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STONE'S BARGAIN SALE

TUESDAY

Not what they cost or what they are worth is taken into consideration just now, but what will balance of these summer goods sell at—and sell quickly is the question. We think we have them marked so low for the ladies of Chatham and vicinity will not be able to resist the temptation, and before long will see the last of them. First comers have largest selection to choose from.

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RUSSIA'S FLAT REFUSAL

Consul Will Not Allow Ships to Leave Shanghai or Disarm.

U.S. Torpedo Boat Destroyer Chauncey Slipped In Between a Japanese Torpedo Boat Cleared For Action Against the Askold and Her Frey-Russian Ship Took Refuge By Tying Up at Standard Oil Co. Dock—Three Days' Assault on Port Arthur.

Shanghai, Aug. 22.—Shanghai was thrown into a fever of excitement yesterday afternoon by the arrival of a Japanese torpedo boat, which was sighted coming in from the south at half-past four o'clock. She passed Woosung at full speed and started up the river for Shanghai. The United States torpedo boat destroyer Chauncey slipped her cable and followed the Japanese vessel. The Japanese boat was cleared for action. She anchored off the Cosmopolitan dock, where the Russian cruiser Askold is undergoing repairs. The Chauncey came to anchor practically between the dock and the Japanese destroyer. A foreign pilot ship reports having seen a Japanese battleship and two cruisers cruising sixty miles outside of Woosung.

There are at present no Chinese men-of-war in this port, but the Taotai has asked that a Chinese cruiser be sent immediately.

Russia Refuses. The Russian Consul-General here flatly refused to disarm the Askold or the destroyer Grozovoi or to order them to leave the harbor.

The Taotai has notified American Consul Goodnow, who is dean of the Consular body, that China cannot protect the foreign settlements. His contents that Russia ignores the orders issued by China and that China has not the means of making her obey them.

Consuls to Consider. Consul Goodnow has called a meeting of the Consular body to take joint action for the protection of foreign inhabitants. The Askold has docked adjacent to the warehouses there of the Standard Oil Co., which are valued at over \$1,000,000. The Standard Oil Co. has demanded protection for its property from Consul Goodnow.

The dock where the Askold lies is owned by British interests. On one side of the dock is the German and Dutch property, and on the other side American property.

There are eight American, one German, two British and four French warships here.

Will Be No Complications. London, Aug. 22.—The intervention of the American squadron at Shanghai in the Japanese operations against the Russian cruiser Askold created considerable surprise in official and diplomatic circles here. An official of the Japanese Legation said: "If the report is not untrue the American commander must have had good reason for his action, such as the protection of the American interests, which would have been endangered by flying shells."

Japan has been very reluctant to send ships into the harbor, for she recognized the international character of Shanghai and that the laws of neutrality demanded that China should order the Askold and the Grozovoi to dismantle or leave the port, and that she having given the order and the Russian ships having refused, it was then incumbent for Japan to act, thereby protecting Chinese neutrality and at the same time exerting her rights as a belligerent.

Whatever reason actuated the American commander, if he really did as is reported, it is certain that no complications will follow.

3-DAY ASSAULT. The Taking of Port Arthur Will Be at a Cost Unequalled.

Che Foo, Aug. 22.—The Japanese have swept the Russians from Pigeon Bay and captured the northernmost fort of the western line of inner defenses at Port Arthur. The Russian artillery prevents the Japanese from occupying the fort on Pigeon Bay.

3-Days' Assault Planned. It is understood that the Japanese plans at Port Arthur contemplate a three-days' assault. They expect to be triumphant on the third day. It is stated that they have a sufficient force to maintain an assaulting force of 60,000 men throughout.

Four thousand Japanese are reported to have landed at Dalny yesterday.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 22.—Emperor Nicholas has received the following message from Lieut.-Gen. Stoessel, commander of the military forces at Port Arthur, dated Aug. 16: "The Japanese made a two-days' attack on our position in the Upland Mountains, near Louisa Bay. All their attacks were repulsed. The Uglivka, Visokia and Divisiona Mountains remain in our hands. The enemy's losses were very great."

Japan Occupy Anshanshan. Tokyo, Aug. 22.—The Japanese troops occupied Anshanshan Friday and the Russians have returned toward Mukden.

Novik Sent to the Bottom. Washington, Aug. 22.—The American State Department yesterday received the following cablegram from U. S. Minister Griscom at Tokyo: "Japanese fleet sunk Novik."

main to-day." The following details of the attack on the Novik have been received at the Japanese Legation.

The captain of the protected cruiser Chitose reports that the Chitose and protected cruiser Tsushima attacked the Russian cruiser Novik at Korsakov, Sakhalin Island, on the morning of the 20th. "On the morning of the 21st, the Novik, which had been heavily damaged was stranded, and partly sunk. The Tsushima was hit once in the coal bunker, but the damage has also been repaired.

There was no other damage nor was there a single casualty on either of the Japanese vessels."

Tokio, Aug. 22.—Additional details of the naval engagement between the Novik and the Japanese cruisers Chitose and the Tsushima, have been received here. The fate of the crew of the Novik is not known, but it is thought they abandoned their vessel and landed at Korsakov.

Diana at Saigon. Paris, Aug. 22.—The Foreign Office confirms the report of the arrival of the Russian cruiser Diana at Saigon, French Indo-China.

Russia Still Confident. St. Petersburg, Aug. 22.—The foreign telegrams announcing that the final assault upon Port Arthur was projected for yesterday have further stimulated in all circles the interest which has been unflagging for weeks past concerning the fate of the fortress.

The authorities continue to express confidence in the ability of the garrison to withstand the assault, but they aver that should the fortress be carried it will be at a cost unequalled in the history of the siege.

Without Precedent. The determined nature of the Japanese attacks upon what is considered an impregnable position is without precedent in military annals. No European power ever ventured to show such disregard of its soldiers.

True, the allies at Sebastopol lost 12,000 men in the final assault, but the Japanese have made repeated attacks upon Port Arthur with equal losses.

Before Port Arthur. Che Foo, Aug. 22.—It is reported that the Japanese before Port Arthur have captured No. 25, one mile north of Golden Hill. The Japanese are not attempting to storm Liaoi promontory. Their right wing terminates at Pigeon Bay. The Russian garrison of Port Arthur is estimated at 23,000 men, covering an area of 12 miles.

A junk arriving at Tengchau from the Miaotao Islands reports seeing Saturday five Japanese men-of-war pursuing two Russian warships, type unknown.

Will Fight SUNDAY SALES

Rev. Mr. Brown Warns Sabbath Venders of Gewgaws at Government Park

Refreshment Men Determined to Test the Law—An Interesting Situation

There is nothing narrow, nothing sectional about the reformation campaign inaugurated by Rev. G. B. Brown, Kent County constable. When he is not engaged in fighting the illegalities of the liquor trade, he devotes his energies to the enforcement of other laws tending to the conserving of righteousness and morality.

Recently a stir has been created at the Government Park, Lake Erie, by the appearance and actions of the "Fighting Sky-Pilot," as he is dubbed by the sailors.

During the summer and autumn months the Park is very generally used for quiet outings and holiday parties. As a result several enterprising vendors have opened booths there for the sale of refreshments, fruits, drinks, souvenirs and gewgaws.

These vendors have been playing their big trade on Sundays, when there are many visitors. They sell quite openly from decorated booths and apparently do a most profitable business.

This has been going on, it is said, for several seasons. Some time ago complaint was made by a few of the cottagers, but no attention was evidently given it.

A week ago, however, there "were doings." Rev. Mr. Brown has taken the matter up and was down at the Park making investigations. It is said he distributed some sound warnings, pointing out the illegality of Sunday selling and intimating that a continuance in it would mean prosecution.

The booth men are evidently going to court a round with the "scrapping parson." Yesterday their restaurants ran again at full blast and business was booming.

Those who know Rev. Mr. Brown are predicting developments.

Some men carry spite to which makes them

TORNADO'S BIG SWEEP

Cut Swath 1-2 Mile By 8 Miles Through City of St. Paul.

Twelve Persons Are Dead and Many Others Were Injured—The Money Loss Is Estimated at Over a Million Dollars—Tivoli Theatre Completely Demolished—Business Section Badly Wrecked—Many Places Were Totally Unroofed.

St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 22.—Death to 12 persons, injuries to many others, and destruction to property, both private and public, estimated in round numbers at \$1,000,000, resulted from a furious gale which tore down the Valley of the Mississippi at about 9 o'clock Saturday night from a point somewhere near the confluence of the Minnesota and Mississippi Rivers, near Fort Snelling. At about that point the fury of the elements seemingly divided, and with a roar descended on the Twin Cities and their environs. The dead: Lorain F. Hokanson and George Kwenton, killed at Tivoli Theatre. Unknown child, killed by falling wall of dormitory at House of Good Shepherd.

For unknown dead at Waconia, 20 miles west of Minneapolis. Louis Pillsbeck, operator at Minneapolis Junction, killed by lightning. Unknown woman.

Albert Odne, 6 years of age, son of Frank Hedges, and an unknown 10-year-old girl, killed at St. Louis Park.

The missing: Edwin Gilbert, who was in the Tivoli Theatre. Fatally injured: William Langby, skill fractured. Robert Younger, injured internally. Sister at the House of the Good Shepherd, injured internally.

Unknown child, House of Good Shepherd, buried beneath debris. There were many others less seriously hurt.

Its Awful Sweep. From beginning at a point below Fort Snelling the storm came from the west and howling in its fury uprooted trees and demolished buildings in its pathway towards St. Paul. After causing havoc in St. Paul, the tornado swept onward to Minneapolis and its suburbs. Here, however, the destruction of property was not so great, although telephone and telegraph wires were torn down and numbers of houses were destroyed. The Twin Cities were cut off from communication with the outside world.

The tornado cut a pathway about a half mile in width and eight miles in length through the business and residence district.

