

The Planet.

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THE LAWYER IN POLITICS.

The following editorial is from the Toronto World. It is true that many of our best lawyers are being retained in increasing numbers by railway and other large and small corporations to promote their interests before parliaments and municipalities. All our lawyers are not so retained, but an increasing number are and by very handsome retainers. The World says:

"The public show a growing reluctance to elect lawyers to the legislature. This tendency was very clearly revealed in the late Dominion elections, and the explanation is not far to seek. The financially successful lawyer of to-day is the corporation lawyer. Even those practitioners who do not make a specialty of company law depend largely on fees from corporations. The corporation lays its hand upon the lawyer in the city, in the town and in the village. It utilizes him for its lobby in parliament and in the legislature, it uses him to straighten out its legal tangles, it uses him to conduct negotiations with municipal councils, to arrange for right of ways, and for a hundred other different purposes.

"The lawyer who comes to the front is, as a rule, eagerly snatched up by the corporations and it is the lawyer who comes to the front who usually offers himself for political honors. In the fulfillment of his political duties the lawyer, consciously, or unconsciously, finds himself acting in sympathy with the interests of the corporations as against the interests of the people. His training, his associations, have been such as to create in him indifference for public rights, and at the same time an overwhelming reverence for the rights of capital. It is for this very reason that many lawyers whose motives are not open to question, prove as recreant to their public trust as men instinctively corrupt.

"The electors are beginning to realize the danger of the lawyer in politics, and they are not realizing it too soon. Such are the conditions of the age that a lawyer to live has to become more or less of a corporation lawyer. A brief directly or indirectly from a railway company, a street railway company, or a telephone company totally unfits the lawyer who accepts such brief for any kind of public service where the interests of these companies are involved. The people cannot give too much attention to this menace to their interests, and they cannot enquire too closely into the credentials of the lawyers they engage to oppose corporations in the courts and in legislative assemblies."

THE DANGER OF EXTREMES.

Toronto Globe.

The Parent ministry in Quebec is suffering from too large a majority. In Ontario all recent complications have had a different origin.

CIVIL SERVICE SALARIES.

Toronto News.

An apparent objection to the proposal for an increase of ministerial salaries is that it would involve a general increase of the salaries of civil servants. We have in mind one officer whose duties are as important as those of a minister, and it would certainly be absurd to continue paying him less than \$2,000 under a minister with \$8,000. There are other similar cases. We have no doubt that salaries of \$8,000 for ministers would set the pace for the civil service, but we see nothing objectionable in that. The Province of Ontario cannot expect to retain the services of skilled men unless it is willing to pay for them. The price of living has increased greatly in recent years, but the salaries have not been advanced in anything like the same proportion.

MUST QUALIFY FIRST

The Stationary Engineers' Union held a meeting in the Labor Temple recently and arranged for a meeting of representatives of all the trade in the Province last evening, to appoint a delegation to wait on Premier Whitney and ask for a law compelling all persons acting as stationary engineers to be properly qualified for the position.

The engineers think that by having a prescribed course of training for all engineers, together with a certificate of their efficiency, the dangers from accidents from boiler explosions would be minimized. The officers of the union have communicated with a number of their employers, and say that they expect their assistance in their project.

SATCHEL OF THE SATELLITE

Like all the other girls, I'm not much of a skater but I'm a real good slider.

Well, I guess H. S. Clements, M. P., is making good down amongst all those big men at Ottawa.

And Herb isn't through yet. He has many other "real services" to do the people of Western Ontario.

I'd go skating myself only I'm afraid those hockey players would capture me and make me play on their team.

All work and no play makes Ned a dull boy. That is probably why Radley and his chums are going in for all play.

Many a man who has found the ton of coal he bought was short might have done well to have visited the driver's home.

When they found that that motion of theirs would cost the county about \$400 the County Council wasted no time in rescinding it.

Perhaps the County Council just passed that \$10 motion and then cancelled it so that they would have something to do.

A couple of rinks of Detroit curlers are coming here Saturday night. I hope they aren't as well treated as the lacrosse-hockey club was.

And now we have the Toronto Globe commending and complimenting Mr. Clements. Wonder when the B. Mistake will have its eyes opened.

I see that the Newsviewitch now thinks a protest might injure the spring trade. Shouldn't wonder if it did some, say in certain gents' furnishings.

The County Council's action in regard to the \$10 they charge county pupils recalls the story of the English General who marched to Spain and then marched back again.

And Herb doesn't restrict himself to West Kent. He does real service to the whole western peninsula, while many of the Grit representatives for this great district continue sleeping.

The little impotent Newsviewitch barks and snarls, but the big Canadian Liberal organ editorially commends the parliamentary course of our Herb, the people's representative.

It isn't every young M. P. who on the third week of his parliamentary experience gets a column editorial commendation from the leading opposition party paper. Bully for Herb!

When you've run out in the middle of the street and nailed a bob-sleigh and it only goes two lots past where you got on, you feel just like the Hon. G. W. Ross did when the election returns began to come in.

Note that the Toronto Globe says editorially that Herbert S. Clements, M. P., is rendering "the whole western peninsula of Ontario a real service in Parliament." That's more than the Liberal organ ever said of any of our hide-bound partisans.

The play of the season will appear at the Grand Opera House Friday, Feb. 24, when the Ned Radley Stock Co. will produce their thrilling melodrama, "The Innocent Son." The cast is made up entirely of Maple City young people who have been rehearsing for about two years.

I notice that Herb Clements is in the "J." row of the Legislature, a fact on which, of course, no comments are necessary. Yesterday's B. Mistake.

Nay, nay, Newsviewitch. Herb Clements ranks among the men doing real service in the Dominion Parliament as the Globe editorially points out. But you are doubtless right about that "J." row for West Kent in "the Legislature," a fact on which, of course, no further comments are necessary.

MOUTH OR GUN.

Abe Savage, the Growler editor, wants the aldermen to shoot us newspaper reporters. I wonder which instrument he wants used.

A STEP

In the right direction will lead you to our special sale, Saturday, Feb. 18th. We shall sell for cash—
2 Cans of Red Salmon for 25c.
Mixed Pickles, 13c. quart.
Pure Maple Syrup, 25c. per qt.
7 lbs. Buckwheat Flour, 25c.
7 lbs. Best Rolled Oats, 25c.
Salmon Trout, 7c. per lb.
7 lb. Pails of Jam, 45c.
Clothes Pins, 1c. per doz.
10c. Boxes Toilet Soap for 8c.
3 Cans Peas for 25c.

CROCKERY

We will sell on the 18th also three English Dinner Sets of 97 pieces for \$5.00 each; 44 piece Tea Sets \$2.50. A large quantity of China for presents must be cleared out at a great reduction. 44 piece China Tea Sets at \$3.60 each for the day.

John McConnell
PARK ST. PHONE 190

THE LOCAL BUDGET

Bert Jones was taking in the auto show in Detroit yesterday.

Miss Florence Crack, of St. Thomas, is the guest of Miss Jean Head, King street west.

Do not forget the annual concert at No. 1, Harwich. Only one mile from town.

Boy Wanted—Thoroughly educated, attend my office, and capable to care for horses. Apply Dr. Sivewright.

Mr. Hutton and Frank are attending the funeral of his sister, Mrs. McCaffrey, St. Thomas.

We will offer guns at a bargain for the next 30 days at Geo. Stephens & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. O'Keefe, Robert Gray, J. T. Deakie and Dr. Kingsley Holmes attended the auto show in Detroit yesterday.

A little boy went into a doctor's office the other day to get some medicine, and the doctor said, "Well, sir, what is your name?" The little fellow replied, "Don't you know? We deal with you; you brought a baby to our house last week."

The following took part in the program at the Valentine school at the residence of Mrs. Kellar on Tuesday evening last: Misses D. Foreman, Marion Thomas, Muriel Bennett, and Master Fred Robinson. All of the above played very nicely, which added very much to the success of the evening's entertainment.

DEATH'S CALL

Mrs. Emma Pritchard, relict of the late John Pritchard, passed away at 3 o'clock this morning in her 69th year. Mrs. Pritchard had a stroke of paralysis about Christmas time, from which she never recovered, but lingered till this morning, when she passed peacefully away at the residence of her son Noah, Delaware Ave.

Mrs. Pritchard was born in Gloucester, England, and came to Canada with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Baker, when she was 14 years of age. When she was 19 she was married to John Pritchard, and they lived in Toronto for a number of years, where all the Pritchard boys were born. Thirty-three years ago the family moved to this city. Mr. Pritchard was a brewer by trade and came here to brew for the late John Garner. Mr. Pritchard died 24 years ago, and Mrs. Pritchard kept house for her sons till they all got married. Five years ago she broke up house keeping and has since lived with her sons, taking life easy in her latter days. She reared a family of eight boys, all well-known in this city. The surviving members are: William, of Toronto; George, James, Richard, John, Noah and Edwin, of Chatham. The late Robert Pritchard was also a son.

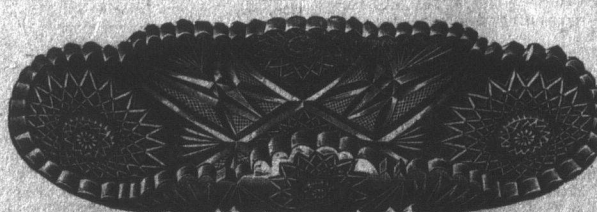
One sister, Mrs. James Cornell, of East Toronto, and a brother, Wm. Baker, of Minnesota, survive their sister, Mrs. Pritchard.

Mrs. Pritchard was an earnest Christian and a life-long member of the Victoria Ave. Methodist Church. The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, from the residence of her son Noah Pritchard, Delaware Ave., to the Victoria Ave. Methodist Church and thence to the Maple Leaf Cemetery.

Conversation and intellect are not always twin virtues.

The jar, jar, jar of constant coughing!

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All our \$35 Greenland Seal coats for \$28.90.

All our \$50 Russian Lamb coats for \$39.90.

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JUNIOR HOCKEY

The McKeough School hockey team will play the Downey team at the rink to-morrow afternoon at 1:30, the game to be followed by skating. The McKeough School team is as follows:—

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Point—F. Walker.
Cover Point—H. Norton.
Rover—J. McLean.
Centre—S. French.
Left Wing—F. Groves.
Right Wing—G. McQueen.

The Bitulithic Pavement Wins the Gold Metal at St. Louis.

Property owners in Chatham will be pleased to learn that the Bitulithic pavement, the same as was laid on Queen street in 1903, has been awarded the gold medal, in competition with all the other modern pavements, by the jury of experts and engineers of the World's Fair. A further item of news is that the Warren Bituminous Paving Co., who laid the Queen St. pavement with such success, have decided to again solicit work in Chatham, and are offering to lay their Bitulithic pavement on a concrete foundation.

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DISTRICT DOINGS.

TILBURY

Feb. 16.—His numerous friends will regret to learn of the death of John O'Neil, at Niagara Falls, from being run over by a freight train. Deceased was highly esteemed and was formerly M. C. R. section foreman here.

The 7-cent supper, announced for to-night by local Presbyterians, has been indefinitely postponed, owing to the cold weather.

W. C. Crawford has purchased, during the past six weeks, about 220,000 worth of timber for his handle factory and saw mill.

James Finlin, George Lewis and James Lewis, of Fletcher, leave on the 28th inst. for Calgary.

The fire hydrants were tested yesterday and a couple found to be frozen up, which were thawed out to be prepared for fire.

THE FAST TRAINS.

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R. A.	6	5	.545
K. O. T. M.	6	7	.462
S. O. B.	4	8	.333
I. O. F.	3	9	.250

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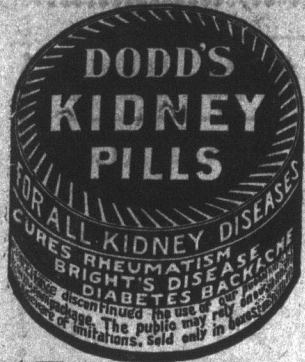
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FATHER GAPON.

Russian Orthodox Priest Who Was Instrumental in Making a Strike a Revolt Against Constituted Authority.

That a Russian orthodox priest should lead a revolt against the constituted authorities—for such is the definition of a strike in Russian law—is the most ominous symptom of Russia's internal unrest that has yet become visible, says a London paper. Father Gapon, whose name is now in everyone's mouth, is a young man, an enthusiast, and a native of a Little-Russian province which has long been noted for its dissatisfaction with the ways of St. Petersburg. Most Russian priests, being themselves "popovitchi," or priests' sons, are slavish adherents of the established order. Gapon had the good fortune to be born the son of a sturdy, prosperous Moujik, who was long known as a fierce opponent of the petty Tsarists who meddle in peasant affairs.

