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EXIT GYPSEY.

The Famous Sanguinary Elephant to be

Chicago, Dec. 11.—"Gypsy," the elephant, with a record of having killed four keepers, is to be publicly executed. A permit for the execution is to be taken place at Fatterson's has been asked for, and will probably be issued in a few days.

BURIED ALIVE!

A Hundred People Entombed by a Falling Building.

Madrid, Dec. 11.—A dispatch from Jerez announces that a large building has collapsed there, burying over 100 persons. Eleven bodies have also been recovered.

Madrid, Dec. 11.—The Jerez, where the disaster occurred, is Jerez de la Frontera, sixteen miles north-north-east of Cadiz.

MONEY IN MUSIO.

William Steinway's Will Disposes of \$2,500,000.

New York, Dec. 11.—Wm. Steinway's will was filed for probate in the surrogate's court yesterday. The petition presented estimates his wealth at \$2,500,000, of which \$500,000 is ready.

THE SCHOOL SETTLEMENT

A Leading Catholic Journal on the Situation.

United Canada, a Catholic paper, thus discusses the school settlement. "Those who in arrogant insouciance and surprising ignorance maintain that the Pope will condemn the terms of the school agreement entered into by the Governments of Canada and Manitoba overlook two facts of significance: (1) That the Holy See never seeks or provokes quarrels with civil governments (witness its attitude on the Belgian school question twelve years ago) and (2) that the Holy Father gave indirect approval to the famous Fairbairn plan of Archbishop Ireland, which secured for Catholics nothing save religious instruction after school hours. In the city of Windsor, large, well-to-do Catholics, all the schools are under the control of the Public School board. The majority of the Catholics with every just consideration. In New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Ontario Catholics express themselves satisfied at the fairness of Protestants in school matters. Is there any reason why the same may not in a few years be said of the majority of the people of Manitoba? None that we can see."

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Important Legal Decision Affecting Many Cases.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 11.—In the Superior Court, Judge Austin has rendered a decision in favor of the plaintiff in the case of Bertha Ruggaber against the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias of the World. This case was made the test in the settlement of nearly a hundred similar cases, pending in all parts of the United States, from Maine to Mexico, and on the Pacific slope, and the amount involved is estimated to be upward of \$100,000, divided up in sums of from \$100 to \$500 each.

In the present case the suit brought to recover \$1,000 insurance upon the life of the plaintiff's husband, who committed suicide in November, 1898, while laboring under insanity.

Payment of the claim was resisted on the ground that by the terms of a bylaw adopted by the board of control of the endorsement rank of the Knights of Pythias, it was provided that "if a member commits suicide, whether he be sane or insane, or the act be voluntary or involuntary, he shall forfeit all his rights under the certificate of membership."

COLUMBIA'S LONG WALK.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Frank S. Colburn, the "Yankee Lion," an Eastern newspaper reporter, who started on foot, is to walk from New York city around the world, has reached Chicago. He says he walked every step of the way, and is in better physical condition than he was ever before in his life.

Is Maceo Dead?

Positive Statement That the Cuban Leader Is Alive.

A Newspaper Man's Reasons for Doubting Spanish Accounts.

Meanwhile the Spaniards Are Jubilating Over the News.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 11.—A special to the Republic from Dallas, Texas, says the head of the local Cuban colony there has received dispatches absolutely denying Maceo's death.

Paris, Dec. 11.—Senor Scovel, the New York World's correspondent, gave out last night his reasons for disbelieving the reports of Maceo's death. He says that from twelve months' association with him in Cuba, he knew that the description of the clothing and jewelry and revolver found on the body was not that of those used by Maceo up to last June. He said that there was no reason for Maceo to cross the Trocha at this time, as Pinar del Rio Province was not suffering for food. It was incredible to him that Maceo's personal guard should have left their leader's body on the field if he had been shot and killed. They would have carried the body with them on retreating, or perhaps in the attempt.

Havana, Dec. 11.—Dr. Maximo Zenteno, said to be Maceo's personal physician, and who was previously reported to have surrendered to the Spanish authorities and to have confirmed the announcement that Maceo was killed on Dec. 7, has been liberated, and is now at Melena del Sur with his family.

News has been received of the departure of Capt. Gen. Weyler, colonel from Cuanajay, in Pinar del Rio, and the indications are that he is now in Havana Province.

Madrid, Dec. 11.—There is no abatement in the manifestations of joy at the reported death of Antonio Maceo.

The Queen-Regent received an ovation at the opera house last evening. Her Majesty sent an aide-de-camp to congratulate the wife of Major Clutteda, the officer who commanded the Spanish troops in the engagement with the insurgents near Punta Brava, during which the Cuban leader is said to have met his death.

Paris, Dec. 11.—Senor Betances, the representative of the Cuban insurgents in this city, states that he hears from an authoritative source that Antonio Maceo is alive.

SHOT BY BURGLARS.

Deadly Attack on a Dover Lady—Robbery the Motive.

Chatham, Dec. 11.—On Monday last Mrs. Elizabeth Snook, of con. 8, Dover township, was shot by burglars, while she was sitting alone in the house. After stealing her purse, the burglars left, and the wounded woman lay for three days without care, until she grew strong enough to make her way to the nearest neighbors. She is now in the hospital here in a critical condition.

THE WHEEL.

IRELAND AHEAD!

New York, Dec. 11.—Teddy Hale, Ireland's pride, was still ahead in the bicycle race at Madison Square Garden this morning. He led off his 1,000 miles in 29 hours, 55 minutes, and 30 seconds. Shortly before 4 o'clock, and covered the same distance. At 8 o'clock Foster had also passed the 1,000 mark, and the three leaders were still in the race. The Irishman was 214 miles ahead of the record, and the other first sight were also beyond it. Foster rode very erratically during the morning. At 2 o'clock he ran into Schuch and was tumbled, but remounted and continued to ride. Three hours later Foster collided with Rice at the Fourth avenue turn, and Maddox, who was a few feet behind, sprawled over both of them. Foster was then charged to ride more carefully, and his trainer gave him some stimulants, but the Dutchman was still very shaky, and rode at a very slow gait for several hours.

VALUE OF VACCINATION.