The storm cloud, which came from the southwest, first hit the ground on the west side bluffs, near the high bridge. Two spans of this structure, which is of steel and which crossed the Mississippi River at a height of 200 feet, were cut out and thrown into the gulch below, crushing in the roofs of a number of small houses situated on the flats along the river bank. The storm kept on across the river in an oblique direction, leveling the numerous shade trees of Harriet Island.

Demolished Theatre. It struck the city proper near the Washburn street bridge, completely demolishing the Tivoli Theatre. There was a vaudeville performance on at the theatre, which was fairly well filled. Two men were killed by the fall of the roof, and about a dozen persons, women performers and others, were buried in the ruins. Many of them were severely hurt before they were extricated by the fire department. Across Washburn street the house of the same character as the Tivoli, was unroofed and otherwise badly damaged. Nearly all of the business blocks on Third street between Washburn and Sibley streets, a distance of five blocks, were damaged. Roofs were blown off, plate glass windows shattered and huge signs sent scurrying through the air like feathers. The Minnesota Club, at the corner of Fourth and Cedar streets, was damaged, while the ten-story Globe office building, just across the street, escaped with but little injury.

A Sky Scrapper Riddled. The Pioneer Press Building, a 13-story brick and steel structure, was literally riddled by the wind and flying debris. There was a stampede among the printers at work in the composing room at the 12th floor, many of them being cut by flying pieces of glass. The wholesale houses on Fourth street for two blocks below Robert street suffered extensive damage. The Davidson Building, at the corner of Fourth and Jackson streets, was unroofed, the entire roof being picked up and blown on top of an adjoining building.

Buildings Unroofed. The storm then swooped across Smith's Park, leveling all of the shade trees and struck the five-story brick building of Noyes Brothers & Cutler, wholesale druggists, blowing off the roof and carrying away part of the upper story. On West Seventh street, between Wacoula and Kitchon streets, a distance of seven blocks, much damage was done. The Habighorst Building at 7th and Wacoula, occupied by the Economy store, was unroofed. The five-story brick building occupied by the Schmeisser Waggon Co., on Rosabel street, was badly damaged, the entire top story being blown away. The Union Livery was wrecked, about half of it blown down. Along

being nothing more than heaps of debris.

Washington school building at Locust and Eighth streets suffered considerable damage, almost the entire top portion being blown away. St. Mary's Catholic Church, on Ninth and John streets, was unroofed, but the school building across the street, escaped with only minor damages. St. Sigrid's Episcopal Church, on Eighth street, a frame structure, was levelled to the ground.

Two Coal Steamers Sink. Detroit, Mich., Aug. 22.—Two more steamers of the Gilchrist fleet were sunk yesterday, making a total of four in two days. The Jupiter and the Vulcan were the last to go down.

One Killed in Chicago Riot. Chicago, Aug. 22.—During a riot in the Stock Yards Saturday night, one man was shot and killed and three other men were injured by bullets.

MUCH CHANGE IN SCHOOLS

Radical Alterations Made in the Public and High School Systems.

New Curriculum to be Comprehensive—Plan to Teach Students Modernly.

Complete and radical will be the changes instituted in the Public and High Schools of the Province by the revised Regulations which have been prepared by the Minister of Education and his assistants, and which have been endorsed by the Provincial Cabinet.

The work of the Public Schools is entirely recast and brought up to date. Nature study, manual training, household science, together with the ordinary branches of study will be adopted as the basis of the program from the time the child leaves the Kindergarten until he leaves the High School. Indeed the Froebelian System of gradual evolution has been adopted and the pupil by natural and easy gradations will pass from the observation and study of the plants in the first year of his school work to a stiff course in botany in the High School. In like manner the study of the animal life develops into Zoology, the observation of soil and rock into Mineralogy, (a new High School Study), the observation and conception of measurements into practical Geometry. More, which in the past the teacher as well as pupil has been in the habit of differentiating between the subjects taught—regarding each subject as a separate entity, under the new order of things everything will be co-related. The teacher will have to bear in mind that in the teaching of history other subjects, such as geography, grammar, competition, spelling, are being taught at the same time, and that each subject is in reality merely a part of a homogeneous whole.

Another point which is evident from the new Public School Curriculum is that still less attention will be paid to mere mnemonic results. The pupil will be taught to think for himself, to develop his logical powers, and to demand reasons "for the faith that is in him."

HIGH SCHOOL COURSES. The courses of study in the High Schools shall be taken up in three main divisions: The lower school (a two or three years' course), the middle school (a one or two years' course), and the upper school (a one or two years' course). The principal shall make such organization of forms as he may deem expedient.

The organization shall be: (a) The General Course; (b) The Commercial Course; (c) The Manual Training Course; (d) The Household Course; (e) The Art Course; (f) The Agricultural Course; (g) The Courses for University Matriculations and the Preliminary Examinations of the Learned Professions; (h) The Courses for Teachers' non-Professional Certificates.

LATIN OPTIONAL. Latin will be an optional subject for the junior non-professional examination, but for the senior examination it will be obligatory.

ENTRANCE CHANGE. In the question of entrance to the High Schools, besides the regular Departmental Examinations, the Board of Examiners may set papers or pass a pupil on the recommendation of the Public School principal.

A DECENTRALIZATION. The effect of the new regulations will be to put more power in the hands of the inspectors and the teachers to decentralize in a measure the school system in Ontario. Examinations are not to be the end-all of existence, but when examinations are taken the candidate will be obliged to make 40 per cent. of the total marks on each subject, and 60 per cent. of the total.

This raises the standard of scholarship very materially, for in the past the percentages required have been 34 and 50, respectively. So radical changes made by the new regulations, that it will be a force for them to come fully into force for two years, and, there-

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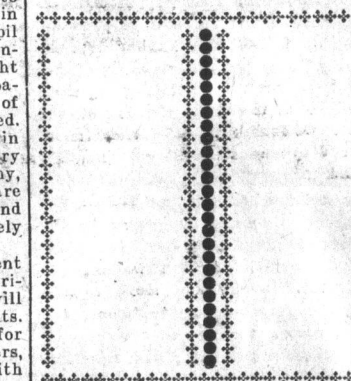
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COST OF LIVING.

During the period of prosperity which has lasted for several years it has been a common complaint, both in Canada and in the United States, that wages have not risen as rapidly as the cost of living, and that the average worker has not reaped any benefit from the good times in spite of the stress that has been laid in some quarters on the "full dinner pail." To what extent this complaint is justified is a question that can be solved only by a study of statistics, and some figures recently made public by the United States Bureau of Labor deal with the problem. The bureau conducted an exhaustive inquiry into the earnings and purchases of 2,500 families in various parts of the country, confining itself to those whose incomes were less than \$1,200 a year. The result of its calculation disclosed the fact that, while the cost of living increased 15.5 per cent. since 1896, the advance in wages was 16.6 per cent. A similar investigation under the auspices of the Employers' Association of Chicago is reported to have shown that wages rose 17 per cent. while the cost of living went up 16.8 per cent.

There is no reason to doubt the accuracy of the deductions made from the figures collected, but it would be interesting to have a similar inquiry set on foot in Canada. Without doubt there have been many individuals and families who have suffered from what has been very aptly called "the pinch of prosperity." People in the receipt of fixed incomes, which they are unable to increase either by their own efforts or in co-operation with others similarly situated, find the "good times" a delusion and a snare, for their dollars absolutely refuse to go as far as before in the purchase of fuel or food or in the payment of rent. But if it can be shown that, on the average, income and outlay have been increasing proportionately, the workers as a whole have no reason to grumble, whatever may be the situation in some less fortunate occupations or the case of individuals whose share in the general prosperity is represented by a cipher.

DASHING, EVEN IF DANGEROUS.

Few people who do not suffer from anemia can read the story of the cutting out of that Russian torpedo destroyer in the Chefoo harbor by the Japs without feeling a glow of admiration for the bull-dog fighting qualities of the little Britons of the East. Of course it was a violation of that diaphanous shade of legality called international law. But there was a lot of human nature in the transaction. Since long back in the winter the Japs have been lying out in front of Port Arthur waiting for their foe. In the cold snow squalls and the tempestuous typhoons, the dark, rough nights and the glaring days of calm and heat, Admiral Togo and his captains have maintained their hardy vigil, while their enemy lurked in comparative comfort in harbor under the guns of the big fortresses. At last they were driven out and in the mix-up that followed this destroyer got away and fled to a neutral port, where in the language of the small boy, it "touched wood" or "crossed its fingers" and was supposed to be safe. With the speed of "thrice ten thousand horse" the two Jap destroyers pursued it, but arrived too late. The temptation was too great. They just went inside the harbor and when the Russians refused to come out to fight, they thrashed them on their own deck and took their vessel out. There will no doubt be a big legal disturbance over it, but the Japs have the ship, and the white to international courts for redress will have to come from Russia. Besides the Japs have a show of legal right on their side because a belligerent vessel is not supposed to seek a neutral harbor, except from stress of weather, or for coal or provisions.

It may be illogical, but we could have wished that the British navy had shown the same dash and fearlessness of consequences in the matter of the seizure of British vessels those Russian "pirate" cruisers. From the cold-blooded legal standpoint it would have possibly been wrong, but British prestige would stand higher to-day if some of her cruisers had jumped in and taken those prizes out of the hands of the Russians and let the Russians do the talking afterwards. It is good betting that if that small, agile gentleman, who placed the telescope to his blind eye at the battle of Copenhagen, had been cruising around Alexandria when the Malacca came along with

a Russian prize crew on board, that prize crew would be in luck if it didn't have to swim ashore.

Of course, it is a fine thing for a great nation to have the power and still refrain from using it, perhaps illegally. And it may be that two wrongs won't make a right. But the Russians were doubly in the wrong in the Malacca case—they were technically pirates to begin with and had also made an illegal seizure. Britain would have been in a better position if she had recaptured her ship and let the Russians call on the courts, instead of presenting the spectacle of standing hand-in-hand protecting and waiting Russia's pleasure to settle the matter, while that subtle power proceeds to quibble and evade a settlement.

There is such a thing as being too polite and law-abiding, especially when that law is "international" when dealing with a nation that is inclined to be internationally lawless.

AFRAID OF HIM.

