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IN THE MATTER of the guardianship of Jennie May Moffat, James Wallace Moffat, Anna Viola Moffat, Lindsay Clifton Moffat, Massey Ralph Kenney Moffat, and Sybil Muriel Moffat, infants under the age of twenty-one years, of James Moffat, late of the Township of Winchester, in the County of Dundas, yeoman, deceased:—

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that after the expiration of twenty days from the first publication of this notice, application will be made to the Surrogate Court of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, for a grant of letters of guardianship of the above named Jennie May Moffat, James Wallace Moffat, Anna Viola Moffat, Lindsay Clifton Moffat, Massey Ralph Kenney Moffat, and Sybil Murriel Moffat, by Eliza Jane Moffat, mother of said infants, and the executrix of the estate of the late James Moffat, deceased, to act as said guardian.

Dated at Winchester, this 12th day of March, 1906.

S. S. REVELER, Solicitor for the Applicant.

Down an Elevator Shaft.

Brockville, March 12.—Edward Herron, an employee of the Smart works here, met with an accident about four o'clock this afternoon, the seriousness of which is at present unknown. He fell down an elevator shaft, a distance of 26 feet, and alighted on the back of his head. The force of the fall on the elevator started it going upwards, but its flight was noticed and quickly stopped before it had reached the first floor, or more serious injuries would have resulted, as the man's legs projected over the elevator floor. Herron was removed to the General Hospital, and this evening was still unconscious.

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Fulford Mausoleum.

Negotiations have been in progress and are about closed by which the Fulford estate purchases from the trustees of Oakland cemetery, at Brockville, a plot of 4,000 square feet. The purchase of the property is for the purpose of erecting a mausoleum thereon, which it is estimated, will cost in the neighborhood of $25,000, according to the terms of the will of the late senator. The contract for the building has not yet been let.

Got a Black Eye.

Warden Elect Franklin of the Frontenac county council is nursing a black eye and an otherwise disfigured countenance as the result of a recent fight in which he was a prominent figure. Daniel Grant, another member of the council, also bears some marks of the fray. The trouble originated over the election of a warden, a deadlock being broken by Mr. Franklin excercising his privilege of a double vote and electing himself to the position.

Mr. Franklin will be remembered as the prominent county Liberal politician whose name was associated with the bogus ballot box scandal.

Town Lends Firm Money.

The by-law to loan the Frost & Wood company of Smith's Falls $150,000 to help rebuild their burned shops was voted on Monday. The by-law received an almost unanimous support, 670 voting for and 33 against it. The company have most of the debris of the big fire cleared away and are having plans for mammoth modern shops. They have made temporary shops in various buildings about their premises and have now 200 men at work turning out the balance of their output for 1906.

Mrs. Nash of Finch Dead.

The death of Mrs. W. A. Nash of Finch, occured at that place on Tuesday of this week, at the age of 66 years. The deceased is the mother of Mr. W. J. Nash, merchant tailor of this place. A short funeral service was held at her late residence yesterday afternoon. From there the remains were conveyed to Morrisburg where the regular funeral services take place this afternoon, after which all that is mortal will be placed in the vault.

Whittaker the Optician will be at Chesterville on April 11th and Finch on April 12th.

The Sock Social a Success.

The Sock Social held in the town hall Tuesday evening by the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, proved to be a decided success. If the socks were large enough, by the number that were exhibited, it is evident that the sale of same in stores would be limited for some time to come, but they console themselves, knowing that they were wee ones. During the evening a program was given, in which Mr. F. Wood and Miss Hazel Franklin sang solos, and Miss Jennie Forward gave a piano solo. In a quartette Misses Burnice Munro, Helen Moad, Messrs. Fred Forward, and D'Alton Bolster sang very nicely. Rev. A. E. Sanderson and Rev. W. F. Crawford gave short addresses. The proceeds of the evening amounted to $41.00.

At the Shrine.

The official figures of the pilgrimages to the shrine of Ste. Anne de Beaupre during the year 1905 show that 138,416 pilgrims went there by rail, 29,050 by boat and about one thousand in vehicles giving a grand total of 168,502.

In the previous year there were 156,263 pilgrims. The total number for the ten years preceding 1905 was 922,346.

The jury of Hamilton found W. J. Walsh guilty of conspiracy.

John S. Clay, a negro, who stabbed another colored man, is on trial for murder at Winnipeg.

The annual sessions of the Provincial Grand Black Chapter and the Provincial Grand Orange Lodge of Ontario West are being held at Goderich.

Death of Ralph Crysler.

An old and highly esteemed resident of the Township of Finch, Mr. Ralph Crysler, of the village of Crysler, passed away on the 28th ult. His death came very suddenly and was a great shock to his devoted wife and daughter. Although in his 77th year, Mr. Crysler was quite active and enjoyed excellent health until within a few hours of his death. On awaking early on the morning of the 28th ult, he complained of not feeling well and asked for a seditlz powder. This was brought to him, but before he could take it he fell back on his pillow and appeared to fall asleep. Physicians were called in immediately, but he was beyond their aid, having been seized with a stroke of paralysis. He lingered until about four o'clock in the afternoon, when he passed away without having regained consciousness.

The deceased, whose full name was John Ralph Westley Crysler, was a son of the late J. P. Crysler, in his lifetime Registrar of the County of Dundas, and grandson of the late Lt. Col. John Crysler, of Williamsburg, one of the U. E Loyalists, who came from the Mohawk valley and settled on the banks of the St. Lawrence. His home was the scene of an important event in Canadian history, the battle of Crysler farm. Mr. Crysler was in his younger days extensively engaged in the lumbering business. About 42 years ago he located in the Township of Finch and established a saw and grist mill, besides carrying on a large general business. The village then founded has since been his home. A man of sympathetic character, he was held in the warmest regard in the community, and he will be long remembered for his ever ready and unostentatious response to the call of neighbors less fortunately situated than himmself. He numbered among his intimate friends many of the men who are to day prominent in the public life of the country and by his genial disposition greatly endeared himself to all who knew him. He took an active interest in political affairs being a staunch supporter of the Conservative party. In 1874 he contested the old County of Stormont for the Dominion Parliament, his opponent being the late Cyril Archibald, who was elected by a small majority and afterwards unseated. Mr. Crysler was again offered the Conservative nomination but declined. He represented the Township of Finch in the Counties' Council for several years.

The surviving members of the family are the widow and one daughter, Miss Kate M. Crysler. There were four sons who died after reaching manhood.

The funeral took place Thursday, having been delayed in order to allow Mr. Charles S. Crysler, of New York, who was away in Idaho, to be present. The services were held at St. John's Church. Rev. M. G. Poole officiated, assisted by Rev. R. J. Dumbrille, of North Gower, a former rector of the parish. There was a very large attendance of people from all parts of the district. The pall-bearers were Col Bredin of Woodlands, James Leach, K. C., Cornwall; Oscar Fulton, ex-M. P., Avonmore; W. H. Lowrie, Russell; W. K. Casselman, Morrisburg; W. Gibbens, Cornwall. Among the relatives present were Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Crysler of New York; Mrs. Eagar of Morrisburg, a niece; Mr. W. M. Hilliard, of Minnedosa, Man., a brother of Mrs Crysler; Mr. and Mrs. John Carnegie, Peterboro; Mr. J. H. Carnegie, M. P. P., Peterboro, and his son Jack, nephew and grand-nephew of the deceased; Messrs. Jack McQuire, of Whitney, and H. F. McGurie of Parry Sound, nephews.

Beautiful floral tributes were sent by Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Crysler, Mrs. Knapp, of Ogdensburg, N. Y.; Dr. and Mrs. Crain, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bingham.

The Docket was Light.

Mr. Wm. Bow of Winchester, was in town Tuesday in connection with a goose scrape. Mr. Jessie Allison is the complainant and a number of young fellows the defendants. It seems that Mr. Allison missed three of his geese last fall, and after a considerable length of time he procured what he thinks is enough evidence, to bring the parties before a magistrate, which was done, as stated, on Tuesday. After a good deal of evidence was taken the case was adjourned until Tuesday next. A. M. Fulton appeared for the plaintiff, and W. B. Lawson for the defendants.

Mr. L. Misson, chief of the Port Hope fire brigade, died suddenly.

Fire at Alexandria.

The new post-office at Alexandria was burned on Monday morning. The fire started about three o'clock. The best efforts of the firemen were unavailing.

Dress Ignited from Stove.

The nine year-old daughter of Thomas Belanger, of Ventnor, is in the Brockville Hospital, suffering from severe burns. In putting wood in the stove a spark ignited her dress. An elder sister extinguished the flames with water.

Fire in North Augusta.

A serious fire broke out in North Augusta about three o'clock Sunday morning, destroying the large storehouse and outbuildings belonging to Charles H. Reid. Goods in the warehouses, besides some furniture and dry goods, were saved. Mr. Reid carried about $10,000 in stock, besides his property. The loss is about $15,000, with insurance of $5,000. Cause of fire unknown.

Bought Hotel Victoria.

The Hotel Victoria, at Alymer, has changed hands. The purchase of it has just been concluded by Mr. J. K. Paisley, of the Grand Union, Ottawa, at $25,000. The deal was negotiated with the St. Jacques estate by Mr. Charles Magee. The hotel was put up at auction in December last but only about $15,000 was offered, this not reaching the reserve bid. Mr. Paisley will take possession at once and a number of changes in the building will be made. It is intended to open it in May and a number of steam lanches will be operated in connection with it for cruising purposes to Britannia and around the lake.

Annual Tea Meeting at Morewood.

The annual Tea Meeting of the Presbyterian congregation, Morewood, was held in the Church at Morewood on Friday evening, March 9th. Tea was served in the factory adjoining the church at 7 p. m., but it was 8.30 before the programme commenced in the church.

