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IMPERIALISM
A notable plank in the Conservative platform as laid down by Mr. Borden is the following:
"We believe that any extension of our markets by means of reciprocal trade arrangements should be sought among those within the Empire who are our chief customers, rather than in foreign countries. A preference for our products in British markets would lead to an immediate enormous development of our resources. Such a preference the Conservative party will endeavor to obtain on favorable terms."

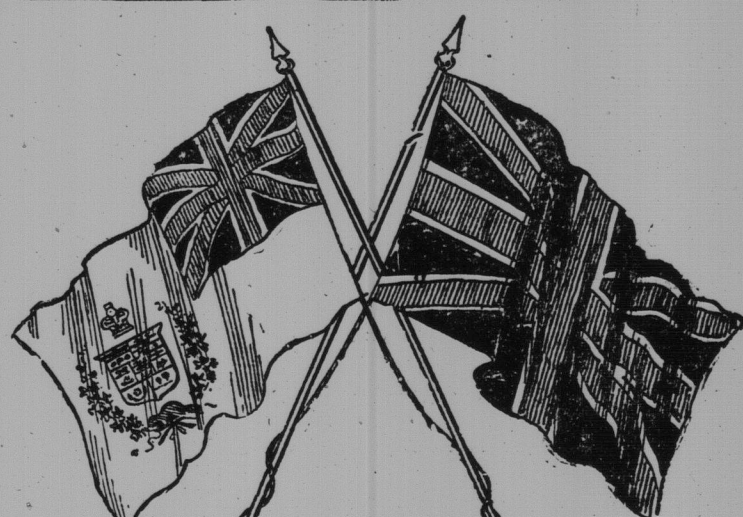
This emphatic pronouncement in favor of the policy of preferential trade—Mr. Chamberlain's Imperial policy—is wholly in accord with the history of the Conservative party and with Mr. Borden's own record. Sir John A. Macdonald and Sir Charles Tupper were firm believers in such a policy; were, indeed, the originators of it, and since his accession to the Conservative leadership, Mr. Borden has many times emphasized his thorough approval.
On March 13, 1901, he moved in the house of commons the following resolution:
"That, in the opinion of the house, the adoption of a policy of mutual trade preference within the Empire would prove of great benefit to the mother country and to the colonies and would greatly promote the prosperity, unity and progress of the Empire as a whole, and that the present time, when the Commonwealth of Australia is laying the foundation of its fiscal system, is particularly opportune for taking prompt and energetic steps towards the furtherance of this object."

On May 12, 1902, Mr. Borden made the following offer to the government:
"That on this side of the house we are prepared to support a resolution affirming our belief in the advantages of a system of mutual trade preferences within the Empire, and so far as we are concerned, to have that resolution passed in the house unanimously for the purpose of strengthening the hands of the government at the approaching conference."

This invitation the government refused.
In 1903 and 1904 Mr. Borden again proposed to Sir Wilfrid a unanimous resolution expressing full sympathy with Mr. Chamberlain's policy of and campaign for reciprocal trade preferences within the Empire. Sir Wilfrid again declined to let parliament reflect the unanimous sentiment of the country, and expressly intimated that if the opposition introduced such a motion, the government's majority would be called in to vote it down. Mr. Borden, being more of a statesman than a politician, forebore to press his motion and gave up the great advantage such an action on the part of the Liberals would have given him because he knew that a vote of the Conservative parliament adverse to Mr. Chamberlain's policy would injure that great Imperialist's campaign in England.

There is the record of the two parties on this momentous question. The Liberals, suddenly timid, trying to regain their confidence by a vote in opposition to a mutual Imperial preference, but willing to oppose rather than openly favor it; and the Conservatives openly, heartily, enthusiastically endorsing this and any other policy which would tend to draw the Empire closer together.
Much as the Liberals try to evade this question in the English speaking provinces, it is as much an issue between the two parties as the railway policy and a Liberal vote is a vote against this splendid dominion one grand commonwealth, bound together by ties of mutual interest as well as by ties of blood and loyalty; an Empire in something more than name.

FACT vs ARGUMENT
Proof is piling upon proof concerning the intention of the Grand Trunk officials to divert the traffic of the Grand Trunk Pacific to Portland, until it is utterly inexplicable how any man with common sense can be deluded any longer into a belief that St. John has even a ghost of a show under the Liberal railway policy.
Leaving aside all the self-evident weaknesses in the contract which professed to bind the traffic to Canadian ports from men high in authority in the Grand Trunk which leave no room for doubt as to their intention of ignoring St. John and Halifax.
In his memorable address to the Grand Trunk shareholders last summer President Hays declared positively by that the Grand Trunk Pacific would be a feeder to the Grand Trunk and would tie up the freight of the Canadian west to Portland.
In his interview with the St. John Globe the other day, Vice-President Wainwright declared that, in order to get any of the traffic St. John must provide facilities at its own expense. He gave no assurance that the traffic would come even if the city did spend millions in providing for the company what the company provided for itself in Portland.
The Star yesterday republished from the Portland Advertiser an interview



Liberal-Conservative Candidates:
DR. J. W. DANIEL
For Saint John City.
A. A. STOCKTON, K. C., LL. D.,
For Saint John City and County.

with another prominent Grand Trunk official who pool-pooled St. John's claims and said: "The fact is that Portland is really going to be the great terminus of the new transcontinental railway line, that will equal in importance any in the world. Portland has the natural facilities to do the business and St. John has not. St. John may get a small share of the traffic, but, mark me, Portland is destined to be the place where the great bulk of the business will be transacted."
In the face of these declarations from the men who will have the handling of the traffic, the man who persists in making fantastic arguments, based on a contract as full of holes as a porous pumper, that the G. T. P. is bound to bring its freight here, is either utterly stupid or remarkably audacious.

AUTUMN MINSTRELY.
I have been listening to the tune of the minstrel, Autumn, played; And close my eyes to brood on June And immemorial May.
For in the swaying rise and fall There is encompassed all the mirth That takes the heart and holds it thrall.
In the bloom-ideas of earth:
The long, ecstatic pulse, the sweep, The silvery cadences of theme, The raptures that linger deep In the vast calms of dream.
And though I know that round me burn The fiery ardors of the leaf, Like embers glowing in an urn, My spirit feels no grief,
Caught up to heights of clear content, Swept by the mellow ravishment Of Autumn's minstrelsy.
—Clifton Scollard, in November Lippincott's.

