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AROUND THE CITY.

From Yesterday's Last Edition.

—Miss Della Thomas, Strathroy, is visiting friends in London.

—Mrs. C. R. Smith left yesterday to visit friends in Jersey City, N.J.

—Miss Odine Dickinson, of London is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. James Sharnan, at Woodstock.

—A very attractive programme has been prepared for the Emma Scott Ruff concert in Askin Street Methodist Church, Friday evening.

—Mrs. Paul Hansen, of Hill street, is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. Downing, at the Washington Territory.

—Mrs. J. May is residing permanently in London.

—Autors to the rummage sale, which opens on Friday, are requested to notify Mr. B. A. Mitchell, at 114 Dundas street, should they require the day for large amounts.

—Mrs. R. Yeatman and Mrs. B. Vaughan, of Toronto Junction, and Mrs. R. Hughes, of Buffalo, are here attending the funeral of their mother, Mrs. H. Gomerall.

—Miss Lottie Proctor, court reporter, this city, is at Ingersoll reporting the arbitration proceedings before Judge Finkle and two arbitrators, in the case of Harris vs. Town of Ingersoll. The witnesses in the case are engineers, and the question in dispute is as to the diverting of a water course by the town authorities.

—Three sessions of the Salvation Army Council were held yesterday, and addressed by Major McMillan, provincial officer, assisted by district officers. Various important matters were dealt with in the evening.

—The officers had a tea meeting, and to-night a public gathering at the Citadel, at which appointments to 25 corps are to be announced.

—Mr. W. T. Oliver, formerly manager of the Rossland branch of the Bank of British North America, who left the northern city on March 29 to take charge of the bank's interest in this city, was tendered a farewell banquet by the citizens of Rossland. Over one hundred prominent citizens were present, the chair being occupied by Mayor Lalonde, and the vice-chair by Mr. J. B. Johnson, president of the board of trade.

BAPTIST CONVENTION.

The executive of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec held a meeting yesterday afternoon at Toronto to decide upon the time and place of the next convention. The date was fixed for Oct. 14 to 18, 1901, in the case of Harris vs. Town of Ingersoll, though the place was not definitely arranged. Among those present was W. M. Walker, of London.

MIDDLESEX FRUIT AT THE PAN-AM.

Mr. Hunter, of Darch & Hunter, has kindly consented to ship choice samples of fruit to the Pan-American Exposition. John Balkwill, of Bruce street, has been asked to assist in the good work. Every public-spirited fruit grower will, as their fruits ripen in late summer or in early autumn, cooperate in securing nice samples. Isaac Rathburn, reeve of Glencoe, will ship from that point. Other collectors will be selected later on.

ARRIVED IN BUFFALO.

A Buffalo dispatch of today's date says: "William Hutchinson, of Ottawa, the commissioner of the Dominion of Canada to the Pan-American Exposition, arrived in the city this morning, accompanied by H. C. McBride, of London, the architect of the Canadian building. Hutchinson is in an advanced state of erection, and is expected to be completed early in May. They speak in enthusiastic terms of the prospects of the exposition."

POLICE COURT.

While "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" were astonishing their friends at the opera house last night, the audience was further surprised by a commotion in the "box." It was caused chiefly by Wm. Laundry, who started an altercation with another onlooker and tried Hyde tactics upon him. His antagonist resented the offense and a fight ensued, to the evident discomfiture of the pit and the delight of the gallery. The laundry man and his opponent, who merely acted on the defensive were before Police Magistrate Love this morning. Only the former, being the aggressor, was fined for violating the sanctity of the gods' domain. His bank account was set back \$3.75.

W. H. Fitzsimmons, alleged to be a keeper of an illicit livery stable, appeared, and had his case adjourned for a week.

Maurice Sullivan was said to have a cart for hire without having paid the customary fee, but the charge was withdrawn.

For driving immoderately, Wm. Homister and Christopher Asgett were fined \$2 each, and \$1 each for the cases of three men who walked on Victoria Park grass.

Two drunks were discharged.

LONDONERS IN CALIFORNIA.

San Diego (Cal.) Union: James McNe, of London, Can., leaves for Pasadena and Catalina Saturday, after a several months stay at Hotel del Coronado. Among popular guests of the past season who leave Hotel del Coronado for northern routes this week, en route east, are Mrs. Charles Hallett Thorne and family party, and sister, Miss Florence Benton Wilber, of Peoria, Ill. Mrs. Thorne has spent other seasons at Coronado, welcomed by numerous friends. Both Mrs. Thorne and Miss Wilber have been the recipients of much social attention during their stay at this resort, and many admiring friends regret their departure.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Swift gave a Welsh rarebit party last evening, at which Alexis Bjornson officiated as chef. Among those enjoying the hospitality of the occasion were Mrs. Louis P. Swift, Mrs. Charles H. Thorne, James McNe, and others. Miss Annie Howard, of Chicago, who has been at Hotel del Coronado the greater part of the winter with Mrs. Paul Morton and Miss Faus, left on today's noon train for London, accompanied by Miss Morton, for the east.