Time after time, year after year, both on shore and afloat, have I seen instances of the good that vaccination does as a preventive of the terrible and loathsome disease, smallpox. I admit that there may be occasional cases in which illness follows vaccination, but they are few and far between. But witness Gloucester. "Any sane person," says a scientific authority, must be thoroughly convinced by this report of the utility of vaccination. Out of the whole 2,036 cases, not a single death occurred in a person who had been revaccinated successfully within not more than ten years, and not less than one month before exposure to infection! The whole police force, with their wives and children, were vaccinated. There were a woman and two children. These were the only ones attacked! There were other similar coincidences too numerous to detail. But apart from the terrible direct punishment of the epidemic, Gloucester is a ruined place in consequence. We are informed on the high authority of an agency, as well known in commercial circles as the Bank of England, that trade is absolutely at a standstill, credit gone, and business establishments are being permanently closed in large numbers. Will other anti-vaccination localities take this warning?—Dr. Gordon Stables, in Edinburgh Scotsman.

THE LARGEST ESTATES.

The largest estate in the United Kingdom is the lordship of Sutherland. The estate is no less than 28,000 acres in extent. The estate of the Duke of Devonshire is also very large, extending about 30 miles in length and 15 to 20 miles in breadth. These estates far exceed in extent any continuous single estates in England. One of the largest in the latter country is the Albury, or Savernake, estate, in Wiltshire. It comprises, beside the park in which the ancestral mansion is situated, at least thirteen parishes, the whole estate consisting of about 55,000 acres, and extending for a distance of more than twelve miles.

Central Park, in New York city, is two and one-half miles long and three-quarters of a mile wide; it covers 862 acres.

Disorganized.

The Conservative Leaders Have a Falling Out.

Haggart-Montague Section Refuse to Help in Cornwall.

Hon. Mr. Tarte's Demand for a Full and Fair Discussion.

(Montreal dispatch to Toronto World, Conservative.)

Although the campaign in Cornwall is actively carried on by the Liberal-Conservative party, and the chances of success are said to be excellent, there is a good deal of ill-feeling being engendered amongst the men who are doing the fighting against several of the gentlemen who hold portfolios in the late administration. All this has been brought about through the alleged abstention of Hon. John Haggart and Hon. Dr. Montague from the present campaign. It was stated today in Conservative circles that the chief whip of the party, Mr. George Taylor, had written to Hon. Messrs. Haggart and Montague asking them to give a helping hand towards retaining Cornwall and to prevent the Conservative column, and although Dr. Montague had written saying that other engagements prevented his participation in the fight, the ex-Minister of Railways and Canals did not deem even a reply, hence the wrath of the Conservatives.

A SUITE NEMESIS. Atlantic Monthly. We often hear of the separation between the ancient religions and morality, but I am unable to discover a period in which the gods did not sooner or later make it hot for the man who, according to the ideas of the time, did not behave well.

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Venezuela Kicking.

According to a New York Herald Statement.

Agreement Between Salisbury and Olney May Be Nullified.

New York, Dec. 11.—The Herald has a special from Caracas, Venezuela, this morning, which says:

Senor Andrade, the Venezuelan minister to the United States, was to leave today for Washington with the cabinet's approval of the Guala boundary arbitration treaty, but his departure was suddenly stopped. "The interpretation put on his move is that public opinion has conquered, and that Venezuela will withhold her consent to the arrangement entered into between Secretary Olney and Lord Salisbury for the settlement of the dispute, thus nullifying all the work that culminated in this treaty."

A CAREFUL OLD DAME.

"You are a chemist and druggist, are you?"

"I am."

"I have."

"Understand your trade thoroughly?"

"I do."

"Is your certificate hanging over there?"

"It is."

"Well, give me two-pennyworth of tooth powder."

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Bargains for Busy Buyers...

The holiday season is upon us. It has not found us napping, and we hope it has not found you unprepared. You need Xmas goods. Perhaps it's something for your home, perhaps it's a gift; if so, come to us. We have never had such bargains and such selling of them in the whole history of the store. Don't waste your time by looking around—come direct to us. Low prices are created and maintained in this store; others may have them for an hour, or for a day, but we have them all the time.

China and Glassware...

Our China and Glassware goods are at the top notch of elegant style. All the stock consists of the newest and neatest designs and patterns. The prices are only half, but that doesn't make the goods any the less pretty and desirable.

Fine China Gilt Band Cup and Saucer, regular 12c goods, for 8c.

Sparkling Cut Glass Rose Bowls, 40c at 5c.

Those 15c Cut Glass Olive Dishes are now 5c.

Butter Patties, handsomely decorated china goods, go at two-thirds their value, 10c a dozen.

A line of 8c China Sauce Dishes are yours for 3c.

We've made a snap out of our Pink Cups and Saucers—a cup and saucer for 5c.

Fancy China Images, \$1 ones are 50c, 75c ones are 35c.

Odd Lots...

We have some odd lots of glassware. In some cases only two or three in a lot. The lowness of the prices at which we will sell these can only be accounted for by their oddity.

Images—Fancy china, \$1 ones are 50c; 75c ones are 35c.

Bohemian Jugs—All the colors of the rainbow, at 15c.

Ruby Glass Vinegar Jugs, with stoppers, they're 15c goods; but they go for 5c.

Graniteware...

Our Graniteware prices would give you the idea that the goods are trashy; that's where you're mistaken. The stocks are the loveliest that cash can command. Our cash soon brings down all the high priciness that is in the goods.

You can have your choice of 20 Coffee Pots. Some were 75c, 85c and \$1, for 35c.

Ten Granite Water Jugs, \$1 ones for 35c.

Dippers, large size, a choice 10c.

Egg Beaters, spiral and spoon ones, just 2c.

Pyramid Cake Tins, square and round, three in a set; they're regular 35c goods, but we sell them for 14c.

Sugar Scoops for 10c.

Nickel-plated Meat Fork, mixing spoon and testing spoon, were 50c, are 19c, set of three.

Steel Enamelled Tea Kettles, wood handles, a big purchase, let us sell them for 50c.

Several odd lots go for half and sometimes less.

A small lot of oblong and oval Meat Dishes, only enough for one day's selling, to be closed out at one-half regular price.

Best Steel Enamelled Pudding Dishes. These goods are "seconds," so-called from imperfections that frequently are hard to find and in no case hurtful. They go at 15c.

A new and improved Fruit Press can be had for 25c.

Fry Pans, only about 50—some were 35c, some were 50c, but they all go for the one price, 19c.

Best Ash Sifters, they'll save their cost in a week, only 10c.

Majolica Milk Jugs, 5c.

The very people who have the least money to spend are the ones our bargains mean most to. Everybody can enjoy this Feast of Bargained Usefulness, so come early, everyone.

176-178 Dundas Street.

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WHISKARD'S

TWO BUSY DEPARTMENTAL STORES.