OCTOBER WEDDINGS.
STRIEDER-PARKER.
A pretty wedding took place in Trinity church at three o'clock yesterday afternoon, when Miss Ella Stewart Parker, daughter of the late Captain William Parker, and niece of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Robertson, was united in marriage to Albert B. Strieder, of Bayonne, N. J., Miss Belle Hutchinson was bridesmaid, and Miss Winifred Ansley acted as flower girl. Dr. Ware, of Bayonne, N. J., was groomsmen and Gerald Foster acted as best man and carried the ring.
The ceremony was performed by Rev. Canon Richardson, assisted by Rev. P. McKim. The party drove from the church to the residence of John M. Robertson, where a reception was held. Mr. and Mrs. Strieder left by the C. P. R. for Montreal, and will make a short tour before returning to their home in Bayonne.

PEER-THOMPSON.
Last evening at Carleton, Miss Bertha Thompson, daughter of Spence Thompson, of Carleton Place, was married to Geo. L. Peer. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. M. Hill.

MONCTON MAN ASPHYXIAIED.
BOSTON, Oct. 26.—The Associated Press has sent out a story, under New York date, about the death by asphyxiation in a Lexington avenue hotel of Benjamin Belliveau.
Belliveau was born in Moncton, N. B., twenty-six years ago, where his parents and a brother still reside. He leaves a widow and baby, who live in Hyde Park, Mass. His body will be taken from New York to Moncton for burial.

MARRIAGES.
STRIEDER-PARKER.—At Trinity church, Oct. 26, 1904, by Rev. Canon Richardson, assisted by Rev. P. McKim, Albert Thatcher Strieder, of Bayonne, New Jersey, to Ella Stewart Parker, daughter of the late Capt. Parker.
DAVIDS-ANDREWS.—On Wednesday, Oct. 26, at St. Andrew's church, by Rev. David Lang, Thomas F. Davies to May A., eldest daughter of John B. Andrews, all of this city.
GAMBLIN-GRAY.—At the residence of E. C. Keirstead, 75 King street, Oct. 26, by Rev. David Long of Victoria street Free Baptist church, Walter M. Gamblin to Beatie Edith Gray, both of Springfield, Kings Co.

DEATHS.
WILLIAMS.—Capt. Lee Woodman Williams, 26 years of age, leaving a wife and one child.
Funeral from his late residence, 77 Ladbroke street, Friday at 2.30 o'clock.
DOWNEY.—At Springfield, Kings Co., N. B., Mrs. W. F. Downey, aged 56 years, leaving a husband and one son to mourn their loss.

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LOCAL NEWS.
The lecture which was to have been given last evening in the Victoria street Free Baptist church was postponed on account of the weather until Friday evening.
The lecture which was to have been delivered last evening in the Victoria street Free Baptist church, by Rev. David Long, on account of the bad weather was postponed. It will probably be given on Friday night.
Daniel McMichael was not satisfied with dispensing fiery refreshments on six days of the week. He sold on Sunday as well. Equine bowlers whose emporium of justice is at Elmdale, imposed upon Daniel a fine of \$50 and costs.
Mrs. Shoon Lege of Fairville, who was taken suddenly ill last Sunday with internal trouble and has been in a very critical condition since, is recovering somewhat under the treatment of Dr. Curran. The doctor stated yesterday morning that prospects looked a little better for her recovery, and after making another call in the evening said he had much hope for her.
Hamilton McCarthy, the sculptor, who has the work for the Champlain monument, is in town. He has plans of the proposed monument with him which will be shown to the committee today. So far no one has seen any plans for the memorial, and there is a good deal of curiosity as to the form it will take. Mr. McCarthy is staying at the Royal.
The entertainment given in Emmons Street Methodist church was a most pleasing affair. There was a large audience in spite of the bad weather and all the items were greatly appreciated. Miss Jupp's recitations delighted her hearers. Solos were rendered by Miss Wilbur and Miss Knott. Miss Cole and Mrs. Tufts sang a duet, and Roy Willet gave a baptismal solo which was much appreciated.

NATURE AND NATURE'S LAWS.
The following bit of "Wild Nature" is culled from the novel of Charles G. D. Roberts in the November Lippincott's. It is entitled "The Prisoner of Mademoiselle de Biencourt."
"As the darkness grew denser, the blackhouse grew less solitary, though not less silent. The future life of the wilds began to centre about it. Here and there a softly hurried rustling in the grasses betrayed the wary diligence of the mice and shrews. Presently a fox appeared, his bush of a tail floating behind him. He drifted swiftly hither and thither, a darker shadow among the shadows, and had snuggled up two over-creeping or unlucky shrews before he reached the blackhouse. As he passed close to the door the man went on the threshold again. He would have no more of hunting with so feared and hated a foe in the neighborhood.
"The fox had not been gone above ten minutes when there was a desperate rush in the low bushes across the clearing, and a rabbit appeared, stretched straight out like a coursing greyhound and leaping for its life. Once before this same rabbit had escaped by darting in through the open door of the blackhouse, whither its more daring pursuer had refused to follow. A few yards behind came a weasel, but on the blood quest, the rabbit reached the blackhouse—but there was no door open to it. Around the dark building it ran, its heart thumped with terror, and just before the barred threshold it met the weasel face to face. Paralyzed on the

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W. C. R. ALLAN	173 King street, W. E.

RETURNED WITH THANKS.

Once upon a time the late Guy Wetmore Cary sold a story to a publisher of magazines. After several months had gone by he received a proof of the story and a note from the publisher. The latter was to the effect that, although the story had been bought, it was hardly what the magazine wanted, and that he would be greatly obliged to Mr. Cary if that gentleman would sell the story elsewhere and send him the check. The publisher in question owns a number of grocery stores, and Cary was somewhat of a wag. Therefore his opportunity for obtaining the revenge that he felt was due lay right at his hand. Buying a large can of tomatoes,

he removed part of the contents, sealed the can up again, and mailed it to the offending publisher with this note: "Dear Sir: The enclosed can of tomatoes was purchased by me from one of your stores. Although the purchase was made in good faith, I find that change of policy compels me to return the goods to you and ask you to dispose of them elsewhere, remitting to me the ten cents that they should bring when you collect. The fact that I am returning this can does not necessarily indicate lack of merit, as many factors enter into the selection of material for filling a modern stomach, and what does not suit me may be exactly what someone else is looking for."—November Lippincott's

CONSERVATIVE WARD MEETINGS

The workers of the various Wards of the city will meet every evening as follows:

Cuy, City Hall, Carleton.

