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JAPS HAVE LARGE FORCE CLOSE TO PORT ARTHUR

Fleet of Transports, Escorted by Strong Squadron, Is Headed for the Gulf of Liao Tung.

EXPECTED ASSAULT OF FORTRESS MAY BE AT HAND

Admiral Marakoff Reaches Port Arthur and Is Expected to Take the Aggressive—Russian Press Warned Against Continuance of Anti-British Articles.

New York, March 4. — Six Japanese cruisers, escorting ten transports, have been sighted steaming in the direction of the Gulf of Liao Tung, according to a cable to the Herald from Che Foo.

This move is connected with the reported intention to effect a landing north of Saddle Bay.

Owing to the heavy weather it is difficult to proceed. A big battle is expected.

NO EVACUATION.

London, March 4.—The correspondent of the Times at Paris says: A St. Petersburg dispatch quotes a Russian staff officer as follows in reference to the possible evacuation of Port Arthur:

"What!" exclaimed the officer, "evacuate Port Arthur? What worse disaster could befall the Russian army? It would imply the capture or destruction of our squadron, and one end of our railway would be 'Dans la guele du Japonais,' with the prospect of his swallowing a larger piece. It would be a terrible blow to Russia, from which she would recover with difficulty. Our army might continue to fight while receding into Manchuria, and might conquer, but it would be retreating, and no advance would be possible before Port Arthur was recaptured. Therefore, it is not to be evacuated. That is an operation which was never foreseen nor studied by the Russian staff, and we do not believe the Japanese can take the place by main force."

RUSSIA AND UNITED STATES.

St. Petersburg, March 4. — The Russian press hails with satisfaction the American dispatches of the last few days, indicating a change in the disposition of the Washington Government toward Russia. The Bourse Gazette and the Novoe Vremya this morning, discuss in a sober-minded fashion Russo-American relations and the danger of a permanent estrangement. The Gazette says there is something profoundly regrettable in the present relations between these two powers.

COME BACK A MARSHAL.

Paris, March 4. — The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris says that when Gen. Kuropatkin starts for the far east on March 12 he will go in a special train, and be accompanied by part of his staff. It is reported, the correspondent continues, that the Czar said to him: "You will return a field marshal." There has not been a field marshal in Russia since Count Gourko.

WHO GETS MANCHURIA?

New York, March 4.—A special from London to the World says it is understood that if the Japanese are successful in Manchuria steps will be taken to guard against the possibility of Russia again assuming a dominant attitude in that portion of Chinese territory.

The idea of Russia policing the railway, for example, will no longer be entertained. There was a clause in the original concession, under which China was to have the right to purchase the entire line and its rolling stock after a term of years. It is expected that the Chinese in full control will buy the road.

RUSSIAN PRESS WARNED.

New York, March 4.—A special from St. Petersburg to the Herald says that in connection with Count Benickendorff's recent departure for London local newspapers, especially the Novoe Vremya, have been seriously warned against harmful and bitter anti-English articles, which they have been in the habit of publishing.

PANIC AT PORT ARTHUR.

Business Was Suspended When Jap Guns Spoke.

Moscow, March 4.—M. Arkounin, an actor, who has returned here from Port Arthur, was an eye-witness of events there prior to his departure. His Japanese landlady on Feb. 3 declared that the Japanese had already landed at Yin Kow, and that another place soon would be taken. On Feb. 7 the Japanese began leaving Port Arthur. Upon orders from Viceroy Alexieff, those remaining on Feb. 9 were detained, about 100 of them being rounded up at the hotel.

M. Arkounin had been informed that the Chinese would begin celebrating the new year by setting off fireworks and shooting guns, so when firing was heard for the first time it was supposed to be the Chinese celebration.

The warships had cleared their decks on Feb. 7, but even this did not occasion alarm.

It was not until the 9th that the ordinary course of events was interrupted. That day firing caused a panic among the people. All business was suspended. It was rumored about the town that the explosion had occurred on board one of the Japanese vessels. During the bombardment he says the wind blew towards the forts and consequently the smoke from the guns interfered with the sight of the Russian gunners. It was rumored in Port Arthur and believed that the Japanese had landed at Port Dalny, and that they would attack Port Arthur by land. The cabmen at Port Arthur had been drafted into the military service. It was rumored, he claimed, that two Japanese had been caught trying to blow up a railroad tunnel at Hinchan. Every train out of Port Arthur was accompanied by a strong guard.

IT'S UP TO MARAKOFF.

Port Arthur Fleet Expected to Take the Aggressive.

Paris, March 4. — Information received here from official sources in Korea confirm previous reports to the effect that Chinampho is free from ice, that the Japanese have ceased debarking troops at Chemulpo, and that they have taken advantage of the opening of Chinampho to land troops there, thus expediting the forward movement.

Official advices from St. Petersburg confirm the reports that a decisive move is anticipated on the part of the Port Arthur squadron now that Admiral Makaroff has arrived there, that torpedo boats especially will be brought into play, and that in spite of reports to the contrary Russia is understood to have an ample supply of torpedoes for these craft.

THE RUSE THAT FAILED.

Crafty Attempt of Japs to Cork Port Arthur Harbor.

St. Petersburg, March 4. — A resident of St. Petersburg, who has just arrived here from Port Arthur, having left the day before the first Japanese attack, tells an interesting story which seems to indicate that the Japanese planned to cork the harbor before firing a shot. He says that on the day of his departure a big merchantman flying the Japanese flag, approached the entrance and in the narrowest part of the channel suddenly stopped, signaled "I am sinking," and commenced to settle. Luckily a tug with steam up was close by and towed the Japanese vessel into a shallow part of the outer harbor. The merchantman was loaded with iron. Her captain declared he had been caught in a storm and the pumps, which had kept the steamer afloat, broke down just as the entrance of Port Arthur was reached.

The wife of a Russian naval officer attached to the armored cruiser Rossia, who has just arrived here from Vladivostock, described the scene there at the outbreak of hostilities. At 8 o'clock in the morning of Feb. 9 a shot was fired by the flagship and signals were hoisted calling all seamen and others who were on shore leave to come on board. There was great excitement among the people in the streets. The warships in the harbor were surrounded with ice and crowds gathered about them, watching the ships receive their war colors and cheered as the ice breaker opened a channel.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon, headed by the Rossia, and accompanied by the hurrahs of the people gathered on the ice, the fleet steamed out.

An imperial order has been issued summoning the reserve subalterns and first-class reserve men of European Russia to the colors for a six weeks' course of training. A similar order has been issued to the naval reserves. This is interpreted as indicating that everything is being made ready for the mobilization of the whole Russian army if necessary.

According to a service organ, the cost of the rations of the Manchurian troops averages 40 kopecks each, of which 28 are for meat, 3 for tea and 9 for bread. The average for the Liao Tung soldiers is 45 kopecks.

The St. Petersburg postoffice employes are starting a fund to build a torpedo boat, to be named Post-Telegraph.

THE CZAR TO HIS MAJESTY

Sends an Autograph Letter in Reply to King Edward's Friendly Wishes.

London, March 4. — The Russian ambassador, Count Benckendorff (who returned to London from St. Petersburg Wednesday), today visited King Edward and presented his majesty with an autograph letter from the Czar. This was in answer to a letter sent by King Edward, in which, in the most friendly terms, he emphasized Great Britain's complete neutrality during the war in the Far East and he trusted that the Czar would pay no attention to the press reports intimating Great Britain was not neutral, nor to any unfriendly comments of the English papers, which the King regretted.

MEXICO ON EDGE OF REVOLUTION

Return of Confiscated Church Lands May Start Civil War.

New York, March 4. — A dispatch from Tacoma, Wash., to the Herald, says: Mexico is on the eve of a revolution, according to Col. H. H. Thompson, who has just returned from that country. He bases the belief on the opinions of men who are on the inside of Mexican politics and who stand high with the Government.

Col. Thompson says the prospective revolution is dependent upon President Diaz's release of the reins of government to Limantour, his present secretary of war, whom he proposes to make his vice-president. "Limantour is a sympathizer of the church," said Col. Thompson today. "The belief prevails that Limantour will return to the church the lands which have been confiscated, and this will be a signal for a revolution.

SIR JOS. TRUTCH DEAD

Was at One Time Governor of British Columbia.

London, March 4. — Sir Joseph W. Trutch, formerly Governor of British Columbia, and at one time agent here for the Dominion of Canada, died today after a long illness. He was born in 1826.

DEATH OF D. R. CALDER

An Ex-Warden of Oxford County Passes Away.

Ingersoll, Ont., March 4.—Donald R. Calder, ex-warden of Oxford county, died here last evening. He had been in poor health for the past year or more. Mr. Calder was prominently associated with township and county affairs, and also served two terms as a member of the Ingersoll town council. He leaves a widow, two sons and one daughter.

QUEBEC NOMINATIONS

Candidates for the Legislature in Four Ridings.

Montreal, March 4. — The formal nominations of candidates for the Province of Quebec bye-elections, to be held on March 10, took place yesterday, with the following results:

Berthierville—Liberal, Joseph Lafontaine; Conservative, Victor Allard.

Sheffield—Liberal, Dr. Mathieu; Independents, Alfred Duberger and Pierre Hubert.

Maskinonge—Liberal, Jeremie Desaulniers; Conservative, George Lafontaine.

Portneuf—Liberal, Charles Deguise; Conservative, Damase Naud.

Premier Parent has already expressed the opinion that the Government candidates will win the four seats.

HE PAID $32,000 ON $4,000 LOAN

Chicago Man's Trouble as Result of Borrowing Money.

ASKS THE COURTS FOR RELIEF

A Money Lender's Methods Exposed When He Told His Story — Couldn't Call Deal Off.

Chicago, March 4. — After paying Major William Bell more than $32,000 as interest on a loan of $4,000 for four years, Chas. E. Rand, a real estate dealer, wanted to "call the deal off." To his surprise he found that Major Bell still held his check for $7,950, none of which had been presented to the bank.

Judge Kavanaugh has ordered that a decree be entered compelling the return of the security and checks, but has denied the petition for the return of excess interest.

On the last day of December, 1895, Chas. E. Rand borrowed $1,000 from Maj. Wm. B. Bell, father of Lillian Bell, the author, and gave his check for $1,000 and took Maj. Bell's check for $957. The former check was not to be presented at the bank till the expiration of one week. Before that time elapsed he found he could be unable to pay the check and told Maj. Bell so. The latter loaned him another check for $957 for one for $1,000, good one week later. With the $957 secured on Maj. Bell's check for $957 and $43 from his own pocket, he paid his first check for $1,000. As the days, weeks, months and years went along Mr. Rand still found himself unable to close up the debt.

The amount of interest rated at $43 each week for each $1,000 ran up so rapidly that soon he was borrowing more than $4,000, and he swore in court that this was about the average during the four years his dealing with Maj. Bell lasted.

In 1898 Mr. Rand made a new arrangement with Maj. Bell whereby his checks for $1,000 each were to be discounted by Maj. Bell at the rate of $5 a day interest for each $1,000.

As time went on, Rand would borrow on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday to keep down the interest, the Wednesday loan being made to take up the loan of Monday and the Saturday check being given to cover the loan of Wednesday and so on.

Early in January, 1900, Mr. Rand alleged, he was informed that Maj. Bell held checks signed by him which had not yet been presented to the bank, amounting to $7,950 and that Maj. Bell also held notes signed by Rand and his father for $8,000. Bell declined to call the deal off, it is said, except by giving Rand $50 and collecting the money represented by the notes for $8,000. This, Rand would not agree to and as a result he immediately petitioned to the court to issue an injunction restraining Maj. Bell from collecting the notes or from disposing of the checks.

When the case was heard by Master-in-Chancery Victor Etlin, Maj. Bell testified that he loaned to people at the same approximate rate as that charged by Mr. Rand.

MR. CONMEE NOMINATED

Rainy River Liberals Select Him for the Commons.

Port Arthur, Ont., March 4. — Mr. James Conmee, M. P. P., was nominated yesterday for the Commons by the Rainy River Liberals.

A WILD STORM.

Halifax, March 4. — A wild wind and rain storm raged here all last evening, the wind at times blowing 48 miles an hour. Severe thunder peals and vivid lightning prevailed for half an hour between 8 and 9 o'clock.

VON WALDERSEE ILL.

Hanover, Prussia, March 4. — The condition of Field Marshall Count Von Waldersee is causing anxiety among his friends. He has been ill for some days, and is losing strength.

THE WAR SITUATION.

The latest dispatch from the Far East says several Jap transports, escorted by a powerful fleet has entered Liao Tung gulf, and is headed towards Saddle Bay. As this point is close to Port Arthur the long-expected assault of the fortress may be at hand. Fearful of an attack before they are entrenched the Russians are retreating from the port of Yin Kow to Harbin. It is generally conceded that the two armies will not clash before the end of March, owing to the impassability of the roads and the present tactics of Russia in acting purely on the defensive. Mukden is being strongly fortified, and with Admiral Marakoff at Port Arthur the Czar's fleet is expected to become more aggressive. Japanese armies, with a total strength of nearly 100,000 men, are at various points in Korea, but so successful are the Japs in keeping the plans a secret that little that is definite concerning operations can be learned. Rioting has occurred at Seoul over the Japo-Korean treaty, and bombs were hurled at the foreign minister's residence, but without doing any injury. The Russians are again accused of brutality towards Japanese refugees at Port Arthur.

COUSIN BETRAYED HIM

Toronto, March 4. — Provincial Detective Rogers returned today after having brought John H. Thamer from Spokane to Ayr. Thamer is wanted for forgeries passed on the Bank of Commerce, and on the Western Bank at Hamburg.

He was traced through a cousin, E. Clems, who wrote from Spokane, asking if there was a reward for Thamer, who went away about three years ago. The detectives arrested Clems, who pointed out Thamer to them. His reason for ill-feeling to Thamer was that the latter refused to recognize him on the street.

HOW THE SENATE STANDS

Present Representation Gives Government Majority of Nine.

Ottawa, March 4.—When the present four vacancies in the Senate have been filled the following will be the political standing of the parties in the Senate:

	Liberals.	Conservatives.
Ontario	13	11
Quebec	14	10
Nova Scotia	6	4
New Brunswick	7	3
Prince Edward Island	2	2
Manitoba	2	2
British Columbia	1	2
Northwest Territories	0	2
Totals	45	36

This gives a Government majority of 9. There are two senators to be appointed for the Northwest, which would increase the Ministerial strength to 47 and raise the majority to 11.

It is understood that Mr. Wm. Mitchell, of Drummondville, in the Eastern Townships, will be appointed to the vacancy in the Senate caused by the late Senator Cochrane's death.

OFFENDED DIGNITY

Russian Girl Students Cause Closing of a University.

St. Petersburg, March 4.— The offended dignity of 167 girl students out of 1,000 who attended the university extension classes has resulted in indirectly closing the university temporarily, and the closing of the Technological Institute. Over 300 of the girl students joined a few days ago in issuing an address of loyalty. The remaining 167 young women who had not been consulted held a meeting after the address had been sent in, and protested because it had been presented in the name of the entire girl student body. The resentment grew until there developed a proposal to send a message of congratulation to the Mikado. This was not done, however.

The recalcitrants secured the sympathy of the male students, disorder resulted, and the university was closed. In the men's Technological Institute, the disgust of a Jewish student was aroused, and a fight resulted. When the stewards interfered the whole student body turned on them. The stewards have resigned.

WEATHER BULLETIN

TOMORROW—MILDER WITH RAIN.

London, Friday, March 4.

Sun rises..6:49 a.m. Moon rises..9:33 p.m.
Sun sets...6:09 p.m. Moon sets...8:18 a.m.

Toronto, March 3—8 p.m.

The storm which was near Lake Michigan yesterday has moved quickly eastward, with still increasing energy, and is now centered over the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Rain during the night and forenoon in Ontario has been followed by heavy northwest gales and a rapid fall in temperature, and tonight a heavy northwest gale is blowing in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 36 below—16 below; Victoria, 38—44; Calgary, 6—26; Edmonton, zero—32; Qu'Appelle, 10 below—20; Winnipeg, 14 below—10; Port Arthur, 12 below—12; Parry Sound, 6—40; Toronto, 13—40; Ottawa, 4—38; Montreal, 12—40; Quebec, 26—40; Halifax, 30—44.

FORECASTS.

Friday, March 4—8 a.m.

Today—Fine and cold.

Saturday—Rising temperature; sleet or rain in some localities towards evening or at night.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	22	10	Clear
Winnipeg	— 8	—16	Cloudy
Parry Sound	— 8	—12	Fair
Toronto	8	4	Clear
Ottawa	— 4	— 6	Clear
Montreal	— 2	— 2	Clear
Quebec	— 6	— 6	Clear
Father Point	4	2	Fair

The sign — indicates "below zero."

WEATHER NOTES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m., Thursday, were: Highest, 43.5°; lowest, 12.5°.

A GREAT EARTHQUAKE

Lima, Peru, Experiences the Worst in Thirty Years.

Lima, Peru, March 4.—A tremendous earthquake, which did much damage, occurred here at 5:20 this morning. Nothing comparable with it had been experienced during the last 30 years.

THE KING HAS A COLD

Rumor of Ill-Health Sends Consols Away Down.

London, March 4. — Consols dropped 5-16 from the highest quotation yesterday on unfounded rumors that King Edward is seriously ill. The King is suffering from a slight cold in the head, and is keeping indoors on account of inclement weather. He expects to go out today. Queen Alexandra attended the horse show at Agricultural Hall yesterday.

KICKS SELF FROM TRAIN

Postal Clerk Goes Overboard With the Mail Bags.

Rome, N. Y., March 4.—Milo Nellis is a postal clerk on one of the fast mail trains of the New York Central which pass through this city at the rate of 40 miles an hour. By means of a crane the mail bag is taken aboard, and Nellis kicks the incoming mail bags from the mail coach as the train passes.

The last time he tried it he braced himself against the iron bar across the open door and gave a mighty kick at the proper moment. At the same instant the iron bar against which he leaned left its fastenings, and out went Nellis along with the mail bags. Together they rolled for 100 feet and a crowd ran to help him, expecting to find him dead. His hands were slightly cut from coming in contact with the ice, but he was not injured otherwise.

HOUSE OF LORDS ON PREFERENCE

Rosebery Thinks the Colonies Should Make an Offer.

FURTHER INQUIRY NECESSARY

The Under Secretary of Colonies Says No General Offer Has Yet Been Made.

London, March 4. — The House of Lords spent two hours yesterday in a discussion of the question of a colonial preference. Lord Beauchamp raised the point of Mr. Chamberlain's allegation that the self-governing colonies had made a definite and substantial offer to Britain which would be criminal and dangerous to refuse. More important than the attitude of the colonial Premiers disclosed in the blue book referring to the conference of 1902 was the attitude of the colonial Parliaments since Mr. Chamberlain's famous Birmingham speech. Only the Legislature of Manitoba out of 21 Parliaments had passed a resolution favoring Mr. Chamberlain's scheme. Canada's trade with Britain since the preference had increased 34 per cent, while her exports to Germany had increased during the same period 190 per cent.

The Duke of Marlborough, replying on behalf of the Government, said the colonies in general have not made us a definite offer, but they have in a practical manner incited us to enter into reciprocal relations, giving as a token of their good-will preferential treatment which was neither inconsiderable nor by any means valueless. He quoted the resolutions passed at the conference of colonial Premiers and by the boards of trade of Montreal, Toronto, London, St. John and other cities, the preferences extended by South Africa and New Zealand and the preference leanings of Australia. He was not, he said, speaking in favor of the colonial preference idea, but simply to show that Mr. Chamberlain was correct in stating the offer of colonial support.

Lord Rosebery declared the alleged offer of the colonies, supposed to be contained in the conference resolution, was only the pious opinion of Mr. Chamberlain. He called the result of Canada's preference altogether disappointing. He would have laid more importance upon the statement of the Australian Premier in favor of an Imperial preference if he had been returned to Parliament with a substantial majority at his back. There was no reason for dislocating our fiscal system in order to meet the preferential tariffs of the colonies. He quoted sir Wilfrid Laurier's statement that the Canadian preference was given not as a bargain, but as a matter of good-will. He thought that as a mere matter of gratitude the colonies might give us a preference, because it was less than the equivalent services we rendered them in supporting the whole burden of the naval defense of the Empire.