Miss Howard has been one of the most popular, certainly one of the handsomest, and most charming young women at the famed resort (where beautiful women are often met), visiting here this winter. Morton returns east to her home in the Star Park, among those at the swimming party were: Mrs. Morton, Mr. and Mrs. Eckles, Mrs. Swift, Mrs. Charles Thorne, the Misses Howard, Morton, Wilber, Swift, Trude, Foster, also Messrs. V. A. Bissell, J. D. Spreckels, jun., James McNe, Nathan Swift, Alexis Bjornson and others.

WRECKED BY FLOATING ICE.

Terrebonne, Que., April 11.—That part of the Masson toll bridge which has withstood the ice for years has been carried away by the ice. Consequently the Masson toll bridge is closed. This is a serious loss to the public here, and the farmers in the surrounding district.

Corn's! Corn's! Corn's!

Tender corns, painful corns, soft corns, bleeding corns. The kind of corns that other remedies have failed to cure—that a good many yield quickly to Putnam's Corn Extractor has been a long time in the business, experiences in fact just know to do it. At drug stores.

The United States leads all other nations in the matter of fruit growing. Strawberries were valued at \$3,000,000 last year, and grapes at \$100,000,000.

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To prove to you that Dr. Chase's Ointment is a certain and absolute cure for all hemorrhoids and every form of itching, bleeding and protruding piles, the manufacturers have guaranteed it. See testimonials in the daily press and ask your neighbors what they think of it. You can use it and get your money back if not cured. 50c a box, at all dealers or EDWARDS, BATES & Co., Toronto.

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AN \$18,000 ESTATE

Left by the Late William Telfer of Prince Avenue.

The late Wm. Telfer, who died on Feb. 14 last, left an estate totaling \$18,125. The house and lot at 370 Princess avenue and a cash annuity is left during her lifetime to Mr. Telfer's sister, Miss Mary F. Telfer. The balance of the estate is to be converted into cash, and handed over to Mr. Telfer's daughter, Mrs. Teresa B. Thompson, wife of Capt. Robert Thompson, of Port Huron, Mich. At Thompson's death her property goes to Mrs. Thompson, and at Mrs. Thompson's death the whole property is divided equally between her children. The executors are Wm. J. Jenks, of Port Huron, and Police Magistrate Frank Love, of this city.

GONE TO THE JURY

Case of Anderson vs. G. T. R. Has Been Concluded.

The case of Anderson vs. the G. T. R. was taken up yesterday, continued this afternoon, and went to the jury at 2:30 p.m. The action is for \$1,500 damages for injuries sustained in a collision at Petrolia. Over one hundred prominent citizens were present, the chair being occupied by Mayor Lalonde, and the vice-chair by Mr. J. B. Johnson, president of the board of trade.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

The suit of Orange vs. Cooney was taken up about 3 p.m. and continued till 5:30. John Orange and May Orange, of this city, are suing Patrick Cooney, of Chicago, for discharge of a \$500 mortgage and recovery of an insurance policy tendered in payment of the same. The action was enlarged to permit the parties to reach an agreement.

The Kersey case, on the criminal list, has been postponed till the next assizes.

The amount paid to the crown witnesses in the Sifton case was about \$250.

FELL 160 FEET!

The Second Fatal Accident at Pan-American Exposition Grounds.

Buffalo, N. Y., April 11.—Michael Hohenstein, a sub-contractor, engaged in putting a staff on the government building at the Pan-American Exposition, fell this morning and was instantly killed. He fell about 160 feet.

In his fall, Hohenstein struck almost the identical spot where a Highland was killed about two months ago. This is the second fatal accident that has occurred on the grounds.

NO PLEASURE POSSIBLE

Could Entertain No Company—Ill All the Time—A Sad Case With a Happy Ending.

Napanee, Ont., April 8.—"I have been troubled for over six years with Kidney Disease. The pain was so great I could not endure it. I could not entertain any company. I could not feel any pleasure. I was miserable. I chanced just then to hear of Dodd's Kidney Pills. I decided to try them. I did so, and am completely restored to good health."

This unsolicited statement is from Mrs. John C. Huffman, of this town, a well-known lady. It was made to the editor of the Napanee Standard, May, 1896.

"Before using Dodd's Kidney Pills, my urine was something terrible, and at times very disagreeable to pass."

Today she says: "Yes, I was entirely cured in 96. I have not since been troubled. Every woman should know of this medicine."

Amusements.

WEST'S MINSTREL JUBILEE.

No more popular or meritorious performances are ever given in this city than the minstrel entertainments given by Billy West and his splendid aggregation on their annual visits. Mr. West claims his present organization to be the strongest and best he has ever had, and a glance over the names of some of the principals seems to bear out his statement. The roster includes such well-known favorites as Billy Emerson, Billy Van, Richard J. Jose, J. R. Rodgers, Manuel Romain, Ernest J. Raymond, Teal, Waterbury, Whalen, and many others of note. This splendid company will appear at the Grand Opera House Saturday, matinee and night, of the current week.