Brooks, John McAlau's shop, St. John Street.

Sidney and Duke, vacant shop, Cor. Duke and Charlotte Sts.

Queens, Kings, Prince and Wellington, Club Rooms, Breeze's Corner.

Victoria, Victoria Rink.

Dufferin, Kewley's Bldg, 625 Main St.

Lansdowne, Lorne and Stanley, Temple of Honor Hall, Main St.

Lancaster Parish, Orange Hall, Fairville.

SIR CHARLES TUPPER ISSUES OPEN LETTER TO SIR WILFRID.

WINNIPEG, Oct. 25.—Sir Charles Tupper has addressed the following letter to Sir Wilfrid Laurier: "I beg to call your attention to an error which you no doubt inadvertently made in your speech at Chatham, when you said: 'The Intercolonial railway was administered by Alexander Mackenzie for three years, but could not be made to pay. Sir Charles Tupper managed it for several years and the result was the same.' 'If you refer to the public accounts you will find the following facts recorded: 'In 1877-78 there was a loss on the Intercolonial railway, that is to say, all the receipts did not meet the expenditures of the year by \$2,000,000. 'In the year 1877-78, the loss was \$432,327. 'The loss in 1878-79 the last year of Mackenzie's management, was \$16,083. In 1879-80 the loss was reduced under my management to \$67,131. 'In 1880-81 there was a profit of \$543. 'In 1881-82 the profit was \$9,606. 'In 1882-83 the profit was \$10,548, and in 1883-84, when I resigned the office of minister of railways. 'Yours truly, 'CHARLES TUPPER.'"

DYING WIFE'S GOOD-BYE TO DYING HUSBAND.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—When told that his husband, who was very ill, Mrs. Josiah Morgan, who was herself lying seriously ill in an adjoining room, implored her attendants to take her to his bedside, though she was told it would probably mean her own death as a result. Mr. Morgan had been informed by his physician that he could live only a few hours longer, and he had asked to be taken to her.

In an invalid chair, the heartbroken wife was wheeled to the bedside of her dying husband. So weak that they could hardly move a muscle, the sorrowing couple, with clasped hands said their last good-bye.

Only two days previously great joy prevailed in the Morgan home, which is in Kosuth avenue, Wakefield. That morning, just before Mr. Morgan left the house to go to the registration booth, where he was acting as inspector of elections, a little son arrived.

During the forenoon Mr. Morgan returned to his home complaining of severe pains. His physician pronounced his malady pneumonia, and said that there was little chance for his recovery. He grew gradually worse until Saturday, when he died.

Her own illness, added to the shock of the sudden death of her husband, has caused Mrs. Morgan's condition to be extremely critical. The couple had five children.

UNION MEETING.

The congregation of St. David's and the Congregational Churches met in the school room of the latter church for their union prayer meeting last night. Brief reports were received from the recent Sunday school convention at Woodstock. Special music was rendered.

The congregation of St. David's expect to get back to their own church by the second week in November. Their Sunday school met there for the first time last Sunday.

DIRECTORS ELECTED.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Hampstead S. S. Company was held Wednesday at Oak Point, Kings Co. The board of directors reported a successful season and the following were elected board of directors for the ensuing year: L. A. Cursey, R. Keltie Jones, J. M. Inch, Jas. H. Poole, Capt. Fred S. Mabey. At a subsequent meeting of the directors, L. A. Cursey was made president; R. K. Jones, vice president, and Capt. Mabey, secretary treasurer.

BOY SENT BACK.

The young Italian who was held here on suspicion of being affected with trachoma, was sent back last night to Yarmouth, where he will be examined by the physician who first noted signs of the disease. If unaffected he will be allowed to proceed. No word has been received from his two companions who deserted him in this city.

Electors of the City of St. John, Mark Your Ballot Like This.

JOHN WATERHOUSE DANIEL,
of the City of Saint John,
Physician.

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RICHARD O'BRIEN,
of the City of Saint John,
Journalist.

BOY SEIZED BY EAGLE.
An astonishing story which comes from Lorneville. It is of a boy being carried for a distance in the air by a monstrous eagle. The boy is a son of James Ferguson, farmer and fisherman. The story runs that the boy was playing not far from his home a few days ago when suddenly the great winged creature appeared and darted down on the little fellow. Fastening its talons in the boy's clothing the eagle mounted upwards and took a course straight for the woods. When it reached the verge of the woods it slowly descended to the ground, loosening its grip of the boy. Once free the boy struggled to retain his liberty, and in this was ably seconded by a large dog that had followed the eagle. At the same time the boy's father appeared and the eagle flew away.

The boy is said to be suffering from scratches made by the eagle's talons.

A VILLAGE WISEACRE.

A man had created a great sensation in Wykeham by his learned discourse on "The World and its People." The village wiseacre listened very patiently until the lecturer asserted: "The population of China, my friends, is quite as large as that of the rest of the world combined."

"Rot!" quoth the wiseacre. "Talk a bit of sense!"

"It's a fact, sir," proceeded the lecturer. "What would you say if I told you that China's population is five times that of the British Empire?"

"I should say nuthin'," was the reply, "because I should know it wasn't right!"

"But how would you know that?" queried the exasperated lecturer.

The wiseacre climbed on to a fence, and made himself seen and heard.

"My fellow-villagers," he exclaimed, "will you be ruled by a man like this? Why, if there was all them people in China the bloom'd be world'd tip up!"

PAINFULLY FRANK.
The Rev. E. B. was a strictly honest but painfully frank old man. One day he was approached by Bill M., a man of doubtful reputation, who said: "Look'ee here, parson, I want to make a request of 'ee, an' I want 'ee to promise 'ee to preach my funeral sermon, if so be you outlive me."

"Ay, certainly, Bill—certainly!"

"An' I want 'ee to preach it from the words: 'An honest man is the noblest work of God.'"

"I'll do it, Bill—I'll do it for you with pleasure," replied the parson. "And I'll add that I'm sorry there's such a very poor specimen in the coffin."

HOW TO GET HIGHER.