The Earl of Onslow said the Government was not contemplating the inviting of the country to carry out Mr. Chamberlain's scheme, but he decried the attempt made to ridicule the colonial suggestions, which were solemnly made.

Lord Brassey said the protectionist countries would never lower their duties on British goods, and quoted from a speech by the Canadian Minister of Agriculture, saying that anything that would interfere with the purchasing power of Britain would be a deadly blow to Canada.

Lord Goschen said the great bulk of the British people were in favor of some closer tie with the colonies.

Lord Lansdowne said the proceedings of the colonial conference constituted something that might fairly be called an offer, or, at any rate, an overture from the colonies. That overture needed an examination, and that was the reason the Government did not include in their policy the proposals associated with Mr. Chamberlain's plan.

NO LAND FIGHTING LIKELY BEFORE THE END OF MARCH

The Japanese Complete Repairs to Warships and Fleet Is Once More Ready for Action.

RUSSIANS ARE ON THE RETREAT FROM YIN KOW

Korean Mob Throws Bomb at Foreign Minister's Residence in Seoul—Russian Brutality to Jap Refugees at Port Arthur Reported—Admiral Marakoff in Command of Fortress.

London, Friday, March 4. — The general idea among correspondents in the far east appears to be that no important land battle is expected before the end of March. A dispatch to the Daily Express from Chemulpo, dated March 2, says that 15,000 Japanese troops have landed at Chinampo and gone to Ping Yang. A Harbin correspondent of the Daily Chronicle gives a rumor that 60,000 Japanese have landed at Wonson. The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Telegraph asserts that three separate Japanese armies have landed in Korea, and the Paris edition of the New York Herald publishes a report from Che Foo to the effect that six Japanese cruisers, escorting ten transports, have been seen steaming in the directions of the Gulf of Liao Tung. Nothing in any of these reports is improbable, but it is evident that Japan is maintaining strict secrecy as to her plans.

JAPS RULE THE WAVES.

Under date of March 2, a Che Foo correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that although Japan has lost a small cruiser and that the machinery of two of her warships has been damaged, these probably have been fully repaired, and in any event Japan has complete command of the sea, and will resume her naval movements, the landing of Japanese troops at the best strategic positions, and the occupation of territory near Port Dalny as soon as the winter moderates. He predicts that having crossed the Yalu River the Japanese will threaten Kirin, cutting the railroad and menacing Vladivostock, while a second force deals with the Liao-Tung peninsula.

According to the Che Foo correspondent of the Morning Post, a Japanese battleship has run aground near Chemulpo.

RUSSIAN BRUTALITY.

"Refugees from Port Arthur," the Nagasaki correspondent of the Times cables, "believe there were 30,000 troops there the middle of February. They report that the 10,000 Russian troops who were dispatched to Korea on the beginning of February were so ill-equipped with transport and supplies that it was thought they would be compelled to return. They say also that the Russians treated the Japanese at Port Arthur so brutally that they fled to the seashore, embarked in small harbor boats and endeavored to reach Port Dalny. Several were drowned.

NEW RUSSIAN SHIPS.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris says the Newsky shipyards is about to begin the construction of 10 submarine vessels of English type. Work on these ships will be pushed with all speed.

ON THE AGGRESSIVE.

The Harbin correspondent of the Paris Matin says that a detachment of Japanese cavalry, commanded by Uitchenko, has entered Mao Eur Chan, south Manchuria, close to Korean border. "It is alleged here," he continues, "that 60,000 Japanese have now been landed at Wonson, their objective being Manchuria." In Korea the weather is cold and there is snow; here it is comparatively fine. The sea is still rough at Port Arthur.

TROUBLE AT SEOUL.

A Tokio dispatch says: "An intrigue on the part of opposition at Seoul against the conclusion of the Japanese-Korean protocol culminated in the throwing of bombs at the residence of the foreign minister and his secretary at 1 o'clock Thursday morning. They escaped uninjured."

MARAKOFF AT PORT ARTHUR.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Paris Matin telegraphs that Admiral Marakoff has arrived at Port Arthur.

A St. Petersburg dispatch says: "In reply to a telegram sent to him by General Bogdanovitch, Viceroy Alexieff says: 'Your majesty's message has strengthened our unalterable determination to fight until death for the faith, the Czar and the country.' The Czarina today inspected with much interest the hospital train of thirteen cars, with a capacity of 160 men and officers, besides attendants, which is ready to be sent to the front. The cars are going out under the auspices of Grand Duchess Tatinia Vichoiaevna."

PRINCE HI CHAI SUN DEAD.

The commander of a British gunboat, bringing down residents of that nationality from Song Chong, reports the death of Prince Hi Chai Sun, a nephew of the former King of Korea, and a man who has filled all the high posts of the kingdom.

DESERTING YIN KOW.

Yin Kow, March 3. — The Russo-Chinese Bank is closing, preparatory to removing to Mukden. Women and children are preparing to leave Yin Kow in anticipation of the arrival of a Japanese fleet which is expected when the river opens, probably a fortnight hence. The United States gunboat Helena, and the British cruiser Espiegle are making preparations to leave the drydocks in a week's time. The main mast of the Russian gunboat Sivoutch has been cut off. This would indicate that she is being dismantled, but otherwise she would appear to be clearing for action.

On account of the impossibilty of defending the coast of Yin Kow until such time as a thaw permits the constructions of entrenchments and forts, the Russians have prepared to retire up the main railroad line. There are practically no defenses here, and although the shifting and reshifting of troops and artillery to the small forts at the mouth of the Liao River has the appearance of an intention to defend Yin Kow, the military authorities depend upon an inland engagement to put a stop to the Japanese advance.

KUROPATKIN'S PLANS.

As far as is yet known, the only plans decided upon are, first, that General Kuropatkin's headquarters are to be at Mukden. Viceroy Alexieff proposes to remain at Mukden indefinitely, as that city is the center of Chinese administration, and has a viceroyal bureau. Second, that the plain west of Tashihs Chiao, which is almost impossible of defense, will be held, if possible, on account of the railroad, connecting with Port Arthur. Third, Hai Ching and Liao Yang are the extreme limits to which troops will be withdrawn on account of the exposure of the railway at these points. That the Japanese will arrive before a thaw permits the construction of defenses is thought here to be practically certain. It would appear also that the authorities expect Port Arthur to be besieged. Sir Robert Hart, director of Chinese imperial maritime customs, after sounding Russian opinion in the matter, has ordered the Chinese custom light ship and the channel buoy to be placed at the river mouths as usual. This step, however, has no effect upon the neutralization of New Chwang.

UNDER MARTIAL LAW.

Tokio, March 3. — General Inouye, the Japanese commander at Seoul, Korea, with the consent of Korean Government, has issued an order corresponding with the proclamation of martial law.

The naval prize court in session at Sasebo yesterday unheld the legality of the capture by Japanese cruisers of the merchant steamers Argun, Muken, Michael and Russia and the whalers Nicolai and Alexander. Other cases are pending. An appeal was allowed to be taken within 60 days.

CANADA'S TRADE WITH MEXICO

Sir William Mulock Arranging for a Monthly Steamship Service.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Ont., March 4.—It is learned in official quarters that negotiations are under way for establishing a monthly steamship service between Canada and a port in Mexico. This is the result of the recent visit of Sir William Mulock to Mexico, and of interviews he had with President Diaz.

The trade between Canada and Mexico is at present very small, and it must necessarily remain this way unless some means of communication is established between the countries. If a steamship line has been secured between a point in Mexico and Canada there is no doubt a large trade would result. There are many things that Mexico wants from the Dominion and the Dominion in return requires many things that might probably be secured in Mexico.

Sir William Mulock has very appropriately been called "the man who does things."

WAR IN URUGUAY.

Montevideo, Uruguay, March 4.—It is officially announced that Gen. Muniz, commander of the Uruguayan forces, has routed the troops of the revolutionary leader, Saraiva, at Puntas De Quequaychico. The rebels fled, abandoning a number of killed and wounded.

EARL SPENCER NEXT PREMIER

English Liberals Have Cabinet of New Government Already Picked Out.

London, March 4. — So confident is the opinion held in innermost circles in the Liberal Opposition that dissolution may be precipitated within the next five or six weeks that already it is being assumed that the King will send for Earl Spencer to form a new administration, and that Lord Spencer's first step will be to offer the foreign secretaryship to Lord Rosebery, with the alternative of Sir Edward Grey if Lord Rosebery is found to adhere to his present determination of not taking office. Mr. Asquith is slated for the chancellorship of the exchequer, and Robert Reid for the woolsack.

These arrangements are being definitely talked of in the highest quarters of political life, but, on the other hand, it is stated that the ministers have no intention of dissolving Parliament within any such brief space as the Liberals are speculating on.

C. E. CONVENTION.

Baltimore, Md., March 4. — The committee in arrangements for the International Christian Endeavor convention, scheduled to be held in this city next year, has decided that the recent fire does not warrant changing the convention from Baltimore to some other city. Arrangements are being made to entertain 50,000 delegates from all over the world.

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NOT A PROTECTIONIST

Commons Laughs When Balfour Repudiates the Policy.

London, March 4. — Premier Balfour aroused both cheers and derisive laughter by the statement in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon, that he had never advocated protection either in or outside the cabinet. The assertion was elicited by a request of Mr. MacNeill, Nationalist, that Mr. Balfour give the public an opportunity of reading his pamphlet advocating protection, presented to the cabinet. Mr. Balfour declared that no such pamphlet was in existence, and added the above intimation that he was not a protectionist.

ANARCHIST TURNER FREE.

New York, March 4.—A bondsman has been secured for John Turner, the English anarchist, who has been confined on Ellis Island since Oct. 24. It is expected he will be released today by order of the supreme court under bonds of $5,000. Turner has been detained under the provisions of the immigrant law, but claims he is not an anarchist in the sense covered by that statute. His case probably will come up in the supreme court during April.

VICTIM OF TYPHOID.

Walkerville, March 3. — Miss Rose M. Wilson, teacher of the Walkerville public school, died last night of typhoid fever. The remains will be sent to the home of the parents at Harriston for burial.

STORM IN ESSEX

Tremendous Downpour Will Set Back Farming Operations.

Windsor, Ont., March 4. — A terrific storm of thunder and lightning combined with torrents of rain and a 50-mile gale passed over this city about 9 o'clock Wednesday night. One of the dynamos of the electric light plant was burned out, and one-half the city was in darkness for the remainder of the night. Despite the hundreds of thousands of dollars expended in drainage in the flat country of Essex, the farms of the entire peninsula are almost without exception under water and boats and rafts have been in use for several days. The big Government ditches are totally incapable of carrying off the water and the farmers of Essex will be losers to the extent of many thousands of dollars by the serious setback given spring farming operations.

SCALPED BY MACHINERY.

Covington, Ga., March 3. — Mrs. J. W. Worsham, wife of the superintendent of the Covington cotton mills, suffered yesterday from a distressing accident, as the result of which she may die. While in the basement of the mill her hair was caught in the belting of moving machinery, and she was scalped, the skin and hair being torn from her nose to the back of her neck.

THE ENGLISHMEN WON.

Sydney, N. S. W., March 4. — The fourth test cricket match between English and Australian teams was won by the Englishmen by 157 runs.

CANADIAN CHURCH UNION PROPOSED

Presbyterians, Methodists and Congregationalists Confer.

ARE SEEKIMG A COMMON BASIS

Denominational Committees To Be Called to Discuss Plans for a United Church.

Toronto, March 4. — "Should the Presbyterians, Methodists and Congregationalists of Canada unite to form one church?" That was the subject of an informal conference of representatives, minister and laymen of these churches held in the city yesterday. The answer to the question, according to the sentiment and resolution of the conference, was affirmative, and the question of organic union of these three denominations will in consequence be raised in a most formal way and with practical ends in view.

Rev. Dr. Carman, general superintendent of the Methodist Church was called to the chair and explained that this conference was both informal and unofficial. He reviewed the history of the present movement, touching upon the efforts in the direction of union previously made, the action of the last general conference of the Methodist Church at Winnipeg in approving of an effort looking to the co-operation and organic union of the Methodists, Presbyterians and Congregationalists along the same lines. Committees have been appointed to correspond and confer on the question of such union, and to report to their respective church courts. Yesterday's informal conference was merely introductory to the formal meeting of these denominational committees. Dr. Carman further expressed his own personal sympathy with the movement.

Dr. Warden, convener of the Presbyterian Home Mission committee, told of co-operation in home mission work, and was even more hopeful of organic union than was Dr. Carman.

Dr. Sutherland, missionary secretary of the Methodist Church, corroborated Dr. Warden's testimony as to the good effects of the action taken last year looking to co-operation in Western Canada.

H. O'Hara, president of the Congregational Union, approved, and similar addresses were made by Principal Caven, Rev. J. W. Pedley, Chancellor Burwash, his honor the Lieutenant-Governor, and J. W. Flavelle.

Rev. Dr. Cleaver read a letter from Rev. Dr. Rose, of Hamilton, declaring himself an out-and-out Unionist.

The conference passed a resolution favorable to the calling of the several denominational committees by the respective conveners to a conference, after which a joint meeting for the more formal discussion of the question involved will probably be held and such steps taken as further conference may warrant. Dr. Carman, Dr. Warden and Mr. O'Hara were appointed a committee to arrange for any further conference meetings.

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LIGHTNING STARTS A FIRE.

New Hamburg, Ont., March 3.—During a thunderstorm, accompanied by severe lightning, last night, the Canadian Pacific Telegraph office and Louis Peine's book store, were observed to be ablaze in the front show-window, the contents of which were destroyed, together with the instruments. The fire was caused by a spark from the wires. Loss $100, fully insured.

Letters to the Editor.

SUGGESTIONS ON MUNICIPAL QUESTIONS.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

I suppose some will say I might be better employed than in writing letters to the press, but once in a while I find my old training asserting itself, and that I am again helping to fill the columns of a newspaper. I write with the full knowledge that I will be criticised—but what of that? What are aldermen for but to be criticised, whether they do anything or not?

I notice by your report of the proceedings of No. 2 committee that a deputation from that committee will go out to see whether or not it is advisable to open up Dufferin avenue east, midway between English street (the street is now opened up half way) to Ontario street. Last year in council I advocated opening up this street, as well as Horton street, from Adelaide, through to Rectory. I am still of opinion that the small sum needed to accomplish this good work would be money wisely spent. That it can be done now for a mere trifle compared to what it would cost after the key lots are built upon goes without saying. The increased assessments would within two years pay for the outlay provided the matter be dealt with at once. When these properties are built upon is not the time to think of opening up the streets. The cost then would be excessive, and we would be paying for buildings simply to tear them down. For instance, take Dufferin avenue where it narrows at Cartwright street. This is one of the finest residential avenues in London. Years ago an effort was made to have the jog straightened. A deputation possibly looked over the ground and reported, and that was the end of it. Then it could have been straightened for $2,000 all told; now it would cost $30,000. It is important, therefore, that these and other streets be opened while the land is vacant and can be bought at a reasonable figure. I notice that the Macbeth estate, on Princess avenue, is for sale, and it would be well to look into the matter, and if not too costly straighten the jog in this avenue from Cartwright to Maitland, before a row of modern residences is built upon the property now practically vacant. It is unfortunate that three of our best residential streets, viz., Queen's avenue, Dufferin avenue and Princess avenue, are disfigured by jogs. Having no personal interest beyond that of a citizen in these improvements, I cannot be accused of selfishness, and I think it is quite in order to advocate them both in the press and in the council.

While on this matter I would draw attention to the tiling of Carling's Creek, which cannot long be overlooked. Considerable of the work would have been done last year had not the Legislature cut off some $5,000 of debentures asked for for this purpose. Still, the improvement, if necessary, should not be delayed because of the Legislature. Take, for instance, that part of the creek running along Princess avenue, between Adelaide and Elizabeth streets. As is well known, the north side of Princess avenue between the streets mentioned is practically a blank and non-tax-producing, the frontage being the ends of long lots which face on Elias street; and were this portion of the creek tiled (the creek runs where the sidewalk should be), these rear ends could be built upon, and the assessments alone would in a short time pay for the outlay, which would be a very great benefit to the health of the whole city, as when the creek dries up in the summer, I am told, the children play in the dry bed, which may explain why the locality has more than its share of sickness. If the council this year cannot do all that's needed, it should tile as much of the creek as possible. I write as a citizen interested in the improved health of all, and the appearance of our streets, and am willing to contribute my mite as a ratepayer to secure these desired improvements.

Regarding the telephone franchise, I believe there is no need for hasty action. The question of municipal ownership might well be looked into—indeed, it should be looked into. There are a number of construction companies who would be glad to give an estimate. My object last year in trying to have the ratepayers express themselves on the question of a municipal system was to have this estimate secured and placed before them later. To have submitted the question at the January elections would have cost less than $5, a mere nothing, and just a little more than it cost to ask the Underwriters' Association their intentions in regard to the insurance rates, which idea was styled as foolish, but which will yet result in a substantial reduction in the insurance rates. I think it cost two cents to secure the information.

I believe Mayor Urquhart, of Toronto, has secured a grist of useful matter relating to telephones. He advocates the municipal ownership of municipal lines, and Govenment control of long distance systems. I trust the whole question will be well and carefully looked into before the city again ties itself up to one company for a term of years. An estimate of the cost of installing a municipal system would at least let us know about how much profit there is in the telephone business, and I venture to say, Mr. Editor, that you have no profits at all from your newspaper compared with the profits of the Bell Telephone Company, and still, to my mind, you perform a more useful public service than they. The city should know just about how much an exclusive franchise in a city like London is worth before it is bartered off for a paltry $2,500, which amount does not return to the city the interest on the rates the Bell Company collects in advance from subscribers, for it must be remembered that in addition to exorbitant rates the company collect for their service before the service is given. I do not think it would be a bad idea to admit a new company, for I believe the new concern would in less than two years do one of two things—either materially reduce the Bell Company's rates or corral most of their subscribers, in earnest of which the company now seeking admittance agree not to charge subscribers for the use of 'phones until such time as they secure 500 subscribers. Perhaps at first two companies would seem to be one too many; but all good results have to have a beginning, however irksome, and we did not always enjoy the service now given by the Bell Company. However, should it be thought advisable to give an exclusive franchise, I place myself on record now as being unchangably opposed to the terms now offered by the Bell Company. The present rates should be reduced for the benefit of subscribers, and the exchequer of the city should be contributed to for the benefit of non-subscribers. It must not be forgotten, however, that the telephone is a benefit to all, whether subscribers or not, as it is very convenient on occasions to use the nearest one in case of sickness, etc.

I believe the suggestions set forth above are in accord with those held generally by citizens, and yet there is another feature that should not be overlooked, viz., the long distance rates. It now costs $2 60 for a three-minute talk to Montreal—monstrous! And if the figures could be got at it might be found that the Bell Company make sufficient from the long distance service alone to more than recoup them for the entire cost of operating the system in London.

I fear I have taken up considerable of your space, Mr. Editor, but then, it's only once in a long time. Yours respectfully,

R. F. MATTHEWS.

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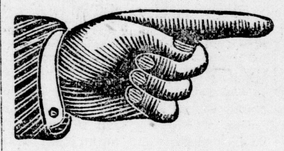
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A BILL WITHDRAWN.