Montreal Gazette.
Mr. Borden is being made the subject of many uncomplimentary references in a section of the Liberal press just now. The Opposition leader has got past the stage of being spoken favorably of by his political enemies. They are afraid of him now. Hence the throwing of brick-bats.

TRUE AND IMPORTANT.

Toronto Globe.
The decision of the Minister of Railways to have a resurvey made of the proposed route of the Trent Valley canal from Rice Lake to Port Hope is a very proper one. It is right that all available information on a subject of so much importance should be put before the public.

PROFITS OF THE SALOON KEEPER.

Providence Journal.
In the course of a divorce case which Judge Dubois was hearing one party was a well known saloon keeper of Providence, and the wife's lawyer sought to bring out from the testimony of a witness for the husband "some statement as to the amount of the latter's income. The witness is both a wholesaler and retailer of liquors. He owns three saloons in this city, so what he says on the subject of a saloon's revenue may be considered authoritative.

"The earnings of a saloon depend largely on the locality in which it is placed," he said. "By that I mean that in some neighborhoods the proprietor of a saloon has to give larger glasses of beer than in another and that he has to give away more liquor for nothing in the form of treats in order to hold his custom. If the most favorably situated saloon takes in \$500 a week, it is a fair estimate that one-third of that will be clear profit after paying rent, help and other expenses. From that point the net profit varies to one-sixth, which represents the clear earnings on a gross income of \$500 a week in the locality where it is necessary to treat customers."

It Was on the Table.
Missess-Jane, where is the salad oil I told you to put on the table? Jane—Please, 'm, I did put it on the table when I polished it up this morning.—Punch.

I would much rather that posterity should inquire why no statues were erected to me than why they were.—Cato.

It's hard for a fellow to be a beau when he is bow-legged.

DISTRICT DOINGS.

DOVER CENTRE.

David Fryer, Jr., and family, have returned from Calgary, Alb., where they had resided for the past two years.

R. J. Rankin has purchased a valuable house and lot in Mooretown, where he intends to retire in the near future.

A number of our young people visited Tashmoo Park last week and report a good time.

Miss Agar, of Darrell, is visiting her uncle, Dr. Agar.

Everybody remember the date of the fruit social to be held on the personage lawn, Baldoon, on Aug. 24. Messrs. Jaz and Joe Rankin took in the excursion to Port Huron last Monday.

On Tuesday evening of last week, while John Ballantyne was driving Hugh Porter's three-year-old colt, the animal became frightened and ran away, throwing Mr. Ballantyne out and inflicting an ugly gash in his knee. Dr. Agar dressed the wound.

Aaron Highgate had a large barn burning Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Gooden, of Detroit, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. George Woods.

CON. 3, HARWICH.

Miss Jennie and Aggie McGeachy, Thameville, are spending the week with Miss Jennie Ferguson.

Peter Campbell, of Florence, spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Robert McNaughton.

Miss Annie Zink has returned home after a few weeks visit with friends in Ridgeway.

Miss Clara Wildgen, of Pontiac, has returned home after a few days visit with her cousin, Miss Millie Wildgen.

Mrs. N. Dewar and children, of Walkerville, are spending the week with Mrs. Robert McNaughton.

Mrs. Manson Campbell and Mrs. Thompson, of Chicago, spent Sunday with John H. McNaughton.

Miss Ada McNaughton is spending a few days with Miss Mabel Allison, of Kent Bridge.

The Shamrock and Thistle football team played the Maple Leaf team on the latter's grounds on Saturday night. The score was 2-1 in favor of our boys.

Reg. McNaughton left on Monday for a few weeks visit with his grandmother, Mrs. Campbell, of Laurence.

John Regan took in the Sons of England excursion to Niagara Falls and reports having a very good time.

Miss Edna French is spending her holidays with her grandmother, Mrs. Rouse.

FARM LABORER'S EXCURSION.

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Strenuous Times Since.
Pa—Now, don't ask me any more questions. I don't see why your history lessons should bother you. They didn't bother me when I was a boy.

Willie—Well, there wasn't so much history made when you was a boy.—Philadelphia Ledger.

A Kick Coming.

Mrs. Ricker—Our Helen is to be married on Thursday next week, Mary, and—
Maid—You've forgot, marm, that Thursday is my afternoon off. You'll have to take some other day for the wedding, marm.—Boston Transcript.

What the Reports Show.
"Can two opposing parties win the same victory?"
"Of course not."
"I guess you haven't read the Russian and Japanese reports of some of the fighting along the Yalu."—Brooklyn Eagle.

The continued decline in the birth rate in England has begun to arouse apprehension of the nation's future. In 1896 the birth rate was 35.2 per 1,000. By 1900 it had fallen to 29.2 and by 1901 to 28.5.

Attention was called to the matter in the registrar general's last annual report, issued in June, 1903, which pointed out that the birth rate was then the lowest on record, while infant mortality was startlingly high. Dr. Shadwell in a recent lecture at St. John college showed that the decline especially pertained to industrial centers. In England generally it is among the middle classes that the birth rate shows the most serious decline. In Australia the working classes are the pioneers of restricted families.

Progress of Electricity.
Fifteen years ago there were perhaps 100 electric cars in the whole world. Today they are in all parts of the globe. Even Seoul, the capital of Korea, has an electric railway built by an American.

Fifteen years ago a 200 horsepower generator was thought to be a monster, but today a 10,000 horsepower generator is not big enough to attract any unusual attention.

Fifteen years ago electricity was thought to be almost as much of a fad as it was a business. It employed few men. Today in one plant alone there are 12,000 people employed, and three out of every four are skilled workmen.

Death and Number Thirteen.
Pawtucket has four undertaking establishments, each of which is No. 13 upon its street. One of the "funeral parlors" is conducted by a man named Berry, which, if not spelled the same way, sounds exactly like "bury." In one of these establishments a young man of the name of Coffin secured a position some years ago. His first work was in connection with thirteen victims of a sleighing party run into by a train while crossing the railroad track near the city. And yet there are some people, otherwise of sound sense, who say there is nothing fatal in the number thirteen.—Providence

FINNISH EXILES.

An Interesting Feature of Immigration to America.

One of the most interesting features of American immigration is the large increase of Finns arriving on these shores in recent years because of oppression at home by Russia. In 1898 the number of Finn immigrants to America was less than 3,000. In 1899, when the czar issued the fatal decree depriving the people of Finland of their constitutional liberty, the number increased to 12,000, in 1900 to 25,000 and in 1903 to 50,000. Since 1898 more than 150,000 Finns have come to the United States, and there are now over 200,000 Finns under the American flag. In 1898 Finland's population was 2,000,000, so that 10 per cent of all Finland's inhabitants in the year previous to the czar's decree are in the United States today. A many more have sought freedom in other countries.

According to a writer in Everybody's Magazine, these exiles were the flower of their nation. They have found employment here in varied industries. A few are goldsmiths and silversmiths; many are "bridgemen" in steel construction work. In Michigan, which has the largest colony of them, they work in the iron and copper mines. There are 1,000 who are fishermen and miners in Alaska. Some are farmers in the middle west.

In New York, Jersey City, Hoboken, Brooklyn and Newark there are fully 15,000 Finns. Of these nearly all the women—in the peasant class, of course—are in domestic service, while the majority of the men are carpenters, ironworkers and bridge and house builders.

A Unique Coin.

A four dollar gold coin, probably the only one of its kind in existence, is on exhibition at the Germania National bank in Milwaukee. It belongs to Dr. Charles J. Lange and is valued by the bank officials at \$200, although this is only approximate. The piece of gold is of the same diameter as a five dollar gold piece, but thinner. On its face is the well known "liberty head," without the cap, however. Around this are thirteen stars interspersed with the letters "G S 7 C 7 Grams." The exact meaning of these letters none of the bank officials has ascertained. On the reverse of the coin is a five pointed star, into which is cut the inscription "One stella—400 cents." Around it are the words "E Pluribus Unum. Deo Est Gloria," and around these, forming the rim of this side of the coin, are the words, "United States of America. Four Dollars." About fifteen years ago this coin was sent to Washington by the Germania National bank of Milwaukee, according to the Sentinel of that city, but the only information obtained was that the coin is genuine.

Balloons and Rifle Balls.

Some interesting experiments have just been conducted at Bienne, France, for testing the practical utility of captive military balloons against infantry or machine gun fire. The Paris correspondent of the Newcastle Chronicle states that at a height of 800 yards a few volleys sufficed to shatter the balloon, the range, it should be stated, being known in advance. At an unknown altitude varying from 1,100 to 2,000 yards no fewer than twenty-two trial shots were needed to fix the range. It was only the sixty-fourth volley that hit the balloon, without, however, doing it any apparent damage. The experiments are regarded as showing that rifle fire is not very effective, even against captive balloons, at uncertain ranges and still less so against balloons that are not captive.

Declining Birth Rate.

The continued decline in the birth rate in England has begun to arouse apprehension of the nation's future. In 1896 the birth rate was 35.2 per 1,000. By 1900 it had fallen to 29.2 and by 1901 to 28.5.

Attention was called to the matter in the registrar general's last annual report, issued in June, 1903, which pointed out that the birth rate was then the lowest on record, while infant mortality was startlingly high. Dr. Shadwell in a recent lecture at St. John college showed that the decline especially pertained to industrial centers. In England generally it is among the middle classes that the birth rate shows the most serious decline. In Australia the working classes are the pioneers of restricted families.

Progress of Electricity.
Fifteen years ago there were perhaps 100 electric cars in the whole world. Today they are in all parts of the globe. Even Seoul, the capital of Korea, has an electric railway built by an American.

Fifteen years ago a 200 horsepower generator was thought to be a monster, but today a 10,000 horsepower generator is not big enough to attract any unusual attention.

Fifteen years ago electricity was thought to be almost as much of a fad as it was a business. It employed few men. Today in one plant alone there are 12,000 people employed, and three out of every four are skilled workmen.

