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Born, Married, Died.

DIED.

COLBY—Michael Colby, of this city passed away after a long illness, on Wednesday, Feb. 3, aged 60 years.

The funeral will leave his late residence, 118 Horton street, at 9 o'clock on Friday morning, and proceed to St. Peter's Cathedral. Interment at Catholic cemetery. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

Amusements and Lectures

Advertisements under this heading two cents per word or ten cents per line each insertion.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE—EVERY NIGHT this week, matinee Saturday—Wilson Comedy Company. Tonight, "East Lynn"; tomorrow night, "Two Orphans." Prices—10c, 20c, and 30c. b

MOZART SYMPHONY CLUB, OF NEW York—Auditorium, Friday, Feb. 5—Tickets 25c and 50c. Plan opens Tuesday, 2nd, 10 a.m., at Association. 31tf

CONCERT—ON THURSDAY EVENING, Feb. 4—Knox Church Lecture Hall; excellent programme. Silver collection. 32c

DAISY RINK — CLARK'S BRIDGE — Over one and a half acres good ice. Skating every afternoon and evening; fancy dress carnival Thursday night. Admission 10c. Handsome prizes given. 31k

UNIVERSITY EXTENSION — THIRD lecture of course in Auditorium of Y. M. C. A., on Thursday evening, Feb. 4th, by Hon. David Mills. Subject, "The English in Egypt." 22c

PRINCESS ICE PALACE — SEVENTH band Saturday night again by request of many. 33c

PRINCESS ICE PALACE — HOCKEY match, Friday, Feb. 5—Collegiate Institute vs. Collegiate Institute St. Thomas. Admission 15c. Coupons not accepted. 33c

PRINCESS ICE PALACE—7TH BAND TONIGHT and Saturday. Ice superb. b

PALACE DANCING ACADEMY—476 Richmond street. Classes meet: Gentlemen Monday evening; ladies, Tuesday evening. Ladies and gentlemen (advanced class), Wednesday evening. Ladies and children, Saturday afternoon, 3 o'clock. DAYTON & MCCORMICK.

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING BY Mr. R. B. Millard, at his residence, 345 Princess avenue. Special attention given to the waltz, two-step, court waltz, two-step Jersey and the cycle. Satisfaction guaranteed. Lessons any hour.

OFFICIAL AGENT FOR ALLAN, BEAVER, American, Red Star and Cunard, Atlantic lines. FRANK B. CLARKE, Richmond street, next Advertiser.

Meetings.

One cent per word each insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

MONTHLY MEETING OF LONDON BICYCLE Club will be held this evening. Special business re C. W. A. meet. W. R. WAUGH, secretary. b

COOKING SCHOOL—SUPERIOR COOKING class commences Friday, Feb. 5, 10 a.m. Demonstration lesson—"Pastry." Friday, Feb. 5, 7:30 p.m., "Y" rooms. Admission 25 cents. b

MASONIC—REGULAR MEETING OF St. John's Lodge, 209a, tomorrow evening (Friday), 5th inst., at 7:30. General business and degrees. A. MACDONALD, master; JOHN SIDDONS, secretary. b

Male Help Wanted.

CITY CANVASSER WANTED ON salary; regular customers. J. MARSHALL & Co., 258 Dundas street.

DRESS GOODS SALESMAN—FIRST-CLASS only. Apply personally. BAYLEYS, 172 Dundas street. 32c

WANTED—AN IDEA—WHO CAN think of some simple thing to patent? Protect your ideas; they may bring you wealth. Write JOHN WEDDERBURN & Co., patent attorneys, Washington, D. C., for their $1,800 prize offer and list of two hundred inventions wanted.

Female Help Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

WANTED—A SMART, ACTIVE GIRL—one who has run a printing press. Apply to JOHN S. PEARCE & Co. 33c

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MR. J. W. G. ANDRAS PREPARES pupils separately for all university and professional examinations, 808 Waterloo street. 20tf

Real Estate.

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FOR SALE—GOOD FARM, 50 ACRES—South Dorchester; 4 mile from railway station and village; cheap. For particulars apply J. W. WINNETT, barrister, 420 Talbot street, London. ywt

FOR SALE CHEAP AND ON EASY terms of payment, two good improved farms of 75 acres each, in township Westminster. Apply WILLIAM F. BULLEN, Manger The Ontario Loan and Debenture Company. zwt

S. CHADWICK & SON—REAL ESTATE Agents. Homes. Investments. Speculation. Call Room 2 Albion Building.

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GENERAL STOCK FOR SALE—IN ONE of the best towns in Canada. About 25,000, principally staples and all seasonable goods; 65c on the dollar if sold at once; an exceptional chance for any one wanting to secure a live business. Address G. MACLEAN, Blenheim. 33a

Situations Wanted.

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SITUATION WANTED AS FLORIST—References held. Address A. B., this office. 31k

Shorthand

Is the best business on the top of the earth today. Every graduate of the Western Ontario Shorthand and Business Academy is guaranteed a

Situation.

During the past week we placed Miss Welford as stenographer for W. C. Fitzgerald, barrister, this city, and Mr. West accepted a situation with A. M. Smith & Co.

Now is the time to join our classes. We have room for a few more pupils

ywt W. C. COO, C. S. R., Principal.

Domestics Wanted.

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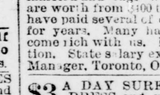
WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT GIRL —References required. Apply 127 Ann street. 32k

REGISTER WITH OSBORNE INTELLIGENCE agency if you desire any kind of employment. We require good general servants, with references, 2 cooks, 4 first-class diningroom girls, in and out of city. Other situations for girls. Good references. Osborne Intelligence Agency, 56 Dundas street. Telephone 386.

RING UP THE OLD RELIABLE—1121 —For general servants, cooks chambermaids, housemaids and girls for all kinds of work always on hand. Also nurses and good housekeepers, and always wanting reliable help. Dwyer's Employment Agency, 591 Richmond street.

Articles For Sale.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.



No better medium than "THE ADVERTISER" Sure returns. 20c for 10 words—three insertions.

FOR SALE—FAMOUS ACTIVE RANGE —Nearly new, in perfect order; using gas only reason for selling. 512 Piccadilly street. 10tf-wty

DOMINION EXPRESS COMPANY money orders, Cheque Bank cheques. I have the most complete system for sending money by mail. FRANK B. CLARKE, Richmond street, next Advertiser. ywt

THE LOCKED WIRE FENCE CO., LTD., 307 Bathurst street, London, have for sale the famous Jones Locked Wire Fence (first prize World's Fair); also steel and galvanized roofing, siding, ceiling and wainscoting. ywt

FOR SALE—ONE 30 HORSEPOWER automatic "Brown" engine, built by Goldie, McCulloch & Co., Galt. Cylinder 10 inches, stroke 24 inches; can be run at 60 revolutions, or as high as 90 revolutions; also one tubular exhaust feed water heater. The engine can be seen at H. PORTER & Co.'s storage warehouse, Carling street, London, Ont. 6tf-3tf

FOR SALE—FINEST LINE OF TINWARE and Graniteware, Wash Tubs, Wash Boilers, Wringers, at Thompson's stove, furnace warerooms, 424 Richmond street. ywt

TWO MANUAL PEDAL ORGAN CHEAP —Also Decker Bros. (New York) upright piano. Heintzman & Co., warerooms. 236 Dundas street. H. W. BURNETT, Manager.

STEAM VALVES, STOP COCKS (IRON and brass), water taps of all kinds. SMITH BROS., 205 Dundas street. w

CHEAP CHICKEN FEED—BEST WHEAT screenings, 25c per hundred, at City Mills, south end Talbot street. 32c eod HUNT BROTHERS.

A FEW SECOND-HAND STOVES—MUST be sold. At Keen's, Masonic Temple, Market Square.

PIANOS, PIANOS—NEW AND SECOND HAND, also a beautiful assortment of music and musical merchandise, and two good organs cheap. Anderson's Book Store, Nordheimer's Piano Agency, 183 Dundas street.

ONE LARGE HOTEL RANGE AND SEVERAL small ranges to be sold cheap, at the Ark, Market Square.

RUBBER STAMPS, SEALS—RAZORS sharpened; guns, rifles revolvers and locks repaired. D. MCKENZIE & Co., 388 Richmond street.

Wanted.

WANTED—25 BICYCLE RIDERS TO get their low frames made high at HUTCHINSON'S, 651 Dundas street.

Agents Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

WANTED—GENERAL AGENTS TO appoint and superintend local agents selling lock pin clevises to farmers. A. E. MANNING, 1514 Monroe, Chicago. 34c

AGENTS NOT MAKING $10 PER WEEK and not asking $50 (no idlers wanted), write for particulars. L. NICHOLS & Co., 33 Richmond west, Toronto. 58tf-d&w

WE CAN GIVE POSITIONS—TO PERSONS of all grades of ability. Agents, bookkeepers, clerks, farmers' sons, lawyers, mechanics, physicians, preachers, students, married and single women, widows. Positions are worth from $400 to $2,000 per annum. We have paid several of our canvassers $50 weekly for years. Many have started poor and become rich with us. Particulars upon application. State salary expected. T. H. LINSCOTT, Manager, Toronto, Ont. ywt&w

$3 A DAY SURE—SEND US YOUR ADDRESS and we will show you how to make $3 a day, absolutely sure; we furnish the work and teach you free; you work in the locality where you live. Send us your address and we will explain the business fully; remember we guarantee a clear profit of $3 for every day's work; absolutely sure; write at once. Imperial Silverware Co., Box K. C., Windsor, Ont. ywt 1

Houses, Etc., To Let.

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—STORE—
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Also rooms suitable for sample rooms, offices, dressmaking, etc.; rent low. Apply immediately.
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Real Estate, Loans and Investments, Molsons Bank Buildings, Telephone 612. 30h tyw

SMALL OFFICE TO LET—ON FIRST floor Edge Block. Apply W. T. EDGE. 32c

TO LET—BRICK COTTAGE—SUITABLE for small family; in good order; rent moderate; good locality. Apply 394 Richmond street. 28tf

Pawnbrokers.

T. FOX, ORIGINAL PAWNBROKER lends money on diamonds, watches and jewelry; business strictly confidential; highest price paid for cast-off clothing. 393 Clarence street.

WANTED—300 SECOND-HAND OVERCOATS—Highest cash prices paid. A. P. SAINSBURY, 90 King street. Mail orders attended to.

Massage Treatment.

MISS SHUFF—GRADUATE OF DR. S. Weir Mitchell's Hospital for Nervous Diseases, Philadelphia. Massage and Swedish movements. 427 King street, London, Ont. Phone 592.

Livery Stables.

STAR LIVERY—OPEN DAY AND NIGHT —Hacks, coupes, etc. Light livery a specialty. THOS. TREBILCOCK, 623-633 Richmond street. Phone 423.

TILLEY'S LIVERY—NO. 612 DUNDAS street, East London, Ont. Telephone No. 662.

This Is a Good One!

British Liberals Win a Seat in Essex.

A Conservative Majority of 2,353 Wiped Out.

The Powers Said to Have Agreed on Coercing Turkey.

Fresh Outbreak in Crete—Honors for Explorer Nansen—Dinner to the Prince of Wales by the American Minister.

DISCOUNT RATE REDUCED.

London, Feb. 4.—The Bank of England has reduced its rate of discount from 3 1-2 to 3 per cent.

PLAGUE STATISTICS.

Bombay, Feb. 4.—According to the official returns there have been up to date 5,098 cases of the plague and 3,841 deaths.

CHARLES HARRIS DEAD.

London, Feb. 4.—Mr. Charles Harris, brother of the late Sir Augustus Harris, the well known theatrical manager, is dead.

FRESH OUTBREAK IN CRETE.

A special from Constantinople says: The ambassadors here on Monday received news of fresh disturbances having broken out in Crete, during which a notable Greek was assassinated, and that these troubles have reached Rhetymo. A second telegram has reached the ambassadors, saying that the revolutionary movement had also declared itself at Canea, and that complete anarchy reigned everywhere.

MORE COERCION TALK.

Paris, Feb. 4.—The Temps, in an article believed to be inspired, announces that the foreign diplomats at Constantinople, acting in complete accord, have concluded a scheme of Turkish reforms. They have agreed upon potential coercive measures, the ratification of which by the cabinets of their governments they are now awaiting. When this shall have been obtained, the reforms will at once be presented to the Sultan.

ROUSING LIBERAL VICTORY.

London, Feb. 4.—The election to fill the seat in the House of Commons for the Walthamstow division of Essex, made vacant by the appointment to a judgeship of Edmund Widdrington Byrne, Conservative, was held yesterday, resulting in the return of Mr. Woods, Liberal, who received 6,518 votes, against 6,239 for Mr. Dewer, the Conservative candidate.

At the last general election the Conservative majority was 2,353.

HONORS FOR NANSEN.

London, Feb. 4.—Dr. Nansen, the Arctic explorer, accompanied by Mrs. Nansen, arrived here yesterday. They were met at Victoria Railroad station by Sir George Baden-Powell, at whose house they are staying, and by other scientists. The crowd about the depot heartily cheered the travelers. Sir George Baden-Powell gave a dinner and a reception in honor of the Norwegian explorer. It is understood that Cambridge University will confer an honorary degree upon Dr. Nansen.

MR. BAYARD'S DINNER.

London, Feb. 4.—United States Ambassador Bayard gave a dinner in honor of the Prince of Wales last evening at his residence, 83 Eaton Square. The occurrences of the official dinner of the Speaker of the House of Commons prevented the Ministers and members of the House of Commons from attending Mr. Bayard's banquet. His Royal Highness, attended by Gen. Clark, arrived in a two-horse brougham at 8:30 p.m. After paying his respects to his host, the Prince congratulated Lord Salisbury upon the recurrence of his birthday, the Premier being 67 years old yesterday. Mr. Bayard sat at the head of the table, with the Prince of Wales, who was in a most genial mood, upon his right, and Lord Salisbury on his left. The only decorations of the dining-room and tables were made by azaleas and lilies of the valley. The dessert was served at 10 o'clock. Mrs. Bayard did not make her appearance during the evening. Ambassador Bayard offered a toast to Queen Victoria, and the Prince of Wales proposed the health of President Cleveland, speaking in generous terms of America's chief magistrate. The guests took their departure at 11 o'clock.

THOSE PROMISED REFORMS.

Madrid, Feb. 4.—At a meeting of the Cabinet yesterday the Ministers discussed for several hours the scheme of reforms for Cuba prepared by the Spanish Premier and Colonial Minister. The reforms include much broader municipal and provincial administration and decentralization than the recently formulated reforms for Porto Rico. The principal feature of the plan is the creation of a local assembly, styled the council of administration, consisting of 21 members, part of whom shall be elected by direct limited franchise and part by corporation and commercial interests, in a similar manner to that in which the Spanish Senate is elected. The powers of the Governor-General are much developed under the scheme, but the Cuban chamber will be empowered to make a colonial tariff, on the condition of always securing a high protection for Spanish imports. Apart from this concession the chamber will only have the control of local affairs, the Cortes continuing to vote the budgets and conclude all legislative treaties. The Cuban representation in the Senate and Chamber of Deputies will remain unaltered.

Another dispatch says the scheme of reforms was formally agreed upon by the Ministers and will be signed by the Queen-Regent Christina today. It is expected that the reforms will be gazetted on Feb. 9, but the date for their going into effect has not yet been fixed.

CABLE NOTES.

The British Government has ordered that the text of the general arbitration treaty between the United States and Great Britain be published.

The London Times, in an editorial, expresses its fullest approval of the Venezuela arbitrators selected on both sides of the Atlantic.

TO BUILDERS.

SEALED TENDERS ADDRESSED TO the undersigned will be received till 5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16, for the erection of a Baptist Church in London South. Drawings and specifications may be seen at McDermid's Drug Store, corner Dundas and Wellington streets. The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted. BURKE & HORWOOD, architects; J. K. MCDERMID, secretary building committee. 31c

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS—IN THE MATTER of the estate of Allen Morgan, late of the city of London, in Ontario, widow, deceased, notice is hereby given, pursuant to Chap 110, R. S. O., 1887, that all creditors and other persons having claims against the estate of the above-named deceased, who died on or about the 15th day of January, 1897, are requested to send by registered letter or to deliver to the undersigned solicitors for the executors of the said deceased, on or before the 22nd day of February, 1897, a statement in writing of their names, addresses and descriptions, with full particulars of their claims, duly verified, and the amount of security (if any) held by them. And further notice is given that after the last-mentioned date the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been given as above required, and the said executors will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person or persons of whose claim notice shall not have been received. MACBETH & MACPHERSON, 74½ Dundas street, London, solicitors for the executors of above-named deceased. Dated at London this 21st day of January, A.D. 1897. 22c w

More Bloodshed.

Details of the Trouble on the Island of Crete.

Six Villages Reported Destroyed by Fire.

English and Italian Sailors Extinguish the Flames.

London, Feb. 4.—A dispatch to the Times from Athens gives additional details of the troubles between Christians and Mohammedans on the Island of Crete. It is announced that 3,000 Christians have surrounded the seaport town of Canea and that they have already burned the Mussulman village of Taratzi in revenge for the burning of the town of Galata.

Altogether, six villages are reported to have been destroyed by fire at the hands of Mohammedans and Christians, and a rumor has been widely circulated to the effect that a massacre of Christians has occurred at Galata.

Continuous firing can be heard in the vicinity of Sada. No details have been received owing to the interruption of communication. It is, however, known that the Mohammedans made an attempt to burn the telegraph station at Suda.

Troops were landed from the English and Italian warships, and aided in extinguishing the flames. The foreign fleet, on account of the increased danger in the vicinity of Canea, left Suda and anchored in the harbor of Canea. It is said to be extremely desirable that another British warship should be sent to Retimo.

NOT FOR NANSEN.

He Is Not Going to Hunt for the North Pole.

London, Feb. 4.—The Daily Chronicle prints the report of an interview with Dr. Nansen, who is now in London, in which the famous traveler is quoted as saying that he does not intend to make another attempt to reach the North Pole. Dr. Nansen says he has already collected all the date he considers necessary to enable him to worry out the main scientific condition of the North Polar area. He would, he says, like to explore the region to the northward of America, but thinks it improbable that he will do so. After his lecture tour through Great Britain and the United States, Dr. Nansen says he will probably devote himself to the work of completing the scientific results of his expedition. In reply to a question as to whether or not he would go on a voyage to the Antarctic regions, Dr. Nansen said such an expedition now seemed doubtful.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE

Bill Passes Its Second Reading in the British House of Commons.

London, Feb. 3.—The Women's Parliamentary Franchise Bill passed its second reading in the House of Commons today by a vote of 228 to 157.

ROBBED THE ARCANUM,

And Will Spend Seven Years in Prison.

Port Huron, Mich., Feb. 4.—Charles M. Bentley, who pleaded guilty to defrauding the Royal Arcanum out of $6,000 by forged proofs upon the alleged deaths of George McPherson and Henry S. Balentine, has been sentenced by Judge Vance to seven years at the Iona reformatory.

The prisoner, when called up for sentence, appeared much affected, and when asked if he had anything to say why sentence should not be passed, he simply said that he knew he had done wrong, was sorry for it, and in the future would be a better man. Judge Vance told the prisoner that the extreme penalty in each case was fourteen years' imprisonment, but to impose it would be of no benefit to anyone, and in any event, the sentence would fall heavier upon the family than upon the prisoner himself. Referring to the crime, the judge commented that the acts were of such a deliberate character that a severe penalty was necessary and imposed a sentence of seven years at Ionia upon the one charge, while upon the other he suspended sentence.

An Informal Talk.

Visit of Sir Richard Cartwright and Hon. Mr. Davies to Washington.

Canadian Views on International Questions to be Fairly Placed Before Representative Men.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 4.—Sir Richard Cartwright, of Ottawa, and H. L. Davies, Canadian Minister of Marine and Fisheries, will arrive in this city today, where they are to meet leading political men to discuss the tariff, alien labor law and other matters, which for a long time have been the subject of friction between Canada and the United States. It is understood that these gentlemen come not as formal representatives of the Canadian Government, with an expectation of negotiating a treaty or settling the alien labor law, but solely for the purpose of having an informal talk with representative men in Washington on matters affecting the interests of both countries. It has been contended that Canada's case has never been laid fairly before the United States, and certainly never have any representations been made of what concessions Canada would offer if the United States would meet her half way. Both the Canadian and United States Governments may be said to be starting on a new era. Both are new from the people, and as a member of Congress here said today: "It is well, if possible, that we should know each other's views as affecting our mutual interest in starting out, if a friendly chat will secure it." It is to that end that the present informal visit to Washington by the Canadian Ministers is made. They will be received in the same spirit in which they come.

A Dime Novel.

"Boiled Down" Into Reasonable Dimensions.

Bloody Chapter in the Career of Slim Birch, the Juneau Desperado.

