most important of our mineral resources is coal," said he, "and if we are to prosper as an industrial nation, the conservation of our coal supply is extremely important. The consumption of coal in this country is startling. At present we consume about 100,000,000 tons of coal annually for manufacturing purposes, at an average cost of \$2 per ton."

Professor Ammen from his point of view, showed how any considerable increase in the efficiency of motive power will mean a great saving of one of the most valuable resources.

R. C. Allen, also a professor in the University of Michigan, gave a paper on the mines of the Lake Superior region. Said he: "At the present rate of consumption it is not likely the iron ore will last more than 50 years. The United States uses 35,000,000 tons of iron a year. The iron trust is taking better care of this

Minard's Liniment Company, Limited: Gentlemen,—Last winter I received great benefit from the use of MINARD'S LINIMENT in a severe attack of la grippe, and I have frequently proved it to be very effective in cases of inflammation. Yours, W. A. HUTCHINSON.

No More Headaches

SUFFERED FROM CONSTANT HEADACHES—CURED BY "FRUIT-A-TIVES" WHEN DOCTORS FAILED.



"I was a sufferer from fearful headaches for over two years, sometimes they were so bad that I was unable to work for days at a time. I took all kinds of medicines, was treated by physicians and yet the headaches persisted. I was rarely free from headache. A short time ago I was advised to try 'Fruit-a-tives' and I did so with, I must confess, very little faith, but after I had taken them for three days my headaches were easier and in a week they left me. After I had taken a box of the tablets my appetite was quite cured. My appetite was always poor and my stomach had, as now my appetite is splendid and my digestion is excellent. I had become thin and weak from the constant headaches, but now not only have I been cured of all these awful headaches, but my strength is growing up once more, and I feel like a new man. I have taken in all three boxes of 'Fruit-a-tives.' I am exceedingly grateful to 'Fruit-a-tives' for curing me, and I give this unsolicited testimonial with great pleasure, as I hope thereby some other sufferer of headaches will be induced to try 'Fruit-a-tives' and will be cured." (Sgd.) B. Cornell.

Taylorville, Ont. "Fruit-a-tives" is now put up in the new 25c trial size as well as the regular 50c boxes. Write Fruit-a-tives, Limited, Ottawa, if your dealer will not supply you.

proposition than independent companies with strong competition can possibly do."

Speaking of the copper region of Michigan, Mr. Allen continued: "Michigan ranks third in the production of copper, but first in paying the largest dividends of any mining in the world."

INAUGURAL MEETING LONDON T.P. COUNCIL

Work of Assessing to be Done by Two Persons—Officials Chosen.

The first meeting of London township council for 1909 was held in the town hall, Arva, Monday, Jan. 11, when declarations of qualifications and of office were taken by George Kimball, reeve; R. W. Jackson, first deputy reeve; B. C. Brooks, second deputy reeve; Thomas Clark, third deputy reeve, and W. George Taylor, councillor. Upon request of the reeve, Rev. Mr. Mahon opened the proceedings with prayer. The following communications were read:

From A. C. Graydon, city engineer, and S. B. Clark, clerk of London, re account of \$432.24, alleged to be due from the township for work at outlet of Scanlan drain. Referred to the reeve to consult the township solicitor and to report at next meeting.

An account of \$19.25 for new parts for the township grader, from the Cilm Road Machine Company, was referred to R. W. Jackson.

In regard to an account of \$2.44 for title from W. D. Stanley, clerk of Bidulph Township, the clerk was instructed to communicate with Mr. Stanley as to where the title was used.

An invitation to the council to join the Ontario Municipal Association, and a petition to the Legislature to amend section 696 of the municipal act, which the council is asked to sign and send by the East Middlesex representative to the Legislature, were filed for reference.

An account from George Belton for lumber was referred to Thomas Clark to investigate and report at the next meeting.

An account of \$2 from F. W. Farncomb for horse hire in connection with the London Street Railway Company throwing snow on the sidewalk in Broughdale, was referred to the reeve. Dr. C. C. Ross was appointed medical health officer; A. Cummings, sanitary inspector; Edgar Lee, member of the board of health for three years.

Bylaw No. 541 to confirm the above appointments was passed. Joseph Ardell and T. H. Talbot were appointed auditors for London township for 1909, and were to receive \$42 to confirm the above appointments was passed.

J. L. Guest is to be paid \$53.33 for five sheep killed and several injured by dogs, and E. W. Helgway \$1 for valuing the same.

It was voted that St. Andrew's ward be represented by Reeve Kimball, St. David's ward by First Deputy Reeve Jackson, St. George's ward by Second Deputy Reeve Brooks, St. Lawrence ward by Third Deputy Reeve Clark, and St. Patrick's ward by Councillor Taylor.

It was decided to appoint two assessors for the township of London, St. George's and St. Lawrence wards to form one part, and St. Andrew's, St. David's and St. Patrick's to form the other. John Clark was chosen as assessor for St. Lawrence and St. George's wards at a salary of \$200; Mr. Bartlett to be assessor for the three north wards at a salary of \$175.

A motion that Wm. Knapton be appointed to assess St. David's, St. Andrew's and St. Patrick's wards at a salary of \$200, was lost. The question of the G. T. R. crossing at the intersection of Hale and Trafalgar streets was discussed and the matter referred to the reeve to instruct the township solicitors to communicate with the G. T. R. authorities asking that they send a representative to the next meeting of the township council to try to reach an agreement.

It was voted that the clerk be instructed to write Hon. Mr. Justice Ma-

Factory Sale of Beds, Springs and Mattresses

Last week a manufacturer, in order to clear out his stock and raise money, sold to us at a small rate on the dollar

120 Beds, 200 Springs, 200 Mattresses

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Reg. \$40 Brass Bed...\$29.00	Reg. \$10 Iron Bed...\$7.25
Reg. \$33 Brass Bed...\$24.00	Reg. \$8 Iron Bed...\$5.75
Reg. \$25 Brass Bed...\$17.50	Reg. \$6 Iron Bed...\$4.75
Reg. \$20 Brass Bed...\$14.50	Reg. \$4 Iron Bed...\$3.00

Springs	Pillows
Reg. \$6.00 Springs...\$3.75	Reg. \$6.00 pair...\$4.50
Reg. \$5.00 Springs...\$3.25	Reg. \$5.00 pair...\$3.50
Reg. \$4.00 Springs...\$2.85	Reg. \$4.00 pair...\$2.85
Reg. \$3.50 Springs...\$2.50	Reg. \$3.00 pair...\$2.00
	Reg. \$2.50 pair...\$1.50

Mattresses

Reg. \$12 Felt Mattress...\$9.00	Reg. \$6 Mattress for...\$4.50
Reg. \$10 Felt Mattress...\$7.75	Reg. \$5 Mattress for...\$3.75
Reg. \$9 Felt Mattress...\$6.50	Reg. \$4 Mattress for...\$2.75

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See as to when he will give his decision re street in lot 12, con. 2.

The following accounts were passed: Angus Fonger, half-cost of clearing out the drain, \$6; John Clark, refund of taxes overpaid, \$3.67; Francis Walden, digging township part of the Carmichael drain, \$8.75. Council adjourned. MARY GRANT, clerk.

See ballot for Free Advertiser European Trip on Page Two.

There is nothing worse than a silent judge, and there is no greater nuisance than a talking judge, said Lord Alverstone at Birmingham.

WAS IN BED FOR THREE MONTHS. PEOPLE SAID SHE HAD CONSUMPTION.

Read how Mrs. T. G. Buck, Bracesbridge, Ont., was cured (and also her little boy) by the use of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. She writes: "I thought I would write and let you know the benefit I have received through the use of your Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. A few years ago I was so badly troubled with my lungs people said I had Consumption and that I would not live through the Fall. I had two doctors attending me and they were very much alarmed about me. I was in bed three months and when I got up I could not walk, so had to go on my hands and knees for three weeks, and my limbs seemed of no use to me. I gave up all hopes of ever getting better when I happened to see in B.B. Almanac that Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup was good for weak lungs. I thought I would try a bottle and by the time I had used it I was a lot better, so got up and it made a complete cure. My little boy was also troubled with weak lungs and it cured him. I keep it in the house all the time and would not be without it for anything."

Price 25 cents at all dealers. Beware of imitations of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. Ask for it and insist on getting the original. Put up in a yellow wrapper and three pine trees the trade mark.

ALLAN LINE SAILINGS

TO LIVERPOOL	Halifax
Coracian sails From St. John. Jan. 22	Jan. 22
Heperian sails Feb. 5	Feb. 5
Tunisian sails Feb. 19	Feb. 19
Granplan sails Feb. 27	Feb. 27

TO GLASGOW

Sicilian sails from Boston. Jan. 23	Jan. 23
Laurentian sails from Boston. Feb. 6	Feb. 6

TO LONDON

Sardinian, from St. John. Feb. 4	Feb. 4
Pomeranian, from St. John. March 4	March 4

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TRAVELERS' GUIDE

BRIDGE AND TORONTO.

Corrected to Jan. 10, 1909.

Arrive from the east—7:45 a.m., 10:55 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 11:25 a.m., 8:30 p.m., 8:00 p.m., 10:10 p.m. Arrive from the west—12:00 a.m., 3:35 a.m., 11:25 a.m., 1:10 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 6:25 p.m. Depart for the east—7:12 a.m., 7:40 a.m., 7:50 a.m., 9 a.m., 11:35 a.m., 2:05 p.m., 4:25 p.m., 6:53 p.m. (Eastern Flyer). The trains leaving at 7:20 a.m. and 2:05 p.m. stop at all stations. Depart for the west—7:50 a.m., 7:40 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 11:45 a.m., 1:40 p.m., 8:15 p.m. The 7:40 a.m. and the 1:40 p.m. trains stop at all stations.

LONDON AND WINDSOR

Arrive—10:25 a.m., 4 p.m., 6:50 p.m. (Eastern Flyer), 11 p.m. Depart—6:35 a.m., 11:25 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 8:10 p.m. (International Limited).

STRAITFORD BRANCH

Arrive—7:25 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:35 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 11:25 p.m. Depart—6:00 a.m., 10:25 a.m., 2:45 p.m., 4:55 p.m.

LONDON, HURON AND BRUCE

Arrive—10:10 a.m., 6:10 p.m. Depart—8:30 a.m., 11:20 p.m.

Trains marked thus * run daily. Those not so marked run daily except Sunday.

PERE MARQUETTE RAILWAY

Depart—5:40 a.m., 7:10 a.m., 9:40 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 4:40 p.m. Arrive—3:45 a.m., 12:20 p.m., 1:50 p.m., 4:40 p.m., 9:20 p.m.

* To and from Walkerville without change. Trains not "starred" to Port Stanley.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY

Arrive—From the east—11:30 a.m., 8 p.m., 10:52 p.m. From the west—4:30 a.m., 8:55 a.m., 5:20 p.m. Depart—For the east—7:40 a.m., 8:48 a.m., 5:28 p.m. For the west—11:38 a.m., 8:23 p.m., 11:00 p.m. Trains marked thus * run daily. Those not so marked run daily except Sunday. **From Chatham only. ***Runs only to Chatham.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILWAY

Arrive—6:55 a.m., 11:10 a.m., 5:10 p.m., 8:50 p.m. Depart—7:15 a.m., 2:20 p.m., 5:35 p.m., 10:25 p.m. *Runs through to Waterford.

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INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY

For Copy of "Notes By the Way" With Timetable of Maritime Express

All Latest Sporting News and Gossip

The St. Marys O. H. A. Juniors Outclassed by the Local Seven

The Stone Town Team Defeated by Ten to Three.

The junior hockey game between London and St. Marys, which was played on the Princess rink last night, resulted in a score of 10 to 3 in favor of the locals.

There was a good deal of enthusiasm, though the brand of hockey played did not seem to warrant it. The St. Marys team were hopelessly outclassed, and that they could hold London down to that moderate score was a great point in their favor. The locals outskated and outshot the visitors, but as for combination, if there was any at all, St. Marys had the best of it. On only two occasions did the locals break away in systematic style, apparently to show what they could do if they really tried. The rest of the time it was lone rushes, the players making no particular effort to hold their positions, and hence even these rushes were inclined to be spoiled by the players crowding one another.

Easy for Locals.

Of course, there was no particular need to play good hockey. St. Marys is a new team, and consequently weak, and when the visitors did break away it was very easy for the local boys to save the situation by checking back. But the locals will have to put up a better effort than they did last night if they expect to make a showing against Stratford.

A good team, of course, would likely put them on their metal, and their previous games have proved that they have it in them. Their shooting, first-class, and with their combination in working order, they would be a

very formidable team.

Lackie Scores First.

Lackie made the first score after about three minutes' play. Iver, in goal, is careless, and an easy one of Jerry's Collins' escaped him. Meldrum gets the next, and Producers, not to be outdone, does a nice little bit of cross, zig-zag work, scoring the fourth goal. Wilson relieves several dangerous situations, but Meldrum succeeds in getting again. London's defence, wishing to get into the game, wandered up to the forward line, and Wilson broke loose, got right in on goal, and tallied. St. Marys' first score, McCosh stopped a nice shot, and Lackie battled the puck in.

Half-time score, London 6, St. Marys 1. Save for a few rushes, the puck never passed St. Marys' half of the ice, and the visitors were on the defensive during the whole game. The second half opened with a great combination rush, showing what London could have done if they had tried. Jerry Collins did the tallying. Meldrum added another. Producers then took a hand in it, and made the score 9 to 1. Munroe bores through the St. Marys defence to within two feet of goal, and from there shot wide. Collins drove a long shot, which Iver failed to get, though at this point of the game he was doing fine work. Jackson's shot rolled quietly in past Parkinson, much to the latter's surprise. With a short time to play Jackson again scores.

Final score—London 10, St. Marys 3. Parkinson.....Goal.....Iver McCosh.....Cover.....Wilson Munroe.....Rover.....Jackson Meldrum.....Centre.....Weston Jerry Collins.....Right.....Ellis Lackie.....Left.....Stephens Referee—Dr. Williams, Ingersoll.

Coverpoint's Philosophy

Toronto is getting into this indoor Marathon game, but it will be of the amateur brand, and the demon athletes will be given the privilege of running their heads off for glory and a medal. In the meantime the proceeds will be split a few ways. The game costs some few pennies now.

They are commencing to fine hockey players in Montreal. If a player is taxed every time he takes a punch at another the Ottawa hockey team will be owing itself about half a million in currency. They sure do scrap some.

That upheaval in the A. A. U. hints like a strong tale floating from the rear of some nice laughing gas joint. "Jeems" Sullivan will hold on to the reins for some time. He has those steeple-chasers just where he wants them, and without them the A. A. U. is not worth two whoops and the price of a fine. He's the one best bet.

The Detroit Tigers look like a good team this year, with Roseman, Bush, Schaefer and Moriarty on the infield, and that great outfield, McIntyre, Crawford and Cobb. If the pitchers stand up under the strain should come close to the flag again.