Christmas Gifts:

That wonderful touch of nature

that makes the whole world in it felt now, if ever, the perfect expression of which is a graceful gift freely given. The graceful gifts are here, priced so that you can afford to give freely. Useful articles of dress—Silks, Perfumes, Dress Goods, Gloves, Hosiery, etc.; dainty articles for the toilet—Perfumes, Mirrors, Jewel Cases, Toilet Bottles—any quantity of things to fit the season at prices that will spare your purse.

We emphasize the universal good will

of this holiday-giving time by some remarkably liberal offerings in our Linen and Housekeeping Goods Department. In return for past favors we choose to make the special bargains available to you just now, when you are likely to need them.

Large Size Damask Linen Tray Covers, 25c each.
Linen Sideboard Scarfs, from 25c to 50c.
Beautiful Damask Tray Covers, large, 50c.
Fine White Damask Table Napkins, fringed, 5c, 10c.
Fine Damask Table Napkins, from 5c to 20c.
Linen and Damask Towels, from 5c to 45c.
Damask Table Linen, 60 inches wide, 25c yard.

Silk Handkerchiefs

Values you read about, but seldom realize unless you go to WHISKARD'S.

Pure Silk, hemstitch, 8c, 10c, 12c, 15c, white.
Splendid Large Size Pure White Silk, 25c, 35c.
Very Fine Hemstitch Pure White Silk, 45c, 50c.
Very Large Extra Size Pure White Silk, worth \$1, for 65c.
Beautiful Brocades, in white and colors, 50c, 75c, worth \$1.

These Handkerchiefs have all been bought below their value. You get the benefit.

Study the economy these prices teach, and patronize the store that makes them.

London's Fine Streets.

Much Money Expended On Them With Good Results.

Several Suggestions by Acting Commissioner Ironside.

Street Cleaning and Watering Should Be Done by Day Work.

The regular meeting of the Board of Works, held last night, was very brief, lasting less than half an hour. Several applications for various positions were received and laid over.

Acting Street Commissioner Ironside's report of work performed during this branch of the department during 1896 was presented, and copies were ordered to be supplied each member of the committee. The report stated that 25,234 lineal feet, or nearly five miles of sidewalk, ranging in width from four to ten feet, had been laid by contract. The total cost of lumber, scotching and nails used in these walks was \$5,739 10. The repairs to sidewalks was an item of considerable importance. Including the lumber and nails used in construction of short stretches of new walks, nails used in laying walks of old material, and all materials and nails used on repairs to the numerous culverts and bridges throughout the city 112,195 feet of lumber and 7,500 pounds of nails were used. An idea of the condition of some of these walks may be had from the fact that over 1,000 feet of lumber was used at one time repairing Dundas street walk between Wellington and Adelaide streets. The commissioner urged that this class of walks be abandoned on the principal thoroughfares and replaced with artificial stone or asphalt.

Fifteen blocks have been curbed with cedar curbing, and he strongly recommended that more of this work be done.

Many of the cedar pavements are in a very dilapidated condition, being practically beyond repair. The following were especially so: Dundas street, between Wellington and Waterloo streets; parts of King street, east of Wellington street; York street, between Richmond and Talbot streets; and Queen's avenue, between Maitland and Adelaide streets. Repairs have been made where such have been practicable, but in a great many cases any attempt to put these pavements in decent shape would be futile. Nothing short of reconstructing them throughout will meet the case.

The asphalt pavement is now in first-class condition. The several roadways constructed with the stone broken by hand last winter now present a wonderfully improved appearance.

The 1,200 cords of gravel supplied by the street railway was distributed along the line of the street railway tracks with such good results that what were the worst roads in the city are now among the best. Some of

these roads had to be underdrained, but the city is amply repaid for the extra cost.

The streets abandoned by the street railway, viz., Bruce street, Clarence street, Bathurst street and Pall Mall street, have all been regraded by the street railway, and are now in fairly good condition.

The Pipe Line Road Hill, one of the principal approaches to the city, has also been graded, underdrained and regraded, and is now in good condition, the Woodland Cemetery officers contributing \$100 towards this improvement.

The total amount of gravel used was 2,515 cords. The cost of constructing the macadam road on Dufferin avenue, between Wellington and Waterloo streets, was \$2,028 57.

Twenty-seven cedar block crossings, costing \$292 72, and twelve stone crossings, costing \$221 10, were laid by contract. The total cost of street cleaning was \$5,554 16, which includes \$1,200 for snow plowing and opening ditches. The asphalt pavement was laid at a cost of \$1,350, so that the balance of the streets were cleaned for less than \$2,000.

The commissioner recommended that sweeping of block pavements be not done by contract in future, but by day labor, as it is almost impossible to make contractors who are awarded contracts adhere to specifications. The brooms and machinery are not taken care of in any decent manner, and the damage done more than offsets any advantage the contract system may have.

He also suggested that the street watering be placed in charge of his department, under supervision of the city engineer and Board of Works. This is done in Toronto and other places, and gives the best of satisfaction.

The following sewers have been built by day labor this year: Maitland street south, \$272 37; Wolfe street, \$251 20; and Maitland street, between King and York streets, \$319 34. Sewer permits to the number of 39 have been issued from the city engineer's office for sewer connections. He advised that the bylaw re sewer permits be amended so as to provide for the employment of an inspector during the entire work of putting in private drains, as the connection might be made to sidewalks and streets by building contractors. This year 163 permits have been issued, and in a great many cases the sidewalks had to be repaired.

One artificial stone walk was laid this year, and by contract. It was laid on King street, at Hixson's block, and contained 650 square feet, and cost \$177 42.

The application of Wm. Relfy for a position on the engineering staff will be considered later, and that of J. C. McIntosh, to act as plumbing inspector, was referred to next year's council.

Jerry Collins claimed his property was damaged by the raising of Railway street. Chairman Parnell said he thought the trouble would be remedied by the next meeting.

A communication was received from Messrs. Meredith, Cameron & Judd, setting forth irregularities in the petition to widen High street. It was thought better to take no action, as the bylaw might be quashed. The chairman and engineer will see the city solicitor.

Mr. Harvey said that Mr. Belton had agreed to allow him to use half of the City Hall for his business. Applications for the position of street commissioner were laid over. There were present: Ald. Parnell (chairman), Pritchard, O'Meara, Heaman and Dransky, Engineer Graydon, Acting Street Commissioner Ironside, and Secretary Bell.

Sporting World.

Progress of the Cycling Contest in New York.

Probability of Toronto Having a League Baseball Team.

Football Defended From a Kansas Pulpit-Notes.

BASEBALL.

TORONTO MAY BE IN THE LEAGUE.