BURRILL COMEDY COMPANY.

In the matter of scenery and effects, the Burrill Comedy Company, which will be the attraction at the Grand Opera House, five nights of next week, commencing Monday, is the leader among popular-pier repertoire companies. All the plays presented by the company are handsomely mounted, and it is doubtful if there is any company of the same kind on the road that carries so much special scenery. The costumes of the company, too, are very handsome, the gowns worn by Miss Laura Hulbert, the star of the company, being especially beautiful. Plan of seats opens Friday morning.

HOLLOWAY'S CORN CURE

is the medicine to remove all kinds of corns and warts, and only costs the small sum of twenty-five cents.

For Saturday Traders

Lively bargains bring lively business. Sharp, clear-cut values are evident in every section of these stores. Shrewd people very soon find them out—that's why we're busy these days.

A Few of Saturday's Specials:

HOSIERY.

The Leather Hose, 2 and 1 rib. Cotton, fast black, seamless, in sizes 6 to 9½, worth 15c to 20c, now selling, all sizes, at 10c

10 dozen only Ladies' Pure Cashmere Hose, medium weight, worth 25c, while they last, Saturday .. 15c

A better quality Cashmere Hose, for ladies, regular size, for 25c

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CORSETS.

There are none to compare with our Corsets, the great leader, Erect Form, perfect in fit and finish, money back if wanted, worth \$1, now selling at 50c

KID GLOVES.

Our wonderful Dollar Kid Glove, perfect French Kid, a most handsome glove on the hand, 25c and 50c SAILORS—New Shapes, at 25c, which is but half regular price. We want you to see these millinery bargains.

STAPLES.

Excellent drives in prices of Staples. Read: Check Gingham, regular 8c, for 5c. 35c Table Linen for 25c. Seconds in Towels, one-quarter off regular price; now selling at 7½c, 12½c and 15c. Prints—Special Heavy Prints at 5c; better and wider at 6½c, 10c and 12½c.

WE CAN INTEREST THE ECONOMICAL HERE.

BAYLEY'S

WIDOWS LEFT BY THE WAR

Two Thousand Five Hundred To Be Provided For.

Heavy Call Upon the Royal Patriotic Fund—Letter From the Duke of Cambridge.

Ottawa, April 11.—The governor-general has received the following letter from the Duke of Cambridge: "Royal Commission of the Patriotic Fund, 53 Charing Cross, London, S. W., Jan. 25, 1901."

"Dear Lord Minto—I have to thank you very cordially for your letter of 8th inst., bringing to my notice the organization of the Canadian Patriotic Fund Association, initiated by yourself."

"I have to congratulate you on the success of obtaining such a generous support, not only from the Canadian public, but from the people of England and elsewhere, as you say, for carrying out of the most laudable object of the association, in providing for the widows and dependents of the Canadian soldiers who have lost their lives in the war in South Africa. Mr. Courtney, C. M. G., your deputy minister of finance, had already been good enough to call at the offices of the patriotic fund commission and give information regarding the Canadian patriotic fund."

"Arrangements were then made, which I am glad to know are in accordance with the views expressed in your letter, that all applications from widows, orphans and other dependents of those connected with the Canadian patriotic fund, who have lost their lives in the war in South Africa, should be referred by the secretary of the patriotic fund commission to the secretary of the Canadian patriotic fund. This is all the more necessary, as, owing to the prolongation of the war in South Africa, there has been a large number of widows and dependents of the Canadian soldiers who have lost their lives in the war in South Africa, and the fund commission and give information regarding the Canadian patriotic fund."

"This position is one of deep anxiety for the patriotic fund commission, and the fund administered by this commission, although large, will not permit of any but the very smallest number of widows to be granted to the widows. Under these circumstances it is a matter of congratulation that there appear to be ample funds in the hands of the Canadian patriotic fund commission, to provide for the widows and other dependents who have lost relatives in the war in South Africa, without these funds being administered by the patriotic fund commission."

"I remain, dear Lord Minto, yours very sincerely (Signed) George."

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MORE CHARGES BY OPPOSITION

Say Government Acted Arbitrarily in Awarding Contracts.

Estimates Have All Passed the House—New Postoffices in Canada—Northern Railway Debate.

Ottawa, April 10.—The house spent the greater part of the day in supply, the estimates for railways and Indian affairs being under consideration. Mr. Haggart attacked the minister of railways for making a contract with the Clergue Company for a supply of steel rails for the government railway. Mr. Blair replied that the government had by making the contract secured the establishment of the industry in Canada without cost to the treasury, and had thus furnished employment to a large number of Canadian workmen. In the evening Mr. E. F. Clarke moved an amendment to the bill incorporating the Canada National Railway and Transport Company, providing for expropriation by the government of the property rights, and franchises of the company, and the deduction from the valuation of any bonus or subsidy paid by the government of Canada. The amendment was voted down, and the bill was given third reading.