Toronto had a high-kicking contest, but as it was confined to members of the Y. M. C. A. nobody got excited over it.

For the first time in history two colored scrappers will fight for the heavyweight championship. The color line sure is drawn transversely now.

It will be interesting to note that T. Longboat says he will remain a loyal Canadian while he is collecting as many of Uncle Sam's shekels as he can get his hands on. Of course, he will certainly be a Canadian if he pulls off some deals that will give some of the American sports a few cramps. But if he comes through a winner every time out he will be one of the purest Americans discovered since John D. Rockefeller purchased the country.

Taking a slant at J. Johnson's itinerary it seems that he and Sam Fitzpatrick, his manager, are as near the money lay as one lamented T. Burns. The Senegambian has outlined a fine trip, Langford at London, a few more marks in France, and by easy stages hither and hence and then back to America to pick up some more of the root of all evil. Can you beat it? He is a wise owl, that black rascal, and when they get him when he is not looking, there will be no chickens on the roost.

Now that Bat Nelson has written his life, we are expecting Carrie Nation to come through with the story of her hatchet swinging days. We must be entertained. Perhaps Tom Longboat will dot his impressions down in legible Choctaw or something of that kind.

See ballot for Free Advertiser European Trip on Page Two.

T. Roosevelt rode 98 miles on horseback the other day, just to show that he was there on the endurance thing. Possibly that will follow the professional Marathon as the next phase of dementia Americana.

Daily health hints from the Chicago Tribune.

Shut the door. Keep the draft off your ankles. Bet somebody the dinners for four that you are not afraid to take

satisfied.

My word, what a slaughter the Simcoe team made of the much-touted Ingersoll team. Looks pretty good from this angle.

Alfie Shrubbs says the last 15 miles will be plum pudding for him. Look out for indigestion some place in the journey.

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T. Roosevelt was honored with a visit from B. Nelson yesterday, just to congratulate each other on the hard knocks handed out to opponents. But said the President handed Ben Tillman a beauty, but he could not tell what started the riot. Good advertising.

The presence of the Glen trophy in the city will instill not a little enthusiasm into the curling game here. Sid Swift is a crack skip, and with such a third as Bill Fulton there was nothing to it but to get the trophy. Mr. Tune and Mr. Sterling are always steady and strong, and if this quartet keep going as they have, the trophy will tarry with us almost as long as it did with Brock McCall's Southampton four. By the way, the Thistle Club bonspiel next week should be a daisy as there will be some crack curlers here. The Grand Rapids boys will be on hand, and that will mean something. They are great sportsmen, are these Michiganders, and are always good.

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Constable Tom Longboat

New York, Jan. 16.—The Tribune this morning says:

Tom Longboat, the Indian Marathon runner, used his speed yesterday to bring into the hands of the police James Smith, a negro, who, it is charged, tried to steal a coat from a Tenderloin tailor shop. Sixth avenue, in the neighborhood of Thirtieth street, was treated to the sight of the famous long-distance runner giving a public exhibition without charge.

Paul Paskin, a tailor at No. 145 West Thirty-first street, had vainly pursued the man with the coat to Thirty-ninth street, where Longboat and his manager chanced to be. Smith was turning into Thirtieth street, going toward Broadway at top-notch speed. Before the block had been covered by Smith the Indian spurred up behind him, and took him by the collar to Patrolman Haggerty, of the West Thirtieth street station.

The discomfort of being held on a charge of attempted larceny was lessened when Smith learned that he had a distinguished captor.

A FEW WEEKS

ALL JIM NEEDS

Jeffries Could Easily Get Into Condition, Says Sporting Writer.

Reports from Los Angeles say that Jeffries is in much better shape than half the sporting world would imagine. After being away for over four years the big fellow's condition surprised even his own friends, who still insist that it will be but a matter of weeks before he is ready to retake the title.

H. M. Walker, sporting editor of the Los Angeles Examiner, a keen judge of condition and a close friend of Jeffries, says that in eight weeks Jeff will make Johnson jump out of the ring. Walker has a better opportunity of seeing and knowing Jeff than any sporting chronicler in the country, and what he says can be depended upon.

But it makes little difference what any one thinks of Jeff's speed and wind. Experience has taught many a retired athlete that he cannot come back, especially after four years of goodfellowship. The pictures which were taken of Jeff last night when he was in the gym are not altogether encouraging. He looked as fat as Jim Roche, the Irishman who fought T. Burns, ex-possessor of the thing Jeff won by six lengths.

There's a sad difference between the picture as he is today and the one he presented the night I saw him out-box that sparring marvel, Jim Corbett, in the old Mechanics Pavilion, in San Francisco. I hope for the sake of the game that he can come back again and win. It's going to be a mighty big white man's burden for a mighty big man, run to seed.

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MARATHON AT CHATHAM

Indoor Event Won Easily by Outdoor Winner.

Chatham, Jan. 15.—In a ten-mile indoor race, Jan. 15, Chittum, winner of the former race, again demonstrated his prowess by running rings around twelve others. Chittum was so far ahead that he could walk part of the way. Time, one hour and one minute. The champion, Clarence Higley, hugged Chittum closely, when Chittum spurred and turned a few laps on Higley. Roy Miller was a far-away second at the end.

BRANTFORD BUYS CROUT

Ward Reports and McNamara Will Come Later.

Brantford, Jan. 15.—Unable to make immediate arrangements with other players whom he is seeking, Manager Brown this morning bought Croust for the professional club. Croust was experienced in getting a right wing man who can shoot left-handed. Croust can do this, and will be kept for the season. Johnny Ward arrived from Montreal this morning. George McNamara, of Montreal, will be secured later, as Ward says he is available, but he could not be brought here in time for the game tonight.

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Hyland Was Outfought by McFarland

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back after every exchange with the exception of the final round. McFarland landed more clean blows than Hyland and was stronger at the finish. He started after Hyland in the first round, fighting him from one side of the ring to the other. Charles Epton was the referee.

LAST NIGHT'S HOCKEY SCORES

Brantford, Jan. 15.—Brantford won from Galt in a fast game played here tonight. The half-time score was 6 to 4, while the full time showed a score of Brantford 16, Galt 8. The teams: Brantford—Goal, Mead; point, Povey; cover, MacDonald; rover, Ward; centre, Smith; right, Crout; left, Throop.

Galt—Goal, Mercer; point, Charlton; cover, Murphy; rover, G. Cochrane; centre, Dussone; right, M. Cochrane; left, Owen. Referee—Krueger.

Dutchmen Win. Berlin, Jan. 15.—Guelph went down before Berlin in the Professional League game played here tonight by a score of 10 to 2. Dubeau, a new man from the Montreal Shamrocks, had his skull laid open in the second half by the puck shot by Mercer. He will be out of the game for some time. The teams:

Berlin—Goal, Lehman; point, Dubeau; cover, Young; rover, Seibert; centre, Edmunds; left, Dumart; right, Serviss. Guelph—Goal, Damon; point, Sanford; cover, Goodwin; rover, Nason; centre, Mercer; left, Dougherty; right, Moffatt.

Referee—Peter Layden, Paris. Woodstock Loses. Stratford, Jan. 15.—Woodstock's aspirations for the junior O. H. A. championship suffered a rather heavy jar, when Stratford succeeded in defeating them by 15 to 5 tonight. The first half stood 7 to 0 in Stratford's favor. It was Stratford all the way, and but for Woodstock's defence might have ended in a still larger score. Stone, Boyce and Smith distinguished themselves by their fine work. Gustin loosened up after the first half, too. For Stratford Simpson, Rankin and Preston were the stars. The teams:

Stratford—Goal, Dillon; point, Richards; cover, Preston; rover, Banks; centre, Dorland; left, Simpson; right, Bradshaw. Woodstock—Goal, Smith; point, Bryce; cover, Stone; rover, Gustin; centre, Wilson; left, Pascoe; right, Hambley.

Referee—Wettlauffer. Ingersoll Eclipse. Simcoe, Jan. 15.—The fine work of Platt, Rucker and Oatman enabled Simcoe to pile up a score on Ingersoll, contrary to general expectation. The final score was 19-8 in Simcoe's favor. Ingersoll played up well, but except for Hay, Kelly and Cross, the team was not in the same class, and Simcoe got away for a lead that the Ingersoll boys could not equal. The teams:

Simcoe—Goal, Pym; point, Rucker; cover, Thompson; rover, Platt; centre, Cratt; right, Oatman; left, Andrews. Ingersoll—Goal, Cross; point, Bears; cover, Hay; rover, Woolson; centre, Gregory; right, Mason; left, Kelly. Referee—Hancock.

St. Catharines, Jan. 15.—Toronto won from St. Catharines in the Professional League after a ragged game played here tonight, the score was Toronto 7, St. Catharines 4.

Palmerston, Jan. 15.—Palmerston won from Wingham in the Northern League series game played here tonight by the close score of 6 to 5.

Listowel, Jan. 15.—Listowel defeated Lucknow in the Northern League game here tonight by 13 goals to 5.

GOOD GAMES ON IDEAL ALLEYS

There was a good deal of interest displayed in the games played at the Ideal alleys last night. Four teams from the Geo. White Manufacturing Company tried conclusions. Many of the players were bowling for the first time, but on the whole the scores were good.

The scores:

	Cubs.		
Foster.....	104	114	76-297
White.....	128	123	183-425
Walker.....	102	106	89-297
Rumple.....	125	135	105-365
Allaster.....	94	76	94-281
	585	553	627-1,643

Mud Larks.

Larkin.....	182	129	147-448
Gower.....	145	150	117-412
Fitzgerald.....	116	76	121-813
Agar.....	142	140	101-384
Leo.....	76	79	87-242
	642	584	673-1,799

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Miss Belle Ogden, Alex. Omond, Mr. and Mrs. George O'Neill.

Mrs. R. W. Piddington, E. W. Pope, Miss Pennington, W. Pope, and Mrs. A. Purdom, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Purdom, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Purdom, Mr. and Mrs. R. Parsons, Col. and Mrs. Peters, Miss Edna Pocock, Thomas Purdom, Jun., Wilson Purdom.

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Miss Florence Stevens, Mrs. D. Stewart, Miss Nina Sanborn, Mrs. D. Seachord, Mrs. Somerville, Miss Somerville, Col. A. M. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Smith, Major Shannon, J. R. Smallman, A. C. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Stuart, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Sterling, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Sumner, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Silverwood, Mr. and Mrs. F. Scream, Dr. J. L. Stewart, H. Struthers, E. Struthers, Dr. A. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Spencer, Dr. A. E. Santo, Dr. A. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. S. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Steward, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Sterling, Mr. and Mrs. B. Shaw-Wood, W. J. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Sam. Scream, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Shaw, Harry Scarfe, Ingersoll, Miss Stewart, Hugh Stuartworth.

Marjorie Thompson, Port Huron, Miss J. T. Torry, Buffalo, J. J. Tierney, Leonard Tilley, Dr. Tillmann, Miss Tillmann, Mr. and Mrs. W. Thompson, Mr. Fred Treiblock, Clarence Taft, R. M. C. Toole, Miss L. Torry, Brantford.

Miss Underwood. Dr. F. F. Vrooman, Mrs. Arthur Van Roughton, Toronto.

Mrs. W. White, Dunnville, Mrs. W. E. Winnett, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur White, Dr. and Mrs. W. White, Dr. and Mrs. John D. Wilson, Dr. George Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Williams, Wm. Wright, Miss Wright, Gilbert Ward, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Ware, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wismer, Harold Wood, Major Wynne, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Woakes, Miss M. Walker, St. Thomas, Miss Whitman, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Woodward.

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City and District

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—The Physical Care of Children will be the subject of a talk by Miss Shaw-Hellier at the Collegiate Institute on Tuesday evening. The talk will be to women.

Lobo Woman's Institute.
A meeting of Lobo Women's Institute will be held at 2 p.m., Jan. 20, at the home of Mrs. John A. Campbell, Ivan. Roll called answered by a New Year's greeting or by a witty anecdote. A good meeting is assured, and all ladies welcome.

Huron College Appointments.
The appointments at Huron College for Sunday are: Listowel, S. S. Hardy; Walkerton, W. B. Hawkins; Inwood and Sutherland, G. Morris; Adelaide, A. L. G. Charles; Napier, N. Ward; Lambeth, E. Hawkins; Delaware, G. Tully; Port Burwell, W. Blackwell; Aged People's Home, H. Hutton. Wednesday afternoon lecture at Protestant Orphans' Home, N. Ward.

Membership of One Hundred.
The steady progress of the Worley Road Mothers' Club was in evidence last night, when the membership reached the half-hundred mark. The home life of children was ably discussed in its many phases in a well-delivered paper by Mrs. Alex. Henderson. The club was further entertained by a solo from Mr. George Saunders.

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THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

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The 39th annual statement of this bank may be seen in another column of today's Advertiser.

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That the Royal Bank has kept the convenience of its customers steadily in view is shown by the fact that the ordinary current loans and discounts show an increase over the preceding year. Net profits, after deducting all charges and providing for bad and doubtful debts, totalled \$748,775.50, which, with a balance at credit, carried forward, left \$208,885.28 available for distribution. A dividend at the rate of 10 per cent amounted for \$390,000 of this, \$200,000 was written off bank premises account, and \$210,000 transferred to reserve fund, which has now reached \$4,600,000 against a paid-

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Names of candidates who have been nominated properly will be published every day, if possible, with the number of votes such candidates have received. If the name of the lady you want to vote for is not in the list, nominate her properly when you send your ballots, or before, if possible. Ballots sent in containing the names of candidates not regularly placed in nomination will be destroyed uncounted.

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No employee of The Advertiser or member of an employee's family will be eligible as a candidate.

Any successful candidate shall have the right to name a substitute, subject to our approval, if unable to go herself. Such substitute must be named seven days before the date set for leaving London.

Any question or controversies that may arise will be settled by The Advertiser alone. All candidates must accept and agree to abide by the above conditions.

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Queen Victoria's Joy and Grief--Her Private Letters

Another Installment of Her Correspondence —Sorrow Over Loss of Her Mother— Prince Albert's Illness and Death—The Queen's Outburst of Anguish.

Appended are several of Queen Victoria's letters recently published. They refer to her wedding anniversary, to the death of her mother, the Duchess of Kent, and to the illness and death of her husband. They reveal the sympathetic and affectionate nature of the Queen, and have a deeply human interest. The woman, not the sovereign, speaks.

HER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

Queen Victoria to the King of the Belgians
Buckingham Palace, 12th Feb., 1861.
My Dearest Uncle,—Many, many thanks for your dear letter of the 8th. Here we have cold again since the day before yesterday, and last night seven degrees of frost. On Sunday we celebrated, with feelings of deep gratitude and love, the twenty-first anniversary of our blessed marriage, a day which had brought us, and I may say the world at large, such incalculable blessings! Very few can say with me that their husband at the end of twenty-one years is not only full of the friendship, kindness and affection which a truly happy marriage brings with it, but the same tender love of the very first days of our marriage!