Toronto, March 4. — The bill of the town of Perth was withdrawn before the private bills committee of the Legislature this morning. The bill proposed to take over the electric light works. The committee proposed to hold over the bill for a year, but the promoters objected.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.—IN THE matter of the estate of Charles Clifford Mill, late of the Township of Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, yeoman, deceased: Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1897, Chapter 129, that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Charles Clifford Mill, who died on or about the 27th day of November, 1903, are required, on or before the 25th day of March, A. D. 1904, to send by post prepaid or to deliver to Tennent & Coleridge, of 78 Dundas street, in the City of London, solicitors for Jane Ann Mill, the administratrix of the estate of the said deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, the statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them. And further take notice, that after such last-mentioned date the said administratrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have notice, and that the said administratrix will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by her at the time of such distribution. Dated this 17th day of February, A. D. 1904. TENNENT & COLERIDGE, 78 Dundas street, London, Ont., solicitors for Jane Ann Mill, administratrix. 33k-v 92u

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London intends to undertake the following works or improvements, and to assess and levy the cost thereof by means of a special rate, to be so assessed and levied as an annual rate according to the frontage thereof upon the real property immediately benefited by such works or improvements, according to the provisions of "The Consolidated Municipal Act, 1903," namely: Cement sidewalks on the following portions of the following streets of the City of London:

No. 1 Ward—

180.—North side of Simcoe street, from Richmond street to Wellington street; width, 5 feet.

181.—West side of Talbot street, York street to Bathurst street; width, 5 feet.

182.—North side of York street, Thames street to Ridout street; width, 6 feet.

183.—East side of Wharncliffe road, Askin street to Byron avenue; width, 5 feet.

184.—South side of Pipe Line road, Wharncliffe road to Orchard street; width, 4 feet 6 inches.

185.—South side of Briscoe street, Edward street to Wharncliffe road; width, 4 feet 6 inches.

186.—West side of High street, Emery street to Chester street; width, 4 feet 6 inches.

187.—East side of Wellington street, Clark street to Wellington street bridge; width, 4 feet 6 inches.

188.—South side of Bruce street, Wortley road to Ridout street; width, 5 feet.

189.—South side of Duchess avenue, Wortley road to Cathcart street; width, 5 feet.

No. 2 Ward—

190.—North side of Kent street, from Talbot street to Ridout street; width, 5 feet.

191.—East side of Richmond street, from St. James street to Grosvenor street; width, 6 feet.

192.—West side of Richmond street, from Oxford street to St. James street; width, 6 feet.

193.—East side of Wharncliffe road, from Empress avenue to Blackfriars street; width, 6 feet.

194.—West side of Albion street, from Blackfriars street to the southerly limit of Albion street; width, 4 feet 6 inches.

195.—South side of Alexander street, from Wilson avenue to Wharncliffe road; width, 4 feet 6 inches.

196.—East side of Wilson avenue, from Cherry avenue to Dundas street; width, 4 feet 6 inches.

No. 3 Ward—

197.—North side of Horton street, from Maitland street to Colborne street; width, 5 feet.

198.—East side of Colborne street, from Grey street to Hill street; width, 5 feet.

199.—North side of York street, from Burwell street to William street; width, 5 feet.

200.—South side of Pine street, from Oak street to Elm street; width, 4 feet.

201.—South side of York street, from Burwell street to Maitland street; width, 5 feet.

202.—East side of Sackville street, from Hamilton road to Hackett street; width, 4 feet 6 inches.

203.—North side of Hackett street, from Sackville street to Egerton street; width, 4 feet 6 inches.

204.—South side of Hackett street, from Sackville street to Egerton street; width, 4 feet 6 inches.

205.—North side of Dame street, from Chesley avenue to Egerton street; width, 4 feet 6 inches.

206.—South side of Dame street, from Sackville street to Egerton street; width, 4 feet 6 inches.

207.—South side of Van street, from Rectory street to Chesley avenue; width, 4 feet 6 inches.

208.—East side of Adelaide street, from Layard street to Nelson street; width, 4 feet 6 inches.

209.—North side of Grey street, from Hamilton road to Rectory street; width, 5 feet.

210.—South side of Grey street, from Hamilton road to Rectory street; width, 5 feet.

211.—North side of South street, from Maitland street to Colborne street; width, 4 feet 6 inches.

213.—North side of Hamilton road, from Hill street to Rectory street; width, 5 feet.

214.—West side of Lyle street, from Dundas street to King street; width, 5 feet.

215.—East side of Adelaide street, from York street to Bathurst street; width, 5 feet.

216.—East side of Adelaide street, from Simcoe street to Hamilton road; width, 5 feet.

217.—East side of Ontario street, from Dundas street to King street; width, 5 feet.

218.—North side of Campbell street, from Rectory street to Fair Grounds; width, 5 feet.

No. 4 Ward—

219.—West side of Waterloo street, from Grosvenor street to Cheapside street; width, 5 feet.

220.—East side of Maitland street, from Dundas street to Queen's avenue; width, 6 feet.

221.—East side of Maitland street, from Oxford street to St. James street; width, 5 feet.

222.—South side of Dufferin avenue, from William street to Adelaide street; width, 6 feet.

223.—North side of Princess avenue, from Wellington street to Colborne street; width, 6 feet.

224.—North side of Piccadilly street, from Wellington street to Waterloo street; width, 6 feet.

225.—South side of St. James street, from Waterloo street to Colborne street; width, 5 feet.

226.—South side of Elias street, from Ontario street to Quebec street; width, 5 feet.

227.—East side of Ontario street, from Dundas street to Queen's avenue; width, 5 feet.

20.—An Asphalt Pavement on Clarence street, from Dundas street to York street.

Each work or improvement, as numbered above, to be a separate work or improvement, and that the number of such annual special assessments will be ten.

And take notice, that unless the majority of the owners of such real property to be benefited thereby (to be ascertained under the provisions of "The Consolidated Municipal Act, 1903," and Bylaw No. 780 of the City of London, passed on the 4th day of August, 1890, as amended), representing at least one-half in value thereof, petition the said Council against the same within one month after the last publication of this notice in The London Advertiser and London Free Press newspapers, published in the City of London, the Council will undertake the said works or improvements, and proceed with the same under the provisions of Section 669 and the other Sections of "The Consolidated Municipal Act, 1903," relating to Local Improvements applicable thereto.

City Clerk's Office, March 4, A.D. 1904.
C. B. EDWARDS, City Clerk.
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It is sometimes better to stay where you are than to jump at conclusions.

THIRTY HOURS BENEATH DEBRIS

Remarkable Vitality Shown by a Victim of the Darlington Disaster.

New York, March 4. — After living more than 30 hours under the mass of steel beams, and other debris of the collapsed Hotel Darlington in West Forty-sixth street, Charles Lasek, a cement worker, died early today while being carried to Flower Hospital in an ambulance. This increases the known dead to fifteen.

The finding of a live human being amongst the mass of iron work, brick and mortar shortly after 2 o'clock this morning was perhaps the most sensational thing of the kind in the history of similar disasters in this city. From the hour of the collapse hundreds of men have struggled amid the wreckage, with derricks, to get to the bottom of the pile, where more than half a dozen dead fellow-workmen were known to lie. Suddenly, when a heavy beam has been hoisted a man, half-pinioned below, was seen to move. A great shout went up and hurry calls were made for an ambulance. Owing to the position of the imprisoned man great care had to be taken in freeing him and nearly an hour elapsed before this was accomplished.

Meanwhile, the surgeons had crawled into the pile and reached his side. He was given stimulants internally and injections of whisky with cocaine, and hopes were strong of saving the man who had escaped death in the crash and then fought off suffocation and starvation so long. He was carefully lifted into an ambulance but died before the hospital was reached. One arm had been broken and there was a great hole in the man's head. His vitality must have been tremendous to survive so long with these injuries, not to mention his position in the debris.

At the hospital, Lasek's identity was quickly established by means of a union card in one of his pockets.

WANTS HIS LEG BACK

Man Broke Wooden Limb When Visiting and Girl Kept It.

Winsted, Conn., March 4.—Charles L. Fulburt, who has only one leg, has asked the state police to help him find his artificial limb, which has been missing three months. Fulburt, who travels with the aid of a crutch and a cane, says:

"When I worked in Salem, Mass., three months ago I used to call on Miss Anna Sullivan, 20 years old, in Lynn. One evening while sitting alone with Miss Sullivan in the parlor of her home my artificial leg suddenly gave way and I went down with a crash. I did not know what to do with my leg, but Miss Sullivan, who had helped me to gather up the broken pieces, said: 'You can put your leg in my trunk until you can send for new pieces and repair it.'

"I finally lost my position in Salem because I couldn't get around the hotel fast enough to suit the landlord. I went to New York and spent two months looking for work without success, and this week I started for Lynn because I couldn't get along without my leg any longer. I received a cool reception at the Sullivan home, and Anna's sister said she didn't know anything about my leg. She said that Anna had packed her trunk two months ago and had gone to Hartford.

"My search for Anna and her trunk in Hartford was fruitless, and I am utterly discouraged. My artificial leg cost $150, and it could be repaired for $4. When I find Miss Sullivan I shall appeal to her in the name of humanity to return my leg to me."

THE CANAL PURCHASE

United States Raising the Necessary Ten Millions.

Washington, March 4. — The Secretary of the United States Treasury will call on the depository banks of New York city to deposit 20 per cent of their Government holdings in the sub-treasury, the money to be turned over to J. P. Morgan & Co., as the financial representative of the Republic of Panama, on account of the Panama Canal purchase. This 20 per cent will aggregate about $8,000,000, and the remaining $2,000,000 will be taken from the sub-treasury. The secretary also will call on all the special depositary banks to forward to designated depositary banks in New York 20 per cent of their holdings on or before March 25. This will result in a deposit altogether of about $30,000,000. The remaining $20,000,000 will be supplied by the treasury itself.

PAINS, LIKE THE POOR, ARE ALWAYS WITH US.—That portion of man's life which is not made up of pleasure is largely composed of pain, and to be free from pain is a pleasure. Simple remedies are always the best in treating bodily pain, and a safe, sure and simple remedy is Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil. You cannot do wrong in giving it a trial when required.

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PEACH TRESS DAMAGED

Windsor, Ont., March 4. — The fruit growers in the Leamington peach belt, after an examination of their orchards, say that none of the trees, with the exception of early Crawfords, have been damaged by the severe weather.

SEVERE COLDS are easily cured by the use of Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, a medicine of extraordinary penetrating and healing properties. It is acknowledged by those who have used it as being the best medicine sold for coughs, colds, inflammation of the lungs and all affections of the throat and chest. Its agreeableness to the taste makes it a favorite with ladies and children

Re-Flooring Bridges.

Tenders for supplying Rock Elm, White Oak or Tamarack for reflooring Wellington street and Dundas street bridges; also tenders for laying same, will be received at this office up to 4 o'clock on Thursday, 17th March.

A. O. GRAYDON.
City Engineer.
ALD. WM. WYATT,
Chairman No. 2 Committee.
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SEALED TENDERS

will be received at my office until Wednesday, the 9th inst., for the erection of a brick residence. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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The J. B. Wills Comedy Company, a very cheap show at a moderately cheap price, concluded a two nights' engagement at the Grand Opera House, last night. Evidently, the company did not make good with the people the first night, for last night there was but a small audience, and of these only the merest sprinkling were in the pit. Of the two performances put on by the Wills, last night's was decidedly the weakest. It is known as "Two Old Cronies," but it could be as easily designated any other name. The alleged comedy of the piece is the rankest drivel, accumulated, undoubtedly, by the men who purvey it, while in barnstorming expeditions.

For some reason the Wills company pads out the cast, and last night and Wednesday night there were from twelve to fourteen names on the programme, followed by the words, "chorus girls," etc. As a matter of fact, but ten or eleven appeared on the boards of the Grand, and the chorus girls, etc., were composed of four girls and the female impersonator, who are the only women in the cast, and besides forming the chorus, are everything else in the company.

James Leslie, the "leading" comedian, who the night previous played a Dutch turn, got mixed up in his dialect last night, and though billed to talk Irish, used a sauerkraut vernacular most of the time. Richards, the female impersonator, furnished the audience with a study in archeological research by again resurrecting and trotting out that aged chestnut, with a burr on it ten years thick, the "butterfly dance." To keep up with the times this worn-out specialty should be rechristened the caterpillar dance. The company are barnstorming throughout Ontario.

A small audience saw the vaudeville at the London Opera House last night. Tonight's and tomorrow's performances will end the vaudeville at the London for this season.

Potter and Hartwell, the clever pair of acrobats, who were seen at the London Opera House last week, were last night engaged by the Wills' Company to put on a specialty at the Grand, and both were well-received by the audience.

FAY DAVIS TONIGHT.

One of the artistic treats of the season awaits those who will attend the Grand tonight, when Henry Arthur Jones' latest and best comedy, "Whitewashing Julia," will be presented by Fay Davis and members of the celebrated Empire Theater Stock Company. The term "whitewashing" is somewhat confusing to Canadians. The process could be called "cutting" in this country. The play is said to be in Jones' happiest vein, and theatergoers, who have seen "The Liars" and "Mrs. Davis' Defense," know what that means. Just previous to coming to this country last season Miss Davis created the role of Iris in Pinero's drama of that name, and played the part for four months at the St. James' Theater. In the cast supporting Mr. Frohmon's new star are Guy Standing, W. H. Crompton, F. Newton Lindo, Herbert McKenzie, Ida Vernon, Lillian Thurgate, Louise Drew, Maggie Holloway Fisher, Ida Waterman, Elizabeth Stewart, Doris Keane and others.

THE AUBREY STOCK COMPANY.

The famous Aubrey Stock Company, which appears at the Grand next week, is now in its seventh season of remarkable success. Each of the various plays will be presented with their own special scenery which is said to surpass anything heretofore seen with a popular-priced attraction. It will open the engagement Monday evening with "Devil's Island." A matinee will be given Saturday. Ladies' 15c tickets Monday night. Seats on sale today.

A MOST PLEASING PRODUCTION.

The Toronto World, speaking of "Lover's Lane," which will be presented at the Grand tomorrow matinee and night, says: It is a most pleasing and satisfying production of the Clyde Fitch play, "Lovers' Lane," that is offered at the Grand this week. There are a number of pretty love scenes, and an abundance of good fun, coupled with an every-day realism that adds to the enjoyment. Tootie Richmond takes the part of Simplicity, in which Millie James was seen here, and she does very well. Mabel Walsh is an attractive heroine, and William Haddock is a manly divine. The numerous other roles are very capably taken and the staging is considerably above the ordinary.

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RADIUM IN CANADA.

Toronto, March 4. — J. Obalski, insepctor of mines in Quebec, read a most interesting paper before the Canadian Mining Institute on minerals in Quebec containing radium. He announced radium is likely to be found before long in considerable quantities in Canada. The Laurentian formation is full of uranium.

GREAT PRAIRIE FIRES.

Lawton, Ok., March 4.—Reports indicate that five persons have been burned to death and three thousand square miles of territory in Kiowa and Commanche Counties swept by prairie fires. Hundreds of people are homeless, and it is impossible to estimate accurately the financial loss.

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Politics in tho United States.

The first batch of delegates elected to the Democratic convention, which meets the first week in July to choose a candidate for the Presidency, have been instructed to vote for William Randolph Hearst. They were nominated by a county convention in Ohio. The headway which the Hearst boom is making has alarmed conservative Democrats. The conspiracy to capture the nominating convention for Hearst has ramified to every state of the Union, and it is openly charged that money is being poured out for the purpose. A Democratic senator has said that Hearst's political assets are cheek and a check-book. He inherited a great fortune from his father and leaped into notoriety by founding a school of yellow journalism in comparison wtih which the sensationalism of the American press before the advent of Hearst was insipid and respectable. He has now a string of newspapers in the great cities, of which the New York Journal is the prototype; and through these he is able to reach millions of readers daily. These newspapers pander to the prejudices and lowest instincts of the mob. They play on the old hatred of England and strive to set class against class. Unfortunately the growth of the trusts under the Republican tariff has given Hearst a potent cry, but tariff reformers of the Cleveland stripe, who are the salt of the Democratic party, will not accept the candidature of this demagogue. The New York Post declares that there are dark and loathsome chapters in the personal history of this man. It describes him as a low voluptuary, seeking to sting his jaded senses to a fresh thrill by playing for the highest prize in the gift of his country. It warns him that the light will be turned upon his private life if he persists in his ambition, and it implores the Democracy to cast him off before the party shares his disgrace. This is a terrible indictment and it will convict him in public opinion if he fails to bring his accuser into court.

The demoralization of the Democratic party will be a calamity for the republic. That party contains some of the best intellect of the country and is its only hope of deliverance from the tyranny of the trusts, and the vices of the present fiscal system. The triumph of the Hearst or Bryan factions would drive sane and respectable Democrats into political exile, while there appears to be little hope that the Jacobins of the party will accept a candidate who stands upon a Cleveland platform. The death of Senator Hanna has removed the last shadow from Roosevelt's prospects for the Republican nomination and he will sweep the country, if the Democrats do not reconcile their differences. The conservative elements of his party have regarded him uneasily, but the spectre of Hearst would drive them into Roosevelt's arms. The rough rider is still popular with the masses and could make a strong bid against Hearst for their support.

The American people have usually shown a large reserve of common sense when they are brought face to face with a crisis; and they will repudiate Hearst just as they repudiated the magnetic Bryan. Money may purchase a party convention, but it cannot purchase the whole country. In the meantime, the Democratic party is sorely in need of a Mirabeau to save it from ruin.

Mr. Monk's Disclosures.

The Opposition press is discreetly ignoring Mr. Monk's extraordinary speech in which he explained to the electors of Jacques Cartier his motives for resigning the leadership of the Conservative party in Quebec. He throws some light on the amazing campaign conducted by the Conservative party in Quebec at the last general election, and engineered from the office of the Montreal Star. Referring to this he said: "Conceived in the minds of men competent in business, but knowing nothing of politics, densely ignorant of the special conditions in Quebec, filled with that presumptuous confidence which scorns every counsel, they coolly sealed the fate of valuable men, whose names are familiar to you, and after the battle was over four members representing French-Canadian ridings were left alone to answer the roll call." This plan consisted of issuing two sets of election literature, one for French-Canadians, the other for English electors. In the former Sir Wilfrid Laurier was depicted as a rampant Imperialist, ready to pour out Canadian blood and treasure in foreign wars and to sell his country's political liberties for a title. In the English version of the Montreal Star and the other prints for English consumption, the Premier was lampooned as a pro-Boer, and Mr. Tarte was reviled as an enemy of the British race and an annexationist. It appears that Mr. Monk protested against these tactics, but was overruled by the men who have now brought about his downfall. And these men who made Mr. Tarte the butt of their calumnies four years ago are now his political godfathers. Mr. Monk says that when Mr. Tarte was dismissed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier "certain so-called Conservative papers started the notion that the only hope of our party in this Province rested upon the assistance which might be received from the former 'master of the administration.' I had never considered the ex-minister as one of the determining causes of our losses." The Montreal Star was the first paper to extend a hand to Mr. Tarte. The owner of the Star is Mr. Hugh Graham, who aspires to be the Marcus A. Hanna of the Conservative party.

Mr. Monk's loyalty to his party through the ordeal of the last general election and in the recent bye-elections, and his able parliamentary assistance, have been rewarded by an act of treachery for which Mr. Borden cannot evade responsibility. Even more discreditable is the exaltation of Mr. Tarte by those who held him up to odium and made a bogey of him to frighten the prejudices of race.

Extending the Asylum Bounds.

The Ontario Government has acted wisely in adding to the London Asylum grounds the contiguous 235 acres known as the Trebilcock farm. The farm had been rented for Asylum purposes, in pursuance of the humane and scientific policy which governs the management of our asylums and other institutions of a similar class. Outdoor work for the patients not only conduces to discipline, but is a valuable part of their treatment. The farm system is a very important element in the economy with which the asylums of Ontario are managed, and nowhere had it yielded better results than in London. These benefits should be extended to the widest limits possible.

There was some carping in the Legislature yesterday over the price paid for the Trebilcock farm, amounting to about $100 an acre. It is surprising that the member for London, who should have some knowledge of real estate values in this neighborhood, should tell the House that the land was worth only $50 an acre at the highest estimate. Considering the quality of the land, its proximity to the city, and the fact that it was the only property that the Government could buy for the purpose, the price was exceedingly reasonable. The owner must be surprised at his own moderation when he reflects on the price which was paid for the Carling farm, amounting to several hundred dollars an acre. The Trebilcock farm is every bit as valuable, and the street railway has brought it as near the city as Carling's farm was at the time of its purchase. The Government has driven a good bargain, and only a few politicians will cavil at it.