NEW POSTOFFICES.

In answer to Mr. Bruneau, Mr. Sutherland stated that from Aug. 1, 1896, to March 1, 1901, there had been established in Canada 1,071 new postoffices.

—In Ontario 226, in Ontario 27, in Nova Scotia 167, in New Brunswick 85, in Prince Edward Island 28, in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories 215, in British Columbia 123.

In answer to Mr. E. F. Clarke, Sir Wilfrid Laurier stated that the new alien labor bill was submitted to the House of Commons by Mr. Smith, of Vancouver, and also to Mr. Puttee, member for Winnipeg. Both of these gentlemen approved of the bill so far as it went, but reserved to themselves the right of moving amendment and making suggestions.

The house then went into supply on the intercolonial estimates. After a lengthy debate, in which the opposition speakers charged that the government had entered into an enormous contract without first submitting it to Parliament, as they had contended should be done when they were in opposition, the house adjourned at 6 o'clock.

THE CANADA NATIONAL.

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AT THE CAPITAL

Crow's Nest Southern Railway Bill Held Over—Death of an Editor.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Ont., April 11.—The Crow's Nest Southern Railway bill came up before the railway committee today.

Mr. Lash, K. C., Toronto, explained the bill.

Mr. Blair pointed out that the Crow's Nest coal people had agreed to the C. P. R.'s interests being protected in every way, and the difficulty now was to frame a clause to see that this was done. He suggested that the bill stand over until this was done.

Hon. Mr. J. T. suggested that the bill remain before the committee. This was done, and the bill will be considered next Thursday.

DEATH OF AN EDITOR.

J. C. McLagan, editor and manager of the Vancouver World, died last evening at his residence in Vancouver. Mr. McLagan was, before going to British Columbia, a partner with Mr. James Jones, in the Guelph Mercury. He was a Liberal in Dominion politics, party lines in the provinces not being rigidly recognized. Mr. McLagan was about 60 years of age.

LAWYER PATRICK

May Learn Today Whether or Not He Will Be Tried for Murder.

New York, April 11.—Lawyer Albert T. Patrick, who is charged with assisting in the death of Wm. Marsh Rice, the Texas millionaire, will probably know this afternoon whether Justice Jerome will hold him to await the action of the jury, adding to the fact that the testimony in the commitment will be all in by this afternoon.

ALLEGED FORGERIES.

The first witness today was William J. Kinsley, who was called by Assistant District Attorney Osborne as an expert on handwriting. The witness was handed several checks paid by Swenson and Coy and signed by Wm. M. Rice, and then was handed the 1000 bill and the checks for \$25,000 and \$50,000 drawn on Swenson & Co. in favor of Patrick. Mr. Kinsley said that in his opinion the signatures on the will and on the \$50,000 and \$50,000 checks were not written by the person who had signed the checks presented by the prosecution as bearing the genuine signature of Wm. H. Rice.

A PLEASANT MEDICINE.—There are some pills which have no other purpose, evidently, than to beguile palates. Internally, in the patient, adding to his troubles and perplexities rather than diminishing them. One might as well serve a cold as to serve a hot one. Parke's Vegetable Pills have not this disagreeable and injurious property. They are easy to take, and are not unpleasant to the taste, and their action is mild and soothing. A trial of them will prove this. They offer peace to the dyspeptic.

Banana is a feature of fruit empyre. Banana growing is a feature of fruit raising in Southern California. The enterprise is said to be making a fair progress.

To cure a cold in a night—use Vapo-Creosote. It has been used extensively during more than twenty-four years. All Druggists.

AGREEMENT ANNOUNCED

Between the C. P. R. and the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company.

Ottawa, April 10.—Representatives of the C. P. R. and of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company had another conference here today, after which the former caused it to be given out that an agreement had been reached, and that further opposition by the C. P. R. to the granting of a charter for a railway from Fernie to the boundary line would be abandoned. It was also said by friends of the C. P. R. that the Crow's Nest Coal Company had consented to the insertion of a clause in the latter's bill, agreeing to sell coal to British Columbia smelters at the same rate as to smelters in the United States.

A DIFFERENCE.

The statement of the directors of the coal company who are here, did not, however, tally exactly with that furnished by the C. P. R. They were glad to receive the assurance that the C. P. R. would not proceed with the opposition, but they would not confirm the report that they had entered into an agreement to sell in British Columbia, under all circumstances, at the same rates as in the United States.

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This is a sale of all the best and most desirable patterns made this season by the leading Carpet manufacturers in the world. Our new store is filled with all the best and most reliable makes, and you will do yourself an injustice if you buy any floor coverings before coming to inspect our stock and prices.