Death and Number Thirteen.
Pawtucket has four undertaking establishments, each of which is No. 13 upon its street. One of the "funeral parlors" is conducted by a man named Berry, which, if not spelled the same way, sounds exactly like "bury." In one of these establishments a young man of the name of Coffin secured a position some years ago. His first work was in connection with thirteen victims of a sleighing party run into by a train while crossing the railroad track near the city. And yet there are some people, otherwise of sound sense, who say there is nothing fatal in the number thirteen.—Providence

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Bill—Our poker club had an outing yesterday.
Jill—Is that so? How much were you out?—Yonkers Statesman.

Having now laid hold of the Wolf, it ought to be an easy matter for the Japs to secure the lamb at Port Arthur.

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Sealed, bulk or separate tenders, addressed to W. M. Drader, will be received at the office of the undersigned until Thursday, September 1, for the masonry and stone work, plastering, painting, and glazing, plumbing, heating and slate roofing, required in the erection of a brick and stone residence on Wellington St. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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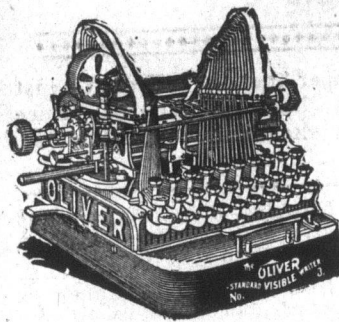
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IN FASHION'S REALM.

Draw Toques Are Much Worn—Em-
broidered in Smarter Than Lace.
Straw toques are to be worn a great
deal this summer, as much so in fact
as the larger shapes. These little
toques are usually made of some bright
colored material, satin straw or flow-
ers, and if of straw they are simply
decorated with straw rosettes or soft
satin bows and quills.
Bands of embroidery are being used
more than those of plain lace. This
embroidery is rarely openwork, except



GREEN STRAW TOQUE

In the case of English embroidery or
the Tenerife drawn work. The prefer-
ence is for raised embroidery.

Both on blouses and skirts cording is
much used. Checks of every descrip-
tion are very smart. Even on veiling
these checks appear in dull rubbed in
effect, and they give a changeable ef-
fect when combined with a bright lin-
ing.

Some of the most effective picture
hats are made of black guipure edged
with velours and trimmed with one
long plume brought around the brim
and falling down upon the shoulders.
Some of the hats are worn straight
off the face; others have a decided
downward tilt.

A magnificent evening toilet may be
fashioned of cream chiffon gauze over
rich sulphur colored silk. The corsage
should be trimmed with spiderweb lace
medallions, from which falls a white
silk fringe, the sleeves terminating in a
deep fall of accordion plaited chiffon,
relieved by shirred chiffon and lace me-
dallions. Effective touches of gold
cord may be introduced into this costume.

The picture shows a toque of green
straw trimmed with a rosette of soft
silk and two quills.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

WHAT IS WORN.

Sleeves Are Very Wide and Much
Filled in With Lace.
Sleeves are still very wide, and the
fullness either hangs bell shaped or
it is plaited into a loose cuff, which is
filled in with lace. The newest sleeve
frills are of plaited lawn edged with
color embroidery or yellow lace valen-
ciennes. Some of the new sleeves are



TAILOR MADE GOWN.

decorated with from three to five frills
of lace, which reach almost from the
elbow down.

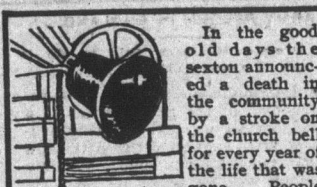
The heavy coats now worn by monor-
ists are giving way to coats of shan-
ting of pale colored mohair and silky
alpaca. These are made long enough
to cover the entire costume, with be-
coming bertha and collar arrange-
ments and very wide sleeves, having
lace and plaited frills put into the new
lace cuff.

Lace veils lined throughout with
tulle are fastened on draped toques of
tulle or silk or satin straw. Some of
these new shapes are very becoming
when relieved by touches of red or
bright blue.

The bolero is still the most popular
coat. It is deservedly so, as it is al-
most universally flattering to the fig-
ure, much more so, in fact, than the
breasted military coat which dressmak-
ers tried to introduce in the spring.

The model shows a tailor made suit
of green silk trimmed with strappings
of white silk. It has the long shoulder-
ed effect, which is so smart at present.

JUDIC CHOLLET.



In the good
old days the
old announced
a death in
the community
by a stroke on
the church bell
for every year of
the life that was
gone. People
expected, then, to live to old
age, and speculation at the
first tap of the bell took a
narrow range including only
those who had lived the al-
lotted time. There is no rea-
son why people should not
have the same expectancy of
age to-day, except for the
neglect and abuse of the one
organ on which all the other
organs depend—the stomach.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical
Discovery enables men
and women to be strong and
healthy, by curing diseases of
the stomach (and other or-
gans of digestion and nutri-
tion), which prevent the
proper nourishment of the
body.

"I had been sick for two years
with indigestion and nervous
debility, and had taken
medicine from my family
doctor for a long time
without much benefit,"
writes Mrs. W. E. Pe-
bles of Lucknow, S. C.
"I was induced to consult Dr.
Pierce by letter. You
advised me to take
'Golden Medical Discovery'
(and 'Favorite Remedy'),
which I did, and to my great
surprise, after taking six
bottles I was cured."
The Medical Ad-
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pay customs and
mailing only. Ad-
dress Doctor R. V.
Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Gorillas in Battle.

"The prevailing belief that gorillas
use clubs when they attack each other
or their enemies is an entirely er-
roneous one," writes a traveler. "They
do nothing of the sort, and how such
an impression ever came to exist or
how old time African explorers ever
came to formulate such a theory is be-
yond my comprehension. During a
long sojourn in that country I had am-
ple opportunities to learn the truth
about them, and what I discovered
was subsequently confirmed during
a protracted hunting trip in Bor-
neo."

"The fact is that in fighting each
other or in attacking or defending
themselves from enemies they de-
pend entirely upon their teeth,
which are abnormally strong and
sharp and cut like a razor. They are
clumsy on their feet, but the enormous
strength of their powerful arms more
than makes up for this deficiency. In
fighting they almost invariably attack
the faces or the limbs of their adver-
saries."

"In the case of human beings or
members of the monkey tribe the gorilla's
favorite point of attack is the
hand and especially the finger."

A Unanimous Election.

There was then known as the toughest
part of creation who went by the name of
Big John. I doubt if he ever had any
other name. We had a little settle-
ment we were going to make a town
out of and concluded that the first
thing to do was to choose a marshal,
which we proceeded to do. There were
several candidates. Big John among
them, and when the pieces of paper
dropped into a wide brimmed hat Big
John walked up, coolly took the votes
and put them into his pocket and said:
"This is the quickest way. All them
as votes for me come to this side." Not
a man hesitated. It was the most
unanimous election ever held. He
made a good officer, though, and we
kept him in till we pulled up the town
and moved on to the next terminus of
the railroad.

It makes a woman very indignant
with a man when she crowds up too
close to him in a street car.

ANOTHER VOICE ON THE PRAIRIES

Tells of Diabetes Cured by
Dodd's Kidney Pills.

W. G. Bartleman Could Get No Re-
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cures of Kidney Disease that has ever
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Wm. G. Bartleman, well-known
farmer, is the man cured, and he
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"I had Kidney Trouble and it de-
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Dodd's Kidney Pills in December, 1902.
I took them all winter and summer
while I was unable to work my farm.
I took twelve boxes in all and in
August I was able to work."

"Now I am quite strong. I work
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back or any part of my body. Dodd's
Kidney Pills cured me."

If the Kidney Disease is of long
standing it may take time to cure it.
But Dodd's Kidney Pills will do it.

Every new privilege is accompanied
by a new duty.

Every girl starts out with the idea
of having an elaborate church wed-
ding.

SELECTIONS

TO COUNT BY EIGHTS.

Society for the Propagation of the
Optimal System.

A society is about to be formed in
England for the propagation of what
is called the optimal system, or count-
ing by eights.

The most natural to multiply and
divide is to double or halve. It is sim-
ple itself to take one apple (or any-
thing you please) and multiply it by
placing another by its side; you multi-
ply again by adding two more, and so
you go on doubling. In the same way
you divide by halving.

Now, in the decimal system it is not
possible to do anything so neat as that.
You must get to your unit, or base, or
ten, and it is impossible to do that by
the simple process of doubling the low
figures. You can certainly halve one
in the same way as in the new optimal
system, but if you take ten you get
down to two and a half very soon—a
very broken figure—and it gets worse
as you go lower.

Not so with the eight. It was con-
tended by its opponents that the pro-
cess of dividing or multiplying by sim-
ply shifting the point is not possible.
In decimals, thirty means thirty, but
3.0 means three, which is an easy meth-
od of dividing by ten, but how would
this be in the new enumeration?

To this the optimalists reply that the
figure of ten is quite arbitrary, that the
most natural figure is eight and that if
we had been taught to count by eights
we should have experienced no diffi-
culty.

In that case thirty would be equal to
twenty-four, while 3.0 would be three,
as at present. Further—and this is
where they think they score—3 would
be three-eighths, not three-tenths,
which they stigmatize as a very diffi-
cult division to obtain naturally.

It is all very well when we have it
marked out for us on a scale, but just
think of the difficulty of splitting an
apple into ten equal parts and then
compare that with the simplicity of
obtaining eight parts by merely halving!

Supporters of the decimal system say
that the human hand was the basis of
calculation, there being ten digits, but
optimalists point out that there are
only eight fingers; that the thumb is a
special part of the hand.—Pearson's
Weekly.

Artificial Snails.

As escargots, or snails, are not much
eaten in this country, the discovery
that artificial snails are made will not
worry American epicures. In France it
is different. Public knowledge of this
enterprise came through the suit
of a Paris workman against his em-
ployer for injuries received in manipu-
lating a machine for fabricating snails.
It was explained that the employer
bought empty snail shells from the
dust men and ragpickers. Having
cleaned out the shells, the defendant
and his people filled them with "meat"
—that is to say, lights, or cat's meat.
This soft, spongy stuff before being
crammed into the shells was cut in'o
corkscrew shape by very improved ma-
chines. When the shell was filled some
liquid fat or grease was poured into it,
and the trick was done. The fabricated
snails were sold usually at 20 centimes
the dozen.