Young Gapon wanted to become a mechanic. His father advised him to become a priest, and sent him to the Moscow Ecclesiastical Seminary. The seminary was discontented. The long-sustained enmity between the "White" and "Black" clergy led to an open protest against the exclusion of the secular clergy from all posts of importance in the church. To overcome the disadvantages of his position Gapon studied, and while his fellow-students left the seminary half-educated obscurantists, he entered upon his career a politician with a profound knowledge of political economy, and a fierce Liberal—perhaps the first the Russian Church has possessed.

The Government was trying to disarm working class discontent by allowing the mechanics and factory operatives to form "legalized" associations of their own. The men were permitted to speak—in the presence of an official, and to speak under the supervision of the police. Father Gapon quickly saw how these legalized associations might be used for democratic propaganda. He roped thousands of iron-workers and engineers into his club. When the Government woke up to the true facts it was too late to do anything, as the war had broken out, and Father Gapon's clubmen were masters of the army supply organization.

Among the workmen Gapon is known as "Batiushka Khokhol," "Little Father, the Little Russian." He owes his unbounded influence to the fact that, though a sincere adherent of orthodoxy, he never intermeddles with the religious opinions of his followers. Among the latter are Catholics of Lutherans and Roman Catholics. Moreover, he takes no money for his services, lives frugally, and works from morning to night. Four years ago he was solemnly cursed by the priest of his native village for protesting boldly against the excommunication of Count Tolstoy.

Gapon knows the criminal classes of St. Petersburg better than any detective, and he resolutely excludes from his clubs and associations any man who has been convicted of crime until the crime has been followed by proved repentance. Occasionally he makes fiery speeches, abusing drink, immorality and gambling, and telling the workmen that their abased condition is largely their own fault. He is an enemy of M. Witte's system of protection, and of the various state monopolies, which, under the name of temperance reform, Government railways, etc., were introduced by that statesman with the object of making the working classes directly dependent upon the Government for employment.

He can claim to have naturalized the political speech in Russia. Gifted with a powerful voice, an impressive personality, and an earnestness above suspicion, he is a first-class platform orator. He never reasons above the heads of his audience, and usually puts his points in the shape of humorous apophorems, in one of which the Russian people recently figured as a sheep and the bureaucracy as a wolf.

Altogether the revolting priest is a picturesque figure and a characteristic type of the new Russia which is beginning to show itself. A year ago he would not have remained in freedom an hour after his act of revolt. But things have since marched so far that it is doubtful whether the bureaucrats will have the courage to hurt a hair of his head.

Sandy's Initiation.
 A Scottish gillie was invited by the laird to take a pull at his flask after getting the first fish of the day.
 "I canna trink out of a bottle," protested the gillie, with a frown of disapproval.
 "Aweel, try, Sandy," said the laird encouragingly. And Sandy tried—tried so thoroughly that the laird gazed in mingled awe and admiration as the whiskey gurgled out of the flask down the swarthy throat, until, with scarce a heel tap left in the "pocket pistol" was handed back to the owner.
 "Hoot, Sandy, maybe ye were richt—maybe ye canna trink out of a bottle," gasped the laird, with a mighty sigh; "but, eh, mon, ye'd soon learn!"—Bally's Magazine.

Two Million Co-operators.
 Some interesting particulars as to the growth of the co-operative movement in the mother country in the past ten years are published in The British Labor Gazette. Official returns relating to 2,027 societies are dealt with. They show that the growth of the distributive and productive societies of all classes has been continuous during the past ten years. The total membership in 1903 was 2,085,731, compared with 1,245,066 in 1894. An increase of 67.5 per cent. The total share loan and reserve capital was £27,055,810, compared with £19,063,164 in 1894, an increase of 94.4 per cent. The total trade was £99,010,145, compared with £49,774,025 in 1894, an increase of 99 per cent.

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A Finny Acrobat.
 No two leaps of the tarpon are quite alike. As the tarpon comes out into day his jaws distend, his gills flap open, and the mullet bait flies out across the water for a hundred feet, while he retches at the hook, shaking his head angrily from side to side, like a horse that fights his bit. In midlight he will turn and cut into the stream with a head on dive that makes a perfect cleavage of the whitened water. His next emergence may be a back somersault and he third a long distance jump with no height to it, but a substantial gain in feet. With infinite spirit he will continue his play until absolutely worn out, when the spring and somersaulting lapse into a long, rolling stroke from side to side, showing the two foot dorsal filament, which waves and floats out behind, like some independent water creature.—Country Life in America.

The Knowledge That Pays.
 If you glance round at the work of some of our big men you will be surprised to see how many have made their reputation by doing one small thing, but doing it well. If a man gets to the front in any narrow subject the world credits him with knowledge of all the rest. It is, however, even easier to acquire a large amount of knowledge than an advanced special knowledge of one narrow subject. The specialty must not be too narrow either. It is often said that the pursuit of knowledge has a nobility of its own. But what knowledge? No knowledge is worth obtaining for its own or any other sake unless it is or will probably be useful to man.—James Swinburne in Electrical Review.

When the feelings are hurt there is no use venting spite on some one not responsible for the wound.

NEW THOUGHTS.

Are you growing more attractive as you advance in life?
 "Given a healthy body," says Dr. R. V. Pierce, the specialist in women's diseases, of Buffalo, N. Y., "and a healthy mind, and everyone can cultivate and enjoy happiness."
 "We must eat properly and digest well to be beautiful. It is a fact that any form of dyspepsia may be cured, and new days transform a clear, white skin into a mass of pimples and black spots. A beautiful woman has the beauty of her stomach."
 Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery maintains a person's nutrition by enabling one to eat, retain, digest and assimilate the proper nutritious food. It overcomes the gastric irritability and symptoms of indigestion, and thus the person is saved from those symptoms of fever, night sweats, headache, etc., which are so common. A tonic made up largely of alcohol will shrink the capillaries of the blood and make them weaker for resistance.

"This is to certify that I have used Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, think it's the greatest medicine in the world," writes Mrs. V. M. Young, of West, W. Y. "I had dyspepsia in its worst form. I decided to try your medicine, and I feel like a new woman. I have my own housework. A number of my friends also are using Dr. Pierce's medicine and they recommend it highly. May God bless you in your grand work."

Dr. Pierce believes that a tonic made with alcohol will shrink the red blood corpuscles and make the system weak for resistance; that is why he avoided the use of any alcohol or narcotics in his "Medical Discovery," which contains the pure extract from roots and herbs without a particle of alcohol. Blisters are cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

ALL-BRITISH SUEZ CANAL.

Considered Necessary to the Interests of the British Empire.

The necessity for providing an all-British canal through the Isthmus of Suez is strongly urged by Sir Theodore V. S. Angier, the great shipping expert, in a letter which he has addressed to The London Daily Mail on the subject of the present autocratic management of the Suez Canal.

"The capacity for traffic of the existing canal," he says, "is limited. Already the amount of traffic exceeds its capacity for efficient service; the speed of transit is considerably below the requirements of the times, and much below what it ought to be. Each year accentuates this grave drawback, and at the rate of increase of the past five or ten years in another five years' time blocks and delays must become too serious to be submitted to."

"Under these circumstances, I submit common prudence dictates the provision of a second canal to obviate this certain impending congestion, and considering the long time necessary for construction, as speedy commencement of the work as possible."

"The political and strategical aspects points still more emphatically to the vital necessity for a separate all-British canal in order to ensure the protection of our Indian possessions. The South African war and the present Russo-Japanese struggle have produced only too overwhelming evidence of the facility and certainty of belligerents obtaining almost any aid from neutrals, if they pay adequately for it, and it may be accepted as a certain fact that we were engaged in a war where India was our vulnerable point, our enemy, or enemies, would most certainly themselves, or by the assistance of subjects of a neutral power, effectively block the present canal, which is under the management of an independent and foreign private directory and under international influence."

"Therefore, unless the British Government constructs a British canal, it must accept the certainty that, as a belligerent, it would be unable to count on the use of this necessary route in any scheme for the defence of our Indian possessions."

IMMENSE CAVE FOUND.

British Columbia Claims to Have the Biggest in the World.

A wonderful subterranean excavation, believed to rival the Mammoth Cave of Kentucky, has been discovered in the Canadian Northwest, and it is believed to be the largest cave yet found in the world. The cave is in the Selkirk, B.C., within two miles of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

It has four entrances, and its length is two miles and its width is nearly half a mile. It has a depth in some places of over two thousand feet. It is studded with millions of brilliant and colored stalactites, ranging from colorless, pink, red and brown to purple, which hang from the top and sides in clusters resembling icicles. Beautiful colored columns six inches in diameter reach from floor to ceiling.

The formation is blue limestone, and the cave has probably been formed through the action of water, far down in the depths of the abyss in the centre of the cave can be heard the rushing waters of the mighty subterranean river, whose source or outlet is yet a mystery.

The cave is a most interesting and ancient relic. Old stone weapons, tools and bones are lying around in odd corners, but they are far from being plentiful. In one of the recesses explored were found the mummified bodies of two human beings, now resembling dried leather. The outlines of the forms are plainly discernible, though apparently shrunken to half their life size.

The discovery of this cave was made by prospectors for coal or gold, and was first partially explored by a party of Canadian engineers, who made measurements. An exploration party is now being formed to systematically traverse the entire cave and gather such information as it may.

Member of Irish Family.
 A correspondent writes to The London Star: Surgeon-General Alfred Keogh, C.B., M.D., whose appointment as Director-General of the Army Medical Corps you referred to in your personal column, is a member of a prominent Irish family, and is nephew of the well-known Irish Judge of that name who figured so prominently before the public 34 years ago, when he unseated Col. Nolan as M. P. for the county, on the petition of Col. Trench, the Opposition candidate who thereupon was declared elected to the seat. The judgment, which was subsequently traversed by Mr. Mitchell Henry in the House of Commons, not merely disfranchised the Archbishops of Tuam and the Bishop of Galway, as well as half a dozen priests, but also entailed immense costs on the unseated candidate, as he was condemned to pay the expenses of both sides in the suit. A public subscription was soon started, and over £20,000 was obtained, which enabled Col. Nolan to discharge the costs of the trial, and at the ensuing election he was again returned for the east, which he has almost uninterruptedly held ever since.

The Perfectly Formed Man.

Ralph Rose, the first "perfect man physically" ever at the University of Michigan, has earned his hour of glory. On the anthropometric chart he gets the "100" mark for all his measurements. He is the bright consummate flower of symmetry, and muscularity. Height, six feet three; weight, 246 pounds; chest, expanded, 47.6 inches; right arm, up, fifteen inches; right arm, down, fourteen inches; right forearm, 12.6 inches; but we shan't give a detailed catalogue of his perfections. To be nineteen years old and physically "perfect" is a big bump of good fortune; and we hope that Ralph's intellectuals will be so exercised as to match that perfection.

Blanket Sale ALL THIS Week

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We will sell for CASH ONLY all WOOL and UNION

BLANKETS in White or Grey at following prices:—

5	lb., 62x82, WAS \$3.00, NOW \$2.62 PER PAIR.
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6½	" 62x84 " 3.90, " 3.42 "
7	" (64x86) " 4.20 " 3.68 "
7½	" 64x86 " 4.50 " 3.94 "
8	" 68x90 " 4.80 " 4.20 "

SPECIAL DRESS GOODS SALE STILL ON

1½ Yards wide, all wool, at 50c per yard. Call early and secure a bargain at

The Woollen Mills.

Liquozone Free!

Any sick person who has never used Liquozone should write the Liquozone Co., 438-44 Wabash Ave., Chicago. They will send you an order on your druggist for a 50-cent bottle free, if you will state the disease to be treated.

NEW MEAT MARKET

Was Opened on Saturday Last Jan. 14th, King St. West, Next to Dr. Tye's Recent Office.

We wish to call the attention of the meat eaters of Chatham to the fact that we are prepared to furnish a superior quality of fresh and cured meats at very reasonable prices, as we raise and feed our live stock on our farms in Dover. No middle profits to pay. Direct from the farm to the consumer.

We will also keep in stock a first class line of canned goods, consisting of corn, peas, tomatoes, pork and beans, sardines, canned salmon, bottled pickles and a special line of teas, which will surprise you how we sell such fine goods at such low prices. Headquarters for hams, bacon, lard, bologna and pork sausage, the very best always in stock. Call and see us even if you don't want to buy. We will be pleased to make your acquaintance.

GEO. STACEY & CO.,
 Late of Port Hope.

Telephone 391.

CHATHAM TOWNSHIP.

Chinnick Bros. visited the McCrae stock farm, Wallaceburg, last week, purchasing a couple of their speedy thoroughbred colts.
 Byron Holmes purchased the John Brown farm last Saturday by auction at the Rankin House, for \$3,675. It was a bargain.

Sore Throat and Coughs

A simple, effective and safe remedy for all throat irritations is found in

Crescogene Antiseptic Tablets

They combine the germicidal value of Crescogene with the soothing properties of slippery elm and licorice. 10c. All Druggists.

MITCHELL'S BAY.

Sleighting in this vicinity is good. Miss Fisher is spending a few days at the Bay with her sister, Mrs. B. Martin.