Ingrain Carpets, new designs, 36 inches wide 22c
Ingrain, extra super, strictly half wool filling 50c
Ingrain, all wool, beautiful patterns, worth 75c, for 50c
Never before has All-Wool Carpet been sold in London at above prices.

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It is superior to the highest grade
Japan tea.

CEYLON TEA.
Green same flavor as Japan, only
more delicious. It is to the Japan tea
drinker what "SALADA" black is
to the black tea drinker.

A STERLING HEART.

"You have said some rather sharp
things to me," she remarked. "But, truly,
I do not believe that you are quite so
acid as you appear. I am afraid that your
former companions have not been so
kind or respectful as they ought to have
been."

"My child, you should have been
more patient, instead of saying," said
Madame Marton, more kindly than she
had yet spoken, while the young girl
sat there with her trembling slightly. "I
hope you will always be as charitable."

"I am, I am," she replied. "I am
not, if you could see me with me, for
everybody gets out of patience with me
and dislikes me. I was born with a
sensitive disposition and adverse circum-
stances have made me morbid and given
me a sharp tongue; so people have
shunned me all my life. I am free to tell
you that I can't keep a companion more
than a month at a time, and my last one
was impudent and neglected me shame-
fully. I suppose it is dull staying with a
cross old creature like me; but still, I must
have some one to live alone with. There
isn't a soul in the world who really
loves me."

"Oh! I am sorry!" Shirley impulsively
interposed, in a tone that was full of
sympathy in this confession.

"I believe you are upon my word,"
said Madame Marton, with a softened gleam
in her eyes. "That had the ring of truth in
it, and you look as if you mean what you
say. Now, they all pretend to think a
great deal of me here; but, between you
and me, I believe if Anne Folger hadn't
been so kind, they might go begging
for kind words and polite attentions."

Shirley felt very uncomfortable to be
made a confidante of private matters,
and, being in doubt as to the wisdom
of making any reply, she left her seat
and went to the window. "I am a garrulous
old woman, with all my other failings,
the woman went on, slightly irritated by
her companion's silence, and I'm sure
I don't know why I have run on in this
way to a child of a girl like you. I am
stranger, too. But we may as well settle
this business at once. What do you say?"

"Will you come to me, or have I right-
ened you so that you will be glad to get
away from me?"

If Shirley was not frightened she was
far from being prepossessed by this
strange woman; and yet, somehow, her
heart was deeply touched by her forlorn
and loveless condition, and she yearned
to make life a little more attractive to
her.

"I wonder if I could soften and brighten
her existence a trifle if I should go to
her?" she mused. "If mamma were living
she would say that I am a missionary work;
but whether I am the right person to under-
take it, is another question. I am afraid
it will require a great deal of patience
to live with her. I believe I will try it;
it will at least be a change, and I have
begun to realize, as Clifton says, that I
cannot keep on with my sewing this
hot weather."

"Well," said Madame Marton, impatiently
breaking in upon the young girl's reflections,
"it's rather a hard question, isn't it? But I
can't abide dilly-dallying. If you think I'm too much of
an age, say so, and have done with it."
Shirley's eyes began to dance again.
She was sure that it was a strange old
woman, but she was not a bad one. She
seemed to be, that, to quote a homely old
proverb, "her bark was worse than her
bite."

A sense of the ludicrous almost over-
came her as Aaron Hill's suggestive
rhyme flashed through her mind:

"Tender-handed stroke a nettle,
And its stings you to your pains;
Grasp it like a man of mettle,
And it soft as silk remains."

"Well, what is it now?" cried Madame,
as she noticed the twinkling eyes and
dimpled cheeks of the amused girl.

"What are you laughing at, Shirley?"
"Pardon me, Madame Marton," said
Shirley, flushing to find that she had so
nearly betrayed her thoughts. "But you
can yourself such hard, disagreeable
names, and I do not believe that you are
an 'orge' at all; in fact, I am not going
to believe it until I have become a
little better acquainted with you; and, so,
if you think I will do for a companion,
believe I would like to come to you for
awhile."

"Humph! you believe you would like to
come," repeated the woman suspiciously,
while she searched the lovely face before
her. "That sounds like a little 'tiffy,' and
the street gamins say, for I'm sure I
have not held out any very tempting
prospects to you."

"So, I do not think you have," frankly
admitted Shirley, and resolving to "grasp
the nettle" first. "But I am, on the whole,
rather fond of original people, and I
fancy that we might get along quite
comfortably together."

"Original people! Well, that is a
polite way of telling me that I am a
crank," I suppose," retorted Madame,
grimly, but with a gleam of amusement
in her black eyes. "You do not appear
to be in the least afraid of me."

Shirley thought she had never before
seen any one so suspicious, so antagonistic,
or so morbidly self-deprecating.

She was not sure whether she really
meant it or whether she was simply try-
ing to sound her.

"I am sure, Madame, you would not
wish me to be afraid of you," she gently
returned, "for such an attitude on my
part would destroy all confidence, and all
feeling of companionship between us."

