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NOMINATION

Township Of Carrick.

NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the electors of the Township of Carrick, will be held in the Town Hall, Mildmay, on Friday, the 22nd day of December, 1911, between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the offices of Reeve and Councillors for the said Township of Carrick.

If a greater number of Candidates are nominated than are required to be elected, the polls will be opened at the polling places for each of the polling subdivisions in the said township on Monday the 1st day of January, 1912, the polls to continue open from nine o'clock in the morning until five o'clock in the afternoon, and no longer.

J. A. JOHNSTON,
Clerk Tp. of Carrick.

Grand Trunk Time Table.

Trains leave Mildmay station as follows:

GOING SOUTH	GOING NORTH
Express.....7:31 a.m.	Express.....9:55 a.m.
Express.....11:57 a.m.	Express.....1:49 p.m.
Express.....2:53 p.m.	Express.....5:04 p.m.

The 7:31 a.m. and 1:49 p.m. trains carry mail.

LOCAL & PERSONAL

Mixed nuts 15cts. a lb at Keelan's.

Xmas Paperies 15cts. at the Star Grocery.

Miss Tillie Rumig of Guelph is home for a visit to her parents.

Picture Handkerchiefs at 1c., 2c., 3c., and 5c. at Helwig Bros.

Crockery and Chinaware bargains continue at the Star Grocery.

Mrs. M. Hastie of Harrison was a visitor to relatives here this week.

Chris. Weiler of Formosa is shipping a carload of lumber from this station.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Temple of Manitoba, are visiting the latter's sister, Mrs. Geo. Yost.

A large touring car passed through town last Thursday, but it was rough travelling.

The Gazette wishes its numerous readers and patrons a very merry Christmas.

We are having a spell of fairly good sleighing this week, as a result of a fall of snow last Friday.

Rev. Mr. Swanston will occupy the pulpit of the Presbyterian Church next Sabbath, Dec. 24th.

A good many Westerners are getting back to Ontario on the excursion to spend the winter here.

Don't fail to buy one of those fancy \$5.00 couches before Christmas at J. F. Schuett's furniture store.

Case Pipes, Cigar Cases, Cigar Holders etc., make acceptable Xmas presents for your gentlemen friends. The Star Grocery.

Don't forget to buy your boy a hand-sleigh for a Christmas present, you can get them for 25 cents at J. Schuett's furniture store.

The Entertainment in the Lutheran Church, will be held on Tuesday evening of next week, the 26th inst., commencing at 7:30 p. m.

A \$15.00 Dinner Set for \$7.98 and a \$10.00 Chamber Set for \$5.27 are samples of the bargains to be had at the Star Grocery.

The annual meeting of the patrons of the Neustadt Creamery will be held in Himmler's hall, Neustadt, on Friday, Dec. 29th, at 1 o'clock p. m.

Mr. Cosmas Schnurr and child of Langdon, N. D., are visiting relatives in Carrick. Mrs. Schnurr is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Diemert of this township.

The bazaar held in the Presbyterian Church on Wednesday evening of last week, passed off very successfully, and a neat balance remains on hand after paying expenses.

We do all kinds of upholstering, buggies, cutters, couches, parlor-suits and chairs. Prompt attention given, and satisfactory work guaranteed at Thos. Godfrey's carriage shop.

George Schwalm, of Saskatoon, is here on a visit. He is in the real estate business in the booming Saskatchewan city, and reports a very prosperous year. Mrs. Schwalm and baby have been here for several months.

For Sale—Two properties, one in Mildmay, the other, one mile out of Mildmay. Both places have comfortable dwelling houses. Prices moderate. Terms reasonable. For more particulars apply to Chris. Perschbacher.

Clearing Sale.
Jas. Heath announces that he must positively clear out the balance of his stock of tinware, graniteware, novelties, &c. within the next thirty days and will sell every article in the store at your own price. Call and secure some of the bargains.

CLEARING Hardware - Sale.

Our Entire Stock of Hardware, Tinware and Graniteware must be sold by March 1st. Prices are no object. Come and share in the bargains.

JOS. KUNKEL.

Xmas Cake at 25cts. a lb at Keelan's.

Girls \$5.00 Coats for \$2.50 at Helwig Bros.

Xmas Bells and fancy paper novelties at half price at the Star Grocery.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Illig and family of West Branch, Mich., are visiting at Lucas Stiegler's.

Writing Portfolios, Writing Sets, Fountain Pens, suitable for Xmas gifts at the Star Grocery.

Richard Schuett of Cargill was here this week looking after the contract of painting the new R. C. church.

Mr. G. B. Smith, agent for the famous new Scale Piano, has an important announcement in this issue. Read it over carefully.

Will the girl who took the bunch of files, to see which shade would match her goods, kindly return them to the Drug Store and oblige.

An attractive program has been prepared for the entertainment next Thursday and Friday evening under the auspices of the Sacred Heart Church.

Mrs. H. E. Schwalm, who spent the summer here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Wendt, left on Saturday morning to join her husband at Reford, Sask.

The farmers of the Elora road, north, are hauling in great quantities of pressed hay this week for shipment. Several carloads will be shipped from Mildmay this week.

The members of The Canadian Order of Foresters are asked to take notice that a business meeting will be held in their hall this evening, which all are asked to attend.

Schmidt and Haines paid \$6.10 per cwt. on Monday for hogs. This firm has decided not to ship next Monday (Christmas Day) and asks the farmers to bring in their hogs on Tuesday of next week.

There is nothing more comfortable and pleasing for a Christmas present than some of J. Schuett's fancy Rockers. You can have them Upholstered in Leatherette for \$6. for price and comfort they have no equal.

The Hamel Furniture & Upholstering Co. had a Toronto plumber here last week installing a new steam trap in the factory. This will have the effect of reducing the cost of fuel required about 33 per cent.

Messrs. Andrew and N. P. Schmidt were in some doubt as to which had the best exhibit of barley. They exhibited at Guelph last week, as did also J. M. Fischer, the latter securing first prize, Andrew Schmidt 2nd, and N. P. Schmidt 4th prize.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Smith and family of Weyburn, Sask., arrived here on Friday last and will spend a couple of months with Mrs. Smith's parents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Harper. Mr. Smith is in the contracting business in Weyburn, which place is said to be the most progressive town in Saskatchewan.

Mr. Albert Lerch Kindersley, Sask., is home on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lerch, after a three years' sojourn in the West. Albert and his brother have taken up land near Kindersley, and had big crops this year. They were also fortunate enough to get their grain threshed this fall, although there are thousands of acres of grain still standing in the stook in that neighborhood.

Melaga Grapes for Xmas at H. Keelan's.

Municipal Elections will be held on New Years Day, Monday, January 1st, 1912.

Peter Kreitz is preparing to move to Mildmay, after New Years, having purchased Ignatz Kieffer's fine brick residence in the west end.

Miss Annie Herrgott and Irene Keelan of St. Anne's Training School Berlin, and George Heisz of St. Jerome's College, are home for the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Liesemer and son Herbert of Didsbury, Alberta, and Mrs. H. E. Liesemer and son Edward of Carstairs, are expected here this week.

Six young Westerners returned on Tuesday evening to visit their homes near Formosa. They were the Messrs. Obermeyer, Kramer, Flachs, Meyer and Zimmer.

Manager Brown of the skating rink states that if the present cold snap continues there will be skating on Christmas day. The recent spell of mild weather played havoc with rink operations, but the ice is now in very good shape again.

The Show at Guelph Winter Fair this year has been in every department a very long way ahead of previous exhibitions of the kind. The increase of entries was large, and the attendance of visitors the biggest in the Fair's history. While these are most important factors, it is still more encouraging for agriculture to note that the quality of all the exhibits was, almost without exception, far in advance of previous exhibits.

Population of Bruce.
The last census figures place the population of County of Bruce at 50,035 as against 58,020 ten years ago. The male population of the County is 25,455, the other sex numbering 24,580.

Giving up Business.
Jos. Kunkel has decided to go out of hardware business, and will rush off every article in stock before the first of March, at prices that never were equalled here. Don't miss this chance of hardware bargains.

Richards vs Carnegie.
W. Richards brought an action last week at the County Court against Wm. Carnegie, for trespass on the ashery lot. The case was tried before a jury, who awarded the decision to the defendant. This case was tried at the Division Court at Walkerton last fall, with the same result.

Mildmay Fire Department.
The annual meeting of the Mildmay Fire Department will be held in the Forester's Hall, Mildmay, on Thursday evening, Dec. 28th, at 8 o'clock sharp. Every ratepayer in the village should be present, as matters of importance are to be brought up. The re-organization of the Fire Brigade will take place at this meeting.

Prizes at Winter Fair.
We are pleased to report that the Carrick farmers made a very creditable showing at the Winter Fair held at Guelph last week. Nihilos Schmidt won six prizes; J. M. Fischer five prizes, and Andrew Schmidt eleven prizes, which included one premium in the field competition. The latter gentleman wishes to announce that if any of the prize winners in the Carrick Field Crop Competition have any of the grain to sell, he can find a profitable market for them.

Municipal Matters.
Although the municipal nomination will be held to-morrow there has been very little public interest manifested in the coming municipal contest. Three names are mentioned in connection with the Reeveship:— Messrs. Filsinger, Siegner and Pomeroy, but there is little likelihood of there being a three-cornered fight for the office. No new names are mentioned for the position of deputy-reeve, but it is said that there is a possibility of some new men entering the field for the position of councillor. Those mentioned are Conrad E. Baetz, Fred Wells and Fred Harper. All the members of the present council are in the field for re election.

Letter From Saskatoon.
We received a letter this week from our old friend Samuel Vogan, who left here six years ago, to make his home in Saskatoon. He says:—We have had fine weather for the past three weeks, following two weeks of very rough, cold weather. The crops in this vicinity were fine as far as the yield goes. Wheat runs from 18 to 40 bushels to the acre; oats 65 to 110, and flax about 30 bushels. The sample is not very good however, and prices are very low. Some grades of wheat sell as low as 30 cents, oats 26 cents and flax \$1.00 per bushel. Saskatoon has had a great year, and property has advanced very greatly in value. Our population is 19,000. When we came here six years ago there were only 600 inhabitants.

Next Monday will be Christmas Day. Bought A Farm.
Hugh Halladay of Howick has purchased a fine 100 acre farm one mile from Listowel and will move down in the spring. The place costs Mr. Halladay \$8,000, and is considered a first class farm in every respect.

Financial Statement.
The financial statement of the Township of Carrick has been printed and will be distributed among the electors at the nomination meeting. A balance of \$2,541 is left on hand, although the law costs this year were the heaviest on record.

Remanded For Trial.
Jacob Erb, who came up before the Judge at Walkerton on Saturday for his preliminary hearing, on a charge of criminal assault, was remanded for trial at the highest court. The case was heard in a closed court, the general public being excluded.

Full Swing Again.
The Aetna Roller Mills, after a series of extensive repairs and overhauling, is again in full swing, and in better shape than ever for turning out first-class work. A big stock of high grade flour and feed of all kinds kept on hand.

Married At Saskatoon.
Mr. Albert Harper of Saskatoon, a former resident of Carrick, was married recently to Mrs. Morrow of that city. The happy couple took a wedding trip to Winnipeg. They will take up residence at Saskatoon. Mr. Harper's many friends here extend congratulations.

Entertainment.
The musical and dramatic entertainment to be held in the town hall on Thursday and Friday evening of next week promises to be the event of the season. Arrange your dates so as to include this concert. Reserved tickets are now on sale at H. Keelan's where the plan is open.

Didn't Balance.
A Chilian Indian, who styles himself Professor Jinc, hit the burg last Friday and engaged the hall for performance in the evening. He balances heavy wagon wheels and other articles of furniture on his chin, but the crowd that came out to see the show was so small that he was unable to make his receipts balance with his expenses, so he hoofed it to the next town. The Indian does his advertising through a megaphone, but it didn't work as well as printers ink.

Blacksmiths Raise Prices.
Messrs. P. Lobsinger, Isaac Gowdy, Jos. A. Hesch, Henry Schultheis, and Jos. and Anthony Kunkel, met on Monday evening, and mutually agreed to increase the prices of blacksmith work. At the present rate they claim they are losing money in some lines, so a general advance in prices has become necessary. The new tariff comes into effect on January 1st, 1912. Here is the new scale of prices agreed upon:—New shoes 30c each, 35c if booked; setting shoes 15c each, or 2 for 25c cash; 15c for each shoe set, if booked; Bar shoes 50c each stallions, new shoes, \$3.00; setting 50c each; Coulters laid, 60c each; sharpening 15c; new tires on buggy, up to 1x3, \$5.00; full bolted 50c extra; Wagon tires, new, 2x3, \$8.00; larger sizes extra; sleigh shoes, 2x8, \$5.00; 2x8, \$6.00; cutter shoes, 1 1/2 inch channel steel \$3.00; 1 1/2 inch channel steel \$2.50; setting tires each, 50 cents.

FORMOSA.
Fred Meyer, son of Charles Meyer on the B. line, Carrick, came home from the West on Monday to spend the winter. Quite a number more are expected to come this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Schefer spent Sunday with friends at Mildmay.

Seraphine Meyer is suffering with a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

On Wednesday, Dec. 27th, a grand Christmas Tree Raffle and Entertainment will be held in St. Mary's hall, by the Young Ladies' Sodality for the benefit of the Church. Admission 25cts. Raffle 10cts. a chance. Each chance secures a prize. On Tuesday, Dec. 26th, a matinee for children only will be held at 1.30 p. m. Entrance and chance for children only 10cts. The Society extends a hearty welcome to all. Remember the date.