We missed dear Mamma and three of our children, but had six dear ones round us—and assembled in the evening those of our household still remaining who were with us then! . . . In Parliament things go on quietly enough, and everyone hopes for a short session. . . . Hoping that these lines will find you well, believe me ever, your devoted niece,
VICTORIA R.

DEATH OF DUCHESS OF KENT.

Queen Victoria to the King of the Belgians
Frogmore, 16th March, 1861.
My Dearly Beloved Uncle,—On this, the most dreadful day of my life, does your poor broken-hearted child write one line of love and devotion. She is gone! That precious, dearly beloved tender mother—whom I never parted from but a few months—without whom I can't imagine life—has been taken from us! It is too dreadful! But she is at peace—rest—her fearful sufferings at an end! It was quite painless—though there was very distressing, heartrending breathing to witness. I held her dear, dear hand in mine to the very last, which I am truly thankful for! But the watching that precious life going out was fearful! Alas! she never knew me! But she was spared the pang of parting! How this will grieve and distress you! You who

are now doubly precious to us. Good Afternoon with us all through, and deeply afflicted, and wishes to say everything kind to you. Bertie and Lenchen are now here—all much grieved, and have seen her sleeping peacefully and eternally! Dearest Albert is dreadfully overcast—and well he may be, for she adored him! I feel so truly verwaast. God bless and protect you. Ever your devoted and truly unhappy niece and child,
VICTORIA R.

P.S.—The devotion of dearest mamma's ladies and maids is not to be described. Their love and their devotion were too touching. There we all were round her—the poor, good, old Clark, who is so devoted to us all. Ever again, your devoted child,
VICTORIA R.

HER MOTHER'S FUNERAL.

Queen Victoria to the King of the Belgians
Windsor Castle, 26th March, 1861.
My Dearest Uncle,—Your sad little letter of the 21st reached me on Saturday. On Sunday I took leave of those dear beloved remains—a dreadful moment; I had never been near a coffin before, but dreadful and heartrending as it was, it was so beautifully arranged that it would have pleased her, and most probably she looked down and blessed us—as we poor sorrowing mortals knelt around, overwhelmed with grief! It was covered with wreaths, and the carpet strewn with sweet, white flowers. And our daughters did not go yesterday—it would have been far too much for me—and Albert when he returned, with tearful eyes told me it was well I did not go—so affecting had been the sight—so universal the sympathy.

Poor little Arthur went too. I and my girls prayed at home together, and dwelt on her happiness and peace. But, oh! dearest uncle—the loss—the truth of it—which I cannot, do not realize even when I go (as I do daily) to Frogmore—the blank becomes daily worse!

The constant intercourse of forty-one years cannot cease without the total want of power of real enjoyment of anything. A sort of cloud, which hangs over you, and seems to oppress everything—and a positive weakness in the powers of reflection and mental exertion. The doctors tell me I must not attempt to force this. Long conversation, loud talking, the talking of many people together, I can't bear yet. It must come very gradually. . . . I try to be, and very often am, quite resigned—but dearest uncle, this is a life of sorrow. On all festive or mournful occasions, on all family events, her love and sympathy will be so fearfully wanting. Then again, except Albert (who I very often don't see but very little in the day), I have no human being except our children, and that is not the same "Verchaltense," to open myself to; and besides, a woman requires woman's society and sympathy sometimes, as men do men's. All this, beloved uncle, will show you that, without dwelling constantly upon it, or moping or becoming morbid, though the blank and the loss to me, in my isolated position especially, is such a dreadful, and such an irreparable one, the worst trials are yet to come. My poor birthday, I can hardly think of it! Strange it is how often little trifles, insignificant in themselves, upset one more even than greater things. . . . But the general sympathy for me, and approval of the manner in which I have shown my grief, as well as the affection and respect for dearest mamma's memory in the country, is only kept his bed entirely since Monday. Many, many thanks for your

Ever your devoted niece,
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THE QUEEN STILL HOPEFUL.

Queen Victoria to the King of the Belgians
Windsor Castle, 12th December, 1861.
My Beloved Uncle,—I can again rejoice favorably of our most precious invalid. He maintains his ground well—had another very good night—takes plenty of nourishment, and shows surprising strength. I am constantly in and out of his room, but since the first four dreadful nights, last week, before they had declared it to be gastric fever—I do not sit up with him at night as I could be of no use; and there is nothing to cause alarm. I go out twice a day for about an hour. It is a very trying time, for a fever with its despondency, weakness, and occasional and invariable wandering, is most painful to witness—but we have never had one unfavorable symptom; tomorrow, reckoning from the 22nd, when dear Albert first fell ill!—after going on a wet day to look at some buildings—having likewise been unusually depressed with worries of different kinds—is the end of the third week; we may hope for improvement after that, but the doctors say they think it will not be at all disappointed if this did not take place till the end of the fourth week. I cannot sufficiently praise the skill, attention and devotion of Dr. Jenner, who is the first fever doctor in Europe, one may say—and good old Clark is here every day; good Brown is also most useful. . . . We have got Dr. Watson (who succeeded Dr. Chambers) and Sir H. Holland has also been here. But I have kept clear of these two. Albert sleeps a good deal in the day. He is moved every day into the next room on a sofa which is made up as a bed. He has only kept his bed entirely since Monday. Many, many thanks for your

dear, kind letter of the 11th. I knew how you would feel for and think of me. I am very wonderfully supported, and, excepting on three occasions, have borne up very well. I am sure Clark will tell you so. Ever your most devoted niece,
VICTORIA R.

DEATH OF PRINCE ALBERT.

Queen Victoria to the King of the Belgians
Osborne, 20th December, 1861.
My Own, Dearest, Kindest Father,—For as such have I ever loved you! The poor, fatherless baby of eight months is now the utterly broken-hearted and crushed widow of forty-two! My life as a happy one is ended! The world is gone for me! If I must live on (and I will do nothing to make me worse than I am), it is henceforth for our poor fatherless children—for my unhappy country, which has lost all in losing him—and in only doing what I know and feel he would wish, for he is near me—his spirit will guide and inspire me! But oh! to be cut off in the prime of life—to see our pure, happy, quiet, domestic life, which alone enabled me to bear my much disliked position, cut off at forty-two—when I had hoped with such instinctive certainty that God never would part us, and would let us grow old together (though he always talked of the shortness of life)—is too awful, too cruel! And yet it must be for his good, his happiness! His purity was outwardly separated from him, and too great, his aspiration too high for this poor, miserable world! His great soul is now only enjoying that for which it was worthy! And I will not envy him—only pray that mine may be perfected by it and fit to be with him eternally, for which blessed moment I earnestly long. Dearest, dear uncle, how kind of you to come! It will be an unspeakable comfort, and

you can do much to tell people to do what they ought to do. As for my own good, personal servants—poor Philipps in particular—nothing can be more devoted, heartbroken as they are, and anxious only to live as he wished! Ever your devoted, wretched child,
VICTORIA R.

A NOBLE RESOLVE.

Queen Victoria to the King of the Belgians
Osborne, 24th December, 1861.
My Beloved Uncle,—Though, please God! I am to see you so soon, I must write these few lines to prepare you for the trying, sad existence you will find it with your poor, forlorn, desolate child—who drags on a weary, pleasureless existence! I am also anxious to repeat one thing, and that one is my firm resolve, my irrevocable decision, viz., that his wishes—his plans—about everything, his views about everything are to be my law! And no human power will make me swerve from what he decided and wished—and I look to you to support and help me in this. I apply this particularly as regards our children—Bertie, etc.—for whose future he had traced everything so carefully. I am also determined that no one person, may be ever so good, ever so devoted among my servants—is to lead or guide or dictate to me. I know how he would disapprove it. And I live on with him, for him; in fact I am only outwardly separated from him, and too great, his aspiration too high for this poor, miserable world! His great soul is now only enjoying that for which it was worthy! And I will not envy him—only pray that mine may be perfected by it and fit to be with him eternally, for which blessed moment I earnestly long. Dearest, dear uncle, how kind of you to come! It will be an unspeakable comfort, and

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The Happenings of a Week in the Old Land

ENGLAND

The disappearance of a Chester clerk and the discovery that the funds of a Chester savings bank are missing led to the issuing of a warrant for the arrest of the young man on the charge of stealing \$1,500.

A recommendation made by the day schools sub-committee was adopted by the education committee of the London county council for the sanction of four open-air mixed schools immediately after the Easter holidays, to last until the following October. One of the schools will be at Birley House, London road, Forest Hill, which will accommodate 75 children. Another will be at Shrewsbury House, Shooter's Hill, where 100 children will be accommodated. The third school will be at Montpelier House, Upper Holloway, where accommodation will be found for 75 children. The site of the fourth will be determined later. A maintenance fund of \$22,000 will be provided.

Rev. Lord William Gascoyne Cecil, rector of Hatfield, and Lady Florence Cecil, are about to leave for a two months' visit to China. In connection with a joint American and British scheme to found a Chinese university on Christian lines.

Rev. W. W. Wingfield, vicar of Gulval, who preached in the parish church recently, and also officiated at a funeral, has just attained his 95th birthday.

The Earl of Denbigh, speaking at the Insurance Institute, said some historians said the Honorable Artillery Company dated back to the time of William Rufus, but it was unquestionably incorporated under royal charter by King Henry VIII. In 1537, since 1550 the reigning sovereign, the prince consort, or the heir-apparent, had always been colonel of the regiment.

In trying to save an orange, which had slipped from his hands at the window of a flat, a boy of 14 years fell through the window, crashed through a glass pane in front of the house, and broke the neck of another child who was passing. The boy picked up the orange, but died of internal injuries.

Mr. Thomas Williams, of Llangorse, Breconshire, who has just celebrated his 100th birthday, is still able to attend service three times on Sunday, and teaches a class in the Sunday school.

The committee of the Gloucestershire County cricket club have received the resignation of Dr. E. M. Grace as secretary, and have placed on record a flattering appreciation of his services in that capacity. Thus for the first time in the history of Gloucestershire cricket there is now no member of the famous Grace family connected officially with the club.

Hamstead town clerk has received \$120 conscience money from a man who stole a shovel from the corporation five years ago.

Mr. Edgar T. Cook, assistant organist of Worcester Cathedral, has been appointed organist and choir-master of Southwark Cathedral.

Tradesmen in Fife road, Kingston-on-Thames, devoted the money usually spent on Christmas decorations to a dinner for poor children.

London Sunday school choir will hold its spring festival at Albert Hall, Feb. 20, and sing a great Crystal Palace festival Jan. 16.

London law courts have decided that wedding presents, unless specially given to the husband, belong to the wife as much as to the husband.

At a meeting of Glamorgan teachers at Bridgend on Saturday it was stated that there were 1,000 trained certificated teachers out of employment.

Cardiff ranks as the largest port in the United Kingdom for the export of coal. Its output last year exceeded that of the Tyne ports by four million tons.

On Nov. 1 the number of infantry soldiers in the army reserve, irrespective of special reservation,

Disease Comes Through the Blood

TO CURE COMMON AILMENTS THE BLOOD MUST BE MADE RICH AND RED.

Nearly all the diseases that afflict mankind are caused by bad blood, weak watery blood poisoned by impurities. Bad blood is the cause of headaches and backaches, lumbago and rheumatism, debility and indigestion, neuralgia, and other troubles, and the disgusting skin diseases like eczema and salt rheum that show how impure the blood actually is. It is no use trying a different medicine for each disease because they all spring from one cause—bad blood. To cure any of these diseases you must get right down to the root of the trouble in the blood. That is just what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills do. That is why they make new, rich blood. That is why they cure these diseases when common medicines fail. Mr. Henry Baker, Chipman, N. B., says: "About a year ago I was so weak and miserable that I thought I would not live to see spring again. I could neither work, eat nor sleep. My blood was in a terrible condition. My entire body broke out with pimples and small boils that would itch and pain and caused me great trouble. I went to the doctor and tried several medicines but to no effect. I was almost in despair when one day a friend asked me why I did not try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I decided to try them and took altogether eight boxes. By the time I had finished them I was like a different man. They not only purified and enriched my blood, but built up my whole system and I have not had a pimple on my flesh nor a sick day since."

To enrich the blood you must get the genuine pills with the full name "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People" on the wrapper around the box. Sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 50c a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Brockville, Ont.

was \$1,430. These are the latest figures issued.

Lord Avebury contends that the greater number of men out of work are either thrown out by age, or strikes, are engaged in season trades, or are unskilled laborers.

The Earl of Shaftesbury, who has been singing in London for charity, refused an offer of \$5,000 for each of twenty guaranteed appearances in America. He has an excellent tenor voice.

Dr. Cosmo Gordon Lang, archbishop-elect of York, dedicated a processional cross at St. Matthew's Church, Upper Clapton, in memory of the late Rev. J. Cullin, M. A., for some fifteen years vicar of the parish.

After having been buried for six hours by a fall of rock, Lord Ellesmere's Bridgewater collieries, Worsley, miners named Dickens and Bagley, were extricated alive. Dickens was seriously injured.

Ald. Bentley, of Middleton, presided at a dinner of a reservoir constructed for Heywood and Middleton water board, at Ashworth Moor. It holds 400 million gallons and cost \$1,250,000.

London House, St. James' Square, the bishop of London, is to have a sale in aid of the Guild of the Poor. Brave things of woodwork and needlework made by crippled boys and girls at the Heritage Craft School, Chislehurst, are on hand.

A large gathering of volunteers, serving and retired, who served in the City Imperial Volunteers during the early stages of the South African campaign, met for a concert and reunion.

Mr. Justice Neill granted a petition by the Junior Army and Navy Stores, Limited, extending its memorandum of association so as to enable the company to supply the public generally, as well as shareholders, subscribers and their friends.

Two sergeants and a constable who did special duty at Osborne during the visit of the King and Queen of Spain have received from his majesty the Cross of the Royal Order of Isabella the Catholic.

The last pen used by Charles Dickens was sold at Messrs. Sotheby's rooms. The pen, a quill, was the one Dickens was using at the time of his death, when writing "Edwin Drood."

Mr. Horace Wilkinson, of Farnfield, Sevenoaks, the owner of Oliver Cromwell's skull, is dead. The bungalow where Mrs. Luard was murdered was on Mr. Wilkinson's estate.

After having had his heart stitched, Edgar Grand, brother of Butler, who was accidentally stabbed with a butcher's knife in Leeds infirmary from pneumonia.

For the purpose of experimenting with air-sized flying machines the Aeronautical Society of Great Britain has acquired a ground at Dagenham, near Barking.

The Prince and Princess of Wales, as Duke and Duchess of York, have given the permission of attending the historical pageant to be held at York next year.