Port Townsend, Wash., Feb. 4.—The steamer Alki, from Alaska, brings news of a bloody chapter in the career of Slim Birch, the notorious young desperado of Juneau, who, while awaiting transportation to serve a three years' sentence in San Quentin prison, California, was released by accomplices who visited the jail, overpowered the jailer, locked him in a cell, and accompanied the escaping prisoner.

No tidings of Birch were received until the closing day of January, when Indians brought news to Juneau that Birch and his companions were stopping in a cabin 30 miles from Juneau on an island.

Deputy Marshal Hale at once chartered a steamer, and making up a posse, comprising Deputy Marshal William Watts, Jailer Lindquist, Guard Baysee, and an Indian policeman, started in pursuit. The cabin was located the following day, after a torturous trip over rough snowy country, amid terrific cold. Bad generalship in the charge upon the cabin permitted two of the inmates to escape to a rocky eminence, between which and the cabin the posse was situated.

A terrible battle then began, Watts being shot twice, Hale once, seriously; and Baysee wounded in both legs.

Ten minutes later all the posse except poor Watts started back from the scene of the fight to where the boat was anchored. Watts was left at the mercy of the outlaws on the hill, and they shot him several times, where he lay half dead.

The steamer made all haste back to Juneau with the wounded men, and a posse of twenty men started out, returning next day. Watts was found dead, frozen stiff, in the snow, where his cowardly companions had left him. The search was continued for two days without success, until the desperadoes were finally located by Indians, lying asleep in a dense underbrush.

Word was carried to two Herculean fellows, named Cheney and Olsen, in a cannery, who made the capture in a picturesque style. Unarmed, they climbed a ledge twelve feet above the sleeping and heavily armed pair of bandits, and at a given signal jumped down on them. Both men were manacled after a short resistance.

Birch's lone companion was also an old offender, named Snell, who robbed the Treadwell Works some years ago. Both are in jail at Sitka. Cheney and Olsen will get the $5,000 offered for Birch's capture.

NEW YORK'S SCANDAL.

Police Captain Chapman's Course at the Seeley Dinner Sustained.

New York, Feb. 3.—The police commissioners today handed down their decision in the case of Captain Chapman, who was tried for exceeding his authority in raiding the Seeley dinner on Dec. 19 at Sherry's, in Fifth avenue. Captain Chapman was acquitted of all blame in the matter.

HOPE FOR THE MEN

Who Are Imprisoned in a Burning Mine.

Houghton, Mich., Feb. 3.—The prospects today are that the flames in the Tamarack mine will not effect lodgment in the timbering of the shaft in which case the fire cannot last.

There is still hope for the imprisoned miners on the sixth and eighth levels, as they are at a point in the shaft above the fire.

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TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

Last year's cut of timber in the Ottawa Valley is estimated at 614,250,000 feet.

United States Ambassador Bayard, whose illness has been reported, is now able to visit the embassy and transact business.

The bolt trust has collapsed and prices have fallen 20 per cent within the last three days. There are prospects of still further declines.

James Quinn, of Guelph, who pleaded guilty to one charge of arson, has been sent for trial on the charge of setting fire to Mr. John Hall's barn.

Fire this morning at Salt Lake, Utah, destroyed the large building occupied by the Scott Hardware Company, Gallaway, Hook & Francis, chinaware, and Parson & Derge, stationery. Loss, $250,000.

The body of a man named Morrison, aged 35 years, was found underneath a haystack two miles from Bonnie Doon postoffice, Ont. When last seen alive, which was Oct. 25, he was in search of work, and it is supposed he took shelter under the hay.

A degenerate relative of Horace Greeley, the great editor, is now confined in the county jail at Los Angeles, Cal., a confessed horse thief. His father, who claims to be a cousin of the editor, said his son had only recently given indication that he was on the wrong course.

About $1,000 has been subscribed at Quebec for the relief of the victims of the India famine.

The writ for the St. Boniface bye-election fixes Feb. 13 for nomination and the 20th for the election.

Several deaths have occurred recently in the township of Caistor from what is called black erysipelas.

The list of the crew of the missing steamer State of Georgia, from Dartzic for Halifax, includes 31 names.

The German steamer Scotia (Capt. Schmidt), from Dantzig for Philadelphia, is aground off Dracko, near Copenhagen.

Wm. Simpson, a prominent resident of Guelph, dropped dead at his house yesterday morning. Heart disease was the cause of death.

Johnson Harris and Wm. Littling fought a duel near Arbecka, Ok., over the affections of Wanneta, a half-breed girl, and were both killed.

Seeley Wakely's house, in Grovetown, Mich., was destroyed by fire yesterday and his two children, aged two and four years, were burned to death.

At Jamestown, N. Y., a coroner's jury has found that Spurgeon Young came to his death from diabetes and nervous exhaustion caused by hypnotic practices performed upon him.

Lady William Beresford, formerly Duchess of Marlborough, and previously Mrs. Louis Hammersley, of New York, has been delivered of a son. Mother and child are doing well.

Thos. Benoit, who suddenly left Montreal a couple of months ago, taking with him about $3,000 belonging to his employer, D. Pangeon, lumber merchant, has been arrested at Havre, France.

Tassie, a young Frenchman, perished in a blizzard recently within calling distance of his parents' home at Prince Albert, Man. His father and mother heard his shouts, but paid no attention to them, attributing his cries to the howling of coyotes.

Judge Lillibridge issued an order for the Detroit Common Council to show cause, Feb. 13, why a special election should not be called to choose a mayor to fill the vacancy alleged to have been caused by Mr. Pingree's acceptance of the Governorship.

Mr. and Mrs. John Whittington, of Lynden, Ont., write to deny the reported statement of Alex. Tolmie that their daughter Edna was as much to blame as her abductor. They say the neighbors are ready to prove that she was always a good girl until he took her away from home.

Worms cause feverishness, moaning and restlessness during sleep. Mother Graves' Worm Exterminater is pleasant, sure and effectual. If your druggist has none in stock, get him to procure it for you.

Don't Go To the Ball

UNLESS YOU GO FIRST-CLASS. . . .

Ladies, we have discovered that we have in stock too many Colored and Fancy Black Dress Slippers, in small sizes. Now, if you can wear anything from a 3 to 4 we will make it especially interesting to you. Come in and see even what a dollar will buy you in this line.

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Woman's Work.

Annual Convention of the London Presbyterial.

Delegates in Attendance — Report of Auxiliaries.

Address of Welcome—Rev. Murdock McKenzie on "Missions in China"—"The 20th Century, Its Outlook and Needs."

The thirteenth annual Presbyterial convention of the Woman's Foreign Mission Society of the Presbytery of London was held at St. Andrew's Church yesterday. The large attendance of lady delegates and their friends was a most gratifying evidence of the advancement the churches are making in developing and stimulating a practical interest in missions, especially in this department of Christian labor.

After the preliminary hymn, Mrs. J. A. Murray gave an edifying Bible reading on "The Spirit of Missions."

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Mrs. John Currie, of Belmont, the energetic president of the Presbyterial, followed with her annual address, which was replete with thankfulness for the privileges and opportunities they enjoyed, and earnestly encouraging the society to expect great things of God. They in return should attempt great things for God, continuing in fervent prayer for the faith exercised by Carey when he went forth to his life's work—the conversion of India.

A warm welcome was extended to the society by Mrs. (Rev.) Robt. Johnston, setting forth the importance of foreign missions. It was not very long, she said, since a woman's convention was practically unknown, and if some devoted women, desirous of furthering some good object, ventured to meet together for consultation and union of efforts, they did so without any recognition from the official board of the church. Now woman's work is everywhere recognized as a most important factor in the social and religious movements of the world. A woman's work was not only in her own home, nursing the sick, and making the home happy, but also to aid the foreign mission in its effort to evangelize heathen lands. They had already passed their first century in foreign mission work. It had been productive of many blessings, but who could tell those in store for the society during the next hundred years? India, the New Hebrides, China, Trinidad, and the Indian settlements of the Northwest represented many millions, and parts of these countries were scarcely touched by the Gospel.

Mrs. R. H. Cameron, of Glencoe, replied on behalf of the society in a feeling manner, thanking the London ladies for their kindly sentiments.

AUXILIARY REPORTS.

The experiment of each auxiliary presenting its own report through its secretary was tried for the first time, and proved eminently satisfactory. Reports were read from St. Thomas, Ailsa Craig, Komoka, Crinan, Appin, Ilderton, Aylmer, Argyle, Belmont, Kintore, Crumlin, Lobo, Cowal, Dorchester, Glencoe, Hyde Park, Mosa, Proof Line, North Westminster, Thamesville and other places. These reports were most encouraging, showing a marked advance over previous years. These reports were followed by the reports of the mission bands, and the various Presbyterials have reason to feel gratified at the results of the work.

Miss Murray, of Aylmer, the secretary, spoke of the mission band workers as being well informed, and, therefore, well equipped for great service in the Master's cause. She then quoted Mrs. Baldwin's remarks in an address to the St. Thomas Presbyterial a few days ago, as follows: "We women are all too prone to fret about trifles. Nothing will cure this like working for missions—getting out of self, getting information about the needs and trials of others, and trying to help the needy ones. Could we desire a greater plea for the higher education of women?"

Miss Kessack gave her report of the Northwest work. As in the other branches, it had been their privilege to advance. There was every cause to feel encouraged. More clothing was sent than in any previous year, all of which was of a useful character. As a result, a greater number were made comfortable.

Miss L. M. Fraser, the secretary, said it was her pleasure to report marked progress without any note of discouragement in any of the reports of the auxiliaries or mission bands. The weight of the united contributions to the Northwest was 4,200 pounds, representing a value of $1,591 97, an increase of $256 65. Money contributed to the general fund amounted to $2,-630, an increase of $354 74 over last year. The total value of goods and money received during the year had been $4,222. The membership had increased about 100, while the average attendance at meetings had increased materially.

Mrs. Thompson, of South London, treasurer of the W. F. M. S., submitted her report, showing a good balance on the right side.

The adoption of the various reports was moved by Mrs. Little, of Birr, and Mrs. J. A. Young, of Thamesford. All were unanimously adopted.

Mrs. J. A. Young said some dissatisfaction had prevailed regarding the missionary library, and after considerable discussion it was decided to distribute the books among the three auxiliaries of Komoka, Ailsa Craig and Birr.

The singing of the doxology brought the meeting to a close, and the ladies adjourned to the basement, where an excellent tea was served by the ladies of the chruch, under the directions of Caterer Kent.

After tea the ladies met for business at 7 o'clock. A notice of motion was given by Mrs. M. P. Talling, seconded by Mrs. Robert Johnston, "That a semi-annual meeting of the Presbyterial be held as well as an annual." The matter was laid on the table for discussion next year.

The Evening Session.

The evening meeting was an overwhelming success. At an early hour the body of the church was well filled, and at 8 o'clock the edifice was packed. Rev. Robert Johnston presided, and seated on the platform were Rev. Messrs. Murdock McKenzie, the returned missionary from Honan, China; W. M. Haig, Hyde Park; G. H. Smith, B.D., of Thamesford; A. Henderson, of Appin; A. Steward, D. C. Johnston, M. P. Talling.

Rev. Mr. Johnston dispensed with the chairman's remarks, and called upon Rev. M. Haig, who read the report of the secretary, as submitted in the afternoon. Rev. Mr. Johnston, in speaking to the report, said he was exceedingly encouraging and cheerful. When all things had been taken into consideration, it was pleasing to see that the women were making such a rapid advancement in the Presbyterian body, and not only there, but on the different boards, social and educational. In view of the financial depression, and the fact that increased calls had been made upon the women, to know that they had increased under such circumstances was most gratifying. There were two things requisite to make the W. F. M. S. an ideal body. One was to have an auxiliary in connection with every church, and the other was that all the ladies should be members.

Mrs. Chas. Wheeler and Mr. J. W. McIntosh here sang a duet with pleasing effect.

OUTLOOK AND NEEDS OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY.

Rev. Geo. H. Smith, of Thamesford, the first speaker, dwelt upon the history of Christianity; the date of the birth of Christ; and the fact, that we were entering upon the 20th century. Down through the ages the theme of Christianity had been, the world for Christ. He reviewed the work of the church from the birth of Christ, and said, so soon as the church caught the idea of going forth to emancipate the heathen lands for Christ so much sooner would be the second coming of Christ. After speaking of the advance Christianity had made from the first to the ninth century, he said the modern missionary movement only dated back about 100 years. About that time a lowly shoemaker in a little village in England had been born. The work of the missionary in the last century was something unprecedented in the history of the world. In all the islands of the oceans the work had been marvelous, yet with all this the church had not done her duty. The signs of the times were that the church must take some decisive stand for Christ. Our day was a commercial day, in which all modern mechanism, such as electricity and steam, was being used to facilitate the work of missions. There were more Bible students and Christians in the world today than ever, and these, together with the church and its many organizations, was one of the grandest signs of the consummation of that glorious day when the world would be redeemed, because they were taking the stand and obeying the command to "go into all the world and preach the Gospel." The outlook for the future was a hopeful one. Yet there was one need—the employment of waste energies. There were over 300,000,000 professing Christians wasting their energies; there were 800,000,000 heathens, 200,000,000 people following Mahommet, and 225,000,000 under the sway of the Greek and Roman Catholic Churches.

WORK TO BE DONE.

Rev. Murdock McKenzie, on rising, said other speakers had told of the work done, but he wished to tell them of the work to be done. The W. F. M. S. had for its motto, "The World for Christ," but in China tens of millions could be met who had never heard the name of Jesus. The streets and homes in China were unlike those of our city, because the influences of the Christian home were not known there. In this country and this city the advancement made was the result of the Christian home and church influence. In China, nine out of every ten husbands beat their wives, mothers took a delight in murdering their infant girls, and out of 160 homes he had visited, 158 of the women had been guilty of this heartless deed. In China only one woman in every 300 could read the language she spoke. Only ten per cent of the entire population learned to read and write. Despite all that had been said about the advances the country was making, it was heartrending to see the teachings of men of 2,500 years ago actually brought out in the lives of the men today. China in many parts had no hospitals, and he pictured to his audience the difference between civilized centers and those of China in this respect. Could people in London realize the depth of degradation, ignorance and sin in China, there would be more interest in missions, more volunteers, and mothers would not begrudge their daughters for the work. Two sisters had been doing work among 2,500,000 heathens alone. There was only one missionary to every 400,000 people in China. He asked if that was in harmony with the teaching of Christ. "Why," he asked, "should a few thousand miles make such a difference?" The speaker closed with a pathetic story of the life and death of the Graham sisters, who had died within eight days of each other.

Miss Elizabeth Walker gave a solo after the address, and Rev. Mr. Johnston stated that the famine fund would be collected on Sunday next.

OFFICERS AND DELEGATES.

The officers of the society in attendance are: President, Mrs. John Currie, Belmont; vice presidents, first, Mrs. (Rev.) Murray (London), second Mrs. (Rev.) E. H. Sawers (Wilton Grove), third Mrs. D. M. Tait (St. Thomas), fourth Mrs. Ross (Glencoe); librarian, Miss Kennedy, London; treasurer, Mrs. Thomson, south London; secretary of supplies, Miss Kessack, London; recording secretary, Miss Murray, Aylmer; corresponding secretary, Miss L. M. Fraser, London.

Te delegates appointed by the various auxiliaries to attend the Presbyterial were as follows, most of whom are in attendance:

Ailsa Craig—Mrs. D. L. Dewar, Mrs. James Alexander, Miss H. Stewart, Bella Anderson, Miss Ada Shipley.

Argyle, Crinan—Mrs. Milroy, Miss Walker, Miss McCalium.

Aylmer—Miss C. Simpson.

Appin—Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. H. E. Grant.

Belmont—Miss Brodie, Miss Campbell, Mrs. Shields.

Bryanston—Miss Sinclair, Miss Elliott, Mrs. Gauld, Miss L. Cameron.

Crumlin—Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. A. G. Brown, Miss Annie Talbot.

Cowal—Mrs. J. Fletcher, Miss Mary McNab, Miss J. Thomson.

Dorchester—Mrs. Kay, Mrs. McFarlane, Mrs. James Wilson.

Largie — Mrs. R. McMillan, Miss Black, Miss Paton.

Mosa—Mrs. Gow, Miss S. McNeil.

North Westminster — Mrs. Adam Nichol, Miss Alice Kerr, Mrs. T. Baty.

Proof Line Road—Mrs. Little, Miss Kennedy, Miss Long, Miss Bownes, Miss Coleman.

South Westminster—Mrs. J. H. Elliott, Mrs. Gauld, Miss L. Cameron, Miss Bucke, Miss McLachlan.

Knox Church, St. Thomas — Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. McPherson, Mrs. Coutts, Miss Addie Bowland, Miss Ella Cole, Miss Flora McPherson, Mrs. J. A. McDonald, Miss A. E. Martyn.

Alma Street Church, St. Thomas — Mrs. H. Donnelly, Mrs. Trump.

Tait's Corners—Miss Flo Dobie.

Vanneck—Miss Elsie Robson, Miss Edith Scott, Miss Lizzie Scott.

West Lorne—Mrs. McWilliams, Mrs. McPherson, Miss Annie Gillies.

Yarmouth—Miss M. Campbell, Miss Julia McIntyre, Miss Alma Porter.

St. Andrew's London — Miss Fairbairn, Miss Cathro, Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Macarthur, Mrs. Auld, Miss May Essex, Miss Ethel Gunn, Miss Elsie Fraser.

King Street, London—Miss McDermid, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Logan and Mrs. Campbell.

Victoria, First Church, London—Miss Bertha Hodge, Miss Constance Cameron, Mrs. R. Reid, Mrs. McWhirter, Mrs. Anderson.

Columbia, First Church, London—Miss Young.

St. James', London—Mrs. Omond.

Knox Church, South London—Miss Armstrong, Miss Pritchard.

St. James' Church, South London—Mrs. Caine, Miss Grant, Miss Campbell.

Kintore—Miss A. McKenzie, Miss Annie Robbinson, Mrs. Munroe, Mr. John Kay, Miss Bella McKenzie.

Hyde Park—Mrs. Dickie, Miss Annie E. McKenzie, Miss E. Skeppen.

Ilderton—Mrs. Guthrie, Miss W. Charlton, Miss I. Telfer.

Komoka — Mrs. Mathewson, Miss Crombie, Miss Waugh.

Kintyre—Mrs. R. Graham, Mrs. W. Hornal, Mrs. James Fleming.

Lobo — Mrs. McBain, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Lindsay.

Thamesford—Mrs. A. B. McKay, Mrs. M. Dundass, Mrs. J. A. Young, and Mrs. Cawthorp.

Glencoe—Miss Laura Rathburn, Mrs. Jane McCalium, Mrs. R. H. Cameron, Mrs. Mary Gow, Miss Katie Gow, Mrs. M. Ferguson, Mrs. A. C. McKinnon, Mrs. McMillan, Mrs. D. McEachran, Mrs. Angus McEachran, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Cloushan.

BOTHWELL'S OIL FIELD.

A Rich Find—More Wells Going Down.

Chatham, Feb. 4.—A Chatham syndicate, at whose head is Manager Schofield, of the Standard Bank, and P. D. McKellar, registrar of the county, has made a rich find of oil at Bothwell. Three weeks ago they leased several acres, and sank a well. Yesterday they sold their first oil, 500 barrels, the product of less than ten days' pumping. The oil is said to be of exceptionally good quality. Three other wells are being put down on the property.

LADY ABERDEEN

Will Be the Orator at Chicago University Commencement.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—President Harper, of the University of Chicago, has announced that Lady Aberdeen, wife of the Governor-General of Canada, will be the convocation orator at the university commencement exercises in the Auditorium on April 1. Lady Aberdeen will have the honor of being the first woman chosen for such an occasion in this country.

GOOD GOLD

Discovered on Lake Erie Shore—Chatham People Excited.

Chatham, Feb. 4.—The reported discovery of gold on land along the Lake Erie shore, in an elevated plateau of 30 miles, know as "The Ridge," is creating a stir in this city. Specimens have been handled by local jewelers, who pronounce it free wash, and the equal of the best quality of dust. The precious metal is turned up in the process of deep well digging, and is also said to be found on the very surface of certain spots. Whether it can be got out in paying quantities remains to be seen.

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HOCKEY.

AT LISTOWEL.

The London H. and Listowel H. teams will play a game in the O. H. A. junior series on the Listowel rink this evening. The winners of this game will play in the semi-finals.

AT PARIS.

A championship hockey match was played Wednesday night between the junior teams of Dunnville and Paris, in the S. O. H. A. series, resulting in favor of Paris, 7 goals to 2.

AT THE EAST END RINK.

A lively hockey match was played last night between the F. C. B. C. and Medical School teams, resulting in a victory for the F. C. B. C. by a score of 5 to 2.