Duncan McDonald has come home to spend a short time with his parents.

John Cartwright, a noble young citizen, has received a position on the 13th concession as an assistant to the school teacher.

Mr. Flin has moved from the Bay and has taken up his abode on the Peterkin property.

Lever's Y-Z (Wise Road) Disinfectant Soap Powder is a boon to any home. It disinfects and cleans at the same time.

He repents on thorns that sleeps on beds of roses.

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10 lbs. Montreal Grain Sugar, \$1.00
1 lb. Special Blend Coffee, .25
3 lbs. Choice Selected Raisins, .25
3 lbs. Pa. or Cleaned Currants, .25
Alton's Sweet and Refined Cider, per gallon, .40
3 packages Armour's Minced Meat, .25
All 15c Cereals, 2 packages, .25
New Nuts, mixed as you wish, .25 per lb., .25
4 lbs. New Dates for, .25
6 lbs. Crackling Figs for, .25
Thos's Buckwheat Flour, 7 lbs 25 for, .25

Choice Cooking and Table Apples.

Oranges, Bananas, Cranberries, Pumpkins, Squash, Carrots, Beets, Turnips, Parsnips, Celery, Lettuce, Cabbage, Saurkraut, Turnips, &c.

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Births, Marriages and Deaths

DIED.
BUCK—In Northville, Feb. 15th, Mr. Buck, father of John Buck, of the T. H. Taylor Co. Deceased leaves two daughters, Mrs. R. Park, Detroit, and Mrs. Will Ambler, of Northville, with whom he made his home; also a sister, Mrs. John Dolson, city.

PITCHARD—On Friday, Feb. 17th, 1906, at the residence of her son Noah, Mrs. Emma Pitchard, aged 69 years.
Funeral will take place Sunday afternoon at 1.30 from the residence of Noah Pitchard to the Victoria avenue Methodist church and thence to the Maple Leaf cemetery.

PROBABILITIES.
Special per G. N. W.
Toronto, Feb. 17.—11 a. m.—Fresh to strong westerly winds with light snow falls, but mostly fair and moderately cold. Saturday, fair and moderately cold with less wind.
The following figures were registered to-day at 7 a. m. at Turner's weather bureau.
THERMOMETER.
Highest yesterday, 20.
Lowest during night, 19.
This morning, 20.
Barometer, 29.16.
Direction of wind, south.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

Band at the Skating Rink to-night!
Miss Morris, of Austin's, is confined to her home through illness.
Warren Martin is in Jericho, near Merlin, this week, conducting evangelistic services.

Band at the Skating Rink to-night!
Thomas Rayment, Forest street, is quite seriously ill.
John Parvis, of Blenheim, was in the city yesterday.
Geo. Buchner, of St. Thomas, spent yesterday in the city.

James Tooley, of Dresden, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.
D. A. Leitch, of Ridgeway, spent yesterday with his Chatham friends.
Ex-Warden Thomas Robinson was in the city to-day on his way home from London.
Do not forget the Annual Concert at No. 1, Harwich, to-night. Only one mile from town.

Robert McGarvin, of Philadelphia, son of Michael McGarvin, is spending a few days with his parents.
The Dover-Chatham townline is badly drifted. Near Chatham the farmers got out and dug a path through the drifts.

Miss Irwin and Thompson's Bible Class was entertained to a sleigh-ride party by the officers of the Park St. Sunday School.

\$12.50, 15.00 and 17.50 Suits and Overcoats for \$10 at the 2 T's

The Christ Church choir boys hockey team play against the "Victorians" at the rink to-night at seven o'clock. There will be skating afterwards.

An event of interest to shoppers will be the sale at Austin's, March 24th and 25th, under the auspices of the Assn. of the Society of the Public General Hospital.

The Independent Order of Foresters, Court McGregor, suffered defeat at the hands of the Royal Arcanums, by a close score, in carpet ball, on Wednesday evening.

Miss Alice Stevenson, of Toronto, has been engaged as head dress-maker in Austin's and arrived here to-day. Miss Burgess, of London, is assistant manager of the dressmaking department.

Dr. Kingsley Holmes attended the auto show in Detroit yesterday. He says that it is a big show, but several machines are not represented, owing to lack of room.

Humane Officer James McGregor is investigating the case of Cook, who was arrested for stealing coal. It appears that not only are the members of Cook's family starving, as he admitted in the Police Court, but his horses are starving, too. The humane officer found no hay or straw and just a few ears of corn in his stable.

CHATHAM WON

The Chatham Curling Club defeated the Glencoe Club in a very exciting contest by one shot. Dr. R. V. Bray's rink was up 12, and Dr. Cornell's rink had one shot to the good. The Rev. Mr. MacGillivray's rink was down 12 shots. The ice was in good condition and the visitors had a good time even if they did get beaten.

Princess On Her Mule.

Florence, Feb. 16.—The affairs of the Countess Montignose, former wife of King Frederick Augustus of Saxony, took a dramatic turn yesterday. For some time the Countess has suspected that her German nurse, Mahote, was planning to abduct the little Princess Anna Monica Pia, and place her in the care of her father, the King. Yesterday, under the pretext that the German Consul was waiting to see the nurse at the gate of the villa, where the Countess is residing, the latter led Mahote to the gate. Then quickly pushing the nurse outside and closing and locking the gate, the Countess cried, "Go to your master, spy." Entering the house, the Countess ordered all of Mahote's belongings thrown out of the window to the street. The nurse protested against her ejection, but unavailingly.

Canadian Physician's Death.

Kingston, Feb. 16.—The death from spinal meningitis is reported from New York of Dr. Sidney E. Tyner. He was ill for four days. The disease is epidemic in the metropolis. He left here a few weeks ago to take a position in the Orthopedic Hospital. The body will be brought here for burial.

New Power Development.

Fenelon Falls, Feb. 16.—The new electric lighting and power plant built by the town at a cost of \$30,000 is now in running order, the preliminary test a few days ago having been entirely successful.

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1000 Bushels in this week. Finest stock ever brought in this city. Strictly one variety, guaranteed the finest cookers.

Call and see sample before placing your next order for potatoes.

**Quote per Bushel, 75c
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ASSASSINATED

Special to The Planet.

London, Feb. 17.—A despatch to Reuters' Telegram Co. from St. Petersburg says a telephone message from Moscow states that the Grand Duke Sergius was assassinated this morning when driving towards the Kremlin and near the Court of Justice.

His carriage was followed by another vehicle containing two men. A bomb was thrown beneath the grand duke's carriage, there was a violent explosion, the carriage was shattered and the grand duke was killed.

The assassins were arrested. One of them was wounded dangerously. Several students have been taken into custody.

A NEW LIGHT

The Property Committee of the City Council met yesterday afternoon. Chairman Westman and Ald. Potter were present, but Ald. Edmondson was not able to attend. It was decided to recommend that Mr. Herman receive an increase of \$5 a month in his salary. Mr. Herman is the fireman at the electric light station.

It was also decided to advise that an electric light be placed on Queen St., near Indian Creek. This light is needed, owing to the dangerous condition of this place during the spring freshets. The other light on Queen St. will be moved to Mercer St.

The Bell Telephone service was taken up and discussed.

Will Welcome Hanna.

Sarnia, Feb. 17.—The citizens of Sarnia are preparing to give Hon. W. J. Hanna a reception on Tuesday night next. Receptions will be held in the Boys' Brigade Hall and the town hall at 8.30, and will be preceded by a monster torchlight procession and accompanying fireworks.

Police Chief Suspended.

San Francisco, Feb. 17.—As a result of the recent scandals in the police department in connection with gambling in the Chinese quarter, Chief of Police Winter has been suspended from duty on charges of incompetency and neglect of duty.

Said Not to Be Smugglers.

Albany, Feb. 17.—The indictments against George Morris and William Anderson of Burke, New York, charging them with smuggling Chinamen across the Canadian border, were dismissed yesterday in the United States Court.

Recognize Colonial Riflemen.

London, Feb. 17.—(C.A.P.)—One hundred guineas have been given from the City of London's funds to the National Rifle Association for a special prize to colonial volunteers at the Bisley meeting.

To Stop Sale of Cigarettes.

Albany, N.Y., Feb. 17.—A bill prohibiting the sale and manufacture of cigarettes was introduced in the Assembly yesterday. The penalty is not less than \$50 or more than \$1,000 fine.

THE GREAT POPULAR RAILROAD.

It has been loosely stated that corporations have no souls—a premise based no doubt upon the tendency of some corporations to eliminate the personal element so far as possible from their management. Nevertheless, the railway corporation has just as pronounced an individuality as the average business man.

There are railway corporations which incur the dislike of the general public apparently for psychological reasons. Their rolling stock may be in excellent condition and their time schedules well carried out, and yet owing to a certain atmosphere associated with the management, the road will be distinctly unpopular.

The New York Central Railroad is one of the happy exceptions. With a magnificent roadbed and a thoroughly modern train service, they would seem to have kept faith with their patrons in every way; but there is a disposition on the part of the management to go a little further than the contract actually calls for, by placing special comforts and courtesies at the disposal of their patrons, which makes this road a favorite with all who can arrange to utilize its service.—From the Monthly Cyclopaedia of Practical Medicine.

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10% off anything in the Store

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18 pairs Dorothy Dodd Patent Colt Lace Shoes, stamped \$4.00, now \$3.25	
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40 " " " " " " " " " 4.00, " 3.50	
48 " " " " " " " " " 4.00, " 3.50	
12 " " " " " " " " " 4.00, " 3.25	
16 " " " " " " " " " 3.75, " 3.00	
20 " Ladies Vici Kid Lace, Goodyear Welt, \$3.10 and 3.50, " 2.50	
18 " " " " " " " " " 3.50 and 4.00, " 2.99	
24 pairs Men's Patent Colt Lace Shoes, stamped \$4.50 and \$5.00, now \$3.25	
30 " " " " " " " " " 5.00, " 4.00	
12 " " " " " " " " " 3.00 and 3.50, " 1.99	
16 " " " " " " " " " 3.00 and 3.50, " 2.50	

Also a great many other lines. Call in and see them.
No goods allowed on appreciation during the sale.

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New and Handsome designs just in, stock complete in every color and prices, better than ever. A call will please all.

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DISTRICT DOINGS

BLENHEIM

Feb. 17.—The following resolution was passed at a special meeting of the Town Council, "That the town solicitor attend the next meeting of the East Kent License Commissioners on behalf of the town and to use his best endeavors to have licenses granted forthwith to the several hotels in town."

The annual organization meeting of the Blenheim fire department was held last week. The officers of the previous year were re-elected.

Chief—L. F. Johnson.
Sub Chief—Geo. West.
Foreman second branch—S. Burk.
Captain hook and ladder—O. Wiliston.

Secretary—J. M. Denholm.
Treasurer—G. H. Myland.
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Boushall entertained about seventy guests at the Opera House on Tuesday evening, a guessing contest, progressive euchre and dancing being the amusements of the evening.

The bachelors of Blenheim are issuing invitations for an assembly to take place on Thursday, March 2nd. Finney's orchestra will be in attendance.

Miss Bacon entertained on Wednesday evening.
Feb. 7, at Bowmanville, the wife of Mr. J. F. Thompson, M. A., of a son.

Homer Robertson left this week for Dutton, where he has accepted a situation in a tailoring establishment there.

Miss Gertrude Johnson left yesterday for Tilbury to visit her brother. Miss Mabel Colborne, of Bridgen, has accepted a position in Messrs. T. B. Shilling's store.

Born, on Tuesday, Feb. 14th, at Erieau, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Vester, a son.

C. N. Greenwood, of Stratford, was here last week completing the arrangement of the dissolution of partnership of Greenwood Bros. Hereafter the business will be carried on by W. R. Greenwood.

The Baptist congregation here have extended a call to Mr. Geo. McLean, of Courtwright, who will take charge here on Sunday, March 12.

Miss Jessie Denholm has taken a situation in a millinery establishment at London.

Mr. A. H. Campbell, electrician at the power house, has resigned his position, he refusing to accept the reduced salary the council voted.

BOOKBINDING.

Orders for bookbinding should be left at this office. It is surprising how nice a volume can be made of these magazines, even though they are somewhat soiled from much handling. Books, magazines or periodicals bound or rebound in any style at very reasonable prices. Blank books, such as journals, ledgers, day books, with any kind of ruling, made to order. All work warranted first class.

New Idea Patterns 10c

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Dressmaking Rooms Open



SPECIAL SALE SATURDAY OF MEN'S NEGLIGEE AND REGATTA SHIRTS...

See King St. Window for Samples.

Regular 75c to \$1.00 shirts on sale Saturday, 39c. Genteel effects in fancy Grays, Tans, Black and White Stripes, some with separate cuffs, sizes 14 to 16½.

Displayed on counters in Clothing Department for quick selling. Be here early for they will not last long at this ridiculously low price. Only ten dozen in the lot.