The King has written to Mr. Carnegie, expressing his appreciation of the millionaire's many beneficent gifts, and asking his acceptance of a portrait of himself.

The Princess of Wales and her children have sent a large box of toys for the children of the Princess Margaret Homes, Addlestone, near Chertsey.

Bandmen in the Midlands complain that owing to the popularity of whist drives, engagements for dances are few and far between.

The Duke of Westminster has contributed \$25,000 to the bishop's fund for unemployed.

At the inquest on Arthur Healy Small, 10, who fell dead during school hours at Shetwood, near Buckingham, the verdict of "death from natural causes" was returned.

Mr. R. R. Dees, one of the oldest solicitors in England, died recently at Wallasey, near Newcastle. He was born in 1814, and commenced practice in 1831.

Mr. Strangers' Home for Asiatics, Limehouse, the Government of Japan has given \$500 in recognition of the care accorded to Japanese subjects by the institution.

Mr. Wm. Whalley, who has died at South Fyndon, was steward of the Addington Palace estates for four archbishops of Canterbury—Longley, Tait, Benson and Temple.

Dr. John Harrison, the coroner for East Essex, has resigned his post as public vaccinator for the Braintree district, which he had held for a quarter of a century, in consequence of so many parents obtaining certificates exempting their children from vaccination.

The local government board issued a return of the total cost of poor relief for the first half of last year, showing that in London it was 8s 2½d per head of population, against 4s 4d the year previous and for England and Wales 4s 2d against 4s 1½d.

For saving a little girl from being run over by a train, Charles Bernard, a Harwich boy, is to receive the bronze medal of the Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem, from the hands of the Prince of Wales, at Marlborough House.

While an old mill was being demolished at Blackburn a portion of the building suddenly collapsed, killing three men and seriously injuring four. The names of those killed are Edward McManus, A. Hanley and S. Duckworth.

Dr. Garrett Anderson, the woman mayor of Aldeburgh, Suffolk, gave a banquet to 40 councillors and other guests. The mayor, dressed in black with a widow's cap, and wearing dia-

While walking past a small plantation some distance from Grately, in Hampshire, a gentleman saw a horse's head fixed between two limbs of a tree, and on going up to it he found the animal dead. It had been ridden by a groom in the employ of Mr. H. C. Stephens, of Cholderton, who in following the hounds became unseated. The horse bolted, and apparently while galloping at a high speed came in contact with the fork between the limbs of a tree with such force as to cause its death.

Fifteen minutes after being placed in a police cell at Wokingham, Durham, on a charge of cattle stealing, Wm. Angus, a farmer, of Westgate, was found hanging to the iron bar of the cell window. The man's coat had been suspended to the bar, and the sleeves of the garment had been tied around his neck.

Representatives of the six towns of the Potteries met recently, and eventually came to an agreement. The six towns are to have different rates for twenty years, but there will be only one administrative area. The new borough will be the twelfth largest in England will be known as Stoke-on-Trent.

Dr. Chase, bishop of Ely, in an almshouse at Leighton Buzzard, confirmed three aged inmates who were too infirm to attend the public service in the parish church. He was assisted in full canonicals, and was attended by the vicar of the parish as chaplain. The eldest candidate was 81 years of age.

In the South Palt, one of the oldest streets in Chichester, three human skeletons have been unearthed. They were those of two men and a woman, and were less than two feet beneath the road surface. Close by the woman's skull was a piece of tortoiseshell comb. The bodies apparently had been buried in a shallow grave, but no light has been thrown upon their identity.

The Royal Humane Society have awarded their diploma to Messrs. C. M. Macleod and E. S. Taberner, two sorting clerks and telegraphists employed in the circulation branch of the Liverpool head postoffice, for rescuing two young men from drowning while bathing from Wallasey shore, on Aug. 18 last.

Regulations issued by the local government board to local authorities throughout England and Wales provide for the compulsory notification of pulmonary tuberculosis among the inmates of hospitals, and among persons under the care of district medical officers within forty-eight hours of the first recognition of the symptoms. The order came into force on Jan. 1.

An army order just issued states that, with a view to augmenting the reserve of the Royal Army Medical Corps, it is proposed to invite transfers from reservists of the infantry of the line who have not less than two years to serve, the number not to exceed 1,000.

The First Battalion of the Royal Scots, now at Shorncliffe, will embark at Southampton for Hongkong, for Bombay, to be stationed at Shanklin. The same vessel, leaving Bombay on Feb. 17, will bring home the Second Royal Scots for Edinburgh.

ter Byrne, of Glenealy, county Wicklow, and Blackrock, county Dublin. The deceased took an active part in public affairs and was a strong Nationalist.

The funeral of the late Sir Thomas Cleve, D. L., high sheriff of Limerick, took place from his late residence, Sunnyside, for St. Mary's Cathedral. The cortege was of immense proportions.

Sergeant-Major Nicholas, of the Eighteenth Hussars, was shot dead through the heart by a private of the same regiment. It is said that the affair was due to the accidental discharge of a rifle.

A deputation from the workmen's temperance committee has waited on the Dublin Trades Council, and asked for the co-operation of the council in removing the meetings of trades union bodies from licensed premises.

In the presence of a large assembly of Gaelic a memorial was unveiled on Dec. 6 at Rathnew Cemetery, county Wicklow, to the late Timothy Doyle. It took the shape of a beautifully carved Celtic cross.

There is soon to be a guano mill started in Sligo, the first of its kind in Ireland.

Engineers at Kilworth, county Cork, have been destroyed by fire.

About 400 malsters employed in Dublin breweries struck work for increased wages.

The parish parish branch, U. L. L. Athlone, have subscribed the sum of \$125 to the parliamentary fund.

A wild heifer breaking loose in a street of Armagh recently injured an old woman, a street vendor.

Rev. Francis Gilmartin, of Sligo, recently left that town to take up missionary work in New Zealand.

A farmer named Michael Clyne, Killybeg, Lagan, was found drowned in his quicklime, in the canal at Belfast.

A well-known figure in Irish life has passed away in the person of Mr. M. A. Manning, the town clerk of Kingstown.

A splendid meeting of the Emu branch of the U. L. L. was held Dec. 6, delegates from many districts attending.

Mrs. Sarah Rogers, who lived alone in a little cabin near Newcastle, county Down, was found dead recently outside her home.

A young workman named William Mullen, aged 25, was crushed to death while engaged on the Wicklow harbor protection works.

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SCOTLAND

In St. Paul's Church, Glasgow, the other day there was unveiled a bronze tablet in memory of the late Rev. Dr. James Paton, who for so many years was minister of the congregation.

The old firm of Colin Houston & Co., marine engineers, etc., Kinloch Park, Glasgow, has ceased to exist, the business having been taken over by a private limited company under the name of Miller & Macle, Limited.

At a diet of Glasgow criminal court, James Dykes, Beardsden, admitted having, while in the employ of the corporation, as cashier in the cleansing department, embezzled the sum of £1,000. He was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

At a meeting held to place records in St. Enock Hotel, when, at the invitation of the chairman and directors of John Stewart & Co., iron merchants, 20 Oswald street, Glasgow, the employees and friends met to celebrate the centenary of the firm. About 80 guests sat down to dinner.

A wholesale jeweller's business in Coatbridge was entered by burglars, and goods to the value of about \$2,500 stolen.

At Hamilton on the 18th ult. Hugh Breck was fined \$50, or two months, for being drunk. F. Cabington \$50, or one month, for betting.

Archibald Yule is one of the personages of Rutherglen. In his capacity as town-crier he employs a bell or drum when making his announcements round the town. The drum, with its stirring military sound, is considered to prove more attractive than the bell.

The bazaar in aid of Clason Memorial U. F. Church, Motherwell, Lanarkshire, realized \$4,000. The concert in aid of Motherwell barefooted children on the 14th ult. resulted in upwards of \$300 being obtained.

Speaking at a meeting in Paisley on the 14th ult., ex-Provost Eadie said it was stated that the drink bill in the town was \$5,000 a day. Paisley death rate during the week ending the 12th ult. was only 5.7 per 1,000.

The bazaar in aid of St. John's U. F. Church, Greenock, realized over \$7,350, or nearly \$2,500 above the sum aimed at. The death rate in Greenock during November was 15.8 per 1,000. Greenock corporation proposes borrowing \$25,000 for its electrical department.

On the 18th ult. John Black, Kilmarlock, was fined £5 for selling tinned milk.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gibson, an esteemed Kilmarlock couple, have just celebrated their golden wedding.

The income last year of Saltcoats Convalescent Home was \$6,450, and the expenditure \$5,340.

At Dumfries 138 claims for old-age pensions have been received and all admitted except four. Solicitor-General Ure was the chief speaker at a demonstration at Dumfries on the 22nd ult.

By the will of a native who has died

in support of the taxation of land values.

There has just died at his residence, Sydney inhabitants in the person of Mr. Robert J. Richardson, deceased, who was 78 years of age, was for many years landlord of the "Cross Keys Inn."

Moffat Hydrographic has always been a favorite resort at holiday seasons, and especially at those of Christmas and the New Year. This year the management arranged all manner of indoor recreations for visitors, while out-of-doors a golf course and admirable motor road provided ample opportunity for open-air exercise.

The first sod of the Galashiels new drainage works was cut by the Provost's wife. The works are estimated to cost \$225,000, and Mr. N. Porteous is resident engineer.

Lanark Burgh has now a population of 5,746.

The Edinburgh City Mission report shows a deficiency of \$1,590 on last year. The police aided scheme clothed 131 destitute children last year. Over \$6,250 was raised at a bazaar in aid of Restalrig Parish Church.

The judicial appeal court at Edinburgh sustained a conviction fining two men \$500 each for betting.

The new steamer for Ashwaik will cost between \$150,000 and \$200,000, and its construction will take two years.

Lady Dalgleish switched on the new installation of electric light which has been gifted to Dundee Sailors' Home.

The Royal Naval Society have awarded a testimonial to David A. Simpson, Dundee, for rescuing a lad from drowning.

The Dundee Carnivals' Tournament, Exhibitions and Recreations Company (Limited) is to form an American roller skating rink. Capital, £10,000.

For the junior student work the Harri Academy, Dundee, has been awarded a grant of £248, and the Morgan Academy £158. Clonington School has earned a total grant of £1,428 5s 8d.

On the 12th two children were treated at Dundee Infirmary for swallowing money—one a shilling and the other 2½d. A third was treated for swallowing a piece of brass. In each case the X rays were used.

For some time before New Year an average of 2,750 was paid daily by Dundee houses as duty on whisky required for New Year's gifts.

The late Mr. David Hally, blacksmith, Auchtermuchty, and famous maker of plows, was in business there for upwards of 61 years.

Andrew Kinross, farmer, Drumallan, Perth, who died recently at the age of 75, had been an elder in Leighton U. F. Church, Dunblane, for 52 years.

The trade in linoleum and floorcloth in Kirkcaldy is showing some improvement.

Gas-lighting has been introduced in Limekilns and Charlestown by the corporation of Dunfermline.

The death in Singapore is announced of Miss Margaret M. Sharp, a well-known resident of Dunfermline.

The number of old-age pension claims allowed in Dundee up to the 19th ult. was 1,029.

The late Miss Milne, Orea Park, Forfar, has left \$1,700 to various religious and charitable purposes.

Montrose Town Council will provide work for the unemployed, but finds there are not many people idle.

Mr. Charles Mitchell, the first manager of the Dundee Institution for the Blind, died on the 12th inst., aged 84 years.

To cope with the Christmas work at the Glasgow postoffice 88 extra men were employed.

Patrick McLaughlin, Irish produce merchant at Glasgow, got 14 days, without the option of a fine, for persisting in selling margarine for butter.

Up to the 17th ult. the claims in Inverness-shire for old-age pensions were 2,355 and the cost \$20,360 yearly.

An anonymous donor has just given \$1,000 to the burgh of Ballater for various purposes.

Sir John R. Gladstone has been re-elected chairman of Fettercairn parish council.

The season's total herring catch at Stornoway to 12th ult. was 7,945 crans, and at Ullapool 32,968 crans.

Up to the 10th ult., in Shetland, 1,812 have applied for old-pension pensions.

Old-age pension statistics just compiled show that Shetland's veterans will account for 224,000 of pension money per annum.

The congested districts board is giving \$24,000 towards the cost of road construction in Shetland, and also three-fourths of the cost of the Valder scheme.

Leith steam factors, with one or two exceptions, have found the collection of rents at the term more satisfactory.

The Royal Scots are expected in Edinburgh from India about March 9 to receive the 2nd and 3rd battalions of the regiment of the capital.

The court of session has decided that the University of Edinburgh must deliver to the magistrates and council of Dumfries the charter of confirmation granted by King James VI. in favor of the burgh, and which form-

ed part of the bequest to the University by the late David Laing, librarian to the Society of Writers to the Signet.

Dr. Thomas McKie, advocate, who died on the 22nd ult. at the age of 78, led a very full, varied and serviceable life. He was at the bar a contemporary of Lord Kinross, Mr. Asher, K. C., and Sheriff Gairdner, who all preceded him. He was an intimate friend of Thomas Carlyle. He gave much of his time to the reform of university education in Edinburgh, and part of his leisure was devoted to literary gifts at a high order.

The Glasgow Dickens Society on Christmas eve entertained 800 poor children to breakfast pie and plum pudding.

It is stated that one in every fifteen of the population of 85½ is eligible for an old-age pension.

At a graduation ceremony a student was capped in full Highland costume, probably for the first time in the history of the university.

Edinburgh seems to be resolutely set on starting a zoo, and a committee of citizens has been formed with a view to working out the preliminaries.

Mr. Asquith, with Miss Asquith, left London early for Arbroath, near Edinburgh, and he is not expected until the latter part of January. Mrs. Asquith and children are already at Arbroath.

During the last inland revenue year Campbelltown, Argyleshire, manufactured 409,495 proof gallons less whisky than in the previous year; and the quantity exported in the same period fell off by nearly 60,000 gallons.

The annual Clyde shipbuilding returns are the worst for twenty years. Vessels of a total tonnage of 356,000 only were launched, as compared with 625,000 last year, when the figures were at record.

There is promise of better times next year, for the work already ordered is at least equal to the total output of 1902.

A window in honor of St. Margaret, Queen of Scots, and in memory of the late Archibald Campbell Holms, of Sandford, and William Macdonald of Bradloch, has been placed in Paisley Abbey by the children of Messrs. Holms.

Mr. James Stirling, M. A., who recently retired from the rectorship of Paisley grammar school, was presented with a cheque for £275 and a handsome silver salver, along with a silver rose bowl for Mrs. Stirling, by former pupils of the academy and friends, in recognition of his services to education and the esteem in which he is held by friends and pupils.