Following were the players:

MEDS.	POSITIONS.	COLLEGE.
J. Ferguson	Goal	Geo. Gibbons
A. Alexander	Point	G. Francis
H. Kerrigan	Cover Point	H. Peel
S. McEvoy	Forwards	J. Jowett
L. McLay		A. Wright
S. Thompson		J. Cafferty
C. Pigot		A. Leys

Some of the players say that while the ice was in good condition, the rink is not sufficiently lighted to make play satisfactory.

THE KENNEL.

RACES AT GODERICH.

The annual races of the Goderich Kennel Club took prace on the court house square on Wednesday, and the races were keenly contested. Results:

Free for all large dogs—Carlo 1, Hon. McKay; Prince 2, John Sproule; Ponto 3, Norman Baker.

Sweepstake, small dogs—All Over 1 John Knuckles; Home Rule 2, John Duff; Rover 3, W. Craigis.

Handicap race—Watch 1, Archie Miller; Holt 2, George Durnan; Dudley H. 3, Nat Abbott.

THE TURF.

Lexington, Ky., Feb. 4.—The annual February trotting horse sale began here with the disposal of 53 head for $3,616. The feature of the sale is the low price realized for a three-year-old bay colt, full brother to the sensational stallion Kremlin, 2.04 3-4, owned by Millionaire William Russell Allen. He brought only $100. The highly-bred stallion, Time Onward, by Onward, dam Nettie Time, the great brood mare, brought the top price, $300.

PORT HURON WILL GIVE $15,000 IN PURSES.

Port Huron, Mich., Feb. 4.—The Port Huron Driving Park Association has decided to hang up $15,000 in purses for two race meetings the coming season. The spring meeting will be held June 15, 16, 17 and 18, while the dates for the Banner race meeting are Aug. 17, 18, 19 and 20.

SKATING.

JUMPING.

Vienna, Feb. 3.—The first prize for artistic skating in the international contest was won by Herr Fuchs, of Munich. Herr Meidinger of Vienna, won the prize for jumping on skates, covering 4.88 meters, which beat the record.

AQUATIC.

A CHALLENGE.

Worcester, Mass., Feb. 4.—Ras Rogers, champion oarsman of the United States, now living in Worcester, challenges the world to a single scull race of three miles, barring only Jake Gaudaur, of Toronto, champion of the world.

CURLING.

AT GLENCOE.

A very interesting curling match took place at Glencoe between that team and Thamesville in which the later won by 15 shots. Score, 38 to 23.

CHATHAM WON BY DEFAULT.

Chatham, Ont., Feb. 4.—The Chatham curlers were at their rink waiting the arrival of their Thamesville opponents in the play for a place in the Ontario tankard finals yesterday, but they waited in vain. Chatham will therefore be represented at the great bonspiel in Toronto.

ATHLETICS.

AMATEUR LIFTING RECORD.

Cambridge, Feb. 4.—Luther C. Rood, of the Harvard Medical School, broke the amateur record at heavy dumbbell lifting in the Hemenway Gymnasium, making the phenomenal lift of 211 pounds which beat Tennell's record, made in New York in 1874, by nine pounds and five ounces. Young Rood lifted the dumb-bell from the floor with two hands, and then forced it upward from the shoulder to arm's length with one hand. The new champion is but 20 years old, five feet six inches tall, and weighs only 143 pounds.

COST OF SEEING THE FIGHT.

Reno, Nevada, Feb. 4.—Some figuring is being done by eastern sporting men desirous of attending the big fight in Nevada. It is computed that any person wishing to see the fight can leave New York on Friday, March 12, and arrive at Reno at 10:10 p.m., on the following Tuesday, the day before the fight. New Orleans sports must go to Reno via San Francisco. The present rate from New York to Reno is $81 75 one way, and $144 50 for the round trip. It is customary for railroads to make a special excursion rate about equal to the regular price of a ticket one way. The sleeping car accommodation will amount to $41 round trip—$5 to Chicago, and $15 50 from that point to Reno. Meals, hotel, fight, ticket and other accommodations run the expenses of the trip up to $266. These figures include $50 for incidentals and half-rate fare.

CARSONITES SMILE—A MATTER OF WIND.

Carson City, Nev., Feb. 4.—The dispatch from San Francisco announcing that United States Judge McKenna and others had declared that the Federal Government had no right to interfere and prevent the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight in Nevada, has caused great rejoicing here. Virginia City is putting in a strong bid for the fight, offering $10,000 in cash. The fighters themselves, however, are to be considered, and neither will consent to fight at such a great elevation. It is nearly 7,000 feet above the sea level, and the pugilists would be completely winded in a few rounds.

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Meeting of Middlesex Orangemen—A Surprise Party.

Mr. A. Kains, of Byron, has been elected second vice-president of the Dominion Ayrshire Breeders' Association, and Mr. W. W. Ballantyne, of Stratford, a director. The delegates to the Western Fair are Messrs. A. Kains, Byron, and M. Ballantyne, St. Marys.

A pleasant evening was spent on Monday last at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Gilison, London township, when a number of their friends met and took possession of their home. After the guests had partaken of the many good things prepared for them, several hours were spent in games and social intercourse, and all dispersed to their respective homes at a seasonable hour.

The annual meeting of the L. O. C. L. of West Middlesex was held in Mount Brydges on Tuesday, Feb. 2, delegates being present from Strathroy, Adelaide, Metcalfe, Appin, Middlemiss and Wardsville. A telegram was received from Port Huron soliciting the county lodge to celebrate the coming Twelfth of July in that place. The invitation was accepted. The county master was appointed to attend the Provincial Grand Lodge meeting, to be held in Woodstock in March, and also the meeting of the Grand Lodge of British America, to be held in Windsor in May. The next annual meeting of this county lodge will be held in Strathroy in the first Tuesday in February, 1898, and the semi-annual meeting for the present year will be held in Newbury in June. The following are the officers for the current year: County master, S. E. Radcliff; deputy county master, John Brown; chaplain, Elijah Lee; recording secretary, Rev. Wm. Johnson; treasurer, Wm. Kincade; D. of C., Thos. Hopwood; lecturers, Victor Kincade and Wm. Neil.

UPHOLDS LAURIER.

A Catholic Judge From the Northwest On the School Settlement.

Kingston, Feb. 4.—Judge McGuire, a Roman Catholic, of Prince Albert, N. W. T., is in Kingston. He said today as to the school settlement, that Mr. Laurier could not have made a better settlement.

"Undoubtedly," said he, "the Manitoba majority expect something better, but neither Mr. Laurier nor Mr. Greenway is infallible. There is and has been a great deal more discussion over the subject in Ontario than in Manitoba."

GOOD CROP PROSPECTS IN CALIFORNIA.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 4.—With almost continual rain for six weeks the crop prospects of California are considered excellent. This season's average of wheat has been largely increased over that of recent years, and conditions point to a bountiful cereal crop. Fruit also promises well, but it is too early to predict the yield.

Mr. J. Clayton, in a communication to Nature, refers to careful measurements he has made with sycamore, elm, oak, ash and beech trees, from which he has discovered that they all contract in girth during a frost.



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GRAND TRUNK—Southern Division.

MAIN LINE—GOING EAST.

Trains arrive at London from the west—4:15 a.m., 12:25 p.m., 10:25 a.m., 4:20 p.m., 7:10 p.m., 11:20 p.m.

Trains leave London for the east—3:35 a.m. 4:20 a.m., 8:20 a.m., 12:40 p.m., 2:25 p.m., 4:25 p.m., 7:55 p.m.

MAIN LINE—GOING WEST.

Trains arrive at London from the east—3:03 a.m., 11:07 a.m., 11:20 a.m., 12:40 p.m., 6:25 p.m 9:50 p.m.

Trains leave London for the west—7:00 a.m. 1:30 a.m., 2:20 p.m., 6:45 p.m.

Sarnia Branch.

Trains arrive at London—3:30 a.m., 8:05 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 2:20 p.m., 5:35 p.m., 7:50 p.m.

Trains leave London—3:10 a.m., 7:40 a.m., 11:12 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 6:35 p.m.

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Leave London—8:15 a.m., 4:45 p.m.

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The annual meeting of the London Mutual Fire Insurance Company, was held yesterday afternoon, at their rooms, Richmond street, and attended by a large number of policy-holders. The various reports showed a very satisfactory year's work, and contained suggestions as to methods which might be adopted by the company.

Capt. T. E. Robson, the president, had been called away on business, and Mr. Angus Campbell, vice-president, was called to the chair. Mr. D. C. Macdonald, manager, was appointed secretary, and read the report of the board of directors, which was adopted, on motion of Angus Campbell, seconded by C. C. Hodgins, both of whom expressed their great pleasure at the excellent showing. Following is the

Directors' Report.

The London Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Canada:

To the members—Gentlemen,—Your board of directors, according to their duty, beg to lay before you the 37th annual report, showing the standing of the company at the end of their fiscal year, 1896. They have pleasure in the fact that in the 38th year of its existence the company enjoyed the full confidence of the members and the public, as evidenced by the fact that in each month of the year an increase was shown over the corresponding months of the year 1895, the business of which fell for renewal in 1896; and this in the face of keen opposition, and the fact that the pruning knife was freely used, and some 1,200 applications cut off and rejected as not coming up to the company's standard. A considerable weeding out will no doubt occur in the future from the methods intended to be instituted, which are alluded to hereafter in this report. By these and other means, no doubt the losses falling on the company will be reduced, so far as human agency will permit, to a minimum.

POLICIES.

In the year 16,716 policies were issued, covering property to the extent of $20,347,880 53 gross. Of these $7,693 were on the cash system, insuring $8,093,921; on the premium note system, 7,529, for $10,293,203, all dwelling and farm property, and on general business $1,960,856 59, under 1,494 policies.

LOSSES.

The losses for the year exceeded those of 1895 by $6,730 47, making the total of losses $126,767 17. This increase was wholly unexpected, for up to the first week in September our general losses were comparatively light, but in three days we met over $22,000 in losses from the unprecedented lightning storms that took place in the western section of the province, where we carry heavy lines of insurance. Of the losses paid $5,670 77 were for claims of the year 1895, which were not claimed for or inspected at the end of the year, and $1,000 for claims the board did not feel justified in passing, but which the members at the annual meeting assumed, owing to extenuating circumstances. The table of losses appended hereto and the inspector's report thereon, points out in detail the sums paid and the probable cause of each loss. but it is feared that the cause of fire in too many cases should be placed under the head of incendiarism; for in hard times, times of commercial depression, the evil principle runs amuck, opens wide its monstrous jaws, swallowing the good, and leaving behind in the too eager incendiary, with convenient factors, such as coal oil lamps, which are made to explode on all convenient occasions. Insomuch so, that when the cause of fire is given as from "lamp explosion," professional insurance people at once place the statement as a ghost story. Criminal and careless use of coal oil lamps is a fitting term to apply to such cases. The inspector calls your attention to the use of lamps, and his remarks are worthy of your consideration.

EXPENSES.

such as are controllable, it has been the care of your directors to keep at the lowest ebb, but other expenses, owing to the present state of things, such as law costs, have been larger than appearances warrant, yet we hope for a modification in this, and other expenses, as knowledge gained by experience, has taught us to adopt a fresh policy (as the instructions given to the newly-placed inspectors hereinafter alluded to show). But our total expenses, taking the enormous business we are doing into account, are lower in comparison to any other company in the province.

ASSETS.

Notwithstanding the heavy bill of losses, the general assets of the company have increased during the year from $366,067 84 to $389,791 53, a gross increase of $23,723 69, and the net increase of $14,045 08, ample to leave a large re-insurance reserve and an additional surplus. A detailed statement of accounts is hereto annexed. They have been certified to by John Overell, Esq., P. A., as correct. In this connection it might be mentioned that Mr. Overell each month presents to the board a full financial statement and makes a half-yearly balance sheet of the standing of the company.

LEGISLATION.

For more than twenty years we have been calling the attention of the Government to the utility of appointing an official for the purpose of examining into the causes of fires of unknown origin, and in too many cases thought to be of incendiary character, but notwithstanding the enormous yearly loss to the country, a deaf ear was turned to our representations. It was only the other day, when a human life was lost, did the authorities wake up from their lethargy and send detectives up to Melancthon, who unearthed a conspiracy to defraud insurance companies that was never dreamed of, outside of insurance circles. Now it is hoped that as the eyes of the Government and the public are opened, the Government will attach to the insurance inspectors' office for Ontario, an official who will have power to act as marshal, with such assistance as he may require to inquire into all doubtful fires. To put such a method into force the machinery would be quite simple and inexpensive. Every fire should be recorded with the clerk of the municipality in which it occurs, in the same manner as births, deaths, etc., are now registered, and notice sent at once to the insurance department in Toronto. The insurance companies would cheerfully contribute to the expenses of the officer, knowing that thousands of dollars, in the falling off of losses, and the cost of insurance, would ensue. Many persons argue that the country does not suffer when the party whose property has been burned out is insured; this fallacy should be laid to one side, for every person insured is taxed and becomes a contributor to the loss by being charged a high premium for his insurance, whether in a mutual or a stock company than he would have to pay were losses smaller. In stock companies the premium is gaged by the profit of the business to the shareholder. In a mutual the profits go to reduce the cost of insurance, and these facts should be urged by the people on their representatives in Parliament, and strongly urged. In connection with legislation, the insurance as well as other laws in Ontario, are to be revised. Several years ago, owing to conflicting and contradictory conditions used by insurance companies, a committee composed of legal gentlemen was appointed to arrange certain conditions of insurance, and the result was the framing and adopting of "statutory conditions." These were framed and founded not on general grounds, but from the experience gained by the framers in their private practice; yet this committee was not fully satisfied with its work, but strove to cover up defects and omissions by allowing "variations to conditions" to be used by the companies, and the so-called "statutory conditions and variations" have become so tangled up that more litigation has arisen therefrom than in the days when conditions were allowed without restriction. It is to be hoped that in framing or revising the statutory conditions care will be taken to make them clearer, so that even the uninitiated may understand and not be left, as at present, unintelligible to court, jury and counsel. A uniform policy should be adopted, and only varied by special contract.

TERRITORIAL DISTRICTS.

It has occurred to the board that it would be of advantage to the company and a great saving of expense, to divide the Province into three districts, having an inspector in each district. A material saving in traveling expenses would at once take place. Long trips by rail, often doubled, would be avoided, and the inspector would be on the spot to give immediate attention to any loss that would occur in his district, to get personally acquainted with the character and ability of all local agents over whom he would have control, to inspect and report on all risks in his territory, to value the buildings beforehand, and not wait till they are reduced to ashes, when it is impossible to valuate, to see that the rules of the company are observed by the agents, to consult with members of the company as to the business, to see that remittances are promptly made, and generally to advise with the members so as to avoid litigation, to take the people into his confidence, and create a feeling that the company is more of a local concern than a stranger to its members; the inspectors to devote their whole time to the interests of the company. A large saving in losses and expenses is anticipated from this arrangement.

AGENTS.

The agents as a rule have done their work well. Many of them have shown a devotion to the company's interests that is indeed commendable, and derelicts in future will be handled by the inspectors as they deserve.

RETIRING DIRECTORS.

Three directors retire according to the charter of the company. They are Richard Gibson, Charles C. Hodgins and Robert McEwen, Esquires.

T. E. ROBSON,
President.

D. C. MACDONALD,
Manager and Secretary.

Inspectors' Report.

The reports of the company's inspectors was then presented and adopted, as follows:

Gentlemen, — Your inspectors beg leave to report that during the past year they have inspected and reported on 576 claims against your company. Six of the claims, amounting to $3,150, have been rejected by the board, leaving 570 adjusted (after deductions made in them) at $126,767 17, up to the 31st day of December, 1896. Of this we find:

153	From defective chimneys and pipes, furnaces and stoves	$35,142 28
148	From lightning to buildings and contents	26,814 00
111	From lightning to animals	2,495 53
44	From unknown causes	19,524 00
37	From lanterns and lamps	14,997 35
33	From incendiary causes	11, 51 26
29	From other burning buildings	7,012 97
7	From tramps	3,263 98
1	From burning lumber	1,435 00
2	From Agricultural boiler (one of these $1,000 passed by annual meeting)	1,201 15
1	From saw mill refuse burner	950 00
2	From running fires	747 00
1	From steam thresher	600 00
1	From smokestack of saw mill	250 00
1	From factory boiler	212 59
1	From plumber working on roof	110 00
1	From boys smoking	100 00
1	From spontaneous combustion	93 05
1	From heated journal	40 31
1	From candle	28 80
2	From gas jets	16 80
1	From cigar stub	50
570	Total	$126,767 17

Of the above losses, 53 were on general business, $18,202 52.

Our losses are $6,730 47 more than in 1895, the excess being nearly all on the general branch, but as our business was the largest in our experience, the average loss was no heavier.

Our losses for defective chimneys and pipes still hold the lead, and we are of the opinion that in a great many cases they are due to gross carelessness and neglect. In some localities, the assured state it is the practice to allow stove pipes and chimneys to burn out when they become foul, instead of cleaning them out. This is a dangerous practice, as few chimneys, from their faulty construction, can stand that severe test. We consider this class of loss to a great extent preventible and a convenient way to have a fire.

Lightning losses are the largest in our experience, the early part of the season being favorable, but the severe electrical storm that visited the western part of Ontario for three days last summer was the worst ever experienced by your company.

Lamps and lanterns were responsible for the largest losses in our experience and we think it would be in the public interest if the statutory conditions were so amended as to prohibit the use of such engines of destruction around outbuildings. A comparatively safe lamp can be secured for a few cents that would reduce this class of loss to a fraction of the present amount, but they would not be nearly so handy for those anxious to have a fire. The incendiary's torch has been a little more active in the class acknowledged as such, but a great many of the foregoing might safely be placed on the same list. Our losses in the general branch have increased a trifle over our increase of business, but still leaves us a fair margin.

Cheese factories proved bad risks, as was to be expected from the depression in the markets in the earlier part of the season.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

(Signed) LAUCHLIN LEITCH, and
A. R. McINNES, Inspectors.

Financial Statement.

The report of the financial condition of the company, which was read and adopted, proved highly satisfactory to the members. It is as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Cash balance from 1895	$ 494 15
Molsons Bank	1,937 49
Received from agents	91,485 35
Assessments	81,967 89
Bills payable	9,000 00
Interest	3,013 47
Transfer fees	238 96
Rents	353 00
Assessments in advance	339 86
Old assessments	113 45
Extra premium	68 22
Cancelled policies	28 52
Reinsurance	62 29
Steam thresher licenses	5 00
Total	$189,297 65

DISBURSEMENTS.

Adjusted losses of 1895	$ 5,670 77
Losses	120,929 81
Commission to agents	30,034 80
Salaries of officials, clerks and auditors	10,526 32
Paid agents in settlement of accounts	980 44
Loss inspection and inspectors' salaries	5,194 41
Printing, advertising and stationery	2,198 62
Law expenses	2,029 50
Interest	1 28 10
Directors' fees	1,551 70
General postage	1,293 97
Agents' postage	657 36
Agency inspection	572 13
Re-insurance, premiums on large risks	1,213 57
Taxes	477 06
Water rate, fuel and light	182 67
Dominion Government inspection	91 92
Ontario Government license fee	100 00
Expenses, Underwriters' Association	67 45
Discount on stamps and fined letters	63 75
Incidental expenses, telegrams and telephone, etc	575 19
Returned premium on cancelled policies	488 7
Bank commission	52 8
Molsons Bank	2,297 97
Cash balance	1,723 52
Total	$189,297 65

Capital Account.

ASSETS.

Amount available of premium notes		$233,017 20
Amount due on assessment No. 34		7,289 53
Amount due on assessment No. 35		39,175 25
Amount due on assessment No. 36		18,144 41
Balance due by agents		9,124 56
Office furniture		1,489 41
Bills receivable		275 35
City of St Thomas debentures, par value $22,600, market value	$25,022 50	
Town of Tilsonburg debentures, par value $6,500, market value	7,426 25	
Ontario Loan and Debenture Company	13,200 00	
Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Company	13,200 00	
		59 038 75
Accrued interest on debentures		402 67
Real estate including office building		14,110 81
Cash balance		1,723 52
Total assets		$389,791 53

LIABILITIES.

Losses adjusted but not due	$6,709 86	
Bills payable	20,000 00	
Due Molsons Bank	1,937 49	
		$28 647 35
Net surplus of assets		$361,144 18

Audited, compared with books, and found correct, as above set forth.

(Signed) JOHN OVERELL,
Auditor.

London, Ont., Feb. 3, 1897.

Miscellaneous Matters.

Miscellaneous matters were then brought forward by a number of members, and a free discussion followed.

The claims of George A. Taylor, of Bothwell, and J. Gauley, of Clandeboye, were referred to the board, with power.

DIRECTORS RE-ELECTED.

The election of three directors resulted in the re-election of Messrs. Richard Gibson, Delaware, and Robt. McEwen, Byron. Mr. Charles C. Hodgins, Biddulph, was also nominated for re-election, and Mr. George H. Maurer, Toronto, for his first term of office. The decision of the scrutineers as to which of these gentlemen was elected was reserved, to be given to the board today, pending the decision of the solicitor re some legal points connected with the matter.