Rev. D. N. Coburn, B. A., B. D., of Buckingham, was present and delivered his humorous and instructive lecture, entitled "Lifters and Leaners." This was thoroughly enjoyed by the large audience present and Mr. Coburn may feel sure of a warm welcome should he again visit Morewood.

Short addresses were also delivered by Revs. Yule of Winchester, and Sadler of Russell.

The musical part of the programme was furnished by the choir, who acquitted themselves admirably and won the hearty applause of all there. We understand the committee netted a nice sum, which will be utilized on the manse debt.

The Late Jordon Beckstead.

One by one the old residents of the county are being called away, the latest summoned being Jordan R. Beckstead, who passed away Monday afternoon at his home at Froatburn. He was an exceptionally large and rugged man, and had been in his usual health up to the day of his death. That day, he laid down, as was his custom, after dinner, and not arising at his regular time, the family went into his room and found that his spirit had fled, death having taken place an hour before. The end was quite peaceful, passing into gentle, restful sleep.

Deceased, who was 73 years of age, was a son of the late Matthew Beckstead, of Williamsburg. He was one of the best known and respected residents of the county. Several years ago he was active in municipal politics, and served for a time in the township council. During all his life he was a steadfast Liberal and was always active in advancing the interests of that party.

He leaves a widow, who is a daughter of the late Malcolm McMartin, of Williamsburg, and four sons, viz: Riley, M., and Frnak, of Salt Lake City, Utah; Edmund of North Williamsburg; and Malcom, at home. Two of his sons have filled the position of Reeve of the Township, Malcolm being the present Reeve.

The funeral took place last Wednesday afternoon at one o'clock, to the Methodist church, North Williamsburg, the services being conducted by Rev. A. E. Runnells, assisted by Rev. R. A. Lundy. The remains were placed in the North Williamsburg vault.—Herald.

Mrs. McLaughlin's Funeral.

The funeral of the late Mrs. (Dr.) McLaughlin, of Winchester, took place on Friday afternoon last at 1.30 o'clock. Services were conducted in the Presbyterian church at that place by the Rev. Mr. Yule, pastor; assisted by the Rev. Cook of Smith's Falls, Rev. W. F. Crawford of Chesterville and Rev. D. Winter of Winchester. The church was filled to the doors with people who had a warm feeling for the doctor and the deceased, and the services were of a very sympathetic nature. The choir, of which the deceased was a staunch member, felt their position very keenly, and during the service Miss Kate Irving sang a solo very suitable.

The remains were placed in the vault at Maple Ridge cemetery.

E. S. Banwell, defaulting teller of the Crown Bank, Toronto and his wife, formerly Norah Hector, have been committed for trial on the charge of robbing the bank.

Tackled Bear and Cubs.

While hunting in the woods near Tayside, in the rear of Stormont county, the other day, Ethelbert MacPherson came across the winter quarters of an old she bear and her family of three cubs. The Bruin family were at home and the young hunter succeeded in despatching three of them. He captured one cub alive.

Local Option Quashed.

Local prohibition will not go into effect in the village of Maxville this year. On Feb. 5th a by-law was passed which prohibited the sale of liquor after May 1st. A. J. Kennedy made application to quash the by-law on the ground of irregularities in advertising and polling. As the majority was a very small one, Judge Osler in weekly court made an order to quash the by-law.

Stormont and Glengarry Old Boys Meet.

The Old Boys' Reunion of the former residents of the counties of Stormont and Glengarry, which will be held in the town of Cornwall from Aug. 11th to 15th, will be a notable gathering in the history of Eastern Ontario for Cornwallites, Stormonters and last but not least Glengarrians, are scattered far and wide over the continent, and their loyalty and affection for the old home is proverbial. To bring together these absent sons and daughters this reunion has been arranged.

Council Meeting.

A regular meeting of the village council, Chesterville, was held on Monday evening.

Members present L. A. Zufelt, reeve; Wm. Huxtable and Chas. Chambers, councillors.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Moved by Charles Chambers, seconded by Wm. Huxtable, that the following accounts be passed and paid:—

Edward McDonald, 2 Cords of stone	5 00
Rufus Garrett, 10⅜ cords stone	26 67
Jas Masterson, 4¼ "	10 63
Jas Kearns 22½ "	56 25
Donald McDonald, 13 "	32 50
Dan Masterson, 20½ "	51 25
Bernard Gibbons, 11 cds. 108 ft	29 61
Jno. McCloskey, 14¼ cds. stone	35 63
A. C. Garrow, desk	4 50
London Guarantee & Acc. Co., Treas. Bond	3 75
A. S. Morrison, school requisition	475 00
Isaac Pelletier, wood for Mrs. Hayes	3 50

Moved by Wm. Huxtable, seconded by Chas. Chambers, that this council adjourn to meet on Tuesday night, March 13th, at 8 o'clock.

A Masonic Presentation.

A pleasing ceremony occured in connection with the last regular meeting of Henderson Lodge, No. 383, A.F. & A.M. at Winchester, on Friday W. Bro. Reveler, on behalf of the officers and members, in a nice address, presented W. Bro. Geo. Johnson with a beautiful past master's jewel as a small token of esteem and appreciation as secretary.

Torrey—Alexander.

The Ottawa Ministerial association have decided to send an invitation to Torry and Alexander, evangelists, to come to Ottawa in June. These evangelists promised to come if a place capable of holding 5,000 was procured. Arrangements are being made for a large building and they will probably come.

BORN.

OUDERKIRK—At Berwick, on March 3, 1906, the wife of John Ouderkirk, of a son.

WELLS—At East Williamsburg, on March 1, 1906, the wife of Chas. Wells, of a son.

MORROW—At Winchester Springs, on Friday, 2nd March 1906, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morrow, a son.

MARRIED.

HOLMES—SUMMERS—At Cass' Bridge on Feb. 28, 1906, by Rev. A. J. Shea, Oscar W. Holmes, to Miss Ethel M. Summers,

DIED.

NASH—At Finch, on Tuesday, March 13th, 1906, Jane Ensley Patterson, wife of W. A. Nash, aged 66 years.

CRYSLER—Suddenly, at his residence, Crysler, Ont., on Feb. 28, 1906, John Ralph Wesley Crysler, eldest son of the late J. P. Crysler, registrar of Dundas county, and grandson of the late Lt.-Col. John Crysler of Williamsburg, aged 76 years.

DINGWALL—At Finch, on March 6, 1906, Hughena Ann McMillan, wife of F. A. Dingwall, and daughter of D. G. McMillan, Finch, aged 36 years.

OUDERKIRK—At Berwick, on March 3, 1906, the infant son of John Ouderkirk.

MORPAW—At Grant's Corners, on March 4th, 1906, Mary Ann Allen, daughter of the late Finton Allen, of Chesterville, and wife of C. A. Morrow, aged 30 years, 8 months and 13 days.

WERT—Suddenly, at Chippewa Falls, Wis., on Feb. 24, 1906, Alex. J. Wert, formerly of Stormont county, aged 50 years.

1906

Marian Mayfield

Or, The Strange Disappearance

CHAPTER XXXIII.

Several days passed in the gloomy mansion misnamed Dell-Delight. Miriam and Paul avoided each other like death. Both dreaded like death any allusion to the awful subject that lay so heavy upon the heart of each. Paul, unacquainted with her thoughts, and relying upon her promise to do nothing with the letters without further evidence, contented himself with watching her motions, feeling comparatively at ease as long as she should remain in the house; and being resolved to prevent her from going forth, or to accompany her if she persisted in leaving home.

With Miriam, the shock, the anguish, the struggle had well-nigh passed; she was at once subdued and resolved, like one into whom some spirit had entered and bound her own spirit, and acted through her. So strange did all appear to her, so strange the impassiveness of her own will, of her habits and affections, that should have rebelled and warred against her purpose that she sometimes thought herself not herself, or insane, or the subject of a monomania, or some strange hallucination, a dreamer, a sumnambulist, perhaps. And yet with matchless tact and discretion, she went about her deadly work. She had prepared her plan of action, and now waited only for a day very near at hand, the fourth of April, the anniversary of Marian's assassination, to put Thurston to a final test before proceeding further.

The day came at last—It was cold and wintry for the season. Toward evening the sky became overcast with leaden clouds, and the chill dampness penetrated into all the rooms of the old mansion. Poor Fanny was muttering and moaning to herself and her "spirits" over the wood fire in her distant room.

Mr. Willcoxen had not appeared since breakfast time. Miriam remained in her own chamber; and Paul wandered restlessly from place to place through all the rooms of the house, or threw himself wearily into his chair before the parlor fire. Inclement as the weather was, he would have gone forth, but that he, too, remembered the anniversary, and a nameless anxiety connected with Miriam confined him to the house.

In the kitchen, the colored folk gathered around the fire, grumbling at the unseasonable coldness of the weather, and predicting a hail-storm, and telling each other that they never "'sperienced" such weather this time 'o year, 'cept 'twas that spring Ole Marse died—when no wonder, 'siderin' how he lived long o' Sam all his life."

Only old Jenny went in and out from house to kitchen. Old Jenny had enough to do to carry wood to the various fires. She had never "seed it so cold for de season nyther, 'cept 'twas de spring Miss Marian went to hebben, and not a bit o' wonder de yeth was cole arter she was gone—de dear, lovin' heart warm angel; 'deed I wondered how it ever come summer again, an' thought it was right down onsensible in her morning-glories to bloom out jest de same as ever, arter she was gone! An' what minds me to speak o' Miss Marian now, it war jes' seven years this night, since she 'parted dis life," said Jenny, as she stood leaning her head upon the mantel-piece, and toasting her toes at the kitchen fire, previous to carrying another armful of wood into the parlor.