William Randolph Hearst is the yellow peril of the United States.

And now Premier Balfour has given protection a kick. Mr. Chamberlain is riding a dead horse.

A smallpox epidemic is decimating the Russian army. But people prefer the romantic aspects of war.

Laurier's election is now assured. Sir Charles Tupper is prophesying again and sees the same old signs of a Conservative triumph.

The C. P. R. will run two trains a day across the continent in the summer. The Canadian Rockies are drawing an increasing stream of the world's tourist travel.

The economy which left the streets of London in darkness on Wednesday night is too dear at any price. If it occurs again this great home journal, whose duty is to shed light, will organize a first-class row.

It remains for the Edinburgh Scotsman to discover "a strong reaction in Canadian industrial and commercial affairs." So far this has escaped the notice of Canadians. Business has been snowbound in some places, but it will be all right when the blockade is lifted.

A PROFESSIONAL SCHEMER.

[Detroit Free Press.]

Sidney—Did that new nerve doctor cure your wife?

Rodney—Yes, he prescribed so much exercise that she had to stay away from bridge whist parties to attend to it.

WHAT RIGHT?

[Clergyman in London Spectator.]

A poor woman in this parish was consulting me in connection with her domestic troubles, and there was some doubt as to whether her marriage was a legal one, inasmuch as her "husband" (as she had just discovered) appeared to have a wife living, from whom he had been separated. The woman's pathetic inquiry was: "If he is not my husband what right has he to knock me about?"

THINKING OF THE PAST.

[New York Times.]

He sits there at the fireside, where the mellow light is gleaming,
O'er the columns of the little country paper that he holds,
And something he had read there seems to set his fancy dreaming,
While memory's panorama of forgotten days unfolds.
Its quaint and homely phrases all incline him to reflection,
Some sweetness of enchantment as he lays the paper down,
Strips the bitter peel of sorrow from the fruit of recollection,
He tastes the mellow sweetness of the little country town.

He sees, at eve, a cottage where the lamplight dimly straying
Through the window thickly bowered with the honeysuckle vine,
To his ears come strains of music, there's a sound of someone playing
On a little cottage organ, and the notes of "Auld Lang Syne."
He hears the tea things clatter, sees a woman's figure flitting
Here and there, belike some fairy, and the shimmer of her gown,
And longing leads his fancy to the place where he is sitting
Just across from her at table in the little country town.

What spell lies in its columns? There rise lusty tones and laughing,
A rioting of young folks through the open parlor door;
The place resounds with revelry and the badinage and chaffing,
Someone has brought his fiddle from the little country store.
The merry songs from lad and lass in lusty tones are swelling,
The sparkling cider passes in the earthen jug and brown;
What silver-threaded eloquence of memory is telling
The story of the glory of the little country town?

Yet he sits here alone, where all the dreamy shadows dancing,
And silent, save for voices that his memory may hear,
The eyes that o'er the columns of the little paper glancing,
Like violets, dew-misted, in the passing of a tear.
For some, as he [illegible] from the circle once [illegible]
And one he knows lies sleeping where the autumn leaves are brown;
His hair is white like silver, yet in fancy he has spoken
With all the lads and lasses of the little country town.

The misty eye of sorrow at the bush of dreams is seeking
The rose of recollection with the fragrance of its morn,
And in the ear of memory the voice of grief is speaking,
The hand that plucks the blossom knows the sharpness of the thorn.
His dreams die with the embers at the fireplace—ah, the pity!
The paper falls from listless hands and idly flutters down.
How lonely, lonely, lonely, is the sullen, smoky city,
When the heart has come from straying in the little country town.

BLOOD BROTHERHOOD.

[Toronto Globe.]

An editorial in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer has a hearty ring about it. The writer says that whether Russ beat Jap or Jap beat Russ was of no deep interest to Americans. If Britain should become involved it would be a different thing, however. "When that time comes," the article continues, "then, as Tatnail said nigh half a century ago, at Peiho, they shall find that 'blood is thicker than water.'" More than that. Neutral as we will try to be, and should be between Russ and Japanese, let England once be involved and neutrality is bound to cease. We cannot stand by idly then, but—hands across the straits—we may say to our blood brethren over the border, as the poet of our common heritage said:

"'Come the three corners of the world in arms,
And we shall shock them. Nought shall make us rue,
If England to herself do rest but true.'"

Such expressions of blood-brotherhood are appearing in quite unexpected quarters in the United States press.

DEFINITION.

[New York Sun.]

Johnny—What is a castle in the air?

Subbubs—One that doesn't cost more than the architect's estimates.

THE KAISER'S STUDENT DAYS.

[From Speeches of Emperor William.]

Of the twenty-one scholars of the first form to which I belonged nineteen wore glasses, and three of these had to put a pince-nez before the spectacles in order to be able to see the blackboard! Homer, that glorious man about whom I have always been enthusiastic, Horace, Demosthenes, whose speeches must have filled everyone with delight, how were they read? With enthusiasm for the battle or the arms or the descriptions of nature? Not at all. Under the scalpel of the grammatical and fanatical philologist each clause was dissected and split up, till, to his delight, he had found the bare skeleton and then exhibited for the admiration of all in how many different senses something could be used as a prefix or a suffix. It was enough to make one weep! Away with this tomfoolery! War to the knife against such teaching!

$1,700 TIED TO HIS LEGS

What They Found on an Old Man Carried Out From a Fire.

New York, March 4. — Sixteen families live over a saloon and a synagogue at 86 Willett street. Twelve-year-old Charlie Wurstel found the lower hallway afire last night, and shouted an alarm. Most of the tenants escaped by the roof to an adjoining building. About a dozen were helped along a ledge on the second floor and taken into an adjoining tenement house through a window.

Samuel Stern, an old coal dealer, who lived in the basement, was carried out by tenants. His hands and face were badly burned.

At Bellevue he requested that his trousers shouldn't be taken off. The attendants found his legs wrapped in newspapers, under which, pressed tight against his skin, was more than $1,700 in one, five and ten dollar bills.

MOUSE IN SWITCHBOARD.

New York, March 4. — A mouse built a nest for her little ones in the telephone switchboard in the Federal building in Brooklyn. At the switchboard Uncle Sam has provided a very pretty young woman operator.

When the usual "Hello!" was replaced with a loud scream and swishing of skirts and a great clatter in the little booth occupied by Miss "Hello," several pair of eyes were instantly directed toward the girl.

"Help, help!" came the cry.

"What is the trouble?" anxiously inquired half a dozen employes of the Government, who are usually invisible.

"Oh, a horrid mouse;" said the girl.

A search was made for the mouse and after a long time the nest was discovered, with three little mice snuggled into a wad of paper on the live wires in the switchboard. Those who know expressed surprise that the mother mouse and her family had not been shocked to death.

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A REASONABLE PRICE WAS PAID FOR THE BIG TREBILCOCK FARM

Ontario Government Did Not Give an Exorbitant Figure for the Land.

Yesterday in the Legislature the farms recently sold by Mr. Thomas Trebilcock, of this city, to the Ontario Government, for London Asylum purposes, was the subject of a lengthy debate. Several of the Conservative members expressed the opinion that the price paid—$23,000 for 235 acres—was an exorbitant figure. The member for London, Mr. Beck, was very positive on this point, saying that $50 per acre was a top price for the land.

Today a reporter interviewed a couple of well-known local real estate dealers on the subject, and they stated that the price was not an exorbitant one.

One of the real estate men said that he considered the price a very fair one, as the Government was in the position of practically being compelled to purchase the land, it being required for asylum purposes, and, being contiguous to the asylum grounds, it was naturally of greater value to the Ontario Government than to any other purchaser.

The other real estate man took the same grounds, stating that the value of the Trebilcock farm was greatly increased when being purchased by the Government because of its contiguity to the asylum grounds. This dealer said the land was worth fully 25 per cent more to the Government than to anyone else.

When the prices which have been paid for land in the vicinity of the asylum and around the Military School are taken into consideration, it must also be admitted that the price paid Mr. Trebilcock is not exorbitant. Many years ago several hundred dollars an acre was paid for the Carling farm, and later, when the Military School required more land, and Sir John Carling was about to cut up into building lots some land he owned near the school, the Dominion Government did not hesitate to pay a price which ran up well towards $1,000 an acre. Then, when Knollwood Park was laid out, the property was listed and sold at several hundreds of dollars per acre.

BLOCKED FOR SEVEN DAYS

L., H. and B. Line Is Still Tied Up With Snow.

The Stratford Branch Is In the Same Position Again.

Today makes the seventh day of the blockade on the London, Huron and Bruce Railway. On Wednesday the snowplows and shovelers made satisfactory headway in clearing the line, but yesterday the snowstorm came along and filled in all the cuts the men and plows had cleared. Yesterday four engines were working on the line from this end, and this morning two more engines, with a carload of shovelers, were sent from London to help clear the snow away. This is said to be the longest blockade the Grand Trunk has ever experienced on any of its lines.

On Wednesday the St. Marys branch was opened up, but the storm of yesterday again completely blockaded it. As a result no trains have passed over that road since yesterday afternoon, though the officials hope to have the line cleared by this evening.

Yesterday the Toronto-Stratford division of the Grand Trunk was also tied up by the storm, and all trains, both freight and passenger, usually run over that line, were taken over by the local division. On the lines operated out of London, trains were kept moving all day yesterday, though they were late, of course.

The officials are hoping against hope that the storms of the past few days will not be repeated for some days at least, so that the men will be afforded an opportunity of opening up the lines.

IS HONORARY PRESIDENT

Sir John Carling Honored by the Yorkshire Society of Toronto.

Sir John Carling, K. C. M. G., of this city, has accepted the honorary presidency of the Yorkshire Society, a Toronto organization whose members must be men from the Wolds. All native-born Yorkshire men and their descendants are eligible, the object of the association being to keep Yorkshire men in Canada in touch with the land of their birth, or the birth of their ancestors.

A constitution has been prepared, surmounted by the Yorkshire County coat of arms, a copy of which will be sent to any applicant who writes to the secretary, Mr. R. S. Richardson, 55 Gould street, Toronto. Speaking of Sir John Carling's acceptance of the honorary presidency the Toronto News says:

"Sir John Carling, who has accepted the honorary presidency of the Yorkshire Society, is not himself a Yorkshireman by birth, although his father was. Sir John was born in the Township of London 76 years ago, his father having emigrated to this country in 1818. Sir John Carling is one of the most highly respected and useful of public men. Few have been so long in Parliamentary and official life, he having been practically in continuous public service since 1857. Never a man who blew his own trumpet or sought to make the most of his services, he was content to do good work and let his official subordinates share in the credit. It was under his regime as Minister of Agriculture for Canada that Prof. Robertson, the famous dairy expert, was added to the staff for the purpose of giving efficient public aid to that important branch of farm work. He was Minister of Agriculture for Ontario in the Sandfield Macdonald Government, and to him is due the initiation of the Guelph College and farm. Since retiring from the cabinet in 1894 he has been a member of the senate."

LOYAL FRENCH CANADA

The Hon. Mr. Brodeur Delivers an Eloquent Address.

Toronto, March 3.—Hon. L. P. Brodeur, Minister of Inland Revenue, was the guest of the Empire Club at luncheon today, and delivered a most eloquent address on French-Canadian loyalty. He began historically with the treaty of peace after the conquest of Canada by Britain, and showed how the French-Canadian had resisted the temptations held out to them by Britain's own sons to join in the rebellion of the United States. The French-Canadian loyalty to Brintain again asserted itself in the war of 1812-14 against the same Anglo-Saxon enemy. He declared the Papineau rising was for British liberty and British constitution, that when French-Canadians grumble it is the British custom they follow.

"French-Canadians," he said, "have long recognized that their own personal interests are wrapt up in the British flag, under which they enjoy all the liberty they can wish for."

He declared that they would always be willing to sacrifice their lives for the cause of the empire.

CHARGED WITH PERJURY

A Witness in the Kennedy Murder Trial Arrested.

Brantford, Ont., March 4. — J. C. Drummond, a witness in the Kennedy murder trial, was yesterday arrested for perjury. Drummond was caretaker of the Y. M. C. A. on Sept. 30. At the trial he testified that Kennedy was in the reading room from 12:30 until 3:30 p.m., writing a letter, and that he had supplied Kennedy with ink to write. It now transpires that at the Y. M. C. A. on Sept. 30, there was a rummage sale on, and that the rooms were in charge of ladies connected with the rummage sale. Drummond was arrested for assaulting an Armenian, was placed in jail and met Kennedy there before the trial came off.

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A BRAKEMAN INJURED.

Tilbury, Ont., March 4.—J. W. Hamilton, brakeman on an M. C. R. freight train going west, fell from the gangway of the engine while passing through here this morning. He was very badly injured, not having regained consciousness before being removed from here to St. Thomas hospital.

CRUSHED BY TUG.

Sarnia, Ont., March 4.—James Palmer, of Sarnia, fireman on the tug Protector, was perhaps fatally injured while attempting to board the ferry Hiawatha while the boat was moving away from her dock yesterday. He made a misstep and was caught between the boat's side and the sheathing of the dock, receiving a broken arm, several fractured ribs and internal injuries.

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DREYFUS LIKELY TO BE CLEARED

French Court of Cassation Reopens Case.

FORMER EVIDENCE WAS FALSE

The Attorney-General Amazed at the Flimsiness of the Charges That Condemned Dreyfus.

Paris, March 4.—The court of cassation began at noon yesterday the consideration of the appeal of Alfred Dreyfus for a revision of his trial. The court was crowded. Former Col. Picquart was present. Dreyfus was not present, his interests being in the hands of Lawler Morhard.

M. Boyer, reporter of the court, read his report, in which he presented the two new facts upon which the Minister of Justice M. Valle, recommended a revision of the case. These were set forth as follows:

"(1) The secret documents include a letter bearing the initial 'D.' Now, by an affidavit of Oct. 6, 1903, signed by M. Gribelin (keeper of the archives), it appears that this document previously carried the letter 'P.' For this latter was substituted a 'D.' and thus the altered document was presented to the court at Rennes.

"(2) According to the Minister of Justice, another letter signed Alexandrine,' which agent 'A' addressed to agent 'B,' contained some words in the handwriting of the late Lieut.-Col. Henry (who committed suicide in prison after having confessed to committing a forgery in the case). This letter relates to the organization of French railroads."

M. Gribelin swore during the inquiry of the Minister of War that this letter was false. It was true, however, that the date of this document was March 8, 1895, when Dreyfus was imprisoned on Devil's Island.

M. Boyer made an exhaustive review of the case, declaring he could not find any proof to establish the existence of the document which was claimed to have been annotated by the German Emperor, which was transmitted to one of Dreyfus' judges at Renes. There was no doubt, he added, of the transmission of the "Alexandrine" letter with the false date. The words in Lieut.-Col. Henry's handwriting had an unfavorable effect upon the courtmartial. M. Boyer concluded with saying that the letters used against the accused were falsified prior to the proceedings of 1899, but he added that this had not yet been judicially determined upon.

Attorney-General Baudouin said that when he began his consideration of the Dreyfus case he was satisfied that a judicial error had not been committed, but as the investigation proceeded his amazement increased. "One by one," the Attorney-General continued, "all the charges vanished, leaving only accusations without importance or consistency. When I examined the secret collection of documents in the case and saw their miserable character, valuable only because of mystery cleverly thrown about them, I concluded it was necessary for justice to have the last word, and it is my conviction that there is not one of us, if in the army, and not an officer now in the army, who would not have succumbed had he been under an accusation thus managed." The existence of a traitor in the French war office was revealed by an alleged foreign diplomat who acted without compensation. It is now claimed that Lieut.-Col Henry, in 1897, caused a book of expenditures to be recopied in order to remove all trace of payments to this diplomat, who, it has developed, was an employe of the intelligence department.

It was claimed by those present in court that if the new facts were acknowledged by the tribunal the innocence of Dreyfus would be established.

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BARGAIN SHOWN A GOOD ONE

Legislature Debates the Estimates—Literature for the Lumbermen—School Libraries.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, March 3.—The time of the House was taken up this afternoon largely by discussion of the estimates, and the main item considered was the expenditure in connection with the London Asylum, the Opposition criticising the price paid for the asylum farm as being excessive.

On the item of $138,611 for London Asylum, Mr. Hanna asked why $23,000 had been paid for the asylum farm of 235 acres, which had been valued at only $13,000.

Mr. Stratton denied this and asked Mr. Hanna if the price was not fair.

Mr. Hanna—Decidedly not. The land is poor, low-lying ground, and $50 an acre would have been a good price for it.

Mr. Gibson argued that no land within so short a distance of London could be valued so low as $50 an acre. He was confident, if the land had been expropriated under arbitration, the Government would have had to pay much more for it.

Mr. Beck (London) said the land was low and boggy, covered with scrub willows, and was not worth more than $50 an acre. Of course, after being properly drained, and put in shape (which would cost probably $100 an acre) the land might be worth $100 an acre.

Mr. Stratton considered the farm an excellent bargain, which would prove invaluable to the asylum.

Several members desired to hear Dr. Routledge's opinion on the matter, and Hon. J. M. Gibson said perhaps they had better get him out into the lobby and pump him.

Mr. Kidd—He might be docked. (Laughter.)

Dr. Routledge said the land might be worth anywhere from $80 to $100 an acre.

Mr. Stratton again showed that the land was good pasture land, not bog, and that he would be very glad to put up his checks for the bargain and take the land over at the price given, and if he could not realize the full price out of the half nearest the city within five years he would forfeit the balance.

LITERATURE FOR LUMBERMEN.

Mr. Whitney spoke strongly on behalf of the reading camp movement, and urged that so excellent a scheme should be substantially recognized by the Government.

Mr. Harcourt said that the Government gave $10 for each library, which the district supplemented as far as possible. A catalogue of books was issued by the Givernment, from which list the libraries had to be supplied as far as possible.

COST OF THE COURTS.

The vote for the administration of justice, $478,297, as compared with $464,955, was taken up. Hon. J. M. Gibson explaining that the chief cause of the increase was the expense attached to the administration in unorganized districts.

The vote for educational purposes, $989,154, came next.

Mr. Hoyle thought the Minister of Education should explain the manner in which school libraries were being considered, and whether their establishment was compulsory.

Hon. Mr. Harcourt replied that full information as to this was given in his annual report; the establishment of school libraries was encouraged, but was not compulsory.

In reply to Mr. Whitney, the Minister of Education said the department was instituting new school inspection districts at Port Arthur, Sault Ste. Marie, and North Bay. He also informed Mr. Gamey that as soon as possible the department would arrange that all the inspectors should reside in their districts.

The Callaghan prosecution will be the subject of a debate in the legislature next week. Mr. Downey proposes to submit a resolution deploring the effort of crown officials to exclude persons from the jury box owing to their political belief.

The House adjourned at 6 p.m.

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Outlaw Jones Shot to Death at Muddy River.

Moosejaw, March 4.—The fatal shooting of Outlaw Jones is very satisfactory to residents along the Big Muddy River. He was looked upon as one of the worst characters in that section, and had been a regular terror to everyone.

It is reported by Indians, who have returned from this section, that a sheriff called on Jones to arrest a man who was working for him for some offense. The sheriff started off with his prisoner, and several miles out he was overtaken by the outlaw Jones, who had pursued them. Jones got a drop on the sheriff, ordering him to hold up his hands. He did so, and Jones then took the sheriff's horse, and, disarming him, sent him home on foot, Jones returning to his cabin with the man who had been arrested.

The sheriff returned with a posse of 25 men, and started searching for Jones. It was some time before he was located. He was taken by surprise and ordered to surrender. He immediately reached for his gun, but was fired on and shot through the body and head, instantly dying. His cabin contained all kinds of goods which it is thought had been stolen.

FRENCH SHORE FISHERY.