THE AGENTS COMPLIMENTED.

After the scrutineers' report was adopted, on motion of Mr. McKenzie, Mr. J. W. Cameron arose and said: "Before closing the meeting, I think it just as much in keeping this year as in previous years, to tender the agents of this company the thanks of the meeting. Our agents have been steadily improving. Those who are here are getting educated along the right line. Let them go on with the good work and continue to improve. When they meet other agents of the company they should try to impress on them the necessity of giving the closest attention to the class of risks they insure, and to their work in general." He concluded with further highly complimentary references to the agents of the company.

Mr. Robert McEwen, of Byron, seconded the motion.

A number of agents replied, offering many suggestions for the consideration of the board.

A vote of thanks was then tendered Chairman Campbell.

Among those present were: Messrs. James W. Cameron, Strathroy; John Geary, London; Richard Gibson, Delaware; Charles C. Hodgins, Biddulph; Richard Gough, London; Richard Vining, Delaware; Angus Campbell, Appin; D. Welsmiller, Hensall; Thos. Brown, London; Arthur Laverton, Zone; George A. Taylor, Zone; A. R. McInnis, London; Sheriff Brown, St. Thomas; John Overell, London; John Morgan, Kerwood; F. E. Fenby, Cairo; S. F. White, Chatham; M. M. Black, St. Thomas; Wm. Moore, London; Gilbert Roche, St. Thomas; Daniel Black, London; George C. Elliott, Appin; G. H. Maurer, Toronto; J. H. Flood, A. D. Platt, Thomas Woolly, J. McWhinney, C. G. Hallowell, James Dobbin, F. Marshall and Peter Toll, London; D. McMillan and D. McKenzie, Hyde Park; Adam Schneider, Bonheur.

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Perhaps the Conservative members of the School Board are waiting to hear the result of the bye-elections.

Today will decide whether the Dominion Government will be successful in its villainous attempt to steal three constituencies.

Mr. Foster is the only Opposition leader who has had courage to enter the bye-election ring. And he seems to be merely sparring for wind.

It costs New York $80,000 to clear away the snow from the city streets after every big storm. In London we keep the snow to sleigh on.

A cable dispatch says that Canada's generosity on India's behalf will be repaid a hundredfold by the advertisement it affords the Dominion. It is certainly more blessed to give than to receive.

The Toronto World suggests that all debtors be liberated from their obligations as a gracious token of the Queen's jubilee year. Does the World mean to include delinquent subscribers in the list of the liberated ones?

When President-elect McKinley wanted a Minister of Agriculture he promptly turned to a Canadian. He has chosen Mr. J. F. Wilson, an Iowa farmer, who received his early training in the good old county of Oxford, Ont. We produce the best of everything here—whether men, cattle, horses, grain, fruit, or timber.

The New York School of Journalism has collapsed. This result was expected. The newspaper man cannot be manufactured in a "school." The best newspaper makers are the men who begin at the foot of the ladder, like Horace Greeley, George Brown, and James Gordon Bennett, and work their way up in the stern school of experience.

Says the Ottawa Free Press: "Mr. Justice Robertson comes to the conclusion that perjury of a rather marked character has been committed in the London election trial. The readers of the contradictory evidence have already come to the same conclusion. But there is quite enough truth to unseat the man, and the sooner it is done the sooner the Liberal will be elected."

An Unwarranted Attack.

The Toronto News pitches into Mr. Blue, Director of the Ontario Bureau of Mines, and insinuates that he knows nothing about mining. Our contemporary does a worthy public servant an injustice. Mr. Blue has never yet undertaken a duty which he has not mastered. He made the statistical bureau a thorough success, and he has probably done more by his investigations and well-written reports to popularize mining in Canada than any other man.

Some have objected that Mr. Blue is a man of caution, who believes in being right before he goes ahead. Is not that a safe rule, even in mining?

The Director of the Mining Bureau belongs to the school of Sir Oliver Mowat, whose wise policy has accomplished so much for the Province of Ontario. Along the lines laid down by that veteran statesman, Premier Hardy has promised to proceed, and in carrying out the most enlightened policy with regard to mining that statesmanship can devise the new Premier will have the cordial co-operation of the director.

It does not follow that because certain plungers do not like the mining policy of a country, it is not in the public interest.

They Kick.

The London Free Press professes alarm at the bill of costs in the London election trial. If the friends of our contemporary had owned up like men at the start, and had prevailed upon Mr. Beattie to give up the seat to which he was not fairly elected, it would have saved the party the humiliation of the attic exposures and attendant illegalities, and a good many thousand dollars at the same time. Hugh John Macdonald in Winnipeg, Mr. Henry in Brant, and Mr. McGillivray in North Ontario, exhibited much greater wisdom when they stepped down and out in face of less formidable indictments.

Mr. Beattie has not been well advised. He cannot hold a seat to which he has not been honestly elected.

Gladstone Prophesies.

Mr. Gladstone still retains, in the retirement of his old age, that wonderful gift of moving eloquence which has been so large a factor in making of him the foremost man of the century. Three weeks ago it became his duty to acknowledge the presentation to Mrs. Gladstone, on the occasion of her 85th birthday, of a portrait of the Armenian Patriarch, and also the unveiling of a window in Hawarden Church to commemorate the victims of the recent massacres in Armenia. Upon the face of the question, he said, it appeared as if the British people had failed, although the heart of the people had been stirred as the heart of one man. Though a great factor in every public question and a great moral force in the world, yet the direction of the world's affairs is not in their hands. They have not been able to act towards Turkey as they would desire to act in conjunction with the six powers of Europe. But Mr. Gladstone is not at all cast down as to the final issue. "I must own to you," he said, "that although I have passed, long passed, the time of life for sanguine dreams, yet there remains in me, with regard to this Armenian question, an unextinguishable hope. Yea, and I would almost venture to say, from the extremities of apparent defeat I draw the suggestion of consolation for the future. These iniquities have been too great, too vast, too profound. They have been too terrible an exhibition of the rage which in the providence of God is sometimes permitted to the powers of evil in the affairs of this world to be ever effaced from the record of the past, a record of the past which will be fruitful in the future. That weight of disgrace which I have said a hundred times—I never attempt to partition it; I cherish the hope that the Goverment of my own country will prove not to be chargeable with a main share of it; I firmly cherish that hope; I might almost say that I believe they will not—that weight of disgrace, which as I have been obliged to say a hundred times, now lies upon the shoulders of the six powers of Europe, representing its chief moral force, the chief physical force in the world, is I think too great to be borne. The human conscience and the human understanding will revolt against it."

Since the utterance of these burning words events have happened in Europe which raise the hope that they were prophetic.

The Best Only Wanted.

The total quantity of apples received at Liverpool from this continent this season, up to Dec. 26, was 1,169,961 barrels, against 296,628 last year. This plentiful supply accounts for the low prices. But the poor quality of many of the shipments also had something to do with the slump that took place Great Britain has the world to choose from, and she will not pay good prices except for the best, no matter what the product is.

Good Words for Canada.

Mrs. A. M. Oliver, a lady who formerly resided in Galt, Ont., who now lives in Richmond, England, and who continues a reader of The Advertiser, sends us another interesting letter on a subject which ought to be followed up with action. Here is the communication:

"Richmond, England, Jan. 2, 1897.
"I told you before that I always speak a good word for Canada when I get the chance. As I have read in The Advertiser and other Canadian papers, it is remarkable what ignorance prevails, except, of course, amongst those who have been there—and this with people calling themselves educated. One truth so difficult to impress upon people is the vastness of the country. They will argue long that i must be mistaken, until I make them get out a map; then, of course, the controversy ends, and they are very much astonished.

"I was asked not long ago by a very superior gentleman if Canada had any literature at all. This set me thinking as to whether anything could be done to make that literature better known. One English poet said:

"'I found the poems in the field,
And only wrote them down.'

Anyone who has given the matter consideration must see that Canada is full of beautiful poems and stories of field and forest, stream, mountain and lake, and homes, waiting for those who are able to write them down.

"No doubt you have seen that Wm. Stead, editor of the Review of Reviews, has been publishing several series of penny works, in order to induce the young people to read them instead of the pernicious literature they are so fond of. Amongst his 'Penny Poets' he issued recently 'Some Australian Poems.' So I went to his office to ask if he would publish some Canadian poems. I did not see him; he was too busy; but I had a talk with his manager about it, and left a message for Mr. Stead. Whether anything will come of it I cannot say. Can you, sir, suggest any way of making Canadian literature better known? Perhaps Mr. Stead will write to Canada. A. M. OLIVER."

If Mr. Stead finds it desirable to issue a popular edition of the "Australian Poets," it should be easy to convince him of the propriety of giving to the English-speaking public a volume of the better class of verse by Canadian writers. Canada can supply abundance of material to choose from. We have not only verse-makers writing in the English language, but we have a representative French-Canadian poet in Mr. Frechette, who has been honored not only in his native land, but in foreign countries. So have Roberts, Bliss Carman, and others of our poets. If Mr. Stead falls in with the view of our contemporary, he would receive much aid from a volume recently published by Mr. J. E. Wetherald, giving selections from the later Canadian poets, which is certainly an admirable collection.

Western Ontario.

St. Thomas City Council Refuses to Curtail Licenses.

Ruling of a Kent County Judge in a Suit for Alienating a Wife's Affections.

The Ayr News has been launched by Mr. Keyes.

The late E. C. Breithaupt, of Berlin, had his life insured for $12,000.

Mr. Joseph Wallace, Berlin, has purchased 87 1-2 acres from Mr. J. F. Martin, Blenheim, for $3,800.

Mrs. Christian Cascadden, wife of W. H. Cascadden, of Malahide, died on Monday, Feb. 1, in her 84th year.

McLaughlin & Co., of Hamilton, are buying and pressing ten carloads of hay at Aylmer, to be shipped to the English markets.

Two brine tanks, with a capacity of 31,500 cubic feet, have just been erected at the Canadian Pacific Salt Works at Windsor. Pumping operations will shortly be resumed.

Isaac Martin, who recently sold his farm about one mile east of Elmira for $9,000, has bought the farm of Mr. George Stiller, between Galt and Hawkesville, for $6,000.

Stratford Herald: James McCaffrey, who has been suffering for some time from the results of swallowing a bone, is reported to be very low. His recovery is despaired of.

Miss Eva Koyle, Aylmer, who had the misfortune to break a needle off in her leg a week ago, is having a hard time of it. She suffers a great deal, and it is feared blood poisoning will set in.

J. D. Ross, who is charged with trying to swindle some Essex people out of their cash by a patent house numbering scheme, was arrested at Watford, and will be taken to Essex to stand his trial.

Arthur Fletcher Gall, aged 15 years, son of Wm. Gall, St. Thomas, died on Monday night of diphtheria. It is just a week since the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gall, Edith Mary, died of the same disease.

Woodstock Sentinel-Review: Mr. Kaufmann is the fourth representative for East Zorra to have the honor of being warden of Oxford county, the others being John Harrington, in 1860; S. C. Burgess, in 1878; and James Anderson, in 1889.

Stratford is to have a free library. After considerable negotiations the council has decided to take over the public library, and will furnish quarters for it in the city hall building. Besides giving free quarters, the city will make a grant of $600 a year.

Miss Mabel Treble, a Windsor school teacher, had an encounter with a refractory pupil a day or two ago in one of the city schools, and was knocked down stairs. She has not yet been able to resume her duties. The youth, whose name is Gordon Scott, will probably be suspended.

The St. Thomas City Council has refused to consider the petition from 800 ratepayers asking that the number of taverns be reduced. They referred the petitioners to the license commissioners, who have similar powers. The council also refused to pass a resolution to redistribute the wards of the city.

The dispute between the Chatham City Council and the Fire Underwriters' Association is about at an end. The association offers to advance the classification of the city as soon as some additional alarm boxes and a new hook and ladder truck are provided, and this the city has decided to do.

Messrs. Nightingale and Berry, of Brantford, have just been awarded, by the Grand Trunk Railway, a contract to supply that company with ice during the summer of 1897, and to fill the company's icehouses at the tunnel, Sarnia, Point Edward and Stratford. The contract demands a supply of 12,000 tons.

The Aylmer Methodist Church, which has been undergoing extensive repairs, is now completed, making it one of the finest as well as the most commodious churches in this county. The statement of expenditures, including repairs of shed, and new barn at the parsonage, amounts to $5,244. The church reopens Feb. 7.

Fire visited Wallaceburg Wednesday morning, and James Beatty's restaurant on the south side is in ruins. The residence of A. Gordon was endangered, but thanks to the efforts of the firemen, it escaped with a scorching in some places. The burned building was the property of Isaac Arnold, and was uninsured. Mr. Beatty carried a small insurance on his stock.

The county judge of Kent, on Tuesday ordered the discharge of Anthony Labadie, arrested on a capias, on an affidavit that he was preparing to leave the country to defeat Thos. LeClair, who was suing him for $5,000 for alienation and the seduction of his wife. It was submitted that the affections of the woman, who was not living with her husband, could not be alienated.

F. S. Evans, general manager of the Dominion Typograph Company, has notified his men that in the event of the Corliss Labor Bill becoming a law, he would immediately insist that all his employes live in Windsor, or else give up their positions. Many of them own their homes in Detroit. To move across the river would mean a considerable loss to them, and they have accordingly gotten up a petition, which will be sent to Washington, protesting against the passing of the bill.

Mrs. Louisa Barnes, aged 86, mother of Thomas Barnes, of Harwich, and John E. Barnes, of Exeter, is dead. Mrs. Barnes had retired in fairly good health Saturday night, and Sunday morning, when a member of the family went to awaken her, it was found she had passed quietly and peacefully away in her sleep. She was one of the oldest residents of Harwich, and was noted for the kindness of her nature. She leaves, besides her two sons, five daughters, Mrs. Shaw and Miss Barnes, who reside at the homestead, Ridge road, and three daughters in Cincinnati.

Chatham anglers and fishermen met in convention to debate the proposal to petition the Government to revoke the seining privileges now granted at Mitchell's Bay and the River Thames, with a view to preserve the bass in these waters. The gathering was a rather stormy one. Nothing of importance was done, and after a good deal of discussion the fishermen adjourned the meeting until next Monday at Paincourt. Mr. W. B. Wells will forward the resolutions recently framed to the Government, and if the clause concerning the Thames River is dropped, all concerned will be satisfied to have prohibitory measures taken in regard to Mitchell's Bay.

At Osgoode Hall, in Dennee vs. the Western Assurance Company, judgment on appeal by defendants from judgment of Robertson, J., who tried the action with a jury at Stratford, in favor of plaintiff upon the findings of the jury, was given. The action was brought upon a policy of assurance against fire for $2,000 issued by defendants. The principal defenses were misrepresentation as to the value of premises, and incendiarism. Appeal allowed and new trial ordered. Costs of appeal and former trial to be costs in the cause. The question whether plaintiff should be relieved from his admissions as to the value of the property to be disposed of by the trial judge. Osler, Q.C., and L. G. McCarthy for appellants. Aylesworth, Q.C., and Moscrip (St. Marys) for plaintiff.

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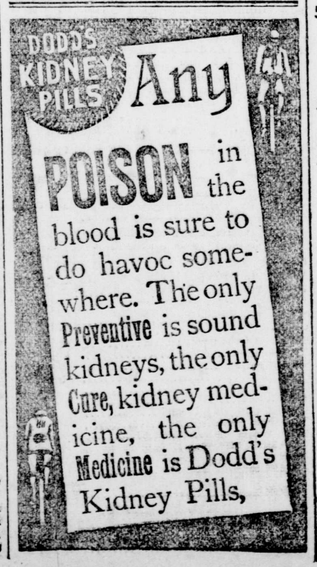
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A CHATHAM HERO.

John Wrightman, Age 14, Saves a Boy From Drowning.

Chatham, Ont., Feb. 4.—John Wrightman, a young lad of 14, is a fitting candidate for the medal of the Royal Humane Society, Monday night Herbert Baker, second son of the pastor of the Park Street Methodist Church, was one of a crowd of skaters enjoying the ice on the Thames River. There were spots from which ice dealers had taken a supply and upon which only thin ice had again formed. While gliding over one of these places young Baker went through. His companions fled in terror, leaving the luckless lad struggling in the icy water. His accident was noticed by Wrightman, who, a quarter of a mile away, was playing at hockey. He darted at once to the rescue, sliding towards the dangerous spot on hands and knees, and reaching out his hockey stick, told the drowning lad to grab it and hang on. Then he exerted all his strength and succeeded in pulling Baker out, and landing him on safe ice, not an instant too soon. Wrightman then coolly skated off, without waiting to be thanked, even.



FRIDAY

Feb. 5, 1897.

Bargain Day

OUR GREAT MANTLE SALE continued on Friday by special request. (See item No. 56.)

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ON GROUND FLOOR.

1st—One table of Tweed Suitings, very fine goods, all wool, light and dark colors, regular price 50c, Friday 25c.
2nd—One table of Fancy Tweed Dress Goods, regular price, 50c, 60c and 65c, Friday, Bargain Day, 25c.
3rd—One table of Fancy Wool Skirts, very fine goods, beautifully trimmed, worth $1 25, Friday 63c.
4th—Three pieces of Fancy Silks, regular price 50c, Friday price 39c.
5th—Ten pairs Colored Curtains, very fine designs, worth $1 75, Friday $1 10.
6th—Five pieces of Fancy Knotted Dress Goods, all colors, very new goods, worth 65c, Friday 35c.
7th—Ten pairs Lace Curtains, very fine and wide, 3½ yards long, worth $1 85, for $1 39.
8th—One lot Shawls, regular price $1 75, good and heavy, worth $1 75, for $1 25.
9th—One table of Art Muslins, worth 10c, Friday, Bargain Day, 6c.
10th—Chenille Curtains, heavy dado and fringe, worth $3 25, for $2 39.
11th—White Toilet Quilts, full size, worth $1 50, Bargain Day, $1 25.
12th—Double Fold Twill Sheeting, bleached, worth 25c, Friday 18c.
13th—36-Inch Twill Sheeting, unbleached, worth 10c, for 8½c; 12 yards for $1.
14th—All-Wool Tweed, for men's and boys' wear, worth 75c, Bargain Day 50c.
15th—One table Flannelettes, checks and plain colors, grand goods, but they must go, worth 10c, Friday 5c.
16th—Table Cloths, finest linen, 3½ to 5 yards long, worth from $6 50 to $10, Friday price $4.
17th—Tennis Flannel, unshrinkable, plain colors, worth 20c, Friday for 10c.
18th—One table Flannelettes, plain and stripes, heavy make, worth 12½c and 15c, Friday 10c.
19th—White Quilts, English make, full size, very durable, worth $1 25, for $1 08.
20th—Merino Shirtings, 36 inches wide, fancy stripes, worth 30c and 38c, for 25c Friday.
21st—German Wrapperette Flannel, Shawl Patterns, worth 25c, for 12½c.
22nd—Comforters, good materials, filled with best white batting, worth $1 50, for $1 20.
23rd—All-Wool Blanket, 6 lbs., worth $3, Friday $2 49.
24th—Down Comforters, only a few good ones left, 25 per cent. less than regular price.
25th—Colored and Black Tam O'Shanter Caps, worth 35c, Friday for 25c.
26th—Ladies' All-Wool Cashmere Hose, double soles, heels and toes, worth 25c, for 19c.
27th—Children's Fine All-Wool Worsted Hose, double heels and toes, worth 35c, Friday for 25c.
28th—Ladies' Colored Kid Gloves, worth 50c, Friday for 42c.
29th—Children's Plain Merino Vests and Drawers, worth 25c, Friday for 20c.
30th—Ladies' Fine Imported Wool Combination Suits, worth $2 25, Friday for $1 48.
31st—Ladies' Scotch Lambswool Ribbed Vests, worth 75c, Friday for 62c.
32nd—Ladies' Black Equestrian Tights, worth $1, Friday for 79c.
33rd—Toilet Soaps worth 5c a cake, Friday 3 for 5c.
34th—Men's Gray Flannel Top Shirts, worth 40c, Friday for 18c.
35th—Men's Silk Sealette Caps, regular price 90c Friday for 63c.
36th—Men's Heavy Cloth Caps, worth 75c, Friday 29c.
37th—Men's Fine Parisian Lamb Caps, worth $6, Friday for $4.
38th—Boys' Gray and Black Astrachan Caps, worth 50c, Bargain Day 39c.
39th—Men's Heavy All-Wool Underwear, worth 50c, for 39c.
40th—Men's Heavy Working Braces, regular price 20c, Friday 10c,
41st—Men's Home-made Socks, worth 25c, Bargain Day 15c.
42nd—Men's Fleece Lined Shirts and Drawers, worth 50c, Friday for 37 1-2c.
43rd—Boys' Home-made Mitts, regular price 25c, Friday 15c.