10 Dozen Unlaundered Shirts

We have just passed into stock a full range of sizes of a very special line of UNLAUNDERED SHIRTS, extra quality Cambric. Linen bosom and bands, continuous seams and cushion neck band, comfortable short bosom—Sizes 12½ to 18½, extra special value at 50 cents

The Special Neckwear Sale at 2 for 25 Cents

Still on—the Greatest Neckwear Value ever offered—Big Selection—while they last, at 2 for 25c

Our Dressmaking Rooms Re-opened

To-day we open up our Dressmaking Department. This year we have secured the services of **Miss Stephenson, of Guelph**, who comes to us with excellent recommendations as a FIRST-CLASS MODISTE. All work will be guaranteed and prices will be as moderate as will be consistent with first-class work.

Skirt Department

Our Special SKIRT DEPARTMENT is now ready to execute your Spring orders.

Special Skirt Offering for Friday and Saturday



6 dozen only Black and Fancy Striped Sateen Underskirts, bought at a special price they are equal to the best \$1 Skirts we ever sold, this lot will be on sale on Friday and Saturday for only... **89c**

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PLENTY OF VEGETABLES

In cold weather means good health. Of course vegetables are not so good now, nor as plentiful as they were earlier in the season, still we give you a good choice, and can recommend them as in first-class shape.

TURNIPS, 12½c. a Peck.
CARROTS, 15c. a Peck.
PARSNIPS, 15c. a Peck.
CABBAGE, 5c. to 8c a head
CANNED TOMATOES, 2 cans for 25c.
CANNED CORN, 12c a can
CANNED PRAS, 10c. a can
CANNED BEETS, 10c a can
CANNED SQUASH, 10c. a can
CANNED ASPARAGUS, 25c and 35c. a can.
CANNED MUSHROOMS, 25c a can.
LETTUCE and CELERY we have almost every day, FRESH.

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SANITARY PLUMBING...

is one of the greatest necessities for any house. No matter how well appointed it may be in every other way it cannot be complete without a bath.

We have had such an extra large amount of plumbing during the last few months that we know our work, prices and material must be strictly right.

Let us have a chance to figure with you on any work you propose having done. We can possibly be of some assistance to you in some way.

Phone us and we shall be glad to call on you.

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Skating at the Rink at 8.
K. O. T. M., No. 8, in their rooms, 1.
O. O. F. Temple, at 8.
The Victoria Ave. Epworth League will meet in the S. S. Hall at 8.

Musical and social evening, Mrs. W. N. Morley's, Dufferin Ave., at 8.

Young People's Society, lecture hall of William St. Baptist Church, at 8.

Young People's Society of the First Presbyterian Church, S. S. Hall at 8.

Peninsular Lodge, No. 2, A. O. U. W., will meet in their hall opposite the Hotel Rankin

THE LOCAL BUDGET

Band at the Skating Rink to-night!

Any Suit or Overcoat in the Store for \$10.00 at the 2 T's

Remember the musical and social evening at Mrs. W. N. Morley's, Dufferin Avenue, this evening. 15c.

Postmaster Samuel Barfoot and Caretaker Wm. Mitchell of the post office, have both written the police asking them to stop loafing and lounging in the lobby.

Come awa and hear two or three Scotch songs, and have a cup o' tea wi us, on the e'en o' the 20th, at St. Andrew's Sunday School. Admission 15c.

Adjutant Bloss invites all Christians to the Sunday afternoon service at the Salvation Army to discuss the way and means of promoting an old time revival of religion in Chatham.

David Shannon, deputy sheriff of Port Huron, has written Chief of Police Holmes asking for information concerning Daniel Henry, brother of ex-Major Henry, of Blenheim. Daniel has been missing from Port Huron since October. He left his clothes and a violin at the hotel. When he disappeared he had \$100 in his possession and the Port Huron police are afraid that something has happened to him.

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See Window Display and come in and have a snap.

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Taffies and Candies of all kinds.

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DENTIST,

Office over A. I. McCall & Co's

Drug Store, Cor. King and Fifth Sts.

Telephone,

Office 164, Residence 285.

Band at the Skating Rink to-night!

Rev. W. E. Millson, of Wheatley, was in the city yesterday.

Geo. Peel, Patterson avenue, will erect a fine new residence in the spring.

A petition is being circulated to have License Inspector Pacaud removed from office.

Do not forget the annual concert at No. 1, Harwich, to-night. Only one mile from town.

R. A. Chrysler has gone to Northville, Mich., where he will attend the funeral of his cousin, Z. Buck. Mrs. John Buck, Lansdowne Ave., is also attending the funeral.

The Raleigh-Harwich townline is impassable in places. George Wilson, who has lived all his life on this road, says that he never remembers it being in the condition it is now. The snow and wind yesterday have drifted the road so full of snow that it is impossible to get along it in many places. Mr. Huff had to dig a road through the drifts this morning before he could get through with his milk rig. Mr. McGeachy had also to dig a road for his rig. At the Kelly farm the road is blocked and a detour has to be made through this farm to the concession.

KABO CORSET

Mrs. Darnelle, of Chicago, has been at Gordon's dry goods store all this week demonstrating the Kabo Corsets, and her visit to Chatham has been most successful. During the week she has met a good many of Chatham's most fashionable ladies, and all have been favorably impressed with her work and the class of corsets she demonstrates.

Miss Darnelle comes direct from Chicago and is engaged to demonstrate the splendid quality of these corsets in all cities where they have agencies. She is very favorably impressed with Chatham ladies and her work has convinced many of the superior quality of these goods.

Miss Darnelle leaves the city tomorrow afternoon at five o'clock and visits Toronto next.

William Gordon is the sole agent in Chatham for the Kabo Corsets.

OLD M. P. P. REMEMBERED

Richard Tooley, Sr., ex-M. P. P., one of the oldest political warhorses of this country, this week received, unsolicited, a private letter from Premier Whitney. The letter has a significance, and our aged friend will yet be recognized and honored by the new Premier for hard work done in the past.

The following are a few of the many honors bestowed. In Dorchester Township elected three times in succession for councillor, three times deputy reeve, once warden of the county in 1870, five times elected to the Local House, 1871-75-79-80-90. Never once beaten, is now 85 years and still hale and hearty.

This is an unbroken record and worthy of recognition by the present Premier. —Wallaceburg News.

The Corset Masterpiece

AT THE GORDON STORE

KABO

in every way is a Corset Masterpiece—it stands unrivalled—away above them all. Every feature that pertains to comfort, such as gracefulness of figure and perfection of it, is given special attention, to insure absolute enjoyment when worn. On account of their great superiority they received at ST. LOUIS WORLD'S FAIR GRAND PRIZE AND HIGHEST AWARD.

KABO CORSETS have no brass eyelets, and are boned with non-rustable wire. The many styles, the extensive assortment in newest ideas, such as dip hip, straight front and tapering waist models make them winners.

Miss Darnell, of Chicago, a Skilled Corsetiere and DEMONSTRATOR requests the pleasure of your presence during her week's visit to THE GORDON STORE.

Two Tables of Embroidery Bargains

Specials 5c. and 10c per Yard

A Large Shipment of White Cottons

Empress Sea Island Cambrics, 36 in. at 12 1-2c.; Lonsdale Sheeting and Cambric 11c. and 12 1-2c.—The Maple Leaf Brand—Berkley's No. 100 Cambric—Fruit of the Loom, etc.

Towelings and Towels

The Best Lines yet for the Bedroom and Kitchen, from 5c. Up.

...WILLIAM GORDON...

An Opportunity To Save Money

ON GOODS YOU WANT NOW

We are going to offer you such bargains during the balance of February that you will keep us busy and make your dollars do double duty.

Worsted Hosiery

A mixed lot in sizes 7 to 8½, the regular value is 30c to 40c, sale price.....19c

Fancy Stock Collars worth up to 40c, your choice for.....15c

New Stock Collars, the latest style, 25c, 35c and.....50c

Embroidered Turn Over Collars, very special.....5c

Neck Ribbons, pink, blue, navy, brown, black, white, etc., special...17c

6 in. wide Satin Ribbons, worth 15c, for.....10c

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Hem-stitched Hkts., sale price 7 for....25c

Laces

Torchon Laces, ½ to 1½ in. wide, 12 yard cards, worth 18 to 30c, sale price.....11c

700 yds. Valenciennes Laces worth from 5 to 7c, sale price.....4c

Embroideries

Thousands of yds. of Embroideries which we have divided in two lots:

Lot No. 1—Values up to 8c, sale price.....4 1-2c

Lot No. 2—Values up to 15c, sale price.....8c

White Cottons

Imported English Cottons, grass bleached, beautiful soft finish, worth 12½c for.....10c

40 in. Half Bleached Cotton fine quality, worth 10c for....81-2c

Extra value in Factory Cotton, 4½c, 5c and.....8c

34 inch nice round Thread Cotton, special at.....7c

Victoria Lawn special values, 10c, 12½c and.....15c

Snap in Table Linens

Weaver's Seconds in fine bleached Table Linens, very slightly damaged, regular value 37½c for 25c; the 60c quality for 39c; our 65c quality for 43c; 85c quality for.....63c

Irish Crash all linen Toweling, 7c quality for 5c and 9c values for...7c

Linen Towels, special at 5c, 7c 12½c and 18c quality for 10c and...15c

Linen Table Cloths, bordered all around, special values \$1 to....\$6

Table Napkins, a wide range 75c to.....\$5

Whitewear

Skirts and Gowns, worth \$1 and \$1.19 for 89c; \$1.50 quality for \$1.69

A full assortment of Sheeting and Pillow Cottons at close prices.

A full range of the Celebrated D. & A. Corsets from 50c to \$2.50

Remnants of Dress Goods, suitable for Shirt Waists and School Dresses at about...Half-Price

Stoves=

19 Baseburners too many. You can get them at your own price. Have you \$20 or part of it?

Fur Coats=

We give \$5.00 away with each coat.

Fur Robes=

Far to many on hand. We will slaughter these.

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EVENING DRESS.

YOU WANT A GOOD DRESS SUIT

Evening clothes are so much in evidence at this time of the year—for evening weddings, receptions, dinner and theatre parties. Well, we can outfit you in a way that will please you and rejoice your friends. With us you are sure to get the latest in mode and material—perfect fit always.

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Hundred Miles To The
Winnipeg Hospital.

Bottle and a Half of
**Dr. Wood's Norway
Pine Syrup**
Cured.

Read what Mrs. A. G. Wheeler, Waseca, Minn., has to say about it:—"Please let me thank you for the great good that both my husband and my children have received from Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. One night when my husband came home from work he had contracted a very bad cold. He became so bad that he had to go to bed and send for the doctor. When the doctor came he pronounced it a very serious case, and wanted me to send him to the Winnipeg Hospital. This I would not do, as it is about 600 miles to Winnipeg. I decided to try Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup and got four bottles of it. He only took one-and-a-half bottles before he was all right again and only lost a few days' work. I always keep it in the house for the children. Even the baby, seven months old, takes it and seems to like it, and as for myself I do not know what I would do without it. I think that every good housekeeper should keep a bottle on hand, for I know it will save many a doctor bill."

Price 25 cents. Put up in a yellow wrapper and three pine trees the trade mark. Refuse substitutes.
THE T. MILBURN CO., LIMITED,
TORONTO, ONT.

The Hawaiian Death Prayer.
Upon the minds of such people as the Hawaiians were, while under their ancient form of religion, it was but natural that superstition should gain a rooted hold. The most curious and effective belief to which they were made subject was that a man can be prayed to death, a belief that survives among the natives to the present day. For the success of the magical death prayer it was necessary to obtain some hair or a piece of finger nail of the intended victim. A priest was then employed to use incantation and prayer for his destruction. Always informed of the doom that the priest was invoking upon him, the victim generally pined away and died.

There is a story that an Englishman in the service of Kamehameha I. having incurred the displeasure of a priest, the latter proceeded to "remove" him by the death prayer process. The Anglo-Saxon, however, set up an opposition altar in derision and jokingly proclaimed that he intended to pray the priest to death. Alarmed at the threat and overwhelmed at the failure of his own incantations, the sorcerer died, proving by his death his faith in his religion.

The Social Capital.
We do not think that either Washington or New York or any other city will ever become the social capital of the United States as London is the social capital of Great Britain. Washington will come much nearer to it than it does at present, but the country is too big to have a social capital. Hordes of people will come to New York to make money, to amuse themselves, to study, to live their lives in the least restricted atmosphere that the country offers, but only very rich people will come here to find and occupy a place in organized society. Pleasant people will always find pleasant playmates here. There is no lack of good company for everybody that is companionable. But the charm of New York for people who still live elsewhere is not in its society, but in its shops and shows, its sunshine, its eating and its drinking. It is pleasant. It grows finer every day. When it is finished it will be a marvelous city, but hardly the social capital of the country.