"You certainly have a wise little head
on your shoulders," said Shirley, with a
slight smile curling her lips. "And as you
have made up your mind that you are not
afraid to 'behold the lion in his den,' so
to speak, I guess we'll call the matter
settled, and you may come to me, 'only,'
she added, "I hope you are not one of
the vacillating kind; I shall expect that
you will stay, if you go home with me."
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At this point Shirley, who was not
used to being so much of a companion,
gravely returned, "But if I find that I
can be really useful to you, I shall hope
to remain with you during the summer,
at least."

"Humph! what do you mean by being
really useful?" demanded Madame Marton,
suspiciously.

"Why, if I find that my companionship
is agreeable to you, and we are happy to-
gether, I should feel as if I were being
useful. But, if we should prove to be
antagonistic, then, of course, it would not
be wise for me to stay with you. Shirley
responded, with a straightforwardness that
proved she was not one of the vacillating
kind. She was seized with a sudden fit of
coughing, which necessitated her going
to the tea pitcher to get a glass of water.

She drank a few sips slowly, with
her back turned to the young girl.
Presently, however, she came and stood
beside Shirley, and, looking down upon
her, inquired, with a kindly gleam in her
eyes:

eagerly searched the sweet, downcast
face before her.

"I shall be satisfied with that amount,
and I will do the best I can for you,"
said Shirley, lifting her clear, frank eyes
to the aged face, and tucking it up
toward her. "I shall want you to be
woman's heart business she would feel
more than repaid for any service she
might render."

"Then we'll call it settled," said Ma-
dame, a look of satisfaction over-spread-
ing her features. "And I shall want you
immediately, for I have a great deal of
shopping to do, and I wish to go out of
New York at the earliest possible mo-
ment, for I detest the place; it is a per-
fect blemish. I shall want you to-mor-
row."

"Here!" exclaimed Shirley, flushing
crimson with dismay at the thought of
coming there to Mr. Norwood's house, to
be browbeaten and abused by his naugh-
ty daughter as she had been only a short
time previous.

She was greatly relieved by Madame's
reply.

"No," she said. "I have engaged rooms
at the Hotel, and you will come to me
there to-morrow at ten, as I shall need
your assistance in shopping. We shall
start for St. Sauveur one week from to-
night."

Shirley's heart and courage sank a lit-
tle at this information, as she thought of
leaving home so soon; but she was not
one to turn back, after once having made
up her mind to any course, so she re-
marked cheerfully as she arose to take
her leave:

"Very well, Madame Marton, I will
come to you, as you desire, at the Hoff-
man, to-morrow, although I fear I shall
be of very little service to you in a
shopping expedition."

"Why?" inquired her companion.

"Because I know almost nothing about
costly and fashionable fabrics," Shirley
smilingly replied, "for all my life I have
been obliged to use only the most inex-
pensive and of the simplest kind."

"Well, at all events, you have good
taste, and that is more than many rich
people possess," said Madame Marton,
who looked appreciatively over the
quaint figure before her.

Shirley was surprised at this speech,
for it was really the only gracious re-
mark she had made during their inter-
view.

"Thank you," she said, brightly. "I
believe I have an eye for color and ef-
fect, and I will gladly give you the bene-
fit of my judgment in these respects."
But, with a glance at the handsome
pearl and gold clock on the wall, she
thought, "I must go now, if I am to catch
the next train back to town," while she
was more relieved than she would have
liked Madame to know that she was not
doomed to spend the coming week in
that household.

"It is almost lunch time, and as I have
kept you waiting so long, I will ring for
some refreshment for you," she said, con-
siderately, for she was always considerate
of the physical comfort of her ser-
vants, if she was not thoughtful of their
mental and spiritual needs.

"Thanks, no," Shirley replied. "I shall
be at home in time for my own lunch."
Then she took a glass of wine, which
she had ordered, and she reached
out her hand toward the bell.

Shirley had hard work to keep her face
from telling tales at this unheard-of pro-
position, while she wondered if Madame
was in the habit of offering her ser-
vants wine.

"Excuse me," she politely responded,
"but I never take anything of the kind."
I am in perfect health, and do not need
it."

[To be Continued.]

IN THE COURTS
Charges Against a Sewing-Machine Agent
Fall Through—A Kidnapping Case.

Windsor, April 11.—At the Sandwich
spring assizes, the jury returned a
verdict of "not guilty" in the case of
George S. Bliss, accused of a kidnapping
case. Bliss was the Essex county
agent of the Singer Sewing Machine
Company. The defense showed that
the defendant had used a large amount
of the money in transacting the
company's business.

James Allan, jun., of Amherstburg,
was convicted of kidnapping, but was
let go on suspended sentence.