Night and the storm descended together—such a tempest! such a wild outbreaking of the elements! rain and hail, and snow and wind, all warring upon the earth together! The old house shook, the doors and windows rattled, the timbers cracked, the shingles were torn off and whirled aloft, the trees were swayed and snapped; and as the storm increased in violence and roused to fury, the forest beat before its might, and the waves rose and overflowed the low land.

Still old Jenny went in and out of the house to kitchen and kitchen to house, carrying wood, water, meat, bread, sauce, sweetmeats, arranging the table for supper, replenishing the fire, lighting the candles, letting down the curtains—and trying to make everything cozy and comfortable for the reassembling of the fireside circle. Poor old Jenny had passed so much of her life in the family with "the white folks," that all her sympathies went with them—and on the state of thir spiritual atmosphere depended all her cheerfulness and comfort; and now the cool, distant, sorrowful condition of the members of the little family circle—"ebery single mudder's son and darter of 'em, superamblated off to derself like pris'ners in a jail-house"—as she said—depressed her spirits very much. Jennie's reaction from depression was always quite querulous. And toward the height of the storm, there was a reaction and she grew very quarrelsome.

"Sams waystin' roun' in dere," said Jenny, as she thrust her feet into the kitchen fire, before carrying in the urn; "Sam's waystin', I tells you all good! all wery quiet dough—no noise, no fallin' out, no 'sputin' nor nothin'—all quiet as de yeth jest afore a debbil of a storm—nobody in de parlor 'cept 'lis Marse Paul, settin' right afore de parlor fire, wid one leg poked east and toder west, wid the boots on de andirons like a spread-eagle! lookin' as glum as if I owed him a year's sarvice, an' nebber so much as a-sayin',' 'Jenny, you poor old debbil, ain't you a-cold?' an' me coming in ebery minnit wid the icices a-jinglin' 'roun' my linsey-woolsey skurts, like de diamonds on de Wirgin Mary's Sunday gown. But Sam's waystin' now, I tells you all good. Lors Gemini, what a storm!

"I 'members of no sich since dat same storm as de debbil come in to fetch ole marse's soul—dis berry night seven year past, an' he carried of him off all in a suddint whiff! jist like a puff of win'. An' no wonder, seein' how he done traded his soul to him for money!

"An' Sam's here ag'in to-night! dunno who he's come arter! but he's here, now, I tells you all good!" said Jenny, as she took up the urn to carry it into the parlor.

When she got there she could scarcely get to the fire; Paul took up the front. His immobility and unconsciousness irritated Jenny beyond silent endurance.

"I tell you all what," she said, "I means to 'sign my sitewation! 'deed I do! I can't kill myself for dem as wouldn't even care 'nough for me to have a mass said for de 'spose o' my soul."

"What do you mean?" asked Paul, angrily, for confinement, solitude, bad weather, and anxiety, had combined to make him querulous, too.

"I means how ef yer doesn't have a kivered way made from de house to de kitchen an' back ag'in, I gwine give up waitin' on de table, now min' I tell yer, 'deed me! an' now ef you likes, yer may jes' go an' tell Marse Rooster."

"'Marse Rooster!' Will you ever give up that horrid nonsense. Why you old——! Is my brother—is your master a barn-door chicken-cock, that you call him 'Rooster?'" asked the young man, snappishly.

"Well, Shrooster, den, ef you wants me to wring my tongue in two. Ef people's sponsors in baptism will gib der chillun such heathen names, how de debbil any Christian 'oman gwine to twis' her tongue 'roun' it? I thanks my 'Vine Marster dat my sponsors in baptism named me arter de bressed an' holy S'int Jane—who has 'stained and s'ported me all my days; an' 'ill deteck now, dough you do try to break my poor ole heart long wid onkindness at my ole age o' life! But what's de use o' talkin'—Sam's waystin'!" And so saying, Jenny gave the finishing touches to the arrangement of the table, and then seized the bell, and rang it with needless vigor and violence, to bring the scattered members of the family together.

They came slowly and singly, and drew around the table more like ghosts than living persons, a few remarks upon the storm, and then they sunk into silence—and as soon as the gloomy meal was over, one by one they dropped away from the room—first went poor Fanny, then Mr. Willcoxen, then Miriam.

"Where are you going, Miriam?" asked Paul, as the latter was leaving the room.

"To my chamber."

And before he could further question, or longer detain her, she pressed his hand and went out. And Paul, with a deep sigh and a strangely foreboding heart, sank back into his seat.

When Miriam reached her bedroom, she carefully closed and locked the door, went to her bureau, opened the top-drawer, and took from it a small oblong mahogany glove-box. She unlocked the latter, and took out a small parcel, which she unwrapped and laid before her upon the bureau.

It was the xyphias poniard.

The weapon had come into her possession some time before in the following manner: During the first winter of Paul Douglass' absence from home, Mr. Willcoxen had emancipated several of his slaves and provided means for their emigration to Liberia. They were to sail early in March. Among the number was Melchizedek. A few days previous to their departure, this man had come to the house, and sought the presence of his youthful mistress, when he knew her to be alone in the parlor, and with a good deal of mystery and hesitation had laid before her a dagger which he said he should rather have given to "Marster Paul," if the latter had been at home. He had picked it up near the water's edge on the sands the night of Miss Mayfield's death, which "Marster" had taken so to heart, that he was afraid to harrow up his feelings by bringing it to him a second time—but that as it was an article of value, he did not like to take it away with him. And he begged Miss Miriam to take charge of it. And Miriam had taken it, and with surprise, but without the slightest suspicion, had read the name of "Thurston Willcoxen" carved upon its handle. To all her questions, Melchisedek had given evasive answers, or remained obstinately silent, being determined not to betray his master's confidence by revealing his share in the events of that fatal night. Miriam had taken the little instrument, wrapped it carefully in paper, and locked it in her old-fashioned long glove-box. And from that day to this she had not opened it.

Now, however, she had taken it out with a fixed purpose, and she stood and gazed upon it. Presently she took it up, rolled it in the paper, took her lamp, and slowly left the room, and passed along the passages leading to Mr. Willcoxen's library.

The storm howled and raved as she went, and the strong blast, driving through the dilapidated window sashes, nearly extinguished her light before she reached the study door.

She blew out the light and set down the lamp, and rapped at the door. Again and again she raped, without awakening any response from within.

Then she turned the latch, opened the door, and entered. No wonder she had received no answer.

The abstracted man before her seemed dead to every sight and sound around him. He sat before the table in the middle of the room, his elbow on the mahogany; his face bowed upon his hand, his haggard countenance revealing a still, speechless despair as awful as it was profound.

Miriam approached and stood by him, her breath went by his cheek, so near she stood, and yet her presence was unheeded. She stooped to see the object upon which he gazed—the object that now shut out all the world from his sight—it was a long bright tress of golden auburn hair.

"Mr. Willcoxen!"

He did not hear her—how should he hear her low tones, when he heard not the cannonading of the storm that shook the house to its foundations?

"Mr. Willcoxen!" she said once more.

But he moved not a muscle.

"Mr. Willcoxen!" she repeated, laying her hand upon his arm.



NOWADAYS.

Dorothy—Mamma, is father very poor?
Mother—What nonsense.
Dorothy—But you go to somebody else's house for luch or dinner nearly every day.

He looked up. The expression of haggard despair softened out of his countenance.

"Is it you, my dear?" he said. "What has brought you here, Miriam? Were you afraid of the storm? There is no danger, dear child—it has nearly expended its force, and will soon be over—but sit down."

"Oh, no! it is not the storm that has brought me here, though I scarcely remember a storm so violent at this season of the year, except one—this night seven years ago—the night that Marian Mayfield was murdered!"

He started—it is true that he had been thinking of the same dread tragedy—but to hear it suddenly mentioned pierced him like an unexpected sword thrust.

Miriam proceeded, speaking in a strange, level monotone, as if unwilling or afraid to trust her voice far:

"I came this evening to restore a small but costly article of virtu, belonging to you, and left in my care some time ago by the boy Melchisedek. It is an antique dagger—somewhat rusty and spotted. Here it is."

And she laid the poniard down upon the tress of hair before him.

He sprang up as if it had been a viper—his whole frame shook, and the perspiration started from his livid forehead.

Miriam, keeping her eye upon him, took the dagger up.

"It is very rusty, and very much streaked," she said. "I wonder what these dark streaks can be? They run along the edge, from the extreme point of the blade, upwards toward the handle; they look to me like the stains of blood—as if a murderer had stabbed his victim with it, and in his haste to escape had forgotten to wipe the blade, but had left the blood upon it, to curdle and corrode the steel. See! don't it look so to you?" she said, approaching him, and holding the weapon up to his view.

"Girl! girl! what do you mean?" he exclaimed, throwing his hand accross his eyes, and hurrying across the room.

Miriam flung down the weapon with a force that made its metal ring upon the floor, and hastening after him, she stood before him; her dark eyes fixed upon his, streaming with insufferable and consuming fire, that seemed to burn through his brain. She said:

"I have heard of fiends in the human shape, nay, I have heard of Satan in the guise of an angel of light! Are you such that stand before me now?"

"Miriam, what do you mean?" he asked, in sorrowful astonishment.

"This is what I mean! That the mystery of Marian Mayfield's fate, the secret of your long remorse, is no longer hidden! I charge you with the murder of Marian Mayfield!"

"Miriam, you are mad!"

"Oh! well for me, and better still for you, if I were mad!"

(To be continued).

SEED TIME

The experienced farmer has learned that some grains require far different soil than others; some crops need different handling than others. He knows that a great deal depends upon right planting at the right time, and that the soil must be kept enriched. No use of complaining in summer about a mistake made in the spring. Decide before the seed is planted.