(New York Tribune.)
Governor Howard of South Carolina tells a joke about a young Bostonian who was visiting New York City and had occasion to go into the Park Row building. On reaching the twenty-sixth story, which is the highest, everybody except the Bostonian left the car. "Is this as high as you go?" asked the young man.

"Yes, sir, unless the elevator falls," answered the truthful elevator man.

BASE BALL.

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—The convention of the National Association of professional baseball leagues was resumed today at the Victoria Hotel. The election of officers was one of the principal matters at issue. The president of the association, H. O. Griffith of Jersey City and George Tebeau of Louisville, Ky.

TWO BIRDS FROM AUSTRALIA.

Capt. Samson was going home from Australia, and he brought with him a goodly stock of souvenirs. Among them was a pair of those interesting creatures known as laughing jackasses, and he entrusted them to his servant Tom Finch. Alas! the unaccounted shipboard life did not agree with the animals, and in spite of Tom's care, they pined, and finally they died. When he discovered the catastrophe Tom was in despair.

"I say, Jim," he called to a comrade, "ere's a nice thing! I don't tell the captain!"

"Don't funk it, mate," was Jim's advice. "Break it to him gently. You'll find it'll be all right."

The advice seemed sound, so Tom sought his master. "Excuse me, sir," he said, "you know them things upstairs—what you call lardin' jackasses?"

"Yes."

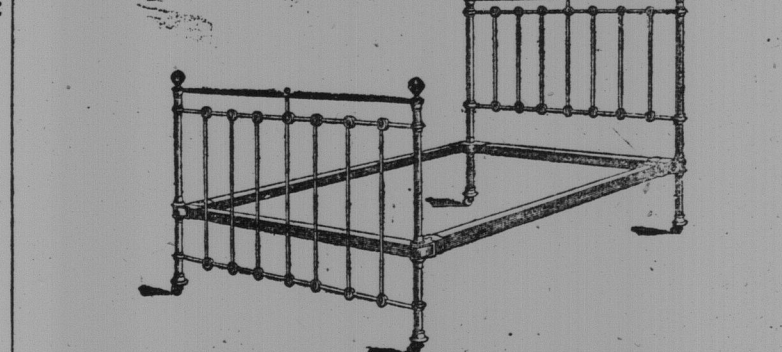
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CONTRARY MAN.

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WANTED—Two or three furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Address Canadian Bank Note Co., Clarence street, J. E. BARRY.

WANTED. By a young lady, an unfurnished room. Address J., care Star Office.

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TO LET. A large store and five rooms, in a central locality. Address W. J., Star office.

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HOLDING HIM.

"My dear," began Mrs. Gunner, "I saw a beautiful coat downtown for a mere song."

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"Well, dear, you always said you were musical!"

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GOOD NEWS FROM MARITIME PROVINCES.

Workers Everywhere Report Brilliant Prospects—Nova Scotia Conservatives Confident.

HALIFAX, N. S., Oct. 26.—R. L. Borden was given a triumphal reception by his fellow citizens of Halifax tonight on his arrival in the city. It was an ovation such as seldom comes to the lot of a public man. Nothing could have been more spontaneous or sincere than the outburst of feeling which was manifested by the populace. Ten thousand people gathered at the railway station and along the streets and probably a hundred carriages, filled with cheering citizens, joined in the procession in the leader's honor. A feature of the demonstration was the presence of two score mounted men, who acted as a body guard for Mr. Borden. In the carriage with the leader and Mrs. Borden were J. C. O'Mullin, his colleague and Mr. O'Mullin. They were cheered continuously along the three miles of the road to the city. The cheering was not only on the part of the people, but also on the part of the press. The press was given with enthusiastic vigor. In the procession along with the cheering conservatives were many liberals who at this election will cast their first conservative votes.

Fire works were burned and rockets discharged, making the scene one of picturesque and striking brilliancy, which was increased by the fact that the searchlights of the flag ship Arctique, thrown over the city across the dark sky. The Arctique's display of course, was an accidental coincidence, but it made it more memorable. This magnificent demonstration shows how strongly entrenched Mr. Borden is in the affections of Halifax people and how completely they favor his policy for the building of a government work, to be controlled by the people and to be managed by a commission of experts exclusively for the public benefit. He will speak tomorrow afternoon in Windsor and in the evening in this city.

WILL FIGHT EVERY SEAT IN QUEBEC.

MONTREAL, Oct. 26.—Tomorrow will see candidates nominated in opposition to government candidates in every constituency of Quebec. It is possible exception that Mr. Fitzpatrick may be returned by acclamation. Not only is this the case, but the conservatives have been greatly cheered as the canvass has progressed to note the number of men who are coming out to the party from which they expected in 1896 to vote for their compatriot premier. They are still satisfied with the manner in which his administration has been conducted, and they are not without confidence in his private property, competence to lead and to lead with whom they have not the least sympathy.

Hon. Sydney Fisher last night told the people of Montreal that the conservatives would not carry one of the English-speaking constituencies in Quebec. Yet out in Riviere des Chenes and Union Mr. Fisher comes home and shows himself to the electors he will himself be numbered among the slain. It is generally expected, however, that Fisher will be elected, for if he does not go home himself he will at least send the "barrel." His supporters care more for that than they do for Mr. Fisher.

Of the English-speaking counties which Fisher says are his, the conservatives expect to carry Argenteuil, St. Antoine in Montreal, Huntington, Mistisqui, Compton and Sherbrooke. In the French-speaking counties of Montmagny, Beauce, Beauceville, Hochelaga, Jacques Cartier, Laprairie, Laval, Megantic, Pontiac, St. Marys in Montreal, St. Hyacinthe, Soulanges, Terrebonne, Two Mountains and Veillonville are either sure to go conservative or there are good fighting chances.

In the Quebec district the party expect to win in Beauport, Charlevoix, Champlain, Dorchester, Montmagny, Montmagny, Nicolet, Rivest, Hulet and Three Rivers. Here are thirty seats, and the leaders think it strange after carefully going over the situation if they are not able to carry at least twenty of them, with good prospects of more. That the liberals are alarmed is best evidenced by the fact that Laurier was informally scheduled to only speak every other day. Now he is being compelled to not only speak every day, but two or three times a day, including long railway journeys to his meetings. This reflects the fact that liberal confidence in the solidity of Quebec has been greatly shaken during the past few weeks. The promise is that November 3rd will see it receive a rude jar.

IN YORKE COUNTY.