St. Johns, Nfld., March 4. — The lower branch of the Colonial Legislature yesterday passed unanimously the Anglo-French modus vivendi respecting the French shore fishery for the current year.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

Morrisburg, Ont., March 4. — James Styles, son of James Styles, of Frestburg, about three miles distant from here, lost his life while fox-hunting. When he did not return home in the evening his friends became uneasy and went out to look for him. They found him dead in the woods with a charge of buckshot in his breast. The gun, which is double-barreled, was evidently accidentally discharged, for, in addition to the cartridge in the breast, there was one in the wrist. The deceased was 18 years of age.



Women seem to listen to every call of duty except the supreme one that tells them to guard their health. How much harder the daily tasks become when some derangement of the female organs makes every movement painful, and keeps the nervous system unstrung? Irritability takes the place of happiness and amiability; and weakness and suffering takes the place of health and strength. As long as they can drag themselves around, women continue to work and perform their household duties. They have been led to believe that suffering is necessary because they are women! What a mistake! Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will banish pain and restore happiness. Don't resort to strong stimulants or narcotics when this great strengthening, healing remedy for women is always within reach.

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"Last September I became pregnant and again took your medicine, and got along nicely during pregnancy and got up from my confinement sooner and felt better than I ever did before. I have a nice baby boy. He is well and strong, the healthiest of my children, and it is all owing to your Vegetable Compound. I cannot find words with which to thank you. Your medicine is surely the best medicine in the world."—MRS. MARTHA JACOBS, care C. C. Holbrook, Johnson, Vt.

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LATEST MARKETS

STOCK MARKETS.

H. C. Becher, broker, Bank of Commerce building, received the following by private wire from Bartlett, Frazier & Carrington today:

New York, March 4—Noon.—Although activity has been limited as usual, there was a generally firm tone to the stock market today, and the active stocks held relatively very well. The best prices were made in the first hour, and in the second houra slight decline developed. The expectation of a decision in the Northern Securities case on Monday has a dampening influence, and at the same time it makes the short interest a little more conservative. There was good buying in Manhattan. London sold Pennsylvania, and that stock was comparatively active. It held its own very well. Other active stocks were Copper, Brooklyn Rapid Transit, St. Paul, Union Pacific, Union Pacific, preferred and Mexican Central. The strength of Mexican Central seems to be manipulation. Reading was fairly firm on the prospect of a strike being called in the soft coal mines. Missouri Pacific was in the hands of its friends, who did some buying. Money rates are unchanged. Sales to noon were 121,600 shares.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March. 4.

	Ask.	Off
Montreal	..	246
Ontario	..	125
Toronto	..	225
Commerce	150½	150¼
Imperial	..	212
Dominion	..	222
Standard	..	221½
Hamilton	209	206
Nova Scotia	270	250
Ottawa	215	..
Traders	..	135
Soo, pref	121	117
Soo, com	63	51
British America	100	..
Western Assurance	95	..
Imperial Life	..	149
Consumers Gas	209	..
Canada Northwest Land, pref	..	94
Northwest Land	..	65
Can. Pacific Railway Stock	112	111⅜
Toronto Electric Light	..	130
General Electric	142	..
London Electric	100	..
Commercial Cable	195	185
Dominion Telegraph	..	115
Richelieu and Ontario Nav. Co.	81	79
Niagara Navigation	..	110
St. L. and C. Navigation	109	..
Toronto Street Railway	98¾	96¾
Twin City Railway, new	88⅝	88
Winnipeg St. Railway	175	160
Sao Paulo Tramway	91	90¼
Dominion Steel, com	8½	8¼
Dominion Coal, com	54	53½
Nova Scotia Steel	73	72
Canada Salt	117	..
Crow's Nest Coal	350	..
British Canadian L. and I	..	85
Canada Landed and Nat. Inv	104	102½
Canada Permanent	..	121
Canada Savings and Loan	..	119
Central Canada Loan	..	130
Dominion Savings and Invest	..	70
Hamilton Provident	..	119
Huron & Erie L. & S. Co	..	173
Landed Banking and Loan	..	119
Manitoba Loan	..	95
Toronto Mortgage	..	86
London Loan	120	112
Ontario Loan and Deb	..	121
Toronto Savings and Loan	..	130
Dominion Iron and Steel Bonds	53	52
Nova Scotia Steel	..	101

SALES: Traders' Bank, 5 at 136; Consumers' Gas, 2 at 209½; Canada Northwest Land, preferred, 43¼ at 95½; Toronto Railway, 4 at 97½, 4 at 97½; Bank of Hamilton, 5 at 206; C. P. R., 5 at 111⅜, 50 at 111⅜; Commerce, 20 at 150½; Bell Telephone, 10 at 136, rights on 56 at 2¼, 12 at 2¼; Coal, 25 at 55¼, 100 at 54¾, 25 at 54¾, 50 at 54½, 25 at 54⅜, 50 at 53¼; Dominion Steel, 25 at 8¼; Cable, 25 at 189½.

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Montreal, March 4.

	Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	111¼	111
Winnipeg Electric	200	130
Montreal Street Railway	205	202
Toronto Railway	97½	96¾
Halifax Street Railway	90	87
St. John Railway	120	..
Twin City Transit Railway	88¼	87⅞
Richelieu and Ontario	82	79¾
Commercial Cable	193	187
Montreal Telegraph	159	158
Bell Telephone	..	135
Dominion Iron and Steel, com	8½	8
Dominion Iron and Steel, pref	28	24
Montreal Heat, Light	72	70
Nova Scotia Steel, common	76	72
Detroit Railway	62¼	61
Montreal Cotton	115	..
Dominion Cotton	..	34½
War Eagle	15	5
Montreal Street Bonds	104	103
Trinidad Railway	75½	..
Dominion Coal, common	54	53⅛
Dominion Coal, pref	112	105
Int. Coal	100	..
Int. Coal, pref	100	..
New Street	200	198
Bank of Ottawa	211	..
Bank of Montreal	250	248
Molsons Bank	205	200
Ogilvie Flour	175	150
Ogilvie Flour	120	115
Ogilvie Bonds	112	..
Windsor Hotel	90	77
Switch, com	50	20
Switch, pref	88	78
Royal	210	..
Nova Scotia	..	260
Union Bank	132	..
Commerce	..	150
Dominion Iron and Steel Bonds	53	50
Colored Cotton	98	..
Toledo Railway	22	18

SALES: C. P. R., 25 at 111, 100 at 111⅛, 5 at 111⅜, 50 at 111⅛; Twin City, 5 at 88¾, 50 at 88¼; Toronto Railway, 4 at 97¼, 20 at 97; Power, 100 at 70; Toledo Railway, 25 at 19; Scotia bonds, 8,000 at 101; Coal, common, 25 at 55½, 50 at 54, 75 at 53½, 75 at 53, 8 at 54; Telephone rights, 23 at 2¾, 175 at 2½, 2 at 2¾, 85 at 2½, 18 at 2½, 110 at 2½, 52 at 2¼, 59 at 2¼; Montreal Cotton, 2 at 107¾; Ogilvie, preferred, 1 at 120; Montreal Railway bonds, 600 at 103½.

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New York, March 4

	Open.	High.	Low.	2 p.m
Amal. Copper	47	47⅜	47	47
American Sugar Co.	124¾	125¼	124¾	125
American Locomotive	23¼	23⅜	23	23
American Foundry	20¼	..	..	..
Atcheson, com	65⅝	66	65⅝	65¾
Atcheson Pfd	89½	89½	89¼	89¼
B. & O	75¾	75½	75¼	75¼
Brooklyn Tran	41¾	42¼	41⅝	41¾
C. P. R	111¼	111¼	111	111¼
Chesapeake & Ohio	32¼	..	..	..
Chicago & Alton	38⅞	39½	38½	38⅝
Chic. Great Western	14⅞	14⅞	14⅝	14⅝
Consolidated Gas	194½	194⅞	194¼	194¼
Delaware and Hudson	155¾	156¾	155¾	156¾
Eric	23¼	23⅜	23¼	23¼
Erie Pfd	62⅞	..	..	..
Edison Gen. Electric	162½		..	
Illinois Central	127	127⅛	127	127
Louisville and Nashville	103	103¾	103	103½
Manhattan	143⅝	144	143⅝	143⅝
Metropolitan St. Ry.	115½	115¾	115¼	115¼
Mexican Central	12⅛	12⅝	12⅛	12¼
M. P.	88¾	89	88⅝	88⅝
N. Y Central	114¾	114⅞	114¾	114⅞
Norfolk and W	56⅛	56⅛	55¾	55¾
Ont. and West	20½	20½	20⅜	20½
Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	27½	..	..	..
Pennsylvania	113⅝	114¼	112⅝	113¼
People's Gas	98¼	98⅜	98¼	98¼
Reading	40⅜	41	40⅜	40¾
Rock Island	20⅝	21	20⅝	20⅝
Southern Railway	19¼	19¼	19	19
Southern Pacific	44	44½	44	44⅛
St. Paul	139¼	139⅞	139⅛	139⅛
Texas	23	23	22⅞	22⅞

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Twin City	88	..	..	..
Union Pacific	74⅛	74½	74⅛	74¼
U. S. Leather	7¾	..	..	..
U. S. Leather, pref	78	..	..	..
U. S. Rubber	12¾	..		
U. S. Steel, com	11⅛	11¼	11	11⅛
U. S. Steel, pref	56⅜	56⅝	56⅜	56⅜
Wabash, pref	34⅛	34⅛	33⅝	33⅞
Western Union Tel	85		..	..

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, March 2.—Live cattle steady, at 11c to 11¾c per lb for steers, dressed weight; refrigerator beef, 8¾c to 9¼c per lb; sheep, 13c to 13½c per lb.

OIL MARKETS.

LONDON.

London, March 3.—Petroleum, American refined, 7½d; spirits, 9¼d.

ANTWERP.

Antwerp, March 3. — Petroleum, 21 francs.

BREMEN.

Bremen, March 3.—Petroleum, 6 marks 35 pfennings.

PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 3.—Oil opened and closed at $1 77.

OIL CITY.

Oil City, Pa., March 3.—Credit balances, $1 77; certificates, no bid; shipments, 93,913 barrels.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, March 3.—About 400 head of cattle, 60 calves and a dozen sheep were offered for sale at the east end abattoir today. Trade in cattle was slow, and primes have a downward tendency. There were no prime beeves on the market, and none of the sales exceeded 4½c per lb, with ordinary medium cattle at 3¾c to 4c, and the common stock at 2½c to 3½c per lb; there were a number of very lean dry cows on the market today, but they seemed hard to sell at any price; calves sold at from $2 25 to $8 each, or from 3c to 5c per lb; sheep sold at 3¼c to 3½c per lb, and lambs at about 4½c per lb; good lots of fat hogs sold at 5¼c to 5½c per lb.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, March 4.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,500; market steady; good to prime steers, $5 to $5 75; poor to medium, $3 50 to $4 90; stockers and feeders, $2 50 to $4 25; cows, $1 50 to $4; heifers, $2 to $4 50; canners, $1 50 to $2 50; bulls, $2 to $4 10; calves, $3 to $6 75; Texas-fed steers, $4 to $4 75.

Hogs—Receipts, 18,000; market 5c to 10c lower; mixed and butchers, $5 15 to $5 50; good to choice heavy, $5 40 to $5 60; rough heavy, $5 20 to $6 40; light, $4 60 to $5 20; bulk of sales at $5 15 to $5 40.

Sheep—Receipts, 7,000; market strong; good to choice wethers, $4 25 to $4 75; fair to choice mixed, $3 50 to $4 25; western sheep, $2 75 to $5 25; native lambs, $4 to $5 75.

FLAXSEED.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, March 3.—Flaxseed—Northwest, $1 14½; southwest, $1 09; May, $1 11.

DAIRY MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, March 3.—Butter—Steady and unchanged; receipts, 5,790 pkgs. Cheese—Firm and unchanged; receipts, 1,860 boxes.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Ill., March 3.—Butter—Easier; creameries, 14c to 25½c; dairies, 14c to 22c. Cheese—Firm, 10½c to 11½c.

HAY MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 3.—Baled Hay—Arrivals of car lots are light and the market is quoted unchanged at $9 per ton for car lots on the track here.

Baled Straw—The market is quoted steady at $5 to $5 50 per ton for car lots on the track here.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 4.—Wheat, 98c to $1 for No. 2 red and white, middle freights and east; Manitoba, $1 06 for No. 1 hard, $1 04 for No. 1 northern, $1 01 for No. 2 northern, and 98c for No. 3 northern, at Georgian Bay ports, and 6c more grinding in transit. Flour—Firm, at $3 75 bid and $4 asked for cars of 90 per cent patents in buyers' bags, middle freights; Manitoba firm, at $5 30 for Hungarian patents, $5 for second patents, and $4 90 for strong bakers, bags included, on the track at Toronto. Millfeed—Firm, at $17 50 for cars of shorts and $16 bid for bran, in bulk, middle freights; Manitoba, $21 for cars of shorts and $20 for bran, sacks included, Toronto freights. Barley—Steady, at 46c asked for No. 2, 44c for No. 3 extra, and 43c for No. 3, middle freights. Buckwheat—Firm, at 51c to 52c for No. 2 west. Rye—Firm, at 57c to 58c for No. 2, west. Corn—Steady; Canada mixed at 38c and yellow at 39c, f.o.b. west; American is steady, at 54½c for No. 2 yellow and 53c for No. 3 mixed, in car lots on the track at Toronto. Oats—Easier, at 34c for No. 1 white and 33½c for No. 2 white, east; No. 2 are quoted at 33c, high freights west, and 33½c middle freights. Rolled oats—Steady; cars of bags are quoted at $4 50 and barrels at $4 75 on the track here. Peas—Steady, at 65c for No. 2, and 1c to 2c more for choice milling lots. Butter—Steady. Eggs—Lower on liberal receipts from Chicago and New York; new-laid are now down to 25c here. Live hogs—Receipts today, 50; selects, $5; heavy and light, $4 75.

BEAN MARKETS.

DETROIT.

Detroit, March 3.—Beans—Cash and March, $1 89 asked; April, $1 86; May, $1 85, nominal.

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

Chicago, March 4

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
Wheat—May	96	99	96	97
July	92¼	93¼	91¼	92⅜
Sept	86	88¼	85⅜	86⅜
Corn—May	52¾	53⅝	52¼	53½
July	51¼	52½	51¼	52¼
Sept	50⅛	51⅛	50⅜	51⅛
Oats—May	40¼	41¾	40½	41
July	38⅛	40	38⅛	39¼
Sept	33½	34⅜	33½	34¼
Pork—May	14 20	14 35	13 85	13 92
July	14 32	14 40	13 95	14 07
Lard—May	7 22	7 35	7 20	7 25
July	7 40	7 45	7 35	7 37
Ribs—May	7 02	7 30	7 00	7 07
July	7 37	[illegible]	7 20	7 22

LOCAL MARKET.

London, Friday, March 4.

The offerings today were of the usual kind for this day of the week.

About 20 loads of hay were offered, and sales were made at $7 50 to $8 50 per ton.

A dozen or so loads of oats went at 95c to 96c per cwt.

Wheat dropped today to 96c per bu, or 4c less than that paid on the previous day.

A load of dressed hogs sold at $7 per cwt.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, March 4.—Wheat—Spot quiet; No. 1 California, 7s 4d. Futures steady; March, 6s 10⅛d; May, 6s 8½; July, 6s 8d.

Corn—Spot, American mixed, new, easy, 4s 1d; do, old, quiet, 4s 6d. Futures steady; March, 4s 5¼d; May, 4s 2d

Peas—Canadian steady, 5s 7d.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter dull, 8s 3d.

Hops (at London)—Pacific coast firm, £6 15s to £7 15s.

Beef—Extra India mess firm, 67s 6d.

Pork—Prime mess western steady, 67s 6d.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, steady, 47s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, quiet, 38s; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, quiet, 38s 6d; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, quiet, 39s; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, quiet, 38s 6d; short clear backs, quiet, 35s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, steady, 48s 6d; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, quiet, 34s.

Lard—Prime western, in tierces, easy, 36s 9d; American refined, in pails, dull, 36s 6d.

Butter—Good United States steady, 74s.

Cheese—American finest white quiet, 48s 6d; American finest colored quiet, 50s 6d.

Tallow—Prime city steady, 25s.

Turpentine Spirits—Quiet, 43s 9d.

Rosin—Common steady, 7s 6d.

Petroleum—Refined firm, 7¾d.

Linseed Oil—Steady, 10s 3d.

Cottonseed Oil (Hull refined)—Spot, 19s 7½d.

Receipts of wheat during the past three days were 200,000 centals, including 31,000 American.

Receipts of American corn during the past three days were 88,700 centals.

Weather—Dull.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, March 4.—Flour—Receipts, 17,152 bbls; sales, 2,800 pkgs; steady but quiet; Minnesota patents, $5 20 to $5 65. Buckwheat flour—Dull. Rye flour—Quiet. Wheat—Receipts, 31,200 bu; sales, 1,300,000 bu; wheat opened easy on the lower cables, rallied on reports of crop damage west, and covering, later easing off under bear pressure and liquidation; May, $1 00¼ to $1 01½; July, 96⅞c to 98c; September, 88⅞c to 90c. Rye—Quiet; No. 2 western, 55c, to arrive. Corn—Receipts, 27,950 bu; sales, 25,000 bu; corn was steady o cold weather west and bull support; May, 58¼c to 58⅝c; July, 57c to 57¼c. Oats—Receipts, 78,000 bu. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining, 2-15-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 13-16c to 3 7-16c; molasses sugar, 2 11-16c; refined firm. Coffee—Steady; No. 7 Rio, 6 11-16c. Lead—Firm. Wool—Firm. Hops—Firm.

TO EXPLAIN ACCOUNTS

Temiskaming Railway Officers to Appear Before Committee.

Toronto, Ont., March 4.—The public accounts committee of the Legislature has ordered the Temiskaming Railway officials to attend on Wednesday next to explain the accounts of the railway and the offer of bonds, which they failed to sell. Officers of the Soo companies and the bank's which paid wages are ordered to attend on Tuesday, the 15th, to explain the accounts paid by the Government.

THE FIRE IN THE HOUSE

Parliament Building Had a Close Call From Destruction.

Toronto, March 4. — The damage at the Parliament buildings which were struck by lightning early yesterday morning was much greater that at first stated. It is now said that $1,500 will gscarcely cover the loss. The Minister of Public Works, who has supervision of the building, said that the building narrowly escaped destruction, and that much credit was due both to the watchmen and the city fire brigade for their prompt action. Owing to the deep spaces between ceiling and floor, caused by the heavy girders and joists which carried the wide floors, the danger was very great where the fire would get a headway which would render it uncontrollable. Had the fire ever got under the chamber and galleries it would have been doubtful if the main portion of the building could have been saved. Immediately in the path of the fire, and within a few feet of where it was stopped, were large oil paintings of Sir Oliver Mowat, A. S. Hardy, and C. F. Fraser. The building was constructed when Mr. Fraser was minister of public works.

DARLINGTON DISASTER

List of Dead Now Number Fifteen—Three Others Missing.

New York, March 3. — There are fifteen dead, fifteen known to have been injured and three persons reported missing as the result of the collapse of the unfinished Darlington apartment hotel building on West Forty-sixth street yesterday, and of the resultant injury to the Patterson Hotel, directly in the rear of the collapsed building. The mangled body of Frank Allison, brother of Eugene Allison, president of the Allison Realty Company, was taken out of the ruins. He was supposed to have been on the ninth floor at the time of the disaster.

The dead in the disaster: Frank Allison, John Bier, assistant foreman of Roebling Company; Adam Purwalder, boss plumber; Farrell S. Fagan, derrickman; Timothy Kelly, derrickman; Frederick Morill, Pansorpaus Stanislaus, Mrs. Ella Storrs, Thompkins Lacey, Wm. L. Steel, latter two unidentified bodies; four bodies in sight in ruins.

ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

Clubs Which Sell Meals and Liquors To Be Assessed.

Toronto, March 4. — At the meeting of the assessment bill committee of the Legislature today it was decided that clubs which sell meals and liquors should be assessed at the rate of 25 per cent for the business tax.