Special services were conducted in the North Parish Church at Kelso, Berwickshire, on Sunday, the 29th ult., in connection with the death of the late Dr. Horatius Bonar. Dr. Bonar was closely

HOW CHRISTMAS EVE WAS SPENT AT BETHLEHEM

LARGE CROWDS OF PEOPLE OF ALL NATIONALITIES JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM TO BE PRESENT AT MIDNIGHT MASS—THE CHAPEL IN THE ROCK WHERE THE BIRTH OF THE CHRIST CHILD IS SAID TO HAVE TAKEN PLACE—THE ARCHITECTURAL BEAUTY OF THE CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY, WHICH WAS BUILT IN THE EARLY YEARS OF THE FOURTH CENTURY.

As Christmas Eve approaches thoughts naturally turn to the events which have given to Christmas its meaning and its joy. We think of the Christ Child and of the Madonna, and in imagination we are transported to the Holy Land, the site of the home and birthplace of the Holy Child.

We think of Bethlehem, the little ancient village, and we see an inn overflowing with people who have journeyed thither from all parts of Palestine to pay their taxes. There is no more room in the inn and the gentle Mary from Nazareth, a descendant of the royal house of David, is obliged to spend the night in the stable below, which was probably in a rocky cave, such as are used even today for stabling around Bethlehem.

In this humble spot was born the wondrous Child of whom the angels sang to the watchful shepherds on that memorable night two thousand years ago. "Ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger."

To the little village of Bethlehem many of the Christians of Jerusalem and from all over Palestine, and visitors from other lands, are drawn on Christmas Eve to witness the midnight ceremony celebrated in the Church of the Nativity.

The patriarch of Jerusalem and all the high dignitaries of the church attend this greatest service of the year in official paraphernalia, accompanied by their retinues.

Soon after sunset one Christmas Eve we mounted our horses preparatory to taking this journey to Bethlehem.

The road which leads from Jerusalem to Bethlehem, lying five miles south, is one of the best in the country, and it is by far the most interesting, leading through a rolling plain covered with stony fields, with an occasional olive grove or vineyard hemmed in by bare mountains.

That Christmas eve was a perfect moonlight night. The solemn dome of the sky was bright with the wonderful radiance of an eastern night, which enabled us to see the surrounding country very clearly. In the east were the beautiful mountains of Moab, at the foot of which was seen a portion of the Dead Sea glistening in the moonlight. We could even discern the River Jordan, like a silver thread in the valley. Perfect stillness brooded over the landscape.

As the greater number of pilgrims and visitors go to Bethlehem during the day, we were comparatively alone on our journey. We met a group of the road which interested us greatly—an elderly man walking beside a woman who was on a donkey, holding in her arms a babe wrapped in swaddling clothes. It suggested Joseph and Mary on their way to Egypt. We also saw a shepherd strolling home, leading his sheep over the stony hills, playing his David's harp as he went. From time to time he called to his wandering sheep in the language peculiar to the shepherd. Some people have thought that the first Christmas could not have been really in December, because it would have been too cold for the shepherds in the fields. Living in Palestine, one realizes that this is not the case, for after the heavy rains in November the flowers blossom and the shepherds lead their flocks out to pasture. It very rarely snows in Palestine.

As we went along the dusty road we heard bells tinkling in the distance and saw some dark objects coming toward us.

On their drawing nearer we could tell that they were camels by their slow, swaying steps. There was a long string of them tied to one another, carrying loads of wood into Jerusalem. They were guided by a dark son of the desert, who was seated with graceful carelessness on a lofty and primitive saddle on the foremost camel. His sturdy bare limbs swung with the motion of the camel's long strides. He was humming to himself in that plaintive monotone which the Arab considers musical.

The country, as we approached Bethlehem, seemed much more prosperous than that which we had seen

nearer Jerusalem. There were vineyards and olive groves in great abundance, and neatly terraced gardens, showing the industry of the Bethlehemites. From the plain below, Bethlehem is a picturesque little town. It is located on the summit of a long, narrow hill stretching down on the sides of a narrow ridge which shoots out from the central chain of the Judean mountains. The steep slopes below the village are carefully terraced. These terraces sweep in graceful curves around the ridge from top to bottom. In the valleys we saw grain fields, and we recalled that Bethlehem was noted for these, and was named on account of them "House of Bread." It is significant that He who called Himself the "Bread of Life" was born in Bethlehem.

As we ascended to the hill leading to the town the most prominent building to be seen was the Church of the Nativity, surrounded by the convent buildings. It rises, like some baronial castle, gloomily and grandly on the steep side of the hill. We entered the town by a crooked and narrow street, the houses of which almost arched over here and there. The quaint balconies projecting forward gave the town an antique appearance, while the flat-roofed houses, built of white limestone, and partly cut in the rock, reminded us that we were in the Orient.

We dismounted in the large market place opposite the church. It was crowded with gaily dressed people, all awaiting an entrance into the church. At once a troop of boys came running toward us. They were dressed in white-colored garments, and wore red fezzes over their dark locks. Bright red leather shoes covered their bare feet. We let them hold our horses, while we made our way to the church. All around the building were vendors of relics, who tried hard to tempt us with the display of their chaplets and crosses and small pictures carved in olive wood, and in mother of pearl.

The scene in the market place was certainly an interesting one. Christians from all countries of the east were here congregated, all dressed in festive habit.

While waiting for the ceremony of the night, we saw natives killing sheep, for their evening meal, before the service in the church. The people all seemed to be in a state of excitement and anticipation. They spoke in a variety of languages, and yet they had one joyful thought in common—"This is the anniversary of Christ's birth, and this is the town where He was born."

The women had brought their children to witness the ceremony of this night. We noticed how beautiful the Bethlehem women were, with their clear, dark eyes and their long, black and erect carriage. They are a dignified people.

While we were commenting on the scenes before us, the door of the church was opened, and the crowd pressed in. The inhabitants of Bethlehem are nearly all Christians of the Latin or Greek churches. The Church of the Nativity is therefore the common property of the Latins, the Greeks and the Armenians, and each sect has a stately convent adjoining it. The service we had come to see was that of the Latins, for the Armenians held theirs at a different hour, and the Greeks observed Christmas ten days later. The entrance into the church is through a small door in a high stone wall, and we had to stoop to go in. It is said that this was purposely built low so as to oblige visitors to enter the sacred building to bow to the crucifix opposite the door. This ancient church was built over the grotto where it was supposed that Christ was born. It was in those days probably a mere cave in the limestone rock.

Having entered the building we found ourselves in the splendid basilica which Saint Helena erected in 327 A. D. It is perhaps the oldest monument of Christian architecture in the world. The shafts of the forty columns which support its decaying roof are each of a single piece of marble more than two feet in diameter and sixteen feet in height, and are surrounded by elaborately carved capitals. The upper parts of the columns are frescoed with Greek and Byzantine figures of saints and martyrs. The columns are believed to have been taken from the temple at Jerusalem, and the famous mosaics on the wall and the roof, made of cedar wood from Lebanon, reveal the ancient splendor of the church.

We walked reverently through this old building into the adjoining one, which is the one now in use. The nave of the church was crowded with men, women and children, all seated on the marble floor, making a curious

mass of red fezzes and white veils. The grand strains of the Te Deum rose softly from the great organ as accompaniment to the deep chanting of the priests and monks who now entered the church in solemn procession. Then followed bishops and archbishops in gorgeous robes of hand-some cloth and satin brilliantly embroidered with gold and silver. The singing was rich and melodious. From time to time during the music one or other of the heavily clad bishops passed out with much ceremony, to return later in a new and still more gorgeous robe.

At midnight came the most interesting part of the service. The music gradually grew softer. Then came a pause. Outside in the village the bells were pealing the Christmas chimes. Within was perfect silence for the space of some moments. Then as by magic a curtain above the chancel arch was drawn aside and a miniature cradle appeared and in the cradle an image of the babe. Then burst forth from the organ and the choirs the grand strains of the "Gloria in Excelsis."

The little cradle was lowered and the "Bambino" raised reverently before the adoring worshippers, who prostrated themselves to the ground in oriental devoutness. Then it was replaced, and was borne at the head of the procession going down to the chapel of the manger.

This procession was composed of all the bishops and archbishops, in their splendid ecclesiastical robes, the consuls from Jerusalem, in their official costumes, accompanied by glittering canopies carrying gilded staves, then long rows of priests in their order, two by two, and lastly all the members of the congregation who could crowd in after them. Each one in the procession carried a long wax taper alight, and as they moved slowly along the priests chanted in deep, low tones.

Lighted tapers were then furnished us; we took them and followed the procession to the grotto of the nativity. This holy crypt, once a subterranean vault, has been converted into a chapel of from thirty to forty feet in length and one-third as wide. It is lined and floored in marble. Over the manger is an altar decorated with gold and silver ornaments, where incense burns continually. The walls are covered with silken tapestries and gilded figures. Thirty-two lamps, each the gift of a king, shed dim light of the scene. The light of these lamps is never allowed to go out. Near the foot of the flight of steps is a marble slab, in the centre of which is a large star of brass, which marks the supposed spot of the nativity. It bears the inscription: "Hic De Virgine Maria Jesus Christus Natus Est."

On the altar in this chapel they now, with much devotion, laid the little infant, and in the same image of the infant. Here it remained during the week of Christmas, carefully shielded from irreverent hands by an interlaced screen. The long procession slowly proceeded from the chapel, and the confetti-shedding of the priests. This service continued for the greater part of the night, without much variation. We did not stay, however, to see the end of it, for between the crush of the crowd and the heat and glare of the church, and the monotony of the continuous chanting, we began to long for the fresh air. Gradually we pushed our way through the throng and found the door by which we had entered.

As we rode home, our ears and minds still full of the ceremony we had just witnessed, it seemed hard to realize that 2,000 years ago the Saviour of mankind was born in obscurity and poverty in this same little town. No gorgeous procession celebrated His advent, no earthly halcyons were sung. To the faithful shepherds alone did the heavenly messengers herald His coming by their grand anthem, "Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth Peace, Goodwill Toward Men."

EVANGELINE BEN-OLIEL.

TOY DOG VOGUE DECLINES.

Among the many crazes which society from time to time has taken up the fashion of the pet toy dog has had one of the longest vogues. No woman of recent years has been complete without her diminutive Fido, which she has either carried in her arms or led on a ribbon or chain, on shopping expeditions, or when riding or walking in the park. The toy dog has been an idol, and the fair sex have vied with one another in paying him homage. Now, however, there is a noticeable decrease in the number of pet dogs to be seen on promenade with their fashionable mistresses, and seldom is Fido's little head seen peeping from under his owner's arm in the streets. The toy dog has ceased to be part of the outdoor adornment of his mistress. He belongs to the style of dress that has departed, the fluffiness of feather boas, short sleeves, short skirts and small flower hats. He is out of harmony with the more elegant present modes, with the long, graceful lines of the directoire gowns.—London Mirror.

NEW WONDERS OF THE CAMERA

REMARKABLE REVOLUTION TAKING PLACE IN PHOTOGRAPHIC METHODS.

No branch of science has shown greater progress during the last few months than photography, and it seems as if a revolution were taking place in photographic methods. By an invention which is now being tried it may be possible to take photographs without any apparatus whatever excepting the plate, and by another process photographs may be printed without any light at all.

It is to Prof. Lippmann, of the Paris University, that we are indebted for the wonderful Argus-eyed plate, which requires neither separate lens nor camera. The surface of the plate is covered with tiny lenses, of which there are 15,000 in the square inch, thus forming a kind of gelatine honeycomb.

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New uses are being found for photography in all the branches of human labor. As an example, it may be mentioned that flaws in metal which cannot be detected by the human eye are rendered visible by the photographic plate.

In astronomy photography has widened the field enormously. Not only the stars are recorded with the greatest accuracy, but the photographic plate sees more than twice as many stars as are visible to the human eye aided by the most powerful telescope. More than this, the sensitive plate is capable of resolving what appears as a single star to the human eye into a number of astronomical bodies. Many astral bodies which appear to the human eye to be stars, photography has shown to be of a nebulous constitution.

SIMON GIRTY WHITE SAVAGE

CRUEL CHIEF WHO FIGURED IN EARLY HISTORY OF WEST-ERN ONTARIO

Simon Girty, the white savage, learned his first lessons in savagery from the Senecas in 1756, when, as captive boy of 12 years, Girty's father was killed in the Seven Years' war, and his mother was murdered by the Indians. The tribe adopted the boy under the name of Katakampon. The Senecas chased the whites up and down the country, and in 1763, with this large marauding band of eight years, or until the Pontiac treaty gave him up to the whites.

Girty, aged 20 years (the savage life had molded his character), rejoined the Senecas. Simon Girty, captive of the Senecas (now imbued with the nomadic life and ways of the redmen), married a captive of the Shawnees, Catherine Malaga, and returned to have been the belle of Detroit. The power he exercised over his savage followers held them under his will. He was regarded as a daredevil and a daring man among the Indians. He was in youth tall and sturdy for his years—six feet, large head, large black eyes; but he dressed as a white man. His difference to the whites was transitional, in a measure, for along with the Senecas he carried the white man's dress, and following the Senecas, he carried the white man's dress, and following the Senecas, he carried the white man's dress.

The hours were few and short in the Virginia wilderness, where the lonely, unpainted cabins in the clearings, Girty grew disenchanted with his lot. One day quite unexpectedly both he and Kenton asked for their pay. Gen. Lewis explosively met them with a refusal, and following the disagreement, struck Girty over the head with a cane. The scouts turned to leave; but on reaching the door Girty said, fixing his keen eyes on Gen. Lewis and speaking quietly:

"By God, sir, your quarters will swim in blood for this."

There are two stirring episodes of Simon Girty's later life of crime which show the ingredients of his make-up—the rescue of Col. Bowman's expedition against the Indians on the Miami; Kenton was captured stealing horses from the Indians. He was taken to Chillicothe, thence to Waughton, and sentenced to be burned. With the Indians at this camp were the outlaws Simon Girty, James Girty and John Ward. The two Girtys and Ward, unlike the captive Kenton, had cast lots with the hostile Indian allies of the British at the base of the revolutionary war. Kenton was taken to the council house. Simon Girty had just returned to camp with seven prisoners, and seven scalps, and casually recognized the new-found prisoner as an old friend, Dummore's son.

Girty appeared disturbed at the sight of Kenton. After a pause he advanced. "Sime," said he regretfully, "you're condemned to die, but I will save you."

save you."

The Indians' eyes flashed angry fire, and their surprise was great. Girty begged hard for the life of his friend. There was no mistaking the tone of his voice. "If you refuse me," warned Girty, "I will think my red brothers have no faith in me."

The Indians surveyed the militant Girty with dubious glances of painful astonishment; but after a chant among themselves, Simon Girty rose full of grim triumph, took Kenton by the hand to the safe shelter of his own wigwam and kept a watchful eye over him. Kenton was pathetically grateful, but afterwards escaped to Detroit.

LEFT COL. CRAWFORD TO HIS FATE.