FREDERICTON, Oct. 26.—O. S. Crockett, the conservative candidate for York, was in the city today, after having spent some time in the different parishes. Mr. Crockett says that he has every reason to expect a good victory. Everywhere he is spoken he has been received not only by overcrowded houses, but the enthusiasm shown was most gratifying. He says that he had been over the county in several campaigns, but never before has he witnessed such an uprising against the government of the day. Asked as to how the meetings have compared with those held when Dr. McLeod was the candidate, Mr. Crockett said, "Well, they were fine ones; no one could deny that; but they do not equal the present ones." In every parish in which Mr. Crockett spoke, without an exception, liberals came forward voluntarily and signed the nomination paper. Not only Mr. Crockett, but his friends everywhere

in York, feel that the conservatives are going to win, and the most reason for this is the fact that the liberals acknowledge that the fight is going to be a warm one. At Hawke's Bay, last evening, Mr. Crockett was greeted by an overcrowded house, and at the close of his speech no less than fourteen of the audience came forward and signed the nomination paper. One aged gentleman caused some amusement when he said, "I have been always a liberal, but I am going to hold on to the Union Jack." At Millville Mr. McLeod also addressed a most enthusiastic audience last night. It is said to have been the largest political gathering ever seen in that section of the county, and in other districts, several liberals signed the conservative nomination paper.

The Fredericton Gleaner, which is fighting hard for Sir Wilfrid Laurier, says or acknowledged in this evening's edition that it is justified in placing this former liberal stronghold (meaning New Brunswick) in the doubtful column, and despairingly goes on and says that in this province, while there may be a perceptible falling off in the total liberal vote, and some single constituency may change its allegiance, there is no general trend towards the opposition, and in fact hope is still held out that liberals will be made upon the enemy. This is not very encouraging to the office-holders and faithful in this county.

MORE NOMINATIONS.

LONDON, Oct. 26.—The socialist labor party today nominated Lockhart M. Gordon their candidate for the commons.

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Storm's One Bolt Caused the Disaster—Loss About Fifty Thousand Dollars.

THE MAGNIFICENT CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION.

The magnificent church of the Assumption one of the finest Catholic churches in the city and the only one in Carleton, was totally destroyed by lightning yesterday afternoon.

About a quarter to four a bolt of lightning struck the steeple very near the cross, and at six o'clock nothing remained of the splendid structure, reared at a great cost and much sacrifice on the part of the congregation, but a mass of blazing ruins.

The fire was first noticed by Frank Ervin, who immediately sent an alarm bell. The fire was quickly extinguished, but the church was a mass of ruins. The steeple had been struck by lightning, and the fire had spread to the main body of the church. The church was a magnificent structure, and its destruction was a great loss to the community.

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THE STENOGRAPHER GIRL.

She Aims Her Views Upon the Market Price of Husbands.

(New York Journal.)

"I see," remarked the stenographer, as she glanced up from the morning paper, "that the market price of husbands is a way off." "The imported or the domestic brand?" inquired the bookkeeper.

"Both

The Filigree Ball

BY ANNA KATHERINE GREEN
AUTHOR OF
"THE LEAVENWORTH CASE."

(Continued.)
A dressing table laden with woman's fixings and various articles of the toilet, all of an unexpected value and richness, occupied the space between the two windows; and on the floor, immediately in front of a high mahogany mantle, there lay, amid a number of empty boxes, an overturned chair. This chair, and the conjecture its position awakened led me to look up at the mantle with which it seemed to be in some way connected, and thus I became aware of a man old drawing hanging on the wall above it. Why this picture, which was a totally uninteresting sketch of a smiling girl, should have held my eye after the first glance, I can not say even now. It had no beauty of line, no mental kind and very little, if any, meaning. Its lines, weak and the best, were nearly obliterated and in some places quite faded out. Yet, not only I looked at it, but in looking at it I forgot myself and well-nigh my errand. Yet there was no apparent reason for the spell it exerted over me, nor could I account in any way for the really supernatural dread which from this moment seized me, making my head move slowly round, with shivering back, toward the sketch that swayed and creaked or some of the faint noises, which grow out of silence in answer to our inner expectancy, drew my attention or appalled my sense.

To all appearance there was less here than below to affect a man's courage. No inanimate body with the mark of the slayer upon it lent horror to these walls, yet sensations which I had easily overcome in the library below clung with strange insistence to me here, making it an effort for me to move, and giving to the unexpected reflection of my own image in the mirror a ghastly, a power to shock my nerves which has never been repeated in my experience.

It may seem both unnecessary and out of character for a man of my calling to acknowledge these chance sensations, but only by doing so can I account for the minutes which elapsed before I summoned sufficient self-possession to draw aside the closed curtains of the bed and take the quick look inside which my present doubtful position demanded. But once I had broken the spell and taken the look just mentioned, I found my manhood return and with it my old ardor for clues. The bed, bald no gaping, chattering criminal; yet was it not quite empty. Something lay there, and this something, while commonplace in itself, was enough out of keeping with the place and hour to arouse my curiosity. It was a lady's wrap so rich in quality and of such a festive appearance that it was astonishing to find it lying in the neglected state in this crumbling old house. Though I knew little of the cost of women's garments, I do know the value of lace, and this garment was covered with it.

Interesting as was this find, it was followed by one still more so. Nestled in the folds of the cloak, lay the withered remains of what could only have been the best bouquet. Unlikely, now and then, it was once a beautiful specimen of the florist's art. As I noted how the man bunch of roses and lilies was connected by long satin ribbons to the lesser clusters which hung from it, I recalled with conceivable horror the use to which a similar ribbon had been put in the room below. In the shudder called up by this recollection I forgot to speculate how a bouquet carried by the bride could have found its way back to this upstairs room when, as all agreed, she had fled from the parlor below without speaking or staying foot the moment she was told of the catastrophe which had taken place in the library. That her wrap should be lying here was not an encouraging sign, but the wedding bouquet—

That it really was the wedding bouquet, and that this was the room in which the bride had dressed for the ceremony was apparent to the most casual observer. The room came an establishment of fact when in my further course about the room I chanced on a handkerchief with the name Veronica embroidered in one corner. This handkerchief had an interest apart from the name on it. It was of dainty texture and quite in keeping, so far as value went, with the other belongings of its fastidious owner. But it was not clean. Indeed it was strangely soiled, and this soil was of a nature I did not readily understand. A woman would doubtless have comprehended immediately the cause of the brown stains I found on it, but it took me several minutes to realize that this bit of cambric, delicate as a cowan, had been used to remove dust. To remove dust? Dust from what? From the mantel-shelf probably, upon one end of which I found it. But not one look along the polished boards convinced me that whatever else had been dusted in this room this shelf had not. The accumulation of days, if not of months, was visible from one end to the other of its unrelieved surface save where the handkerchief had lain, and the greatest discovery yet—where five clear spots just to the left of the center showed where some man's finger-tips had rested. Nothing but the pressure of finger-tips could have caused just the appearance presented by these spots. By scrutinizing them closely I could even tell where the thumb had rested, and at once forebore the possibility of determining by these marks both the size and shape of the hand which had left behind it so neat and unmistakable a clue.