On the question of assessing telephone and telegraph companies on gross receipts the wording was changed from earnings to receipts and the percentage was left unchanged. Objection was made to allowing Toronto to assess telephone companies on a 75 per cent basis while Hamilton and Ottawa were allowed to assess them only on a 65 per cent basis, but no change was made.

MUST STAND TRIAL.

Toronto, March 4. —Chancellor Boyd today dismissed the application on behalf of George Maguire and W. T. Loudon, election officials to quash their committal on the charge of conspiracy. Their case is now before the grand jury at the sessions and the chancellor said that if they were innocent they could present their defense at the sessions.

TUPPER FOR PREFERENCE.

Montreal, Que., March 4. —Sir Chas. Tupper, who left for Halifax today en route to England, stated that if the Chamberlain Tariff League cared to avail itself of his humble services while he was in England, he would be into the contest for preferential trade.

ELGIN LOAN CASE.

Toronto, March 4. — A stay of 30 days was granted shareholders in the Elgin Loan Company, who are appealing from the decision of Judge Hughes at St. Thomas, holding that those who have paid but 20 per cent on their shares must contribute 30 per cent more, making the total 50 per cent. They claim there is sufficient to pay all claims without their further contribution.

BLOCKED FOR SOME HOURS

Storms Affect Old Main Line of the Grand Trunk.

All the Trains Had To Be Brought Around by Main and Loop Lines.

The opening of the Grand Trunk lines, between this city and Wingham, and the Stratford branch, from London to St. Marys, was progressing well today. On the Bruce branch the gang of men, with several engines, were giving their entire attention to the track in the vicinity of Exeter and Denfield, where the drifting was almost unprecedented in its severity. That long-to-be-remembered place—the blue cut—was the spot where the men were busiest on the Stratford line.

The storm of yesterday caused some drifting at a number of places along the old main line between Stratford and Toronto, and for a time traffic was entirely suspended. This morning, however, the line was again opened. The blocking of the old main line only added to the troubles of the men engaged in the operation of the main line, between the Tunnel and Suspension Bridge, and the Loop line, from St. Thomas and Glencoe to Kingscourt. For several hours yesterday and today it was necessary to handle all the freight from Fort Erie and the Bridge for Sarnia Tunnel over the main line from the Bridge to the Tunnel or over the old Loop line by way of St. Thomas, Glencoe and Kingscourt, instead of over the old main line.

No. 1 express from Toronto was brought around by way of Hamilton, to this city today, owing to the trouble east of Stratford, and arrived 40 minutes late.

Two engines working with the snowplows near Exeter were derailed today, and were only replaced on the tracks with the aid of the auxiliary from this city.

NO MAIL FOR THREE WEEKS

Service Between London and Wiarton Completely Tied Up.

No Mail To or From Wingham Since Last Week—Stages Used.

The railway mail service has been more or less crippled during the past week. The chief trouble is, of course, on the northern branches, where the lines are blocked with snow. Between here and Wingham there is practically no service. The men who went out Monday morning on the Huron and Bruce have not yet returned. That was the last day mail was sent out to Wingham, and since last week nothing has been received from there.

Betwen London and Wiarton no mail has passed for three weeks—at least, by the regular route. Stages are used where possible, but wherever they cannot reach and the railway is blocked, no mails, of course, can come or go. As a result there is a jam of letters and papers in many offices, which will entail trouble and work when the roads are open.

The postmasters at some places close to London are driving in daily for their mails, rather than wait for the railways to be opened up.

PAYMENTS RATHER SLOW

This Was "Settling Day" in the Mercantile World.

Weather, However, Was Responsible for Condition of Things.

Today, March 4, is one of what are known in the business world as "settling days," but as far as could be learned this afternoon the day has not brought forth very satisfactory results to local wholesalers.

Wholesale drygoods men report that payments have been very slow—in fact, very much slower than on the same day a year ago. Wholesale hardware men also report likewise.

A drygoods dealer told The Advertiser today that the cold weather was responsible for the condition of business. Almost since Christmas, he said, the travelers have found it next to impossible to go through the country and do business. Coupled with this has been the fact that the railways have been blocked and the mail service demoralized, and it is said that not a letter, of any kind, much less one containing a check or money, was received by a local wholesale today from the northern district.

Wholesale grocers made no complaint today, as groceries are generally paid for when purchased, or on 30 days' credit. One grocer stated that he had no complaint to make with the manner in which payments had been met this winter.

A manager of one of the local banks reported that all bills save one held by the institution had been met. The one unpaid was for a very small amount. The day was one of the best in the history of the bank in this city.

COMPLIMENTARY DINNER

Given by President of Canadian Loan Co. to Directors and Staff.

A very enjoyable banquet was held last night in Somerset Hall. It was the complimentary dinner tendered by President J. W. Jones, of the Canadian Savings and Loan Company, to the directors and staff of the company. Between 40 and 50 guests partook of the excellent dinner provided, after which speeches and songs were listened to with much interest.

Among those who spoke were Messrs. Sheriff Cameron, Postmaster John Cameron, John Christie, A. B. Cox, T. H. Purdom, K.C., Frank Love, John Stevenson, Ald. Greenlees, McMahon, Drs. Eccles and Moorhouse and the manager of the company, Mr. M. H. Rowland, of this city; and also by Messrs. Churchill and Sheppard, of Windsor.

The speeches were appropriate and were first-class. Not only these, but the music was much enjoyed, too. Besides the Harpers, who played during the evening, Messrs. J. W. McIntosh and Dr. W. D. Arnott sang solos that added to the pleasure.

There are 3,000 negro farmers members of the Farmers' Improvement Society of Texas. They own 50,000 acres of land.

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FUNERAL OF A. B. MUNSON

Many Follow Remains of Well-Known Citizen to the Grave.

Many Floral Tributes From London and Distant Places.

The funeral of the late Mr. A. B. Munson took place this afternoon from his late residence, 48 Stanley street, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. There was a very large attendance, a large number of carriages being in the funeral cortege. The Masonic lodges with which the deceased was identified were well represented, the members preceding the cortege on foot. The service was in charge of Rev. W. J. Clark, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, after which the Masonic order took charge of the remains, conducting their most beautiful farewell service at the grave.

The honorary pallbearers were R. W. Bro. E. T. Essery and R. W. Bro. J. S. Dewar representing the Grand Lodge of Canada; R. Ex. Comp. Bro. A. E. Cooper and R. Ex. Comp. P. W. D. Brodrick, representing the Royal Arch degree, and Ill. Bro. W. A. Young and Sov. Pr. W. D. Taylor, representing the Scottish Rite. The acting pallbearers were from St. George's Lodge, No. 42—S. Baker, A. G. Stephens, John Callard, C. H. Ward, Andrew Ellis and Frank Mercer.

The floral tributes were very beautiful The Royal Arcanum sent a pillow; the Blair Lodge, A., F. and A. M., Palmerston, in which Mr. Munson was made a Mason, sent a star; the Royal Arch Chapter, No. 5, an anchor; a broken column from St. George's Lodge; a harp from Mr. and Mrs. Deeks, and another from the employes of the firm of Deeks & Munson. Mr. and Mrs. Hydman, of Palmerston, sent a beautiful wreath, and sprays were there from Mrs. Jarvis and son; Mr. Wood, Buffalo, and Mr. and Mrs. Mercer. The mourners were three sisters, Misses Sarah and Roxy Munson and Mrs. Sutton, and Mr. Wood, of Buffalo.

VALUABLE HORSE KILLED

Serious Runaway Accident in South London.

Team Dash on to Unplanked Street Railway Bridge.

A runaway which had a serious ending occurred in South London about 1 o'clock this afternoon. One of Hunter's hacks had left the barn with Driver Harvey Parkins on the box, and headed for the city. All went well until the hill on the Wortley road was reached. When descending the hill alleged eye-witnesses say the hack apparently drove the whiffletrees against the horses, for they became suddenly frightened, it is said, and began to run.

At the foot of the hill another hack belonging to Hunter's livery with Mr. Hunter himself on the box, and which had just crossed the bridge from the city, was met at Stanley street.

The runaway team to avoid it, according to the story, swerved sharply to the left, the hack upsetting on the street railway tracks, and throwing the driver into the gutter.

The team did not pause an instant, however, but leaped onto the bridge only a few yards away. Unfortunately they did not take the regular roadway, but chose the Street Railway Company's portion, upon which there is no planking. The horses only made the one leap, for in an instant they were plunging hoplessly between the ties. In their struggles, one horse, a valuable bay, broke a foreleg.

The driver, with Mr. Hunter, and several men who happened along, tried to keep the animals quiet, but their efforts were powerless, and at last it was found necessary to kill the horse, which had broken its leg.

Parkins, the driver, had a narrow escape from serious injury, but came through with but a few scratches, and a bad shaking-up. The hack tongue was broken, and the rig was otherwise slightly damaged. Mr. Hunter values the animal which was killed at $125.

The many accidents which have occurred on this bridge through the street railway portion not being planked are causing people to wonder if something should not be done to have the street railway bridges planked at once. It is said the owner of the horse killed will seek redress from the street railway company.

CONDENSED LOCAL NEWS

—No. 1 committee of the city council meets this afternoon at 5 o'clock in the city hall. The business to be dealt with is not important.

—It is the intention of the board of works to prepare their estimates for presentation at the council meeting two weeks from Monday night.

—John McKinnon, of Lucan, who has been confined in London jail for drunkenness, was taken to Central Prison on Thursday, for three months, by Bailiff English.

—Mrs. Lindsey White, from Mexico, and her sister, Miss Lottie Head, of Parkhill, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Campbell, 182 Oxford street, this city.

—Fireman George Taylor, of the central fire station, has been operated upon for appendicitis at Victoria Hospital, and is reported to be progressing satisfactorily.

—Mr. Edward J. Greenslade was booked by F. B. Clark to sail by the Lake Erie for Liverpool Saturday. Mr. Greenslade is returning after a seven months' visit to Canada.

—The death of Miss Ida H. Connell occurred yesterday at the family residence, 78 West Talbot road, Westminster Township. Deceased was the youngest daughter of George Connell, and was 30 years of age. The funeral will take place on Saturday.

HONORS FOR COL. GARTSHORE.

An Ottawa special dispatch says: Lieut.-Col. Gartshore, manager of the McClary Company, of London, is here and had an interview with the Minister of Militia this morning. He is booked for the command of a cavalry brigade in Western Ontario.

WHO KILLED JAMES PEAIRE.

The Hamilton Times belittles the possibility of Bill Hillis, the man recently caught in Michigan, being the one who shot James Peaire, the Dundas officer, last December, but states that it has it on good authority that the man who did the deed was none other than Steve Doyle, the escaped convict, who was killed in this city.

LOTOS CLUB BANQUET.

The Lotos Club held its annual banquet last night at the club quarters on Richmond street. It was an extremely enjoyable affair, and was undoubtedly the most successful in the fourteen years of the club's history. The

The Advertiser's War Map

The Advertiser will publish an excellent war map, and present one to every subscriber with tomorrow's paper. This map is printed on fine coated paper, and readers will find it most useful for reference while following the progress of the war.

president of the club, Mr. Henry Jones, was toastmaster for the evening. Music was supplied by the Tony Cortese orchestra.

STREET-WATERING AREA.

So rapidly has the street-watering area in this city grown in the past few years that City Engineer Graydon has found it necessary to reconstruct the sections. They will be divided up and two new ones added. Monday night the council will say whether two new watering carts shall be purchased as recommended by No. 3 committee at its last meeting.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

During the month of February there were 50 real estate transfers in this city, involving a consideration of $87,197. The properties were assessed for $63,556, or $23,641 less than they sold for. The largest transfer amounted to $25,000.

LONDONER HONORED.

Mr. William Gammage, of this city, was yesterday elected vice-president of the American Carnation Society at Detroit. The convention has been a greater success than any previous one, and Harmonia Hall has been filled with thousands of carnations. Large crowds attended the show, and last night a magnificent banquet was tendered to the members of the society. At this brilliant affair Mr. Gammage ably responded to the toast of "The Dominion of Canada."

REHEARSING ON CANTATA.

The Glee Club lately formed at the Collegiate Institute here now has a membership of close upon forty, including the most promising voices in the school. Under the directorship of Mr. George C. Phelps, the club is putting in rehearsal the celebrated Gade cantata, "The Erl King's Daughter," in addition to several detached choruses by standard English composers. The new club has the good wishes of everyone interested in glee work.

LIBRARY BOARD'S ESTIMATES.

Some time since the city council sent a memo from Mayor Beck to the public library board asking the board to keep their estimates down to 3-8 of a mill. The board did not take much notice of the request, however, and last night brought in estimates which call for practically the same rate as last year —15-32 of a mill. Under the statute the library board cannot demand a sum which will entail a rate of over ½ a mill on the assessment.

DR. THORNTON'S LECTURE.

There was not a large audience at the Empress Avenue Church to hear Dr. Thornton's famous lecture, "Ireland and the Irish," but those who were there thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The Sunshine Society contributed several choruses and a duet was sung by Misses Larch and Bessie Gibson. Mr. William Gibson gave an Irish song in splendid style. Dr. Thornton was well received. His lecture was very humorous and highly instructive. He outlined the history of Ireland and the work of reformation. A vote of thanks was tendered the doctor at the close for his clever address. The Empress Avenue Church pastor, Rev. T. Harrison, presided.

FAITHFUL SERVICE RECOGNIZED.

A pleasant gathering took place at the home of Mrs. Ackert, 347 Simcoe street, on Wednesday afternoon, when the Women's Guild of Christ Church met for the purpose of presenting their retiring president, Mrs. Westlake, with a handsomely-bound Prayer Book as a slight token of her faithful services during the past twenty years. The presentation was made by Mrs. Logan and the address was read by Miss Browne, to which Mrs. Westlake made a suitable reply. Light refreshments were served by the hostess, and a couple of hours were spent in pleasant conversation. With a vote of thanks to Mrs. Ackert for her hospitality, the meeting dispersed.

MUST PAY FOR DAMAGE.

The magistrate decided this morning that James Hetherley was guilty of damaging the property of his landlord, Mr. Scarrow. The prosecution was heard a few days ago and the defense called a number of witnesses today, but the evidence went to show that part of the lumber in the barn on the property had been cut up for firewood and that the interior of the house had been needlessly damaged. Mr. Heatherly was bailed to appear in a month, in which time, the magistrate intimated, the defendant was expected to repair the damage. An alleged vagrant, Patrick Savage, was remanded to jail for a week.

NOYES VS. WELD

The Plaintiff's Appeal Against Judge Elliott's Ruling Allowed.

In the case of Noyes vs. Weld, before the divisional court at Toronto, I. F. Hellmuth, K. C., and E. W. M. Flock, London, for plaintiff, appealed from judgment of junior judge of county court of Middlesex, dismissing plaintiff's action on a guarantee. The plaintiff alleged that he was induced by the defendant to purchase 100 shares of stock of the Golden Cache Mines Company by representations, and that the defendant, as a higher inducement to plaintiff, agreed in writing that he would make good any loss sustained by plaintiff, provided the latter should sell the stock under the direction of the defendant. A short time after purchase the company became insolvent, rendering the stock worthless, the plaintiff losing $180, which he contended the defendant must pay under the guarantee. The defendant denied the signing of the guarantee, and contended that if any such writing were signed the plaintiff well knew that such was not intended to bind the defendant in the manner alleged. G. F. Shepley, K. C., for defendant, opposed appeal. Appeal allowed and judgment vacated and ordered to be entered for the plaintiff for the sum of $180, with costs of this appeal and of the trial below; upon payment of this amount the stock in question will be transferred by the plaintiff to the defendant.

FIREMEN MEET ALL SORTS

Four Men Half Suffocated Groping for a Woman's Little Ones.

New York, March 4.—"For God's sake save my little ones," cried Mrs. Ernestine Patterson when the men of fire engine company 16 arrived at 300 Avenue A at 6 o'clock last night. Four firemen dashed into the tenement through the smoke and, after groping around for a time and failing to find any children, came out half suffocated, and asked where her children were.

"It's my dog and my parrot and my canary bird," she said.

The veterans of the Baltimore fire didn't say anything. When the fire was out the carcass of a dog was thrown out of a top story window into the street. The two dead birds were left in their cages.

LION KILLS A HORSE

The Animals Were Being Shipped in a Freight Car.

San Francisco, March 4. — Haninbal, a big lion at the Chutes, was shipped to a San Jose circus, where he is to be exhibited. The lion had always been gentle. Therefore, he was placed in a freight car with a horse, a strong wooden partition separating them.

The lion evidently was angered by the motion of the cars. Soon after leaving this city the train hands heard a terrible noise in the car. Investigation showed that Hannibal had broken down the partition and was killing the horse. The horse made a good fight, but was soon overpowered, and when the car reached San Jose Hannibal was gorging himself on the carcass.

The lion was born in captivity, but his savage instincts were revived when he tasted the blood of the horse.

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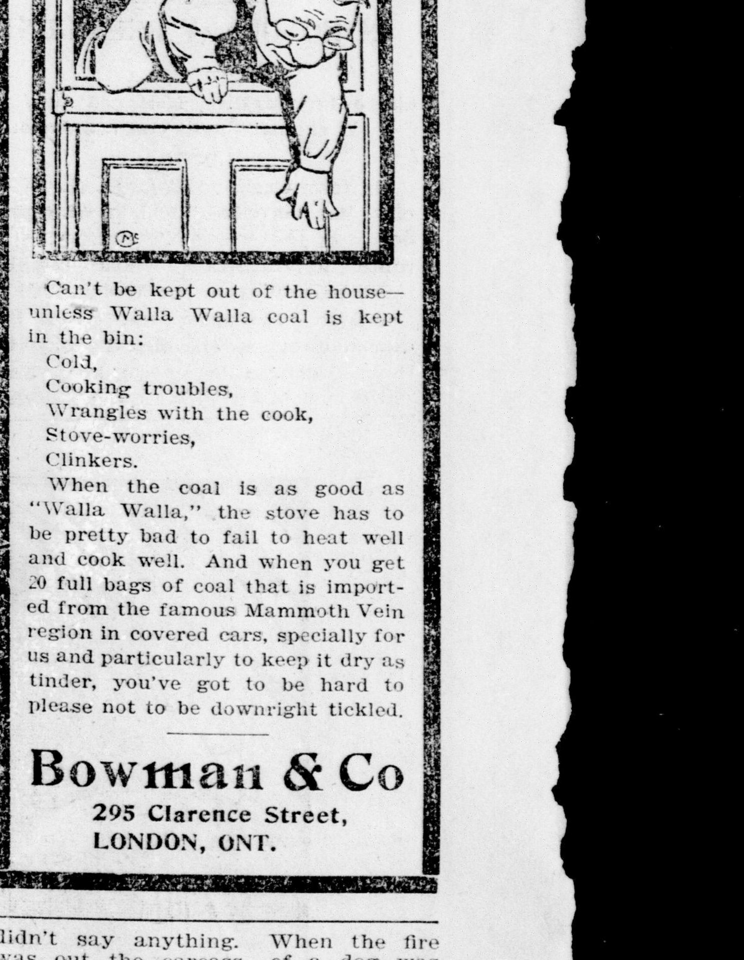
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Vera's Love Affair

CHAPTER XLII.

O, it is excellent
To have a giant's strength; but it is tyrranous
To use it like a giant.

O whitest Galatea, can it be
That thou shouldst spurn me off who love thee so?

"Well," says Seaton, entering the morning room, where the two girls are sitting, "I have fought your battle and won it for you." He addresses himself to Griselda exclusively.

"What!" cries she, springing to her feet, and growing actually pale, and then in a fainter tone, "No."

"But yes, indeed—you can go to The Friars. In fact, I shall take you to The Friars next Monday, if you will permit me; but only for a fortnight. I tried hard for your month, but I was worsted there. However, I suppose a fortnight is better than nothing."

"A fortnight of paradise!" says Griselda in a rapt tone. "Oh, man, why cavil at anything in such a blissful hour as this? I feel as if it can't be true, as if I shall wake presently and find it all a wretched delusion. Vera, how can you be so silent on such an auspicious occasion? Rouse yourself, and confess you are as glad as can be."