Toronto, Dec. 11.—Ex-Manager Irwin, of the New York and Philadelphia clubs, who is an old Torontonionian, has been in the city for the past three or four days looking over the ground with a view of buying the Eastern League franchise. He thinks that a club in Toronto would be a good paying property, if properly managed, and he has been endeavoring to induce a number of the noted men of sports in the city to invest capital in the team. So far he has had a fair measure of success, and the chances are that he will assume the management of a local team in 1897. Last night a meeting to discuss the situation was held in the Grand Hotel, quite a few of the enthusiasts being present. Manager Irwin told the gathering that he thought baseball would be made a "hot" in Toronto, if local people would come to the front with financial support. A subscription list, which was only opened in the afternoon, was shown, representing over \$400. A committee was appointed to canvass for subscriptions. A proposition to play the games at Hurlan's Island has been made, and it is expected that the company approves of the idea.

RUSIE IN COURT.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—The two suits of Amos Rusie, the ball player, against the New York club, recently filed in the United States Circuit Court, were dismissed yesterday by the attorney for Rusie.

FLYIS.

Prof. Hinton, of Princeton, has invented a baseball pitching machine which sends a curve ball with accuracy and with terrific speed.

Terry Rogers, shortstop of the Bridgeport baseball club, who has been signed by President Tlepiek, of the Pawtucket, Rogers is a brother to Jim Rogers, the first baseman of the St. Louis team.

Manager Barne, of the Brooklyn club, is hard at work on several deals intended to strengthen his team. In regard to the recent transfer of Corcoran to Cincinnati, in exchange for George Smith, Pitcher Fisher and \$1,000, he says he got by far the best end of the exchange. Mike Griffin will probably catch the new season.

THE WHEEL.

NO BRAINIES ON WHEELS. The New York common council have passed a resolution prohibiting bicyclists from carrying infants under five years old on their machines, under penalty of \$10 fine for each offense.

There is a difference of opinion as to whether it is good for infants to go out with their parents on bicycles or not. Fathers who want to take their babies along say that it is good for the children, and that they like it. Most other people say that it is dangerous and unwholesome, and some doctors have been found to express the opinion that the use of a bicycle is very bad for young babies.

THE SIX DAYS RACE.

New York, Dec. 10.—As the fifteen plucky riders hourly reel off the miles which bring them nearer the goal in the six days' international bicycle race at Madison Square Garden, public interest in the event seems to grow in proportion. Tonight fully 8,000 persons were present, and the enthusiasm was raised to a high pitch. "Teddy" Hale, who keeps his position in the van, hourly attracts a host of admirers. The wonderful endurance and speed of the man, who, despite badly swollen hands, resulting from his exertions, is now in the lead, has been the subject of much conversation. He entered the race, has kept among the leaders, excited much admiration, and is now in the lead.

This morning, however, he was practically out of the race. The conditions of the same order have been maintained all day. At 10 o'clock tonight Hale had a 40 mile race, and the next day five miles divided Rice from Foster, and the brave little Wilkesbarre boy looked as if he was in the lead.

Reading was leading the second batch, 30 miles behind Rice, and Schok, who was practically tied at 1,235 miles, and Taylor and Smith brought up the rear of the division. The score of the next lot, consisting of himself, Maddox, Ashinger and Cassidy, while Glick, Gannon and McLeod, were in the lead.

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ATLETICS.

THE CONSPIRACY AGAINST FITZ.

San Francisco, Dec. 11.—George Allen, Tom Sharkey's assistant trainer, occupied the witness stand most of yesterday, in behalf of Bob Fitzsimmons. His testimony was strongly corroborated by that given by Billy Smith, and tended to show the alleged conspiracy by which the Corbett fight was robbed of its decision in the recent fight.

San Francisco, Dec. 11.—In the Sharkey-Fitzsimmons case, Wm. Abbott, a saloon keeper, who helped to carry Sharkey out of the ring, said Sharkey came to Corbett's camp, having been fouled. A recess was then taken until Monday. In the police court today, Sharkey was charged with carrying a pistol for having carried a pistol to the ring on the night of the fight.

A BLOODY BATTLE.

Cripple Creek, Col., Dec. 11.—Mike Goddard, the "Stock Yards Giant," knocked out Billy Woods, the champion of Colorado at the Tropic Theater last night in the twelfth round, with small gloves. It was the hardest fought and bloodiest battle ever seen in Cripple Creek. The purse was \$400. This is Goddard's second victory over Woods.

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FOOTBALL.

DEFENDED IN THE PULPIT.

The Kansas City Times says: Rev. C. B. Mitchell, of the Grand Avenue M. E. Church, advocates football. Dr. Mitchell is a college graduate, and has seen the exercise on the gridiron in all its stages. He favors its retention among the list of honorable sports. Dr. Mitchell preached last night on "Bodily Exercise as Opposed to Godliness," taking his text from 1 Timothy, iv. 8.

Dr. Mitchell declared that the bodily exercise referred to by Paul was not in the nature of athletics, but rather to the habits of those days of worry—over diet, as to the things they should and should not eat. He held that the same sentiment was today typified by materialism. He declared that athletics and true bodily exercises in their proper places were beneficial and acceptable. Football, he declared, was not a brutal sport. It was wrong to class it with pugilism. The motives were very different. The young collegian who went out upon the gridiron was manly and noble in his action, and was prompted by the best motives. The brutes who mauled each other in the prize ring were of an entirely different stripe. Football, he said, might be responsible for more deaths than prize fighting. He thought the sport should be so modified as to eliminate the element of danger, and not abolished.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Unseasonable Weather Restricts Trade, But Prospects Are Encouraging.

Toronto, Dec. 10.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly statement of trade in Canada says: Most lines of wholesale and manufacturing business in Montreal are assuming a quieter phase with the approach of the holiday season, and with a good many houses the annual balancing absorbs the main attention. In the city and the large centers retail business is fair, but in the country trading does not seem to be very active, and a good deal of road work necessary to the general improvement of business and the better circulation of money. The money market presents no new features.

At Toronto the movement in general merchandise this week has, if anything, fallen off. The mild and unseasonable weather accounts in a great measure for this state of things. On the whole the outlook is encouraging. Prices of the leading staples are generally unchanged. Domestic manufacturers are doing fairly well. There is still a large number of failures, but as a rule liabilities are small. Money on call is easy, at 5 per cent, and prime commercial paper is discounted at 6 to 6 1/2 per cent.

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—Hawking.

London, Friday, Dec. 11, 1896.

It is said that in the event of Mr.