The burning of Col. Wm. Crawford, when Girty without reproach let the savages work it out to the death, was in 1782, on the frontiers of Pennsylvania and Virginia. Simon Girty, in company with a large band of Wyandottes and Shawnees, met with Col. Crawford. It was in the early part of June. The gallant Crawford retreated, and it soon became a rout, and Crawford was taken prisoner.

On June 11 he was marched to the chief town of the Wyandottes, and preparations made for burning him. He was stripped naked, hands tied behind his back, and bound by the wrists to a gibbet post fifteen feet high. A great pile of hickory poles circled the gibbet stake about four feet off. The rope was long enough to permit the captive to walk around the gibbet several times and then return.

Simon Girty took no part, but sat on a horse overlooking the cannibalistic operations with indignant calm. Catching his eye at the moment, the fire was kindled, the brave Crawford asked Girty if the savages really meant to burn him. "Yes," was the brusque answer.

Col. Crawford resigned himself, to his fate, and for more than two hours survived the flame-girded stake. Once a word escaped his lips. In the extremity of his agony he again caught the eye of Girty. "Girty, shoot me through the heart. One favor, Girty, one!" he called, as he ran round the tether.

"Don't you see that I have no gun, colonel?" Girty called back, with a quizzical look of his eyebrows; then turned his horse away.

SETTLED NEAR AMHERSTBURG. Girty was present at the defeat of St. Clair; but when in 1793 "Mad Anthony" Wayne overthrew the power of the Indians in the Northwest, he settled on 160 acres near Amherstburg.

He fought again with Gen. Proctor and over 2,000 Indians in the war of 1812, and the last time helped provoke the savage torture of the little army of Winchester at the River Raisin massacre, Jan. 22, 1813.

Simon Girty, the white savage, went blind after his return to the farm in 1816. He died on his farm below Malden, in 1818. One son was killed carrying a wounded man from the field in an Indian skirmish, and two daughters survived.

BLOW AT INDUSTRY.

The Cleveland multi-millionaire who recently sent out invitations to his daughter's wedding bearing in bold script, "No presents will be received," set an excellent example, which, if generally followed, would save the expense in fashionable circles of hiring presents for the grand occasion. Several London, Paris and New York firms have grown rich by letting out for a night or day all sorts of finery and trumpery to make believe that the friends of the bride and bridegroom have contributed handsomely.

At a recent New York wedding the guests were more than amazed at the display of presents. Five rooms were filled with the costliest jewelry, bric-a-brac, tapestries, paintings, cut glass, china, ceramics, rugs, furniture, lace, etc., word without end. Amen! The father of the bride is a practical joker. He couldn't keep a family secret to save his life. "What did you think of Carrie's presents?" he asked an old friend two or three weeks after the wedding. "Why, George, old fellow, I was thunderstruck! And just think of the hard times! There must have been half a million dollars' worth of stuff," George laughed. "Next

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breathes it to my wife," he whispered, "but all that vast outlay cost me only \$2,000. I hired four roomfuls for the occasion from — & Co., and we had 'em on exhibition for a week. The few things in the hall bedroom were ours,"—New York Press.

THE PRICE OF JUDGES.

Not the least picturesque feature of the old county courts of Pennsylvania was the presence on the bench of two lay judges, or "triers," one on either side of the real presiding judge, who was, of course, a trained lawyer. Like the appendix verminiformis, the lay judges were an ancient epoch, a time when English laymen so distrusted lawyers that they kept two of their own number on the bench to have an eye on the judge.

A facetious member of the Pennsylvania Legislature introduced an act to abolish lay judges throughout the state, and to put in their places wooden men, duly carved, painted and dressed. Another member was seconding the project in an eloquent speech, when the whole project was brought to an abrupt stop by a Mr. Woog, representing a district in Lancaster County. "Miss-ter Speaker!" he cried. "T'op-ject to der malikink un putting in on her perch of dem dummy chudges. Yass. When we haf made 'em, un painted 'em, un put suits of clothes on der cost der State of Pennsylvania day Evening Post.

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Illustration of a man lying down, possibly representing a sufferer from nervous prostration.

SIDELIGHTS ON NOTABLE PEOPLE BY THE MARQUISE DE FONTENAY

Each September the London Times has contained for a number of years past among the paid death announcements an "In Memoriam" notice to the effect that it was "In loving memory of Henry Cecil Hambrough, who was 'murdered' at Ardnamont in 1892. The notice invariably intimated that it was inserted by his 'sorrowing father,' Major Dudley Hambrough, and concluded with the biblical quotation: 'Vengeance is mine; I will repay it, saith the Lord.' It is probable that this somewhat mournful reminder of the tragedy of Ardnamont will no longer appear in the columns of the Times. For the 'sorrowing father' has now joined his murdered son in the great beyond, the closing years of his life having been spent broken in spirit, in health, and in fortune.

His son's death had the effect of reducing him to ruin. For as the lad was next heir to certain large entailed estates, in which Major Dudley Hambrough had a life interest, his consent was necessary to the entailment and to the completion of certain transactions which would have enabled the father to effect a settlement of all of his liabilities. The boy lost his life. It may be recalled, a few months before coming of age, and, although he was insured for a large amount (it was in the neighborhood of \$200,000), in connection with these financial transactions intended to relieve his father, the insurance companies declined to pay the amount of the policies.

These were unfortunately not the only insurance policies taken out on the life of young Cecil Hambrough. Some weeks before his death his life was insured to the extent of some \$75,000 or \$100,000 in favor of Mrs. Alfred Monson, in order to furnish security, it was said, for certain loans contracted by the lad, who was at the time living with his tutor, Alfred Monson, and Alfred Monson, Alfred Monson, a nephew of the late Lord Oxenbridge and of Sir Edmund Monson, the late British ambassador, a cousin of Lord Monson, and a grandson of the late Earl of Galloway, had been for the fall a place named Ardnamont, in Argyshire.

One morning the two men, accompanied by an attendant, went out shooting, and Hambrough was brought back dead, having been shot in the back of the head. According to the story told by Monson, the death of the lad was due to the accidental discharge of his own gun while climbing over a fence. There are no such lands as the coroner's inquests in Scotland, and the boy was buried, the medical report being to the effect that he had succumbed to an accident, through the discharge of his gun. It was only when Monson attempted to secure the amount of the policies of which his

wife was the beneficiary that the insurance companies started an investigation, which resulted in the discovery that the Monsons were in great financial straits, in the clutches of money lenders, and in urgent need of money for which young Hambrough had been insured.

It was also found that a few days previous to Hambrough having been shot, he had almost been drowned, owing to the sinking of a boat in which he was out fishing with Monson. Examination of the boat showed that the hole in its bottom through which the water had poured had not been caused, by striking a rock, but had been carefully made previously with a knife or chisel, and then filled up with a plug, which it was easy to work out of its place with the foot. The attendant, who accompanied Monson and Hambrough on their fatal shooting expedition was likewise with them in this boating trip. His name was Scott, and it seems that he was an engineer by calling.

On ascertaining these facts, the insurance companies caused the arrest of Monson on a charge of having murdered Cecil Hambrough for the sake of the insurance money. Scott thereupon fled to America, and was in consequence thereof declared an outlaw by the Scottish courts. Nor has he ever been heard of since. Monson was tried, and, while the jury refused to acquit him, it returned a verdict of "not proven," which was equivalent to declaring that it believed him to be guilty of murder, but did not feel that it possessed sufficient legal evidence to convict him and to send him to the scaffold.

Although Alfred Monson thus escaped the penalty of the law, he was from that time forth a marked man, being universally regarded in the light of the murderer of a lad who had not only been his friend, but also his ward. Indeed, he found it necessary to change his name, assuming that of Wyvill. It was under that name that he associated himself with a gang of usurers and human birds of prey devoted to the plundering of young men possessed of more money than brains, ultimately landing once more in the prison's dock, this time in London, where he was sentenced to a long term of penal servitude for a series of forgeries and frauds in connection with an insurance company.

The late Major Hambrough's family, which was identified with the Isle of Wight, where it possessed a considerable amount of landed property, was not so unfortunally as that of Hambrough, which is the name of one of the leading banking and mercantile firms in the city of London, one of its members, Edward Hambrough, being a director of the Bank of England, while his son, Eric, is a member of Parliament for

and they are much thinner. Only bones that come down from a hundred centuries reach such a high state of petrification. Another reason that we can be sure of its antiquity is the remains of animals which were discovered in the same stratum of rock. Near by were both of a rhinoceros showing that this prehistoric animal existed at a time when the climate of France was tropical. And this rhinoceros was of a species that hasn't loved for centuries. This period was also the period of the long-haired mammoth and certain kind of stag.

Chin Bone of Man.
The skull's main point of resemblance with the human face is the chin bone. Professor Boule pointed to the skull of a twentieth century Frenchman. "You see that this chin bone comes down from the teeth in a line almost perpendicular. This is never the case with any variety of ape. They invariably have receding chins. This is the most striking point of resemblance, although there are minor differences. In the main, however, this skull shows a close resemblance to the chimpanzee. You observe the enormous development of the frontal bone, the long skull bone which gives hardly any suggestion of the human forehead. The distance from the top of the skull to the neck is much shorter than in the usual human skull. And the cavity of the nose is noticeably larger.

You will notice in the skull of the modern man that on each side of the nasal cavity there are deep indentations. The expression of the face is due to these, perhaps more than anything else. They are always absent in the ape, and so they are with this prehistoric man. The teeth are much larger than ours. These are the principal characteristics of this skull. Although, as I said, it is much more closely allied to the ape than to the human race, still it is certainly unique on account of the chin bone, and much nearer to the missing link than anything yet found.

There are so few fragments of the skeleton that we cannot make many deductions. The bones of the limbs are arched in such a way that it is certain this prehistoric specimen traveled on all fours much more frequently than he walked."

FOILED.

This is an old story among lawyers, but it may be new to many laymen. It is that of the most dazzling triumph of the gentle art of cross-examination. A man was claiming damages from a railway company owing to injuries received by him in an accident, and was being cross-examined by the lawyer from the railway. The man maintained that his injuries were so severe that the whole right side of his body was almost paralyzed.

Wimbledon. These Hambros, whose house of business for nearly a century been established in Leadenhall street, in London, and whose suburban home, Hayes Place, formerly belonged to the great Lord Chatham, who died there, are of Danish origin, and are barons of the Kingdom of Denmark, but abandoned the use of their title on taking up their residence in London and on settling in Great Britain.

Hayes Place has already been in the public eye in connection with its rumored sale to the Roman Catholic Church for conversion into a convent; and this led to the fact being recalled that the great Lord Chatham was wont to occasionally dine at Hayes Place, and to cut himself off from all intercourse with the outer world, preventing members of his family and secretaries from disturbing his solitude, his meals in an ante-chamber, in which he would fetch them after they had left the room. It is claimed that had it not been for this idiosyncrasy of his the United States might still be a British colony, and that it was during one of these periodic withdrawals from the world that the obnoxious measures were adopted in Parliament which he could have averted, but which resulted in the war of independence.

King Edward, during the twelve months which have just been brought to a close, has bestowed near half a thousand honorific distinctions. They comprise seven new peerages, of which two are of the rank of viscount, and the five others baronies. Singularly enough five baronies have become extinct during the last year through the death of their holders without issue. Consequently, the actual increase in the number of peers is to be found in the two viscounties—namely: those of Lord Morley, of Blackford, the secretary of state for India, and of Lord Wolverhampton, president of the privy council, who was Henry Fowler. Neither of these viscounts has sons and their honors will lapse at their death.

Eighteen new baronies have emanated from the so-called fountain of honor—that is to say, from the crown—during 1908, and four only have become extinct. Where the chief increase, however, is to be found, is in the number of knightships of the various orders bestowed. These include no less than four ribbons of the Garter, while 97 men have received the grand cross—that is to say, the highest grade of the order.

In addition to this there have been a hundred and twenty-five creations of knight bachelor, and none of the orders of chivalry, but which enables the person thus honored to prefix the word "Sir" to his Christian name, while his wife is entitled to the predicate of "Lady" instead of "Mrs."

The Newmarket course, which is the classic event of the English racing season—the Derby, the St. Leger, and the Oaks—always create worldwide interest it will be a matter of information to all classes of turfmen to say something about the races over which these events are decided, says a recent issue of the London Sporting Life. Not the least interesting feature of these courses is their age. Racing was held at Epsom as far back as 1645, but it did not assume a permanent character until the first Derby in 1780.

The Newmarket course is over 200 years old, while the Ascot races owe their origin to Queen Anne in 1711. The York and Doncaster meetings are more than 150 years old, while Goodwood was inaugurated more than 100 years ago. The three Thames valley courses—Hurst Park, Kempton Park and Sandown Park—are all modern courses, established in the last 35 years. It was on the last-named course, however, that the first race for \$50,000 stakes took place. Twenty-three years ago the managers of Sandown Park started the racing world by instituting the Eclipse Stakes, nominally worth this amount—first won by that famous horse Bendigo—and the success of the venture was such that the Jockey Club ultimately established two \$50,000 races at Newmarket, the Prince of Wales' Stakes and the Jockey Club Stakes. Needless to say, the races for these enormous stakes attract the best horses of each year, and in 1902 two winners of the Derby, two winners of the St. Leger, two winners of the Two Thousand Guineas and a winner of the Ascot cup ran on the Sandown Park course for the Eclipse Stakes.

Newmarket, "the racing capital of England," possesses no fewer than ten courses, the longest being four and one-quarter miles in circuit. Here the Jockey Club has its chief seat, while over a thousand horses are kept together there are nearly 50 training establishments at Newmarket, and a large army of employees are constantly at work during the racing season keeping the courses and galloping grounds in order.

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ANCIENT MAN-BEAST SKELETON
UNEARTHED IN A CAVERN
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Wide interest has been aroused among men of science by the recent discovery in the provinces of France of the nearest approach to the missing link of Darwin yet known. Fragments of a skull and skeleton were unearthed by a priest, Abbé Basset, and Bardon, in a cavern near the Chapelle aux-Saints in the Correze district. These were sold to the Paris Museum of Natural History, and Professor Marcelin Boule, head of the Paleontological laboratory, immediately began reconstructing the skull. After he finished this work he drew up a report which was read a few days ago before the Academy of Sciences by Mr. Perier, the director of the Museum of Natural History.

"It is impossible to say how old these remains are," Professor Boule explained in his laboratory. "Certainly they date from a period much more remote than 10,000 years ago. Every time I examine them I am inclined to put them back a few hundred years more. This prehistoric man may have lived 150 centuries ago, who knows? What we can say with certainty is that it is the most ancient specimen of the human race—yet brought before the attention of the scientific world. These fragments of human bones unearthed in America are all of comparatively recent date. The nearest approaches to the missing link have been found in Europe. About 1867 a skull was dug up in the Neanderthal in Germany. It differed slightly from the skull of the chimpanzee and the gorilla, but since the entire bones of the face were lacking there wasn't much to draw reliable deductions from. Since then savants have decided that if this skull had belonged to a man, he must have been half-witted. Another skull was discovered at Spy in Belgium in 1890.