Wonderful but what did it all mean? Why should a man rest his finger-tips on this out-of-the-way shelf? Had he done so in an effort to balance himself for a look up the chimney? No; for then the marks made by his fingers would have extended to the edge of the shelf

whereas these were in the middle of it. Their shape, too, was round, not oblong; hence, the pressure had come from above and not from below. These impressions in the dust of the shelf were just such as would be made by a person looking at the picture. And this accounted also for the overturned chair, and for the handkerchief used as a duster. Some one's interest in this picture had been greater than mine; some one who was either very near-sighted or whose temperament was such that only the closest inspection would satisfy an intense curiosity.

This gave me an idea, or rather impressed upon my eye the necessity of preserving the outline of these tale marks while they were still plain to the eye. Taking out my penknife, I lightly ran the point of my sharpest blade around each separate impression till I had fixed them for all time in the well worn varnish of the mahogany.

This done, my thoughts recovered to the question already raised. What was there in this old picture to arouse such curiosity in one bent on evil if not fresh from a hideous crime? I have said before that the picture as a picture was worthless, a mere faded sketch at only for lumbering up some old garret. Then, wherein lay its charm—a charm which I myself had felt, though not to this extent? It was useless to conjecture. A fresh difficulty had been added to my task by this puzzling discovery, but difficulties only increased my interest. It was with an odd feeling of elation that, in further examination of this room, I came upon two additional facts equally odd and, when taken together, seemed to point to a crime.

One was the presence of a penknife with the file blade open, on a small table under the window marked by the foot of the bed. The other was that it was some flings which shone as the light from my lantern fell upon them, but which were so fine as to call for a magnifying-glass to make them out. The other was in connection with a closet not far from the door. It was an empty closet so far as the hooks went, and the two great drawers which I found standing half open at its back, but in the middle of the floor lay an overturned candlestick similar to the one I had seen in the room below, and a single candle crushed and battered out of all shape on the blackened marble of the hearth.

At some former time, then, say on the day of the bride? Glancing from the broken candle at my feet to the position of the file blade in the tumbler on the dressing table, I owned myself perplexed. Surely, no ordinary explanation fitted these extraordinary and seemingly contradictory circumstances.

CHAPTER IV.
I am in some ways hypersensitive. Among my other weaknesses I have a morbid dread of ridicule. In my theory on the captain when he disappeared, and even before I mentioned the various small matters which had so attracted my attention. If he and the experiential man who came with him saw suicide and nothing but suicide in this lamentable shooting of a lady, then I was in a state of great agitation, one of the men hastened down to offer his arm. As she took it, I asked Hilbard, who had suddenly reappeared upon the scene, who she was.

AT THE "LONDON HOUSE."

Thursday, Oct. 27th.

REPEAT ORDERS

Ladies "Serpentine" Suitings.

One of the most popular lines shown this season. Comes in the newest shades of brown, blue, grey, green, dark navy and red. 80c. yard

"Lanark" Suitings.

Very wide pure wool dress cloths in new, fancy tweed effects. Handsome homespun suitings in all new colorings, 56 in. wide, \$1.25 yd

Ladies' Golf Jackets.

A large shipment just received. Newest designs and coloring. All sizes.

New Military Style Wool Shirt Waists—Just In.

Strikingly pretty fine French flannel waists, trimmed with braid and buttons, regular military effect, in navy, cardinal, cream, black, &c. \$3.65 each

"Standard" Underwear For Women.

Unshrinkable Wool.
"Venus" vests with drawers to match, excellent goods, fine unshrinkable wool; per garment, \$1.00, \$1.15
"Stanfield's" natural vests and drawers to match, 65c. garment
"Stanfield's" unshrinkable vests and drawers, \$1.00, \$1.75
Vests and drawers, fine white or natural wool unshrinkable, 55c., 60c.

Another Line American Cream Ground Fall Waistings

Very popular new effects. Washable goods. 22c. yd

Babies' Winter Bonnets and Children's Fall Hats.

A very large selection of infants' headwear and children's hats this season.
Pretty corded silk bonnets.
Velvet and silk bonnets.
Fine trimmed silk hats.
Infants' white "Angora" bonnets.

New Polka Spot Waist Silks.

A new make of woven spot waist silks, dark grounds, white spot, very neat; waist length, \$2.10, 60c. yard

Great Bargain in Fine Napkins.

10 dozens only to sell at this price. Mill seconds of the finest napkins, very slight imperfections, nothing to hurt; regular \$2.75 and \$3.00. Sale price, \$1.59 dozen

F. W. DANIEL & CO.,

London House, Charlotte St.

A HEAVY RAIN.

Yesterday's Storm Was Something Out of the Ordinary.

The rainfall yesterday afternoon was an exceptionally heavy one, and was accompanied by a slight thunderstorm, an unusual occurrence at this time of the year. In all there fell one and three-quarters inches of rain. This began at 3 o'clock and continued into early evening. The heaviest fall was between 3.40 and 4.10, when the rain was coming down at the rate of three-fifths of an inch per hour. This is about as heavy as any rainfall on record and had it kept up, would have entailed serious consequences.

There was but one flash of lightning, but this was a particularly disastrous one. It occurred at 3.30 in the afternoon. While buildings have been struck on previous occasions, no such serious damage had been done in this city within the record of the meteorological department. Mr. Hutchingson also said that the wind was gusty, it was not very strong. The maximum was 28 miles an hour, and published in the first issue of the Advertiser was 65, and the lowest 59 degrees.