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44th—Men's Heavy Storm Frieze Ulsters, worth $7 50, Friday for $5.
45th—Men's Black, Blue and Gray All-Wool Beaver Overcoats, chamois interlined, worth $12, for $8 50.
46th—Men's Gray All-Wool Melton Double Breasted Coats and Vests, worth $10, Friday $4 95.
47th—Men's Heavy Frieze Pea Jackets, wool linings, worth $4 50, for $2 95.
48th—Men's Fine Custom-Made Double Breasted All-Wool Tweed Suits, worth $12, for $9 25.
49th—Men's D. B. All-Wool Tweed Suits, worth $7 50, Friday for $5.
50th—Men's Fine All-Wool Gray Twill Tweed Pants, worth $2 25, for $1 50.
51st—Any Boys' Frieze Ulster, sizes 22 to 30, worth $4, Friday for $2 60.
52nd—Any Boys' Storm Frieze Ulster in the house, worth $6, sizes 31 to 35, for $4 25.
53rd—Boys' 3-piece Fine Tweed Suits, odd lines, worth $5, for $3 79.
54th—Boys' 2-piece Heavy Tweed Suits, worth $2 50, Friday for $1 95.
55th—Your choice 28 Elegant Silk and Velvet Capes, beautiful goods, newest styles, large sweep, worth $25, $30, $35, $40, Friday half price.
56th—By special request we will continue our Great Mantle Sale, our $7, $8, $9 Coats on Friday for $3 95; our $10, $11, $12 and $15 Coats for $5 95. This is a great snap, and if in need of a coat you will make a mistake if you do not see ours. All this season's importations and first-class goods.
57th—Evening Cloaks, your choice of our entire stock at half-price, elegant goods, a $20 cloak for $10.
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Commercial.

Bulge in the Chicago Wheat Market, Followed by a Slump.

Local Market.

Reported by A. M. Hamilton & Son.

London, Thursday, Feb. 4.

Wheat, per bu.....75c to 75c
Oats, per bu .....16c to 20 1-2c
Peas, per bu .. ..36c to 42c
Corn, per bu .....25c to 31c
Buckwheat, per bu .....24c to 26 1-2c
Rye, per bu ....22c to 28c
Barley, per bu .....20c to 29c
Beans, per bu .....25c to 40c

There were very good receipts of grain today, and prices ruled at about the same rate as yesterday.

Oats formed the bulk, and wheat came second.

A few lots of peas, corn, and buckwheat came in, also some beans and clover seed. The seed was disposed of at private sale.

Meats were unchanged, and hay and straw steady.

Quotations:

GRAIN.			
Wheat, white, per 100 lbs	1 25	to	1 25
Wheat, red, per 100 lbs	1 25	to	1 25
Wheat, spring, per 100 lbs	1 25	to	1 25
Oats, per 100 lbs	45	to	60
Peas, per 100 lbs	69	to	74
Corn, per 100 lbs	45	to	55
Barley, per 100 lbs	42	to	60
Rye, per 100 lbs	40	to	45
Beans, bu	25	to	40
Buckwheat, per 100 lbs	40	to	50
PROVISIONS.			
Honey	8	to	12
Cheese, per lb	10	to	12
Eggs, single dozen	18	to	20
Eggs, fresh, basket, per doz	16	to	17
Eggs, fresh, stored oats, per doz	14	to	16
Butter, single rolls per lb	15	to	16
Butter, per lb 1 lb rolls, baskets	13	to	14
Butter, per lb, large rolls or crocks	11	to	13
Butter, per lb, tubs or firkins	9	to	12
Lard, per lb	7	to	7
MEAT, HIDES, ETC			
Beef, quarters, per lb	5½	to	5
Mutton quarters, per lb	5	to	6
Veal, quarters, per lb	8	to	9
Lamb, quarter	8	to	9
Dressed hogs, 100 lb	4 50	to	5 75
Live hogs	3 60	to	3 60
Hides, No. 1, per lb	6	to	6
Hides, No. 2, per lb	5	to	5
Hides, No. 3, per lb	4	to	4
Calfskins, green	4	to	6
Calfskins, dry, each	..	to	..
Sheepskins, each	50	to	80
Lambskins, each	50	to	70
Wool, per lb	18	to	18
Tallow, rendered, per lb	3	to	3
Tallow, rough, per lb	1½	to	2
HAY AND SEED			
Hay per ton	7 00	to	8 00
Straw, per load	2 00	to	3 50

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The Oil Market.

PETROLEA

Petrolea, Feb. 4.—Oil opened and closed at $1 52.

English Markets.

Liverpool, Feb. 4—12:45 p.m.

Wheat — Spot dull: demand poor: futures steady: near and distant positions, 1d lower.

Corn—Spot quiet: futures quiet: near and distant positions ½d lower.

Bacon — Dull; demand poor: Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs. 26s; short ribs, 20 to 24 lbs, 25s 3d; long clear light, 35 to 38 lbs, 25s 6d; long clear heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, 24s 6d; short clear backs, light, 18 lbs, 24s 6d; short clear middles heavy, 45 to 50 lbs, 22s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, 27s.

Shoulders—Square 12 to 18 lbs, 25s 6d.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., 39s.

Tallow—Fine North American, 18s.

Beef—Extra India mess, 61s 3d; prime mess, 50s.

Pork—Prime mess, fine western, 46s 3d; medium western, 40s.

Lard—Dull; prime western, 20s 6d; refined in pails, 22s.

Cheese—Firm; demand moderate; finest American white (Sept.), 59s; finest American colored (Sept.), 59s.

Butter—Finest United States, 90s; good, 55s.

Turpentine spirits—20s 6d.

Rosin, common—5s.

Cotton seed oil—Liverpool refined, 15s 6d.

Linseed oil—16s 3d.

Petroleum—Refined, 6½d.

Refrigerator beef—Forequarter, 3½d; hindquarter, 5d.

Bleaching powder—Hardwood, f. o. b., Liverpool, £7.

Hops—At London (Pacific Coast), £3 15s.

London, Feb. 4.

Cargoes off coast—Wheat dull; corn quiet.

Cargoes on passage—Wheat slightly worse; 3d lower; corn rather easier.

Country markets—English easy; French firm.

American Produce Market.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 3.—Wheat broke off in price at the close today, after having shown great strength at the opening, and for an hour thereafter. The bull incentive came from St. Louis, where a bulge of 1c took place. This market went into flurry on the information, but later settled back and held steady well up to the end of the session, when the slump took place. Liverpool cables were up from ½d to 1d, that advance reflecting ours of yesterday. French crop advices to the effect that the yield in that country will be a third less than last year tended to help prices for a time, but they were lost sight of when the decline set in. The closing Paris and Berlin cables were higher, and Antwerp unchanged. Exports clearances were ridiculously small at 26,000 bushels, that being one of the main reasons for weakness late in the session. May wheat opened from 76c to 75½c; sold between 75¼c and 74¼c to 75c, closing at the inside ¼c to ½c under yesterday. Cash wheat was steady, closing weak and ¼c to ½c lower. Corn Declined ½c to ¾c, and oats, ¾c to 1c. Provisions were lower.

The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—No. 2 Feb., 73½c; May, 74¾c to 75c; July, 71¼c to 71½c.

Corn—No. 2 Feb., 22c; May, 24c; July, 25¼c; to 25¼c; Sept., 26½c.

Oats—No. 2, Feb., 15½c; May, 17¾c to 17¾c; July, 18¾c.

Mess pork—Feb., $7 45; May, $7 55; July, $7 67½.

Lard—Feb., $3 75; May, $3 87½; July, $3 95.

Short ribs—Feb., $3 85; May, $3 87½; July, $3 95.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour steady; No. 2 spring wheat, 73¼c to 75¼c; No. 3 spring wheat, 72c; No. 2 red, 84c to 86½c; No. 2 corn, 22c to 23½c; No. 2 oats, 16½c; No. 2 rye, 35c; No. 2 barley, 34c to 35c; No. 1 flaxseed, 73¼c to 76½c; prime timothy seed, $2 80; mess pork, $7 50 to $7 52½; lard, $3 75 to $3 77½; short rib sides, $3 72½ to $3 97½; dry salted shoulders, $4 25 to $4 50; short clear sides, $4 12½ to $4 25.

Receipts—

Flour	12,000	Wheat	29,000
Corn	419,000	Oats	419,000
Rye	11,000	Barley	88,000

Shipments—

Flour	8,000	Wheat	92,000
Corn	64,000	Oats	515,000
Rye		Barley	12,000

STOCKS OF GRAIN.

New York, Feb. 3.—Special cable and telegraph dispatches to Bradstreet's indicate the following changes in available supplies last Saturday, as compared with the preceding Saturday:

Wheat—United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, decreased 1,954,000 bushels; afloat for and in Europe, decreased 560,000 bushels; total decrease in world's available, 2,514,000 bushels.

Corn—United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, increased 147,000 bushels.

Oats—United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, decreased 47,000 bushels.

Aside from increases of 25,000 bushels of wheat at Davenport, 29,000 bushels at various Manitoba storage points, and 24,000 bushels at Fort William, Ont., there were no gains of importance in available stocks of wheat east of the Rocky Mountains last week other than those covered in the official visible statement.

The more important decreases in addition to those reported in the visible supply include 105,000 bushels in Northwestern interior elevators; 47,000 bushels at New Orleans, 26,000 bushels at Cleveland, 25,000 bushels in Chicago private elevators, 20,000 bushels at Leavenworth, and 20,000 bushels in Minneapolis private elevators. The total net decrease in available stocks of wheat on the Pacific coast include those at San Francisco, Stockton and Port Costa, Portland, Ore., Seattle and Tacoma, which amounted to 1,184,000 bushels during the month of January.

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THE APPLE TRADE.

Mr. A. J. King, New York, received the following cable yesterday from the North of England Fruit Brokers of Manchester: "Apples landed ex-SS. Labrador, sold in Manchester today as follows: Red fruit, 14s to 16s 3d; russets, 18s to 20s 6d. Anticipate a decline in Liverpool on Wednesday."

CHEESE IN EASTERN ONTARIO.

Belleville, Feb. 3.—All the cheese in this district which was available for export has been shipped.

Live Stock Markets.

NEW YORK.

New York, Feb. 3.—Beeves—Receipts, 1,156 head; trade fair and prices steady; common to prime native steers, $4 to $5; tops, $5 15; stockers and feeders, $3 80; oxen and stags, $2 50 to $4 35; choice state do, $4 75; bulls, $3 05 to $3 60; cows, $1 50 to $3 45.

Calves—Receipt, 896 head; veals, 15c to 25c lower; barnyards easier; poor to prime veals, $5 to $8; yearlings and barnyards, $2 75 to $3 50; fed calves, $3 50 to $4 25; bobs, $4; poor western calves, $2 6¼; good do, $4.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 5,133 head; slow but steady; poor to prime sheep, $2 85 to $4 25; export do, $4 50; medium to choice lambs, $4 75 to $5 50; state spring lambs, $5 per head.

Hogs—Receipts, 5,895 head; weak; good heavy to light hogs, $3 60 to $4; pigs, $3 to $4 25.

Cables from London and Liverpool quote American steers at 10½c to 11¼c per lb, dressed weight; American refrigerated beef, 8½c to 9½c; per lb.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, Feb. 3.—Cattle—Receipts, 91 cars through; 7 cars on sale; market fairly active, but 15c to 20c lower than yesterday; veals scarce; good to extra, $6 75 to $7 62 1-2; common to fair, $4 75 to $6 50.

Hogs—Receipts, 18 cars through; 30 cars on sale; market steady; good weight Yorkers, $3 60; light, $3 62 1-2 to $3 65; pigs dull; good, $3 55 to $3 60; mixed packers, $3 60; mediums, $3 55 to $3 60; roughs, $3 to $3 10; stags, $2 25 to $2 75.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 2 cars through; 22 cars on sale; market steady; best lambs, $5 15 to $5 20; good to choice, $4 85 to $5 10; common to fair, $4 35 to $4 75; mixed sheep, good to choice, $3 50 to $3 85; common to fair, $2 85 to $3 40; handy wethers, $3 90 to $4 10; export ewes, $3 65 to $3 75; there were 6 loads of Canadian stock on sale.

At the close: Cattle—7 cars on sale, including 6 cars of Canada cattle; opened slow and 15c to 20c per cwt lower than Saturday; fair Canada heifers, $2 85 to $3; mixed Canada fat cows an dheifers, $3 50 to $3 65; mixed Canada steers and heifers, $3 60 to $3 77 1-2; closed easy, with bulk sold; one Canada bull, weighing 2,230 lbs, realized $78.

Hogs—Receipts, 30 cars; closed firm for mediums; dull for Yorkers and pigs; quotations unchanged.

Sheep and Lambs—22 cars on sale; closed easy and a shade lower than early prices, but all sold.

A FARMER IN TROUBLE.

A Grenville County Man Speaks His Mind—Feels Like a New Man—Cured by Four Boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Cardinal, Jan. 30.—Mr. Robert McIntosh, a farmer very widely known in this county, and living near this village, has been in a painful and dagerous condition as the result of kidney disease affecting the bladder. When called upon he said:

"During three years, until quite recently cured by using four boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills, I have been an intense sufferer from Kidney Disease, which kept going from bad to worse, though I was doctoring all the time.

"Under advice I began using Dodd's Kidney Pills, at once realizing great help. I now feel like a new man, and am perfectly cured of kidney trouble in any form."

Herbert and Sloan, the well-known chemists, are authorities for the statement that all known chemical elements are held in solution in the waters of all of the great oceans.

Fever and Ague and Bilious Derangements are positively cured by the use of Parmelee's Pills. They not only cleanse the stomach and bowels from all bilious matter, but they open the excretory vessels, causing them to pour copious effusions from the blood into the bowels, after which the corrupted mass is thrown out by the natural passage of the body. They are used as a general family medicine with the best results

Kur-a-Kof, for Coughs and Colds, 25 cents, at Anderson & Nelles' drug store.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is known by its works. The experience of half a century proves that no other preparation of the kind stops coughing and allays irritation of the throat and bronchial tubes so promptly and effectually as this.

Try Again.

School Board Called to Meet Tomorrow Night.

When the Deadlock Will Probably be Broken—No Law for Such a Case.

Secretary McElheran, of the school board, worked diligently this morning on his typewriter. He was summoning school trustees to meet again tomorrow night to try it again. It is likely that the deadlock will be broken, and that the majority will prevail without much loss of time.

There is nothing in the rules or statutes providing for political deadlocks. The law never seemed to contemplate such a contingency as that of last night. In the absence of precedents, the secretary has undertaken, on his own responsibility, to call the meeting tomorrow, as important business is pressing.

The board is composed of 11 Liberals and 8 Conservatives. In the event of a tie for the chairmanship, Trustee Charles Johnston, having the largest assessment, would cast the deciding vote. But there is nothing to compel a quorum, and until ten of the Liberals get together, the Conservative minority may keep the board disorganized all year, if they choose. Trustee Martin's absence in England makes the situation something like the council's predicament in 1896, when it was necessary to send to Europe for Ald. Marshall to break the deadlock.

NEVER CAME BACK.

Two Strangers Hire a Rig From a City Livery—Not Heard of Since.

Yesterday afternoon two men went to the livery stable of McAdam & Ferguson, about two o'clock, to hire a horse and cutter for an hour or so, and have not been heard of since. One of the men gave his name as Wilson, living between cons. 2 and 3, London township. He was about 22 years of age, of stout build, and about 5 feet 8 inches in height. His companion hired the rig. He was a young man, about the same age as Wilson, stoutly built, and wore a small dark mustache. He was about 5 feet 8 inches in height.

The horse is about 15 1-2 hands high, 10 years old, and bay in color, with a white star on the forehead. The cutter had a wine-colored gear, with a black body.

Besides the horse and cutter, the livery dealers mourn the absence of two fine robes.

SHIPYARDS BURNED,

And 4,000 Men Thrown Out of Work—Loss $250,000.

Glasgow, Feb. 4.—The shipyards of the Fairfield Shipbuilding Company, at Gowan, near here, have been almost burned to the ground. The damage done is estimated to amount to $250,000. Four thousand persons have been thrown out of employment.

WILL NOT HANG.

Mrs. Carew's Sentence Commuted to Life Imprisonment.

London, Feb. 4.—A dispatch to the Times from Yokohama announces that the British Minister to Japan, Sir E. M. Satow, has commuted the death sentence of Mrs. Carew, charged with causing the death of her husband, Mr. Walter Raymond Hallowell Carew, secretary of the Yokohama United Club, by the administration of arsenic, into a sentence of imprisonment for life.

BABY CHOKED

Swallowed the Nipple of His Nursing Bottle.

New York, Feb. 4.—Charles T. Miller, the infant son of Joseph and Nela Miller, who live on the third floor at 1,606 Third avenue, was choked to death by the rubber nipple of the nursing bottle, which lodged in his throat.

Joseph Miller is a musician, and was at one time connected with Gilmore's Band. Mrs. Miller is leader of the choir of the New York Temperance Union, Sunday night she placed the bottle in the cradle with the child when he went to sleep. The child awoke about 6 a.m. and began to gasp for breath. The nipple was missing from the bottle, and the mother, looking down the child's throat, saw it protruding from the wind-pipe. The child was dead when a physician was summoned.

WORK AND WAGES.

Attempt to Settle the Nova Scotia Miners' Strike—A Railway Tied Up.

Springhill, N. S., Feb. 4.—Negotiations looking to the settlement of the coal miners' strike here, are again in progress, and it is believed this time they will be successful. The men have been out about 21 days, and business men are clamoring for both sides to make concessions. The fire is still burning in the east slope of the mines, but it is practically under control.

Hamilton, Feb. 4.—The dispute between the Sanford Manufacturing Company, Hamilton, and the clothing workers over the prices on two lines of overcoats has been amicably settled. The company has raised the prices on the two lines, and the boss contractors, in turn, have made concessions in price.

Lebanon, Ind., Feb. 4.—The entire force in the Chicago and South Eastern Railway shops have struck for seven months' back pay. As a result the entire road is tied up.

Hamilton, Feb. 4.—Local architects report that indications seem to point to a fairly good season for the building trades, as a number of buildings, some of them large, but principally a medium class of houses, are being planned for. The rates of wages which prevailed last summer will not likely be changed. These are 33 cents an hour for bricklayers and masons, 25 cents an hour for carpenters, and 15 to 17 cents for laborers.

The great lung healer is found in that excellent medicine sold as Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup. It soothes and diminishes the sensibility of the membrane of the throat and air passages, and is a sovereign remedy for all coughs, colds, hoarseness, pain, or soreness of the chest, bronchitis, etc. It has cured many when supposed to be far advanced in consumption.

Woman's Work.

(Continued from page 2.)

THURSDAY MORNING.

The same interest manifested at the meetings yesterday characterized the session this morning. The ladies assembled at 10 o'clock, and after preliminaries and the roll call the election of officers was proceeded with, Miss Mary Fraser, Mrs. G. W. Armstrong (London), Mrs. McPherson (South London), and Mrs. Baty (Westminster), acting as scrutineers.

Mrs. John Currie, Belmont, was unanimously re-elected president.

Mrs. J. A. Murray, London, first vice-president.

A lengthy discussion then took place as to how the remaining vice-presidents should be elected. Some wanted them elected from districts outside of London, and equally distributed throughout other districts, so as to make it convenient for presidents to visit the auxiliaries within their districts. Others opposed this, claiming that it was most expedient to have the members elected from one district, or those contiguous to one another. In this way a quorum could be called on short notice at any time. Another suggestion was that they be appointed. The result of the choice was:

Mrs. D. M. Tait, St. Thomas, second vice-president.

Mrs. Young, Thamesford, third vice-president.

Mrs. E. H. Sawers, South London, fourth vice-president.

Miss L. M. Fraser, London, corresponding secretary (re-elected).

Miss Murray, Aylmer, was unanimously re-elected recording secretary.

Mrs. Andrew Thompson, South London, treasurer; unanimously re-elected for the thirteenth term.

Miss Boyle, and Mrs. McWhirter, London, secretaries of Northwest supplies.

Miss Kennedy, London, librarian (re-elected).

Mrs. A. Thompson announced that at the annual meeting next year delegates would be required to register in the vestibule of the church before participating in the business, when they would be given a badge.

ONTARIO GAME LAWS.

The Game and Fish Commission Meets in Toronto.

Toronto, Feb. 4.—The annual meeting of the Game and Fish Commission of Ontario was held at the Queen's Hotel yesterday. Dr. Macallum, of Dunnville, presided.

The principal suggestion as to an amendment to the law governing deer shooting, was to the effect that the clause prohibiting the shooting of deer in the water be expunged.

The time limit for the shooting of ducks each day has been from one-half hour before sunrise until one-half hour after sunset. It is proposed that the law be changed to read from sunrise to sunset, and also that blinds or hides be allowed only within 100 yards of either shore. This latter change would prevent the ducks from being driven entirely out of bays, etc.