J. B. Goetz attended court as constable last week and Geo. Flachs as juror.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hundt spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Strauss in Carrick.

Mr. A. A. Werlich, Manager of the Merchants Bank, Mildmay, was in town on Monday distributing the Bank's Calendars for 1912.

CARRICK COUNCIL.

Town Hall, Mildmay, Dec. 15th, 1911. Carrick Council met this day pursuant to statute. All the members present. The Reeve in the chair. The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

FINANCE REPORT.
The following accounts were referred to the Finance Committee and recommended to be paid.

Thos. Inglis, 78 loads gravel to W. E. Lucas.....	4 88
N Hohnstein, graveling on 15th sideroad 65yds at 40c a yd....	26 00
Con Russman, posts, poles and putting up railing 30th S R Con 10.....	4 20
Frank Schmidt, bal putting in 2 culverts.....	2 50
Samuel L. Braun, Covering bridge on Con 12 hauling lumber from Formosa.....	7 80
Wm Adamson, 190 8 inch tiles Robertson & McNab, counsel fees Kelly v Carrick.....	290 00
Isaac Gowdy, grate for ditch....	1 00
Walter Jasper, covering bridge and spikes and spreading gravel on Walkerton road....	9 24
Chas Hubbard, 1/2 share putting in culvert, Howick townline	4 50
J H Hundt, 4 days inspecting bridge, 25th sideroad Con 14.....	8 00
Henry Keelan, bal salary as Treasurer for 1911.....	40 00
J A Johnston, bal salary as clerk for 1911.....	80 00
Mildmay Gazette, 1000 orders on Treasurer and advertising Nomination.....	3 50
J A Johnston, telephone, stationery, postage and exchange on check.....	4 03
D W Clubine, 48 hrs work at culvert Lot 24 con D.....	7 20
Geo Yost, 15 hrs work at railway crossing.....	2 25
D Fortney, 5 hrs work at culvert Lot 24 con D.....	63
John Weiler, hauling tiles from Walkerton.....	2 00
W H Holtzman, 127 yds gravel and rent of ground for cement tile.....	11 39
Samuel Harper, contract cutting hill, 15th sideroad con 4, and grading road on 15th sideroad.....	69 50
John Zimmerman, cleaning out culvert, con 2.....	50
Hy Hossfeld, hauling tile, and putting in culvert.....	4 00
J Drummond, 20 yds gravel, Lot 24 con D.....	1 40
X Pochmann, 6 stringers for bridge, 25th sideroad.....	8 00
Gan Pomeroy, opening ditch as per agreement.....	15 00
J Huck, graveling at Formosa N Grub, bal contract cutting hill, con 2.....	7 50
H Gutzke, land on Simpson St. bought by council.....	50 00
F Biehl, bal salary as caretaker	4 20
B Weigel, salary as collector...	40 00
John Poffuss, 2480 ft cedar for bridge covering.....	55 00
J Hunstein, broom for hall.....	45
John Stroeder, loss of sheep by dogs.....	4 00
M Filsinger, 1 mtg, 1 1/2 dy R & B	6 25
C Schmidt, " " " "	3 75
J Miller, " " " "	3 75
C Waack, " " " "	5 00
Hy Schnurr, " " " "	2 50

Mildmay Commutation.
D W Clubine, 29 hrs work..... 4 64
J Weiler, 14 hrs work with team 4 20
Hy Weber, draying..... 25

Schmidt-Miller—That the following rebates be made for dog tax, wrongly assessed:—Hy Diebel \$1; John Zimmerman \$2; R Seigner \$1; John Ries \$1, A Lewis \$2.—Carried.

By-law 15 was read a first time. Schnurr—Waack—That by-law No. 15 be read a second and third time and finally passed.—Carried.

Schmidt—Waack—That this Council do now adjourn.—Carried.

J. A. Johnston, Clerk.

MONKE.

Mr Eugene Lantz is laid up this week. Mr. Ryan's men have left town for Ayton. They took out a lot of timber around here. The longest stick was taken out of Con. E. Baetz's bush, measuring 67 feet long.

Conrad Lantz helped Dr. Doering to butcher his pigs on Tuesday.

Chas. Holm is holding a shooting match at the hotel in town, on the 26th.

Chas. Weber has purchased B. Weigel's house and lot.

Mrs. G. Filsinger had a quilting bee on Friday last.

Miss Susie Diebolt returned to her home.

Considerable pressure is being brought to bear on our esteemed neighbor, Mr. Con. E. Baetz, to offer himself as a candidate for councillor in this township. Mr. Baetz would be a useful man at the council board, and this corner deserves a representative in the council. He is one of Carrick's heaviest tax payers, and is a man of sound judgment, and honest principles.

See that The Weekly Sun, the one paper that fights the farmer's battles, is among those you subscribe for. It gives its readers the unvarnished facts, not the biased opinions of political leaders expressed for party purposes. It can help you in your business.

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DIAMONDS FOR THE BRIDE

Or, a Proposal by Proxy

CHAPTER XXIV.—(Cont'd)

The doctor was of opinion Annabel should take the boy into her husband's room; it was just possible Colonel Swayne might thus be made aware, though he could give no sign. His poor father was ill, they told the child; and he was quiet and awestruck when led in, and lifted on Annabel's knee beside the bed. Through this later afternoon Colonel Swayne had opened his eyes when approached, though he did not move or speak; he opened them now upon the child who was in his mother's arms, but there was no apparent recognition of him, or of the circumstances which accompanied his absence and return.

"Say, 'Good-night—dear papa,'" Annabel prompted in a whisper, and the words were repeated in Ernest's high, clear voice with out result. The father's eyes fixed on him, but only for a moment; then those heavy lids closed again, and to all appearance he subsided into sleep.

"You can do no more," Dr. Gregson said; and Annabel drew the child away to his white cot in the nursery, taking herself for this night the bed beside him; worn out as she was, she could do and watch no more. Even May's story, that separate and fuller telling which was for her own ear, must wait until the morning. The immediate danger had passed over, that was enough to know; and upon the temporary remission it was possible for her weariness to sleep.

CHAPTER XXV.

Hungerford came across from the Vicarage, having heard a rumor of Ernest's return; and indeed the village was soon alight with it from end to end, and there would have been a ringing of bells in the church tower but for the circumstance that Colonel Swayne was lying ill. And after the doctor's departure, finding himself alone with Lord Swinton, it occurred to him that now was a favorable time to deliver Gower's message. This uncle, the head of the family, stood in loco parentis to the daughters during Colonel Swayne's incapacity, and it was right he should be made aware that Gower was taking immediate action to provide for Margaret as his wife.

The child's arrival interrupted Lord Swinton's dinner; and now the excitement of it was over, he went back into the dining-room for dessert and coffee, bidding Hungerford sit down with him, as May was served elsewhere. There could not have been a better opportunity. Hungerford told how Gower came to him on leaving the Court, and how he was entrusted with the message, though Colonel Swayne's seizure of illness had prevented its delivery.

Lord Swinton heard him patiently to the end. "Very right," was his comment. "He could do no less, and I feel sure my brother will be satisfied—you may tell him so from me. As Gower does not mean to dispute the marriage, there can be no doubt at all that it took place."

"No, he does not doubt. And, of course, Mrs. Gower ought to have her rightful position and provision as his wife. He suggests she should live at Grendon, and he pledges himself not to disturb her there. But she can make her residence where she pleases, if she does not care for this arrangement."

"She will do well to go to Grendon. I will see her before I leave, and find out her wishes. And—once the nine days' wonder is over—the sooner the young people agree to let bygones be bygones and make a real match of it, the better for them both."

"I hope it will be so in the future. If he can overcome his love for—"

Hungerford stopped abruptly with the name unsaid. He remembered how he had struggled to master his own passion, and how it had been too strong for him. Would Gower's case be the same? Lord Swinton supplied the blank.

"For Dulcie. I should not suppose that would be difficult. There is no comparison between the girls, to my thinking. Margaret is a handsome woman, straight and wholesome and as good as gold. I always liked her, though she managed to fall out with her father. As for the other—"

If disparagement of his idol was not her fate. He made haste to interrupt.

"She has suffered a great misfortune. I have hardly heard of her since it happened. Lord Swinton, can you tell me how she is bearing it?"

"She is up in her room still, that is all I know; has not shown except once, when she was called to her father. Poor little thing, it is excusable that she should have a fit of the sulks. The best remedy in her case would be another love-affair, and I would apply it as quickly as possible."

"It would seem unfitting so to intrude on her grief. But if indeed it were possible, the suitor would not be far to seek."

Hungerford spoke with emotion, and Lord Swinton looked up at him with a twinkle in his eye.

"You tempt me to guess that the suitor might be yourself."

"You are right. It was a thing inevitable that I should love her, and I am not ashamed to avow it. I came here, and she was only a schoolgirl. I do not know what Colonel Swayne would have said to my suit; I did not speak, for she seemed too young, too innocent. She liked me, or I thought she did, but it was just a child's liking. She met Gower, and then it was too late. But now, if it might be possible—"

"I don't see why it should be anything else. You have my good wishes. My advice to you is, be prompt with the young lady. Many a heart is caught at the rebound, and I don't think my brother Otho would refuse your father's son."

"The position I can offer is a very unattractive one from that which she was lately about to accept. A country clergyman's wife. And my private income is small."

"Dulcie has a few thousands from her mother's settlement, as I daresay you know. My brother will not be able to do much for her. Still, between you you will have enough."

"Dulcie would not be ambitious—"

"No, I suppose not," said the uncle; but he spoke doubtfully, for his private opinion of this young niece of his belied his words.

"She is far too innocent, too simple. The real question is, can she care for me?"

"And that is a problem nobody can solve but yourself. A man can make almost any woman care for him if he sets about it the right way; and in your place I should set about it immediately. You need not wait for Otho's recovery and consent; you may tell him you had my leave."

Lord Swinton looked at this not improbable nephew. A fine man, certainly, though he had the face of an ascetic; a man whose inches and carriage were (he thought) fitter for the sword-belt than the cassock. What could a girl want more!—and parsons were supposed to make good husbands. He was do-

ing Otho a good turn in helping the girl off his hands. If Dulcie were consoled and provided for, Otho, on coming to himself, would find a difficulty the less. And if he could also settle this affair of Margaret, his journey down into the shires would not be wasted time.

The last-named affair lingered in his mind after Hungerford left him, and, following some further cogitation, he rang for the servant. It was growing late, but he had no time to lose. If Otho remained in the same state, he meant to go back to London the next day.

"Mrs. Swayne has gone to bed, I think," he began by way of opening, when the man appeared with the soda-water.

"Yes, my lord. The mistress was quite tired out. Nurse is sitting up to-night."

"Ay! I thought so. And the young ladies are in their rooms?"

"Yes, my lord."

"Send the maid to see if Miss Swayne is still up. If so, I shall be obliged if she will step downstairs and speak to me."

Miss Swayne! He was aware that Margaret was still called so in the household, for she had not assumed the married style and title which were hers. She came at once on the summons.

"You have been left alone, Uncle Swinton! I am sorry, but I heard Mr. Hungerford was with you, and I have been putting my things together. If my father is no worse, I am leaving to-morrow."

"To-morrow?"

A faint color flushed her cheek at his surprise.

"Yes, it is better I should go. I have overstayed my invitation as it is, if not my welcome. Now Ernest is safely back again, and Dr. Gregson has sent in a note, Mrs. Swayne will not need help. It is not as if my father were likely to want me. They said he seemed uneasy if I stayed in the room."

"Sit down, my dear, for I have something to say to you. I thought you were with Dulcie." And then he added bluntly: "Dulcie wants you, doesn't she?"

Margaret's cheek changed again; there was some cause of pain behind its altered hue. "Poor child," she muttered, "she is very sad; she hardly knows what she wants. I did help her at first, but now I think I do more harm than good. I am a perpetual reminder of what she has lost. So, for her sake as well as my own, I have made up my mind to go."

"To go—where?"

little home at Barbizon. I could find it in my heart to wish I had never left it, never brought trouble here."

"The right thing, my dear, is for you to go to your husband, or at least to obey his wishes. You have not heard from him?"

Margaret's eyes fell, her hands clasped tightly together out of sight. "No," she said.

"Then I can tell you what he proposes, for I have just received his message brought by Hungerford. He suggests that you shall live at Grendon, going there, I suppose, as soon as the house can be made ready. You will have sufficient means."

George had thought of her! There was something in this discovery which moved her heart, though it might have been only the thought how best to dispose of an embarrassment. But Grendon, Dulcie's Grendon! She could not go there.

"Uncle Swinton, I have made up my mind. I am grateful to you— to Mr. Gower for his kindness, but I have my cottage and my own means. I will not burden him in this way as well as in the other. I would rather be independent. The last thing I can accept from him is money."

She was gentle in her firmness, there was about her no touch of harsh self-assertion, but underneath the gentleness lay that obstinacy which, according to Lord Swinton, was ever in the Swayne family blood. Margaret and her father had split asunder on this same rock of her decided will, and here the fault of character was cropping up again, in another inconvenient place.

"My dear, when you married Gower you took the usual vow, did you not? You promised to obey him."

"Yes, but—"

"I don't want butts, I want you to listen. I am thinking of his happiness now, more than yours; though, necessarily and inevitably, of yours also. For when people are married, whether they are drawn by affection or otherwise, true happiness must be the happiness of both; one cannot suffer without both suffering together. No man can be happy with a wife who holds aloof from him, whether her reason is selfish or selfless. Gower's only chance lies in a united future, and I want you to bear this in mind, and bend your pride to it, whatever you elect to do. You are too proud, my dear, and have been from the beginning. There is too much at stake now for you to think of pride. I say nothing of money and position, for I know you would not be moved by arguments such as these. It is the salvation or ruin of the man whom once you promised to love, and who has done you no conscious wrong. I ask you to think of him, and of him only, and to put yourself aside."