YOUNG AGAIN AT SEVENTY-TWO

How Calixte Richard J. P. Feels
After Using Dodd's Kidney
Pills.

They Make the Kidneys Strain out of
the Blood all the Seeds of the Dis-
eases that Trouble Old Folks.

Acadie Siding, Kent Co., N. B., Feb. 13.—(Special).—After suffering for forty years from Kidney Trouble, Calixte Richard, the well known Justice of the Peace here, is fully recovered and he says that Dodd's Kidney Pills cured him.

"Yes," says Mr. Richard, "I had Kidney Trouble over forty years, with the result that I was a worn out man at seventy-two. Then I started taking Dodd's Kidney Pills, and the result is that the pain is gone from my back, and I am able to work again."

Dodd's Kidney Pills make the old feel young again. They make the Kidneys sound, and sound Kidneys strain out of the blood the seeds of the diseases to which the old are subjected, such as Backache, Rheumatism, Urinary and Bladder Troubles, etc.

No man can be provident of his time who is not prudent in the choice of his company.

The average woman can break a man more successfully than she can crack a joke.

LINKS WITH THE PAST

THE DUCKING STOOLS OF ENGLAND
FOR "COMMON SCOLDS."

Interest in Them Revived by the Recent
Indictment of Mrs. Wood, of Jersey
City, on the Charge of Being a "Com-
mon Scold"—Such a Charge Has Not
Been Brought for Over a Hundred
Years.

The news from America that the ducking stool has been revived, these will give additional interest to those relics of a bygone punishment which are still preserved at King's Lynn, Sandwich, Hull, Ipswich, and other places, says Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper. The American victim the other day was a Mrs. Wood, of Jersey City, who had been indicted as a "common scold," by reason of her constant quarrels with her neighbors. Such a charge had not been brought for over a hundred years, although the law remained unaltered. The punishment was a ducking in the village pond, the woman being tied to a stool.

The ducking stool in England, which was fairly common at one time, varied considerably in shape. In our illustration we show how the



DUCKING STOOL, BROADWATER, WORTHING.

simple Broadwater stool appeared in the year 1776. It was in existence at a much later period though. Its construction was very simple, consisting of a short post let into the ground at the edge of a pond, bearing on top a transverse beam, one end of which carried the ducking stool. The beam was worked up and down like a see-saw.

Even when public opinion revolted against this ill-use of a woman who did but use the chief weapon nature has given her, the ducking stool found employment on immediate females and refractory paupers.

The Scarborough ducking stool, formerly placed on the old pier, was last used about the year 1795, when a Mrs. Gamble was ducked. Notting-ham stool was by a refinement of torture made sufficiently large to admit of two persons being exposed at the same time. It was really a hollow box, and the heads of the culprits were placed through holes in the side. It was last used in 1731, when the mayor caused a female to be placed in it for immorality, and left her to the mercy of the mob, who ducked her so severely that her death ensued shortly afterwards. The mayor in consequence was very properly prosecuted.

History in a Summer House.

Part of the property which the United Free Church has to hand over to the "Wee" Press is the Free Church Normal School. Since 1847 the fine old building known as Moray House, in the Canongate, Edinburgh, has been in the possession of the Church; and the large building, with ground in the rear, is used for school purposes. In the corner of the playground, at one time a charming garden, is a little dark, stone cot. It was in this shelter, then used as a summer house, that the Commission-ers signed the Treaty of Union between England and Scotland. For years it lay half hidden in the soil, and in a dilapidated condition, until



WHERE THE TREATY OF UNION WAS SIGNED.

The Church authorities quite recently had it restored, and the children and students find the diminutive house a pleasant retreat on a hot sunny day. Moray House, which stands on the track between Edinburgh Castle and Holyrood Palace, was the residence of Cromwell, and at that time it belonged to the Marquis of Montrose. When the Marquis of Montrose was beheaded for treason, a party on the balcony, still existing in front of Moray House—the Marquis of Argyll and Lord and Lady Lorne—sat and witnessed the unfortunate nobleman's degradation. He was their bitter foe, and they could not conceal their exultation as the executioner's cart passed along the narrow street. The United Free Church officials have been careful to preserve the old mansion, which is now in excellent repair.

A Famous Tree.

"While I was in Gloucestershire last year," writes a correspondent, "I was taken to see a very big chestnut tree in Lord Ducie's park at Tortworth. I was told it was the very first tree that was planted in Great Britain. This tree is something of a celebrity. A description of it appeared in an old magazine in the early years of the last century as follows: 'At Tortworth, in Gloucestershire, is a chestnut tree fifty-two feet round; it is proved to have stood there since the year 1150, and was then so remarkable that it was called 'The Great Chestnut of Tortworth.' It fixes the boundary of a manor. Mr. Marsden states that the tree is one thousand one hundred years old.'"

Saleswomen's Peril

GRAVE DISEASES, DUE TO STANDING

Facts About Miss Merkle's Dangerous
Illness and Complete Cure

Have you ever thought why so many
women or girls rather walk an hour
than stand still for ten minutes?



Miss Margaret Merkle

It is because most women suffer from some derangement of their delicate organism, the discomfort of which is less trying when they are in motion than when standing.

In some states laws compel employers to provide resting places for their female employees.

But no amount of law can regulate the hard tasks of these women. They must get the strength which this work demands or run the risk of serious diseases and the surgeon's knife.

Read about the experience of Miss Margaret Merkle, 275 3d Street, Milwaukee, Wis.:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—
But no amount of strength, nervousness, bearing-down pains and extreme irritation compelled me to seek medical advice. The doctor said I had ovarian trouble and ulceration of the womb, and advised an operation if I wanted to get well. I objected to this and decided to give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial. I soon found that all the good things said about this great medicine were true. The ulceration soon healed, backache, headache and nervousness disappeared, and in a short time I was strong, vigorous and perfectly well. I wish every working girl who suffers would try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is a vegetable tonic which invigorates and strengthens the entire female organism, and will produce the same beneficial results in the case of any sick woman as with Miss Merkle.

POWER OF PURPOSE.

Conceive Your Ambition Clearly and
Follow It Courageously.

We all can measure the outward triumph of a man's life, but we rarely measure the forces out of which the triumph sprang. Men suddenly emerge into the blaze of fame, and then the world wakes up and wonders how it has all happened. There is no such thing as luck in any world over which God presides. What, then, is the secret? It is purpose. The great victories which men praise are always won first of all in a man's own soul. The great men who stamp themselves ineffably on the ages are always the men who are capable of conceiving a purpose clearly, and of following it courageously through evil and good report. You may sweep aside as relatively trivial all questions of the range of their gifts, the scope of their intellectual life. The great thing which you have to reckon with is the immense strength and heroic persistency of their purpose.—W. J. Dawson.

Taste and Touch.

Touch, Dr. Andrew Wilson has reminded us, is probably the oldest of our senses. It is also, we may add, the most active where taste has always been assumed to be paramount—at the dinner table. It is a fact overlooked that we like what we like less because we taste it than because we feel it. What is there wonderful in its taste of your perfect, your ripe potato? Nothing or little. But, ah, the feeling! What have the resistance of bread, the sudden coolness of butter, the tenderness of asparagus, the crispness of biscuit, to do with taste? Something almost negligible.—London Chronicle.

The biggest sins are the ones for which we have no appetite.

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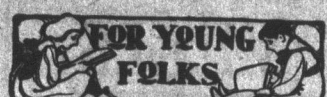
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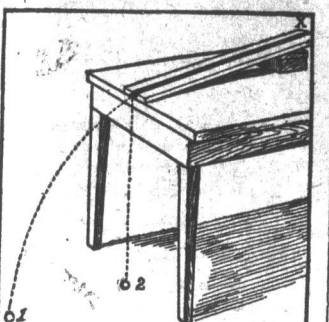


A LESSON IN PHYSICS.

The Problem of the Falling Cannon
Balls Explained by Marbles.

If some one asked you which reached the ground first, a cannon ball shot forward, not upward, from the mouth of a cannon, or a cannon ball just dropped from the mouth of the same cannon at the same time, you would probably hit upon every solution but the correct one. The right solution is that both balls reach the ground on exactly the same instant.

Here is a very simple way in which to prove the truth of this well known scientific law: Procure any sort of a grooved board of ordinary length; twist a piece of wire into a round eye just



HOW THE MARBLES STRIKE.

large enough to hold a marble so loosely that the slightest touch will drop it through the eye; fasten the wire to the end of the board exactly where the center of the groove comes and then mount the board on a table with one end propped up under a block of wood or a book, as shown in the illustration.

Now place one marble in the wire loop and then allow another marble to roll down the inclined groove, starting at point X. It strikes the marble in the wire, and both drop to the ground, and, although the second marble drops a couple of feet farther away from the table at point Y, yet you cannot detect the difference of an instant in the sound of both marbles' contact with the floor.

HONEY POTS.

A Game in Which Any Number of
Children May Join.

"Honey pots" is an interesting game. A number of children stoop down in a row, clasping their hands under their legs.

One child stands in front of them and acts as owner or seller; another acts as purchaser. The purchaser inquires:

"Have you any honey pots for sale?" and the reply is: "Yes, plenty. Will you walk round and taste them?"

The purchaser goes around pretending to taste each one in turn, inquires the price and weight, finds fault with several, one being too sweet and another not fresh enough, and so on. When one honey pot to the purchaser's taste is discovered, she is lifted by the purchaser or owner or by two children who act as weights and scales, and then swung by her arms backward and forward to estimate her weight and price.

As long as the child can keep her hands clasped, so long is the swinging kept up, and as many times as they count is the number of pounds she weighs.

When sold, the honey pot is taken to the other side or home of the purchaser. The game goes on until all the honey pots are sold.

The Materials Were Here.

Ethel's father is an artist. The New York Press says he often permits his little daughter to stay in the studio with him and paint. Ethel has some brushes and paint of her own and uses them with some ability and more satisfaction. One day a visitor called at the studio and Ethel eagerly showed him a small canvas.

"Did you paint this?" asked the visitor in surprise.

"Yes, sir," said Ethel.

"Well, well, it is very good indeed! Are you sure you painted it all yourself?"

"No, not all," Ethel admitted reluctantly. "Papa helped me a little."

"Oh!"

"But he used my brushes," the little girl hastily added.

She Felt It.

A chubby little girl of four who liked to go to Sunday school "all by my lones" was one day joined by a gentleman, also bound for Sunday school. Looking up at him, she gravely remarked: "You look taller than I, but it's just 'cause I'm closer to the ground."

High Tea With a Giraffe.

The giraffe cried, "Now, my friends, You'll take some food with me. But don't expect a dinner on the table you will see."

The meal to which I ask you is a simple one—high tea."

They said with pleasure they would come. The giraffe and the gnu.

The reindeer also and the elk. Who sets enough for two.

The chamois from the mountain top. Likewise the buffalo.

They didn't wish the feast to wait. And so with trot and bound.

They sought the deepest jungle, where The giraffe they found.

Browsing upon the topmost twigs Of trees that grew around.

He smiled—they stared—he checked a laugh.

They murmured, "Is it true?" Then one by one they left the spot.

Without unseemly fuss. "What test of his?" was their remark.

"Is much too high for us!"

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Surprise Soap

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If You Have Kept a Box of Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets for Reference—They Always Bring Relief.

Now often after eating something that did not agree with you have you ransacked the house for something to give you relief. Of course you did not fear any serious results, but the discomfort was such that you were prepared to give anything in reason or out of reason just to feel at rest for a moment.

Do you know that one or two of Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets was the very thing you were looking for? If you don't, ask anybody who has ever used them, and they will tell you. Listen to what Mr. R. Jachowski, Postmaster at Peasport, Ont., says: "I have given Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets a fair trial, and can with every confidence recommend them. I generally use only half a tablet after eating, and it never fails to give me relief."

If you would eat what you like, when you like, use Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets.

May Increase Capital.

Halifax, Feb. 16.—At the annual meeting of the Bank of Nova Scotia yesterday morning a resolution was adopted authorizing the directors to increase the capital stock from \$2,500,000 to \$3,000,000, should they deem it advisable.

Will Ask For a Recount.

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—The official majority of E. B. Devlin, Liberal, in Wright County, 142, all polls have been heard from. McDougall intends to ask for a recount.

Edmonton Is the Capital.

Edmonton, Feb. 16.—Word was received yesterday morning that Edmonton had been announced as the provincial capital of new Alberta Province.

\$100 REWARD \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have got much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.
Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by all Druggists, 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Some Notability.

Regina, Feb. 16.—Thomas Johnston appeared yesterday before Judge Newlands and a jury on the charge of manslaughter, in connection with the Stintala railway disaster. The jury, after an hour's consideration, brought in a verdict of not guilty.

One Still Hostile.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 16.—In spite of Emperor Nicholas' personal inclination in favor of the zemsky zabor, as intimated to Count Leo Deonovitch Tolstol, the Imperial decision to summon this Parliament has not yet been taken.

Water in Your Blood.