"I needn't," says Vera, with an evasive little laugh, "you are certainly glad enough for both of us."

"For half a dozen of us," says Griselda gaily. "Oh, fancy finding ourselves in the good, merry, silly, frivolous world again at The Friars!" leaning both her pretty white hands upon the small table that divides them, and leaning over it towards him. "Come here; I have something to whisper to you. Do you know I could positively kiss you for what you have done."

"If you could, you can," says Dysart, advancing rapidly upon her, whilst she carefully edges round and round the table; "there is nothing to prevent you that I can see. I sha'nt'."

"No, but there's Tom," says Griselda, beginning to laugh.

"Where? I don't see him. A fig for Tom," coming nearer still with a most determined front, "he'll never hear of it."

"But he might," says Griselda, making for a larger table, "and if he did, he'd lead me such a life! No, you must wait until Tom and I have quarreled finally, and then I shall remember I owe you something. In the meantime," perching herself on the edge of the table, and subsiding into a delightfully gossiping mood, "tell us all about it — the 'famous victory,' I mean. How did you circumvent your father? How did you dare to broach the subject? Was he," growing even more confidential, "mad?"

"Furious! There was a time, indeed, when I gave up all hope."

"You must have used a very cogent argument. What was it?"

Seaton makes no immediate reply to this rather indiscreet question. Involuntarily, his eyes turn on Vera, to find she is regarding him with a curious interest. A little quick flush dyes her cheeks as she finds herself discovered, and with a haste, the remembrance of which annoys her afterwards, she lets her eyes fall before his.

"That it was a cogent reason goes without telling," says Seaton, answering Griselda's question carefully; "it concerned me and me only. Perhaps you are not aware that my father seldom refuses me anything?"

"I can the rather believe that you seldom ask him anything?"

"That is severe. I assure you that in his heart——"

"His what?"

"His heart," persists Seaton, laughing in spite of himself at her impertinence, and at the saucy little nose, tip-tilted in open scorn, "well in his heart, I would say, he keeps a warm corner for me."

"That's the cold warm corner," says Griselda, who is in an incorrigible mood, born of the chance of freedom presented to her.

"Griselda!" says Vera in a shocked tone, "coloring crimson.

"Have I said something awful?" asks Griselda, looking penitently at Seaton. "Forgive me, then; but indeed I can never remember he is your father, Vera, a word with you," turning gaily to her, "I am going out of mourning. Yes, straightway, without a second's hesitation. I am not going to present myself at Lady Riversdale's as an old dowdy. I am going fashionably dressed, if I outraged all the proprieties. In the bottom of my trunk, lie some lovely gowns, Parisian pure, anything but simple, my dear Seaton, that would raise the spirit of a Niobe. They are nine months old, I grant you, but then, when bought, they were so ultra-new, so almost before the times, that even now, with a pinch or two, here and there, they will, I feel, be correct enough for most people. Come, Vera, let us go and pinch them."

"I should advise you to take the garden on your way," says Dysart mildly. "Poor Taylor is in an agony of suspense about the proper treatment of those late roses."

Griselda makes a little moue at him and disappears. As Vera is about to follow her, Seaton, holding the handle of the door, checks her.

"Your sister asked you a question, a while since," he says earnestly, "you did not answer her. Will you answer me? Are you glad you are going? All the time I fought that battle with my father I thought of you. I wondered if I should be doing you a service; tell me, if you can, that you are pleased."

For a second the usual cold, repellant expression darkens her face; then suddenly, as if perhaps a little ashamed of her ungraciousness, there is a change in her. Her eyes brighten and uplift themselves to his, a smile grows within them; the sad mouth loses its melancholy.

"I am glad," she says impulsively. "I am more than that—I am almost happy."

He is hardly prepared for this new, dangerous sweetness in her. He pales, and, with a passionate movement, he catches her hand and holds it, as though in the keeping of it alone there is life for him.

"Vera!" he breathes, vehemently, unsteadily.

With a sharp exclamation of disdain and hatred, she drags the hand away.

"Ah!" cries she bitterly, her face now whiter than his own, "there is this drawback, however, to my happiness—I owe it all to you."

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In spite of this unfortunate contretempts, today — the day that dawns to take them to The Friars — is hailed with rapture. Vera is not one whit less excited than Griselda, and it is with difficulty the two girls control their gaiety so as to bid farewell to Uncle Gregory in a becoming mood. Having received his amiable growl and murderous scowl without flinching, they back out of the room, and give way in the hall to an agony of smothered mirth. For fourteen sweet, long, blissful early-autumn days they shall see his engaging face no more. Oh, heavenly surety!

Still in the happiest spirits they start upon their journey with Seaton, and at the station, about five miles from Greycourt, are joined by Taylor, whose sister had had a most alarming and opportune attack of bronchitis about two days before.

To see Peyton today in all his splendor it would be hard to go back in mind to associate him with that awful rabbit-skin, a skin so awful that no well-regulated "baby bunting," however cold, would consent to be wrapped in it.

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THE SUNDAY BALL QUESTION SETTLED

American League Club Cannot Play at Ridgewood—Magnates Arrange Schedules.

New York, March 3.—Chairman Herrmann, of the National baseball commission, today decided that the New York American League club cannot play Sunday ball at Ridgewood, as it would be in violation of the National agreement.

After a two days' session here the American League and National League committees on schedule agreed upon the playing dates for the coming season late tonight. While the committees endeavored as far as possible to make the schedule non-conflicting, they were not successful, as during the season there will be eleven conflicting games here, twelve in Boston, six in Philadelphia, twelve in Chicago and thirteen in St. Louis. The American League season will open on Thursday, April 14, with Boston in New York, Philadelphia in Washington, Detroit in St. Louis and Cleveland in Chicago. On Decoration Day Philadelphia will play in New York, Washington in Boston, St. Louis in Detroit, and Chicago in Cleveland. On July 4, Boston will play in Washington, New York in Philadelphia, Detroit in Chicago, and St. Louis in Cleveland. On Labor Day, Philadelphia will play in New York, Washington in Boston, St. Louis in Cleveland and Chicago in Detroit. The Sunday games awarded to Chicago and St. Louis are equally divided. The closing games of the season will be played on Oct. 10. In all the schedule calls for 154 games for each club.

The National League schedule was not announced.

The members of the National League ratified the report of the joint commission on playing rules, and adopted the report of the committee to revise the constitution. The new constitution completely disposes of any idea that either league may have been in favor of consolidation. The name is changed to read "National League of Professional Baseball Clubs," and the report says that it shall consist of eight cities—Boston, New York, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Chicago—for all time. Section III. of the constitution formerly read, "or such other cities which may be elected to membership by the league." President Pulliam says the new provisions make a change in cities possible only though a change in the constitution. In Section V., referring to the admission of clubs, the word "club" is now made to read "company," the league in this manner reserving the right to control its own membership. The unanimous vote of seven clubs is required to expel another club, eight having previously been necessary. A new clause provides that any player believing himself unjustly treated by his club, may appeal to the league president, who shall present the matter to the directors. A player "who shall be disqualified for any crookedness" is blacklisted for all time. The position of "supervising umpire" is abolished.

A resolution by Edward Hanlon was adopted, providing that no National League club should play another club containing a player ineligible to play under the rules of the National agreement, or containing any suspended player from the National League, American League or National Association.

By resolution offered by Max Fleischmann, of Cincinnati, the president is to instruct all umpires to notify all club managers that after the umpire has called "play" at the beginning of any championship game, there shall be no presentation of any character to any player or manager upon the ball field.

38 ENTRIES FOR THE KING'S PLATE

Londoners Are Represented in List for Leading Canadian Turf Event.

Toronto, March 3.—There are 38 entries for the King's Plate, to be run at Woodbine Park, Saturday, May 21, the opening day of the Ontario Jockey Club's spring meeting, the event extending in interest well nigh from Quebec to Victoria, B. C. A valuable race—it is now worth more than $2,000 to the winner, in addition to the piece of plate of the value of $150—and the oldest fixture on this continent, run continuously for 45 years, it is the ambition of every good sportsman on the Canadian turf to win. Adam Beck has three very promising candidates; W. J. Barnes, of London Junction, two; D. A. Boyle, of Woodstock, two; Henry Chappell, of Sandwich, and John Dyment, of Dundas, one; Mr. N. Dyment, of Barrie, who won the plate last year, two entries, one of which is Nesto, which ran second to Thessalon; Mrs. Rosa Giddings, of Oakville, Ont.; William Hendrie, of Hamilton, five. Mr. Seagram, Waterloo, has the largest individual entry, eight in all, an unknown quantity, but sure to be dangerous at the finish. The Toronto contingent, made up of Henry C. Osborne, with three, including Golden Crest, which took third last year; the Kirkfield stable, War Whoop, said to be highly tried as a 2-year-old, and brother to Wire In; Robert Davies, one, in Floanga, a speedy filly; with several others to complete the list.

The Breeders' stake, with 33 entries, and the Maple Leaf stakes, with 24 entries, include some very fashionably-bred Canadian 2-year-olds.

The Stanley produce stakes, for mares covered in 1903, has an entry of 84, the prominent breeders in the Dominion being represented. In addition to these a large number of breeders in the United States have made entries for their mates. This promises to be a most valuable race, and will be run at the spring meeting of the Ontario Jockey Club in 1907.

Following are in the list of entries for the King's Plate, with the names of owners, horses and ages: H. Alexander, Narod, 4 years; W. J. Barnes, Tom Barnes, 4; W. J. Barnes, Uncle Ned, 3; Adam Beck, Hawkeye, 3; Adam Beck, Hawkins, 4; Adam Beck, Grand Lodge, 4; D. A. Doyle, Fulton, 3; D. A. Doyle, Tony Hart, 3; Henry Chappel, Chappel Boy, 3; E. B. Clancy, Wild Monarch, 3; Robert Davies, Floanga, 3; John Dyment, Hypo, 3; N. Dyment, Nesto, 4; N. Dyment, Sappor, 3; Mrs. Rosa Giddings, May King, 4; Edward Glassco, Gaity Boy, 4; A. Grimbleby, Charling Cross, 3; William Hendrie, Scotland Yet, 5; William Hendrie, Heather Jock, 3; William Hendrie, Nimble Dick, 3; William Hendrie, Sugar King, 3; William Hendrie, Firewater, 3; Kirkfield stable, War Whoop, 3; James Murray, Nitor, 4; A. M. Orpen, Jack Britt, 4; Henry C. Osborne, Golden Crest, 5; Henry C. Osborne, Butter Ladle, 3; Henry C. Osborne, Ophir, 3; William Pedrich, Safe Haven, 4; F. E. Robinson, Doric, 6; Joseph E. Seagram, Eastern Prince, 5; Joseph E. Seagram, War Medal, 4; Joseph E. Seagram, Primrose Dame, 3; Joseph E. Seagram, Chatelaine, 3; Joseph E. Seagram, Cross of Gold, 3; Joseph E. Seagram, Con Amore, 3; Joseph E. Seagram, Virtuoso, 3; Joseph E. Seagram, Ego Nosco, 4.

A DAY'S GENERAL SPORTING NEWS

HOCKEY.

JUNIOR GAMES TONIGHT.

The series in the Junior City League is nearly finished. Tonight's games promise to be exciting. The Lorne-Waterloo game will be especially fast, for upon it will depend the championship. A large crowd is expected at the Jubilee Rink. The games start at 7:45.

STANLEY CUP.

The Brandon hockey team left this morning for Ottawa to try for the Stanley cup. The chances are good for the Stanley cup to go west.

BERLIN PROTESTS.

Berlin, March 3.—Berlin has written again to Trustee Ross of the Stanley Cup, protesting against the Berlin challenge being turned down. The Berlins contend, as champions of an association of sixteen clubs, they should be recognized before Queen's, of the intercollegiate, of three clubs. The proposed action of limiting competition of Ontario team to O. H. A. clubs is also protested against, as limiting the competition to a narrow field.

HORTONS VS. ST. THOMAS.

The following team will represent the Hortons tonight at St. Thomas: Goal, Reynolds; point, Fleming; coverpoint, Jackson; rover, Abram; center, Powell; right wing, Carruthers; left wing, Arthurs. Referee, Charlie Young.

JUNIOR O. H. A. FINALS.

If the trains can get through, the finals in the junior O. H. A. will be played at the Mutual street rink, Toronto, tonight, between the Listowel team and the Kingston Beechgroves.

CURLING.

THE GAME TONIGHT.

The Thistle Rink will be the scene of a battle royal tonight, when "all-Scotch" rinks will play the world. The match promises to be unusually exciting, as there will be many strong players on both sides.

CARPETBALL.

TRAFALGAR WON CUP.

The Willmott cup, offered for competition among the local lodges of the Sons of England, was won last night by Trafalgar Lodge, which defeated Chelsea Lodge by a score of 35 to 30, in the final game. Trafalgar only lost one game out of the eight played. The team was as follows, captained by Bro. Harry Gardner: Bros. H. Leonard, G. Walker, James Court, John Leonard, Ed Walker and Joseph Wycoff, with District Deputy E. H. Wingett as umpire.

BASEBALL.

JUNIOR CITY LEAGUE.

A meeting will be held at the Imperial Club rooms on Tuesday night to reorganize the Junior City Baseball League. All clubs wishing to enter will kindly sent two representatives.

TURF.

CUP RACE.

The executive of the Matinee Club held a special meeting yesterday afternoon and appointed a committee consisting of Dr. Fred L. Wood, Mr. J. McCartney and Mr. W. Robinson, to inspect the track, and have power to call on the race for the cup at 24 hours' notice. Klondike and Sheik Indrum, the fastest horses of the season, will be matched.

The cup will be awarded to the best two in three half-mile heats. The regular matinee events will be run off the same day.

YESTERDAY'S WINNERS.

At New Orleans — Eclectic, 9 to 5; John, 16 to 5; Illuminate, 9 to 1; Meistersinger, 7 to 1; The Guardsman, 11 to 5; New Mown Hay, 9 to 5.

THREE-DAY MEET.

The Hamilton Driving Club will hold a three-day trotting meet, June 21 to 23, inclusive. The prizes will be $4,000.

REBECCA SCHOOL

The Report of School Section No. 1, Nissouri, for February.

Following is the report of S. S. No. 1, Nissouri, for February:

Class V.—Willie Ashman 65, May Pinel (absent).

Sen. IV.—Stella Rogers 1,124, Nellie Ashman 1,110, Lexie Rogers 961, Earlton Bourne 689, Percy Bourne 546, Bertine Duffin 485, Richard Fox 102.

Jun. IV.—Blanche Piper 723.

Sen. III.—Myrtle Piper 572, Mayme McFadden 264.

Jun. III.—Howard Judd 769, Willie Rogers 566, Robbie Ashman 392, Mary Duffin 248.

Class II.—Tommy McFadden 95.

Part II.—Georgie Duffin 286, Mabel Bourne 283.

Part I.—Morley Rogers 398, Earnest Ashman 380, Stanley Mossop 216 (absent first week).

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THREE BUTTONS WERE SHOT FOR

Brock, Tillmann and Glover Winners at Springwood Gun Club Shoot.

The monthly shoot of the Springwood Gun Club was held on Wednesday. Considering the weather conditions, good scores were made. Only one event was shot off, that being for the president's buttons. The gold button was won by W. A. Brock, the silver button by A. Tillmann, and the bronze by B. W. Glover. The scores:

Anderson	13
Brock	21
Nicholson	15
Tillmann	20
C. Bowman	14
Balkwill	16
Reid	8
Dinnen	16
Breckon	10
Ovens	13
Glover	18
Conover	24

Conover, of the Dupont Powder Company, gave a very clever exhibition of shooting.

WONDERLY RODE A GREAT RACE

Beat Both Redfern and Boland in Ascot Handicap at Los Angeles.

Speaking of the Ascot handicap, won at Los Angeles, Cal., by Oarsman, with Otto Wonderly up, the Los Angeles Examiner pays a great tribute to the little Londoner. It says:

"As the horses bunched for the upper turn, Wonderly gave Oarsman the word. He passed Grail easily, and at the head of the stretch was within half a length of Haviland, on whom Boland had begun to ride with all his might. Redfern also made his move on Nitrate, picking up a clean length and passed the tiring Grail just at the head of the stretch.

"But when he swung into the straight-away, Wonderly sat down on Oarsman and the good chestnut simply ran away from Haviland with ridiculous ease. At the paddock gate Wonderly, seeing that the race was won, eased up and put Oarsman under wraps. Redfern, coming from the rear with Nitrate, rode a whirlwind finish for the last 100 yards, but could not come within two lengths of catching the leader, who crossed the line, pulled up, in the record time of 2:07 flat.

"Three lengths behind Nitrate came Haviland, who beat Grail a length for the show.

"This stake was worth $3,340, of which $2,450 went to the winner.

"Wonderly, who rode Oarsman, rode a magnificent race, and was heartily applauded when he rode back to weigh in. The crowd went wild with excitement and had hardly a cheer left for the mighty son of Hastings, as he paraded to the paddock with his neck encircled by a wondrous floral horseshoe which he did his best to eat as a sign of his appreciation."

Wonderly closes the season in California in a week or so, and will spend a few days with his parents in this city some time about the 13th or 15th of March.

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Ladies' Underskirts, made of fine mercerized skirting, in two styles, with double frill and narrow ruffles, and overstitched seams, double flounce, with fancy pleating, bias strip bands, value $1 25, Saturday 75c

75c Gowns, Saturday 50c.

Ladies' White Cambric Gowns, made in four different styles, yoke made of tucks and insertion, V or high neck, neck, yoke and sleeves trimmed with frills or lace, value 75c, Saturday 50c

Ladies' Aprons, Saturday 20c.

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25 dozen of 25c goods Saturday for 15c
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Large box King Edward Matches, value 7c, Saturday 5c

40c Chocolates, Saturday 10c Half Pound.

Pecan Tipped Chocolate Creams, value 40c, Saturday, ½ lb 10c
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Walnut Tipped Chocolate Creams, value 40c, Saturday, ½ lb 10c
Almond Tipped Chocolate Creams, value 40c, Saturday, ½ lb 10c
Violet Tipped Chocolate Creams, value 40c, Saturday, ½ lb 10c
Chocolate Peanut Cluster, value 40c, Saturday, ½ lb 10c
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40c Tea, Saturday 25c.

We would advise you to lay in a supply of our Tea. The price may advance any day. Value 40c, Saturday, 25c.

Special Sale of Brushes Saturday.

6 dozen Bannister Brushes, 6, 7 and 8 inch, up from 10c
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Lipped Saucepans, 1 quart size, value 20c, Saturday, ... 13c
Wash Basins, value 25c and 30c, Saturday 19c
Chambers, value 40c, Saturday 25c
Round Pudding Pans, 2-quart, Saturday, only 10c
Rice Boilers, the regular 75c size, Saturday 59c
Lipped Kettles, value 50c, Saturday 39c

Sap Spouts, Saturday, dozen 5c
Sap Pails, Saturday, each 9c
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See Our Tiffany Ware for Saturday.

WOODS' FAIR.

OPENING OF A STREET

Board of Works Name Conditions Before Agreeing to Request.

Ex-Ald. Jolly Complains About the Scarcity of Gulley Holes.

The board of works at its meeting last night decided to grant the sum of $300 toward the opening up of Dufferin avenue, from English to Ontario street, between Lorne and Queen's avenue. When the matter came up, Chairman Wyatt explained that though the aldermen were not overly-anxious to commit themselves to the precedent of granting money for the opening up of streets, yet they felt that something should be done to open up the street in question. He then read the following resolution, which will be sent on to the council, to be dealt with Monday night:

"We recommend that when the petitioners have at their own expense conveyed to the city, to the satisfaction of the city solicitor, all the lands and premises required to open up Dufferin avenue, from English to Ontario street, of the full width of 66 feet, that the city grant the sum of $300 toward the purchase money they may have had to expend to acquire the said lands required, otherwise that the petition be filed; and it is to be distinctly understood that the grant is not to be taken or referred to as a precedent for grants toward the opening up of other streets, as your committee consider this an exceptional case."