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About the Farm

SEED TESTING.

In preparation for spring field and garden work a very important preliminary process is but too often neglected, that of testing the vitality and purity of the seeds to be planted. Whether these are home-grown or procured from seed dealers the omission of examination for any considerable proportion of weed seed and for ascertaining the viability of the germs is in many cases attended with disastrous consequences.

It is very important that first plantings should grow. The value of the time and labor given to replanting subtracts that much from the assets of the crop and the delay of the latter in getting a reasonable start not infrequently prevents its best development. Consequently when the land has been properly fertilized and worked the seed committed to it should always be the best procurable.

For field crops the majority of farmers use seed from their own granaries or from those of neighbors. This needs selection and often special winnowing to get rid of smaller or larger seeds of undesirable plants, and especially of kinds blackened or swollen with ergot growth.

Perfect seed corn is most easily attained and should always be purchased in the ear, and if possible shelled by hand, so that off-color grains and those from the tip and base may be discarded.

Grass, clover and the smaller garden seeds, unless procured under guarantee from the most reliable dealers, require close scrutiny to prevent meadow, pasture and garden being contaminated with seeds of sorrel, dock, amaranth, Russian thistle, mustard and wild carrot.

A teaspoonful of any of these seeds scattered over a sheet of white paper and examined under a strong light will reveal even to the naked eye any adulterant that may be mingled with it. If the latter be found in any considerable numbers the seed should be rejected and destroyed unless it can be separated from the deleterious forms.

To ascertain the proportion of seeds that will germinate in a given quantity is of almost equal importance with precautions for securing their purity. Unreliable seedsmen may attempt to palm off their old stock with that which is fresh, and while many of the grains, grasses, legumes and garden seeds will retain their viability from two to several years, under favorable conditions, a large proportion do not, and where old seeds is mingled with the new a poor stand is the result.

To test the proportion of vigorous germs in a package of seed, place a certain number or quantity between two thick sheets of blotting paper or of cotton wadding, thoroughly moistened, and inclose these between panes of glass or plates of zinc to retain the moisture and keep at a temperature of from 60 degrees to 80 degrees.

Almost all seeds respond more quickly to a high than a low temperature, but those of wheat, rye and oats germinate best in a temperature below rather than above 60 degrees Fahrenheit. Growth will take place in periods varying from twenty-four hours to ten or twelve days—tobacco, cucumbers and melons being the slowest to start. Of course, the sowing or planting should be thin or thick, according to the number of vital seeds in the tested sample.

SHEDS FOR IMPLEMENTS.

Of the things a successful farmer should consider, the question of a tool shed is one of the most important.

The president of one of the largest harvester manufacturing companies told me that more farm machines and implements were made unfit for use by rotting and rusting than were worn out. I believe his statements.

This means that at least half of the millions and millions of dollars' worth of farm machinery, made and sold to farmers, are lost by the neglect and carelessness of the owners, instead of by legitimate wear.

I am sure that a large part of this loss can be avoided. And the subject is an important one. Speaking as a farmer myself and conscious of the vast number of legitimate calls on me for money, I know I cannot afford to throw away half the value of my tools and implements, and I do try not to do it, although I confess that it is about impossible to provide against every little thing that may cause loss.

The chief loss, however, that is the exposure of implements to the weather, can be avoided. I do it, as a great many others do, by providing a good, tight tool shed. Mine is built on the south side of my horse barns. The latter is fifty-one feet long and the inside is divided into two box stalls.

Along the entire length of the south side this shed is built and under it we store one farm wagon, grain drill, check row corn planter, sulky plow, two mowing machines, cutaway harrow, other plows, cultivators, etc. These tools never get wet, unless they are caught out in summer when in frequent use.

Of course they cannot be kept absolutely rust proof; because while a good coating of tallow or paraphine will prevent rust, it is almost impossible to keep them covered with anything of the sort. Besides the slight damage from the rust occasioned by mere dampness is not a matter of importance.

It is more than likely that the wearing parts of all of them will be worn past the possibility of service before the parts affected by rust will be seriously injured.

If the idea of protecting implements were carried out to the extreme possible limit, tools would never be left out at night in the fields, even, when in daily use in the summer. As a matter of fact, the summer dews and showers, alternating with the hot sun, do more injury than a great deal of winter exposure. I realize that on any except a very small farm, where the barn is near every field, it is almost impossible to take implements back and forth every time they are used.

Probably the best way to accomplish the end in view would be to build a small shed in every field that would accommodate a small number of such things at a time.

SWINE NOTES.

Cheap breeding is always followed by cheap selling. Profits are not the efforts of carlessness or indifference.

Grade animals never reproduce all their good qualities when bred. The scrub element is sure to crop out somewhere, and it usually comes in the form least expected or desired.

Young stock cannot be starved and afterwards coaxed into thrift. When once injured in this way, the time and vitality lost can never be recovered.

If the sows are being well fed before the pigs are weaned, they will gain rapidly on the same feed and be ready to breed again as soon as they have gained a little flesh.

Hogs must have something to rub against. Unless there are rubbing posts, they will rub against the fence, and they may push it down or open holes through which to get out.

It is a mistaken idea that pigs enjoy sour stuff better than that which is sweet and wholesome.

When pigs are well born, they make good growth if they have plenty of grass, shade, water, and a little grain to keep them in flesh and to keep them gentle.

Disposition needs to be considered in hogs as well as in other stock. The hog with a short nose, thick head and short body is liable to be quiet and easy to manage.

"Under no circumstance must a brood sow and her pigs be shut in a nasty, muddy pen." This is the advice of a very successful and experienced breeder to a beginner. Note that no decent breeder ever treats his fine brood sows that way, and why not just as well extend this common-sense treatment to the "just plain breed" or those of no breed at all.

It is better to raise eight good pigs than twelve inferior ones. There will be more money in the former than in the latter, though they outnumber them. Quality is more important than quantity.

All troughs and feeding pens should be kept scrupulously clean. Don't let any feed remain after they get through with the food in the trough. It sours, moulds and is unhealthy.

Be sure the pigs have a trough for themselves that cannot be reached by the mother or the other hogs. It teaches them to eat and prevents any shrinkage during weaning. It is a self-weaner.

TO THE PRINCESS ENA.

(On reading the Protestant Protest).

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Caught a Spaniard—Alfonso—
Prods they holler'd "Let him go,"
Ena Mena answered "No."

Ena Mena Mina Mo
Hold you fast to Alfonso,
Tell the Prods that they may go,
They've no Purgatory, you know.

Ena Mena Mina Mo
Once a Catholic, always so,
Keep your vows to Alfonso,
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LAST OF THUGS IN INDIA

MEN WHO REDUCED MURDER TO A FINE ART.

Religious Devotees That Divided Spoils of Their Crime With Temples.

It was a happy inspiration that led to the adoption of the word "thug" as a synonym for a ferocious criminal. Its very sound is suggestive of silent and sudden murder. It echoes the thug of the slung-shot. This, of course, is a mere coincidence; the word is not English, in spite of its sound. It is Hindustance, and came to this country by way of England. There it has no newspaper currency, but retains its historical meaning, a caste of Indian stranglers.

In becoming popular the term has suffered some degradation, for the thugs of India were no vulgar sluggers and murderers, says the Los Angeles Times. They were religious devotees and artists in crime. De Quincey would have given them a high rank among the practitioners of "Murder Considered as a Fine Art."

The Thugs, indeed, were under vows to Kali Devi, the black browed consort of Siva the Destroyer. She is that terrible personage who appears in the Hindu Pantheon as a fierce but beautiful woman, riding on a tiger, or as a hideous, blood stained idol, garlanded with skulls. Banded together as caste brothers, the Thugs hunted men to offer them to the deity of destruction, and because she required a bloodless sacrifice they killed their victims by suffocation.

The Thugs, not being cannibals, could not live by mere murder. So they robbed their victims and divided the spoils between themselves and

THE TEMPLES OF KALI.

As a religious body they were protected by the Brahmins and by pious but impecunious Rajahs, who licensed and taxed them. It was an easy way for a ruler to increase his revenue and the victims were travelling merchants who would not be missed.

During the many centuries of war and anarchy in India Thuggee flourished mightily. Under Aurungzebe, to whom as a Moslem Kali was an abhorred idol, it suffered a check. Hindu fanaticism supported it. The Nawab of Surat had captured a band of Thugs and was about to release them for a ransom offered by certain Banians, who hoped to acquire "religious merit" by the act. The Emperor ordered the Thugs to be strung up by the left hands in the jungle and left there to die. The Banians, prototypes of the sentimentalists who present notorious modern criminals with boquets, banqueted the stranglers before the execution.

These terrors of the Indian highway are now extinct, like the sabre toothed tiger. About sixty years ago many hundreds were executed and the remainder transported or put to work at tent making and other peaceful trades, in strict confinement.

It was the writer's privilege a few years back to visit one of the last of these world famous stranglers. He had been captured young, and sentenced to imprisonment for life in a central Indian jail.

In a cool corridor that overlooked the sunlit garden a venerable old man was weaving the pattern of a Persian carpet. Tall and erect, with snowy moustache and high caste features, he might have passed in uniform for a British colonel bronzed by years of service. He showed not a single one of the criterions of the type criminal, as described by Lombroso.