Balked on Their National Hymn.

King Edward, while visiting at the
residence of one of his subjects re-
cently, saw proof that not many Eng-
lishmen know the words of their na-
tional anthem. He was waiting at
the station for his train when a few
of the ultraloyal began to sing "God
Save the King," but each in suc-
cession came to a sudden pause and lam-
bently broke down. A desperate
final attempt failed most ignominiously,
greatly to the amusement of his
majesty, who vainly tried to conceal
his smiles under cover of a paternal
chat with his noble and slightly em-
barrassed hostess.

Time to Smoke in Australia.

Builders and contractors in Austr-
alia have hit upon a successful plan to
oblige their employees by allowing
them to stop during working hours
and have a smoke.

At 10:30 in the morning the whistle
blows or the bell rings, and the fore-
man calls out, "Smoke!" Instantly
all work is stopped, and the men take
out their pipes and smoke for about
five minutes. At 3:30 in the afternoon
they are allowed to smoke again. The
time so lost is made up by the extra
energy with which the men work after
they have had a smoke.

The Stingless Bee.

Apiculturists have been experimen-
ting to determine whether a compara-
tively rare stingless bee that is a na-
tive to North and South America could
be bred to replace the common honey-
bee. The former, according to the
investigators, was found to use no wax
in the construction of the nests, and
the honey stored by them is greatly in-
ferior to that of the common honey-
bee. The domestication of this species
apparently does not look very promis-
ing.

A Big Cycling Contract.

The champion wager of the moment
is possibly that upon which one Herr
Schweigerhausen has entered to the
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aginative Europeans. He is to cycle
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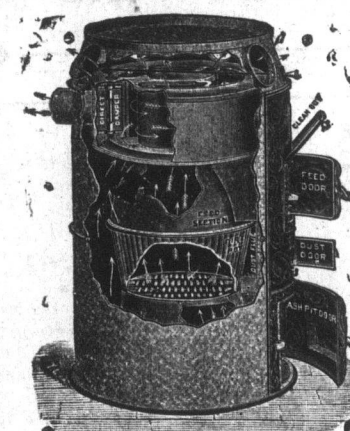
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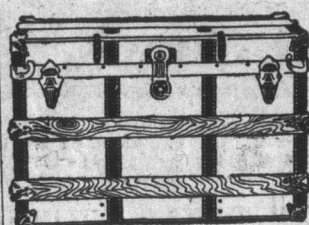
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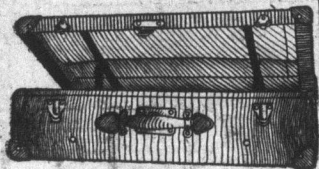


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Births, Marriages and Deaths

SPRAGUE—On Sunday, 21st inst., Helen, youngest daughter of G. W. and Sarah Sprague, aged 4 months and 4 days.

The funeral will take place at two o'clock to-day from Grey St.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

J. W. McKenzie, of Ridgetown, is a Chatham visitor to-day.

J. T. O'Keefe, of Mt. Clemens, was registered at the Garner House yesterday.

R. L. Geonell, J. H. Ferguson and Geo. Taylor, of Blenheim, were in the city on Saturday.

Miss Baxter, of Stone's, left this morning for Hamilton, where she will spend her holidays.

Garnet Holmes met with an accident on King St. West. He was riding along in his auto when he punctured the tire.

Misses Belle and Daisy Cameron, of Toronto, who have been visiting their cousin, Miss Belle Stringer, returned home to-day. Miss Stringer returned with them.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sprague, Gray Street, passed away yesterday. The funeral took place this afternoon at the Maple Cemetery. Rev. Mr. Cobblewick conducted the funeral services.

Mayor Graves, of Port Huron, called on Mayor McKenough and invited the City Council to attend the MacKenzie excursion, which goes to Port Huron. The Council will in all probability accept.

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DRAINAGE COURT

Drainage Referee J. B. Rankin, held Drainage Court at the Court House this morning. The cases up were Holmes vs. Tilbury East, and Bailey vs. Raleigh.

Both cases were applications for orders directing procedure, in connection with the trial and disposition of the cases. The Referee made the usual orders directing the claimants to deliver the particulars and ordering the objections and defense to be delivered with the right to production and examination for discovery in favor of both parties.

O. L. Lewis appeared for the claimants in both cases and W. E. Gundy acted for the appellants.

MISS BY EYELASH

The early risers on King St. and the passengers of the City of Chatham witnessed a very amusing incident near the Rankin House this morning as the boat was moving out from the dock.

Just as the ropes were pulled in on the steamer an awful clatter was heard coming down King street.

It proved to be a colored resident from the rural districts with his wife and family of small children, who had driven in many miles to catch the boat for Detroit. When he was going across the Third St. bridge he saw the boat was almost ready to start, so he whipped up his horses and came down King St. at breakneck speed determined to make one grand dash for the boat. The horses, who were aware that something unusual was going on, responded somewhat quickly, and the traces became undone, but the farmer didn't stop. One pedestrian called out—

"Hey, your traces are down, Mister!" but the farmer yelled across his shoulder—

"I know, but I want to catch the boat!"

But he didn't catch it. Just as he got in front of the Rankin House the tongue of the demobert slipped from the neckyoke, the rig was thrown against the curb and the horses tried to run away. The wife and family were considerably shaken up and formed a disconsolate group at the top of the bank watching the "City" leave the dock. It was a great disappointment and they stood there until the farmer himself walked up and aroused them by saying:

"Well, I guess we'd better go back home."

The incident looked very amusing, and J. W. Wilson and Reg. Miller, who happened along at the time, laughed so heartily, that really, anybody could have seen the joke.

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PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.—Fresh to strong westerly to north-westerly winds, clearing this evening. Tuesday, fair and a little cooler.

THERMOMETER.

The following figures were registered to-day at seven a. m. at Turner's weather bureau:

Highest yesterday, 54.
Lowest during night, 71.
This morning, 71.
Barometer, 29.29.
Direction of wind, west.
Rainfall, .28 tons to the acre.

JEANNETTE'S CREEK.

Miss Nellie Smith, of Hamilton, is spending a month with her parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Gilbert and little daughter, of Chicago, are the guests of the former's aunt, Mrs. Ed. L. Smith.

Rev. Mr. Osborn is spending this week with his parents in Kingsville.

School re-opened on Monday.

The Young Men's Educational Society gave a musical concert on Monday evening. Each selection was very much enjoyed by the audience. W. Thorn sang "I am glad to meet you, Ming," and Geo. Mays gave a piccolo solo "The Battle of Waterloo." The proceeds amounted to \$15.60.

Misses Edith and Floral Pack left on Monday to visit relatives in Detroit, Windsor and Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Murray and children of Midland, are expected here this week to visit the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hamilton.

Mrs. Murphy Dies Aged 134.

Meadvale, Pa., Aug. 8.—Mrs. Mary Murphy, the oldest person in the State, if her age is correctly reported, died Saturday in Kerstown, aged nearly 134 years. Mrs. Murphy a few months ago said: "I was born in Dublin, Ireland, on Christmas Day, 1770, and came to America in May, 1870. When I was in my one hundredth year, I was 28 years old when the Irish rebellion took place in 1798, and my first husband was a soldier. I was 38 years old when Robert Emmet was executed for treason, Sept. 20, 1803." Mrs. Murphy is survived by her second husband.

A man's earning capacity is seldom as great as his wife's yearning capacity.

...SOCIETY...

A pretty wedding took place at the residence of Arch. Campbell, M. P., Toronto Junction, on Saturday, when his youngest daughter, Mabel L., was united in marriage to James E. Wallbridge, barrister, of Edmonton, N. W. T. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. C. Plaggon, of Victoria church, in the presence of a number of invited friends. Misses Helen Campbell, her sister, and Helen Wallbridge, were the bridesmaids, and Dr. W. D. Ferris, of Edmonton, supported the bridegroom.—Mail and Empire.

BACK FROM THE WEST

M. J. Wilson, of the M. J. Wilson Cording Company, returned last Wednesday from a very enjoyable pleasure and business trip to Winnipeg and the Northwest. Mr. Wilson took 54 tons of binder twine with him and succeeded in disposing of all of it in the Northwest. He could have sold much more but he had no more on hand and it was too late to commence manufacturing it for this season. In speaking of his trip this morning, Mr. Wilson said:

"The crops in the Northwest are excellent this year and there will be an abundant yield. Barley, oats and wheat are a splendid crop all over the Northwest. We had a very pleasant trip up on the 'Monarch' as far as Trevelyan, and a very pleasant trip back on the 'Huron.' There was a big crowd of Chathamites on board on the trip back. There were eighteen of us, including Mr. and Mrs. E. McKenney, Mr. and Mrs. A. Albert, Fields, Geo. Blackburn, Mr. Glassford, Mr. and Mrs. Peter McGeechay, A. E. Merritt, Mrs. Wilson and daughter, and myself. We took the 'Trevelyan,' which was once pastor of the Park street Methodist church, and coming back Sunday evening we had a service on the boat."

"It appeared to me when I was there that there are a great many laborers in the Northwest. The C. P. R. have 20,000 men at work and the Eaton Company have a great many more at work on their new building. The whole city of Winnipeg is building up fast. There is \$10,000,000 worth of building going on there this year. They said Winnipeg was right in its boom when we were there and it did look very beautiful."

"I like the Northwest country very much, but I like Kent better. For a man who wants to start out in life the Northwest is the place to go and grow up with the country, and if a man has a good farm and income here he is better in Kent, where he can have more variety and live better. All of the fruit there is shipped in and, of course, it is not there as many other advantages in Kent. I would rather have 100 acres here than 500 acres there if I were going in for farming."

"In the manufacturing line the disadvantages of the Northwest are great. Labor is high and board is dear."

"I had a very enjoyable and successful trip indeed and next year I expect to have another just as enjoyable, and if everything goes well, even more successful."