She was touched by his argument, different as it was from anything which had been in her thoughts. There was silence for a full minute while she sat considering, her eyes cast down.

"How do I think of him— in consenting to take his money? How can I help him with this for the sole tie between us, that I live in his house and at his cost?"

"You obey his expressed wish. It is the first step. From that the rest will grow."

(To be continued.)

CUSTOMS FROM THE ARMY

When and Where Many Details of Dress Originated.

A public lecturer has been recently reminding us that modern clothing retains many features of great antiquity; and it is certainly a fact that the present-day hatband, for instance, can be traced back as far as the sixth dynasty in Egypt.

But how many laws that we have borrowed many details of modern dress and deportment from old Army customs? For example, the buttons to be found on the back of a man's coat—though not so much in evidence to-day—are a survival of the period when they were indispensable as a support for the old sword-belt. Again, the twentieth-century gentleman offers his left arm, as a rule, to his wife or sweetheart, not necessarily that his right may be free for paying hard cash, but because the thirteenth-century man found the practice essential, so that he might have his sword-arm free to defend his "lady-love" if need arose; and the custom clings. And from this practice arose the fact that a man's outer garments have buttons on the right side, whilst women's buttons are on the left.

The ancient gentleman found that that buttons on the left side of a jacket cannot easily be fastened with the left hand; but, as that was the only hand available, the other being reserved for sword practice, he originated the present custom. On the other hand, the lady wished the left arm free, because, through her right arm being rather often engaged by a gentleman, her pocket was placed on the left side; and thus she has doomed untold generations of women both to left-hand pockets and left-side buttons.

WHAT CAUSES THUNDER.

Whenever there is a violent storm, many people make up their minds to look up the authorities and see what causes thunder. Then the storm passes, and they forget all about it. Thunder is the violent report which follows a flash of lightning. It commences at the same moment as the flash; but, as the sound travels only at the rate of about eleven hundred feet a second, while light does so at the rate of about 200,000 miles, the flash of the lightning is the first to be perceived.

The noise of the thunder arises from the disturbance produced in the air by the electric discharge, but why the sound should be so prolonged is differently explained. One hypothesis was that the sound is echoed from every precipice, from every building, and from every cloud in the sky. Another is that the lightning itself is a series of discharges, each producing a particular sound according to the distance at which it commences, and the varying densities of the portions of air it traverses before reaching the ear. A third is that the noise arises from the zig-zag movement of the electric fluid.

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PERFUME MORE COSTLY.

Prices of Essential Oils have Been Rising With This Result.

Many of the necessities of life have been rising in price recently, and a despatch from London, England, and the result has been trouble in various countries. But it is not only the necessities that are becoming more costly. The luxuries are also going up in price, and one of the luxuries that has recently exhibited the greatest activity in ascending is, to women, almost a necessity.

The price of perfumes has been increasing in a most alarming way, and from present indications is likely to continue to increase. There are various causes for this state of affairs. For years the prices of the essential oils out of which the costlier perfumes are made have been steadily rising, and now for various local reasons several have again taken a big jump forward. For example, bergamot, a base of many perfumes and scented hair-washes, is now quite costly, because of the Messina earthquake.

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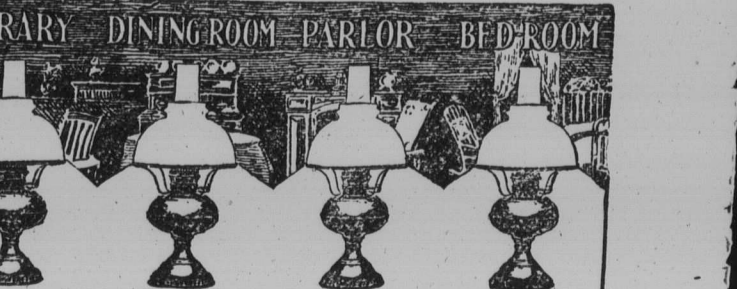
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ROYALTY WAS IN DANGER

Duke and Duchess of Fife and Two Daughters in Steamship Wreck.

A despatch from Gibraltar says: The P. and O. steamship Delhi, bound for Egypt, ran ashore on Wednesday two miles south of Cape Spartel, which is on the northeast coast of Morocco. A number of British Royalties were on board the steamer, including the Princess Royal, Louise Victoria, sister of King George V., her husband, the Duke of Fife, and their two daughters, Princess Alexandra and Princess Maud. The passenger list also included Lord and Lady Kinnaird, Sir Thomas Erskine Holland and Sir Lewis and Lady Molesworth. The Delhi was bound from London to Bombay. The Royal passengers were en route to Egypt, and she had about 100 saloon passengers. Fortunately the Delhi is fitted with wireless, and was able to summon aid from Gibraltar and Tangier. Several warships were soon on the spot, and in spite of the extremely rough weather all the passengers were rescued.

The landing of the passengers was a dangerous undertaking, and all concerned were extremely anxious. The waves were tremendous

and the surf boats were constantly threatened with swamping. The Royal Princess and her daughters suffered like the rest. An eye-witness of the landing on the beach at Cape Spartel says one boat capsized in the surf and all the occupants were drenched to the skin. Princess Alexandra, one of the daughters of the Duchess of Fife, was narrowly saved from drowning by a sailor, who grabbed her by the shoulders and held her up until the two were dragged ashore. The Duchess of Fife and her two daughters, after borrowing some clothes at the lighthouse, rode to Tangier on horseback.

One of the launches of the French cruiser Friant, which had rendered the bravest of services in taking off the women and children, was swamped and sank. Six of the crew were drowned. The others struggled ashore in an exhausted condition. Several attempts of boats that went to the assistance of the Delhi were baffled by the tremendous seas. It is doubtful if the ship can be saved, but if the gale abates the specie, mails and cargo may be landed.

ELECTRICITY FOR THE FARM

The Hon. Adam Beck Details the Uses Power Can Be Put To.

A despatch from Guelph says: A cream separator was operated twice a day by Hydro-electric power in the dairy section at the Ontario Provincial Winter Fair, and attracted a great deal of attention. The machine is so simple that it can be attached to any electric light fixture. There are also pictures on show demonstrating the uses to which electricity can be put on the farm. The pictures were gathered by Hon. Adam Beck during his travels in Europe.

The uses to which electricity can be adapted on the farm were explained to over a thousand interested listeners from rural parts at a public meeting in the City Hall, by Hon. Adam Beck.

Professor G. C. Creelman, President of the O. A. C., presented the case of his college before the farmers, urging them to avail themselves of it, and to spread its influence. He also urged the crying need of the college for greater facilities and more extended accommodation and more money from the Government.

The Minister of Power promised the audience that within a few years his department would have 1,000 miles of low voltage lines through Ontario, and country farms for eight miles all along these lines could be served by power. Mr. Beck told of what he had seen of the operation of electricity on farms in European countries. Plowing, thrashing, milking cows, and many other operations were included. He promised the farmers that in Ontario all these things could be done by Hydro-electric power, and that the use of electricity would be a great economy. An experiment had been tried at Ingersoll of filling a silo by electric power, which showed that the electric operation cost \$32 less than the same operation by steam power.

consumer pays from six to twenty-five cents a pound for the same meat. The lecturer said he could not account for the difference in price, but believed the butchers might. Nevertheless, farmers could make a good profit from beef, in spite of the differences, by care and economical feeding.

SEED GRAIN MEN.
Mr. L. H. Newman, B. S. A., of Ottawa, Secretary of the Canadian Seed Grain Growers' Association, outlined the aims and work of the association, which were, briefly, to encourage the production and distribution of the best stock seed through the country. "It is our aim," he said, "to put the handling of the registered seed on a high commercial basis. We wish to increase the supply of real good seed in Canada. We have in Ontario this year a little over 3,000 bushels of registered seed. Many times this quantity are required, and it shall be our aim to work towards increasing this supply in future years."

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.
Two hundred women from all parts of Wellington County held a meeting in connection with the Winter Fair for the purpose of discussing the work carried on by the Women's Institute of the county. G. A. Putnam, of Toronto, superintendent of women's institutes, who presided, spoke of the value of the institutes from a community and co-operative standpoint, and referred to the good work carried on along the lines of sanitation of schools and the distribution of good seeds. Next year, he said, the convention would be extended by inviting neighboring counties to send delegates.

BRITISH SPIES SENTENCED.
Max Schultz and Accomplices Get Penal Servitude.

A despatch from Leipsic, Germany, says: Heavy punishments were meted out on Wednesday to the British spies arrested at Hamburg on March 18, and who had been on trial behind closed doors before the Imperial Court for several days. Max Schultz, an English ship broker, was sentenced to seven years' penal servitude. One of his associates, an engineer named Wulff, was sent to jail for two years; a merchant named Von Maack and Max Schultz's house-keeper each received three years.

MAN KILLED WITH AXE.

Daniel Reynolds Uses Weapon on Culbert After a Quarrel.

A despatch from London, Ont., says: Daniel Reynolds, a junk dealer of Hamilton road, killed a man named Fred. Culbert, outside of Graham's Hotel at Pottersburg at 9.30 o'clock on Thursday night. The men, it is said, were quarrelling over a gun belonging to Reynolds, when the latter seized an axe and brought it down on Culbert's head with such force that Culbert was instantly killed. The victim was about thirty years old, and the prisoner gives his age as thirty-seven.

BANK OF MONTREAL.

Ninety-fourth Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

The Bank of Montreal has just completed 94 years of business in Canada, which in the history of a young country is no inconsiderable period. The 94th annual meeting was held on December 4th with President R. B. Angus in the chair. In many ways the meeting was one of the most memorable in the history of the bank owing to the fact that the net profits for the year were the largest on record, and that the retirement of Sir Edward Clouston as general manager was announced. Another feature of more than ordinary interest was the re-adjustment of the values of the bank premises. For years these were valued at \$600,000, but a recent appraisal increased this to \$4,000,000. The \$3,400,000 thus secured was partly used in increasing the rest account, which now stands at a sum equal to the paid up capital, while the balance was carried to the profit and loss account.

The total assets of the bank now stand at \$230,000,000, making it one of the strongest financial institutions on the continent. A more detailed examination of the report shows that the net profits for the year amounted to \$2,276,518, as compared with \$1,797,993 for the previous year. The balance of profit and loss carried forward for the present year was \$1,855,185, or practically double the figures for 1910, which amounted to \$961,789. Premiums on new bank stock issued by the bank during the year amounted to \$565,677, while the re-adjustment of the bank premises account brought in an additional \$3,400,000. Thus a total of slightly over \$7,000,000 was made available for distribution this year, of which \$1,440,000 was expended in dividends, \$3,000,000 credited to the rest account and \$708,000 to new premises account, leaving a balance of \$1,855,000 to be carried forward as balance of profit and loss. A further examination of the report shows that the bank has deposits bearing interest of nearly \$136,000,000, while its deposits not bearing interest amount to over \$46,000,000. The amount of call and short loans in Great Britain and the United States consists of over \$42,600,000, while the current loans and discounts in Canada and elsewhere amount to over \$121,000,000. The latter shows an increase of over \$9,000,000, which indicates that the bank continues to do its full share in furthering the development of the country, and that it continues to grow with the country. To call and short loans, which the bank keep in New York and London, while returning only a small rate of interest, is found to be a wise provision. The call of these loans placed in London and New York is far less disturbing to Canadian business than if they were on call in Canada.

Altogether the showing made by the Bank of Montreal is a very satisfactory one, and reflects the highest credit upon the directors and upon the general manager, who is now relinquishing the position, which he has held for so many years. His successor will be Mr. H. V. Meredith, who has been associated all his life with the bank whose affairs he will in future direct.

The address of President R. B. Angus was as usual a careful resume of the financial, commercial and industrial expansion of the Dominion. The Bank of Montreal, with its many branches scattered throughout the country and its intimate relationship with every phase of our national life, is able to present authoritative reports regarding the country's growth and development. Without exception, this year's report by the president was full of optimism. That this was not unfounded is shown by the bank's record for 1911, which was the most successful in the 94 years of its history.

BOTH HELD LIABLE.

Painters and Advertising Company Caused Death of Cattle.

A despatch from Ottawa says: An advertising company who put up a sign in a farmer's field and the company who painted the sign were held equally liable by Judge Gunn on Wednesday for damages because the plaintiff's cattle died as the result of imbibing poison from some of the paint pots left in the field after the work was done. The company erecting the sign had never obtained permission to do so.

PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Produce at Home and Abroad.

BREADSTUFFS.
Toronto, Dec. 19.—Flour—Winter wheat, 90 per cent. patents, \$3.45 to \$3.50, sea-board. Manitoba flours—First patents, \$5.50; second patents, \$5; and strong bakers', \$4.80, on track, Toronto.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.08 Bay ports; No. 2 Northern at \$1.05, and No. 3 at \$1.01, Bay ports.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 white, red and mixed, new, \$3 to \$3.50, outside.
Peas—Good shipping peas, \$1.05 to \$1.10, outside.
Oats—Car lots of No. 2 Ontario, 43 to 43 1/2c, and of No. 3 at 42 to 42 1/2c; on track, Toronto, 46 to 46 1/2c; No. 2 Western Canada oats, 46c, and feed, 44c, Bay ports.