The recommendation as to quail shooting will be that the open season be made six weeks instead of two months, beginning on Nov. 1.

Out of respect to a vigorous agitation from farmers, there has been no close season for cottontails. It has been found, however, that many huntsmen go out ostensibly to shoot these animals, but often manage to bring down an odd partridge or quail during the season in which the latter are protected. Accordingly it was suggested that an amendment be made providing that the carrying of firearms to hunt cottontails during the close season for other game be prohibited.

It was also thought advisable that the license to shoot deer imposed upon bona fide settlers be reduced to the nominal sum of 25 cents.

MR. MOODY'S BIRTHDAY GIFT.

New York, Feb. 3.—Dwight L. Moody, the evangelist, will be 60 years old on Feb. 5. A few of his friends propose to give him, as a birthday offering, a sum of money to build a chapel for Mr. Moody's Boys' School at Mount Hermon, near Northfield, Mass.

STAMP STEALING.

New York, Feb. 4.—Hamilton F. Coleman, clerk in the general land office at Washington, is charged with having stolen large quantities of postage stamps. Five thousand five hundred and sixty dollars' worth of "periodical stamps" were found in the possession of Coleman when he was arrested. It is claimed he stole and sold sets of stamps ranging in value from 1 cent to $60 each, for from $1 20 to $1 25 a set.

CONDUCTOR BRIGHT SAVED HIM.

Stratford, Feb. 4.—Conductor William Bright, of this city, saved a man's life Tuesday night. As the train was slowing up at Thorndale the man undertook to alight while the train was in motion. He was swung in between the coaches, and would have fallen under the wheels but that Conductor Bright who was standing on the steps at the time, seized hold of him and sprang to the ground, dragging the man along with him.

STRATFORD LIBERALS.

Stratford, Feb. 4.—The Liberals of Stratford met at their rooms Tuesday night and reorganized. The following officers and committees were elected: President, Mr. John Brown; vice-president, Mr. G. O'Flaherty; secretary, Mr. Edward Kay; committees—Falstaff ward, Messrs. E. T. Dufton and Donald McLennan; Avon ward, Messrs. Robert Gourlay and John Duggan; Hamlet ward, Messrs. R. T. Harding and Ald. Thomas Ballantyne; Shakespeare ward, Messrs. R. Gray, P. Durst, M. McLaughlin, J. R. McDonald and Joseph Blacklock; Romeo ward, Messrs. T. S. Tobin, T. W. Steinhoff, M. F. Goodwin, Peter Bowman, W. A. Moore.

Steamship Arrivals.

Feb. 3.	At	From
H. H. Meier	New York	Bremen
Siberia	Glasgow	New York
Karlsruhe	Bremen	New York
Obdam	Rotterdam	New York

Mr. McKinley will be the third Methodist President of the United States.

DISTORTED JOINTS AND ACHING LIMBS

That's Rheumatism's Legacy to Its Victims.

If rheumatism fastens its grip upon you you'll soon be a sorry sight. Every movement will make you writhe with pain, and limp with stiffened joints. Don't neglect the wandering pains and aches in the joints which are the herald of rheumatism's approach. Get Mack's Rheumatic (Liver and Kidney) Pills before you become a distorted wreck. They clear out all rheumatic acids and poisons from the system and remove the last vestige of the disease. Price fifty cents a box, all druggists.

'Cough Chaser" Strengthens the Voice. Cures Sore Throat, 10c.

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THE WEATHER TODAY: Fair.

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Just a Few of Them Left.

A sale like we've been conducting isn't an everyday occurrence. If it were all the women in London would be pleased all the time. In our ad. of Tuesday we said the Silk offerings would be cleared out in less than a week. That was a very conservative estimate. Three days more and only a very limited number of yards left. If you're wanting any of them you may still be in time. Don't put off buying till Saturday. They'll be well sold by that time, or we're greatly mistaken. It's a great chance. Accept it and you'll save money. Miss it and you'll pay twice the price for similar goods a little later.

SILKS DOWN IN PRICE.

—Japanese Wash Silks, in stripes, original price 25c, down to	12½c	—Dresden and Brocade Wash Silks, for stylish summer dresses, stylish colorings, regular 35c to 50c goods, down to	25c
—Fancy Colored Silks, stripes, suitable for blouse waists, former price 35c and 45c, down	20c	—A Dresden Silk in cream and green, pink, green, Nile and brown; pretty for evening wear; regular 85c goods, down to	39c
—Choice Silks, assorted colors, black and white stripes, black and heliotrope, blue and pink, white and pink, black and gold, 50c goods, down to	39c	—Brocade Satin, in Nile, yellow and heliotrope, original 75c goods, down to	39c
—Black Japanese Silk, 23 inch wide, going now at	35c	—Black Surah Silk, very good quality and all Silk, regular 50c goods, down to	39c

Linens and Cottons

In our Linen Department we have a number of special articles at specially close prices that we want you to see. Tea Cloths, Sideboard Scarfs, Tray Cloths, Table Centers, Doilies, Dresser Covers, Table Napkins and Silent Cloths. You'll likely require some new Linen soon. Buy now and you can buy more.

In Cottons we have the product of Canadian and English mills, and many well known American brands, including Dwight Anchor, Fruit of the Loom, and Lonsdale Cambric. To induce you to buy now we have many excellent values to offer. A great variety of Canadian, English and American Sheeting and Pillow Cottons.

We have put out additional goods on our table of Plush and Gimp Trimmings. All going at 1c a yard.

Smallman & Ingram,

149 AND 151 DUNDAS STREET.

Rossland and Slocan Mines.

Mr. Edward Cronyn's Views—Six Months Devoted to Personal Investigation—To Investors.

Having just concluded six months' personal investigation of mines and mining in the great gold and silver camps of Rossland and the Slocan, I submit as follows: My investigation was made from the standpoint of an investor, also from that of one who might be asked, or feel disposed, to advise the investment of money by others who have not the opportunity to personally visit the mines.

In addition to actual examination of the mines, I have gone very carefully into the different methods of company organization, plans of operation and the character of individuals forming boards of management of companies prominently before the public with their shares. But a very short stay in Rossland or the Slocan is required to convince the most skeptical that the great gold and silver mines are not only destined to enrich Canada, but to create many individual fortunes.

My especial purpose, therefore, soon became the determination as to what kind of organization, operation and men "at the helm" were best calculated to assure profitable results to investors, assuming that a good mining property had first been secured.

I submit briefly the conclusions at which I have arrived:

A. Given a first-class property, the company mining or operating it must be properly organized under some incorporation law sufficiently well established by the highest judicial decisions, to enable the shareholders and officers to know precisely what their powers, privileges and responsibilities are.

B. Given a first-class organization, sound management is absolutely necessary. By "sound," I mean honest and capable. If either qualification is to be sacrificed, let it not be honesty, for dishonest managers can readily divert the profits entirely away from the shareholders.

C. In any event, ample working capital is esential to safe, profitable mine operation. This is especially true if the property be, as is usually the case, undeveloped, for time and money are necessary to enable the opening up and equipment of the best of mines before the ore can be extracted economically and profitably.

D. Reasoning backward, if the incorporation law under which the company is formed be defective, or vague and untried, litigation and loss are possible at every stage; or, if the management be unsound, the profits may be absorbed by excessive salaries or wasted by reckless, extravagant expenditures; or, if sufficient provision is not made in the beginning for procuring ample working capital as required, the company may have to suspend operations before the property become productive, until the shareholders can be assessed voluntarily, or otherwise, to procure more funds.

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Toronto Stock Market.

TORONTO, Feb. 4.

	Ask.	Off.
Montreal	231	225
Ontario	85½	82½
Moisons	..	..
Toronto	222	220
Merchants	170	168
Commerce	128	127
Imperial	179	178
Dominion	227	225½
Standard	167	164
Hamilton	168	154
British America	117½	116½
Western Assurance	167½	166½
Canada Life	..	..
Confederation Life	..	..
Consumers Gas	201	200
Dominion Telegraph	123	124
Montreal Telegraph	..	..
Northwest Land Company, pref	50	..
Canada Pacific Railway Stock	56	55½
Commercial Cable Company	167½	167½
Postal Telegraph	98½	98½
Bell Telephone Company	156½	156
Montreal Street Railway	225	223
Montreal Street Railway (new)	..	..
Toronto Street Railway	70	69½
Dominion Savings and Invest	79	75
Farmers Loan and Savings	119	118
Farmers L. and S., 20 per cent	80	..
Huron and Erie L. and S.	..	147
Huron and Erie, 20 per cent	..	147
London and Canada, L. and A.	90	..
London Loan	..	..
London and Ontario	101	..
Ontario Loan and Debenture	120	110

SALES—1 p.m. board.—Commerce, 40, 4, 4 at 127½; Dominion, 50 at 226; Com. Cable, 25, 25 at 167½, 25 at 167¾; Postal Tel., 100 at 98¾, 11 at 98½; Bell Tel., 5 at 156½. 11:15 a.m.—Toronto, 5, 7, at 220; Dominion, 6 at 226; C. P. R., 25 at 56; Com. Cable, 25 at 167¾; Postal Tel., 25, 25 at 98½.

Montreal Stock arket.

MONTREAL, Feb. 4.

	Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	57	56½
Duluth, common	4½	3½
Duluth, preferred	10	7
Commercial Cable	168	167½
Wabash, common	..	..
Wabash, preferred	..	..
Montreal Telegraph	167	165
Richelieu and Ontario	92½	88
Montreal Street Railway	224½	223½
Montreal Street Railway, new	..	..
Montreal Gas Company	192	192
Bell Telephone	157½	156
Royal Electric	138	135
Toronto Railway	70	69½
Bank of Montreal	241	225
Ontario Bank	85	82½
Banque du Peuple	..	..
Moisons Bank	200	180
Northwest Land Company, com	..	..
Bank of Toronto	230½	228
Merchants Bank	172	167½
Merchants Bank of Halifax	170	154
Quebec Bank	..	..
Union Bank	110	105
Bank of Commerce	130	126
Northwest Land	..	..
Montreal Cotton Company	130	125
Canada Colored Cotton	..	..
Dominion Cotton	90	84
Postal Telegraph	98½	98

SALES—Com. Cable, 25 at 168½, 25 at 167½; Mont. St. Ry., 60 at 224; Mont. Gas, 315 at 192½, 4 at 193; Royal Electric, 31 at 13½; Toronto Ry., 22 at 70½; Bank of Montreal, 12 at 229; Union Bank, 5 at 105.

COMMERCIAL.

Toronto Grain Market.

Toronto, Feb. 4.—Wheat—Offerings are fair and the market is steadier. Red and white quoted north and west points at 76c to 77c, and buyers are quoting 75c; Manitoba wheat is easier; cars of No. 1 hard are quoted at 86c, Midland and Owen Sound, and No. 2 hard at 84c; No. 1 hard is quoted north at 81c.

Flour—Dull and easy; cars of straight roller are quoted west at $3 75 to $3 80.

Millfeed—Dull, at $8 for shorts west, and $7 for bran.

Barley—Dull and prices unchanged, at 33c for No. 1 extra, 30c to 31c for No. 1, 27c to 28c for No. 2, 25c for No. 3 extra, and 22c for feed outside.

Buckwheat—Dull, at 20c to 26c east.

Rye—Quiet, at 34c to 35c outside, according to location.

Corn—Easier; yellow is quoted west at 26c.

Oats—Easy; mixed sold west at 17c, and white at 17 1-2c.

Peas—Steady; they are quoted at 63c at north and west points, and cars sold, middle freights, today at 40c.

Late English Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 4 —4:15 p.m.

Wheat — Spot dull; demand poor; No. 2 red spring, 6s 5d. No. 1 California, 6s 8½d; futures opened and closed steady, with near and distant positions 1d lower; business heaviest on middle positions; Feb., 6s 3½d; March, 6s 4½d; May, 6s 5½d; July, 6s 3½d.

Corn — Spot quiet; American mixed, new, 2s 5½d; futures opened quiet with near and distant position 1d lower; closed quiet, with near positions 1d lower and distant positions ½d lower; business about equally distributed; Feb., 2s 3½d; March, 2s 3½d; April and May, 2s 3½d; June, 2s 4½d; July, 2s 3½d.

Flour—Easy; demand poor; St. Louis fancy winter, 2s.

Peas—Canadian, 4s 5d.

American Produce Markets.

DETROIT.

Detroit, Feb. 4.—Wheat—No. 1 white cash, 86½c; No. 2 red cash, 86½c; March, 86½c; July, 74½c.

TOLEDO.

Toledo, Feb. 4.—Wheat—Cash, 86½c; March, 87½c; July, 74½c.

Corn—March, 24c.

Oats—March, 18c; July, 18½c.

BUFFALO.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 4.—Spring wheat—Quiet; No. 1 hard, old, 87½c; do. new, 86c; No. 1 northern, old, 81½c; do. new, 83c. No. 2 northern, old, 81½c. Winter wheat Dull; No. 2 red, 84½c; on track, 90c; No. 1 white, 90c.

Corn—Firm; No. 2 yellow, 29½c; No. 3 yellow, 26½c; No. 4 yellow, 25½c; No. 2 corn, 2-2c; No. 3 corn, 25½c.

Oats—Dull; No. 2 white, 22c; No. 3 white, 20½c; No. 4 white, 19c to 19½c; No. 3 mixed, 18½c.

Barley—Canada is in fairly active request and firm; No. 1, 50c; No. 2, 48c.

MILWAUKEE.

Milwaukee, Feb. 4.—Wheat, cash, 72½c; March, 74½c.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—Wheat opened lower on weak cables and ruled weak. Corn—Quiet. Oats—Easier. Provisions weak.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—Opening—Wheat, May, 74½c; July, 70½c. Corn, May, 24c; July, 25½c; Sept., 26½. Oats, May, 17½c; July 18½c. Pork, May, $7 87. Lard, May, $3 87½; July, $3 95. Ribs, May, $3 85; July, 4 3 35.

Chicago, Feb. 4—12:30 p.m.—Wheat, May, 75 c; July, 71½c. Corn, May, 24½c; Sept., 26½c. Oats, May, 17½c; July, 18½c.

NEW YORK.

New York, Feb. 4.

Flour—Receipts, 11,700 bbls; sales, 1,500 packages; State and western, quiet and lower to sell.

Wheat — Receipts, 10,175; sales, 935 000 bu; opened weak and sold off under weak cables, later realizing on a scare of the shorts; May, 80 11-16c to 81½c; Sept., 75½c.

Rye—Dull; No. 2 western, 39c to 39½c c.i.f., Buffalo.

Corn—Receipts, 48,750 bu; sales, 50,000 bu; quiet but steady. May, 29½c.

Oats—Receipts, 76,800 bu; dull; track white, 20c to 30c.

Butter — Receipts, 4,858 packages; firm; state dairy, 10c to 15c; state creamery, 13c to 19c; western creamery, 12c to 21c; Elgins, 21c; factory, 7c to 14c.

Cheese—Receipts, 3,724 packages; quiet; state large, 8½c to 12½c; small, 8½c to 12½c; part skims, 5c to 9½c; full skims, 3 to 3½c.

Eggs — Receipts, 4,651 packages; steady; state and Pennsylvania, 16½c; western, 13c to 15c.

Sugar—Raw dull; refined quiet.

Petroleum—Steady; refined all ports, $6 10 to $6 15.

Coffee—Dull.

Hops—Quiet; state common to choice, '95 crop, 3c to 7½c; '96 crop, 3c to 13½c; Pacific coast, '95 crop, 3½c to 7½c; '96 crop, 9c to 13c.

Lead—Strong, bullion price, $2 90; exchange price, $3 07½ to $3 12½.

Chicago Exchange.

Following are the fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade furnished by F. H. Butler, Broker, Masonic Temple. 'Phone 1,278.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—May	74½	76½	74½	75½
July	70½	72½	70½	72
Corn—May	24	24½	24	24½
July	25¾	26¼	25¾	26¼
Oats—May	17¾	17¾	17¾	17¾
July	18½	18¾	18½	18¾
Pork—May	7 87	7 90	7 85	7 87
July	7 67	7 70	7 67	7 70
Lard—May	3 87	3 87	3 80	3 82
July	3 92	3 97	3 87	3 87
Ribs—May	3 85	3 90	3 85	3 87
July	3 93	4 97	3 95	3 97

Puts, 74½; calls, 76½.

Live Stock Markets.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—Hogs—Receipts, 22,000; left over, 4,000; market active and mostly 5c higher; light, $3 25 to $3 50; mixed, $3 30 to $4 27 1-2; heavy, $3 15 to $4 15; roughs, $3 15 to $3 20.

Cattle—Receipts, 5,500; market strong to 15c higher; beeves, $3 55 to $5 35; cows and heifers, $1 80 to $4 15; Texas steers, $3 10 to $4 20; stockers and feeders, $3 25 to $4 20.

Sheep—Receipts, 14,000; market was steady.

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REFORMS THAT DON'T SATISFY.

New York, Feb. 4.—A special from San Juan De Porto Rico says: The autonomists of the island have issued a manifesto announcing strong dissatisfaction at the reforms recently granted by Spain.

COMMITTED MURDER "TO GET EVEN."

Schenectady, N. Y., Feb. 4.—James Miller was shot and instantly killed by Patrick Webber in this city this morning in a quarrel over money matters. Webber was arrested, and admitted his guilt. He said he shot Miller to get even. Both lived here.

SAVED BY A JOKE.

A man was up before the judge the other day for stealing coal. The railroad detective said that he caught the fellow in a coal car, but the man said that he was only sleeping there because his wife had locked him out and he had no money to go to a hotel. "Pretty hard bed, wasn't it?" asked the judge.

"Oh, no, sir," he answered, "it was soft coal." And the judge was so struck by the joke that he let him off.—Buffalo Inquirer.

LIFE SAVED.—Mr. James Bryson Cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the lungs, and was given up by physicians. A neighbor advised me to try Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, saying that his wife had used it for a throat trouble with the best results. Acting on this advice, I procured the medicine, and less than half a bottle cured me; I certainly believed it saved my life. It was with reluctance that I consented to a trial, as I was reduced to such a state that I doubted the power of any remedy to do me any good."

The steamer Majestic, from Liverpool, has been sighted off Fire Island, New York. On board the Majestic is Edward J. Ivory, recently tried and acquitted of complicity in an alleged dynamite conspiracy.

Comprehensive.—"Are you feeling better this morning?" asked Mr. Propriety. "In some ways I am and in some ways I am not," answered Bobsly. "Then I sincerely congratulate you and condole with you, Mr. Bobsly. Good morning."—Detroit Free Press.

Topics of Today.

Hon. John Dryden attended a meeting of the Canadian Shorthorn Association in Toronto yesterday, and announced that he and Hon. Mr. Fisher were thinking of providing means whereby any breeder could have the test for tuberculosis applied to his cattle at small expense. The Ontario Minister said the evidence was that little tuberculosis existed in Canadian cattle.

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There was a slim attendance at the Conservative Provincial convention in Winnipeg.

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The leading steamship companies are asking the Government to pay half the cost of fitting up vessels for cold storage. The total payment would amount to $150,000. Cold storage must certainly be provided. It is a necessity to successful farming in Canada today.

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A dispatch from Rossland, B. C., says that the largest mining deal yet made has just been completed. The property involved is the famous Le Roi, "Rossland's Bonanza" mine. The purchase price is $4,250,000. The purchasers are an English syndicate, heavily interested in South Africa, South America and the United States. Millionaire William Bennison, of Everett, made the deal. The same syndicate have secured options on the Josie, at $700,000; on the Iron Mask, at $500,000; and Iron Horse, at $75,000. It is significant, as showing the interest which British investors are now taking in Canadian mines, that within the year prior to this big deal 38 British companies had been formed to carry on business in Canada, with a capital of $3,288,100. Canada's hour has come.

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Hon. Mr. Dobell, who has just returned from Great Britain, in an interview, says:

"I can tell you that the feeling in England toward Mr. Laurier is one not merely of satisfaction, but cordiality. If he should go over for the Queen's jubilee he will be given a reception greater than that accorded to any Canadian Premier, not excepting the late Sir John Macdonald. Not that I wish to depreciate the late Premier, but the tone of the Canadian press touching the election of Mr. Laurier to the supreme place in the councils of the country has been noted, and a great hope is felt that under his administration the country will prosper."

Tonight's Bulletins.

Tonight The Advertiser will promptly bulletin the three Dominion election returns on its illuminated boards.

Around the City

—Mr. Wm. Hawkshaw, of the Grand Central Hotel, St. Marys, was in the city today.

—George C. Gibbons, Q.C., attended a meeting of the benchers of the Law Society yesterday.

—Mr. S. T. Piper, of Westminster, lot 58, town line, near Lambeth, was kicked by a horse and seriously injured yesterday. Mr. Piper is a brother of Dr. Piper, of South London.