Nadhoo, so he was called, had been so long a prisoner that he was rather cared for as a curiosity,

A MUSEUM SPECIMEN,

than treated as a criminal. He had become an expert in weaving, and when the looms were idle was by no means unwilling to talk of his experiences as a Thug. He had been borne in the caste, and devoted early to the service of Kali. His father led him to a secret place in the jungle and there initiated him, by the wierd rite of the corps and the dagger, into the freemasonry of the brotherhood. He learned their signs, how to interpret the omen of the owl, the patter of the "ramawsi"—the secret language of the craft. Being a precocious youth, as he said, he was selected to play the part of "talker," or confidence man. He was ostensibly a traveller on the Delhi road, where the Indian Midland Railway now runs, for his brother, who dealt in silks and cotton goods in a [illegible] city. Of his exploits as talker [illegible]end of Tulsi Ram, a notorious [illegible]ecuted long ago for his crimes, [illegible]old this tale:

"Tulsi Ram was the right arm of Kali, and I was the right arm of Tulsi Ram. It was I who decoyed Nasur Khan, the rich jeweller, with coaxing words, as men take carp from a pond by tickling their sides.

"Nasur was journeying to Delhi with gems from Mysore and a caravan laden with silks in bales and rich brocades. I came before him as a poor trader, begging for permission to join his train for the sake of protection against thieves.'

A twinkle in the old man's eye betrayed his relish of the irony of the situation.

"Nasur was as hard as the stones he dealt in," he continued, "and the price he demanded for his protection was high. Then I told him that the Rajah of Mulwa had news of the approach of his caravan, and Nasur's heart became as water, for he feared the horsemen of Mulwa and the toll they take. And I, suppling my tongue with the oil of persuasion, harped on his fears and drew him on to take a safer way—where Tulsi and his band were waiting and where our brethren of the pickaxe had dug long trenches

IN THE JUNGLE GRASS.

"Nasur's heart was glad within him when he rode aside from Mulwa, and when he met Tulsi Ram merry was his greeting. Quiet merchants all, they seemed—my brothers—and Nasur's men chatted with them, as traveller's will, of the price of grain. And as they conversed together they made a jest about the Thugs. So my brethren gathered round Nasur Khan and his men, two to a traveller, and, when all were listening open mouthed to a story of Hatim Tai's, an owl hooted twice from the jungle. That was the signal."

The old man illustrated with wrist and knuckle the act of tightening the rumai, or handkerchief, round the neck of the victim. He told how the travellers were buried while warm in the graves that had been prepared for them. For himself it was his destiny to be a Thug. "It is our custom," he said. "The potter's son takes to the potter's wheel; the coppersmith's to the tinkling hammer.'

Strangely enough the veteran became himself a sacrifice to the goddess of his vows. For Kali Devi is also the patroness of that scourge of India, cholera morbus, and next hot weather the old Thug passed away during an epidemic. Kali had stretched out one of her hundred hands and called her devotee away.

From this confession it seems that winning the confidence of their victims was the mainstay of the Thug business. Theirs was not the bold, overt "Your money or your life" attack of the bandit, but the crafty approach of the criminal tactician. They reckoned on taking their man off his guard, as the "coney catcher" did in sixteenth century London, as the bunco man does to-day in Western America. Confidence operations are as old as graft itself.

The work of suppressing Thuggee was done by Col. Sleeman, one of those martyrs to exile and official duty that the Indian civil service needs and trains. In the district where he replaced blackmail and brigandage by law and order, the town of Sleemanabad—Sleeman's city—stands for his monument. The long task of rounding up the Thug bands was made easier by disaffection within their ranks. The powerful religious band was broken when unbelieving Moslems were admitted as members of the robber caste, and rose to be leaders. Then Kali worship became a mere pretext for robbery and murder, and Thuggee fell before the repressive measures of

A STRONG EXECUTIVE.

One is not surprised to hear of European criminals adopting methods more or less like those of the Thugs. If a robber can trust his pal, two heads and two pairs of hands are better than one. A skillful grasp on the throat by one man stifles the cry for help and safeguards the operations of his partner. But as no idea of religious duty would avail in court, they mush stop short of strangulation or risk a charge of murder.

The garrotters who infested London in the '60s choked, but did not kill the late returning citizens. When chloroform came into use in surgery, the underworld of crime, or at any rate its master minds at once appreciated its value. It was painless, it was safe—for them; the victim would awake in a state of mental confusion—he could give the police no clew. The drug became popular with the scientific criminals who operated on English railroad lines, where the closed compartments secure privacy. Sometimes a subject died under chloroform by misadventure, but that might have happened at the hands of a young medical practitioner.

In Paris, however, the tricks of Indian Thuggee have been closely followed. Look over the files of the Parisian papers of recent years, you will find accounts of men found dead in lonely places with leather cords around their necks and empty pockets. They had resisted the attacks of strangler thieves. In other cases wealthy men, returning late from the opera on foot, fell victims to the handkerchief trick. In this case the "foulard" of heavy Lyons silk took the place of the cotton "rumal" of the Thug.

A robber dressed like a workman or petit bourgeois would approach a belated clubman and offer him for sale a ring, ostensibly picked up from the pavement. If Monsieur did not take alarm the robber's partner, who had crept behind his victim, snared his mouth and throat in a noose. Then with a quick jiu-jitsu turn the Thug heaved him off the ground on to his own back,

LIKE A SACK OF COAL,

and his partner stepped up and rifled Monsieur's pockets. The latter was then dropped on the pavement with force enough to stun him and the thugs made their escape.

The French gendarmerie trace this clever and bloodless operation to the teaching of a professor who lectured in the criminal quarter of Paris some sixty years since. About that time the Thugs of India were being brought to trial, and the revelations that followed excited great interest in Europe. It is very likely that the professor borrowed his line of treatment from these published cases. But old Nadhoo of the jail would have said that the spirit of an executed Thug had incarnated itself in the Frenchman in order to propagate the mystery of Thuggee in the virgin soil of France.

The Thugs of India, it was said, began as devotees, but ended as brigands. Some form of brigandage, indeed, seems endemic in Asiatic countries that are not ruled by the strong hand. Burmah is a case in point, and so are the Philippines.

The Thugs of Burmah were called dacoits. During the first years of the British occupation the troops were actively employed in small detachments in hunting down the "dakus" and laying their chiefs by the heels. It was a rough school for subalterns. The nature of the warfare is well illustrated in Kipling's "The Taking of Lungtungpen," a tale of the harrying of a dacoit stronghold by Mulvaney's detachment. But dacoity is now extinct in Burmah and the country is policed by native constabulary.

TACTFUL QUAKER.

Some time ago there lived a gentleman of indolent habits who spent his time visiting among his friends. After wearing out his welcome in his own neighborhood he thought he would visit an old Quaker friend some twenty miles distant.

On his arrival he was cordially received by the Quaker, who, thinking the visitor had taken much pains to come so far to see him, treated him with a great deal of attention and politeness for several days.

As the visitor showed no signs of leaving the Quaker became uneasy, but bore it with patience until the eighth day, when he said to him:—

"My friend, I am afraid thee will never come again."

"Oh yes, I shall," said the visitor. "I have enjoyed my visit very much and shall certainly come again.'

"But," said the Quaker, "if thee will never leave, how can thee come again?"

ON THE HIGH ZAMBESI

RIVER FULL OF CROCODILES AND HIPPOPOTAMI.

Meetings With Big Beasts Cause Fright to Boatmen—Beautiful Birds to Be Seen.

The High Zambesi is full of crocodiles; in some of the back waters they literally swarm, says a recent Cape Town letter. They vary in size from the little things like large lizards to monsters over twelve feet in length. Even where the banks are of clay and nearly perpendicular they seem to have little difficulty in landing, and by constant walking to and fro score the bank into ledges and terraces. They also scratch out or work out by other means hollows in the clay, which they constantly occupy when sunning themselves or sleeping.

Sometimes they go to sleep floating on the surface, just as our pike will do on a summer day, and then, like the pike, they remain unconscious of your presence until a sudden movement wakes them up, when they disappear with a prodigious disturbance. But this is not often; ordinarily they are very wide awake and vanish silently, sinking with scarcely a circle made. But the shallows and sand banks are their favorite resort, and there they are always watchful.

Often you can see them far ahead, tails to the water, heads up the flat sand bank, looking like beached canoes, and sometimes they lie across one another like stumps of drifted trees. But long before the canoes come up they take warning from the paddles, and, turning on the fulcrum of their tails, glide into the water.

More than once when having luncheon by the water's edge I have suddenly become aware of the cruel head and the lustreless glazed eyes looking up at me from below. It really "gave me quite a turn." I instinctively jumped back, for the crocodile is credited, and probably on good grounds, with the practice of knocking its prey into the water with a sudden sweep of its heavy tail. As many as sixty eggs are laid by a crocodile in its nest in the sand bank. Beside me as I write is an egg from a nest containing that number. It is rather larger than a goose's egg, but elliptical in shape, with a white and very brittle shell. We are told (but the statement requires confirmation) that when the little crocodiles begin to squeak in the shell the mother digs up the eggs and as the young escape leads them down to the water.

GETS ROYAL HONORS.

"Shangwe!" (chief) calls out my steersman as a dugout approaches coming up the stream; whereupon the paddlers stop their paddling, and squatting down in the boat clap their hands, their usual form of salutation to an official or a chief; and, presently, catching sight of their ivory armlets, they hold their arms aloft and return "Shangwe!" The armlets (ribbed round the centre, the distinctive sign of royalty) had been kindly given me by Litia, son of Lewanika King of Matrose. They acted indeed as a talisman that day. When we came to a waterside kraal, where the Batoka pickaninnies ran in and out of holes in the grass screens like rabbits, milk was instantly brought and Kaffir beer, and the women were set to scrape a bit of ground for me to sit on, but no undue delay allowed—and this through the royal armlets.