THE CHATHAM DAILY PLANET.

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CHATHAM TO THE FRONT.

To the Editor of The Planet:

Dear Sir,—Among my sojourns around this part of the 'country' I struck the Agricultural Building at the World's Fair in St. Louis and my eye caught the familiar name of "Chatham," and putting on my glasses I beheld the exhibit of our old friend Mansen Campbell of a chicken incubator, and, of course, I felt at home once again. Just across from the Agricultural building is the Canadian Building, located directly in front of a distillery and a beer restaurant. The location suited me admirably, but I fear that it will not be endorsed by the fastidious prohibition element of your country. Canada may well be proud of her building at the Fair, but in providing for the most attractive part of Canada was in the Northwest territory. Nothing of the beauties of Montreal and Quebec are to be seen, and only a view of Toronto and Grimsby—the Mecca of Methodist camp meetings—is all that I could see of Ontario.

There is nothing of that green little spot called Chatham, not even a copy of the great home journal, "The Planet," could be found on the tables. True Premier Laurier's portrait adorns the wall, but not even a miniature of that grand old man, the founder of Confederation, Sir John Macdonald, could be found anywhere, which is certainly a disgrace to the country he so faithfully served.

It appears to me that the City Council of Chatham could well afford to have at least a few photographs of the principle points of interest of its beautiful city, framed and hung up in the representative home of your country. Some years ago I had photographs of Chatham framed and hung in the Royal Commissioner's office in London, and also in the offices of the Globe and Mail of that city, whether they are still there I do not know. It would certainly be a good advertisement for your city if some enterprising citizen would donate the necessary frames and photographs to be hung in the Canadian Building of the Fair—it would at least be of interest to the old Chathamites who might visit there. Only those who have been away from your city for many years can appreciate the pleasure experienced when even a chicken incubator reminds them of their early home.

Yours very truly,

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Tom Matthews' Decision

By CYRUS DERICKSON

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His name was Thomas Matthews, but everybody around the store called him Tom. He had come to the business of Haines & Co. when a boy ten years old, and in fourteen years he had gained the position of bookkeeper and cashier. At every stage he had been complimented on his honesty and fidelity, and the day he took charge of the books and the cash Harris, the active partner, said to one of the "Co."

"Well, Johnson, I feel a load off my mind. Tom is as straight as a string, and we need not worry about him. I don't believe that he could be tempted to do a crooked thing."

Never did a young man carry a cleaner record into an office. There had been a thousand chances for temptation, but Tom had not been tempted. If any one had whispered in his ear that temptation was going to get the best of him he would have smiled at the idea. He had put in another year when it came and during that year had married and established a home. The firm had made him a liberal present in cash, and up to the hour of his temptation, had his books been examined and his cash counted, they would have been found correct to a dot.

To oblige a friend he took \$50 from the cash account for three or four days. The friend repaid the loan and put Tom on to a "sure thing" in the stock market. Tom invested his week's salary and made \$200. It was his first speculation, and the thing seemed so easy that he gave it a whirl a month later and came out several hundred dollars in the good.

The man who wants to speculate can run across "sure things" every hour in the day. Tom had known of scores of men in trusted positions going wrong through speculation, but his name should never be added to the list. He would make or lose with his own money, and not a penny belonging to Haines & Co. should be put in peril.

That was the policy he pursued for six months, sometimes gaining and sometimes losing; but, of course, there



"WHAT AM I TO DO?" WAILED TOM.

came a day when the market was upset, and he found himself on the wrong side of it and had to "borrow" from the firm to make good his margins. Such a step is always called "borrowing," and the man who takes it always feels himself thoroughly honest. The market continued to drop, and in four or five days Tom was closed out and owed the firm \$500 besides. He could have raised that through friends and squared things up, but he had lost by the market and he meant to make good by the market.

There must be cashiers who borrow the firm's money and are lucky enough to return it, but no one ever hears of them. It is of those who would return it if they could, but find it impossible, that are held up to public gaze and sent to prison. The \$500 became \$1,000 and then \$2,000 added to it before Tom let go of stocks. That was a larger sum than he could raise outside. The end of the year was drawing near, and if his books were overhauled he must surely be branded as an embezzler. He had "covered" the shortage in a way, but an expert would uncover it in half an hour.

The trusted cashier who goes wrong has a choice to make. He can face the music and take his punishment or he can flee the country or commit suicide. He puts off his decision to the very last hour, hoping he knows not what, but the hour comes at last when he must make it. That hour came to Tom Matthews, and he remained behind in the office to decide what step he should take. He fully realized that he must choose between the three evils, but the hours went by and he could not make up his mind. He should have left the store at 6 o'clock, but he was still there at 9 and at 9 was yet undecided. As he sat with his face in his hands and the office only dimly illuminated by a single gas jet something touched him on the arm, and he lifted his head to find a stranger standing beside him. "You must excuse me for calling so late," observed the man, "but the fact

is I had some difficulty in getting into the store."

"Who are you, and what do you want?" asked Tom, more puzzled than startled.

"Oh, as to my name, you can pick out any old thing, but as to what I want, I dropped in to do a little business with you."

"But the store is closed."

"Yes, I know, and that's my best time for doing business. Don't you say?"

"You don't mean that you are a burglar—a robber?" queried Tom, after looking the man over for a moment and wondering if it was a real live man who stood before him.

"That's pretty close to it," laughed the man as he sat down on the nearest chair and brought out a cigar and lit it. When he had taken a few puffs he resumed:

"I've had my eye on this plant for some time, and when I got in tonight I didn't expect to have your company. How does it come that you are here, and what's the matter that you look so seedy? I'd been spying on you for half an hour before I entered the office, and I think you've got a peck of trouble on your mind. Let's hear what it is."

It was a strange situation, but the cashier was in a strange mood. The caller had said that he was a burglar and had come with designs, but yet there was a touch of sympathy in his tones. Tom hesitated for a moment and then told him all. The man listened, nodding or shaking his head now and then, and when he had heard all he said:

"Look here, my boy, there's only one way in this thing. You've got to be either all good or all bad. You can't be half and half and make a go of it. I'm all bad, and I get along very well. What are you going to do?"

"For God's sake, what am I to do?" wailed Tom.

"Want to turn bad?"

"No."

"Is there money enough in the safe to take you out of the country?"

"There's about \$800 in there, but I wouldn't touch a penny of it. I've yielded to temptation, but I'm no thief."

"And if you were given a chance?"

"A chance? Why, man, I'd live on crusts before I'd put myself in this position again. Think of my four-year record! Think of my wife and relatives!"

"Yes, the game wasn't worth the candle. Suppose you give me your home address."

"What for?" as he wrote it down.

"Just to know where you live. Suppose that we also go out now."

"Yes, but—"

"Just to get out, you know. I'd like that \$800 in the safe, but to get it I'd have to crack you on the head and add to your troubles. If I were you I'd go home and manage to keep this thing to myself for a day or two longer. Come, let's walk out together. Your way is up the street, and mine is down. So long to you."

Before Tom left his house next morning a messenger brought a package containing \$1,500 addressed to him. An hour after the package had been delivered the senior partner of the firm was saying to the burglar of the night before:

"Well, I'm glad he took it that way, and he shall have his chance. Tom's honest, and we have got to have honest men about us. I don't think he'll meddle with stocks again, and on Thursday when his books are overhauled they will be found all O. K. All right, Simpson; all right. You worked it beautifully."

Weather Instincts.

From olden times weather wisdom has been attributed to many animals. Thus in Virgil's First Georgic we find:

Looking to the sky
A heifer snuffed the air with nostrils wide,
Or clattering swallows flew around the lake,
Or the frogs croaked in mud their ancient plaint.

The ant from secret cell her egg had borne;
An army large of rooks, with clamor hoarse,
Their crowded pennons flapped. . . .
Then, too, the unlucky crow, with a full voice,
Calls for the shower.

This for the most part is in singular accord with modern observation. Among other popularly accepted indications of rain are pigs that are restless or carry straws, cats that wash their faces, colts that roll upon the grass, donkeys that bray, toads that crawl at evening, sheep and cattle that huddle together before a storm, bees that venture into the open, bees that stay at home, fish that bite readily and peacocks that scream.—London Standard.

Stopped a Leak With Sawdust.

To stop the leakage of a boat by the use of sawdust appears at the first suggestion ridiculous. It is a method, however, employed by backwoodsman of the Adirondack region.

One day a party having considerable baggage discovered upon loading it into a scow at the end of one of the regular "carries" that the boat leaked badly. To delay for repairs would occasion considerable annoyance, and without repairs to proceed seemed impossible.

At this juncture one of the guides said: "I think I can fix it. Just unload the boat again." This was done, and then the guide brought from a sawmill near the spot a quantity of sawdust. This he sprinkled thickly upon the water on either side of the boat.

"Now," continued he, "load up again." This was done, and when the weight again sank the boat the influx of water through the sides and bottom sucked in the sawdust, which finally accumulated in the crevices, swelled under the action of the water and actually stopped the leakage.

Summer Whooping Cough

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WEDDING TALK.

Some Happy Notions About Various Points of the Home Wedding.

For a home wedding, especially if the bride wears a white gown, a green and white color scheme is charming, and not difficult to arrange. However, some brunettes, to whom white is not becoming and who wish to look their best on their wedding day, have chosen a pink setting for their bridal, says the Boston Cooking School Magazine in a short chat on wedding matters.

For an early June wedding, in localities where it is abundant, the wild pink azalea makes a most effective decoration. Garden roses are seldom available until the very last of the month, but when they are plentiful nothing finer can be desired. A bride may now wear or carry any favorite flower, the old time prestige of the orange blossom having in some measure departed.

It was a happy thought which gave mothers a place in the bridal procession. Fathers, sisters and brothers all had their duties in connection with the event, but oftentimes the mother was left alone during the ceremony. Now one or both mothers form a graceful and dignified part of the procession.

A pretty idea for a home wedding is to have the young guests surround the couple during the ceremony. This saves choosing bridesmaids, which is sometimes a difficult thing to do when one has many friends and relatives.