The sudden downpour had the good effect of cleaning many of the streets in the city, but the wild rush of the water over pavements and crossings deposited upon them a layer of mud and gravel which will give the street cleaning department a job to remove. This, however, is no great matter, as no material damage was done.

THE NEWS IN TROUBLE.

F. H. Hale Has Commenced Action For \$10,000 for Libel.

WOODSTOCK, Oct. 26.—On F. H. Hale's return to Woodstock yesterday from his canvass in the country, his attention was called to the statement published in the first issue of the Advertiser of St. John, as follows: "That Mr. Hale acted very badly in attempting to arouse upon his brother, Judson E. Hale, the responsibility for certain liabilities, which if successful would have ruined his younger brother."

"The fact that Judson Hale is fighting his brother Fred in this election for all he is worth is good for many voters to Carvell, who successfully defeated in the courts the attempt of the older brother to ruin him."

Mr. Hale immediately called upon his attorney, J. C. Hartley, and instructed him to start a suit for libel against the Advertiser and the publishers of the Liberator for \$10,000 damages. He further instructed that if successful the malicious falsehood be prosecuted as well.

WEDDINGS.

MURRAY-CASELEY.

St. John Baptist church, Broad street, was the scene of a pretty wedding at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, when Miss Lillian Casely, adopted daughter of the late Pilot John Speare, and Michael Casely, son of the late John Casely, were married by Rev. W. F. Chapman. The bride, who was charmingly attired in a gown of white chiffon trimmed with white feather boa and white picture hat, and carrying a bridal bouquet, was given away by a near relative, Capt. P. Casely. She was attended by Miss May Baxter, who wore a dress of pink and white. The groom was John E. Casely, a son of the late John Casely, and carried a bouquet of pink roses. Little Miss Eva Casely made a pretty flower girl, being attired in white and carrying pink and white carnations. Daniel Murray, brother of the groom, was best man. The ceremony was performed in the presence of relatives, and immediately afterwards the wedding party drove to the residence of the bride, 105 St. James street, where they will reside, and enjoyed a wedding luncheon. The bride and groom were accompanied by their friends from her friends and friends of the groom.

DAVIES-ANDREWS.

A quiet wedding took place at St. Andrew's church at 7 o'clock yesterday morning, when Thomas F. Davies was united to Miss May A. Andrews, eldest daughter of John E. Andrews, by Rev. David Lang in the presence of the immediate relatives of the contracting parties. The bride was attired in a travelling suit of grey cloth, and wore a white picture hat trimmed with ermine and ostrich plumes. The happy couple left on the steamer St. Croix for a trip to Boston and other New England cities. On their return they will reside at 182 Princess street. The wedding presents were numerous and elegant, showing the esteem in which the young couple are held.

GAMBLIN-GRAY.

A quiet wedding took place at the residence of E. C. Edström, 7 King street, yesterday afternoon, the contracting parties being Walter M. Gambelin and Bessie Edith Gray, daughter of Joseph Gray, both of Springfield, Kings county. The ceremony was performed by Rev. David Lang, and the happy couple left by the evening train for their future home in Springfield.

ABOUT SUGAR.

A rise of 5 cents per 100 weight in the price of sugar has been announced by the New York. As yet this has had no effect on the local market, but if the New York prices held strong the local market will be affected in a few days. While this will increase the price of sugar in wholesale quantities, it is too small an advance to affect the retail market.

RUSSIAN ADMIRAL SAW NO FISHING VESSELS.

Says His Fleet Fired at Two Torpedo Boats Supposed to be Japanese--He Is Very Sorry

GIBRALTAR, Oct. 26.—The battleship *Victorious*, illustrious and majestic (flagship of Vice Admiral Berezofsky) and the cruisers *Lanaster*, *Thesus*, and *Endymion* are under orders to sail for the North Sea incident. The admiral stated that the unfortunate occurrence was purely accidental. The weather the night in question was rather hazy. About 1 a. m. two torpedo boats, which the Russians supposed were Japanese craft, suddenly appeared between the two divisions of the squadron and seemed to discharge torpedoes. The Russians immediately opened fire. They saw no fishermen and were not aware that any damage had been done. Evidently, the admiral said, the fishermen shown no lights. The admiral repeated that he greatly regretted that any injury had been done to the fishermen, and added that he had no doubt the Russian government would make ample compensation.

It was stated in naval circles that unless importance must be attached to the movements of British warships on to the activity in the British dry docks, in view of the later news indicating the passage of the acute phase of the crisis. It is suggested that the naval authorities and the defence committee were glad of an opportunity for testing the mobilization plans. Apparently the question of attempting to stop the Russian squadron was not discussed by the British officials as likely to require immediate decision, owing to the belief that full satisfaction will be given. Colonel Sir George Clark of the defence committee has stated that he is no longer apprehensive of the matter reaching a climax.

The trawler *Princess Victoria* arrived at Aberdeen today. She reports passing a disabled Russian warship during the night of October 21-22, about 40 miles from the place the Hull trawlers were fired upon. The warship early Saturday morning, October 22, was burning two red lights. The *Princess Victoria*, thinking the warship required assistance, steamed close to her and hailed her, but though the trawler remained near the ship for three-quarters of an hour, no answer was given.

GIBRALTAR, Oct. 26.—The ships of the channel fleet have filled their bunkers with coal, and replenished their ammunition and other stores and will be ready for sea at a moment's notice. The malicious falsehoods that the cruiser *Doris* are watching the Straits closely.

There is great activity at the dockyard, where men are working night and day. The admiral is making inquiries concerning the coal available here.

VIGO, Spain, Oct. 26.—The arrival of the Russian battleships *Emperor Alexander III*, *Borodino*, *Orel* and *Kniaz* and the transport *Anatol*, which have anchored in this port, has caused considerable excitement. The commander of the port immediately boarded the Russian flagship and informed Admiral Rojestvensky that the Spanish government could not permit the warships to coal within the port. Admiral Rojestvensky replied that his vessels needed repairs and that for that reason he had separated from the remainder of his squadron. The commander of the port promised to inform the Spanish government of the admiral's statement and communicate the government's reply as soon as it was received. In spite of this, five German colliers anchored in port alongside the battleships, whereupon the commander of the port sent an aide-de-camp to bid Admiral Rojestvensky not to violate Spanish neutrality, and he also ordered the commanding officer of the Spanish cruiser *Esmeralda* to notify the colliers that they must obey the port authorities. Eventually Admiral Rojestvensky promised that he would not coal in Spanish waters, at the same time begging the commander of the port to obtain the government's permission for each warship to take on 400 tons of coal with which to reach Tangier. Shortly afterwards three colliers sailed for Tangier, but two remained alongside the Russian warships.