Bliss was committed last summer at
Amherstburg, when the young son of
Sol. White, jun., was kidnapped from
home and taken to Wyandotte, Mich.
(so it is alleged) by the mother of the
child, who was divorced from Mr.
White. Young Allan was accused of
having assisted the woman to secure
possession of the child.

FINE REDUCED.
Toronto, Ont., April 11.—Judges
Oster and Ferguson this morning, acting
as an election court, reduced the
penalty inflicted upon Mr. W. H.
Thomas, Oshawa, convicted of bribery
in the South Ontario bye-election
of 1908, from \$400 and \$97 costs to \$200
and costs. A number of the others
fined at that time had their fines re-
duced afterwards, and Mr. Thomas is
now included.

MORE PINOS SURRENDER.
Washington, April 11.—The war de-
partment this morning received the
following cablegram: "Manila, April
11.—Col. Arce surrendered Castillanos
yesterday with 335 soldiers, 12 officers
and arms. This and the surrender of
Col. Alva at Olanapo, April 8, with
15 officers, 394 men and 92 rifles, frees
Battain, Zamboes Provinces. (Signed)
MacArthur."

Tired Out
And she does not understand why. Her
work used to seem so easy. You could
tell her whereabouts as she worked by
the snatches of song which now and
again overflowed her happy lips. And
now she can hardly keep up. Her head
pains, her back hurts, and she feels
entirely worn out.

What is the matter?
The probability is that the
stomach is disor-
dered, the liver is
not performing its
whole duty. To-
xins are accumu-
lating in the
blood, and unless
these are removed,
and the stomach
and organs of di-
gestion and nutri-
tion cured and
strengthened,
there is liable to
be a serious ill-
ness. There is no
medicine can
cure Dr. Pierce's
Golden Medical
Discovery for
prompt help and
perfect cure for
diseases of the
stomach and
bowels. It cures
the stomach,
purifies the blood,
nourishes the
nerves, and brings
back the happy days
of health, when life is all song and
sunshine.

"I suffered ten months from a complicated
case of liver complaint, constipation, indiges-
tion, suppression of monthly function, and kid-
ney disease, too," writes Mrs. Lela M. Brattle,
of Iowa, Va. "I also suffered excruciating pain
in my back and head. I am glad to say that
six bottles of Golden Medical Discovery, three
bottles of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, and two
bottles of Compound Extract of Sarsaparilla
cured me entirely. I gladly recommend Dr.
Pierce's medicines to all sufferers."

What wages do you expect to receive
for your services?"
Shirley thought a moment.

"What have you been in the habit of
paying your companion, Madame?"
"Five dollars a week and all expenses,"
was the brief reply, while the woman

THE WORLD OF SPORTS.

**Winners in the First Events at
Toronto Boxing Tournament.**

**International University Sports May
Take Place in September—Can-
adian Baseball Players Round-
ing Into Form.**

FISTIC.
THE TORONTO TOURNAMENT.
Toronto, April 12.—The preliminary
bouts in the amateur boxing cham-
pionship contests of the Canadian Ama-
teur Athletic Union took place last
night at the Mutual street rink under
the management of the Argonaut Club,
before a large gathering. The con-
testants were mostly young boxers,
who exchanged sturdy blows,
brought blood sometimes, but many
of them were guiltless of any knowl-
edge of defense. The contests will be
continued today and Saturday. Fol-
lowing were the results of the fights
last night:

Bantam class, 105 pounds—C. G. God-
win, "B" Bicycle Club, Toronto, beat
Bert Joslin, Jubilee Athletic Club, To-
ronto; J. Rowlands, "A" Athletes,
Club, Toronto, beat Bert Gale, River-
side Club, Toronto; A. L. Hewitt, To-
ronto Lacrosse Club, beat Douglas
Hallam, Toronto Boxing Club.

Featherweight class, 120 pounds—
Thos. McCarthy, Ontario A. C., To-
ronto, beat Ben Milne, "B" Bicycle
Club; Wm. Harrison, R. C. B. C. To-
ronto, beat T. Hanley, Shamrock A. C.,
Montreal. The winner of the very liv-
ely bout, Claude Aisthorp, Toronto Box-
ing Club, beat Arthur Edmunds, Na-
tional Baseball Club.

Lightweight class, 135 pounds—Vivian
Austin, Canadian champion, Ottawa,
beat Wm. Fellows, Toronto Boxing
Club; Harry Bremner, "B" Bicycle
Club, beat Louisa B. Arthur, To-
ronto Boxing Club. This bout took
four rounds to determine the winner.

There are quite a number of out-of-
town competitors still to box.

POLICE INTERFERED.
Louisville, Ky., April 12.—Tom Cou-
hig, of Dunkirk, N. Y., was Wednes-
day night given the decision over Ed-
die Connolly, of New Brunswick, in
the eleventh round of a twenty-round
bout. Connolly was all but out when
the police stopped the fight. Before
the Connolly-Coughig fight it was an-
nounced that the winner would meet
Matty Matthews before the Monarch
Club on April 29 for the welterweight
championship of the world. Announce-
ment was also made that the winner
of the Dave Sullivan and Jack Mc-
Clelland fight, before the Southern
Athletic Club, on April 29, would meet
Terry McGovern in this city on Mc-
Govern's return from the Pacific
coast, under the auspices of the South-
ern A. C. The details are said to have
been closed last night with McGovern.