Speaker Edgar becoming Lieutenant

Governor of Ontario, Mr. Chatham

will be appointed Speaker.

Let it be remembered by our country

friends that every member of the new

County Council must be a resident of

the district for which he is elected.

Montreal Caledonian Society

annually presents to the benevolent fund

of St. Andrew's Society in that city

the sum of \$200. These Caledonians

apparently understand the Scriptural

declaration that it is more blessed to

give than to receive.

The postess of Huron sent the fol-

lowing couplet to Hon. Wilfrid Laurier

on his recent birthday.

"BIRTHDAY WISHES.

"May the roses of life around thee

throw

The perfume Heaven sends them here

below."

The United States Congress has

passed a bill granting \$50,000 to the

heirs of Erskine S. Allen and the

United States Regulation Pin and

Company, for the use by the United

States of Allen's invention of improve-

ment in breech-loading firearms.

From the London Times correspond-

ence on the state of the Anglican

Church, it appears that there are up-

wards of 400 parishes in England

where the clergyman's income is under

£50 a year. This is not as it should

be, with so many richly endowed bene-

fices in the country. There should be

a leveling up.

Already, the British have begun to

make preparations for the proper cele-

bration of the 50th year of Queen Vic-

torian's reign. The earliest event will

be the series of scientific demonstra-

tions at the Crystal Palace, London,

showing the most famous inventions

and industries of the past 50 years. It

will be a great exhibit.

The expense of running the last of

the large-sized Middlesex County Coun-

cils was as follows: Payments to

members—January session, \$558 10;

June session, \$556 20; December ses-

sion, \$560 20; warden's salary, \$200;

total, \$2,074 50. Those interested in

statistics will no doubt treasure these

figures up for comparison with next

year's expenditures.

The Alliance (England) Journal has

the following remarks on the condition

of affairs in Wales:

"Dyma gyfifl hefyd i bersonau unig-

ol, y rhai a symbylir gan zel ddolir-

westi, i gyfrannu yr addysg hon drwy

y Cyfundebau Crefyddol, megys gofalu

am roddi copï yn llaw pob aelod o'r

egwys a'r gynulleidfia lle yr addolant,

ac na adawer na phregethwr, na dia-

con, nac athraw, na swyddog Ysgol

Sabbodol heb feddu y gofodau gwerth-

fawr hwn."

No doubt most Canadians will agree

that there is more truth than poetry

in this declaration.

Street Improvements.

The report of the acting street

commissioner of London city, printed

in another column, demonstrates the

Hard on Hugh John.

In this part of Canada, the oppo-
nents of the Dominion Government
have represented Hon. Clifford Sifton
and Hon. Mr. Tarte, two members of
the Cabinet, as tricksters and rascals.
But in the city of Winnipeg all class-
es in the community joined to hon-
or these gentlemen, and each was en-
tertained to a citizen banquet, over
which Hon. Hugh John Macdonald,
son of the late Premier, presided. Did
it ever occur to the newspapers and
the partisans who have been traducing
Ministers, that in so doing they were
sitting the son of the greatest Con-
servative leader who has ever con-
trolled the destinies of that party in
Canada?

Where President Cleveland Missed It.

In his treatment of the Cuban ques-
tion President Cleveland spoke with
some vigor, and while holding the
balances with a fair hand it is ob-
vious that his sympathies are with
the Cubans. So far most people in
America will agree with him, for
though the issues between Spain and
her colony are not easily defined, one
thing certain is that Spain has no
capacity for ruling a dependency; she
is seriously warring in the ways of
ruling herself at home, and in the
past her evil methods have done much
harm in America.

The United States may never inter-
fere to procure the independence of
Cuba; the people of that island will
be all the better for it if they can
obtain that boon for themselves. If
they accept the aid of the United
States the ultimate result will prob-
ably, a transfer of allegiance to the
United States flag, Cuba becoming a
State of the Union, and the people
of the United States are better off
without the addition of that distur-
bing element.

President Cleveland's indefiniteness
as to what shall take place when "a
situation will be presented in which
our obligations to the sovereignty of
Spain will be superseded by higher
obligations, which we can hardly hesi-
tate to recognize and discharge,"

leaves the course to be pursued by his
successors as free as can be desired.

But in dealing with another foreign
question, the attitude of the President
is far less satisfactory. He has no
strong words for the odious Turk, al-
though American interests in Turkey
are as much in evidence as those of any
country in Europe. He talks of ac-
tion on the part of the great nation
having "the right by treaty to inter-
fere for the protection of those ex-
posed to the rage of mad bigotry and
cruel fanaticism"; but surely none of
the great nations of Europe have a
better right to interfere and put a
stop to "the wanton destruction of
homes, and the bloody butchery of
men, women and children, made mar-
tyrs to their profession of Christian
faith," than the Government of the
United States, whose Christian citi-
zens are spending half a million dol-
lars a year in maintaining United
States interests in Turkey. The Amer-
ican missionaries have established 621
schools in that country, including five
colleges, and have 27,400 pupils in those
schools.

"We have made claims
against the Turkish Government for
the pillage and destruction of mission-
ary property at Harpoot and Marash
during uprisings at those places,"
President Cleveland says; and he is
obliged to confess that thus far the
validity of these demands has not
been admitted. Then whose fault is
it if they have not?

As Lyman Abbott said a short time
ago, when speaking on this very
question, the United States was strong
enough to think of putting back on
her throne the Queen of Hawaii, who
had undertaken to tear in tatters the
constitution of her country; and they
were strong enough to threaten war
against Great Britain when there was
a possible danger to a few American
interests in a South American repub-
lic. "But we let our property be bur-
ned, our schools and colleges be closed,
our men and women live in terror of
their lives, and have as yet done
nothing more than present a gen-
tle protest." In 1815 they dar-
ed to make war upon and
suppressed the Algerine pirates, who
for twenty years had been preying
on the commerce of Christendom in
the Mediterranean Sea. "If I were
both Government and church," Dr.
Abbott said, "I would buy every house
in Armenian Turkey that could be
bought; I would wrap the American
flag around it, or hoist the American
flag above it; I would gather as many
orphan children and as many widows
into those homes as I could; and I
would say to the massacring Turk,
You lay your finger on one of them
at your peril."

Such a policy as that on the part of
the Government of the United States
would deserve and receive the ap-
plause of Christendom, and that Gov-
ernment could more safely than any
other adopt such a policy without the
risk of plunging Europe into war.
Great Britain, or Russia, or France
or Germany could not adopt it with-
out the consent of the powers, because
of the jealousy with which each one
watches all the others. But in the
case of the United States, there is
no fear of that country making a
province of Turkey, and setting up an
establishment there. When the work
was done she could be trusted to turn
the power of her warships home, and
leave the dreadful Turk upon his good
behavior. President Cleveland has
missed the opportunity of a century
in failing to come to the rescue of
the martyred Armenians.