Barley—The market is very dull, with trade about over.
Corn—No. 3 American yellow quoted at 67 1/2 to 68c, Toronto freight.
Rye—55c, outside, for No. 2.
Buckwheat—60 to 61c, outside.
Bran—Manitoba bran, \$24, in bags, Toronto freights. Shorts, \$25.50 to \$26.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.
Apples—Winter stock, \$3 to \$4.50 per barrel.

Beans—Small lots of hand-picked, \$2.30 to \$2.35 per bushel.
Honey—Extracted, in tins, 11 to 12c per lb. Combs, \$2.50 to \$2.75.
Baled hay—No. 1 at \$15 to \$17, on track, and No. 2 at \$14 to \$15.
Baled straw—\$7.50 to \$8, on track, Toronto.

Potatoes—Car lots, in bags, quoted at \$1.30, and Delawares at \$1.35. Out of store, \$1.45 to \$1.50.

Poultry—Wholesale prices of dressed poultry: Chickens, 12 to 13c per lb; fowl, 9 to 11c; ducks, 12 to 14c; geese, 11 to 12c; turkeys, 18 to 20c. Live poultry, about 2c lower than the above.

BUTTER, EGGS, CHEESE.
Butter—Dairy, choice, in wrappers, 25 to 28c; store lots, 23 to 25c; and inferior, tubs, 17 to 18c. Creamery quoted at 31 to 32c for rolls, and 28 to 29c for solids, per lb.

Eggs—Strictly new-laid, 45c, delivered here, and fresh at 27 to 28c per dozen, in case lots.
Cheese—Large quoted at 15 1/2c, and twins at 15 3/4c per lb.

HOG PRODUCTS.
Bacon—Long clear, 11 1/2 to 11 3/4c per lb, in case lots. Pork, short cut, \$22.00; do, moss, \$19.50 to \$20. Hams—Medium to light, 16 to 16 1/2c; heavy, 14 to 14 1/2c; rolls, 10 1/2 to 11c; breakfast bacon, 16 to 17c; backs, 19 to 20c.

Lard—Tierces, 11 3/4c; tubs, 12c; pails, 12 1/4c.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.
Montreal, Dec. 19.—Oats—Canadian Western, No. 2, 47 1/2c; do, No. 3, 46c; extra No. 1 feed, 46 to 46 1/2c; No. 2 local white, 46 1/2c; No. 3 do, 45 1/2c; No. 4 do, 44 1/2c. Barley—Manitoba feed, 64c; malting, 96c to \$1.00. Buckwheat, No. 2, 65 to 66c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, \$5.60; seconds, \$5.10; strong bakers', \$4.90; Winter patents, choice, \$4.75 to \$5; straight rollers, \$4.25 to \$4.40; do, bags, \$1.95 to \$2.05. Rolled oats—Barrels, 85c; bags, 90 lbs., \$2.37 1/2. Bran—\$23; shorts, \$25; middlings, \$27 to \$28; moullie, \$29 to \$34. Hay—No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$15 to \$15.50. Cheese—Finest Westerns, 14 1/2 to 14 3/4c; finest Easterns, 13 7/8 to 14 1/4c. Butter—Creamery, creamery, 30 1/2 to 31 1/2c; seconds, 29 to 30c. Eggs—Fresh, 60c; selected, 30 to 31c; No. 1 stock, 26 to 27c. Potatoes—Per bag, car lots, \$1.25 to \$1.27 1/2.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.
Minneapolis, Dec. 19.—Wheat—December, \$1.00 1/2; May, \$1.05 1/2; July, \$1.06 1/4 to \$1.06 3/4; No. 1 hard, \$1.01 5/8; No. 1 Northern, \$1.01 1/8; No. 2 Northern, 98 5/8 to 99 1/8c; No. 3 wheat, 95 5/8 to 95 5/8c. No. 3 yellow corn, 55 to 56c. No. 3 white oats, 50 to 54c. No. 2 rye, 85 to 86c. Bran, \$23 to \$23.50. Flour—First patents, \$4.20 to \$5.10; second patents, \$4.40 to \$4.70; first clear, \$3.50 to \$3.65; second clear, \$2.20 to \$2.60.

Buffalo, Dec. 19.—Spring wheat—No. 1 Northern, carloads store, \$1.13; Winter, No. 2 red, 98 1/2c; No. 3 red, 96 1/2c; No. 2 white, 98 1/2c. Corn—No. 2 yellow, 64 3/4c; No. 4 yellow, 62 3/4c, all on track, through billed. Oats—No. 2 white, 52 1/4c; No. 3 white, 51 3/4c; No. 4 white, 50 3/4c. Barley—Malting, \$1.18 to \$1.25. Rye—No. 2, track, \$1.05, through billed.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.
Montreal, Dec. 19.—Butchers' cattle, choice, \$6.25 to \$6.35; do, medium, \$4.50 to \$5.50; do, common, \$3 to \$4; canners, \$1.75 to \$2.50; butchers' cattle, choice cows, \$5.25 to \$5.50; do, medium, \$4.50 to \$5; do, bulls, \$3.50 to \$4.50; milkers, choice, each, \$75; do, common and medium, each, \$70 to \$80; springers, \$30 to \$40. Sheep, ewes, \$3.75 to \$4; bucks and culls, \$3.25 to \$3.50; lambs, \$3.75 to \$6. Hogs, f.o.b., \$6.50 to \$6.80; calves, \$3 to \$4.

Toronto, Dec. 19.—Butcher cattle of ordinary good to choice weight sold from \$5.65 to \$6, with extra choice, Christmas cattle not uncommon sales at \$6.10 to \$6.50. Lambs were much firmer at \$5.25 to \$6 for the choicest ones. Sheep and hogs were unchanged.

In an official report, Dr. Rutherford, livestock commissioner, strongly recommends the establishment of municipal abattoirs.

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(By "Investor.")

The importance of current assets having a substantial margin in excess of current liabilities is, of course, apparent when considering the accounts of an industrial company with a view to investing in its bonds. We read last week that this excess is called "net quick assets," and saw that it had an important bearing on the value of the bonds of any company whose land holdings had a less value than the amount of bonds outstanding.

For an industrial bond to be safe net quick assets, however, should do more than merely exist. They must be examined with reference to their relation to several other items to which they should bear a definite proportion.

The following is a balance sheet of an industrial company whose bonds are considered a sound investment and is chosen as an illustration chiefly because of the simplicity of its arrangement. It has added interest by being the statement of an operating company and not merely a form got up for purpose of illustration. If the inexperienced reader will follow the explanations carefully the next balance sheet he examines in connection with a bond offering will doubtless have added interest.

ASSETS.	
Real Estate, Buildings, Machinery, etc.	\$1,994,803
Patents, Trademarks and Goodwill	182,485
Investments	11,421
CURRENT ASSETS.	
Accounts and Bills Receivable	\$724,046
Inventory Stock-in-Trade	951,856
Inventory Supplies	31,435
Cash on Hand and in Bank	53,782
	\$1,811,119
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock	\$1,500,000
Bonds	1,051,200
CURRENT LIABILITIES.	
Interest accrued	\$ 31,536
Accounts and Bills Payable	109,670
Bank Advances	905,930
	\$1,047,136
Surplus	401,492
	\$3,999,828

In this case current assets amount to \$1,811,119 and current liabilities to \$1,047,136, leaving a balance—net quick assets—to the amount of \$763,983. Now in the

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United States where, owing to the defects of the banking system, it is dangerous to owe the banks much, it is a rule that to put a company in good shape its current assets should amount to at least double its current liabilities. In Canada the banker of such a company would be deeply concerned in its welfare. He would be anxious for the company to do well and therefore there would be a very remote possibility of the company having to pay off its advances when they matured. If that were at an inconvenient time. There is, as a result, no danger of inability to renew maturing notes such as occurred in the United States in 1907, and which caused most of the industrial failures of that year there. So in Canada, unless bank advances form an inconsiderable part of the total liabilities, the proportion between current assets and current liabilities need not be so great as two to one, although, of course, the greater the proportion is the better. Where bank loans are secured by such stable commodities as grain, iron, steel, etc., and form a substantial part of the current liabilities, the proportion of current loans to current liabilities may fall to one and a half to one without mistaking. In the above instance the proportion is one and three-quarters to one.

The proportion between net quick assets and bonded debt is a most important consideration. Where a company has no real estate the bonded debt of a company should never exceed the net quick assets. Where there is real estate of value the bonded debt should not exceed two-thirds the value of the real estate plus the net quick assets, and here again the greater the excess of these two over bonded debt the better. In the case of the balance sheet given above, real estate, buildings, machinery, etc., amount to \$1,994,803, of which—owing to the nature of this particular business—the greater proportion is of value in case of forced liquidation. Ordinarily, however, probably under 25 per cent. of the real estate, buildings and machinery account represents the value of the land. Taking arbitrarily only 20 per cent. in this case, we have net quick assets of \$763,983 plus value of land \$398,960, or \$1,162,943 behind the \$1,051,200 of bonds outstanding, leaving a margin of over 10 per cent. Some companies do better than this, however. A recent issue of bonds, in addition to real estate of considerably greater value than the bond issue had net quick assets over ten per cent. in excess of the amount of bonds.

THE CHRISTMAS STAMP.

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ONTARIO'S RAILWAY.

Temiskaming Line's Profits for Eleven Months were \$492,822.

A despatch from Toronto says: The net earnings of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway for the eleven months ending September 30 were \$492,822, as compared with \$381,841 in the same period of the previous fiscal year. The gross earnings were \$1,568,648, as against \$1,480,381 in the same eleven months of 1909-10. In September last the net earnings of the Ontario Government road amounted to \$75,812, and the gross revenue to \$200,317. In September last year the net revenue was \$21,604, and the gross revenue \$110,072.

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I will gladly answer any questions from anybody who wishes to know further particulars.

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Furniture Made Of Concrete.

Mr. Edison, who recently startled the world by saying he would make it possible to build a concrete house for \$1,000, went further and declared that in the near future he would put on the market concrete furniture, so that newly-weds, instead of adorning their homes on the installment plan with \$750 worth of dubious chairs, tables, etc., can invest \$200 and rival "palatial residences" with their display. The inventor has already made a reinforced concrete cabinet for the phonograph, and pieces of furniture made in the new way to Chicago and back, to show what they can stand in the way of resisting handling by freight men. At present the weight of the concrete furniture is about 33% greater than woods, but Edison expects to reduce the excess to 25%. The concrete surface can be stained, Edison claims, so as to look like any kind of wood desired. His phonograph cabinet has been trimmed in white and gold. Its surface is like that of enameled wood.

Another Mishap at Dam.

Another disaster has overtaken the new dam here, thus giving it an unenviable record for mishaps. The recent thaw and the consequent rising of the river, transformed the current of the Saugeen here on Sunday last into a torrent, with the result that about 50 feet of the big cement wall, which was used as a breakwater at the dam was washed away and nothing but an unsightly hole along the river bank now marks the place where this structure stood. The current, it seems, had worn away the earth and undermined the wall, causing it to topple down and be swept away like drift-wood by the stream. This breakwater had been built to replace the natural embankment which the river had previously washed away. Many hundreds of dollars worth of work has consequently been destroyed by the mishap, and the completion of the dam will be greatly delayed as a result. We understand that the contractors purpose driving in spiles at this point to make a solid foundation before erecting the cement wall again.—Bruce Times.

Legal Question.

A. M., Dunsford.—Qu.—(1) The rural mail delivery route passes my gate. Is it legal for me to erect a post on the road and attach a mail box to it? (2) Should I ask permission of the municipality? (3) If a horse or wagon runs against the post and is injured, will I have to pay the damages?
Ans.—You cannot erect a post on the road without a permit from the Council. All public highways within any municipality are under the control of the Council of that municipality. The Postmaster-General, has power to make regulations for establishing "a system of special delivery of mailable matter," etc. But there is nothing in the Act, that I can see, giving him the right to say that posts with mail boxes attached can be placed on the public streets and highways without the permission of the municipal Council. (2) I think you should ask permission from the Council. (3) If any injury or damage is caused by the obstruction placed upon the highway by any person without objection from the Council, the person damaged may have an action for damages against the municipality and also against the person who placed the obstruction upon the highway.

Ontario's Arable Land.

The Toronto Telegram in calling attention to the land awaiting the settler in New Ontario, says:—

Sixteen million acres of land—clay land, flat land, land that looks like cows standing knee-deep in clover, land that has been waiting since the dawn of history for the magic touch of man's hand that it might produce "some thirty, some sixty, some an hundred-fold."

This land calls aloud for the real settler, not the blanket man who buys up claims and scrip and gets his greedy hands on whole townships, but real settlers who want homes, who will labor for their homes, and who love their homes as only men can who have earned their all by the sweat of their brows.

Sixteen million acres! And all these years every village, town and city in Ontario has worn a deep path to the railway station saying good-by to the grown children, who could not pay sixty, seventy or eighty dollars an acre "down at the front" and so they passed over the path to the station and were seen on the old streets no more. Yet all these sixteen million acres called in vain that the feet of the young men might be turned northward.

To-day farm land in old Ontario has advanced until eighty and one hundred dollars an acre is asked for choice farms, and this land is going up in value. Do our people know, do they believe, that land as good as any now sold for \$100 an acre is right within twenty-four hours' run of Toronto at fifty cents an acre?

Worldly Wisdom.

Mechanical kisses are the kind women give each other.

A man may be able to dress well if his family doesn't.

Home is the place where many a man shows up at a disadvantage.

Light hearts are often closely associated with light.

If a young man doesn't know that he is in love, the girl should tell him.

It's easy for a girl to deceive herself about how she trusts her husband.

The mother-in-law's joke goes in the funny papers, but it falls flat at home.

A man with a well-balanced mind doesn't have to part his hair in the middle.