Every prospective bride loves to show her trousseau to a few close friends. This is sometimes made the occasion of a small tea or gathering and gives an opportunity for bestowing any small and dainty gift. This is a much better way than the once popular shower, which is now thought not quite good form.

The refreshments for a home wedding may be passed or they may be served at small tables scattered through the house, and this is by far the most comfortable way. If convenient, tables with twenty-four inch tops may be hired for the occasion. These may be covered with large napkins of dinner size if the hostess has not a sufficient number of embroidered or drawn work cloths.

For the wedding reception in summer nothing more is required than ice cool drinks, small cakes and sandwiches. Of course if one chooses a salad may be added, accompanied with thin cut bread and butter or wafers. Careful attention to all the small details will mark the perfection of the entertainment and add much to the comfort of the guests.

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NAME OF "THE KNAVE BIBLE."

Some Errors in Early Editions Not All by Accident.

"The British Diamond Bible" was printed in Bristol in 1774 by W. Pine, and published with notes, as a commentary, to evade the King's printer's monopoly. The notes were spaced off from the foot of the page and cut away when the book was bound. It was a cunning way of evading the law as it then existed and of affording a profit to the publisher.

"The Pearl Bible" was issued in 1658, and the edition, so called on account of the diminutive type was printed in London by John Field, and is noted for its wonderful typographical blunders. Field was an unscrupulous forger, and it is said of him that he received £1,500 from the Independents for corrupting the text of Acts vi. 3, by substituting "ye" for "we," to censure the right of the people to appoint their own clergy. Among other errors in this version may be mentioned "unrighteousness" for "righteousness" in Romans vi. 13, and in 1. Corinthians vi. 9, the text read, "Know ye not that the unrighteous shall inherit the kingdom of God?"

The "Religious Bible" was published in Edinburgh during the year 1627, and the line in Jeremiah iv. 17, which refers to the commonwealth of Judah, instead of "Be-cause she hath been rebellious against me, saith the Lord," was printed, "Because she hath been rebellious against me."

All Scriptural misprints are not the result of accident. It was the design of a printer's widow in Germany to upset the whole system of domestic economy. A new edition of the Bible was being printed in her house, and one night, when all the workmen were absent, she rose from her bed and proceeded to the printing room, there to tamper with the type and falsify a text that had caused her much trouble. Her better half had, without doubt, given her frequent cause to protest in her heart against that sentence of woman's subjection which is pronounced upon Eve in the third chapter of Genesis. To rescue her sex from this false position, she resolved to alter the relative situations of the parties, and, taking out the first two letters of the word "Herr," cunningly replaced them by "Na." By this means the decree ran: "And he shall be thy (Nar) fool," instead of "he shall be thy (Herr) lord." This substitution, though submitted to in domestic life—as, perhaps, was the case—was not suffered to pass by those who were in authority without punishment, and the widow was burned for heresy.

Even the writers of the Scriptures were not always at their best, for in the thirty-seventh chapter of Isaiah it is written: "Then the angel of the Lord went forth and smote in the camp of the Assyrians a hundred and fourscore and five thousand, and when they arose in the morning, behold, they were all dead corpses," which the revised version makes "dead bodies."

Whitaker Wright's Palace.

The palace which the late Whitaker Wright reared him at Lea Park, and the estate on which it stands, are to be put up for auction, by order of Mrs. Wright, the executrix of the dead financier.

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Who is going to purchase this extraordinary legacy of the sky-rocket financier? The inquiries are already many, and the offers not a few. Some have come from members of the aristocracy. Perhaps another financier may enter into the wonderful inheritance.

Penniless London.

London, says Mr. Sydney Brooks in a recent magazine article, is very hard up just now. The shopkeepers are complaining that business was never so slack, that people are spending nothing on luxuries, and that they are overwhelmed with demands for extended credit—a woman who pays her dressmaker within twelve months thinks herself a model of punctuality. The same depression is felt by the theatres, restaurants, booksellers, art dealers and business houses. The cause of all this, says Mr. Brooks, is chiefly South Africa. The fiscal issue has probably been a contributive cause, and the Russo-Japanese war has also done much to unsettle things.

"Gothic's" notary Night."

The original manuscript of "The Cottars' Saturday Night"—which Burns himself thought his finest poem—was sold at Sotheby's for £200. Curiously enough, this is just the sum with which Burns returned to Ayrshire from Edinburgh as the net proceeds of the first edition of his poems, after he had been honored by all the men of light and leading in modern Athens, and now the manuscript of only one of his effusions has fetched as much. Burns wrote a fine, bold hand—and full of character and force—and as big as Cromwell's or Bismarck's—what is called in Scotland "half-text."

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The Earl of Camperdown, who has been appointed Lord-Lieutenant for the County of Forfar, in the room of the late Earl of Strathmore, is a great-grandson of Admiral Duncan, who was raised to the Peerage after the brilliant naval victory he gained over the Dutch fleet, under the command of De Winter, in 1797, off Camperdown. The new Lord-Lieutenant, who possesses a fine residence on the Tay, not far from Dundee, succeeded his father, the Third Earl of Camperdown and Fourth Viscount Duncan in 1867, and is now in his sixty-third year. He is a bachelor, and the heir-presumptive to the Peerage is his brother, the Hon. George Haldane-Duncan, who in 1888 married an American lady, daughter of the late Mr. John Dove of Andover, Massachusetts, and widow of Mr. John Adams Blanchard of Boston and Nahant.

IS YOUR BREATH BAD?

Bad breath is one of the early symptoms of catarrh which should be checked at once and not allowed to run on to consumptions. The sure cure is fragrant healing Catarrh-rhizone which cures catarrh by removing its cause. No case is too chronic—even the most stubborn yield in a short time to the balsamic vapors of Catarrh-rhizone. It makes cures that you stay cured. Catarrh-rhizone is pleasant, convenient and safe to use, relieves almost instantly and is guaranteed to cure every type of catarrh, bronchitis and asthma. Catarrh-rhizone complete outfit, \$1.00; sample size 25c.

Yulet to Bryan.

A few days ago a clever and religious American, Bryan, was in my house and asked me why I consider common manual labor indispensable. I told him that, first, it is a sign of sincere recognition of the value of money, secondly, that it brings us nearer to the majority of the working people, from whom we are fenced off by a wall, if we profit by their need; thirdly, that it gives us the highest bliss and peace of conscience, which no sincere man can ever have. From Count Tolstoy's Letter in Independence.

VERY REMARKABLE CURE OF DIARRHOEA.

"About six years ago, for the first time in my life I had a sudden and severe attack of diarrhoea," says Mrs. Alice Miller, of Morgan, Texas. "I got temporary relief, but it came back again and again, and for six long years I have suffered more misery and agony than I can tell. It was worse than death. My husband spent hundreds of dollars for physicians' prescriptions and treatment, without avail. Finally we moved to Besque county, our present home, and one day I decided to see an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy with a testimonial of a man who had been cured by it. The case was so similar to my own that I concluded to try the remedy. The result was wonderful. I could hardly realize that I was well again, or believe it could be so after having suffered so long, but that one bottle of medicine, costing but a few cents, cured me." For sale by All Druggists.

Watch Your Potato Seed.

Potatoes for seed will bear watching this spring. No one will plant badly frozen tubers, but the danger is from seed that has been chilled enough to weaken its vitality. It may sprout well enough to deceive the planter and yet not have in it the possibilities of a good crop. There is little enough profit in the potato at its best. Planting doubtful seed is fishing for disappointment with the most certain bait.—Rural New Yorker.

DELICATE BOYS AND GIRLS.

Are altogether too numerous. Our schools are full of them. Chances are your own children are weaklings. It's a shame so many children grow up without health when they could be made strong by Ferrozone, the best tonic growing boys and girls can take. Ferrozone invigorates the whole body, helps digestion, makes the blood pure and rich. It supplies more nourishment than children can get in any other way and soon establishes a reserve of force and energy. Give your children Ferrozone and watch them grow. Price 50c per box.

There's nothing like marriage to cure the fellow who thinks he knows it all.

Monkey Brand Soap removes all stains, rust, dirt or tarnish—but won't wash clothes.

Even in Maine, all the schooners are not to be seen on the ocean.

A BEAT THAT FAILED

HOW THE PLANS OF AN ENTERPRISING EDITOR WERE UPSET.

The Climax to the Great Dobbin-Dominio Race as It Developed in the Office of One of the Metropolitan Afternoon Dailies.

"I never read of a close finish in a big running race nowadays that I'm not reminded of a famous punctured scoop in which I figured when I was working in a New York newspaper office," said an old time telegrapher who is now employed in Washington.

"It was back in the days when the great Domino was the star colt of the Keene stable and, with one exception, was acknowledged as the greatest two-year-old of the season.

"The exception was Richard Croker's filly Dobbin. These two youngsters finally met in the Futurity, and, although the Keene colt won, with Dobbin third, the latter's owner was not satisfied with the result, and a match was speedily arranged at the Futurity distance for \$10,000 a side.

"Now, the paper I worked on was an evening sheet, and it was the ambition of the managing editor's life to beat the opposition evening paper and get the news of a big event like this on the street first.

"The other fellows had beaten us on the Futurity story a few days before, and the managing editor made no secret of the fact that he was going to get even.

"Accordingly he laid all of his plans a day ahead, and although he did not know at the time what they were, we felt sure by the way he strutted around on the morning of the race that he had the winning combination up his sleeve.

"Along about noontime of that day the editor, the most nervous man I ever met, called me into his office and told me that, as the match race was the fifth event on the card, he wanted me to have one of the other operators take the result of the fourth race, and he also wanted me to get a wire in good working order and prepare to get the result of the fifth race.

"The scheme was to have two presses set and all ready to start. One of them was to have the big front page headline read 'Dobbin Wins the Big Match,' and the other just the same, except that Domino's name appeared in the place of Dobbin. The Dobbin extra was on press No. 1 and the Domino extra on press No. 2. Whichever horse won, the managing editor was to call out No. 1 or No. 2, and the press would be started in quicker time than it takes to tell of the arrangement.