Lambton County Session.

Edward Emery Convicted of Numer-
ous Crimes.

He Will Serve Seven Years for
Burglary.

Sarnia, Dec. 11.—At the county ses-
sions held here Edward Emery, con-
victed of burglary, theft, indecent as-
sault and obtaining goods under false
pretences, was brought up for sen-
tence. He was condemned to seven
years in the Provincial Penitentiary
for the burglary and theft, and sen-
tence was suspended on the other
two convictions, to be enforced should
he be found in this part of the coun-
try after the expiration of his term
of imprisonment.

McMaster, convicted of theft, the
jury having found the prisoner in-
sane, was remanded to the custody
of the sheriff, to report the case to
the Government and await its action.
Albert H. Martin, a clerk in a store
at Oil Springs, was charged with
theft of money from the store till.
The store was owned by Alexander
Wilson, brother-in-law of the ac-
cused, and it appeared that when
the theft was discovered prisoner of-
fered to make restitution to the amount
of \$1,000. Wilson asked \$2,000. In
the meantime the case was pressed by
the officers of the law and the ac-
cused brought to trial. The jury
brought in a verdict of not guilty. Mr.
Lister defended the prisoner.
George Dean was indicted for seduc-
tion of Margaret Wallace. The evi-
dence was to the effect that a prom-
ise to marry had been given by Dean
some time before the offense was
alleged to have taken place. Mr.
Lister quoted the statute to show
that to constitute an offense un-
der the law the promise of marriage
must have been made at the time
of the offense. The judge concurred in
Mr. Lister's reading of the statute
and dismissed the case. He was also
charged with administering drugs to
Margaret Wallace for a criminal pur-
pose, being on trial, and acquitted,
there being no corroborative testi-
mony.

IN THE WOODS.

Young Man of Alvinston Struck on the
Head by a Falling Tree.

Alvinston, Dec. 11.—Yesterday morn-
ing, while a gang of men were at work
in the woods about six miles north
of here, one of the number, named
Lester Smith, was struck on the top
of the head by a tree, which he was
sawing down. Before reaching here
he was extinct.

THE RESTLESS WAVES.

Consume Coney Island—The Ocean House
Must Be Moved Far Away.

New York, Dec. 11.—The Ocean
House, at Brighton Beach, is to be
moved a block back from its present
site. Ten years ago it stood 1,000
feet from the sea. Since then the
waves have eaten back the beach
foot by foot, until, eight years ago,
it was found necessary to move the
hotel to its present site. This, it was
thought at the time, would forever
insure its safety. But the waves
continued their work of destruction,
each year tearing away large chunks
of the beach, and now it is necessary
to move it again.

EX-QUEEN LILL.

San Francisco, Dec. 11.—Ex-Queen
Lillaband of Hawaii, has arrived
here from Honolulu on the steamer
China.

ROBBED 40 WOMEN.

New York, Dec. 11.—James Pein, a
pickpocket, has been arrested after
robbing 40 women in department
stores. His entire plunder was only
\$2, including a number of hand-
kerchiefs.

DEATH FROM A TWELVE-FOOT PALE.

Chesley, Ont., Dec. 11.—Henry Berry,
of the town line, Grant, was fatally
injured by falling from the eave-trough
of his house, a distance of twelve feet.
He died a few hours later.

ANOTHER TRUST FAILS.

New York, Dec. 11.—New York will
not have an ice trust next summer.
The probability is that the price of
ice will be lower between May and
July than ever before in the history
of the city. The trust dissolved be-
cause of dissatisfaction regarding the
pricing of profits.

EGGS FORTY YEARS OLD.

Kerson, O., Dec. 11.—Dr. C. D. Mc-
Coy is exhibiting an egg which he
says is 40 years of age. It weighs
281 grains, while a sound one weighs
1,100 grains. It was brought to his
office by Mrs. Norman Wall, of Silver
Creek, who tells the following story:
Forty years ago her husband built
his house. He began it in the fall and
finished it in the spring. Last week
a large piece of plastering fell from
the wall, and Mr. Norman upon go-
ing to repair the damage, discovered
a nest full of eggs, which had lain
securely hidden and protected for
the last 40 years.

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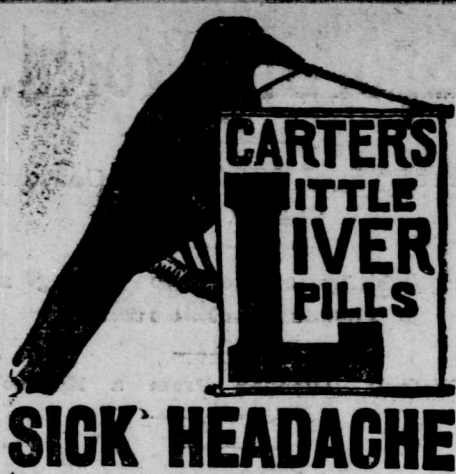
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"But I let the boy play out, for he pined in the house, while I sat by a window to watch that he did not get out of sight. One day I must have fallen asleep, for I woke with a start, for lookin' out, couldn't see him nor hear of the boy. I went to the door, but he wasn't nowhere in sight. I started out to find him, never thinkin' of danger then. I walked for hours, askin' people about him, but nobody could tell me anything of him. Three days I kept this up, until I nigh about went crazy, and wore myself out with loss of sleep, travelin' about, and with my grief for the little fellow.

"On the last day before we were to sail, while I was rovin' about the streets in search of him I ran against these two men again—the ones who were lookin' for me. I knew by a quick, keen glance at me that they had got a suspicion it might be their man, and I got out of their way in a hurry. I was discouraged about findin' the boy. I didn't care to look for him any more. I was afraid to go to the police after him, lest they had been notified to be on the lookout, and should snap me up; so, half-crazed with fear and grief, I staggered on board the vessel I was to sail in, crawled into my berth, and lay there till we were well out to sea.

"Wall, sir, my heart was broke. I thought I never could hold up my head again, and I wouldn't have turned over my hand to have saved myself from goin' to the bottom; for I got to thinkin' that poor little chap with my whole soul, and I didn't know how to get on without him.

"But we had a good passage. I was hale and hearty when we landed, and seemed likely to live my lonely life for many a year. I worked on the interior, bought a sheep ranch, and set myself to do the work of three men; nothin' would ease the pain, and worry that was eatin' my heart out.