—Mr. N. I. McDermid, druggist, returned from Chicago last evening, where he has been for the past month attending the Chicago Ophthalmic College and Hospital, perfecting himself in the optical business.

—St. Thomas Times: "John A. Robinson, the well-known barrister, will elect a first-class club house on Bishop's Hill, at Port Stanley, this spring for the use of the cottagers who summer there. He will also have constructed a cold storage and ice house.

—Some time ago a dispatch was published describing the ravages that a drug was making in South Manchester, Conn. It was reported that half the population were slaves to the habit. A gentleman here wrote to the postmaster of that city, Mr. R. M. Rood, and received a reply today. Mr. Rood gives the story this emphatic and picturesque denial: "It is a lie all the way through and back again, on both sides, and overhead."

—Among the members of the board of directors of the Canadian Shorthorn Association, elected at their recent meeting, are: Alex. Smith, Maple Lodge; D. D. Wilson, Seaforth; H. Cargill, M.P., Markham; C. M. Simmons, Ivan; H. Smith, Hay; T. E. Robson, Ilderton; F. I. Patten, M.D., St. George; W. J. Biggins, Clinton; David Rae, Fergus; James Tolton, Walkerton; John Davidson, Ashburn. Delegates to the Western Fair—H. Smith, Hay, Ont.; C. M. Simmons, Ivan, Ont.

A horse attached to a delivery wagon ran away from the corner of Queen's avenue and William street this morning, and created a good deal of excitement by dashing at a two-minute clip along William street to Dundas, along Dundas to Colborne, then turning south. P. C. Thompson attempted to stop the frightened animal at the corner of Waterloo and King streets, by catching the lines and jumping on to the sleigh, but the lines slipped out of his hands. The horse was afterwards caught before any damage was done.

OSGOODE HALL ECHOES.

Raleigh Cycle Co. vs. Hurndell.—McKillop (London) for plaintiffs. Ryckman for defendants. Judgment in terms of consent minutes.

Re Mathewson Trusts.—W H. Blake, for one Campbell, an executor and trustee, moved on petition for order discharging him and appointing a new trustee. J. H. Moss for adult respondents. J. Hoskin, Q.C., for the infant respondents. McKillop (London) for the proposed new trustee and for Somerville, the petitioner's co-executor. Petition refused with costs, without prejudice to a further action.

Merchants' Bank vs. Black.—J. M. Glenn (St. Thomas) and Leitch (Dutton), for defendants, Henry Hollingshaw and Duncan McPhail, appealed from report of master at St. Thomas. Gibbons, Q.C., for plaintiff, opposed appeal and supported a cross-appeal. After argument both appeals were by consent dismissed with costs, and judgment given to pay plaintiffs $2,250 without costs. Judgment not to be entered for thirty days.

Mamma—Johnny, what is the reason why you did not come home earlier? Johnny—Why, mamma, that's a funny question for you to ask. You said the other day that if I didn't come straight home from school in future you'd know the reason why.—Boston Transcript.

Saved Her Babe!

Brave Deed of a Lobo Farmer's Wife.

She Rescues Her Child at the Peril of Her Own Life.

The Little One's Dress Was on Fire — Destruction of the Home and Its Contents.

The house of Mr. Edward Granger, of the thirteenth concession, Lobo, was burned to the ground yesterday afternoon, with all the contents.

The fire broke out about 4:30 o'clock, and the top of the house was in flames before it was observed. Mr. Granger was at Ailsa Craig with a load of grain at the time. Mrs. Granger, with two small children, was at the barn milking. A babe was alone in the house, sleeping.

One of the children at the barn called the mother's attention to the fire and the terror-stricken woman rushed into the burning building just in time to save her child.

The infant's clothes were on fire, and the mother, in effecting the rescue, severely burned herself. A half minute later and the child would have been burned to death. A neighbor, Mr. McDougal, gave the alarm with a dinner bell, and a large crowd soon gathered, but it was too late. Of the contents, only the sewing machine was saved.

The damage was about $800, and will be a great blow to the loser. Insurance only $100.

A defective chimney is supposed to have been the cause.

A Public Meeting

Called by the Mayor to Promote the Indian Relief Fund.

Mr. Kelso Visits the Gypsy Camp—A Polyglot Progeny—Building Permits.

The mayor has called a public meeting, to be held in the City Hall on Monday night, to discuss the India relief fund. He has been approached by many citizens on the subject, and has even been offered subscriptions. As a result he has thought it better to call a mass meeting, and the relief movement will probably be made a public one.

CITY HALL NOTES.

Mr. Ed. Howay, 815 Queen's avenue, has secured a permit to erect a story and a half brick veneer residence on the south side of Queen's avenue, between English and Ontario streets. Estimated cost, $1,400.

Mr. Wm. Mason will erect a brick cottage on Byron avenue, to cost $700.

Mr. J. J. Kelso, provincial superintendent of the Children's Aid, left the city for Hamilton today to address a public meeting. Mrs. Harvey, his assistant, will shortly be here to visit the 30 children whom the local society have placed in homes in this district. The object of the visit is to see that all the little ones are well treated. Mr. Kelso inspected the gypsy camp yesterday and was highly amused. He found nearly 1,000 people there, but the gypsies were able to collect very little money from the crowd. Mr. Kelso learned by inquiry that the gypsies were not drinking people. They have traveled in every country in Europe, and some of the children were born in Great Britain, some in France, some in Germany, some in Austria and some in Canada. One man speaks seven languages colloquially.

TOOK ALL THE MONEY

In the Florence Bank Safe—Two Mysterious Strangers.

It is learned that the safe at Mr. Unsworth's private bank in Florence was utterly destroyed by the burglars on Tuesday night, and that all the money inside was stolen. The exact amount is not given, but it is supposed to be several hundred dollars. Luckily, nearly $800 was paid out late Tuesday night by Mr. Unsworth's son. The safe was supposed to be burglar-proof, and powerful explosives must have been used.

As yet there is no definite trace of the thieves. Two strangers secured a livery horse in this city the next afternoon, and have not returned the rig yet. It may be a mere coincidence, and it may be a clue.

A WIDOW'S LOSS.

Mrs. Smith of Maitland Street Burned Out—No Insurance.

Fire broke out this morning in a little frame cottage on Maitland street, No. 74, and destroyed considerable of the furniture belonging to the tenant, Mrs. E. Smith, a colored woman.

No one was in the house at the time, and some passerby, on noticing the blaze, sent the alarm in to the fire department from box 35. The brigade arrived promptly, and did effectual work. The fire had apparently started in a bedroom, the furniture of which was destroyed, and the walls throughout the house were blackened with smoke. Mrs. Smith, who is a widow, had been at her father's house nearby last night. Her son went home this morning before going to school and started a fire in the stove. It is presumed that the damaging fire originated in this way.

The house belonged to Mr. Wright, of Glanworth, and is insured, but there was no insurance on the contents. The total damage was about $100. An organ and sewing machine were saved.

THE TRIGGER.

A SHOOT AT DORCHESTER.

Dorchester was visited by a number of local marksmen yesterday, and they returned well pleased with the outing. Every member of the party shot well, as is shown by the following score:

Smith	7	J. Homister	5
W. Avey	6	B. Craik	5
Payne	6	J. Richardson	5
A. Andrews	6	H. Walsh	4

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Newspaper Makers

Annual Meeting of the Canadian Press Association.

Recommendations of the Executive Committee—Election of Officers.

(Special to The Advertiser, per G. N. W. Line.)

Toronto, Feb. 4.—The annual meeting of the Canadian Press Association opened this morning at the Board of Trade building. President J. S. Brierly occupied the chair.

The feature of the morning was the president's address. Mr. Brierly's main point was a proposition for the reimposition of postage on newspapers, which is held to be necessary in the interests of legitimate newspapers.

The executive committee's report recommended the reduction of the admission fee from $5 to $3. The statement was also made that the membership is now greater than ever before. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Major J. B. McLean, Montreal; vice-president, Robt. Holmes, New Era, Clinton; second vice-president, W. S. Dingman, Herald, Stratford; secretary-treasurer, John A. Cooper, Canadian Magazine, Toronto; assistant secretary-treasurer, Otter Colquhoun, Toronto.

The Railways.

Freight Business Booming on the M. C. R.

Several T. H. & B. Stations Closed — Meeting of Passenger Agents.

The M. C. R. have completed cutting ice at Waterford, Ont., 1,242 cars being housed.

Freight business is rushing on the M. C. R., and it has been found necessary to place a third transfer at work on the river at Windsor.

The T. H. and B. stations at Chantlers, Cainsville and Welland Junction have been closed, pending the taking over of the road by the M. C. R. and C. P. R. Companies, and, it is said, a number of employes have been dismissed in order to cut down expenses.

Conductor James Pim has resigned his position on the G.T.R. after a service of over 36 years. Mr. Pim ceased running some three months ago owing to ill-health, and finding his condition not improving, has concluded to give up his position. Much regret will be felt by travelers on the Northern division, as he was well and favorably known.

A monster auxiliary derrick has been turned out from the Toronto shops and sent to Stratford. It was ordered after the Bresiau accident about a year ago, and is the largest piece of machinery of this kind in use on the Grand Trunk. It is mounted on a car 44 feet long, and the machine is so powerful that it can lift an engine out of a ditch and place it on the rails.

The general passenger agents met in Buffalo on Wednesday, and after electing A. J. Smith, of the Lake Shore, as chairman, and George C. Wells, of the Canadian Pacific, as secretary, proceeded to discuss the question of summer rates from Niagara Falls to points east. A change of dates was determined upon for tickets to the fishing resorts. Heretofore they have been on sale after June 1 until Oct. 31. Next season they will be put on sale a month earlier, and will become void a month later. Representatives of the Canadian lake and rail lines also met and readopted last year's schedule.

FOUR VICTIMS.

Desmit, S.D., Feb. 4.—A mixed train, while standing on the sidetrack at Arlington, was run into by an engine. Conductor Addington, Brakeman Horace, John Loftus, of Desmit, and Mr. Harrison, of Arlington, were killed. Their bodies were burned in the wreck.

PARTISAN POSTMASTERS.

Goderich, Feb. 4.—The inquiry into the charges of offensive partisanship against Messrs. W. Campbell, postmaster at Goderich; D. E. Munro, postmaster at Auburn; J. M. Robert, postmaster at Dungannon; J. T. Austin, mail clerk, running from Wingham to London, and J. E. Dalton, mail clerk on the London division, was begun yesterday.

LORD ABERDEEN'S CANADIAN FARM.

Here is the picture which Lady Marjorie draws of the Governor-General's British Columbia estate: "In the Okanagan Lake district, where my father has a ranch, we have great orchards of apple, plum, and pear trees, and also lots of small fruits, and a great many of these go to the miners. In the autumn many of the Siwash Indians come from neighboring reserves to pick the hops. It is a very pretty sight to see them in gayly colored clothes, and the women with bright handkerchiefs on their heads, picking away among the bright green hops. A dear old French missionary priest, of whom they are very fond, comes with them to look after them, and works with them. These French missionaries all over the West have done wonders with the Indians. It is easy to understand why we children enjoy being at Coldstream Ranch, and what lots of fun we get, riding and shooting and running about."

RETURN OF SIR CHARLES.

Liverpool, Feb. 4.—Among the passengers sailing today for Halifax on board the Allan Line steamer Mongolian (Capt. Moore) are Sir Charles Tupper and Lady Tupper.

SIGNED THE PLAN.

Madrid, Feb. 4.—The Queen-Regent today signed the plan for the reforms in the Island of Cuba. The text of the document will be published on Saturday.

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John Murphy, alias Whitehead, the alleged dynamiter, who was recently released with Dr. Gallagher from Portland prison, England, and who has been confined at the Amityville, L. I., insane asylum for some time, has escaped from that institution.

The Wooing of Nell.

"Oh," remarked the detective, highly satisfied at having tapped the fount of Meg's loquacity, "I should have thought she was too much of a fine lady for that, your Miss Nell!"

"Ah, but she wouldn't do it for anybody else," replied Meg, anxious to defend her mistress. "You see, the colonel and his daughter are real gentlefolks, only they're poor, very poor. An' they don't keep no servant, an' Miss Theodora does all the work herself. So you see, as she's been kind to Miss Nell, and got the master to give Nell a fire eddication and French an' the planner, why, Miss Nell don't seem to know how to do enough for her. That's how it is, sir. I'd be glad to take the milk myself, or we could easy get the boy to do it, only Miss Nell likes to do it herself like."

The detective was about to interrogate Meg further, when the voice of the innkeeper, shouting to her to know why breakfast was not ready, prevented his hearing any more. And, much to his regret, he found on his next meeting with her, that the poison of suspicion had been instilled into her mind by her master, and that she was communicative no longer.

Finding this source of information dry, therefore, the detective, who shrewdly concluded that Nell would not return until he had taken his departure, sent a boy off towards Stroan with his luggage on a barrow, paid his bill, and went away.

But he did not go very far. Overtaking the boy, he made him leave his baggage at Stroan station; and as soon as the lad was out of sight, he had it taken to one of the inns of the place.

This done, he had his luncheon, and walked back to the Blue Lion.

He did not want to put in an appearance until he knew whether Miss Nell had returned from her visit to her friend. But it was a slack time of day at the inn, and there was nobody about of whom he could ask a question. He managed to get a peep into the bar as he walked past the house, but there was no one there, either in front or behind. When he had hung about the place some time, keeping as much out of view as possible, he saw the robust figure of Meg at the side door. She was shaking out a cloth. She started and uttered a little gasp at sight of him.

"Why," said he, getting, by a dexterous movement, between her and the door, "what's the matter? You look scared at sight of me!"

"Well, I don't want to have any more to say to you, and that's a fact," replied stalwart Meg with her hands on her hips. "It seems you're nothing better than a detective chap, what's come ferreting about the place asking questions, and trying to get us all into trouble. Ugh! I'm ashamed to be seen a-talking to you!"

"Well, now, can't you see that it is for the good of all of you that this affair should be cleared up, and that it should be known who it is that has brought the bad name on the house?" said he persuasively. "I'm very sure you ladies must be frightened out of your lives to hear the things that are said. It'll end by you all going away from the place, like Miss Nell has done."

"Oh, but she's come back," replied Meg quickly, with the idea that there was reproach to her young mistress implied in the suggestion that she had been frightened away. "She didn't wait long after master sent to her, I can tell you!"

"And she's in the house now?" asked the detective with interest.

"Yes, but not for you to see," retorted Meg, rudely. "You can worry me with your questions if you like, but you don't get at her, if I can help it."

At that moment a window was opened above their heads, and the detective, without answering the servant, looked up quickly. He saw Nell standing at the casement, crumbling a piece of bread which she put on the ledge for the birds.

Noticing something with quick eyes, he stared up silently, until Nell, whose head was turned away, moved and perceived him. She blushed crimson, and was about to shut the window hastily, when he stopper her with an imperious gesture.

"Beg pardon, miss, but could I speak to you a minute?"

For an instant she seemed to hesitate, and in that instant he could see that she grew deadly pale. At last, however, she made a movement to signify assent, closed the window, and disappeared.

The detective, who thought he had reason to fear that she would again attempt to escape him, pushed brusquely past Meg, and opened the side door.

"What are you going in like that for, without so much as 'with your leave, or 'by your leave'?" asked she promptly.

"You heard the young lady say she'd see me," replied the detective, as, without further ceremony, he passed into the house.

At the foot of the stairs he met Nell.

"What do you wish to say to me?" she asked, in a very tranquil tone.

It was now so dark in the passage that they could hardly see each other's face.

"Well, in the first place, miss, I should like to speak to you in a better light," replied the man.

"In here, then," said she, leading the way, after another moment of apparent hesitation, into the little sitting-room at the back of the house.

There was a fire, and there was a lamp. The detective turned up the wick.

"You'll excuse me, miss, but I want very particularly to see you while I speak."

She had gone round the little table, and was standing at the other side of it. With a sudden movement the detective swooped round upon her, and seizing her by the wrist in a firm grip, pointed to the palm of her hand.

On the soft pink skin there was a little blister, freshly made, with a red line of inflammation round the base.

CHAPTER X.

"That is a burn, is it not?" he asked quietly.

The girl was white, and she trembled from head to foot. Her forehead grew damp, and glistened in the lamplight. Her lips seemed scarcely able to form the answer which she uttered in a mechanical fashion.

"Yes."

"May I ask you to oblige me by telling me how it happened?"

She glanced up at him with a face that was rigid with fear.

"What—what does it matter? Why do you want to know?"

She seemed to him to be turning something over in her mind, and he at once assumed that she was trying to invent a plausible story to account for the mark on her hand.

"I'm sure you may guess, miss, that it is not my business to put you to inconvenience by asking unnecessary questions. But, of course, if you refuse to answer, I can't make you. Do you refuse?"

"Oh, no, certainly not," she replied quickly; "I was doing some ironing and the iron touched my hand and burned it."

"And when did this happen, miss?"

Again the girl hesitated. The detective took note of this fact also. He repeated his question.

"Today—this morning."

"I believe, miss, you were not here this morning?"

"I was not in this house."

"Have you any objection to tell me where you were, miss?"

Her white face flushed.

"I would rather not." Then, at once perceiving that he noted this fact against her, she added—"My only reason is that I was in the house of a friend, and I don't want her to be disturbed by your making inquiries of her about—about—me."

The man smiled dryly.

"I'm afraid, miss, it's too late to trouble ourselves about that. As I want really to save you all the trouble and annoyance I can, perhaps you'll let me suggest where you were. Wasn't it at Colonel Bostal's, miss, at the house they call Shingle End?"

"Yes; but she doesn't know anything about this; I didn't tell her why I came."

"All right, miss; don't you worry yourself about that. I shan't put her to much trouble, I can promise you. At this stage of the business, it's only asking questions. But, of course, you understand that we have to make sure we get truthful answers."

Nell looked more anxious than ever, but she made no further objection.

"Do you want to ask me anything more?" she said quietly.

"Nothing more at present, miss. And I am much obliged to you for the few minutes' talk you've given me."

He did not hide—perhaps he could not—the fact that his spirits had risen considerably. Not only was there the mark of the burn in her hand, but there were a dozen signs—in the lightness of foot, her height, her slenderness of figure, the softness of her hand, her hesitation in answering him—by which he began to feel absolutely sure that he was at last on the right tack. Therefore he had to persuade her that he was on the wrong one.

"Of course, miss," said he, "it does not do to say too much when one is only investigating like. But I may tell you that you've helped me considerably, and in a way you wouldn't think, to find out the thief who's given all the bother."

Again the girl's face, with its delicate, tell-tale skin, blanched with a spasm of terror. But he didn't appear to notice it.

"And now, I may just add, in strict confidence, mind, as it's a thing I don't want to get known till I've actually nabbed the chap, that he's one of the best-known thieves from the East End of London, and has done time more than once."

As he said these words, with an expression of great cunning, Nell's face, as easily read as a book, exhibited first astonishment, then relief, and finally a joy which she tried in vain to hide. He could see, even though her eyes were downcast and her mouth tightly drawn, that she could scarcely contain herself for the wild impulse of delight which had succeeded to the torments of his interrogatory.

There was a moment's pause before she could collect herself to reply in tranquil tones:

"Well, I'm sure my uncle, and all of us, will be very glad when you've caught him. Will you go through this way?"

And opening the inner door of the sitting-room, she directed him to go out through the bar.

The detective smiled to himself when, after having refreshed himself at the bar, and apologized to George Claris, to whom he gave a hint similar to that which he had given Nell, he found himself once more on the road to Stroan.

He had been so far eminently successful, but there was many a link still wanting in the chain of evidence which was to connect pretty Nell Claris with the robberies at the inn. As he had no intention of returning to his hotel, until he had made further investigations at Shingle End, he doubled back by way of the fields when he had gone a short distance along the road, and hung about between the Blue Lion and Colonel Bostal's house, taking advantage of every bit of hedge and tree to keep out of the range of chance observers.

And it was not very long before he found that someone else was on the watch also. The figure of a man, in a jersey and seaman's boots, with a felt hat on the back of his head, and a pipe in his mouth, soon attracted his attention. He recognized the man as Jem Stickels, a frequent customer at the Blue Lion, and a person of whom report spoke ill, as a confirmed "loafer" and idler, who only worked when he could not help it. He could not be quite certain whether Stickels saw him, but the fisherman was on the lookout for another person, and the detective had little difficulty in guessing that that person was Nell Claris.

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He Severely Criticises the Medical Health Officer's Report.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

In reply to Medical Health Officer Hutchinson's report as to John O'Brien, when the doctor gets off the track I am the only country friend he has to lend a helping hand to put him on again. "A, B, C; 1, 2, 3," is a nice little rhyme. A little further on we will see what is in the little rhyme.