A Mitt Did This.

The Orangeville papers report the following:—"Mr. Ben Patterson received a small scratch on one of his knuckles a week or so ago, which did not amount to anything seriously; but he purchased a pair of colored mitts and the color poisoned the sore. Mr. Patterson was working for Mr. Wm. Patterson, near Laurel, but when ill was taken to the home of Mr. Lugsdin, manager of the Bank of Commerce here, where his daughter is working. Death came as a relief to the sufferer on Monday."

The Costliest Kitchen.

Who keeps the costliest kitchen in the world? Not, as one might imagine, the American millionaire, but the Shah of Persia. The utensils, fittings and furnishings of the Shah are said to be worth \$2,650,000. Every saucepan is gilded inside, and the dishes appearing on his table are of solid gold as well as the spoons, knives and forks, the handles of which are besides ornamented with precious stones. Moreover, the chef, in preparing dishes for the Shah's table, must use none but silver spoons and forks, and any dish on which he puts cold viands to keep them must be also of silver, gilded inside.

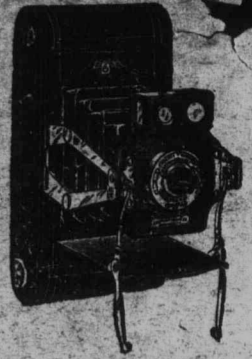
Back From The Peace River.

Messrs. John G. Clarke, Oscar McLean and Fred Watson have all arrived home from a prospecting trip into the Peace River country, and if the whole story of their travels and experience could be gathered it would make quite an interesting tale. They went out last spring, reaching Edmonton in April, and after buying a team of horses, a yoke of oxen, light wagon, provisions and camping outfit, started in to explore the last great west. The first route taken was found to be impassable, so the party had to double back, losing fully 200 miles. Over the next course, a more northerly one, they made steady progress, and by July 4th they had traversed to the heart of the Peace River District, a distance of 750 miles, to Beaver Lodge. It was very slow going over some portions of the trail, where it was rocky formation or through sloughs and mud. The oxen were put on the wagon tongue and the horses on a chain as leaders. At one point their wagon was sunk to the box in the mud. Their own oxen and two yoke more belonging to other travellers were hitched on the hind axle, but it could not be drawn ahead. The vehicle kept settling down until it heaped up mud in front like a scraper. It was necessary to lift off the load and pry the outfit up with poles. The oxen became useless on the rough rock road along the banks of Lesser Slave Lake. Their hoofs wore down, and their feet so tender that it was necessary to wrap the hoofs with grain bags and when these shoes wore out the bovines were taken by one man along the bush trail farther from the shore and the wagon hauled by the horses alone. Seven or eight miles a day was all the distance that could be covered under such difficulties. When the prairies were touched, however, 25 miles a day was an easier task. Before starting on the return journey the oxen and wagon were traded for pack mules and outfit, and the men rode the horses. At the head of Lesser Slave Lake a skiff was constructed and rigged with a sail. This craft, carrying the greater part of their effects, was navigated down the lake, Slave river and Athabasca river to Athabasca Landing, a distance of about 375 miles, the other men taking the animals over the trail. The remaining 100 miles they picked together. Mr. Clarke tells us the Peace River country is all that is claimed for it. The soil is rich and good crops were seen in the settlements. He was not satisfied to take up land, however, without first knowing whether the proposed railway line is to be run. None of the party took land. There is a lot of fine country the greater part of the farming land covered with small timber, although many sections could be picked out without a stick growing upon them.

The Peace river is a noble stream 1,800 feet wide and 40 feet deep, flowing between banks from 700 to 800 feet in height, and it is only here and there that valleys or flats occur at Grand Prairie. In this valley vegetables were growing to perfection, including tomatoes, which ripen there. Luxuriant fields of alfalfa were seen on the higher lands. The field upon which was produced the wheat that won the gold medal at Chicago's big fair in 1903 was pointed out to the travellers. Some Bruce county men were found pioneering away up there. About 10 miles from Punvegan, in the Spirit River country, they came to the ranches of John and David Esplen, sons of Mrs. Esplen, of near Arkwright. These men have a nice ranch and snug home, and are raising good horses and cattle. They are 550 miles from Edmonton, having come in there from the British Columbia side seven years ago. John Lamb, a son of Wm. Lamb, of Greenock, was met at the lower end of Lesser Slave Lake. He is employed on a dredge which is deepening the channel of the Lesser Slave River for steamboat traffic. Beaver Lodge is a hamlet containing only a few log buildings, which they almost passed by in mistake for an Indian habitation. They found the trading place locked up, but a little distance from it there was one of the largest gatherings of men that has ever been held in the country. A four days' Dominion Day celebration was in progress. About 600 white people and twice as many Indians were under camp, and it was a pretty sight, the tents dotting the lake shore and the holiday seekers enjoying themselves in gala style. The pioneers of this region, which is undoubtedly rich and will yet produce immense quantities of grain and other foodstuffs in the not distant future, are living under a great handicap as yet. Provisions are very expensive. When this party left Grand Prairie flour was \$18 per cwt., bacon 75c. a pound and sugar selling at 3 pounds for \$1.—Paisley Advocate.

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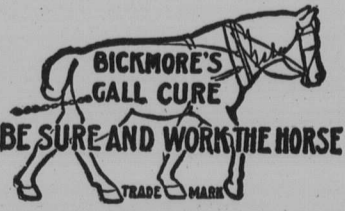
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Communication.

Mr. Editor—Kindly allow me space in connection with a question that seems to be of public interest.

It appears there are a number of people who would use the telephone system of both the Bell Co., and the rural system and if they asked Central and were refused they would think they were used wrongly.

It does seem small when the operator has to be on duty anyway and the lines are all built, to go to any bother about such a small matter as a 10 or 15c. charge for all the difference it would make to either the Bell or the Rural Co.

Now let us look at the other side. The shareholders of a rural telephone company build their lines which are more costly than the outsider would believe. Not only as a social convenience, but in most cases they consider the telephone of most value for being able to call a doctor, veterinary or neighbors in cases of sickness, accident or emergency of any kind.

For this reason it is necessary for every company to charge outsiders for the use of the lines, so as to protect the shareholders in the free use of them.

There is also another reason. The directors of the company would not be doing their duty if they did not make an effort to collect these small tolls as a number of them go a good way towards maintaining the company's lines. Therefore they enter into agreement with their operators or local managers binding them to charge certain rates of toll for conversation over their lines, so that the operators are breaking their contract by giving what they have no right to give and charging the company for the time spent doing it.

C. Johann, Sec'y.
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Fire At Wroxeter.

About four o'clock on Monday morning our citizens were aroused by the ring of the fire alarm, and on turning out it was found that the residence of Mrs. Lewis was on fire. When discovered the fire had gained such headway that it was impossible to save the building, so every effort was put forward to saving the adjoining building. A very strong westerly wind was blowing at the time and Mr. Neil White's blacksmith shop across the street as well as Hemphill and Brown's elevator were in considerable danger. Had the fire occurred during the dry season nothing could have saved them. As it was, the roofs of both buildings caught fire several times but the fire was extinguished as soon as it caught. The way some of the ladies joined the bucket brigade and worked like heroes is praiseworthy. Several young ladies broke in the cellar door of the burning building with an axe and succeeded in saving some preserves, etc., before being driven out by smoke. Very little of value, however, was saved and Mrs. Lewis will be a heavy loser. There was some insurance on the building but we did not learn the amount.—News.

Enticing A Mule Uphill.

When the family for which Uncle Erastus had worked so long and faithfully presented him with a mule, he was overcome with joy.

"He's a bad kicker, Uncle 'Rast, said the son of the family. "I told father I didn't see what you could do with an animal that liked to kick and back better than any thing else."

"I's got all dat planned," said Uncle Erastus, solemnly. "When I harnesses dat animal into my cyart, if he acts contumacious an' starts in to back, I's gwine to take him right out'n de cyart, turn it round, an' den harness dat mule in hindside befo'. Dat'll humor him, an' it'll get my cyart up de hill jes' de same."

A Huron County Editor refuses to publish obituary notices of persons, who while living, failed to subscribe to his paper. He says that people who do not take the home paper are dead, and that their mere passing away is of no news value.

WALKERTON.

Mr. R. S. Muir, a former Walkerton druggist, was Premier Whitney's opponent in Dundas at the Provincial elections on Monday, and was defeated by 1000 majority.

William Hoar, who came to the House of Refuge here from Amabel about two years ago, died in that institution last week after a long illness of stomach trouble. The deceased was 45 years of age and a previous farm laborer.

Mr. John Laughton, a former Walkerton boy and nephew of the redoubtable Jerry Laughton here, was in town last week, and addressed the electors in behalf of Dr. R. E. Clapp at the Conservative meeting here on Thursday night. Mr. Laughton is travelling for a Montreal dry goods firm, and is a fluent platform speaker.

Mr. Andrew Bell of Brant, who has been seriously ill for some time, was removed in the ambulance to the Hospital on Monday, where D. H. H. Sinclair performed a prostate operation on him the following day. At last reports he was making satisfactory progress towards recovery.

Mr. Joseph Lettner, an old settler of Brant, died at his home in Walkerton on Sunday last, after a five years' illness of kidney trouble. The deceased, who was 74 years and 9 months old, was born in Baden, Germany, and immigrated to this country at the age of 17, settling first near Guelph where he married his present wife, in 1863. The couple immediately after their marriage moved to Carrick Tp., and later to Brant, where they resided continuously until eight years ago, when they retired from the farm and moved into Walkerton to reside. The deceased was favorably known and highly esteemed by his friends, and his passing though not unexpected is regretted.

Why Meat Is Dear.

Dr. Rutherford, veterinary director-general and live stock commissioner in his annual report sounds a note of warning as to the future of the live stock industry, which throws light on one of the causes of the high cost of living. Dr. Rutherford says that production of meat in this country is not keeping up with the demand; that the country's meat export trade is diminishing, and bids fair to disappear altogether, and the imports of meat from the United States the Antipodes and the Argentine are daily becoming a bigger factor.

Until very recently it had appeared as if Canada would always have an abundant supply of live stock of all kinds. Circumstances have, however, brought about a great and serious change. Although many of the new comers in western Canada are on the land, few of them are devoting any attention to animal husbandry, and a considerable time is likely to elapse before they are compelled by a gradual exhaustion of the soil to turn to mixed farming and systematic production of commercial live stock. For some time, therefore, the majority of these people will themselves be consumers instead of producers of meat.

The continued augmentation of our city population, says the report, "has also largely increased the consuming public. Further, the habits and tastes of the people have altered and the general prosperity has brought about a higher standard of living resulting in a greater per capita consumption of meat. It is certainly somewhat remarkable that in view of these conditions the general production of live-stock through the country as a whole, appears to have scarcely maintained a normal rate of increase. "For a number of years mutton from the Antipodes has been competing with that from Washington and Oregon in the British Columbia market, an occasional carload being shipped as far east as Alberta. During last winter, however, frozen mutton, as well as frozen rabbits, from Australia, have been landed at our Atlantic seaports, and sold to Canadian consumers in Toronto and Montreal.

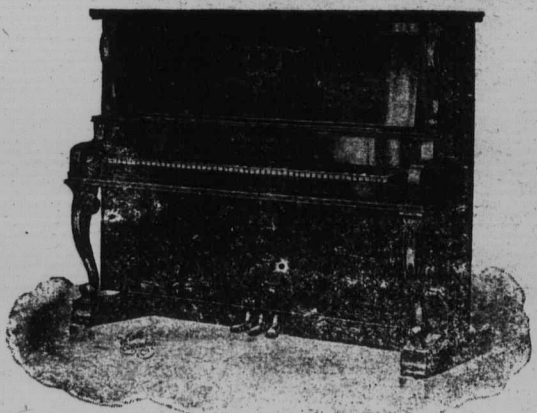
A Close Guess.

A merchant at Olathe, Kan., filled a lantern with oil, lighted it and placed it in his show window, offering the lantern as a prize to the one who made the best guess as to the length of time it would burn. A young woman guessed forty-five hours and won the prize. The lantern burned forty-four hours and thirty-three minutes. One man who went to the trouble to work out the problem to a mathematical certainty, after figuring for an hour, gave the answer as three hours and eight minutes.

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SANE CHRISTMAS BUYING

While we would not for a moment attempt to discourage the beautiful and almost universal custom of buying and distributing Christmas presents, we do consider that the man of moderate means should be sensible and conservative in this respect.

About Christmas-time, a craze seems to strike the public for buying presents, and people purchase with apparently no thought of their financial stature, rarely ever displaying a taste in keeping with this and the appropriateness of the gifts to be bestowed.

This is more common among rural folks than in the city, since there are so many articles which, while adding not only to pleasure, but comfort and profit to those on the farm, would not appeal to the city resident as being either beautiful or useful. For this reason, we believe there ought to be started a movement among farmers, looking towards what might be termed a "sane" Christmas.

Of course, the farmer who has money and to spare, need not limit his buying to those gifts which will be of material use to the person to whom presented, but where one has a large family and a limited purse, it seems to us that it is the height of foolishness (though noble and self-sacrificing the deed) for a farmer and his family to spend their hard-earned money for presents that never will be fit for anything but ornaments, when they could as well secure something both pleasing to the eye and of practical use to the one receiving it.

While the list of useful and attractive Christmas gifts that would be suitable for the farm household is almost endless, a few for each portion of the family are herewith appended.

The farmer himself would appreciate such useful articles as a neat, comfortable cap; a pair of artistic though warm mittens (if knitted by some member of the household, so much the better); some handy, well-finished tool; a pair of comfortable slippers to wear after the day's hard toil; or a roomy rocking-chair. None of these would necessitate any great outlay of cash, but would bring pleasure to the eyes and be of material benefit to him.