"Well, sir, to make a long story short, I've been on that sheep ranch ever since, until about six months ago, when a longin' seized me to come home and take a last look at my own land. I've grown to be a well-to-do farmer; I've plenty of money, and no one to spend it on or leave it to, unless I give it to you, Master Geoffrey, now that I've found you. Heaven be praised for that, and that you've got your mind back! I've been to New Jersey, found my place there neglected, and all out of repair, but with a thrifty little farm if it was well taken care of. I've been to Texas for a look at my old ranch there. The man that bought it got rich, sold out and then went north to live on his money. Then I shone here to see the place where I first found Margery, and it was well nigh this very spot—just there by that clump of spruce, where I was hid when you came—that we pledged our troth. Ah! my girl! my girl!

The poor man broke completely down here, and sobbed like a child, and Geoffrey's eyes were full of tears, too, as he witnessed his emotion and realized what he must have suffered during the checkered life that he had led.

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all those years while he was such a helpless burden, mentally, on his hands.

He saw that the man was naturally honorable and kind-hearted, and that he would never have been guilty of the crime which he had just confessed but for the misfortunes that led him into evil company, and to the use of intoxicating drinks.

"I'm a broken-down old man, sir," Jack said, after struggling hard for self-control, "for I never should blubber like this, but this place brings back those old days when my conscience was free—when life was bright and full of hope before me, and my girl, and it seems more'n I can bear. It's wonderful, though, that I should run across ye here! Oh, sir, I did ye a awful wrong, in my anger and jealous fit, when ye were a child. I've no right to expect it, but 'twould comfort my poor old heart more'n I could tell ye, if I could hear ye say ye don't lay it up agin me."

Geoffrey turned frankly towards the humble suppliant beside him.

"I do not, heartily," he said heartily, "you were the victim of drink, and were hardly accountable for the deeds of that night; you condemn yourself more than you really deserve, for if you have told me everything just as it occurred, your wife did not die by your hand—her death was caused by an accident."

The man shook his head sadly.

"No, no," he said, "I can't get it off my conscience that I was a murderer; for if I hadn't laid hands on her, she might have been living today."

"Still it was not willful or premeditated," Geoffrey persisted. "However," he added, "I freely forgive you your share in my misfortune, if that will be any comfort to you."

"Well, sir, I will like ye, and if there is a God, I thank him, too, that I've been allowed to set eyes on ye once more, and in yer right mind, too," was the fervent response.

"I reckon," he continued, after a moment of thought, "might be called the work of Providence that I lost ye there in New York, for if ye'd gone with me to Australia, I doubt that ye'd ever been cured, and I'm right sure ye'd never been the gentleman that ye are. I'd thank ye to tell me about the good man that befriended ye."

"I will, Jack, presently; but I first want to ask you a few more questions about the past."

"All right, sir; anything I can tell ye, ye shall know."

"Well, then, I'd like you to describe the man who was my father," Geoffrey said, gravely.

Jack turned to look upon the young man beside him.

"The best description ye could get of him'd be to go and see the statue in the gallery studyin' Geoffrey's face and form, 'for ye're as nigh like him as another man could be when I first saw him after he brought that pretty little woman to live here. He'd been off to meet her somewhere, and he'd shaved off all his heavy beard, had his hair trimmed up in the fashion, and wore a dandy suit of clothes."

"His true name was Dale, you say? Are you sure that was his true name?"

"The young man asked."

"I couldn't take my oath as to that, sir, but everybody here knew him as Cap'n. William Dale, though I don't know how he came to be a captain. She used to call him 'Will' in a way that made his eyes shine enough to do ye good."

Geoffrey's eyes lighted at this.

It was evident that Cap'n Dale had truly loved the girl whom he had brought there, whether she had been his legal wife or not.

"Do you know what her name was before he married her?" he asked.

"No, sir; that is one of those things I can't tell ye, even Margery never found out that. They was both very shy of talkin' about themselves before folks, and I never knew where they came from either."

"Did they never have visitors—was there no friend who ever came to see them?"

"No, sir; and they didn't seem to want anybody; she was just his world, an he her'n. My girl used to think it was kind of strange, though, that they never got any letters; but they never did, and never wrote any, either."

"Did she seem happy?" Geoffrey asked, in a hushed tone, as if this was ground he hardly liked to trespass upon.

"As chipper as a bird," Jack returned, "and she could sing like one, too. Many's the night the boys have staid in to ponder house to listen while she sang and played to the captain; he had a piano sent up from Santa Fe, and she was always bright and smiling; she was like a streak of sunshine in a dark place, for there wasn't anybody like her anywhere about."

Geoffrey felt his heart yearn wistfully for this sweet and gentle woman, who had been his mother, and who had brightened that wild and dreary place with her presence for one short year.

Still the mystery regarding his father and her relations to him seemed as dark as ever.

If he could not learn whence they came, it would be impossible to trace his history any farther, and his depression and discouragement began to settle upon him.

To be continued.

A FARMER IN TROUBLE.

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

Cardinal, Dec. 7.—Mr. Robert McIntosh, a farmer very widely known in this county, and living near this village has been in a painful and dangerous condition as the result of kidney disease affecting the bladder. When called upon he said:

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Western Ontario.

Diphtheria Has Been Stamped Out in Delhi.

A Conspiracy Case in Windsor—Kent County Has No Hog Cholera.

The Delhi schools are open again; there is not a case of diphtheria in the village.

Mr. John Kohl, who resides south of Delhi village, died suddenly Monday.

Reeve Walter Murray, of Blenheim, has been appointed a justice of the peace for Oxford county.

The Windsor Board of Education has appointed Misses Treble, Lamm and Killoran to positions on the teaching staff.

At a meeting of Presbyterians of Windham Center a unanimous call was given to Rev. Mr. Currie, of Kingston.

G. W. Holman has served the West Huron teachers so faithfully as secretary-treasurer that at the recent meeting he was re-elected for the thirtieth year.

Mrs. A. W. Francis, Woodstock, mother of V. L. Francis, suffered a stroke of paralysis Tuesday afternoon, and her chances of recovery are doubtful. Mrs. Francis is over 60 years old.

Mr. D. K. McKenzie, of St. Thomas, in All Saints' Church, Windsor, Tuesday night, thieves entered the vestry, where the ladies had left their wraps, and took \$10 in small sums from the pockets.

The son of B. Daniel, con. A. Blenheim, Tuesday fell off a load of turnips and was run over. Dr. Taylor, of Princeton, was summoned, and he was soon on the spot to relieve the little sufferer.