Lots of people have thin, watery blood—they eat plenty but don't digest. When digestion is poor, food isn't converted into nourishment—in consequence the body rapidly loses strength. To positively renew health, nothing equals Ferrozone. It excites sharp appetite, makes the stomach digest, forms life sustaining blood. Abundant strength is sure to follow. If you need more vitality, extra energy, better nerves, then use Ferrozone, the medical triumph of the age. Fifty cents buys a box of fifty chocolate coated Ferrozone tablets.

In all things it is better to hope than to despair.

Most men like to address women by their Christian name.

In some of the Swiss valleys the inhabitants are all afflicted with goitre or "thick neck." Instead of regarding this as a deformity they seem to think it a natural feature of physical development, and tourists passing through the valleys are sometimes jeered by the goitrous inhabitants, because they are without this offensive swelling. Thus a form of disease may become so common that it is regarded as a natural and necessary condition of life. It is so, to a large extent, with what are called diseases of women. Every woman suffers more or less from irregularity, ulceration, debilitating drains, or female weakness, and this suffering is so common and so universal that many women accept it as a condition natural and necessary to their sex. But it is a condition as unnatural as it is unnecessary. The use of Dr. "Favorite Prescription" makes weak then the delicate womanly organs and regulates the womanly functions, so that woman is practically delivered from the pain and misery which eat up ten years of her life—between the ages of fifteen and forty-five. "Favorite Prescription" makes weak women strong and sick women well.

The devil needs to do nothing for the man who has nothing to do.

Goodness thinks no ill where no ill seems.

GIRLS DRESS LIKE MEN.

Pit Brown Workers in Lancashire Collarless Wear Trousers—Their Headgear Also Worthy of Note.

Pit brown girls are among the most remarkable women workers in England. They work as hard as men and dress almost like men. Very few pit brown girls are found in Britain outside Lancashire, and 5,000 of them and employment at the coal mines. Their work lies on the pit brow—at the surface and not below. Once women were employed in the coal seams, but in 1842 in the face of great opposition from colliery owners an act was passed prohibiting women and children from being employed below the surface in coal mines.

The duties of the pit brown lassies consist in dealing with the coal as it comes up the shaft to the pit head. When the cage reaches the top, the girls haul out the wagons, which contain several hundred-weight of coal each, and run them on rails to a tipping machine, which shoots the coal down below to the screen or riddling machine. This is an iron slide several yards long, with holes through which the coal drops at various stages into trucks waiting beneath. It is jerked about by steam power, and the coal moves downward while the girls stationed alongside pick out the rubbish. It is dusty work.

The girls start work at 6 o'clock in the morning and finish at 3 or 4 o'clock in the afternoon. As may be judged, their work is arduous, and for its performance they receive 50 cents or less a day. Men who do the same work get \$1. Taken together, the pit brown lassies are a strong, healthy lot, ranging in age from eighteen to twenty-five. Their dress is distinctive and peculiar. The working costume consists of trousers, clogs and a coat which has at one time been worn by a brother or has come from a rummage stall. When going to and from work, the girls wear petticoats, which they roll up round the waist while engaged on their pit brow. At most pits nowadays the trousers are hidden in front by a short apron, but this is a comparatively recent departure in the way of dress. The headgear is also worthy of note. The hair is closely covered with a handkerchief, on the top of which is a soft bonnet.

Painted "The Derby Day."

A delightful old gentleman is Mr. W. R. Frith, R. N., the famous painter of "The Derby Day." "The Railway Station," and many other celebrated pictures. A trifle bent with the weight of years, he is eighty-five, though anything but decrepit, alert, and of no great stature, with bushy, white hair, brushed back from a great forehead, a rugged complexion, an aquiline nose, blue eyes, wonderfully keen and alert, and a whimsical smile, he is just such a character as Dickens would have loved to paint, which recalls the fact that Mr. Frith painted one of the best portraits ever done of the great novelist. Mr. Frith delights in showing visitors the copy of an old Dutch engraving he made when a boy, and telling the story of how it led to his adopting art as a profession, and the sequel. Mr. Frith's father, anxious to know whether his son, then about fourteen years old, had any prospects as an artist, submitted the copy in question to the verdict of a number of distinguished painters, foregathered at a dinner party. The verdict was favorable, and so the boy became a painter. Years afterwards he met Mr. Chalon, R. A., who had been one of the judges on that momentous evening. Showing him the copy reproduced him of the incident, which Mr. Chalon had forgotten. "Do you mean to say I advised you to become a painter on such evidence as that?" cried the R. A. "I ought to be ashamed of myself!"—M. P.

A Bad Race in Court.

At a circuit court in an English county town a young countrywoman was under examination.

"Now, my good girl," said the advocate. "You say you were near the spot when the prisoner at the bar committed the act. Was any one with you at the time?"
"Yes, yes, my lord and advocate; my sweetheart was with me."
"Courtier, I suppose," was again asked. "Is he here? We want corroborative evidence."
"Yes, my advocate and lord; shut 'em out."
"We had better call him into court," here remarked the judge.
"No, no, my lord!" cried the witness. "Goodness, no! I can hardly get him to court me when we're alone, and I'm sure he won't court me here afore you all."

"Quincy Tufts."

Lord Carnarvon, during his visit to the United States last year, took a commendable interest in all things. He was passing one day through a small Eastern town when he noticed the shop of a man called Quincy Tufts. Mr. Tufts was his name upon his sign in huge letters, and Lord Carnarvon misunderstood that odd name. He imagined that it represented some interesting object which he had never seen. Accordingly, entering the shop, the distinguished foreigner said to the proprietor: "Pray, sir, what are Quincy tufts? Show me some, won't you?"

Dinners in the Sixteenth Century.

State banquets became very elaborate and expensive in the earlier half of the sixteenth century, which was the period of pageants and mumming. Excesses in feasting in Edward III's reign were so great that the King framed rules, forbidding any common man to have dainty dishes or costly drinks at his table. He did not, however, practice economy in his own household, for the marriage feast of his third son, Lionel, Duke of Clarence, was exceedingly sumptuous. There were thirty courses to it, and the fragments sufficient to feed a thousand people.

THINK IT OVER.

Something You Can See in Any Restaurant or Cafe.

A physician puts the query: Have you never noticed in any large restaurant at lunch or dinner time the large number of hearty, vigorous old men at the tables; men whose ages run from 60 to 80 years; many of them bald and all perhaps gray, but none of them feeble or senile?

Perhaps the spectacle is so common as to have escaped your observation or comment, but nevertheless it is an object lesson which means something.

If you will notice what these hearty old fellows are eating you will observe that they are not munching bran crackers nor gingerly picking their way through a menu card of new fangled health foods; on the contrary they seem to prefer a juicy roast of beef, a properly turned loin of mutton, and even the deadly broiled lobster is not altogether ignored.

The point of all this is that a vigorous old age depends upon good digestion and plenty of wholesome food, and it is upon this point that an endeavor to live upon bran crackers.

There is a certain class of food cranks who seem to believe that meat, coffee, and many other good things are rank poisons, but these cadaverous, sickly looking individuals are a striking condemnation of their own theories.

The matter in a nutshell is that if the stomach secretes the natural digestive juices in sufficient quantities any wholesome food will be promptly digested; if the stomach does not do so, and certain foods are taken, one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after each meal will remove all difficulty, because they supply just what every weak stomach lacks, pepsin, hydro-chloric acid, diastase and nux.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets do not act upon the bowels, and in fact are not strictly a medicine, as they act almost entirely upon the food eaten, digesting it thoroughly, and thus giving a much-needed rest and giving an appetite for the next meal.

Of people who travel nine out of ten use Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, knowing them to be perfectly safe to use at any time, and also having found out by experience that they are a safeguard against indigestion in any form, and eating, as they have to, at all hours and all kinds of food, the travelling public for years have pinned their faith to Stuart's Tablets.

All druggists sell them at 50 cents for full-sized package, and any druggist from Maine to California, if his opinion were asked, will say that Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is the most popular and successful remedy for any stomach trouble.

Another Bonanza Diamond.

Johannesburg, Transvaal, Feb. 16.—A diamond weighing 334 carats has been discovered in the vicinity of the place where the largest diamond ever unearthed was recently found.

Low Wallace Dead.

Crawfordville, Ind., Feb. 16.—General Low Wallace died last night at 9:10 o'clock. He will be remembered as the author of Ben Hur.

HER SKIN WAS YELLOW.

"I had only to try Dr. Hamilton's Pills to appreciate their merit," writes Miss Annie S. Bryce, of Woodstock. "My system was out of order. My blood was weak and thin. I had a nasty, murky complexion. My skin was hard and dry. The first box of Dr. Hamilton's Pills made a complete change. I felt better at once. Healthy color came into my face. In about three weeks I was cured." Dr. Hamilton's Pills effect an easy cure. Try these good pills, 25c. per box, or five boxes for \$1.00; at all dealers.

Keeds Special Tax.

Germany imposed a special tax on department stores in 1900, and now it appears that the owners have shifted the burden upon the manufacturers from whom they draw supplies. Naturally the manufacturers kick at that, for they were already handicapped by stringent Government regulations. The small retailers, in whose interest the special tax law was formed, say that its workings are of no benefit to their trade.

THE ROOT OF NEURALGIC HEADACHE.

Is an irritable condition of the nerves caused by cold. Relief comes quickly from Nerviline, the greatest pain reliever of to-day. "I consider Nerviline a magical remedy for neuralgia," writes Mrs. E. G. Harris, of Baltimore. "But I never worry if Nerviline is in the house. A few applications never yet failed to kill the pain. I can now recommend Nerviline for stiffness, rheumatism and muscular pains." In use nearly fifty years; try Nerviline yourself.

Misplaced Devotion.

He (bitterly)—If I were rich you'd marry me readily enough! She—Don't, Gussie, don't! Such devotion breaks my heart! He—What do you mean? She—Often have you praised my beauty, but never before my common sense!

PROVED IN MOUNT FOREST.

Every doctor in this town tried his best to relieve Mrs. J. Withom, of Asthma; none succeeded. "For years," she states, "I was a dreadful sufferer; nothing gave relief. At times I found it necessary to have all the doors and windows open to get my breath. When in despair I heard of Catarrhose. I used it and now am perfectly cured." This proves beyond doubt that any case of Asthma is curable with Catarrhose. No remedy so pleasant, none so absolutely certain to thoroughly cure; try Catarrhose yourself; it's guaranteed.

HAVE "WEATHER SENSE."

Australian Bushmen Have Gift of Prophecy as to Seasons.

One of the most remarkable instances of science learning from savagery and instinct is that which is of everyday occurrence in Australia. The Australian natives are expert weather prophets. It is a gift that can hardly be called instinct, inasmuch as they form their judgment from a thousand and one signs about them, such as the average white would not notice. The appearance of the trees, the length of the stalk of certain reeds, the actions and doings of native animals, insects, reptiles and fish; in short, a thousand and one signs the purport of which they have learned by long centuries of observation, constitute their stock in trade as weather prophets.

Years ago, in the days of the old Botany Bay settlement, the English learned to appreciate the "weather sense" of the natives, and later, when the colony became civilized and weather stations were established here and there over the country, the best native weather prophets were employed as members of the staff. Many stories are related of their wonderful powers of foresight.

In Australia the conditions are such that it would be desirable if the meteorologists could foretell the weather six to eight months in advance, something which no weather forecaster is able to accomplish, twenty-four hours being the longest period at which he can or will venture a forecast.

But the native weather doctors do not hesitate to predict what will occur six months to a year ahead, and what is most remarkable, they hit it correctly more often than one would expect.

There is a story current that several years ago the sheep farmers and stockmen in a certain quarter of Australia were much wrought up, thinking the year would be followed by a severe drought.

The Weather Bureau men held the same opinion, but would not, of course, venture any prognostications so far ahead. Yet, while all were confident that the next year would bring death to the herds and flocks, an old native weather prophet, attached to the station shook his head, declaring that he had serious doubts of such a thing happening.

Prevailed upon to set his wits to work, he gathered together provisions and set forth into the desert. From year to year one might possibly say he was going to consult the signs and would return in about a month. Where he went or what he did no one knew, but at the end of the month he returned, declaring that the white men were all fools and that, instead of drought, the next season would be unusually rainy. No one believed him, but, sure enough, when next season arrived more rain fell than had been experienced in years.

In dry, arid countries like Australia it is oftentimes easier to forecast weather than in others. Plant life has adapted itself to the conditions, and by studying their growth from year to year one might possibly in time learn the significance of the short or long growth of plants.

Doubtless, after leaving the station the old weather prophet went direct to some out of the way locality where grew some particular plant, occurring there and in no other part of the region, which during seasons preceding a wet or dry spell forecast weather events by some peculiarity of growth or structure not noticeable to a white person, but plain enough to the native.

Funs and Promotions.