Presents for the house-wife should be something contributing to home-making—something attractive, pretty, yet useful. Dollies, tidies, all kinds of kitchen and parlor linen, handsome, serviceable dish-sets, a rug, a comfortable shawl, a nice set of good furs—these are but a few of the many presents that would please for years to come, and yet not cost any more than some gaudy article fit only to be stowed away to look at occasionally, or wear out in the course of a year or two.

For the boys and girls, any of the above articles may be included, with scores of others fully as appropriate. Useful, instructive games will not only be acceptable, but will furnish a world of amusement for the entire household. Then, there are such useful and ornamental presents for them as good books, musical instruments, various articles of wearing apparel that will prove both serviceable and attractive, writing sets, appropriate sized guns for the large boys, sewing sets for the girls. Of course, we must gladden the hearts of the little tots with dolls, toys, whatnot—and be all the merrier for it; but for the larger children we may find plenty of presents which, while inexpensive, are far more attractive, useful and instructive than the worthless trinkets foolishly bought by many.

Again, what's the use of one running around all over Christendom to secure presents for every friend and relative in existence? If you are a person of only moderate means (and most of us farmers are), your sane friends will not expect a costly present from you—just some keepsake in memory of the day; something to show your good will, and not to reflect the size of your purse.

Only one present of each kind need be given or sent to any family, so that the variety will be much the same as though no two articles of the same class had been purchased. It is neither fair to yourself nor to your family to buy extravagantly, without regard to the sacrifice you are making and the little real benefit you are rendering to those you should provide for.

THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT.

"What is the irreducible minimum?" I said to her finally," said Mr. Billtops, and

"What's that?" said Mrs. Billtops, not clearly understanding at first the significance of those two somewhat unfamiliar words; and so I put it in another way:

"Well," I said "What is the very least you can get along with?" this conversation having been held at the time when it usually comes every year, along about December 1, and referring, of course, to the amount of money Mrs. Billtops could have to spend for Christmas gifts.

"Mrs. Billtops is no spendthrift.

I don't know where we would have been to-day but for her looking after the money; but she likes to give, she likes to make people happy, and every year at about December 1 she comes to me for the Christmas money. And then we talk it over. And every year she says to me:

"Ezra, I don't think you have much of the Christmas spirit; and then I say to her:

"Elizabeth, my Christmas spirit is all right, it's the bank account that's lacking," and then we get down to business.

"It will cost so much for what we want to give so-and-so, and so much for another, and so on; and when we get through the list and have footed it up we both know it won't do; the spirit is willing, but the bank account, as aforesaid, is weak; and then we go over the list again, and we end up by my asking her what is the least she can get along with, the question that I put to her this year in a request to know the irreducible minimum, and then I draw the check.

"Oh, well, what's the use! We like to give and why not give cheerfully! And really we have many things to be thankful for, and not the least of these is associated with Christmas, which, as we gratefully reflect comes but once a year."

HOW TO MAKE XMAS GIFTS.

There are few people who do not want to make Christmas a day of cheer and happiness, and some sort of gift is generally used to embody the spirit of the day. The gift need not be expensive, and may often be fashioned from material already at hand. More than one family has secured an extra amount of fun in planning gifts for the immediate family, none of which were to cost more than 10 cents. Of course they had to set their wits to work, but the planning was a part of the fun, and all were surprised when they saw what really pretty and useful things they could evolve and still keep within the prescribed limit. Here are a few items which will help to show what may be done in this line:

Hemstitched Handkerchiefs.—A third of a yard of fine handkerchief linen may be purchased for 30 cents. This will make three handkerchiefs, which may be carefully hemstitched, and perhaps an initial worked, making an acceptable gift for any woman or girl.

Tissue Paper Gifts.—A sheet of crinkled tissue paper may be made up into quite a number of gifts, the cost of each amounting to much less than 10 cents. Candle shades may be covered, pasteboard boxes made ornamentally, flower pots may be attractively finished. Indeed, the uses of the tissue paper are almost endless. One use, which should not be overlooked, is the making of a set of doll clothes for some small girl who is fond of paper dolls.

Collars, Ties, Bows, Etc.—Now that fancy stocks, ties, collars and bows of all sorts for the neck are so much worn, and are made in such an endless variety of ways, one can make the best of use of the odds and ends of ribbon, lace and bits of embroidery, which accumulate in every home. Any fashion magazine or some of the many newspapers will give hints as to how to make these up in different ways. Study the fashion models and you will soon have ideas for half a dozen. Small bows, very small in fact, are used with linen collars and give a very natty finish to an afternoon dress. A bit of silk, finished at the ends with an edge of plaid silk or a trimming of lace, gathered closely through the middle and secured by a very small twist of the trimming material, makes a tie, such as is being shown in the best shops. Use ingenuity and originality, and follow the fashion plates for shapes, and you cannot go far amiss.

Sachet Bags are also in perpetual favor, and may be made from bits of silk, ribbon, fine white goods, or any pretty fancy goods which is light in texture. The sachet powder should be of good quality always, and the bags may be used to wear in the corsage, tucked into a handkerchief or glove boxes, or among the contents of drawers where the personal wearing apparel is kept. The delicate, almost imperceptible perfume thus imparted is much to be preferred to the stronger perfumes which are often used.

Pretty Bags.—Pretty little bags for buttons, hooks and eyes, or larger ones for carrying fancy work, or the handkerchief and purse, may be made from the never-failing "piece-bag," when the only expense will be for the ribbon used for draw-strings.

Raffia Presents.—Many small and useful articles may be made with raffia, by one who has learned how to braid or weave it. A small tin or earthen jar suitable in size for holding matches, can have a cover woven of the raffia or of fine ratan, and the expense will be next to nothing, so small amount of material need be used. A bottle of pretty shape, such as some olive bottles with wide mouth may be covered with raffia and suspended against a wall or window casing for holding flowers.

Out of Turkish Toweling.—A yard of Turkish toweling will make quite an array of the nicest sort of wash clothes, and these may be made more attractive in appearance by crocheting a border from knitting cotton around each one.

Games for Children

SHOUTING PROVERBS.

A good sitting-down game is the one known as "Shouting Proverbs." All the players sit in a circle, except one who is chosen to go out of the room. The players then choose some well-known proverb, such as "It is never too late to mend." Each player then takes a word of the proverb, which, after calling in the absent one, he shouts simultaneously with the other players. The player called in may go as close as he likes to any of the shouters. The player from whom he obtains the word which gives him the clue to the proverb goes out of the room and the game starts again with a fresh proverb. Should the words in the proverb be too few to go round the remaining players take the words over again, so that two or three players may be shouting the same word.

Another way of playing this game is to sing the words to any well-known tune, and this may be preferred by some as giving a less boisterous effect.

BUFF WITH THE WAND.

Another capital sitting-down game is played in the following way. All players but the leader and one who is blindfolded sit round the room. The leader then takes the blindfolded one (who has a walking stick in his hand) to any one in the circle. This player must grasp the stick. The blindfolded one then proceeds to make three sounds, as a grunt, a squeak, and a cough, one at a time, which must be imitated by the stick-holder. If the blindfolded one can guess the name of his imitator he changes places with him, and the game starts again. If he cannot guess he is taken round to another player and tries again until successful.

MUSICAL SURPRISE.

For a game full of boisterous fun, provoking shrieks of laughter, Musical Surprise is an excellent one. In this the leader alone knows the game. Arranging all the players in a line behind him, and telling them to do exactly as he does, the leader, to the accompaniment of a lively tune on the piano, starts off, leading the players through funny twists and turns, round a chair, out of one door and in at another, fast and very slow, and so on. Suddenly, quickening up to a smart run, the leader takes the line straight up to the middle of the room, clear of any furniture, and, without warning, sits down. The result is the surprise—the players finding themselves in a medley upon the floor to the concluding crash of the music.

FORTUNE TELLING.

For older children or grown-ups much fun and laughing is provided by the game of "Fortune Telling." For this the leader takes three hats, and hands each player three slips of paper. Upon the first paper each player writes his or her name. The leader then collects all the papers in one hat. Upon the second paper the players are told to write a short description of some person whom they consider handsome or the opposite, giving no name. These papers are then collected by the leader in another hat. The players now, upon the last paper, proceed to write a short character, and what will become of him, of any person they know (flattering or otherwise), without mentioning names. These last papers the leader collects in the third hat, and now proceeds to tell the fortunes. Taking a paper from the hat No. 1 he reads out the name upon it. Next, taking a paper haphazard from hat No. 2 he reads out the personal appearance of that player. After which, taking a paper from hat No. 3, he reads out the character and destination. The jumbled papers will give results of an extremely humorous nature. Thus:

1. Miss Thompson (one of the company).
2. Is old and half-cracked, with a ginger beard and a squint.
3. Is a most gracious and winning little angel, and will certainly come to matrimony. Or, as another may read:
3. Is an outrageous cadger who will end on the gallows.



XMAS MORNING.

"Did you hang up yer stockin'?"
"Yep. Can't yer see! An' somebody swiped it."—Life.



Mistletoe Mysteries

Everybody knows how intimately associated with the festive season of Christmas is the mistletoe, but everybody does not know the real reason of the good old Christmas custom of kissing beneath it, nor is everybody acquainted with the many superstitions that have grown around the sacred evergreen.

According to the legend, Balder, the Scandinavian god of eloquence and poetry, secured immunity from the violence of his enemies by exorcising from everything in earth, fire and water, a promise not to do him any hurt.

It was from mistletoe alone that he forgot to obtain this assurance, and the fact becoming known to Loake, the enemy of Balder, he induced a hireling to shoot Balder dead with an arrow formed of the unpurged mistletoe.

Now, the god of eloquence and poetry was such a great favorite with all the other gods and goddesses that they prayed and prayed until out of love they had for him he was restored to life.

With Balder alive again, we have no further concern; the mistletoe after his restoration being given to the goddess of love to safely guard and keep. The evergreen thus became an emblem of love instead of death, in token of which all and sundry passing beneath the mistletoe bough, which the goddess held in her hand, saluted her with a tender kiss. Such was the origin of the mistletoe salute.

But the mistletoe has its sad, as well as its sweet, romances, chief amongst which is that of the charming bride, Ginevra, of the gallant Lord Lovel, immortalised in Haynes Bayley's affecting ballad of "The Mistletoe Bough."

But some probably do not know that the fatal chest, in which, as all will remember, the beautiful girl, in a spirit of mischief, hid herself, as told in the ballad, is still in existence and in a good state of preservation. This is, however, the case, and its present possessor is Lieutenant-Colonel Greatwood, of Tiverton Castle. It has a beautifully carved front, which is divided into panels on which three landscapes are depicted with rare artistic skill.

In the Midland counties of England mistletoe superstitions have not yet died out. In some parts a sprig of the evergreen that has been used in the decoration of the church is highly prized, inasmuch as it is supposed to bring good luck throughout the ensuing year to the fortunate possessor.

In rural Gloucestershire a very curious belief prevails. According to it, any unmarried woman who

places beneath her pillow a spring of mistletoe which she has taken from the inside of the parish church will be sure to dream of her future husband.

One aged dame, in the Forest of Dean, is fond of telling the story of how she dreamt that a certain man was to take her for better or worse, how she met him a few days later, and told him of the dream, and how she married him before the festive season came round again! The rest of the story she does not relate.

Farmers have their own peculiar superstitions regarding the mistletoe. "No mistletoe, no luck," is an axiom with some of them; and to many Christmas would not be Christmas without a profuse display of the evergreen about the farmhouse. But, as most people are aware, it is considered fatal to allow Christmas decoration of any sort to remain in its place after the Twelfth Night.

In country districts the destruction of the decorations is dignified into a solemn ceremony. But mistletoe must be removed as soon as Christmas is over. In many cases as soon as the festive season is at an end the mistletoe used for the decoration of the dwelling will be all carefully collected and solemnly burnt on the parlor fire.

Some farmers believe that mistletoe can bring good luck to the dairy. But to ensure this a branch of it must be given to the first cow on the farm that gives birth to a calf after the birth of the New Year. When there is an abundance of mistletoe at Christmas it is supposed, in agricultural districts, to foreshadow a prosperous twelve months.

CHRISTMAS CANDIES.

Nut Candy.—Two cups of white sugar, one-half cup of butter, one-half cup of water, one cup of nuts—any kind. Boil until it threads. Put in nuts and pour on buttered plate; mark in squares.

Chocolate Fudge.—Two cups of sugar, light brown, one-half cup of butter, one-half cup water, or milk; one-half cup grated chocolate or cocoa; boil until it will make a soft ball in cold water, then take from the stove and stir until cool. Maple fudge is very nice, using maple syrup instead of sugar, without the chocolate.

Peanut Bars.—Boil two cups of sugar and one-half cup of water until it cracks when dropped in cold water, pour the syrup over a cup of peanuts on greased plate.

Cream Candy.—Two cups of white sugar granulated, one-half cup of water, boil without stirring until it forms a soft ball in water, then remove and let stand until cool enough to put your finger in; then stir until white and creamy and knead on a plate. Color it by using different colors of fruit coloring, putting a nut or raisin on top of each ball, mixing cocoanut with some and stuffing some with dates.

This makes a fine lot of candies and it doesn't cost much, and packed in fancy boxes, it is a present that will please any one. It isn't hard at all to make. Try once and see what fun it is.

GOLF BALL IN COW'S EAR.