Mr. J. D. Smith, one of the property owners affected, was present, and said he thought the terms laid down in the recommendation were very hard, and he was afraid the property owners would not consent to it. However, he would try and have them agree to deed the land to the city, as asked, though the amount of money it will take to carry out the requirements of the committee would, he was afraid, be more than the property owners affected could raise.

The board could not see their way clear to do any better in the matter, and the resolution was carried.

Ex-Ald. Jolly waited on the board, and registered an able-bodied objection against the way in which the water is allowed to flood the cellar of his store on Dundas street. Mr. Jolly said men should be detailed each night there is a storm on or a great thaw, to dram the water away. Wednesday night he tried to 'phone the engineer, but could not get him until the cellar was flooded.

Engineer Graydon told Mr. Jolly that three men were out all Wednesday night for just such a purpose.

Then Mr. Jolly said that anyway, there were not a sufficient number of gulley holes on the street to carry the water away, and he recommended that more be put in at once. He warned the board that he narrowly escaped having $2,000 worth of goods spoiled by the water, and that if the loss had occurred he would have sued the city for damages. If it did happen in the future he certainly would bring action against the corporation.

Ald. Forristal then moved that an additional gulley hole, or as many as are wanted, be put in on Dundas street, between Clarence and Richmond, in order to carry the water away, and the motion carried.

The pay sheet for the week amounted to $278 98.

Chairman Wyatt, Ald. Forristal, Gerry and Abram, City Engineer Graydon and Secretary Bell were present.

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STEAMERS ARRIVED.

March 3.—At New York—Neapolitan, from Genoa; Georgic, from Liverpool.

At Hamburg—Pennsylvania, from New York.

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The fine weather of this week has brought such crowds to our store that it seemed like a spring reception, and spring fashions delighted them.
"Most All Rubber Footwear Looks Alike,"
But what a difference in the wear.
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Our assortment is the largest in the west.
Keep all sizes and widths. Perfect fit guaranteed.
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NO SUNDAY CARS.

Toronto, March 3. — The bill of the Windsor, Essex and Lake Shore Railway was amended by the railway committee by inserting a clause against Sunday cars and limiting the right to operate to 20 years instead of 50 as in the bill.

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LONDON AND DISTRICT

—A Reader—Mrs. Scott Siddons died on June 8, 1831.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Peterman, of Petrolea, will move to London.

—Mrs. Jos. Tomlinson, of Stratford, is visiting friends in this city.

—Miss A. L. Moran, of this city, is visiting the Misses Towers, of Glencoe.

—Rev. J. J. Ross will begin a series of sermons to women next Sunday evening.

—Mrs. Jack Carling, of this city, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Vidal, of Ottawa.

—Miss Vernon, of this city, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Vernon, at Glencoe.

—No. 2 committee of the board of education met last night and passed the usual accounts.

—P. C. Darby, for the past five months a member of the local police staff, has resigned.

—Rev. S. B. Cuip will lecture in Elizabeth Street Christian Church Sunday night on "Hell-Stuff, or The Devil in Liquid Form."

—Preparatory service will be held in the First Presbyterian Church at 3 o'clock this evening. Rev. Hector MacKay, of London Junction, will preach.

—Mr. Thomas Fox has purchased the property at 359 Clarence street, from the Williams Medicine Company, for $2,500. The sale was effected through Mr. Joseph Byrnes.

—Yesterday at Ottawa the supreme court set the date for the hearing of the appeal of the London water commissioners in the case of Saunby vs. the commissioners, for Thursday, the 10th inst.

Constipation
Headache, biliousness, heartburn, indigestion, and all liver ills are cured by
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Sold by all druggists. 25 cents.

MR. HOWSON ILL.

The popular pastor of Askin Street Methodist Church, Rev. Mr. Howson, is confined to the house. Mr. Howson was on the train stalled for nearly two days between London and St. Marys, which accounts for his illness.

PUPILS PROMOTED.

The following pupils of St. George's school have been promoted to the Second Book: Bessie Geoghegan, Nellie Dean, Ruth Wallace, Elsie Young, Carrol McKenna, Willie Thompson, Gordon Chandler, Ernest Peterson, Gardie Gammage, Albert Joyes, Jim Snowden, Joseph Ridler, Fred Pinnell, Charles Eberle and Reggie Element.

DEATH OF A. SMIBERT.

The death of Mr. Alexander Smibert occurred yesterday at his home, lot 9, concession 5, Township of London. Deceased was 77 years of age, and is survived by a widow and family. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and was very highly respected. Rev. W. J. Clark will conduct the funeral service on Saturday to Siloam Cemetery.

Y. M. C. A. CONCERT.

The concert held at the Auditorium last evening under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. basketball team, was a success. The large audience appreciated the efforts of the best talent in the city. Mrs. Roblin-McKillop rendered two solos, "Snow" (Parker), and "Summer" (Chaminade), and was encored for each, when she sang "There Was a Maid of Japan," in a captivating manner. Mr. Cyril Dwight-Edwards' "Quaff with Me the Purple Wine," was artistically interpreted. He sang "The Spring Is Here" as an encore. For his second number, "The Song of the Bow" (Alywood), followed by "You're in Love" (Wheeler), were enthusiastically received. Miss Elva McBroom scored a success with her violin selections, her series of Scottish melodies eliciting hearty applause. The rendition of Liszt's "Rhapsodie Hongroise, No. 12," by Mr. Charles Percy, F. L. C. M., received well-merited applause. Miss May H. Walker contributed several refined readings. Mr. Charles E. Wheeler was the accompanist. During the evening the boys presented a handsome bouquet to each of the ladies contributing to the performance.

HAD A PLEASANT EVENING.

A party of friends, at the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ball, Oxford street, five miles east of the city, drove out to their residence on Wednesday evening, and a very pleasant time was spent. Games of various kinds were indulged in, besides vocal music and selections on the gramophone, after which the company sat down to a bountiful repast. One and all did justice to the good things. After declaring in song that Mr. and Mrs. Ball were "jolly good fellows," the company left for home.

HALLIDAY VS. ARMSTRONG.

In Halliday vs. Armstrong at Osgoode Hall yesterday, the following decision was rendered: Judgment (R.) on motion by defendant for order changing venue from Walkerton to London. Held, that the order should be made changing venue on grounds that it would be least expensive and more convenient to have the trial in London, Costs in the cause. Any extra costs to be to plaintiff in any event.

ART CULTURE CLUB MEETS.

The postponed meeting of the Art Culture Club was held last evening at the Conservatory of Music. The club was not out in full force, owing to the disagreeable weather. The members present, however, were given a treat. Mrs. Browning was the poet of the evening, and was in charge of Miss Morphy, who read a very clever paper. Miss Baldwin gave two readings from Mrs. Browning, "Ode to Sleep," and "House of Clouds." Miss Francis gave an instructive essay on the musician Tschaikowski. His early life and training was the subject of a sketch read by Miss Moore. Miss Morphy played two of his most popular selections, after which Miss Baldwin rendered a solo. Miss Powell closed the evening with a paper dealing with the life and characteristics of the artist Durer. She also discussed the nature of his work at length, after which she showed some of his pictures. The chair was occupied by the president, Canon Dann.

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GOAT-RIDING IN THE CLOUDS

Woodmen of World Candidates To Be Initiated on Mt. Lowe.

According to a telegram from Redlands, Cal., arrangements have been completed by Head Consul Falkenburg of the Woodmen of the World for a monster initiation to be held the first week in April among the pines on the summit of Mount Lowe, Cal. On that occasion a class of 100 candidates will be initiated into the order, a session from sunset to sunrise being held.

The initiatory work will occupy the first half of the night, the entire company sitting down to an elaborate banquet at midnight. The feast will be followed by speechmaking until daylight. The class of candidates will be apportioned to the various Southern California lodges, so as to give every lodge in the section an interest in the affair.

The session on Mount Lowe will be made the occasion of a great gathering of the members of the order in that section of the State, to witness the administering of the rites of Woodcraft above the clouds.

HELPED SHELTER HOME

Many Donations Received During the Past Two Months.

The ladies of the Shelter Home committee of the Children's Aid Society beg to gratefully acknowledge the following donations received during January and February:

Mrs. T. Ryan, meat and vegetables; a friend, a turkey; a friend, preserved fruit; Mrs. C. M. Anderson, tables, toys, blackboard and papers; Mrs. Flitton, clothing; Ladies' Aid Talbot Street Baptist Church, cake; Mr. O. M. Finch, sandwiches; Mrs. William Weston, coats; the Liberal Club, 10 loaves bread and cut bread; Ladies' Mission Askin Street Methodist Church, bread; Mrs. John Macpherson, cake and apples; a friend, fruit; Messrs. Wall & Guppy, 2 baskets oranges; Mrs. E. Ryder, magazines; Miss Macklin, scrap books; Mrs. C. R. Walker, clothing; Messrs. Chantler Bros., ton coal; Col. Denison, books, toys, shoes and clothing; Mothers' Union, Memorial Church, quilt; Mr. J. Friend, cake and buns; Miss Thorpe, clothing; Mrs. John Carling, clothing; Miss Waugh, Komoka, clothing; Sunday school of First Congregational Church, sandwiches and cake; Mrs. William J. Pennington, clothing; Mr. O. M. Finch, buns and cakes; Mrs. Grenfell, clothing; Mrs. Blackie, clothing; Dominion Oatmeal Mills, rolled oats; Mrs. G. W. Kent, sandwiches; Mr. R. S. Morrison, caps and neckties; Mrs. Tatham, clothing; Knox Church, bread.

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LIBERALS OF WEST MIDDLESEX ORGANIZE FOR NEXT ELECTION

Officers Elected and Chairmen Appointed—Resolutions of Confidence Adopted.

A largely-attended meeting of the Reform Association of West Middlesex, as constituted for Dominion election purposes, was held in the town hall at Mount Brydges at 10 o'clock yesterday, with the president, Mr. A. P. McDougald, in the chair, and Mr. J. C. Elliott acting as secretary.

The following officers were appointed:
President—A. P. McDougald.
First Vice-President—John P. Grigg.
Second Vice-President—George Innis.
Secretary-Treasurer—John C. Elliott.

Chairmen were appointed for the various municipalities as follows:
Wardsville—Alex. Douglas.
Mosa—J. W. Watterworth.
Glencoe—J. M. Tait.
Newbury—John G. Boyne.
Metcalfe—Thomas Warren.
Strathroy—L. H. Smith.
Caradoc—Henry Hardy.
Delaware—Henry Johnston.

The president, second vice-president, secretary-treasurer and chairmen of municipalities were appointed the executive for the western portion of the riding, and the second vice-president, the chairmen of municipalities and Messrs. D. C. Ross, Arthur Gullen and Joseph Howlett for the eastern portion.

The meeting then adjourned until 1 o'clock, when a resolution of confidence in the Ontario Government and the riding's representative therein, was moved by George Innis, seconded by Henry Hardy, and a similar resolution respecting the Dominion Government was moved by D. C. Ross, seconded by J. C. Elliott; while J. P. Grigg moved, seconded by Hugh Brodie, a resolution expressive of the high appreciation of the Liberal representatives in the Dominion House, Messrs. McGugan and Calvert.

Stirring addresses were delivered by Mayor Geddes, of Strathroy; ex-Warden Hardy, Alex. Stuart, K.C., Robert Boston, W. S. Calvert, M. P., J. C. Elliott and others.

The meeting was a most enthusiastic one, and the representatives from all parts of the riding spoke most confidently as to the outlook in the approaching contests.

THE LIBRARY BOARD WILL NOT REQUIRE FULL HALF-MILL RATE

Estimates Adopted for the Year —The Total Expenditure Nearly $9,200.

The Public Library board, at its meeting last night, struck the estimates for the year, and the amount which will be asked from the city will be $562 less than a half-mill rate will provide. The report of the finance committee was read, in which the estimated expenditure for the year amounts to $9,182. This includes $1,690 92 for new books.

Mr. James Egan took exception to the purchasing of additional books, as he thought the sum asked from the city was rather large.

Mr. Manigault differed with Mr. Egan and said he thought the estimates were moderate. The discussion was continued for some time, when Mr. Labelle moved the adoption of the report.

Then Mr. Manigault moved that the sum realized by the full half-mill rate be asked by the board, the additional money to be also spent in new books. At present the library rate is 13-32 of a mill. This was voted down, however, and the report of the finance committee was adopted.

The finance committee recommended that various alterations be made to the library, which would cost about $300, but on motion of Mr. Egan the matter was laid over until the committee furnishes the board with a detailed statement of the cost of the work.

The tenders of Thos. Coffey for printing and of C. Chapman for bookbinding were accepted. It was also agred to act on the recommendation of the library committee and purchase at once 65 volumes of new books at a cost of $100.

Accounts totaling $275 16 were passed.

Librarian Blackwell reported that the circulation of books during February was as follows: Fiction, 3,434; juvenile literature, 876; miscellaneous, 1,924; magazines, 632; total, 6,866. The average circulation of books per day was 260 and magazines 26. The receipts for February amounted to $55 75.

Dr. Jeffery presided, and Messrs. Labelle, Macklin, Manigault, Hazard, and Bland, were present.

LONDONERS TENDER HARRY P. SHARPE A FAREWELL DINNER

And Also Present Him With a Costly Cabinet of Silver—Many Outsiders Were Present.

Mr. Harry Sharpe, who has been promoted by the Dominion Express Company to managership of the Toronto office, was handsomely banqueted by his fellow-citizens last night and made the recipient of a magnificent presentation. The dinner was held at the Tecumseh House, there being a very large representation present, presided over by Senator Coffey. In every respect the evening was a success, and was a very great compliment to Mr. Sharpe.

During the dinner an orchestra played, while the speeches were interspersed with the best of music. The Kenwick Male Quartet were in excellent form all evening. Mr. Cyril Dwight-Edwards was heard to advantage in "Quaff With Me the Purple Wine," and was as loudly applauded for his encore number, Tosti's "Goodbye." Mr. Chas. Wheeler was accompanist. Mr. J. W. McIntosh and Mr. J. Arnold Thomson both sang excellent solos, the latter rendering well "Off to Philadelphia," and "The Song of the Bow." Messrs. Wm. Ward, Dr. Becher and John Stevely, also contributed to the musical part of the programme.

Shortly before 11 o'clock Senator Coffey arose to propose the toast to "The King," and then to "Canada," introducing them in appropriately patriotic terms.

Dr. J. B. Campbell was the first of two sponsors for "Canada." After some of his amusing stories, Dr. Campbell enlarged chiefly upon Canada's educational and population features. If the population, he claimed, were increased and the present high standard of education kept up, the outlook for Canada was indeed bright.

Mr. John Stevely was then called upon and spoke eloquently of the land of the maple leaf, the land of boundless resources. Canada he said, wanted a national spirit. Feelingly he referred to Canada's part in the South African war. The word "Paardeburg" would shine in Canadian history he claimed, amid applause, as greatly as that of "Waterloo" in British history. He agreed that population was an important problem, but an equally great one was transportation. He dwelt at some length upon Canada's increase in commerce. He regretted that their guest was leaving London, but rejoiced with them all that he was stepping a little higher. He felt that Mr. Sharpe would not only do credit to himself but honor to the city of London.

Mr. Robert Muir Burns then read letters and telegrams of regret from Mr. C. S. Hyman, M. P., and others, who were unable to be present.

In proposing the toast "The Transportation Interests," Senator Coffey said the railway companies of Canada deserved the eternal gratitude of the people for the manner in which they had fought the elements for the past two months.

Mr. Walsh, on behalf of the management of the Dominion Express, thanked the people of London for their generous patronage, and paid a tribute to the services of Mr. Sharpe, to whom he wished every success. Mr. Burr responded to the toast in a few words, and was followed by Mr. Paul, who added his quota to the wishes that Mr. Sharpe might continue to advance. He gave some interesting statistics to show the increase in railway mileage and freight traffic.

"Merchants and Manufacturers" were next toasted. A very happy reply was made by Mr. M. Masuret, followed by Mr. John Bowman, who claimed that the progress of the city was due to the merchants and manufacturers, pointing out what a distributing center London was. In ten years the output had doubled, but he candidly claimed that the railways had not fully appreciated what they had done, pointing out London's need of the carrying out of interswitching arrangements and of a union station. Mr. F. G. Rumball, in responding to the same toast, paid tribute to the evening's guest, as well as enlarging upon Canada's greatness. Mr. John Garvey replied also, joining in the good words for Mr. Sharpe.

Mr. Philip Pocock proposed the toast to "The Professions and Educational Interests." Dr. John D. Wilson was first called upon, referring chiefly to the medical profession and the institutions of the city. Messrs. E. J. MacRobert, Loughlin, Dromgole and Blackwell in turn said "good-bye" to Mr. Sharpe, and spoke at more or less length to the toast. One of the remarks of the chairman of the board of education was that although only first-class teachers were employed, London paid the lowest salaries of any city in the Province, to which one of the company remarked, "It's a shame!"

The sponsors for the City of London were Ald. Forristal, Stevely and Becher, each of whom replied fittingly to the toast, expressing the city's loss at the departure of Mr. Sharpe.

The health of Mr. Berube, the new manager of the Dominion Express Company was proposed, and he acknowledged the compliment in a neat speech.

The toast to "The Ladies," was not forgotten. Mr. William Ward proved the proper one to respond.

Then to the committee who had so well managed affairs followed, Messrs. Robt. Burns, David Cowan, W. G. Coles and Wm. McPhilips, being the gentlemen. They, too, contributed to the good wishes.

Senator Coffey and Mr. Philip Pocock acknowledged a vote of thanks to the chairman and vice-chairman, and others heard from were Messrs. G. A. Newman, H. L. Meyer, B. C. McCann and W. J. Hyman. The last toast was to the health of Mr. George Black, who had rendered so much assistance, and he, as well as the others, made a felicitous reply.

The feature of the evening, of course, was the presentation to Mr. Sharpe, of an elaborate cabinet of silver. Senator Coffey read the address to Mr. Sharpe, in which he was congratulated on his promotion, and the wish was expressed that he would long continue to advance.

Mr. E. J. MacRobert made the presentation, adding his regrets at seeing Mr. Sharpe go. "During your stay here," he said, "you have endeared yourself by your unfailing courtesy and public spirit, and so great has been your popularity that they could not let you go without making a 'cabinet minister' of you." The company cheered and sang "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow" in a good, jolly way.

In reply Mr. Sharpe thanked the company for their kindness. In his eight years in London, he said, he simply tried to do his duty, and if he had made friends it was a pleasure. As for his successor, Mr. Sharpe hoped Londoners would extend to him the same fellowship.

Among the guests were Rev. J. T. Aylward; A. E. Berube, the new agent at London; J. P. Gay, D. F. A., G. T. R., Stratford; G. R. Baker, Toronto; W. H. Burr, auditor, Dominion Express Company, Toronto; J. A. Boswell, superintendent Dominion Express, Montreal; M. H. Brown, A. G. F. A., C. P. R., Toronto; A. D. Chapman, National Express Company, New York; W. A. Clark, Dominion Express Company, Ottawa; C. A. Dobson, route agent, Dominion Express Company, Toronto; Andrew Harris, Toronto; W. J. Henry, Kincardine, Ont.; Carl Howe, A. G. F. A., M. C. R., Buffalo; C. J. Jones, Dominion Express Company, Toronto; George Liddle, route agent, Dominion Express Company, North Bay; G. May, Toronto; J. H. Moore, Canadian Express Company, Hamilton; H. L. Meyer, superintendent of tariff, Dominion Express Company, Toronto; G. McGlade, Brockville; G. A. Newman, treasurer, Dominion Express Company, Toronto; W. S. Stout, president and general manager, Dominion Express Company, Toronto; V. G. R. Vickers, Dominion Expres Company, Toronto; William Walsh, general agent, Dominion Express Company, Toronto; C. E. Dewey, D. F. A., G. T. R., Toronto; Thomas Marshall, A. G. F. A., F. and P. M. R., Walkerville; and E. Mackenzie, Toronto.

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