However, this reconstructed skull has the advantage of being almost intact. He picked up the recently-discovered specimen which lay with a number of others on a table. 'There are two reasons,' he continued, 'why we can affirm its great age and one is the extreme thickness of the skull bone. We have many skulls dating from the time of the Roman Republics.

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FAMOUS ENGLISH RACE COURSES

TURF CLASSICS CONDUCTED
OVER SEVERAL FOR THE
LAST TWO CENTURIES.

As the classic events of the English racing season—the Derby, the St. Leger, and the Oaks—always create worldwide interest it will be a matter of information to all classes of turfmen to say something about the races over which these events are decided, says a recent issue of the London Sporting Life. Not the least interesting feature of these courses is their age. Racing was held at Epsom as far back as 1645, but it did not assume a permanent character until the first Derby in 1780.

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ings to choose from and prizes like the Two Thousand and Cesarewitch to win, and in addition the course can be chosen which will most likely suit the horse. For while some animals can run equally well on any course there are others which never do themselves justice, except on a course they like. Consequently there is often a great deal to be gained by properly "placing" a horse. It is at Newmarket where King Edward's racehorses are trained by Dick Marsh, as the famous trainer is known on the turf, while not far from the town is a beautiful estate owned by Danny Maher, the famous American jockey, probably the richest professional rider in the world.

How many people are aware that had it not been for the generosity of Lord George Bentinck some 50 years ago the Derby race at Epsom might have been crossed off the racing calendar? In 1829-30 \$100,000 was spent on the erection of the grandstand, which accommodates 15,000 spectators. The maintenance of the Epsom summer meeting, however, cost more than the revenue from the stands, etc., and the consequence was that the clerk of the course went to Lord George Bentinck and explained that unless more money was forthcoming this meeting would probably come to an end. Lord George lent the clerk \$25,000, which the latter used to such good purpose that the Epsom summer meeting took a new lease of life and the clerk and his family made their fortunes.

For many years afterward the original \$100 shares in the Epsom Grand Stand Company realized large sums in the market. In 1884 they brought \$400, although they dropped some \$100 after that. This was owing to a falling off in the entries for the Derby and the Oaks, however, and a great fillip was given to the popularity of Epsom when in 1890 it was announced that in future the Derby would be worth a guaranteed minimum of \$25,000. Its guaranteed value was then made \$25,500, at which it now stands.

There are several courses at Epsom, but the chief of them all is the Derby course of one and a half miles. This course contains the steepest hill leading down to Tattenham Corner, to be found on any important course in the kingdom. In addition the first half mile of the track is on the ascent. As a matter of fact the Derby course

offers the greatest test of merit to racehorses, and this is why the best horse nearly always wins. It has often happened that the winner of the Derby has also carried off the Ascot gold cup, the value of which of late years has been between \$15,000 and \$20,000. The Ascot course is circular, nearly two miles long and within the confines of Windsor Park. As a matter of fact the course is crown property, and to a certain extent under the care of the master of his majesty's backlands. The Ascot course is generally considered the best in England, one great advantage being that practically the whole of the racing can be seen from the stands.

The race for the St. Leger, which takes place on the Doncaster course, has rightly been described as the "Derby of the north," for it is witnessed every year by something like 30,000 persons, mostly Yorkshiremen. The race is of the same value as the Derby, and is run over a course of 1 mile 6 furlongs. The Doncaster meetings are "run" by the town corporation, and the course relieves the ratepayers to the extent of about \$60,000 each year, a large portion of the profits of the races being devoted to the reduction of the rates.

The Ebor Handicap, which takes place on the York course, is also an event which draws thousands of excursionists; the race for the Gimcrack Stakes—founded in honor of Gimcrack, a famous gray horse foaled in 1760, which won races when he was 11 years old—being almost equally popular.

Down in huddled Cheapside, in the vortex of London's human whirlpool, there stands the most valuable tree in the world. That is to say, it occupies a more valuable space than any tree in the world, for the land in which it has spread its roots for over 200 years is worth \$1,000 a square foot.

In the spacious times of good Queen Bess this yew was a young sapling in the garden of a noble mansion. Kingdoms rose and fell, but the tree grew and thrived, while time in its progress gradually changed the character of the neighborhood in which it stood. The aristocratic mansions gave way to warehouses, and the gardens disappeared to give place to closely-packed rows of mean little houses wherein petty merchants drove more or less flourishing businesses. The garden in which the yew stood belonged to the ancient house of Chudleigh, and was the last one to disappear. It has long gone now, and only the yew remains, and beneath clings a romantic tale.

The yew tree there lies buried the bones of an Elizabethan Chudleigh, who, after the manner of Shakespeare and other cheerful-minded persons of that day, pronounced a curse on anyone who would disturb his last resting-place. His grandson was an irreverent individual, who became pressed for money, and conceived the idea of clearing the old garden and building upon it. He had already made the necessary contracts, and was

about to put his impious purpose into execution, when he was suddenly killed in a curious fashion. Walking one day in the old garden with his architect, he was struck by a slate blown from the roof of the mansion, and he died, his death being attributed to a fall from a height of about 80 feet. His heir, being of a righteous mind, looked upon it as a judgment, and immediately cancelled all contracts devoted to the reduction of the rates.

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Lloyd-George in the House of Lords

Coming to Grips With the Lords—Courageous Budget Foreshadowed—An Analysis of British Trade and Commerce—Replies to Mr. Wyndham—Defense of British Fiscal Policy—Britain's Great Wealth—The Course for Liberals to Pursue.

Mr. Lloyd-George spoke in the Sun Hall, Liverpool, on the night of Dec. 21, to a meeting arranged by the National Reform Union. No women were admitted to the building, and when Mr. Lloyd-George said on the basis of his first word, "Gentlemen," and the great audience laughed, he added, "It is through no fault of mine that I am not able to start my speech with the usual formula. Women's voices were heard, for all inside. In the streets that made the 'side' of the Sun Hall there are some cottages. The militant suffragists had hired a room in one of these, and as soon as Mr. Lloyd-George began to speak they raised their voices, made strident and far-reaching by a megaphone outside. The street is a cul-de-sac. The police barred the entrance of the general public, and the suffragists had practically no audience to listen to them. But they were not discouraged by that, and Mr. Lloyd-George must have heard many times while he was speaking the stentorian cry "Votes for Women." It did not in the smallest degree interfere with the comfort of those in the hall, but people who did not know about the megaphone wondered greatly at the lasting and penetrating qualities of that persistent voice. Sometimes at the front of the building and sometimes there was cheering. A considerable crowd of people, kept in a fluid state by the activities of the police, filled the street, and the cheering arose when they gave merry congratulations to carriage-loads of suffragists who moved toward the front, waving banners and raising their usual shouts.

The possibility of the meeting being interrupted by men had been much advertised, but expectations in this direction were not realized. One man only made discordant notes. The meeting showed a readiness to eject him at once, but Mr. Lloyd-George made an appeal that he should not be turned out. "I'm quite sick of turnings-out," he said. The man would not be silenced. He continued to irritate his neighbors, and at last, on an interjection that was perfectly reasonable, they took drastic action. Thereafter Mr. Lloyd-George had a perfectly sympathetic hearing.

In his speech he reviewed the very serious political situation brought about by the rejection of Liberal measures in the House of Lords. He showed how intolerable is "legislation by sufferance of Lord Lansdowne," and he foreshadowed the introduction of a budget which is likely to bring to a head the conflict between the Liberal party and the House of Lords. Mr. Wyndham, as "the exponent of 'reform' policy," his recent speech in the Sun Hall made the topic appropriate—was subjected to raking criticism, and Mr. Lloyd-George drew an effective contrast between the lines upon which Liberalism is to take its stand and the lines upon which, if Mr. Wyndham and his friends have their way, the forces of reaction will take their course. All through a pertinent

explanation of the advantages of free trade, Mr. Lloyd-George was cheered frequently, and his illustration at the close of the benefits gained through the free importation of corn roused the audience to enthusiasm.

The meeting was presided over by Lord Wendle, the president of the National Reform Union.

Mr. Lloyd-George said: Gentlemen, it is through no fault of my own that I am not able to start my speech with the usual formula. I am glad to see that the party in Liverpool is in good heart—full of enthusiasm, full of ardor, full of fight. There is really no need for me to say that we have had three years of Liberal Government; we have had good times; we have had bad times. I know our opponents are drawing conclusions from certain by-elections which are detrimental to the future of Liberalism. I would remind them that two out of the three years we steadily won elections, and if this Parliament ran its ordinary course we would have three more years—or, in golfing language, we are "one up and three to play" (Laughter). It is just possible that Parliament may not run its normal course. (A voice: "Why?") The end may be precipitated. (Let us hope so.) I have had during this last session two great measures of Liberal reform destroyed by an absolutely irresponsible assembly. What are they?

The first, although it only applied to Scotland, involved a principle which would have been extended to England. I am referring to the Land Valuation Bill for Scotland. Perfectly fair, perfectly just. Here you have property which is increasing in value year by year through the exertions of the community without any effort on the part of its owner. It is just possible that it bears an equal burden with any other property. We brought in a bill which involved taking the preliminary steps for that purpose; but the bill was rejected by the House of Lords. Then there was another, the Licensing Bill. (Cheer.) I do not want to say anything in any statement I make about the Licensing Bill.

RISKS REFORMERS HAVE TO FACE.

There is a kind of work which every good Government that has the interests of the people at heart has to do which involves the risk of popularity—excellent work, work which will have the effect of improving the condition of the people to remove the evil for the moment which may appear to the appetites of a very considerable population, and absolutely essential in the interests of good government. No party, no government, would undertake to reform the licensing laws of this country with the view of winning popularity for them. It is a work that appeals to the better instincts of the people—the highest instincts of the best people in the land—the men who have specifically the moral and spiritual interests of the people at heart, and they were all

federated for the purpose of helping them. (Cheer.) It is an example of the class of work that you would expect an impartial assembly to rouse the best popular passions of the hour upon. It is exactly the class of work that you would expect them not merely to abstain from but to take the lead. (Cheer.)

What have they done? It was absolutely their opportunity. They said, "Here is our chance; this will destroy the Liberal party." They did not say: "Is this the best thing in the interests of sobriety?" No; they said: "They have made a blunder, they have stumbled, they have roused the base appetites of a section of the people; let us take advantage of it; let us sell them to the Egyptians." (Laughter and cheer.) I do not believe there has ever been a bill which tested the House of Lords as the superior assembly, which it claims to be, like this bill, and there has never been a bill that demonstrated so clearly how utterly baseless that claim is. (Hoar.) They have shown that they are a purely partisan assembly. Two and a half years ago I said on this platform at a meeting of the National Liberal Federation in my judgment, as far as I could foresee, Liberalism at a very early moment would have to come to close grips with the House of Lords unless it was to fall altogether in legislation. (Hear, hear.) At this moment there is a disturbance in one of the galleries, and voices called "Turn him out." Mr. Lloyd-George clapped his hands to secure attention, and called, "Don't turn anybody out, an sick of turnings-out." (Laughter.) Keep him there; it may do him good." (Cheer and laughter.)

"AN AGGREGATION OF TORY LEADERS."

Well, now, why? I knew perfectly well that it was purely a Tory assembly. You have got something in Liverpool which is called "Tory democracy" (Laughter), probably more Tory than democracy. (Hear, hear.) But in the House of Lords it is all Tory and no democracy, and crusted old Tory. (Laughter.) And when a Liberal Government comes in you have got this old Toryism dug out of the cellars of the House of Lords—stuff like that. Dark Ages, (Laughter and cheer), covered with cobwebs, dusty, muddy, sour. (Laughter.) That is the stuff, all brought out of the dark cellars of the House of Lords whenever Liberalism comes in. Liberalism is not a danger to the House of Lords, it is not matter how harmless they are, but if they are Liberal they are instantly labelled "poison." (Laughter.) If the bottle is not smashed, well, you get some ingredients like that, and you mix them under the medicine innocuous and ineffective. We have had enough of that. (Hear, hear.) They are incapable of giving unbiased consideration to any Liberal measure. Why? It is simply an aggregation of Tory leaders.

You might as well expect a Tory bill to get far play at a committee elected by the National Liberal Federation (Laughter)—the National Reform Union, and delegates from the Free Church Council. (Laughter.) These men are the men who organize Toryism in every county. You go to any county in England, Scotland, Ireland or Wales—wherever you get a Tory meeting, and find these peers there, but am talking of the Tory majority that dominates the House of Lords. They are engaged in Tory work there—they are active agents of Toryism. They try to return Tory candidates, having

first of all chosen them. They support Tory measures, help to return Tory candidates, they are purely active Tory propagandists. You cannot expect fair, impartial, unbiased scrutiny of Liberal proposals from a Tory assembly of that sort. (Cheer.) The fact of the matter is, the House of Lords is purely a poor tool of the Tory chief agent.

SERIOUS SIDE OF THE SITUATION

I tell you why this is serious. It has got an absolute veto on legislation, and Liberalism cannot exist without alternative power in the state until we have settled that veto. (Cheer.) I know that when you say Liberalism cannot exist as an alternative you get an unthinking and superficially minded sort of person who would say, "A jolly good thing, too." Is he quite sure of that? What does Liberalism mean? Liberalism means steady, considered progress along constitutional lines. (Cheer.) I ask any man to look at a Liberal Government. What the Liberal party during the past century, and to point out to me a single Liberal measure which will not answer that description. I know there are people who say, "Ah, but that is the old Liberalism. Look at the Liberalism of today. It is completely changed. It is 'revolutionary,' it destroys property." We are 'anarchists,' 'socialists,' and other epithets not fit for people who would say, "Ah, but that is a second question—'anarchy'—a single Liberal measure during the last eighty years to which the same epithets were not applied at the time?"

Now you have got something they call the swing of the pendulum. When the people want steady progress they return a Liberal majority; when they are dissatisfied with the methods of Toryism, the policy of Toryism, they return a Tory majority. When they are tired of Liberalism, when they think it is going too rapidly, they swing back to Toryism. You have got these alternatives between action and reaction—between progress and standing still. But in the House of Lords no man can go on for ever, and every march means a rest, but it doesn't mean eternal rest (laughter and cheer), and it certainly does not mean an going back. Therefore, you must have the people when they are tired, steady progress. When they are tired give them a little breathing space then.

WHEN THE POPULAR WILL IS THWARTED.