The story of a remarkable incident in a golf match on the links at Balmoral Castle went the rounds of Londoners of King George's staff at a critical moment apparently failed to loft his ball as much as he may have intended in making an approach stroke. The ball was seen to hit a cow. The animal moved off unconcernedly. The gentleman went to the spot vacated by the cow but could not find the ball. He turned to the animal, which at that moment shook her head. The movement caused the ball to roll out of her ear.

CHRISTMAS DISHES

Sugar Icing.—Put the white of some eggs into a basin with a tablespoonful of orange flower water. Mix in icing sugar to a firm paste. Spread this over a cake, using a knife dipped in boiling water to smooth the sugar. Never ice a cake until just before it is needed.

Cream Dates.—Are inexpensive, and may appear at dessert. Take some fine dates, slit the fruit down one side and remove the stone with a penknife, removing also any dry skin from inside. Fill the cavity with almond paste, leaving it to show a little, which gives the appearance of the date having burst open.

Mincemeat.—Take half a pound each of chopped suet, stoned raisins, currants, chopped apple, and three-quarters of a pound of mixed peel, finely chopped. Also three-quarters of a pound of sugar, and spice to taste. Mix the ingredients well together, and add two wine-glasses of brandy. If the mincemeat is kept for a long time, a little more brandy should be added.

Russian Toffee.—For this take a small tin of Swiss milk, turn its contents into a saucepan with two pounds of coarse brown sugar and a teaspoonful of essence of vanilla, adding a piece of butter weighing one ounce and a half. Cook this carefully for quarter of an hour, stirring slowly, and pour on to a buttered tin. Cut into squares, and when cold it should be of the consistency of caramels.

Devilled Turkey.—Take two turkey legs, one tablespoonful of made mustard, one tablespoonful of ketchup, half a pint of good stock or gravy, seasonings. Score the legs deeply, and then rub in well the made mustard and ketchup, and leave for an hour. Warm the stock, thicken, flavor, and color it. Warm the legs in it gently without letting the gravy boil. Serve very hot garnished with chopped hard-boiled egg and chopped parsley.

Rich Christmas Pudding.—Half a pound of beef suet, a quarter of a pound of flour, a quarter of a pound of breadrum, half a pound each of stoned raisins and currants, and two pieces of chopped peel. Mix these ingredients with three well-beaten eggs into which have been stirred two wine-glasses of brandy. Mix thoroughly and fill basins quite full. Cover with buttered paper and tie over with a cloth. Boil fast for ten hours.

Cocoanut Ice Bars.—Grate the white part of the cocoanut till you have half a pound. Spread this on a dish and let it stand for two or three days to get dry. Take about a quarter of the white of an egg and beat it in three-quarters of a pint of water before pouring it over two pounds of loaf sugar in a deep pan. When this has stood a little time, place the pan on a clear fire and let it boil for a few minutes, then set on one side till the scum has gone down. Clear this off and boil the sugar till it is very thick and white. Strew in the nut and stir continually till it is finished. Take care that the mixture does not burn.

Pour half on to a tin lined with oiled paper, color the rest a pale pink, and pour over in an even layer. When cool and set remove the cake of cocoanut, pull off the paper, and divide into slabs with a sharp knife.

TO CLEAN A TURKEY.

Process of Preparing Bird for the Oven.

The bird should first be held over a flame (from gas, alcohol or burning paper), constantly changing position until all parts have been exposed to the flame, that hairs and down may be removed; this is known as singeing. Cut off the head and draw out pin-feathers, using a small pointed knife. Make two cuts three-fourths of an inch long on under part of each leg, introduce a steel skewer and remove tendons, drawing out one at a time. Cut through the skin around the leg one and one-half inches below the leg joint, place leg at this cut over edge of board, press downward to snap the bone, then pull off the foot. Make an incision through the skin below the breast bone just large enough to admit the hand. With the hand remove entrails, gizzard, liver and heart. Care must be taken that the gall-bag is removed with the liver and is not broken, for the least bit of the bile which it contains would impart a very bitter flavor to any part with which it came in contact. Next remove lungs and kidneys. By introducing first two fingers under skin close to neck the windpipe may be easily found and withdrawn, also the crop, which adheres to skin close to breast. Draw down neck skin and cut off neck close to body, leaving the skin long enough to fasten under the back with a skewer after the stuffing has been put in. Remove oil bag, thoroughly wash bird, wipe inside and outside as dry as possible.

ST. VITUS DANCE

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Chorea, or as it is more generally known, St. Vitus dance, is a disease that usually attacks the young children, though older persons may be afflicted with it. Its most common symptoms are a twitching of the muscles of the face and limbs. As the disease progresses this twitching takes the form of spasms in which the jerking motion may be confined to the head, or all the limbs may be affected. The patient is frequently unable to hold anything in the hands or to walk steadily, and in severe cases even the speech is affected. The disease is due to debility of the nerves and is always cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which enrich the blood, tone and strengthen the nerves and thus restore the sufferer to good health. The following is a striking instance of what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will do in this trouble. Mrs. Chas. Phipps, Pelee Island, Ont., says: "At the age of fourteen my eldest daughter, Edith, became much run down, and the trouble developed into St. Vitus dance. First her left arm became affected, then the left leg and entire left side. She grew so bad that she actually could not hold anything in her hand, and could only go about with a sliding, jerking motion. Notwithstanding that we were giving her medicine, she seemed to be growing worse, and finally her speech became much affected. We became so much alarmed about her that finally her father got a supply of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and we began giving her these. In the course of a few weeks she was much better, and before all the pills were gone she was again enjoying perfect health. This was in 1908, and as she has not had a symptom of the trouble since I feel justified in saying the cure is permanent." Be sure you get the genuine pills which are sold by all medicine dealers or may be had at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

YOUTH FOUND COMET.

Made Discovery With Home-Made Telescope.

To a young amateur astronomer in London, England, working with a telescope of his own making fell the honor of discovering, simultaneously with Prof. Queneisen, the new comet which was the other day for the first time observed in the heavens. This youth—he has just turned 21—communicated the news of his discovery to the Royal Observatory at Greenwich before Prof. Queneisen's observation became known, and had he communicated with the Kiel Observatory, as the more experienced astronomer did, it is probable that the new comet would have been registered under the double name of Queneisen-Brown, Francis Brown being the name of the Englishman. Mr. Brown lives with his parents at Lee, where for five years he has been studying the stars as a hobby. Two years ago he constructed there a big reflecting telescope, with a twelve-inch aperture, which is rigidly up in his father's back garden.

THE SEVEN AGES OF WOMEN.

- Marjorie.
- Marge.
- Margaret Smith.
- Margaret Smith-Brown.
- Margaret Smith-Brown-White.
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- Marguerita.

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MEN OF GENIUS AT TABLE.

Tales of Great Men Who Were Great Eaters.

It would appear that the man of genius usually requires a large supply of substantial food. Intellectual work demands full nutrition to repair the waste of brain tissue. Scott was wont to attribute his extraordinary capacity for continuous work to his digestion and the wholesome restraints of his appetite in his youth. "I have as keen an appetite now as any man," he said, "but I know when to stop." Mirabeau is stated to have been an enormous feeder, eating as much at a meal as would suffice three ordinary men. Talleyrand was also a noted eater. Goethe and Napoleon ate large quantities of food, but cared little for the quality. Bismarck was noted for his appetite, which was insatiable, but his food was of the simplest.

Many stories are told of the gross delight in eating evinced by the two Dumas, father and son, one of which is that the younger, being overtaken by a storm, took refuge in a hotel near Paris. Twenty-four turkeys were hanging upon the spit. "And all for a single traveler," explained the host. "C'est mon pere!" exclaimed Alexandre. He was right.

FACT AND FANCY.

Oats make the most fattening cereal. The voice of winter is, perhaps, snow-balling. In 1350 skilled labor was paid ten cents a day. Unskilled got only three cents. But half a dollar in 1350 would buy a sheep. No consistent vegetarian has a right to wear mutton-chop whiskers. A slight lightning stroke has been known to cure neuritis. Rich bachelors often make poor husbands. Stubborn mules will work splendidly if a little wine or beer is mixed with their food. Full dress in most regiments involves, oddly enough, bearskins. Lord Roberts and Lord Walsley, the two English field marshals, are 79. The army is nowadays the safest and healthiest profession.

A Pill that Proves its Value.

Those of weak stomach will find strength in Parmelee's Vegetable Pills, because they serve to maintain the healthful action of the stomach and the liver, irregularities in which are most distressing. Dyspeptics are well acquainted with them and value them at their proper worth. They have afforded relief when other preparations have failed, and have effected cures in ailments of long standing where other medicines were found unavailing.

Nearly every man has a fool theory that he believes the world will finally adopt. Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria. Some men are born great and some others roll up their trousers and wade right into the midst of greatness. Sores Flee Before It.—There are many who have been afflicted with sores and have driven them away with Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, which acts like magic. All similarly troubled should lose no time in applying this splendid remedy, as there is nothing like it to be had. It is cheap, but its power is in no way expressed by its low price.

"MONDAY MORNINGITIS."

Have you ever felt it—that queer lackadaisical, "don't care," "can't do" feeling? It wakes up with you on Monday mornings, and continues with ordinary, hard-working man or woman, subject to the ills and worries of everyday life. At a very early hour the Monday morning "old man of the sea" perches himself on his victims' shoulders, and the first spell cast is a haunting disinclination to rise. Nor does the fell influence stop at this. Work loses completely its usual savour. Strong and irresistible waxes the temptation to "slack" wholeheartedly. And the strange part of it is that members of every community are liable to attacks of this peculiarly paralyzing form of Monday-phobia. Even kings and princes cannot escape it. And the one only cure for it is a little determination. Make an effort to get up quite to time. Arrive early at your work. Attack that work whatever it be, immediately and with spirit. Do not dilly-dally, and thus give the "tired feeling" time to get a permanent grip.

SAWDUST AS BREAD.

Sawdust may not appeal to the palate as a digestible or appetizing substitute for flour in the making of bread, but all the same there is a large bakery in Berlin, Germany, turning out 20,000 loaves of sawdust bread daily. The sawdust is first subjected to a process of fermentation, and various chemical manipulations. Finally it is mixed with one-third part of rye flour, formed into loaves, and baked in ovens like any other bread. Although this new "pain de bois," as the French call it, is meant for consumption by horses only, claim is made by the manufacturers that in case of famine it would furnish a nutritious and highly satisfactory food for human beings.

NOTHING LIKE THEM FOR A SORE BACK.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS STILL DOING GREAT WORK.

Mrs. T. G. Alexander, of Hawthorne, after twelve years' suffering, tells the public what they are doing for her. Hawthorne, Ont., Dec. 11 (Special).—"There is nothing like Dodd's Kidney Pills for a sore back." That is the statement of Mrs. T. G. Alexander of this place, and all her neighbors agree that she should know. "I suffered for twelve years from a pain in my back, Rheumatism and Heart Disease," Mrs. Alexander continues. "I was always tired and nervous and my sleep was broken and unrefreshing. Since taking Dodd's Kidney Pills I am feeling so much better that I feel I must say a good word for them."

No matter how long you have suffered Dodd's Kidney Pills cannot fail to help you if you trouble it of the Kidneys. If you use Dodd's Kidney Pills early the cure will be quick. If your trouble is of long standing it will take them longer to cure you. But they always cure. People from all parts of Canada who have been cured are telling about it in the newspapers almost every day.

ALE TESTER HAD SINECURE.

Elaborate precautions were taken in the eighteenth century to insure the fitness of English ale. The official sugar sealer was an institution. His post, though no sinecure, required little brainwork. But leather breeches were indispensable. Here is his programme: "He would enter an inn unexpectedly, draw a glass of ale, pour it on a wooden bench and sit down in the little puddle he had made. Here he would sit for 30 minutes by the clock. He would converse, he would smoke and he would drink with all who asked him to, but he would be very careful not to change his position. At the end of the half hour he would make as if to rise, and this was the test of the ale; for if the ale was impure, if the ale had sugar in it, the tester's leather breeches would stick to the bench."

THE POPULAR PIANO.

It is just a little over two hundred years since the piano was first invented and used in Italy, and it was not till nearly sixty years later that England came to know the "new musical instrument called Piano-forte." Since that day the piano has progressed. And the majority of homes regard the piano as a necessity rather than a luxury. You can buy one for \$75, or you may pay \$75,000, as one millionaire did. For how many people the piano finds employment it would be difficult to estimate. Apart from the host of teachers, every piano manufactured passes through the hands of some fifty different people; while more than forty different materials are employed in the construction of the most ordinary instrument.

"What is the hardest thing to learn about farming?" inquired the visitor. "Gettin' up at five o'clock in the mornin'!" replied Farmer Cornstossel.

To have the children sound and healthy is the first care of a mother. They cannot be healthy if troubled with worms. Use Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator. A man's natural bent seems to be crooked. Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper. The easiest way to acquire fortune is to inherit it from your father. Holloway's Corn Cure takes the corn out by the roots. Try it and prove it. A KNIGHT ERRANT. Gwendoline—"If it were but possible, in these prosaic days, for you to do something brave and knightlike, in order to prove your love!" George—"Well, ain't I going to marry you next month on a salary of \$10 a week?" Some people never appreciate a favor until they need another.

For Instance Post Toasties



The Memory Lingers

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ALMOST INVISIBLE SCREWS.

Are Four One-thousandths of an Inch in Diameter.

The smallest screws in the world are made in a watch factory. They are cut from steel wire by a machine, but as the chips fall from the knife it seems as though the operator was simply cutting up the wire for this own amusement. No screws can be seen, and yet a screw is made at every third operation. The fourth jewel screw is next to invisible, and to the naked eye it looks like a grain of dust. With a magnifying glass, however, it is seen to be a screw with 260 threads to the inch, and with a very fine glass the threads may be seen plainly.