Birds walked the sand banks—black, white, open billed and marabou storks; sacred and glossy plovers, birds that waded in the shallows, the quaint hadadah and quainter hammertop and all the family of the herons. For, besides the Goliath, there were the great white herons, the purple and the squacco herons as well as the beautiful little gret. In the shallows also we saw the elegant jacana, whose toes are so long that it can walk the water over the thinnest water reeds; stilts, also, and advocates, graceful pied birds whose long slender bills curve upward. About the reeds were many small bitterns, who tightened up their feathers and gazed into the sky with straight, thin necks till they looked like stalks or bits of sticks.

And every now and then there flashed across the water a flaming streak, the crimson bee eater; Egyptian and spur winged geese and African pochards swam in the water or fed along the water mark, while the large pied kingfisher hung poised above the river or dropped like an arrow on the fish. Perhaps the least expected bird was a seagull—the grey headed gull—of which many were seen throughout the day.

Terns were numerous, especially the whiskered tern, easily distinguished on the wing by its smoky color. But of all the birds seen none was odder than the scissor bill. These birds are river terns, and, like other terns, lay their eggs on the sand banks. They are colored grey, black and white. But the strange point about them is this, that their orange scarlet bills have the upper mandible a great deal shorter than the lower or maxilla. The beak is also flattened from side to side, and what the birds feed on is not properly known as yet.

THE UGLY HIPPOS.

The hippos are causing us some concern. Every now and then one hears a noise like the steam blowing off in a railway station, and there is a hippo looking angrily at our boat. The head of the beast usually lies pretty flat on the water, only the nostrils and eyes above it. A good way off at first, by constant diving he reduces the distance, and at last, when perhaps some fifty yards away, he raises his head and shoulders, and looks like a frightful mask in some infernal pantomime. However kind a hippo may be feeling he always looks irate. He seems to be reckoning to a nicety the distance for his final rush. He dives and you go through the suspense of the interval—will he or will he not attack? To your relief he rises a little further off; his better nature has prevailed.

How long can a hippo remain under water? It is difficult to judge unless you have him in a quiet pool. I have timed him one, two, three minutes—five minutes—but at least he can remain below as long as Mr. Finny, and often inexplicably disappears altogether.

There is not always danger from these gigantic brutes. During ten months of the year, although individuals may now and then indulge in a little light play, they are fairly quiet; but now, like many other animals, they are savage in defence of their newly born offspring. They do not attack human beings. When once they have tumbled you into the water they trouble themselves no further, nor have they any occasion to do so; the crocodile sees to the rest. It is the boat that irritates them. Doubtless they conceive it to be some river monster invading their dominions.

For their better safety the paddlers of the dugouts keep as close as possible to the banks, but sometimes, forced out by shallows, they are obliged to cross the windings from point to point. With a river about as wide as the Thames at London Bridge this takes a little time, and once our crossing was attended by an amusing though alarming incident.

I was immersed in my diary when I was startled by the shock of a sudden noise, which I can only compare to a slice out of the roar of a cataract. There, close to us, was a hippo. He looked at us for a moment, and then opened his mouth to its very widest extent, as Mr. Rowland Ward's beasts do in Piccadilly. I was staring into a red cavern. The beast was so close that it dashed through my mind that I could easily throw in a bun. Perhaps he was waiting for one, or else was only making faces to exercise his facial muscles. If he simply meant to frighten us he certainly succeeded.

I could not see how the five boys behind me fared, but the tall steersman gave the dugout such a lurch with his paddle that he nearly toppled out of the boat, which was narrow in the bows, swayed violently from side to side and then fell backward into the bottom of the boat. You may be sure we watched the hippo very anxiously as he dived, and thankfully saw him—he was so close—turn below the water and disappear.

STREET SCENES IN JAPAN

THE UNIVERSAL SMILE IN THE STREETS OF TOKIO.

It Is the Result Both of National Character and of National Training.

Any one who stands for a moment at a London street corner will have opportunity of remarking the yarying expressions upon the faces of the passers-by, says a writer in the Pali Mall Gazette. The aspect of settled melancholy, the frown of preoccupation, the indication of nervous irritability, these are not wanting; nor yet is the scowl of ill-temper, the pitiful look of bewilderment, and the entirely vacuous stare. The other day, while thus idly watching the progress of a living stream, my attention was drawn to a wayfarer who was smiling. I saw the smile first; indeed, I caught it while it was still some way up the street, and only as it came toward me in the hot, hurrying throng did I observe the faultless top-hat, frock coat, patent leather boots, etc., of the smiler. This attire, worn upon a hot day of summer, not being generally conducive to smiles, I had a momentary thrill of surprise; then I saw that the gentleman was a Japanese.

In the streets of Tokio nine of of ten of the passersby smile. This may seem only natural in a land of paper lanterns, kites and dolls, where the populace, consisting chiefly of geishas and babies, toddle forth waving fans and umbrellas to the accompanyment of samisens, where the chrysanthemum and cherry blossom grow and blow together in and out of season. In this musical comedy paradise, which so many still persist in believeing to be the real Japan, smiling may be the inevitable thing; but what of

THE 'RICKSHAW MAN,

who runs barefoot and at full speed, drymouthed and panting, his garments dripping with sweat? What of the half-starved strolling acrobats, the blind minstrels, the water-carriers, the carters of manure, and the woman who sits in her doorway making fans? For a hundred fans she receives three sen! Why, by all the laughing gods, should these smile? And, further, the sick man who is picked up fainting in the streets, smiles while consciousness remains, apologetically for causing trouble; the mourners at a funeral smile, as do often, also, those who stand reverently to watch the procession go by. The servant reprimanded by his master, the student unsuccessful in his examinations, the soldier going to the war, even those sad crowds that flock to the railway stations to fetch home their wounded—all smile, patiently.

It will be understood that the Japanese smile can hardly be characterized as a merry one. I do not mean to say that the merry smile is not to be found in Japan; happily, it is common with its accompaniment of white teeth and twinkling almond eyes. But the smile that is essentially Japanese, this strange national expression is a combination of infinite patience, gentleness, timidity, pathos and humility. It is gently deprecatory; it pleads, "Deal not harshly with thy foolish servant"; or it is sublimely unselfish. "Let us not dwell upon my unworthy griefs; my honorable friend shall not for a moment be troubled with my obscure sorrows; let us speak of pleasant things." It is submissive, "This is the will of the gods," or it is pitiful, "Such and such a person does most wrong, but it is through ignorance, or through foolishness, or through weakness, or through something done in a former birth, or the world is too hard for him."

THE JAPANESE SMILE.

is the result both of national character and of national training. There is an inherent sweetness as well as an inherent fierceness of nature among this people. Ingrained in them is the passion for soft contours, the love of running water, the love of mist, the adoration of children and the tender worshipping memory of the dead. But during the period of the stern military despotism, sweetness, or at any rate surface sweetness, of character was enforced by law. Obedience was not enough, cheerful obedience was exacted; sacrifice was not sacrifice if not made with a smile, loyalty was not loyalty if it was not enthusiastic. Gloomy patriotism and moody fidelity were accounted far less than nothing; they were made punishable by the law. So there was gradually created an extraordinary atmosphere of self-control. Samurai condemned to hara-kari wrote, or rather painted, farewell letters, marvels of subtle literary composition; elegant verse was delivered from deathbeds; star crossed lovers, about to die together, went calmly through the etiquette of a carefully prepared little feast, coming with no ungrateful haste, but still very surely, to the poisoned cup at the end. This atmosphere of self-control endures at the present day.

Just outside Tokio I happened to meet a band of convicts, walking dejectedly in their uniforms of dusty pink and attended by a strong escort. The small English child by my side had not acquired the manners of her foster country, that was evident, for she shook her fist at the gang in an eminently British manner at the same time shouting angrily, "Dorobo! Dorobo!" (Robbers! robbers!)

THE HORROR AND SHAME,

not seldom brought upon me by one's young relations, possessed me entirely, and I never wished more sincerely for the ground to open and swallow me. As for the malefactors, these to a man turned round to see the child — and smiled.

Upon another occasion I found myself with the same companion, toiling up the steep way to a certain temple court. Before us were painfully climbing a man and a woman—country people and past middle age. They had come a long way for the ends of their robes were lifted and tucked into their girdles, and straw sandals were bound upon their feet. It was a hot day of summer, and they toiled on in silence. The back of the woman, presented to us, wore an air of most enduring patience; it was humble, from the set of the poor blue kimono on the thin shoulders to the black satin obi affected by her class. My child was stumping up the hill, with the aid of an enormous umbrella; this she unexpectedly raised, and deliberately poked the pious wayfarer; upon her poor obi there was left the impression of a dusty ferrule. The woman turned round immediately; she was plain-looking and worn, and, withal, severely marked by smallpox. Her teeth were blacked, in token of everlasting fidelity to her present husband, but her countenance was illumined, transfigured by the Japanese smile. She spoke to the man beside her, touching him on the sleeve; he, too, turned, smiling. She said: "Kawai no o kodomo wa." (Sweet is the honorable child.)

CHINESE GEOGRAPHY.

They Are Learned Only in the Knowledge That Was.

Much has been said about the wisdom of the East, and the Chinese are conceded to have been a wise nation before the United States existed. Nevertheless, a traveller from the United States was surprised at a conversation that took place between some local officials of a small village in China. They had appeared to greet the traveller and arrange for further progress. One of the officials asked him if he had travelled far and if he had come by land or sea. To tell him, who considered one hundred miles a long journey, that ten thousand miles was the distance travelled was to brand one's self as a gross exaggerator and his answer was met with peals of laughter.

The official's next question was as to whether America was north or south of China—to which one of his companions, as though ashamed of the ignorance of his friend, pointed out to him that America was in the Western and China in the Eastern hemisphere. The first official then seemed to remember that the United States was between France and Germany. It was the traveller's turn to laugh. The first official was very much ashamed of his friend and repeated emphatically the same information about the hemispheres, but as he volunteered nothing further that probably compromised his entire knowledge on the subject.