John McDonald, a carpenter employed on Father Connolly's new residence, Ingersoll, Tuesday, was at work on the staircase and losing his balance, fell over the baluster, breaking two of his ribs.

Mr. D. K. McKenzie, of St. Thomas, has received a telegram from Rev. Dr. Sutherland, of Pinal, stating that Rev. Mr. Fraser had declined the call recently tendered to him by the congregation of Knox Church to become their pastor.

The Dominion Government veterinary inspectors are of the opinion that so-called hog cholera, which has done much damage in Essex county, is in reality swine plague, a distinct disease, but equally deadly. Both are infectious and contagious.

At a meeting of the twentieth district of the Conservative Association held in Chatham Wednesday afternoon, the election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mr. J. W. Sharpe, Dresden; vice-president, Mr. W. Fraser, Windsor; secretary, Mr. J. W. Sharpe, Dresden; treasurer, Mr. J. W. Sharpe, Dresden.

William Moulton, an employee of the Evans Brothers, of St. Thomas, Ingersoll, is somewhat near-sighted, and the other day, not noticing that he was standing down at the floor level, walked right off, falling some distance, causing him to dislocate his ankle and dislocate his shoulder.

True bills on a charge of conspiracy to commit an indictable offense were returned at Windsor Wednesday against Willis Jordan, alias Howard, the old colored man, who married a girl of 18; George Edmunds, secretary of the election, and his wife, and the girl's uncle and aunt, and Mrs. Laura Wilson, Mrs. Edmunds' fore lady.

The funeral of George Adam, one of the pioneers of West Zorra, took place Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the residence of his son, Mr. Adam, who has resided many years ago in Embro, and had resided in Woodstock for five years. He leaves a widow, Mrs. Sutherland, his daughter, who resides in Toronto.

Dr. Kime, V.S., submitted a statement to the Board of Health at Chatham on Tuesday, declaring as a Government inspector that he had seen Mr. Eachern both pronounced the recent outbreak among hogs in Kent county not to have been hog cholera, but a disease of the lungs, from which many infected animals recovered.

The Children's Aid Society, Toronto, is anxious to obtain possession of the 2-year-old child of Elijah Kidd, who is now in Goderich jail on a charge of fraud. The mother of the child lives in St. Michael's Hospital some two weeks ago. David Kidd, an uncle, is willing to take charge of the infant. Magistrate Denison will give his decision in a week.

Mr. James H. Hunt, living on Lincoln avenue, Walkerville, had a close call from asphyxiation from coal gas. "Jack" got up at 6 a.m., and, smelling gas, opened the front door, which he had no sooner done than he fell outside like a log and lay there insensible. Mrs. James, who was not so far overcome, got up and called the doctor, who brought Mr. James from the door.

Miss Ada L. Pirie, youngest daughter of the late Mr. George Pirie, of Guelph, was married on Wednesday afternoon to Mr. Walpole Murdoch, proprietor of the Pilot Mound, N. W. T. Sentinel. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. James H. Pirie, performing the duties of groomsmen.

Mr. Wm. McKelvey, sen., of Sarnia, mail carrier, met with a painful accident Wednesday afternoon. While at Collingville, Mr. McKelvey's horse took fright at an umbrella blowing out of the buggy, and ran away. Mr. McKelvey was run over by the buggy and kicked by the horse. Still no serious results are anticipated, although the old gentleman was, besides his other injuries, pretty well shaken up.

William Hunt, of Ingersoll, was stricken down with paralysis Tuesday morning at his residence there, and died within 24 hours. Deceased came from Beachville about fourteen years ago. He was widely and favorably known for his strong personality. Prior to his coming to Canada from England he was a preacher of the Gospel for 40 years. His second wife survived him. He leaves three sons, one of whom is George, of Woodstock, the former auctioneer partner of Mr. Irving. Deceased was 84 years of age.

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Two Brant Homeides.

Bill and Carpenter Convicted of Manslaughter.

The Latter, Who Killed His Wife, Was Only Six Weeks Married.

Brantford, Ont., Dec. 11.—The Carpenter wife murder trial occupied the attention of the Assize Court yesterday. The jury, after four hours deliberation, found a verdict of guilty of manslaughter.

The prisoner, James Carpenter, was married to his deceased wife, Lily, only six weeks. For a time, so far as could be ascertained, the couple lived happily together. Mrs. Carpenter was afflicted with a form of disease, which, it is stated, caused trouble between the man and his wife, and once or twice threatened to separate them. They were peace-loving, however, to live together up to the time of deceased's death. The theory of the crown is that the prisoner beat and ill-treated his wife, and that she died from injuries at his hands.

Jacob Hill was charged with the murder of his stepson, Abram Claus, at Burford, on May 9 last. The prisoner is an Indian, aged 17 years. He pleaded not guilty to murder. The plea of manslaughter was afterwards accepted, and on being tried he was found guilty.

PRINTING PAPER COMBINE.

New York, Dec. 11.—The principal manufacturers of printing paper, shod for newspapers, after numerous conferences, have reached an agreement to pool interests, and to deal with consumers only through a general agency, which is to be established in this city. The plan forms a national association. They deny that prices will be advanced as a result of the proposed agreement, but contend that they are obliged to co-operate to prevent ruinous competition. Thirty companies are interested in the movement. They are to control the industry in the United States.

UNITED STATES CROPS.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 10.—The Department of Agriculture has issued a report of the crops for the month of December relative chiefly to the average farm price of the various products of agriculture for the first day of the month. The farm price for corn, it is indicated, averages 21.4 cents, against 20.1 cents last year. Of oats, 18.6 cents, against 19.9 cents last year. Of barley, 32.2 cents, against 31.7 cents last year. Of buckwheat, 39.1 cents, against 42.2 cents last year. Of potatoes, 23.7 cents, against 25.6 cents last year. Leaf tobacco, per pound, 8 cents, against 6.8 cents last year. Hay, per ton, \$8.54, against \$8.35 last year. Cotton, per pound, 6.6 cents, against 7.4 cents last year. The condition of winter wheat on Dec. 1 averaged for the country 95.5 per cent, against 84.4 in 1894, 92 in 1894, and 81.5 in 1893. The returns make the average of winter wheat just now 105.2 per cent, against 95.5 per cent last year. The estimate, which is preliminary to the completed estimate of June next, shows a record for the harvest of 1897, 23,986,470 bushels, against 22,986,470 bushels for the harvest of 1896, except in France and Southern Russia, where the general forecast is favorable; increase in acreage probably not great.

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