These little screws are four one-thousandths of an inch in diameter. It is estimated that an ordinary thimble would hold 100,000 of them. About a million are made in a month but no attempt is ever made to count them. In determining the number, 100 of them are placed on a very delicate balance, and the number of the whole amount is calculated from the weight. All the small parts of the watch are counted in this way, probably 50 out of the 120.

After being cut the screws are hardened and put in frames, about 100 to the frame, heads up. This is done very rapidly, but entirely by the sense of touch instead of by sight, so that a blind man could do it as well as the owner of the sharpest eye. The heads are then polished in an automatic machine, 10,000 at a time. The plate on which they are polished is covered with oil and a grinding compound, and on this the machine moves them very rapidly by a reversing motion until the polish is perfect.

COLD SORES AND ULCERS ARE HEALED BY ZAM-BUK.

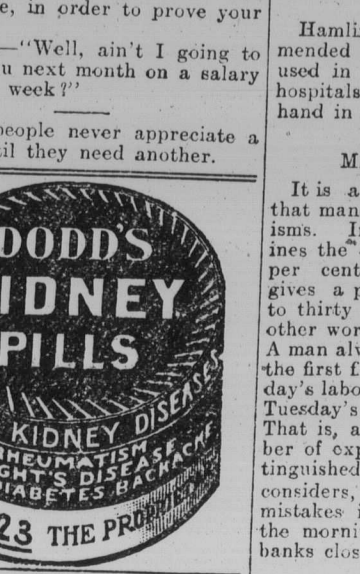
Cold sores, chapped hands, ulcers and winter eczema are common troubles just now, and for all these, Zam-Buk will be found the surest and quickest remedy. Sometimes cold sores arise from chilblains on the toes or fingers, and in the former case, where colored socks are worn, there is a danger of blood-poisoning from the dye. Zam-Buk being so powerfully antiseptic removes the danger as soon as applied. Mr. W. J. Halliday, of Ash Grove, Ont., says: "I had my little finger frozen, and it cracked at the first joint, causing a bad sore, which discharged freely and would not heal. The pain was very bad, and the whole of my hand became swollen. A friend advised me to try Zam-Buk, and in a very short time it healed the sore."

Miss Lillie May, of Stoney Creek, Ont., says: "A few weeks since, several nasty, disfiguring cold sores suddenly broke out on my lips, which became much swollen. I tried Zam-Buk, and after a few applications of this balm, every sore was healed." Zam-Buk will also be found a sure cure for eczema, blood-poison, various sores, piles, scalp sores, ringworm, inflamed patches, babies' eruptions and chapped places, cuts, burns, bruises, and skin injuries generally. All druggists and stores sell at 50c. box, or post free from Zam-Buk Co., Toronto, upon receipt of price. Refuse harmful imitations and substitutes. Use also Zam-Buk Soap, 25c. tablet. Best for baby's tender skin!

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SHE LEFT THEM AT HOME.

"Have you any references?" asked the lady of the house. "Yes, ma'am. A lot of 'em." "Then why didn't you bring them with you?" "They're just like my photographs, ma'am. None of 'em does me justice."

A Cure for Rheumatism.—A painful and persistent form of rheumatism is caused by impurities in the blood, the result of defective action of the liver and kidneys. The blood becomes tainted by the introduction of uric acid, which causes joints. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are known to have effected many remarkable cures, and their use is strongly recommended. A trial of them will convince anyone of their value.

Bagpipes were used by the Assyrians, and were known all over Asia; the Chinese also had this musical instrument.

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If a woman is afraid of losing her hair she might lock it up in a safe. Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, &c.

As a general rule married men do not lie from choice. But their wives persist in asking such foolish questions.

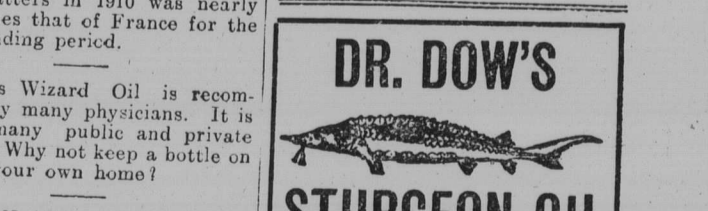
Sudden transition from a hot to a cold temperature, exposure to rain, sitting in a draught, unseasonable substitution of light for heavy clothing, are fruitful causes of colds and the resultant cough so perilous to persons of weak lungs. Among the many medicines for bronchial disorders so arising, there is none better than Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup. Try it and become convinced. Price 25 cents.

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Think it Over, Ladies

What Have You Forgotten For The Christmas Dinner?

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You'll be safe in a last minute selection on Christmas Groceries from us—Read This List.

New Canned Goods

Peas.....2 for 25c
Beans.....10c
Corn.....10c
Tomatoes.....2 for 25c
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Teas and Coffees.

Unsurpassed in cup quality, will satisfy the most exacting connoisseur of fine Teas and Coffees selected from the best importers.
TEAS—Red Rose, Black mixed and Green at—
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Star Blend.....at 35c
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Holbrook's, the best English Brand, and Recommended by the best people all over the world.
Sweet Mango Chutney.....25c
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Capucine Capers.....10c & 25c
Harvey Sauce.....25c
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Mushroom Catsup.....25c
Pickled Walnuts.....25c

Imported Cherries.

Cherries in Marasquin.....50c
Candied Cherries ½ lb box.....25c

Nuts and Candies

Almonds, Walnuts Brazils.....20c a lb
Filberts, Peanuts,.....15c lb
Fresh Chocolates.....20c, 25c, 35c, 40c, and 50c
Bon Bons in fancy holiday boxes at 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 60c, \$1.25 and \$2.50.
Special lot of extra good Xmas Mixed Candy at.....10c a lb
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Choice Canadian.....20c a lb
McLaren's Imperial Jar.....25c
Canada Cream per plg.....10c

Spanish Olives.

Full line of Queen Olives, famed for their crisp freshness and appetizing flavor per bottle—
10c, 20, 35c and 40c.

Fresh Fruits and Delicacies

Imported for Christmas trade, unsurpassed in quality.
Oranges, per dozen.....20c 30c 40c and 50c.
Bananas, per doz.....25c
Layer Raisins, very fancy pound packages.....25c
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Stuff your turkey with Sealshipt oysters the cream of the oyster beds. It doesn't matter how you serve Sealshipt Oysters—straight, roasted, fried, scalloped or as a stuffing.... whether for dinner or supper, your family or guests, will be particularly thankful to receive them. To be sure of the finished dish, you must be sure of getting the genuine Sealshipt, and to be sure of getting the genuine Sealshipt Oyster, buy from us.
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We have hundreds of articles which make very suitable Christmas Presents. Here are a few of them:—

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| Skates, | Hockey Sticks, |
| Lamps, | Nickle plated tea pots, |
| Hockey Sticks, | Carving Sets, |
| Meat Cutters, | Nickle plated trays, |
| Family Scales, | Sewing Machines |
| Silver Spoons, | Snowshoes, |
| Fruit spoons, | Butter Knives, |
| Gloves, | Child's Knife & fork Sets. |
| Child's Cup & Saucer sets, | Brass Jardiniers, &c., &c. |

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THE CORNER HARDWARE.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS TORONTO.

The railways reported 66 carloads of live stock at the City Yards, comprising 682 cattle, 1278 hogs, 1215 sheep and lambs and 73 calves.

Owing to the light deliveries and an outside demand, trade was active, with prices fully as firm for cattle as at the Union Yards on Monday, especially for the better class.

Butchers.—Picked lots, \$6 20 to \$6 60; Good \$5 80 to \$6 10; medium, \$5 40 to \$5 75; common, \$4 50 to \$5 25; cows, \$3 to \$5 25; bulls, \$4 to \$5 25.

Stockers and Feeders.—John O Keefe bought 20 light feeders, 880 lbs. each, of good quality, at \$4 50, and C. Zeagman & Sons sold one load, 950 lbs. each, at \$4 80.

Milkers and Springers.—There was a slow trade in milkers and springers at \$40 to \$57 each, and one at \$70.

Veal Calves.—Veal calves sold at from \$3 50 to \$8 50 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs.—Lambs sold at \$6 50 to \$6 75; sheep at \$3 to \$5 75.

Hogs.—Mr. Harris quoted selects, \$6 40 fed and watered, and W. J. Johnston quoted \$6 15 for hogs, f.o.b. cars at country points.

Thomas Ross of Langside met with a very painful accident last week while chopping some light wood. A sliver flew and struck him in the ball of the eye. A physician was at once called in and attended to the injury. Mr. Ross is doing as well as could be expected, and it is now hoped that the sight of the eye will be saved.

There are two qualities in human nature that used to be cultivated by every one, and then all the industrial and domestic conditions will right themselves. These qualities are unselfishness and self-control. Unselfishness would end all monopoly; self-control would enable every individual to direct his mental and physical energies toward the best uses of life for himself and for humanity.

Report of S. S. No. 10 Carrick

Maximum mark for each class 700. Names marked with an asterisk missed one or more of the weekly examinations.
Sr. IV. George Becker 413*, Gertrude Schnurr 405*, Albert Kuenzig 376*, Anthony Beingsner 357*.

Sr. III.—Annie Erler 443*, Monica Schnurr 436*, Mary Moyer 427, Andrew Becker 407*, Eddie Hoelzle 386*, Susanna Moyer 385, Loretta Beingsner 378*, Katie Martin 372*, Almia Martin 356*, Alfred Kuenzig 350*.

Jr. III.—Herman Schwehr 491, Alvin Wilhelm 476*, Rosie Kuenzig 467*, Legender Keller 409., Harry Reinhart 323*, Philip Weber 282*, Peter Walter 267*.

II. class.—Olive Schwehr 490, Annie Beingsner 477, Loretta Keller 457*, Mary Hoelzle 436, Hilda Reinhart 407.
Part II. Alfred Schnurr 438, Albert Moyer 427, Annie Kuenzig 412, Joseph Schneider 387, Norman Walter 363, Mary Weber 347, Priscilla Hoelzle 327, Eleanor Weber 380.

Primary.—Rosie Martin, Eugene Schwehr, Burdella Keller, George Schneider, Cecelia Kuenzig.

The above report is based on the results of the weekly examinations and the daily class mark. In order to secure the best results in 1912 we would ask that the pupils attend regularly. A day or two may not be considered important but the pupil loses interest which is essential to success. Teacher and pupils join in wishing the elders a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Wm. P. McGee, Teacher.

Clifford.

For the first time in its history the village of Clifford gave a conservative majority at the recent election. Mr. Chambers securing a majority of two votes.

Mr. William Schneider is laid up at the residence of his son-in-law, Herman Graef.

The outbreak of diphtheria has entirely subsided, and all the patients are well again.

The Bell Telephone Co. have thirty-two workmen busy on its lines in this section. This village now has day and night service.

BORN.

SCHUETT—In Mildmay on Dec. 15th, to Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Schuett, a daughter.

HERRGOTT—In Mildmay, on Dec. 11th, to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Herrgott, a daughter.

SCHNEIDER—In Carrick, on Dec. 7th, to Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Schneider, a daughter.

SCOTT—In Carrick, Dec. 15th to Mr. and Mrs. Geo Scott a daughter.

STEFFLER—In Carrick, Dec. 17th to Mr. and Mrs. Jno. B. Steffler a daughter.

Items of Interest

Charles W. Glidden of Lawrence, Mass., who calls himself the champion eater of New England, believes that his Thanksgiving menu will stand as the biggest individual effort of the kind in the United States. It is as follows:—Fifteen pounds of turkey, two loaves of bread, three quarts of tea, six bananas and cream, twelve dough nuts, one bunch of celery, ten large potatoes, half pound of butter, one order of squash, two quarts cranberry sauce, two bricks of lymburger cheese and one mince pie.

The man who drinks the red, red wine can never glue his lips to mine, is one plank of the platform of an organization being formed by some young ladies. We would suggest as the next plank the following: "The man who quaffs the foaming beer, shall never call me his own dear." And then, "the chap who takes his whiskey straight, need never at my home stay late."

The Great Men.

Great men have lived and done their stunts, and then they died, just like the runts, and still the world waggled on; the sun went callyhooting by, the same old way across the sky, the night gave place to dawn. I sometimes think when all swelled up until I'm like a poisoned pup, that when I come to croak, the stars will surely jump the track, the university be out of whack, perhaps go up in smoke. I find it hard to realize that all the planets in the skies would travel just the same, that rains will fall and winds will blow, that there'll be dew and rain and snow, when I have jumped the game. It's hard for me to understand that I am but a grain of sand upon an endless shore; and when I'm blown into the sea the other grains may sigh for me—one sigh and nothing more. Ah, many men were called "the great"—their deeds their histories relate, but when they cashed their string, when each had shot his little bolt, the old world never felt a jolt, but just kept up its fling. There doesn't live so great a soul that when he dies he'll leave a hole in this old mundane place; our old friend Death cannot be beat at taking big chunks of conceit from out the human race.—Wait Mason.

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THE STORE THAT SATISFIES

The Leading Store

Xmas Greeting

Merry Christmas. How we would like to say it to you in person, but we cannot. These printed words must take the place of the cheery spoken greeting. Christmas is the season when we are closest to our friends, for with each remembrance we receive or send some thoughts that form a veritable web of memories and good wishes which enrich you and I and your friends, and my friend's and our friend's friends, until the whole world is one in the joy of the Christmas Season.

With best wishes for your happiness and Prosperity through the next year, and all the other years of your life, again we say—

"Merry Xmas."



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