On Dec. 2, 1896, Dr. Hutchinson inspected our herd of dairy cows. Number of cows inspected, 25; number clean, 25; number healthy, 25; number in good condition, 25; character of accommodation, first-class; food supply, hay, corn and corn stalks, ground oats, wheat bran, millet and straw. When the report came out the stables were only second class. The stable floors, gutters and passages behind the cattle were first stoned, then concreted, then the floors were laid with lumber. So much for "A, B and C." On Nov. 17, 1896, Mr. Bell, through Mr. Lutman, got the first sample of our milk; tested by Dr. Hutchinson, 4.60. Sample for Mr. Wm. Phoenix, taken out of the same large can on the instant, and sent to Mr. Phoenix, tested 5.75. I protested the doctor's analysis, and sent $1 to Mr. Bell, who said to my son, "All right; I will drop on you when you won't be expecting me." For three samples, second sample taken on Nov. 27, by Mr. Bell, the Dr. Hutchinson sample tested 5.70, the Government 6.15, and Mr. Phoenix's sample 6.00. This sample was churned a little on the way home to Mr. Phoenix's house, and part of the contents turned into butter, otherwise it would have tested more. Now for "1, 2, 3." No. 1 embraces all samples over 4.00. Is that justice to anyone producing high per cent milk? The sample that I protested was 4.50; the same day's milk tested 5.70 by the doctor, 6.15 by the Government, and 6.00 by Mr. Phoenix. What satisfaction did I get, or the public, either, as both samples were classed No. 1, as it appears in the report of Jan. 23 and Jan. 25? Why didn't the doctor give the amount of the second sample tested, when I won it? If the Board of Health did their duty they would have insisted on this point, as it appeared in the report. I was the one that lost the protest instead of winning it. The scope is too great between 4.00 and upwards, say 6.15, as any ordinary herd of cows well fed will beat 4.00. I will tell, for the benefit of the public or anyone it may concern, that in 1889 we had about fifteen good Shorthorn and Ayrshire grades. On Sept. 13 I bought a young registered Jersey animal for $100. Some of his get has milked over 25 quarts and made 14 pounds of butter in seven days. To prevent inbreeding two years after, I got another, and in 1892 I bought Earl of Orgrove, No. 31,413, A. Y. C. C.; also Mokenas Hugo, of Oak Grove, A. Y. C. C., a pure St. Lambert, in 1895. These latter animals I have at the head of our herd. Now the females in those two males' get have butter records in seven days from 14 pounds 2 ounces, 16 pounds 8 1-2 ounces, 18 pounds 8 ounces, 24 pounds 14 ounces, up to 36 pounds 12 1-4 ounces in seven days—the last Mary Ann of St. Lambert. I could name many more, but this is sufficient.

We have of these male animals' get 40 females, old and young, 22 in milk at present. This is the way we climbed the ladder so far, and hope with the blessing of Divine Providence to go up higher yet. (Signed) JOHN O'BRIEN,

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Canada's Mines.

Latest Developments in the Rocky Mountains Region.

Rossland, Feb. 3.—At Kootenay there are 83 shipping properties, and the prospects are that there will be at least 50 more before the end of the year.

The Big Three and Snowshoe report extensive strikes. On the former the ledge is 15 feet wide, with ore all through it, and a pay streak on the hanging wall over 2 feet wide, averages $25 a ton. The percentage of copper is quite high.

The Colona will soon take rank with the shipping mines of the camp. It has 2 feet of high-grade ore in the tunnel, and a foot of solid ore in the bottom of the shaft. The ore assays $24 in gold and 10 per cent copper.

The Butte is showing 3 1-2 feet of high-grade copper ore, which is being followed in its easterly course, where it improves in the more precious metals.

Rossland and Manitoba capitalists purchased the Sultana mine on Lookout Mountain, last week, paying $10,000 for it. The new owners have commenced development.

In Slocum the Goodenough mine has accumulated a surplus and will pay a dividend of $20,000 next month.

On the White Bear, at a depth of 85 feet, a solid body of ore, assaying about $40 per ton, has been struck. The ore has widened gradually from the surface down to the present depth, and the ore has also improved in quality.

The Halls mines report the sale of matte for the year at about $400,000. They expended $310,000 in improvements and development. The amount of ore now in sight is estimated at 160,000 tons.

On Coal Hill, near Kamloops, on the Canadian Pacific Railroad, a strike has been made in the Iron Mask mine. The whole face of the tunnel is in ore that gives averages assays of $40 in gold, silver and copper. The mine now ranks among the shippers of the district.

On Phillip's Arm, Straits of Georgia, a strike has been made in the Young Australian mine that assays $80 gold and 13 ounces silver.

The War Eagle deal has been completed. The Toronto syndicate paid $800,000 for the property, which cost the second owners $17,000. By purchasing the Crown Point and consolidating it with the War Eagle, the new owners have increased the capitalization to $2,000,000.

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VETERINARY SCIENCE.

Interesting Lectures at Cherry Grove School House—A Profitable Meeting.

A very interesting meeting was held on Feb. 2 in the Cherry Grove school house, in West Missouri, when lectures were given under the auspices of the Veterinary Science Company on the anatomy, diseases and treatment of domestic animals. A number of prominent farmers of the neighborhood had requested the company's representative, Mr. W. T. Ayling, to arrange for the lecture, and the house was well filled. The lecturers were Mr. J. E. Hodgins, veterinary surgeon, and Mr. T. H. Haskett, both of the city of London, authors of "The Veterinary Science."

Mr. Hodgins dealt particularly with the horse, giving a very instructive lesson on its anatomy and on some diseases frequently met with, such as indigestion, colic and inflammation of the bowels, and how to distinguish them. He then took up the various lamenesses found in horses, described them and how to tell by the animal's action where the trouble is to be found and how to cure it. Mr. Hodgins also gave many interesting facts regarding the various medicines used in veterinary practice, and how to prepare them.

Mr. Haskett's address treated of cattle, sheep, pigs, dogs and poultry, with the most common diseases of each, and was equally interesting and instructive.

Mr. John Frain, one of the school trustees, presided, and made a model chairman.

At the conclusion of the lectures the audience asked numerous questions of the speakers, to solve difficulties the farmers had met, all of which were satisfactorily answered, the whole audience remaining till a late hour. This is the first lecture on veterinary science ever delivered in this county before a popular audience, and the interest manifested by the farmers was so great that by special request the lectures are to be repeated in other places.

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Stanco Stanovitch, a horse trader, and Anna Georgiovitch, a fortune teller, both Gypsies, were married on Thursday at Springfield, O. The bride is quite pretty, and wore a blue apron and a lace curtain for a bridal veil.

WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE.

Carson, Neb., Feb. 3.—The Woman's Suffrage Bill has passed the Senate by a vote of 9 to 5, and was sent to the Assembly, where it was referred to a committee. It is thought it will be defeated in the Assembly by a very small majority.

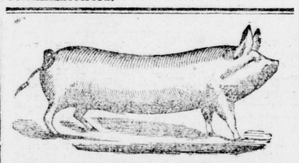
KILLED BY HER SWEETHEART.

Chicago, Feb. 3.—Julia Sheehan, 17 years of age, was shot and killed last night by her sweetheart, Joseph Cronin, who was handling a double-barreled shotgun, which he did not know was loaded.

TWO PEACEMAKERS MURDERED.

Stockton, Cal., Feb. 3.—Charles R. Dodge and Alexander Borland, two of residents of the county, were murdered last night at New Hope by C. P. Kleupfer, the senior member of the firm of Kleupfer & Co., general storekeepers and saloon-keepers in that town. The two men acted as peacemakers in a quarrel in which Kleupfer was a party.

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Have removed to 265 Dundas street.

Washington and the Inauguration.

A visit to the national capital during the winter must be taken to be appreciated. The gay city is at its gayest; Congress is in session; the Ministers and attaches of all foreign legations are in town, and Washington, in itself, a beautiful city, is made kaleidoscopically picturesque by the multitudes which throng the streets. Particularly is this so during inauguration week. Washington is the Mecca for thousands of pilgrims from all over the country. The glittering pageantry and pomp of the inaugural parade and ceremony are a feast to the eyes of the American people, always lovers of display and magnificence. One of the grandest features of the ceremonies is the inaugural ball, which is unrestricted as to attendance.

To enable all to participate in the pleasures of the capital during the inauguration week, greatly reduced rates will be made by the Lehigh Valley Railroad system from all points along its lines. Tickets will be good going on March 1, 2 and 3, and good for return March 4 to 8.

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FAIR WEATHER.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 3—11 p.m.—A high area now covers Northern Ontario and Quebec, while the storm mentioned last night has moved seaward from the Atlantic coast. An important storm is developing over the Southwest States. A northeast gale has prevailed today off the Nova Scotian coast.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Esquimalt, 40—48; Calgary, 24—24; Edmonton, 20—28; Qu'Appelle, 10—16; Winnipeg, 14—28; Toronto, 28—32; Ottawa, 20—30; Montreal, 14—20; Quebec, 16—20; Halifax, 22—30.

PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Feb. 4—1 a.m.—Probabilities for 24 hours for lower lakes region: Northerly to easterly winds; fair weather; not much change in temperature.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory yesterday were 33 above and 26 above.

Those Eyes

Should be properly tested if they are giving you trouble. Don't delay, your sight is not to be trifled with.

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"They Say."

"They say"—ah! well, suppose they do;
But can they prove the story true;
Suspicion may arise for naught
But malice, envy, want of thought.
Why count yourself among the "they"
Who whisper what they dare not say?

"They say." But why the tale rehearse
And help to make the matter worse?
No good can possibly accrue
From telling what may be untrue;
And is it not a noble plan
To speak of all the best you can?

"They say." Well, if it should be so,
Why need you tell the tale of woe?
Will it the bitter wrong redress,
Or make one pang of sorrow less?
Will it the erring one restore,
Henceforth to "go and sin no more?"

"They say"—Oh! pause and look within;
See how your heart inclines to sin.
Watch! lest in dark temptatious hour
You, too, should sink beneath its power.
Pity the frail, weep o'er their fall,
But speak of good, "or not at all."

How to Cure Skin Diseases.

Simply apply "Swayne's Ointment." No internal medicine required. Cures tetter, eczema, itch, all eruptions on the face, hands, nose, etc., leaving the skin clear, white and healthy. Its great healing and curative powers are possessed by no other remedy. Ask your druggist for "Swayne's Ointment." Lyman, Sons & Co., Montreal, wholesale agents.

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—done on the premises.—

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A Local Budget

—Mr. E. De la Hooke, of the G.T.R., is in New York on a business trip.

—City championship skating races will be held at the Princess Rink on Feb. 10.

—Bill heads of all sizes printed neatly and at lowest prices at The Advertiser Job Department.

—Mr. W. J. Metherall and Postmaster Leng, of Dundas street east, are both confined to their beds with severe illness.

—The First Congregational Church Christian Endeavor Society intend holding a skating party at the Princess Rink tonight.

—Trainmaster Cunningham and Superintendent Fitzhugh, of the G. T. R., spent the night here in Mr. Fitzhugh's car, and left for Sarnia this morning.

—Angus Chisholm, a Montreal tramp, was fined $2, and in default, ten days in jail, for vagrancy by Police Magistrate Parke this morning. Charles Cleft, a drunk, was discharged.

—The recovery of Mrs. Crowe, the aged lady who attempted suicide on Monday at her son-in-law's home on the Pipe Line, is now probable. The attending physician, Dr. Stutt, succeeded last night in putting a tube down the oesophagus, thus enabling the unfortunate woman to swallow.

—The funeral of the late Thomas Kinchella, whose death occurred on Monday last, took place this morning from St. Peter's Cathedral. The pallbearers were Sergt. Conroy, Sergt. Cranston, Corp. Cockburn, Corp. Davis, Lance-Corp. Smith and Pte. Donohough.

—A most enjoyable time was spent on the Wolseley Barracks rink last night. The ice was splendid and the costumes were original as well as numerous. Prizes for the most original costumes were won by Pte. Webb, as Svengali; Pte. Mullins, as Topsy, and Pte. Davis, as Prince Michael. The Wolseley Barracks Orchestra was in attendance.

—It is a good investment to spend money in advertising with a live newspaper like The Advertiser. Results are profitable every time. Mr. H. Struthers said in Friday's paper he wished to purchase a Jersey cow, and on Saturday a reply came from Blythe that will result in the want being filled. Wide circulation such as The Advertiser enjoys counts.

—The concert under the auspices of the pastor's Bible class of Knox Presbyterian Church, South London, takes place this evening. The best local talent will take part, and the programme also includes readings and recitations. As the object is a most worthy one, viz., to assist the Waterloo Street Mission, and an excellent programme has ben provided, it is expected that there will be a large attendance.

—Col. John Livingstone Lansing, of Cape May City, N. J., died on Saturday after an illness of two weeks. Col. Lansing was well known in London, having been frequently the guest of Mr. George T. Hiscox. He was born in 1840, and when the rebellion broke out enlisted in a New York volunteer regiment. He retired from active service with the rank of colonel. He was an earnest Presbyterian, an enthusiastic Mason, and a man of many fine qualities.

—A happy wedding occurred Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. George Webster, 121 Oxford street, the contracting parties being Mr. James McIntosh, of Strathroy, and Miss Janet Flowers, daughter of Mr. Adam Flowers, of the C. P. R., this city. The groomsman was Mr. Joseph Linsley, of Strathroy, and the bridesmaid Miss Mary Flowers. Rev. M. P. Talling officiated, in the presence of a large company. Many handsome presents were received by the young couple.

—The following donations were most gratefully received at the Protestant Orphans' Home for January: Four jars fruit, Mrs. A. Stewart; 6 pairs mitts and stockings, Mrs. Nation; 25 pounds oatmeal, Mrs. (Dr.) Hodge; sugar, Hon. David Mills; clothing, Mrs. Soper; apples, sandwiches, cake, Piccadilly Lodge, Sons of England; apples, Mrs. Puddicombe; 21 pounds corned beef, Mr. Robert Quick; canned goods, Mr. Broderick; 4 jars fruit and apples, Mrs. Parfitt; 12 loaves bread, Mrs. McNeil; 5 vests, hood and mitts, Mrs. P. H. Cunningham.

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Deadlock!

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Ariess Over the Election of a Chairman.

Conservative Minority Refuse to Enter the Chamber.

And Neither Party Has a Quorum Without the Other.

A Heap of Fun at the Inaugural Meeting—Important Business Waiting.

There was a heap of fun and politics, but no business, at the Board of Education last night.

It was the inaugural meeting of the new board, and the brethren embraced one another in such mutual love and admiration that a deadlock actually resulted.

The little comedy lasted from 7:30 to 9 p.m. It created a pile of amusement for the reporters and the general public, consisting of five individuals on the back benches. The principals were Trustees Johnston, Gillean, Wilkins, Strong, Murphy, Greenlees, Burdick, Macpherson, Stephenson, Wilson, English, Bayly, Bridle, McCormick, Logan Teasdall and Evans. Of the above, the first nine are Liberals, and the remaining seven, Conservatives. And thereby hangs the tale.

A SURPRISE PARTY.

The Conservatives were the first to arrive, and took possession of the chamber about 7.30 p.m., under the command of Dr. John D. Wilson, their nominee for the chairmanship. This is perhaps the first in the history of the board that so many members were sharp on time. It was a surprise party, planned to out-maneuver the enemy.

LIBERALS MARCH IN.

The Liberals, as on other occasions, kept arriving one by one, and took up their position in the ante-room. It required ten members to make a quorum, and if three had taken their seats the Conservatives could have called the meeting to order, and elected their chairman, hands down. Before 8 o'clock nine Liberals had marshaled under the banner of their leader, Trustee Andrew Greenlees, and then proceeded to enter the chamber. As soon as the Conservatives saw the advancing host they rose as one man and beat a hasty retreat to the ante-room, almost colliding with the Liberals en route. The Liberals smiled a significant smile, and quietly took their seats. They were nine. If Dr. Campbell would come they would be ten. If Trustee Martin was not in England they would be eleven. But the tenth man came not, as time rolled by, and the Conservatives—they were seven—grinned at them from the ante-room door and smoked their pipes. They were not pipes of peace. Whenever one of the

ANTE-ROOM BRIGADE

would venture into the chamber, the cry of "Quorum!" sent him out post haste. By and bye the Liberals became tired, and some of them filed into the ante-room, and mixed with the hostile camp. The Conservatives returned the compliment, and several re-entered the Chamber. The two parties discussed the weather, and other pressing topics with the greatest gravity, while all the time they were winking the other eye.

PRESSING BUSINESS.

Principal Merchant was an impartial but anxious spectator of all this. It was highly important that the board should meet. A Collegiate Institute teacher was badly needed to succeed Mr. D. A. Galbraith, resigned. The report of the finance committee recommended the appointment of Mr. Mesmer, of Aylmer, and it was imperative that the latter should commence his duties at once. But what of that? Look at the fun everybody was having!

The performance continued till nearly 9 o'clock. The Liberals had once more taken possession of the chamber, and extended the most cordial invitations to the Conservatives to step in. Dr. Teasdall openly expressed his annoyance at the obstruction to business, and, personally, he desired to take his seat, but he did not care to oppose the wishes of his Conservative colleagues.

Once Trustee Logan sauntered in with his hat on, and sat on the table talking to a Liberal. All the Liberals filed in quietly, making ten present. "Quorum!" said somebody. Trustee Logan heard the fatal word, and fled.

LIBERALS TRY TO PROCEED.

At 10 minutes to 9 p.m., Mr. Greenlees rose and, addressing Secretary McElheran, said: "We, as members of the board, are now here assembled to do business. We would like you to ask any of the members who are lounging in the next room to come in and do business. If we are not here to do business we cannot stay here all night, and we will go to our respective homes."

Secretary McElheran, who is chairman, ex-officio, of the inaugural meetings until the new chairmen are elected, went to the ante-room door and shouted: "Gentlemen, there are now nine members here ready to do business. It requires ten to make a quorum."

The ante-room members reported in effect that they were not going to hold a meeting after the specified hour!

"There is very important business waiting," said Trustee Gillean. "It is essential that the vacancy at the High School be filled. Is there no way we can arrange it to fill that office?. Mr. Merchant tells us it may block the examinations in the coming season. I would suggest that a meeting of the old board be called for the special purpose of appointing that teacher."

Trustee Wilkins seconded the motion.

"I can't record any motion," said the secretary.

Trustee Burdick—Is there no way we can do it?

"I will take advice on it in the morning," said the secretary. "It is an important matter."

Trustee Macpherson—There is also a petition from the King street school for a kindergarten that should receive immediate attention.

Then the Liberals adjourned, the Conservatives having already left.

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For Infants and Children.

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THE HORSE TRAP

York Street Bridge Catches Another Equine—Belt Line Service Interfered With.

London street cars seemed independent of horses, but the interference of an equine considerably affected the belt line service last evening. The horse belonged to Mr. Robert Kemp, of the Wortley road. He was driving in a cutter, about 9 o'clock, and at the corner of Maitland and Dundas streets the young animal was frightened by a passing trolley car, and jumped into the snow at the side of the road. The cutter was overturned, and the horse galloped east, while Mr. Kemp picked himself up out of the snow. At William street the horse turned back again, leaving the cutter, badly smashed, at the corner. With the shafts striking its heels at every jump, the horse galloped wildly west along the street railway track. Going in the same direction and in front of the horse was a trolley car, which the animal overtook at Colborne street, where the car slowed down and stopped. The horse was a few feet behind the car at the time, and a rear-end collision seemed certain. But the horse swerved to one side, and at a breakneck speed continued through the city to the York street bridge. It attempted to cross the street railway bridge, but only got about twenty feet onto the ties, when a front leg went through, and the horse fell. An hour's effort was required to effect its release, when it was happily found to have sustained no serious injury. This is the fifth horse to be caught on the bridge, none of them being badly hurt. By and bye the ties will be planked underneath.

LAMBETH.

Wedding at the Residence of Mr. Pearce on North Street.

Lambeth, Feb. 4.—A happy wedding was celebrated last night at the residence of Mr. Pearce, North street, his daughter, Miss Ida Pearce, being united in marriage to Mr. James Cook, of Westminster. Miss Phoebe Pearce was the bridesmaid, Mr. Sadler the best man. The bride looked very attractive in cream, with pink carnations. The bridesmaid carried pink and white carnations. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. Quance, and was enlivened by the Wedding March, played by Mr. Parkinson. About fifty guests sat down to a bounteous repast, among them being Miss Ryan and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lockhart, of London, and Miss Stone, of Verschoyle. Rev. Mr. Quance and Mr. J. C. Lockhart sang solos, and Mr. Wm. Cook gave recitations, the programme being delightfully supplemented by Mr. Lockhart's graphophone. Many handsome and useful presents were received by the popular young couple.

Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood, overcomes that tired feeling, creates an appetite, and gives refreshing sleep.

The Nizam of Hyderabad has received an invitation to visit England next summer. It is considered unlikely that he will accept, as the famine has greatly reduced his income. He has prepared valuable presents for her Majesty to commemorate the length of her reign.

Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet without any pain. What it has done once it will do again.