ATHLETICS.
THE INTERNATIONAL GAMES.
London, April 12.—The reply of Ox-
ford and Cambridge to the challenge
of Harvard and Yale for a series of
track games this summer agrees that
New York should be the place of meet-
ing and that the programme should be
the same as in 1899, except that the
three-mile run be changed into a two-
mile run. Only those eligible to enter
the inter-collegiate sports of 1901 are
to be eligible to take part in this con-
test. Both the English athletes have
rejected the proposed programme. The
programme from nine to eleven events
on the ground that the pole vault and
220-yard high hurdles are not in vogue
in the Oxford and Cambridge sports,
and that the putting the weight, which
events Harvard and Yale sug-
gested two be chosen to increase the
programme, has been reluctantly in-
cluded in the Oxford and Cambridge
reports. It is also pointed out that an
increase in the programme would mean
a more numerous team and heavier
expenses, and it would be more
satisfactory to have a return meeting
with exactly the same events as decid-
ed at the Queen's Club in 1899. It is
hoped the Americans will agree to have
the match the last part of September.

BASEBALL.
The Bisons have already won the
Eastern League championship in the
minds, and Franklin has issued a chal-
lenge to play a series with the winner
of the American League the coming
season. Groves, of the Milwaukee,
informed the Buffalo that the
Brewers will play him a series of
games for \$1,000 to \$5,000 whether they
win the championship or the leather
medal.

Toronto Telegram: Toronto ball
team has straightened away to prac-
tice down in New Jersey, and, as usual,
the reports are most promising.
However, a better game on their play
will be got on Friday and Saturday,
when they play the Philadelphia team.
Montreal team in the meantime is
going right ahead getting beaten by ev-
erybody it meets, and laying up
trouble for other teams after the regu-
lar season opens. These be the rainy
days of baseball, when every player
of every club is full of hope, but the
day will come when they will see
the bad boy in the bleachers all sur-
gest that that hope has turned to
prunes.

Reidy, the Milwaukee pitcher, is
made of the Milwaukee and if all
players were like him baseball would
stand very much higher in the esti-
mation of the public than it does just
at present. According to a Milwaukee
dispatch, a well-known National
League manager last week approached
Reidy with a big offer to jump his
contract. Reidy, without mincing
words with the master of the bribe,
gave him five minutes by the watch
to leave his presence or stand for a
good licking.

The Guelph management are in rec-
eipt of scores of letters from players
offering to come to Guelph from Can-
ada and the States on very liberal
terms.

STRONG INDEPENDENT TEAM.
"Knotty" Lee, the ex-Torontonian
has been appointed manager of the
Guelph club. He claims to have
signed the following players: Catcher,
Bill O'Brien, of last year's Crescents;
infielders, Dinney Burke, of Brantford;
Bill Roden, of last year's Guelph
team; Curley Ross, of last year's
Crescents; W. Lockhead, of Bay City,
Mich.; F. Brennan, of Toronto; Tom
Boucher, W. Barker, S. Dorrie,
of Guelph, and expects to open the
season with the fastest independent
team in Canada.

Joe Kostal, formerly of London, has
accepted the flattering offer of the
Denver club, and will report at once.
Manager Bates is beginning to corral
his men. Joe has no time to lose
from now out.

THE TORONTO TEAM.
Patterson, N. J., April 12.—The To-

ronto team yesterday enjoyed the first
spring day since they have been here
and had a good day's practice. Some
of the boys are still sore and stiff.
Hargrove won't be able to play to-
day, but he is fast getting well.
The team leaves for Philadelphia to-
morrow morning for two games
there. It is expected that Carr will
play all three days and take part in
both games.

PRACTICE GAMES.
Philadelphia (Pa.), April 12.—Yale 3,
Philadelphia (American) 4. Eleven in-
ning.

At Philadelphia—R. H. E.
Philadelphia (National) 7 13 3
Rochester (Eastern) 6 10 5

THE WHEEL.
McLeod WILL DEFEND TITLE.
Victoria, B. C., April 9.—Angus Mc-
Leod, of Sarnia, has passed the word
along that he will this year defend
his title to the Canadian bicycling
championships over two and four
mile distances, and while not in
training he looks well able to repeat
his performances at the Ottawa race
meet of last year. During the fine
weather of three weeks ago McLeod
commenced to do a little rough work,
but the coming of the rain put a stop
to this. He stated yesterday afternoon
that he expected to leave here for the
latter part of May, and from there
he would leave to attend the
Canadian championships. Prior to de-
parture for Buffalo McLeod will get
up a little strength on the Brockton
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