Canon Melville, who died the other day in his ninety-second year, owed his earliest promotion to a pun, affirms a London paper. When the late Earl of Dudley, who knew Mr. Melville sufficiently to remember that his Christian name was David, had a living at his disposal, he received a letter containing only the words, "Lord, remember David." The Earl's reply was no less terse and Scriptural: "Thou art the man!" Perhaps the earliest instance of ecclesiastical promotion won by a pun is that of curate James Joseph, who was prompted by Swift to take this text for a sermon preached in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, before the Vicar, "Butler," the Duke of Ormond: "Yet did not the chief butler remember Joseph, but forgot him." The Rev. Dr. Mountain, who was the son of a beggar, owed nearly every step of his successful promotions in great part to his facetiousness, and won the last step of all by a single jest. When he was consulted, as Bishop of Durham, by George II. as to the fittest person to fill the vacant archiepiscopal see of York he replied: "Sir, hadst thou faith as a grain of mustard seed thou wouldst say to this Mountain (dramatically striking his breast), 'Be thou removed and cast into this sea (see)!' That George II. should so understand and appreciate the joke as to accept its suggestion is perhaps the strangest part of the story.

He Did Not Bite.

There is a new London story about Charles Darwin.
"Two 'peeing boys,'" said Miss Lettice, "being friends of Darwin, thought one day that they would play a joke on him. They caught a butterfly, a grasshopper, a beetle and a centipede, and out of these creatures they made a strange, composite insect. They took the centipede's body, the butterfly's wings, the grasshopper's legs, and the beetle's head, and they glued them together carefully. Then, with their new bug in a box, they knocked at Darwin's door.

"We've caught this bug in a field," they said. "Can you tell us what kind of a bug it is, sir?"
"Darwin looked at the bug and then he looked at the boys. He smiled slightly.

"Did it hum when you caught it?" he asked.
"Yes," they answered, nudging one another.
"Then," said Darwin, "it is a humbug."

Many Women Suffer Untold Agony From Kidney Trouble.

Very often they think it is from so-called "female disease." There is less female trouble than they think. Women suffer from backache, sleeplessness, nervousness, irritability, and a dragging-down feeling in the loins. So do men, and they do not have "female trouble." Why, then, blame all your trouble to female disease? With healthy kidneys, few women will ever have "female disorders." The kidneys are so closely connected with all the internal organs, that when the kidneys go wrong, everything goes wrong. Much distress would be saved if women would only take

DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS

at stated intervals.

Miss Nellie Clark, Lambeth, Ont., tells of her cure in the following words:—"I suffered for about two years with kidney trouble. I ached all over, especially in the small of my back; not being able to sleep well, no appetite, menstruation irregular, nervous irritability, and back-dust deposit in urine, were some of my symptoms. I took Doan's Kidney Pills. The pain in my back gradually left me, my appetite returned, I slept well, and am effectually cured. I can highly recommend Doan's Kidney Pills to all sufferers from kidney trouble."

Price 50 cents per box, or 3 for \$1.25. All dealers, or DOAN KIDNEY PILL CO., TORONTO, ONT.

WANTED.

A CHRISTIAN man wanted in unoccupied territory, to sell full line of articles of daily consumption to consumers, at wholesale prices. Cooper, Drawer 531, London.

WANTED—The Canada Foundry Co., Limited, are open to make an agreement for a year's employment with a certain number of lathe, boring mill, planer and slotter hands; also fitters and erectors, tool-makers and brass finishers; steady and reliable. Apply, stating qualifications, and giving references to Employment Bureau, Canada Foundry Co., Limited, 14

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

FENCE FOR SALE—In good state of preservation. Apply to Thomas Scullard, Victoria Avenue.

HOUSE FOR SALE—On Grant street, For particulars apply to Thomas Scullard, or at this office. tf

TYPEWRITER FOR SALE—In good condition and will be sold cheap, as it has been replaced by a larger machine. Apply to A. H. Patterson, Hardware Merchant, King St.

ROOMS FOR RENT—Good location, near the centre of the city, on King Street; furnished or unfurnished. Apply to Box 511, or telephone 269. tf

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HOUSE FOR SALE—I am anxious to sell my home on St. Clair street before I leave the city. House modern in every way. Will sell at a bargain. Dr. Tye. 10

HOUSE FOR SALE—A brick house containing 12 rooms, with all modern conveniences; 15 acres of good land; stable and sheds; just outside the city limits. One of the most comfortable houses and best locations in the county. Apply to John F. Liddy, on the premises, or at Sheldon's Liquor Store.

FARM FOR SALE—North east half of Lot 16, Front concession, Township of Harwich, 133 acres. All cleared, clay loam, two good sized frame houses. Large frame barn and cattle shed; stable and driveway combined; granary and implement house. Buildings all in good repair; about five acres of orchard; artesian well, windmill and pump; three other wells. Price \$8,000.00. Apply on the premises to Mrs. John J. Walrath, or to W. F. Smith, barrister and solicitor, Chatham, Ont.

SETTLERS' LOW RATES WEST.

Via the Chicago and North Western Ry., every day from March 1st to May 15th, 1905, settlers' one way second class tickets at very low rates from Chicago to points in Utah, Montana, Nevada, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, California; also to Vancouver, Victoria, New Westminster, Rossland and other points in the Kootenay District. Correspondingly low rates from all points in Canada. Write for full particulars and folders to R. H. Bennett, General Agent, 2 East King St., Toronto. tf

MESSRS. C. RICHARDS & CO.

Gents.—After suffering for seven years with inflammatory rheumatism so bad that I was eleven months confined to my room, and for two years could not dress myself without help, your agent gave me a bottle of MINARD'S LINIMENT in May, 1897, and asked me to try it, which I did, and was so well pleased with the results, I procured more. Five bottles completely cured me, and I have had no return of the pain for eighteen months. The above facts are well known to everybody in this village and neighborhood.

Yours gratefully,

A. DAIRT.

St. Timothee, Que., 16th May, '99.

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The Greatest On Record

The sales of Linen thus far during this February Linen Sale are the greatest on record. Little wonder this sale has been so successful when you consider the rich and exclusive patterns, the high quality and the lowness of price of the linens. We would suggest that you visit this store often during the next ten days while the linens are in the Millinery show rooms and while they may be seen to the best of advantage, and then if you would save money on linen such opportunities as the present occur seldom during the year, note the savings and then put our statements to test by inspecting the linens.

Slightly Imperfect Cloths and Napkins

Sets of Cloths with napkins to match, all pure linen, double satin damask.	8-10 all pure linen Table Cloths portraying poppy border with daisy centre, \$2.50 for \$1.90.	10-12 all linen double Satin Damask Table Cloths in rich floral scrolls, \$6 for \$4.50.
8-10 Cloths, 24x24 napkins portraying daisies, per set \$5.00.	8-10 all pure linen Table Cloths portraying Chrysanthemum border with snowdrop centre, tulips, double border of floral scroll and bowknot with snowdrop centre, lily and grecian border with lilies in the centre, \$3.00 for \$2.25.	10-12 all linen Table Cloths, unbordered, all ready hemmed, poppy border, moire centre, with poppies here and there, \$5 for \$3.90.
8-12 Cloths, 24x24 napkins portraying a leafy pattern, set \$5.75.	8-12 all linen double damask Table Cloths portraying tulips and crockes \$5.50 for \$3.90.	10-14 all linen double Satin Damask Table Cloths portraying maiden hair fern and scroll, \$10 for \$9.75.
8-10 Cloths, 24x24 napkins portraying dew drops with snow drop centre, set \$6.25.	8-10 all pure linen double Damask Table Cloths portraying lilies of the valley, shamrock centres and grecian border, \$4.00 for \$2.90.	10-14 all linen double Cloths, portraying daisies, \$7 for \$5.
8-12 Cloths, 24x24 napkins portraying a Begonia leaf, set \$3.25.	8-12 all linen double damask Table Cloths portraying tulips and crockes \$5.50 for \$3.90.	8-10 rich double Satin Damask Cloth, all pure linen, portraying roses and scrolls with a crest centre, \$7.80 for \$6.50.
8-12 Cloths, napkins 27x27 portraying Holly and Mistletoe, set \$13.25.	8-12 all linen Table Cloths portraying ivy leaves with floral border, \$3.75 for \$3.00.	5-8 Napkins, all pure linen double damask, portraying chrysanthemums, \$2.50 for \$1.95.
10-12 Cloths, 24x24 napkins portraying Springing, Tulips and Bowknots, set \$17.00.	10-14 double Satin Damask Table Cloths, all linen, portraying poppy border with snowdrop centre, and other rich floral patterns, \$5 for \$3.75.	3-4 Napkins, all pure linen portraying fleur-de-lis, \$3.25 for \$2.25.
10-12 Cloths, 27x27 napkins portraying Rose, Bowknot and leafy centre, set \$18.50.		3-4 Napkins, all linen, double satin damask, ivy and snowdrops, pinrose and snowdrops, pansies, lilies of the valley, shamrocks, shamrocks with Grecian border, \$3.75 for \$2.75.
10-12 Cloths, 27x27 napkins portraying poppies, set \$18.75.		

Extra Values in Bleached Tablings

44 in. pure linen bleached tablings portraying a wild rose, special per yd 75c.	72 in. all linen double damask tablings in patterns, floral borders with fleur-de-lis centre and floral border with snowdrop centre, regular per yd \$1.16 for 85c.	72 in. all linen, floral border with large fleur-de-lis centre per yd \$1.00.
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WHEELER SPEAKS

Chatham Citizen Makes Forceful Address With Deputation to Minister of Public Works.

London fishermen have returned from Toronto, where they interviewed the Hon. Dr. Reame with a view to obtaining the cancellation of all descriptions of fishing privileges on the River Thames. They are in a jubilant frame of mind, as a result, and fully expect that the Minister will make the desired change. Dr. Reame expressed surprise that the condition of affairs as related to him had been permitted to exist. Mr. Baatelo, the fisheries superintendent under the late Government, is understood to have made a change of front on the question. At least some of the fishermen were surprised to find that he was ready to back up their side of the case, and stated that he had intended bringing the matter to the notice of the Minister.

The deputation from London consisted of Messrs. H. B. Elliot, James O. Weidon, W. H. Chittick, Frank Friend, John Bowman, Dr. Fred L. Wood, Captain T. E. Robson. Other members of the deputation were Messrs. Caleb Wheeler, of Chatham; Hon. Nelson Monteith, Hon. Adam Beck, George Nesby, M. P. E. Telegrams of regret at inability to be present were received from a number of others. Nearly all the members of the deputation spoke, and they were delighted with the business-like manner of their reception. Hon. Adam Beck made a strong speech in favor of the cancellation of the licenses, as did also Mr. Nesby and Hon. Mr. Monteith, the latter claiming that he was as much interested as any of the others. One of the most forceful speeches was that of Mr. Wheeler, of Chatham, who has known of the conditions existing for many years past. —London Free Press.

JOHN DUCK

Was Once Warden of Kent County and Customs Collector, Ridgeway.

Windsor, Ont., Feb. 16.—John Duck died at his home in Morpeth, Kent County, this morning. He was eighty years old and one of the earliest settlers in Kent County. He had served as Warden of the County and was for several years collector of customs at Ridgeway, retiring only three years ago. A widow, two sons and one daughter survive him.

The self-made man has a profound contempt for pedigrees.

Minard's Lintment Cures Diphtheria.

WHAT ABOUT THE DREDGING?

Herbert S. Clements, M. P. Asks Pertinent Questions in Dominion Parliament.

Also wants to know if Tariff Does not Discriminate Against Our Farmers and Their Interests.

Herbert S. Clements, M. P., has given notice in the Dominion Parliament that he will on Monday make of the Ministry the following enquiries:

1. Have the surveys for the River Thames from Lake St. Clair to the City of Chatham been completed for a fifteen-foot channel, as proposed by the Government?
2. If so, what has been the cost up to date for the completion of said plans, specifications and all other work in connection with the same?
3. Is it the intention of the Government to complete the work as per plans and specifications submitted, and when will the work commence?
4. Relative to the tariff, which Mr. Clements alleges discriminates against the farmers and their interests, he gave notice of the following questions:—What were the imports of the following imported into Canada for home consumption from the United States, and the exports of same from Canada to the United States, and the duty on the same both ways, in the years 1903 and 1904:—Amount of pork, bacon, hams, shoulders, etc. 2—Apples? 3—Wheat? 4—Corn? 5—Beans, raw, canned and otherwise? 6—Cattle? 7—Horses? 8—Wool? 9—Hides?

Succumbed By Gas.

Albany, N.Y., Feb. 17.—Charles Bort, aged 41, a traveling millinery salesman of Syracuse, was killed by illuminating gas in his room here yesterday. He recently lost his position and is said to have been dependent, but his death is declared to have been accidental.

Former Premier Summused.

Buda Pesth, Feb. 17.—In view of the failure of Count Andrássy to form a Hungarian ministry, Premier Wokrie has been summoned to Vienna to see the Emperor-King. It is probable that former Premier Szell also will be consulted.