This ignorance, however, from a Chinese point of view, must not be confounded with being uneducated. They were highly educated, having spent in study the amount of time that a college boy of America would serve to get a Ph.D. degree at a university. But the Chinese had stopped with the learning of the fifth century before Christ, rather than the twentieth century after.

SALE OF IVORY IN LONDON.

About once a month great ivory sales are held at the London Docks, and at these tons of ivory are laid out before the manufacturer's gaze, and large sums change hands. The material is imported in great quantities from Africa, the tusks of the African elephant being most prized, owing to their superior density and whiteness. Ivory, such as that used for the manufacture of billiard balls, may command a price of £110 to £150 a hundredweight, so that the value of mammoth tusks may be approximated. India, Burma, Cochin-China, Ceylon, and the Malay Archipelago export small quantities to this country, though the bulk of ivory produced in these countries finds a native market. So subtle are the qualities of ivory that sometimes even the most experienced buyers are deceived as to its proper value. Good ivory is judged by its solidity and freedom from flaws, its elasticity, toughness and whiteness.

OLD SPANISH LAWSUIT.

Spain has a lawsuit still unsettled that has been in the courts 39 years, or since 1517. The case which concerns a pension, began between the Marquis de Viana and the Count Torres de Cabrera, and the accumulated sum in dispute would have reached fabulous millions had not four centuries of attorneys, barristers, and court officials taken considerate measures of appropriation to prevent the amount becoming unwieldy.

SERVICE IN THE DARK.

A series of "social Sunday night services for working people" is announced in a Norwich, England, parish. The whole service will be conducted in the dark, "so that the poorest and shabbiest may not feel out of it because of their clothes."

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A SILVER DISCOVERY.

A Find Reported Near Havelock—Said to be Valuable.

Havelock, March 13.—There is considerable suppressed excitement here over a discovery of silver reported to have been made some months ago by a resident of this town named McMillen. The prospector is exceddingly reticient on the matter and positively resfuses to divulge the location of the silver deposit. He states that is in the Township of Belmont and that it is quite close to Havelock. He has let a few of the citizens into his secret, one of whom stated that the find was an exceedingly valuable one.

The circumstances connected with McMillen's discovery are rather remarkable. Last fall while on a deer hunt he separated from the other members of the party and lost the trail. He wandered around for several hours and finally throwing himself on the earth he was scraping away a place to lie town to rest when he saw a piece of metal which proved to be almost pure silver about a foot long and three inches in diameter. Mr. McMillen at once made some investigations and found evidence of a considerable quantity of silver ore. He left the spot after marking it well and soon found the other members of his party to whom he showed his find. They were as enthusiastic over it as he was. They have kept their own counsel throughout the winter and have never given the slightest hint as to the location of the silver deposit, but those who have seen the metal say there is no doubt as to its richness.

Since this find has leaked out a number of persons have been quietly prospecting in the townships but so far they have not found the silver deposit. The few who are on the inside state that as soon as the location is made public there will be a great rush to the district.

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Mr. Gus. E. Geroux, writing from Pembroke, tells how he was injured in a lumber camp. "A heavy log rolled against my leg and I was laid up with stiffness and a hard swelling. When I applied Polson's Nerviline I got relief. A few rubbings with this good liniment cured me." In the bush, Nerviline is indispensable; it cures neuralgia, colds, rheumatism and internal disorders too. No person can afford to be without Nerviline. Useful for all internal and external pain. Large bottles 25c. at all dealers.

Dean Smith Stricken.

Kingston, Ont., March 13.—The Rev. B. B. Smith, dean of St George's Cathedral, was stricken with paralysis in the midst of a lengthy sermon in the cathedral this evening. He was at once removed to his home, and medical skill was called, but he failed to rally, and no hope is entertained for his recovery.

Dean Smith came here from Sherbrooke about twenty years ago, to be rector and dean in succession to Dean Lister.



PRESBYTERY OF GLENGARRY.

Important Session at Cornwall—Several Calls to Preachers.

The Presbytery of Glengarry met in Knox Church, Cornwall, on Tuesday, March 6th, according to appointment. Rev. T. G. Thomson, Moderator, was in the chair. Many important items of business were before the meeting.

A call to Rev. H. D. Leitch of St. Elmo was presented from Sonya, in the Presbytery of Lindsay. A strong deputation from St. Elmo was heard in favour of retaining Mr. Leitch in his present charge. The call was placed in his hands, and after speaking in the highest terms of his people, Mr. Leitch accepted the call, to which the Presbytery agreed. The translation will take place immediately after April 22. Rev. K. A, Gollan of Dunvegan, was appointed interim moderator of the sesison. The Presbytery recorded their appreciation of Mr. Leitch's valuable services both in his own charge and in the works of the Presbytery in general during his pastorate of nine years in St. Elmo, and also voted their sense of loss at the removal of Mrs. Leitch, who had been specially prominent in Sunday School work.

There was also a call from Hephzibah congregation, Williamstown, in favor of Rev. N. Waddell, of Aultsville. The call was sustained by the Presbytery, and arrangements were made for the further necessary steps in connection with it.

During the meeting a telegram was received by the clerk, stating that a call had been sustained by the Ottawa Presbytery to Rev. P. F. Langill, of Martintown.

A deputation from the charge of Lunenburg and Newington was heard, asking to have Wales (now associated with Woodlands) joined to them, as they felt unable to maintain ordinances without assistance from church funds. A meeting of the Presbytery was appointed for Tuesday, March 27th, to meet in Knox Church, Cornwall, when all parties affected by this proposed change will be heard.

Much of the time of the court was taken up dealing with grievances from Moose Creek. A settlement was finally reached in the following agreement, viz: "Inasmuch as it is mutually agreed by us, Dr. Watts, Rev. L. Beaton and Angus Grant, that all ill-feeling and further proceedings be dropped, and where any unkindness has been shown, that such be forgiven, and this spirit be considered the condition to the restoration of Dr. Watts to membership in full communion in the church, and that Mr. Beaton be asked to report this act to the session on Monday next."

Reports of the various standing committees for the past year were heard. The report on "Church Life and Work" dealt exclusively with the home. It showed from session reports that notwithstanding the fact that much good is being done, parents and guardians need to exercise the greatest diligence in both precept and example for the proper religious training of the young.

The Sunday School report showed a fairly good average of work accomplished, but urged sessions and male members of congregations to concern themselves more in the great work.

The statistical report showed a large number of additions to the Communion roll during the past twenty years or more.

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Fire at Gananoque.

Gananoque, Ont. March 12.—A fire started this morning in the millinery work room of Mrs. Baker's store, corner of King and Stone streets. It is supposed to have been in some way caused by the stove. Mrs. Baker's stock is valued at eight thousand dollars. Her household goods were also badly damaged by fire, water and smoke. Insurance $3,000. The adjoining store in the same building, occupied by Mr. H. J. Reid, jeweller, was damaged by fire and water to the extent of $400.

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GEORGE SHERIFF PASSES AWAY.

Brockville Loses Bright Young Business Man.

Brockville, Ont., March 8.—George Sheriff, who less than two months ago married Miss Martha Fulford, youngest daughter of the late Senator Fulford, died at any early hour this morning in the St. Vincent de Paul Hospital. He had been ailing for nearly two years with a complication of ills, but it was not until after returning from the honeymoon trip early in February that his ailments assumed a serious aspect. He was subject to a surgical operation as a last resort. Deceased was only thirty years of age, eldest son of Charles J. Sheriff, one of Brockville's manufacturers He received a good business training and three years ago secured a position as chief clerk of the audit department of the New York, Ontario and Western railway, afterwards succeeding the chief auditor. He resigned at the close of 1905 and returned to Brockville, marrying Miss Fulford on January 10th. They had taken up their abode at Fulford Place, intending to reside he e permanently. Mr. Sheriff was a director of the Dr. William's Medicine Co., and the Sheriff manufacturing company. In his day he was a prominent athlete and was conspicious for his skill as an oarsman, hockeyist and footballer, being a young man of magnificient physique. He was immensely popular and his death has caused widespread regret throughout the town.

ROW IN AN ONTARIO CHURCH.

Lady Choristers Charge Pastor With Telling an Untruth.

St. Catharines, Ont., March 12. There are prospects that the trouble in St. Barnabas' Church, which the new rector, Rev. W. B. Nevitt, got himself into, because he dismissed the eight ladies of the choir for flirting will soon be worse than ever. The ladies were in the choir yesterday and sang as if nothing had happened. It is what Mr. Nevitt said to the congregation in explanation which caused the new row. Today the following letter signed by every lady member of the choir for publication. "The lady choristers of St. Barnabas' church desire to refute a statement made by Mr. Nevitt from the pulpit Sunday morning. He announced as follows: "The ladies will remain in the choir until Easter this is done on their own account." This is distinctly untrue, as on Friday last a meeting took place between Mr. Nevitt, churchwardens and the ladies of the choir, and, after a long discussion, Mr. Nevitt asked the ladies back until such time as the rector and organist decided to continue without their services. He also agreed, but failed to do so to to make clear from the pulpit that he knew nothing against the ladies. His statement as far as it went was misleading and not as promised."

Hurled Over a Bridge.

Stratford, March 14.—An unfortunate affair has occured at Mitchell. Mr. Fred Sawyer, a much respected citizen, became insane. Yesterday he was noticed wandering about the street by his sister. She followed him, trying to get him home, but on arriving at the bridge west of the electric station he suddenly seized her and threw her over the railing into the river about 18 feet below. In a few seconds she was rescued by Messrs. W. R. Reynolds and Fred Dufton, who happened to be near at the time, and she was quickly driven to the home of her father.