During the afternoon Admiral Rojestvensky, accompanied by the commander of his battleships, visited the military governor, the French consul and the commander of the port, receiving the usual honors. As far as can be seen the crews of the battleships are very uneasy. Sentinels are closely watching every movement within the harbor. All four of the warships seem to be cleared for action.

It is rumored that the object of the Spanish government in requesting the Russians to remain the shortest possible time at Vigo is to prevent the possibility of an attack by Japanese agents, whose presence in the province of Galicia is suspected. It is learned that three other Russian warships have anchored in Arosa Bay. The government has refused them permission to coal in Spanish waters.

The Spanish warships *Marques de la Victoria* and *Vasco Nunez de Balboa* are keeping watch along the coast. The authorities have ordered that all fishing boats shall fly the national flag in order to avoid a repetition of the Dogger Bank incident.

SAMUEL THOMSON, K. C.

Fell Dead at Newcastle While Going to His Office.

NEWCASTLE, N. B., Oct. 26.—Samuel Thomson, K. C., one of the most prominent residents of the North Shore, dropped dead here at 3.30 this afternoon. Mr. Thomson was apparently in his usual good health when he went to the post office for his mail, shortly after 3 o'clock. He was on his way back to his office when he staggered and fell, and when passers by reached him he was dead. Deceased was about 76 years of age. He was judge of probate, clerk of the peace, county secretary, and prosecuting attorney. He was one of the most widely known and most highly esteemed citizens of the county of Northumberland. He was of a very kind and generous nature. It has been said of him that he really preferred defending criminals rather than prosecuting them. On one occasion he was told that as prosecuting attorney he made a better defence for a man charged with murder than the defendant's attorney. In reply, he said he realized too well that he had been on the wrong side.

Mr. Thomson leaves a widow and grown-up family. One of his daughters is the wife of W. B. Staveley, manager of the Bank of New Brunswick.

ST. JOHN STAR, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1904.

DYKEMAN'S

59 CHARLOTTE STREET.

Economy Centre. Economy Centre.

Another Large Lot Of

Ladies' Neckwear

Just in from New York.

The "Buster Brown" and "Port Mole" collars predominate in the lot. The colors include the newest, such as Bismarck brown, emerald green, burnt orange, cardinal, pink, blue, black and white. The "port mole" turn over collars are priced 50c, 75c and 90c. The "Buster Brown" collars, with ties, are 50c, 75c, and without ties 35c. Pulley collars with ties at 70c.

Accompanying this lot of neckwear was another large lot of lithograph cushion tops. They will be sold at the same price as the last lot, 50c each, while the regular price is 60c. There are many new designs shown in this lot which are particularly striking. See our window for an idea of the assortment.

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Special Underclothes!

We have a complete stock of Heavy, All Wool Garments, at these prices: 80c, 40c, 50c, 75c, 85c, 95c, \$1.00 and \$1.20. Qualities 75c to \$1.20 guaranteed unshrinkable.

Piece 75c, all sizes, 40c.

All Wool Top Shirts, 30c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 80c and \$1.

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FOOTBALL TODAY.

The Fredericton High School football team arrived in the city this morning and are this afternoon playing the St. John High School on the Shamrock grounds. For today's game the Fredericton boys will line up as follows: Fullback—Powell. Quarterback—Rutter, Knox, Burden, Gibson. Quarterbacks—Hanson, Taylor, Edwards—McGlenahan, Burns, Jewett, Coy, McNally, Maxon, Eley and Kirkhorn.

Tomorrow a game will take place on the Shamrock grounds between the Fredericton team and a team from the Rotherham School for Boys. On Saturday afternoon the Fredericton team will play the Neptunes.

FIRED IN FAIRVILLE.

It Was Only a Slight Blaze—Incendiary Suspected.

The Fairville fire department was called out this morning to a blaze in McCormack's barn, on Moore's Hill, opposite the Baptist church. Before the fire department arrived, however, the fire was put out. Very little damage was done. It is believed that this fire, as well as a number of other small fires which occurred lately, was set purposely.

Last Friday James Mott, of Springfield, Kings county, trapped and shot a large bear. This is the second bear he has caught within two weeks.

Gloves and Mitts.

We have just received a lot of samples of Gloves, Mitts and Booties. Ladies' Cashmere Gloves, 15c, 18c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c, 55c, 60c, 65c, 70c, 75c, 80c, 85c, 90c, 95c, 1.00, 1.10, 1.20, 1.30, 1.40, 1.50, 1.60, 1.70, 1.80, 1.90, 2.00, 2.10, 2.20, 2.30, 2.40, 2.50, 2.60, 2.70, 2.80, 2.90, 3.00, 3.10, 3.20, 3.30, 3.40, 3.50, 3.60, 3.70, 3.80, 3.90, 4.00, 4.10, 4.20, 4.30, 4.40, 4.50, 4.60, 4.70, 4.80, 4.90, 5.00, 5.10, 5.20, 5.30, 5.40, 5.50, 5.60, 5.70, 5.80, 5.90, 6.00, 6.10, 6.20, 6.30, 6.40, 6.50, 6.60, 6.70, 6.80, 6.90, 7.00, 7.10, 7.20, 7.30, 7.40, 7.50, 7.60, 7.70, 7.80, 7.90, 8.00, 8.10, 8.20, 8.30, 8.40, 8.50, 8.60, 8.70, 8.80, 8.90, 9.00, 9.10, 9.20, 9.30, 9.40, 9.50, 9.60, 9.70, 9.80, 9.90, 10.00, 10.10, 10.20, 10.30, 10.40, 10.50, 10.60, 10.70, 10.80, 10.90, 11.00, 11.10, 11.20, 11.30, 11.40, 11.50, 11.60, 11.70, 11.80, 11.90, 12.00, 12.10, 12.20, 12.30, 12.40, 12.50, 12.60, 12.70, 12.80, 12.90, 13.00, 13.10, 13.20, 13.30, 13.40, 13.50, 13.60, 13.70, 13.80, 13.90, 14.00, 14.10, 14.20, 14.30, 14.40, 14.50, 14.60, 14.70, 14.80, 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