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GROSS CRUELTY

Ponies Spent Days in Open Cars without Food, Water or Shelter.

Humane Society Officer Sanders Wednesday took further action in the matter of the horses being shipped over the C. P. R. through this city. The train, to look out for which the local officer had been warned by the Chatham official, reached the city Wednesday night, and Inspector Sanders at once took a look at the cars, which were four in number, and loaded down with the poor animals. A typical case was one car in which there were loaded twenty-six horses. They were rough western ponies, and while being shipped in bond to St. John, N. B., the ponies were loaded at Chicago, so the way bill showed, on the 12th of the month. Apparently they had not been fed or watered since that time, for they were in a frightfully emaciated condition when seen by the inspector. The cars were of the open variety, exposed to all the winds of heaven; frigidly cold. They had apparently at one time been covered with paper, but the paper had blown into shreds until it was a very mockery of protection for the poor shivering animals. Local officials told the inspector they could do nothing in the way of opening the cars to feed the horses, but Mr. Sanders was informed that they would be fed at Toronto, at which place they were scheduled to arrive about two o'clock yesterday morning. It appeared that the horses had been at least two days and probably longer without either food or water, and exposed to the elements in the open cars.

Inspector Sanders says that he was powerless to do anything in the matter. "I could not find anyone who seemed to be in charge of the cars, which were in bond," he said. "Humane societies are practically powerless to do anything in these cases. There is no one official whom we can get at, and, in fact, the whole thing seems to be well worthy of being looked into by our legislators." —London Free Press.

Humane Officer James McGregor got track of the car of horses here and he at once wired Mr. Sanders at London to investigate. Mr. McGregor was too late to stop the train here.

Jay Cooke Dies.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 17.—Jay Cooke, whose fame as a financier is world-wide, died last night at the home of his son-in-law, Charles D. Barney, at Ogontz, a suburb of this city. Mr. Cooke was 83 years old.

China Decorates Diaz.

Mexico City, Feb. 17.—President Diaz has been given by the Emperor of China the first grade decoration of the Order of the Double Dragon.

THE BRITISH COMMONS

Asquith's Amendment To Speech Defeated By 63 Majority.

The Attendance Was Large and Guarantee Continuance of Government to End of Term—Chamberlain Opposed to "Instructing" Delegates to a Colonial Conference—Again He Is Epigrammatic.

London, Feb. 17.—H. H. Asquith's amendment to the reply to the speech from the Throne was defeated in the House of Commons last night by a vote of 315 to 248. This amendment declared that the various aspects of the fiscal question had been thoroughly debated, and that the question should be submitted to the people without delay. The majority of 68, by which Mr. Asquith's amendment was rejected, is regarded as giving the Government the first move in the political game, and as finally disposing of any present prospect of dissolution of Parliament. In his reference to the colonial conference and the Opposition's amendment that British members of the conference should be instructed, Mr. Chamberlain in his speech yesterday asked whether the Opposition thought the men from the colonies would come to talk until black in the face knowing all the time that Great Britain's representatives had a mandate in their pockets not to give anything that was asked.

Salisbury's Son Is Strong.

The real event of the night's debate was the brilliant speech delivered by Lord Hugh Cecil, which is admitted by friends and opponents to have been his finest oratorical effort, and one of the best speeches delivered in the House of Commons since the Gladstone-Salisbury period, and as placing Lord Hugh in the forefront of possible leaders of the Conservative party. Lord Hugh Cecil is the leader of the Conservative free traders, and the Liberals had placed their hopes in him to turn out the Government. He disillusioned them by contending that the free trade cause would gain by keeping the present Government in office still longer, and while he pulled no punches mercilessly his cousin Balfour's attitude on fiscal questions, he declined to vote for the Asquith amendment. The majority of Conservative free traders will follow Lord Hugh Cecil's lead, and apart from the possibility of some unexpected snap division, the government's position is decidedly safe. —Reynolds's London Leader.

The scene during Lord Cecil's speech was somewhat curious and was intensified by his peculiar habit of nervous gesture and physical characteristics, recalling the appearance of his father, the late Lord Salisbury, at the same age. Only a couple of yards separated him from Premier Balfour, sitting alone on the treasury benches.

"It is the business of a premier to make himself understood," said his lordship. "If he confesses that he has not been understood then he throws up the sponge."

He laughingly added that if Mr. Balfour would give him an office without a portfolio he would undertake to make his policy perfectly clear to the whole country. He feared, however, that his own ministerial career, though sensational, would be brief, and that the Government would soon be defeated. In conclusion, Lord Hugh declared that the free traders were winning all along the line. He had no intention, he said, of leaving the Conservative party. The Conservative free traders were the inheritors of true Conservative principles. In time, the speaker said, "You will forget our bad economics. The future is with us. It is needless that we should make one personal point against Lord Hugh Cecil by stating amid laughter, that it would be difficult for his lordship to give a monosyllabic answer to the question whether he was a ritualist as for himself (Balfour) to say whether he was a protectionist."

This speech practically concluded the debate and members trooped out to the lobby discussing it with admiration.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman and Premier Balfour spoke afterwards, but without any striking effect. Mr. Balfour referred to dissolution as coming "in the fulness of time," and made one personal point against Lord Hugh Cecil by stating amid laughter, that it would be difficult for his lordship to give a monosyllabic answer to the question whether he was a ritualist as for himself (Balfour) to say whether he was a protectionist."

Bounty On Steel Rails.

Ottawa, Feb. 17.—A cheque for the sum of \$60,000 has been given the Lake Superior Corporation representing bounty at the rate of \$3 a ton on steel rails manufactured by them. The bounty was supposed to apply only to structural steel, but the corporation argues that it should be paid on steel rails as well. The Auditor-General referred the matter to Mr. Aylesworth, who upheld the corporation's contention.

Canadians Do Good Shooting.

Detroit, Feb. 17.—At the Rush House shoot yesterday C. G. Spencer of St. Louis, had a percentage of 1,000. He was high man of the day, with a kill for every one of the 24 targets shot at. I. O. Chapman of Fulton, N.Y., was tied with three others for second gun, with 24, while Mort Mayhew of Marcy, N.Y., and H. Scane of Ridgeway, Ont., had 23 apiece.

Speedily Sentenced to Death.

Towanda, Pa., Feb. 17.—Bigler Johnson was yesterday convicted of first-degree murder for the killing and burning of his wife last September. Judge Fanning immediately passed the death sentence.

To Irish Art Gallery.

London, Feb. 17.—The Prince and Princess of Wales have presented five pictures, by Constable and Corot, to the new Irish art gallery.

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TO TAKE CHURCH CENSUS.

Sarnia Church Workers Will Keep Tab On Themselves and Others.

Sarnia, Feb. 17.—Within the next three weeks a church census of the town will be made for the purpose of sending out exactly how many persons belong to the various denominations, and to report the names to the clergymen.

"The idea has been put into operation in other towns and cities," said a local clergyman yesterday, "and has been found a great help. The work will be done by a committee of 100 or more volunteer workers. The town will be divided into sections and two young men, or young women, representing different denominations, will be assigned to a certain number of blocks and will be required to secure the names and church affiliations of all persons residing therein, including children of Sunday school age. The names and addresses will then be given to the proper clergyman. In this way it is hoped that a large number of persons will be aroused to an interest in church work. There is a natural diffidence on the part of the clergymen towards calling on families of whose denomination they are not certain, and many are overlooked. The census being non-denominational, will remove this objection."

President in Control of Canal.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The Mann bill to provide a Government for the canal zone was passed by the House of Representatives yesterday. The bill gives all the right of Government of the canal zone to the President until the end of next Congress, but provides the inhabitants in the free enjoyment of their liberties, property and religion. It abolishes the Isthmian Canal Commission and places the work of construction of the canal in the hands of the President, and such persons as he may appoint and employ. The bill authorizes the President to retain the Canal Commission as a commission or individuals members as consulting engineers, if he shall so desire.

New Electric Power.

Brantford, Feb. 17.—Cecil Smith, the promoter of the Grand River and Western Power Co., which seeks a Dominion charter, was in the city yesterday morning on a brief business trip. He stated that his company, if it gets a charter, will develop power at Jordan, near St. Catharines, and will run a line west as far as London. Brantford will be on the direct route and the main line of transmission will be through this city. There is an abundance of power for use, according to the testimony of experts, and a large share of it would be utilized at very low rates in the various manufacturing industries of this city.

To Fight Licensee Reduction.

Galt, Feb. 17.—James Haverson, K.C., of Toronto, has been called by the hotelmen of Galt to come up and aid them in fighting the temperance forces that are endeavoring to induce the town council to cut off three of the nine licenses. The hotelmen have secured about 1,000 signatures to a petition strongly setting forth reasons why the proposed reduction should not be made. This will be presented at the council meeting Monday night, and Mr. Haverson will be on hand to support it with an address. The liveliest possible time is anticipated.

Disturbance Glass Windows.

New York, Feb. 17.—Within 24 hours after his release from prison, where he had served a sentence for smashing more than \$2,000 worth of plate glass windows, John Grogan early to-day returned to the scene of his escapade and started in to duplicate the feat of two months' ago. He was not so successful this time, however, having broken only three of the large show windows when he was overpowered and again taken to a cell.

Bowling Record Broken.

Chicago, Feb. 17.—The Bensingers of this city have established a new world's bowling record for three games by rolling an average of 1,061.1-3. The best previous accepted record was that of the Empires of this city, when they rolled an average of 1,056.2-3. Teams in Cleveland and Omaha have made higher averages, but their records have never been accepted by the American Bowling Congress.

FRICION ABOUT FALL FAIRS.

Eastern Men Will Withdraw From the Central Association.

Toronto, Feb. 17.—The Central Fairs Association of Ontario concluded their annual session at Victoria Hall yesterday. The chief matters under discussion were the proposals to change the form of distributing the Government grant and to make no distinction between district and township fairs. No action will be taken on either of these points, but the association will wait for the Government to make an assertion, which it is hoped to be able to discuss at the next annual meeting.

R. B. Faith, of Ottawa, advocated a division of the association into East and West Ontario. He contended that Toronto was too far from the extreme districts. The meeting was not favorable to Mr. Faith's proposal, but the eastern men are determined and the Eastern Fairs Association will take the matter into its own hands and run an independent association.

These officers were elected: President, J. W. Shepherd, Cayuga; first vice-president, James Mitchell, Godrich; second vice-president, Rev. C. B. Clark, Metcalfe; recording secretary, Alex. MacFarlane, Ottawa; executive committee, John Farrell, Forest; W. B. Sanders, Stayner; William Alexander, Burk's Falls; R. Honey, Brimley; J. Thomas Murphy, Simcoe; W. Black, Parham; D. Quinlan, Barrie.

To Secure Safety of Trains.

Pittsburg, Feb. 17.—A ten-day test of the teleautograph was opened here yesterday by the Pennsylvania Railroad, and while a final report will not be given until the end of the ten days, the test of yesterday was an unbounded success, and it is reasonably certain that unless something unforeseen comes up the teleautograph will be adopted here, as it has been in the big stations of St. Louis and New York. By the teleautograph yesterday handled by J. B. Blunt, who conducted the experiments at the World's Fair, messages written on the transmitter were recorded simultaneously at various other receivers. Three receiving stations were used in the test. The transmitter was placed in the office of the train dispatcher and the receiving stations were in the office of the station master, the train-master and in a nearby tower. Experiments with longer distances will be made to-day and on succeeding days.

Trouble Now Averted.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 17.—The executive committee of the Great Lakes Dredging and Tug Owners' Protective Association yesterday effected a wage agreement with the firemen and linemen. On Monday the representatives of the owners and the employees met on the verge of a deadlock. In the agreement for 1905, wages for firemen remain at \$60 per month and for linemen at \$40 per month. Industrial conditions as to hours and overtime are said to be equivalent to a per cent. increase for the men. Last week the dredge and ocean men secured a similar 7 1/2 per cent. increase.

Losses Cause Suicide.

Listowel, Feb. 17.—Arthur Dowd, a popular Mornington farmer, committed suicide at his home yesterday morning. After breakfast he went to the barn to do his chores. Not returning, his sister, who had been keeping watch on him for some time, became alarmed. Search revealed his body suspended from a rafter in the barn. Melancholy, caused by real estate losses, and a heavy loss sustained by a cyclone in 1903, is supposed to be the cause. Deceased was an unmarried man and temperate. He was about 37 years of age.

Cameron M.P. By Two Votes.

Goderich, Feb. 17.—His Honor Judge Doyle handed out his judgment in the West Huron recount, holding that M. G. Cameron had a majority of two of the total votes cast. Mr. Holmes gained three votes. Mr. Dickinson, counsel for Mr. Holmes, has given notice that he will appeal from his honor's judgment, to a high court judge at Toronto.

In the Garrow-Beck election, of 1900 Mr. Garrow was declared elected by the casting vote of the returning officer.

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