But the action of the House of Lords means this—that Liberalism, involving advance, progress, and an onward march, is ousted out by a veto of the constitution. What is the alternative? I ask men of property with a stake in the security of the country. I do not ask a single land under the sun where popular institutions are denied free play when property is not insecure and where credit is not depressed? I do not want you to go to Russia. All I want is to see the House of Lords to Ireland. What has happened there? The popular will does not direct and control legislation. Whenever the people have been able for a moment to persuade their kinsmen here across the water to give the House of Lords a veto, the House of Lords has vetoed the proposal. You have had the claims of the people there denied by the House of Lords. Has that increased the security of property? Has it even increased the security of land? I do not think any man would invest in Irish land if he had a stocking available in which he could put his spare cash. (Laughter.) There you get an objection of the effect upon property

and credit of the action of the Lords.

What will follow here if Liberalism is to be rendered nugatory and futile in its action? You won't get Toryism, supreme, you will get Toryism controlled by Lordism. The people won't go on forever turning members to Parliament to demand a constitutional means of redressing grievances and then see that redress denied and submit quietly as if nothing had happened.

DETERMINATION OF WELSHMEN

I will take you to my own little country. For forty years at ten successive elections we have sent to Parliament by preponderating majorities representatives to demand religious equality. Constitutionally—

Interruption from a man in the gallery, and cries of "Put him out."

No, no; leave him alone.

A voice: "Leave him alone; he's drunk," and laughter.

Mr. Lloyd-George: Constitutionally and quietly.

The same person again interrupted Mr. Lloyd-George, and there were renewed cries of "Out with him," and a voice "It's brewers' ale."

"Leave him alone," Mr. Lloyd-George said, "if he promises to behave."

(Laughter.) Mr. Lloyd-George proceeded: "Constitutionally, quietly, keeping within the law, we have steadily presented our demand to the Imperial Parliament in a matter which purely concerns ourselves—a matter of our own religious affairs. If that does not concern a man himself and his own conscience, what does?"

And yet, we are always refused, always denied. (Cheer.) How long do you think it will continue? If that is sent to the House of Lords as it will be—(loud cheer)—sent up by an overwhelming majority of the representatives of the people—(cheer, cheer)—what will ensue? I am told it will be flung out—so I am told. (Renewed laughter.) I have no authority as to the intentions of the House of Lords. It depends entirely on what will be said at Lansdowne House. (Laughter.) Are the opinions of the overwhelming majority of the people about their religious affairs—are they to be settled in the drawing-room of Lansdowne House? (No.) It will be flung out. Does England imagine that Wales is a conquered country? (Renewed laughter.) Are the opinions of the overwhelming majority of the people about the produce of their own hard toil towards maintaining an ecclesiastical institution which they repudiate? (No.) Do you think they will go on for ever? (No.) Can you imagine the maintenance of educational institutions where Nonconformity is treated as if it were a disqualification for decency in a hundred parishes in a Nonconformist country?

"KING" LANSDOWNE AND HIS CONSORT.

Of course they will not. We are already making their act of 1902 a burden to them in that country, and they shall continue to do so until we get redress—(hear, hear); and you may depend upon it that if the people there find that they cannot get redress by constitutional means they will be driven into making those institutions intolerable.

A voice: "That is what you have driven other people to today."

A disturbance followed in the gallery, and the interrupter, the same person, continued to do so until we got redress—(hear, hear); and you may depend upon it that if the people there find that they cannot get redress by constitutional means they will be driven into making those institutions intolerable.

Mr. Lloyd-George continued: And that is why I say that if Liberalism is really not to be given the same full

opportunity of developing its message in the legislation of this country as

Toryism enjoys, the position will be a serious one. (Hear, hear.) The Liberal leaders fully realize that. (Hear, hear.) It will be serious not merely to the people of Wales, but to the people of the whole of Great Britain, and it is for that reason we intend to deal firmly and unflinchingly with the position. (Cheer.)

We cannot consent to accept the present humiliating conditions of legislation by sufferance of Lord Lansdowne. What is the position? This nobleman has arrogated to himself a position, he has usurped a sovereignty that no king has claimed since the ominous days of Charles I. (Hear, hear, and cheer.) Decrees are issued from Lansdowne House that Buckingham Palace would not dream of sending forward. Hear me. We are not going to stand it any more. (Great cheer, and prolonged cheering.) We are not going to stand any longer the usurpation of King Lansdowne and his royal consort in the Commons. (Cheer and laughter.) And, unless I am mistaken, before we are done we shall shatter the throne of this the most uninteresting of all pretenders. (Loud cheer.)

THE COURSE OF LIBERALS.

Beer war—and it is war—means generalship. And generalship means choosing the best method and the best moment to win. It is not generalship always to accept the opportunity which your opponent gives you. (Cheer.) It means considered and concerted action, and it means trusting in the lead of those who direct that action. (Hear, hear.) We have got to fight, not in order to show that we are afraid, but in order to win. (Cheer.) The first is pure foolhardiness; the second is business. (Hear, hear.) And it is business that we mean. (Cheer.)

What is our first operation? You had a very remarkable speech delivered here—I believe on this platform—about a week or a fortnight ago, and that rather indicated to me the direction in which the conflict might come. The needs of the country render it absolutely necessary that you should challenge the great issue on the question of finance. Old-age pensions were expected to be popular, but they are more popular than our most sanguine expectations led us to anticipate they could be—especially in Ireland. (Laughter.) As far as I can see they have had only one unfortunate result; they have suddenly aged such a number of people who before that bill was passed were young and vigorous, and to all human appearances had a good many years before they reached the allotted span of life. The bill has passed, and I am sorry to say it has aged them by decades. (Laughter.)

SOME BUDGET INTENTIONS.

Undoubtedly it has provided for the needs of many poor, broken men who have served their country faithfully in the army of industry. (Cheer.) I am heartily glad that it falls to my lot merely to carry that bill, but to find the means. And I can do so without taxing anybody's bread. (Cheer.) It is the security of the country that has to be insured, and there is the issue. You have got to raise the money, and Mr. Wyndham has presented the issue, which I am prepared, and so are my colleagues, to fight upon; and the Lords, I am told, mean to stake their existence upon it. Let them do it. Mr. Wyndham says "I will raise the money by taxing the bread of the poor"—(shame)—their bread and their meat.

He is going to interfere with the trade and commerce of this enormously important international trade. We mean to raise the taxes—now, I am not going to tell any secrets. (Laughter.) Yes, I will. (Laughter.) I will take you into my confidence. I know you won't tell anybody, and there are no reporters present. (Laughter.) I mean to raise these taxes in a way that will not interfere with any productive industry in this country. (Loud cheer.) I am not going to butter anybody's bread with taxes. (Cheer.) I am glad you approve of my budget.

Mr. Wyndham's speech is very significant. He has held high office, and will hold high office again; he is a very intimate friend of the dictator of the Tory party and the dictator of the House of Lords. Mr. Balfour, therefore, when he comes here, not to talk vaguely about tariff reform but to define his actual programme—that is a situation which is worth examining. Up to the present they have been in the air—they have flown off into the clouds with their aeroplanes. Here you get a gentleman who descends to firm—let us get to earth. They are going to tax timber—the voice "That's because they are wooden-headed" (laughter)—and other foreign commodities. Very well, that is a straight issue, and it is their issue. If the Lords want to stake their privileges upon it, by all means let them do it. We shall give them a chance. (A voice: When?) Whenever they take it. The budget has got to go up to them some time next year, and if they want to put the alternative of taxing bread, by all means let them do it. I shall be perfectly prepared, for my part, to take the option of my part of the world upon this question.

FIVE PROPOSITIONS.

As I consider that declaration a very important one, I should like to say something about it. You may depend upon it these are issues upon which you will be called to decide, and you cannot tell how soon—free institutions and free trade on the one hand; on the other, privilege and protection, taxes on bread, meat, and timber. (Laughter.) It is a matter of national moment to this country; it is something that comes home to everybody. What is the position now? Mr. Wyndham talked here as if we were a nation of money-lenders and commission agents. I am going to give you five propositions, not because you do not know them but because I want you to remember them as I present them.

The first is that at the present moment we have got the greatest international trade in the world.

The second is, we have the greatest shipping business in the world.

The third is, we have the greatest surplus wealth in the world.

The fourth is, we have the cheapest living—houses, food and clothing—of any country in the world.

The fifth is, that if you take the old countries of the world (and that is the only fair comparison) we have the highest wages, the shortest hours of work, and the best conditions of any country. (Cheer.)

What does Mr. Wyndham want to do? He wants you to risk all this, all that superiority, all that supremacy, all that predominance on an experiment which we tried before and gave up because it was a failure. Before we undertake to run risks of that kind we ought to examine the ground in front; we ought to have overwhelming reasons, the facts ought to be

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LORD ROSEBERY ON THRIFT

A WITTY SPEECH BY THE PREMIER AT EDINBURGH—THE VIRTUES OF THRIFT—THE EVIL OF WASTE.

Lord Rosebery was present on Dec. 21 in the Edinburgh council chambers at the annual meeting of the Edinburgh Savings Bank. Lord Provost Gibson presided.

Lord Rosebery, in moving the adoption of the report, said: The chairman has expressed a doubt as to whether the new provisions for old-age pensions are likely to promote thrift in the community. I am not going to follow you on that burning and hazardous ground, which approaches too near party politics for an occasion of this kind. But, after all, some of the anomalies of those provisions might almost point to the fact that the encouragement of thrift in the sense of accumulation is one of the objects of the old-age pension scheme. The cause when it is seen that those who have saved £800 or even £1,000 are rewarded by receiving an old-age pension of £5 a week no one could feel that the whole scope of the scheme is a discouragement of thrift. (Laughter.) Some people call it, according to their party, a wasteful experiment, and others a wise and far-seeing experiment. I shall not take either side, but shall content myself with saying that it is experimental in its nature, and that we shall have to wait some little time before we can pronounce confidently on its operation.

A DEFINITION OF THRIFT.

On these occasions the mover of the report is expected to say a few words upon thrift. Thrift is one of the virtues—and there are perhaps more of them than we think—which is much easier to preach in the words of Shakespeare, who comprehended after all the whole truth of the matter, that thrift is blessed not merely because of accumulation of substance, but because of the foundation and strengthening of character. (Cheers.) From the financial point of view, my definition of thrift shall be this—getting full value for your money and looking ahead. Of

course, the historical definition which has given so much comfort and encouragement to thousands is that of Mr. Micawber: "Annual income, £20; annual expenditure, £19 19s 6d—result, happiness; annual income, £20; annual expenditure, £20, as 6d—result, misery." (Laughter.) I suppose that is practically true. It means, in reality, that a man who is beforehand with of winning a few small degrees of popularity occupies a very different position relatively to the rest of the world from the man who is behindhand with it to however small an extent. Of course, from the financial point of view we know very well that thrift is the foundation of all opulence, all prosperity, and even of those colossal fortunes we hear of in America but never realize in this country. There is, however, a particular distinction between thrift and avarice. Avarice is the desire for wealth, and it is not generous; and, after all, it is a thrifty people who are generous. All the great philanthropists and all the great financial benefactors of their species of whom we have record have been thrifty men.

CAN THE POOR BE THRIFTY.

But I pass from the financial value of thrift to that which results in the formation of character. Many people when they read speeches about thrift, say: How can the poor be thrifty, seeing that they have nothing to be thrifty upon? But the exact reverse of the case is the truth, strangely enough, in your report there is a proof of this. From the experience of Edinburgh and Glasgow and Manchester it has been found that periods of stress and not periods of prosperity, are the most favorable to thrift, as shown by the deposits in the savings banks. The eighteenth century was perhaps the time of Scotland's direst poverty, and at any rate as compared with other countries in the world was the period of her greatest thrift. One hundred and twenty years ago there were probably no more than two or three hundred thousand pounds of current coin in the whole of Scotland, and when you compare that with fourteen millions of deposits in the two savings banks of Edinburgh and Glasgow you may arrive at some computation of what the difference of prosperity is between Scotland today and Scotland of that day. In those days we read that the one great object of a Scottish

peasant was thrift, not so much for the sake of a livelihood as for the sake of amassing enough money to obtain a decent burial. These patient, self-denying people amassed enough to what, after all, is a very insignificant event in our lives. Much more than that, they maintained their own aged, their own parents, their own relations. They thought it a shame to take any money from the public purse, and they refused to do so. They were independent which is at least equal to any spirit of independence which we boast of now. They scorned to take assistance; they scorned that any should maintain their families, but themselves. They gave their little surplus in charity, for there were plenty of recipients in the beggars and tinkers on the road. But the nation at large was thrifty, independent, and self-respecting to a degree perhaps known in no other nation at any other period in the world. (Cheers.) Now, when things were in this impoverished state in Scotland the Scottish were a source of terror to their southern countrymen. Only yesterday I lit upon an English caricature of the date 1780. It represents a Scotsman of the day, clad with the shoes over one shoulder and an essential part of his dress over the other, barefooted on his way to England. Underneath it is written this:

Though Sawney's brooks are on his shoulders,

So plainly seen by all beholders;

Half-starved, half-dressed, but his shoe,

Yet by and by he'll ride o'er you.

(Laughter.) Yes, our great-grandfathers did great things in those days on a mass of postage. They helped to mould the empire, they maintained their poor without legal compulsion. They sought nothing from external help, and they laid, in their nakedness and their bareness, the foundations of the prosperity which reigns in Scotland at the present moment. (Hear, hear.)

THE EVIL OF WASTE.

But, as I said a moment ago, it is a question how can the poor be thrifty. I will not go into the question, except to say that I think I have demonstrated it has been in the power of the poor to be thrifty in our country in the past. There is, at any rate, one sort of thrift which is in the power of the poor, and that is to refrain from waste. (Hear, hear.) If I wanted to train up a child to be thrifty I should teach him to abhor waste. I do not mean waste of money, but waste of material, waste of something that is useful, though you cannot represent it in money value to the waste.

There is waste of water, waste of gas, and things of that kind. If you would wish your children to be thrifty I would wish you to impress upon them the criminality of waste. But let me take you to a larger sphere of thrift which, after all, is the main point on which I wish to insist today. All great empires that were meant to continue to abide were thrifty. Take the Roman Empire, which lay like the iron stamp upon the face of the world. It was founded on thrift. When it came to be thrifty it degenerated and came to an end. Thrift began with a little, narrow-mindedness and it grew to a great end. It was nurtured by the thrift of Frederick the Great's father. Take the case of France, the security of land? I do not think any man would invest in Irish land if he had a stocking available in which he could put his spare cash. (Laughter.) There you get an objection of the effect upon property

THRIFT AND MODERN POLITICS.

What are we to say of our own country in the way of thrift? I sit in a House which is only privileged to pay taxes and not to vote them, but I am bound to say that, speaking from the external point of view, I am not quite sure that thrift is a governing consideration of our Parliament at this moment. To such a degree has this absence of thrift proceeded that it is now a subject of joy to the economist when votes are passed under the guillotine, because when any vote comes up for discussion there is no question of its diminution, but a hundred voices in favor of increased. Therefore, though I know that politicians are apt to complain that so many votes and so much expenditure are passed under the right rule of silence imposed by the guillotine, the economist secretly rejoices that such is the case.

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