"I couldn't help but inwardly smile as I watched the managing editor striding nervously about, waiting for the start, just like a man who had thousands of dollars wagered on the chance of one of the races.

"Suddenly the key of my instrument began to click, and he quickly stopped and looked anxiously at me, but it proved to be only the operator at the other end testing. Learning this, he resumed his walk up and down the room.

"Presently the key began to click again. This time the horses were on their way to the post. The next I got from the other end was that the horses were at the post and would be off in a minute. This information, instead of increasing his jumpiness, instead of increasing his jumpiness, he ordered the men who were standing around to cease their talking and also called downstairs half a dozen times to know if everything was ready below in the press room.

"In the midst of this the key again began to work, and I called out that they were off.

"The clicks of the instrument that followed now told me that they were moving along, nose and nose, at the quarter. At the half mile Domino was in the lead by a nose, and as I announced this I was watching the managing editor, and I could see his lips framing the words 'No. 2,' which was the Domino press.

"Dobbin just managed to shove his nose in front at the three-quarters and the boss moved nearer the speaking tube as I made this announcement. Coming into the stretch the two game colts were head and head, and the managing editor, with the mouthpiece of the speaking tube pressed tightly against his lips, was waiting for the result.

"Well, the result came along in good season. But never so long as I live shall I forget the expression on that editor's face when the key told me that the match race was a dead heat. It started just a second before calling it out, for I could almost picture in my mind what effect it would have on him. Finally he called out in as firm a voice as I could, 'Dead heat!'

"Well, that editor's knees just gave way from under him. If he had not grabbed a chair I am positive he would have fallen to the floor.

"Dead heat!" he gasped, with a livid face. 'Are you sure?'

"I told him that there had been repeated to me and that there could be no mistake. He was too dumfounded to move for two or three seconds, but when he saw all of the men who were about to jump to their places ready to throw together a new scene head, while others hustled around to find the stereotypers, who almost to a man had gone out of the building, he came to in a jiffy and was the same old hustler.

"Everybody took hold and worked harder probably than he ever worked before or since, and although we didn't beat the opposition paper, as we were so certain of doing, we were on the street only a minute or so behind it. We afterward learned that they had made exactly the same arrangements to beat us and had been fooled in precisely the same way."—Washington Star.

TWO HOMES.

My house was, in the island that we love, set in the sea.

The heaven alternate smiles and frowns above, the stately trees

Reared the hedgerows, and the fields are gay With blossoms-store;

While still the grey sea washes, night and day, The white-capped shore.

My home is in the solemn, wide Karoo, Spanned o'er with infinite dome of stainless blue.

Here have I dwelt Until the giant hills, the arid plain Of sand and stone,

The thorny bush, the forest carrying rain, Are homelike grown.

Sometimes my heart looks back, and yearns for the lanes of yore,

The frequent hedgerows and the changing lanes of yore.

And then the wide, wide veldt, farstretching below,

The high, blue dome, Holds me with mighty arms, and whispers, 'Lo! I am thy home.'

—Anna Howarth, in The Spectator, December, Kleinwort, Cape Colony.

Flogging in the Army.

A somewhat antiquated story has gained currency to the effect that a man who recently captured the Church Army's Home at Bow was found to have a representation of the Crucifixion tattooed on his back in the belief that if ordered for punishment the sight of such a design would save him from a very old soldier indeed to have entertained such a notion.

Flogging in the British Army was abolished some thirty years ago, and is now never practiced, except in military prisons. The case of a refractory or malingering soldier in prison would be investigated by a board of officers, and a certain number of lashes might be ordered, just as in certain civil cases.

During the war in America soldiers were severely flogged to have the Crucifixion tattooed on the arm, but rather as a charm than as a specification.

One of the last cases of flogging in the British Army was that of a man at York, who had been guilty of desertion, and was an altogether mauvais sujet. He was one of the Queen's bad bargains. Nowadays, the same kind of impossible person, on committing any such offence, is sentenced to a term of imprisonment with hard labor.

"Soldiers," said our informant, "are now more enlightened than formerly, and would not entertain such a superstition for a moment. Only ignorant natives could have believed in it at any time.

Clothing as Physical Records.

An excellent illustration of the value of records has been afforded lately regarding the question of physical degeneracy. A firm in the north of England has compared the measurements for clothing made two generations ago with those of to-day, the results going to show that chest and hip measurements are now three inches less than at the moment when they were sixty years ago. This same conclusion is reached by the experience of the ready-made clothing.

These facts, whatever may be their generality, do not quite dispose of the question of degeneracy. They are what we should expect from the more abundant and cheaper food of the people, their better housing and improved sanitary surroundings, but the testimony regarding the unfittedness of the man who has lost his vigor, his stamina in town and especially manufacturing populations cannot be disregarded.—London Telegraph.

More Than Son of His Father.

The news that a son of Sir Edmund Barton, the first Premier of federated Australia, and now Chief Justice of the Commonwealth, has been selected as the Cecil Rhodes scholar of New South Wales is interesting on grounds of heredity. Sir Edmund had a remarkably brilliant career at the Sydney University, winning two of the most valuable scholarships and the university prize for all-round distinction, and graduating with first class honors. By a provision of the New South Wales Constitution Act, the University of Sydney became entitled to send a member to Parliament when it had 100 graduates of first class.

Edmund was the second and last member for the Sydney University. A Reform Act abolished university representation as inconsistent with Australian democratic principles, but Sir Edmund had no difficulty in finding another seat.—London Chronicle.

Got It Mixed.

Lord Charles Beresford tells a funny story about his stay at a country inn near the city of Oxford. His Lordship arrived overnight quite alone and told his host who he was. That worthy thus admonished the hot water boy.

"Look here," he said earnestly, "we have got a Lord here—a real live Lord. We never had one here before, and I don't suppose we ever will again. When you take His Lordship's water up in the morning knock on the door and say, 'Who is it?'

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Wood ashes for Hogs.

Wood ashes and charcoal should always be where the hogs can get to them. An excellent charcoal is burnt corn cobs. Hogs relish them and thrive upon them. Hogs need as much salt as do other animals. It ought to be kept in the end of the herd can have constant access to it. The farmer who will pay attention to these two things in the management of his animals will have less cholera among his swine than his neighbors who pay no attention to such details.

It Cleanses.

all kinds of clothes—
injuries none.

Flannels washed with
never shrink.

Laces washed with
it are preserved as
beirloom.

It makes
child's play
of washday.

Keep in mind:
Surprise is a pure,
hard Soap.

Col. Bailey's Successor.

SEQUELS TO STORIES.

As a Rule They Are Not as Good as the Earlier Books.

The question of sequels was under discussion in a literary gathering the other day, and the consensus of opinion was decidedly against them. It was even roundly maintained that no sequel had ever been a success from the literary point of view. Some one demurred, and suggested "Paradise Regained," but that suggestion, greeted with a burst of laughter, practically determined the argument. "Paradise Regained" was a distinct falling off from "Paradise Lost." It might even be declared a dignified, dismal failure. No; Milton's sequel was no exception to the rule.

If there be a rule, are there any exceptions that prove it? Stevenson's "Catriona" was not up to the level of "Kidnapped." Mr. Anthony Hope wrote a better book in "The Prisoner of Zenda" than he did in "Rupert of Hentzau." Wise authors never undertake sequels. Once upon a time Mr. Rider Haggard was tempted to adventure a sequel to "She," but repented at discretion. It is altogether a different matter when successive books include the same character. Thackeray used the same trick in "Pendennis" and "The Newcomes," but in no sense is the latter a sequel to the former. In a way Thackeray's novels may be said to constitute a chain right down from "Esmond." The links subside, but there is no continuity of narrative which defines a sequel proper.

He who will compare the respective merits of Zola's "L'Assommoir" and "Nana." There does not appear to be much to choose between them, but undoubtedly the earlier book has been more popular. Zola's habit, as is well known, was to keep the same families in his various treatises, for him they were specimens of natural history and mightily portentous. Contrast with Zola's immortal Fielding, who began one of his novels by way of a parody of Richardson. It would be interesting to collect into one volume the stories of the masterpieces. In what circumstances were the great books of the world written? Think of Dumas pere and his firm of assistants! Well, Pope preceded him and farmed out his translation of Homer. That out his translation of Homer. That out his translation of Homer. That out his translation of Homer.

A Japanese Shrine.

A romantic custom of the Japanese is described in the "Kokoro" of Lafcadio Hearn. It is narrated that those who are anxious for the safety of absent ones repair to the mountain of Dakeyama to perform a singular rite. There is a shrine at the summit to commemorate a princess of antiquity who daily watched hopelessly until she pined and died, when her body was changed into stone. One who looks with the eyes of a believer still sees the princess on Mount Dakeyama in the shape of a perpendicular rock. Before her shrine are heaps of pebbles, and those who ascend to pray for the safe home coming of one they love take a pebble away with them as a talisman. And when at last reunited with the beloved, another pilgrimage is made to the shrine on Dakeyama to replace the pebble, with a handful of others, in devotional gratitude.

Carlyle's View of Macaulay.

In one of his letters Carlyle says of Macaulay, the historian: "We have had Macaulay for two days. He was a real acquisition while he lasted and gave rise to much good talk, besides an immense quantity of indifferent, which he himself executed—a man of truly wonderful historical memory, which he has tried in really extensive reading, and has always lying ready, with this or the other fact, date or anecdote on demand; in other respects constantly definable as the sublime of common-place, not one of whose ideas has the least tincture of greatness or originality or any kind of superior merit except neatness of expression."

A Means Insatiable.

Sir Henry Thompson, who was equally famous as an author, an artist and a surgeon, was once staying at a country house with another surgeon of great fame, and somehow the talk turned on the number of letters that each received. When the post arrived only one or two letters came for Sir Henry, while his friend received an imposing batch. The friend proudly called attention to his mail. "Yes," said Sir Henry, with a twinkle in his eye, "but I see yours are all in black edged envelopes."

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