On examination it was found that no bones were broken, and that she was not seriously injured, as was at first expected, although the shock was severe. Her escape from being killed or seriously injured, was a miracle.

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General Agent for the
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CHESTERVILLE, ONT.

Furniture Factory Burned.

Fenelon Falls, Ont, March 12.—The new furniture factory here, owned by a joint stock company, of which the municipal corporation is the largest shareholder, was destroyed by fire this evening. The home of Thos. Gregory, close beside the factory was also destroyed, together with a frame building. The loss on the factory is estimated at about $16,000.

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On going through our stock of Wall Paper we find a lot of Odd Rolls—lots with 1, 2, 3 and 4 rolls of a kind. Prices were from 10c to 50c per roll.

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We will Sell it at - - - -

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We also have a Fine New Lot of Papers in for Spring.

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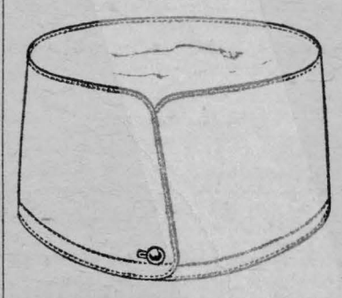

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FINCH

Miss Florence Carr, of Grantley, is visiting Miss Ella Carr this week.

Mrs. Lafleur, Ottawa, attended the funeral of Mrs. F. Dingwall Thursday.

J. A. McMillan, of the Good Luck Store, Avonmore, spent Sunday at his home here.

Mrs. (Dr.) Crain, Crysler, was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Dey Monday,

D. McMillan, of the Bank of Ottawa, Buckingham, P.Q., is spending a few days with his parents.

The many friends of S. A. Gormley are delighted to have him back in Finch again. Sandy is at the same old job cutting off the dry goods for J. W Low in the old corner store.

A much esteemed resident of this place Mrs. Finlay Dingwall, passed away on Tuesday aged 54 years. The deceased was a daughter of Mr. Duncan G McMillan. She was held in warm regard by a wide circle of friends by whom her death will be deeply regretted and whose heartfelt sympathy will go out to the bereaved ones. She is survived by her husband and one daughter, Miss Anna Dingwall. The funeral took place on Thursday and was attended by a large number of relatives and friends. The service was conducted by the Rev. D. McVicar. of the Presbyterian church assisted by the Rev. W. A. Hamilton, of the Methodist church. The pall-bearers were Messrs A K McLean, D M Munro, Donald J McMillan. A J McDougall, H McMonagle and J L Barton. Among the relatives present were Mr and Mrs J H McMillan, (Postmaster) Cornwall; T Dingwall and L McLean, Maxville; D McIntosh, Apple Hill; Mrs A Robillard, Avonmore.

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The body needs patching—wasted tissues must be rebuilt, played-out organs restored—blood needs extra nourishment. Elderly people need Ferrozone,—need it because it vitalizes and rejuvenates as no other remedy can. Ferrozone builds up the kind of strength that makes one feel good,—keeps back the decay of old age and makes you look young and handsome again. Forget nervous exhaustion, renew your vital energy, again re enter the life of youth. Your remedy is Ferrozone, only fifty cents per box at all dealers

BOUCK'S HILL.

March 14th, 1906.

It has been somewhat wintry of late

Mr Stephen and Miss Carry Merkley were visiting friends across the line last week.

[illegible] A Barkley has moved on Mr Her Barkley's farm

Mr Henry Wells is sawing wood in our vicinity

Mr John Armstrong and family of Dunbar, Sundayed at Mr J Armstrong's

Miss Phoebe Barkley of Elma, was the guest of Mrs N Merkley on Sunday

Mr Morley Becker has been getting some of the inside parts of his house painted, which will add very much to its appearance

A number of our people has made maple syrup already this season

S. A. Immigrants Arrive.

Halifax, N. S., March 13.—Not one mishap occurred among the 1,180 Salvation Army immigrants, who arrived by the chartered steamer Kensington. They were a fine-looking lot of immigrants, and the government officials expressed full satisfaction with their appearance. Over half of them are booked for Northern Ontario, and most of the remainder go farther into the Canadian West. A sargeant of the Canadian Artillery was at the steamer's side when she came to the pier, with ribbons in his hat, seeking recruits for service, but the men were thinking of other than martial things, and the whole crowd went off as soon as they could be transferred to the trains.

Some mischievous persons have been damaging the street letter-boxes at Brantford. In one case matches were thrown into a box and letters were burned.

GRANTLEY.

A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. Peter and Annie Munro last week where an oyster supper was held, the guests numbering about a hundred. Mr. Simeon McMillan entertained the audience with song and music The company all enjoyed themselves, and before dispersing a toast was proposed to the health of Mr. and Miss Munro and the boys all sang "For he's a jolly good fellow" and cheered Mr. and Miss Munro, after which the party went to their several homes. Mr. and Miss Munro intend going west in the near future and carry with them the respect and well wishes of the whole community.

Mr. Terrance Shea had the misfortune to break his leg last week while at Newington at the saw-mill.

Mr. Alex Taylor is again on the sick list.

Mr. Sim Myers has taken the contract to build a large barn for M. Curran of this place.

Mr. Munro of Nation Valley, was visiting friends here on Sunday last.

Mr. Ross Beckstead was here for a few days last week.

Erring Son Got Into Bad Company

A young man named Webb Paradis, whose home is in Peterborough, Ont., is under arrest at Windsor charged with stealing two diamond rings. His father a respectable merchant, is broken-hearted. He says "My son got an offer of a position in Montreal with the Bell Telephone company. He was to receive $2.25 a day and I thought it was a good position for him. Now I am sorry I let him go to the big city. He was only sixteen years of age and got into fast company down there. Nothing else would have caused this trouble now, because he was a good boy at heart and was brought up well."

THE FEDERATED CHURCH OBJECT.

Wrote Protesting Against Racing at Fairs.

The Ottawa Council of Federated Churches sent the following communication to Hon. J. P. Whitney, premier of Ontario, and Messrs D. J. McDougal, and G. S. May members for Ottawa.

"Attention having been drawn to the fact that a very serious attempt is being made to remove all restrictions upon horse racing at exhibitions, on the ground that the law has not been enforced, I have been instructed by the Ottawa council of Federated Churches to communicate with you, expressing a most emphatic protest against any relaxation of the present law and the giving of grants to societies that permit horse racing and immoral side shows at their exhibitions, and our urgent request that the present law be retained and if need be strengthened and properly enforced. Respectfully yours, on behalf of the Ottawa Council of Federated Churches, Rev. B. W. Merill, secretary.

The premier, through his secretary, has acknowledged the receipt of this communication.

The Ottawa members, Messrs. May and McDougal, have also acknowledged the receipt of it, and expressed their hearty sympathy with the council in this matter and their entire willingness to accede to the request of the council.

A Double Fatality.

Ogdensburg, N. Y., March 12.—Jeremiah Reagan, proprietor of the Grove Hotel at Norfolk, near here, was accidentally shot and instantly killed while handling a rifle in his barn at Norfolk, and shortly after, when the news of his tragic death was communicated to his mother, Mrs. Regan, she dropped dead from shock. Regan was taking the gun from a cupboard in the barn, when the trigger caught, discharging the weapon, the bullet passing through his heart. Regan was 50 years of age, and his mother 80 years.

CURED HER BOY OF PNEUMONIA

Newmarket Mother is loud in her Praises of the Great Consumption Preventative

"My son Laurence was taken down with Pneumonia," says Mrs. A. O. Fisher, of Newmarket, Ont. "Two doctors attended him. He lay for three months almost like a dead child. His lungs became so swollen, his heart was pressed over to the right side. Altogether I think we paid $140 to the doctors, and all the time he was getting worse. Then we commenced the Dr. Slocum treatment. The effect was wonderful. We saw a difference in two days. Our boy was soon strong and well."

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ELMA.

People are busy tapping their sugar woods. James Armstrong has Orlan Becker's woods on shares.

Mr Ross Becker from Russell, was in our town Friday.

Mr Edwin Beach and family were visiting Melvin Barkley's on Saturday,

Peter Hill and wife were the guests of Mr Edwin Beach on Thursday.

Mr Albert Weegar and family were the guests of Mr Charles Lennox on Wednesday.

Mr H H Barkley and wife were the guests of Mr. A. Barkley Thursday who has lately moved on the Anson Becker farm.

Mr William Pemberton has purchased a cow from Mr Orlan Becker.

The Rev D Stewart was the guest of M Thom Tuesday.

Charles Lennox and wife left Saturday for the North West.

Mr J Weston of North Williamsburg was through town taking orders for wall paper last week.

Orlan Becker has hired Herbert Merkley for the summer to look after his farm at Maple Side.

NORTH WINCHESTER.

Mr. Fred Sprague, who formerly resided in Cannamore, has taken his abode in our prosperous village, and is going to be a cheesemaker this season.

Miss Maud Smirle is visiting in Ottawa this week.

Mr. J. S. Kyle, sr., is still confined to his bed.

Mrs. J. S. Kyle, jr., and children, are visiting her parents at Cahore.

Mr. Frank Fraser, who has been in British Columbia since last fall, started for home on March 12th and is expected home soon, and his many friends will be pleased to see his genial face and a hearty shake of his hand.

Mr. Joseph Cox is rushing the season by getting out his wood home on a waggon.

Mr. Archie Smirle is going to make cheese in Crysler this summer.

Mr. Edward Whiteside is visiting his son-in-law, Mr. Emerson Kyle.

Mr. Emerson Kyle is going to remodel his barn as he is getting out timber and lumber for that purpose.

Mr. Frank Jarvis, our enterprising painter and paper hanger, is on his rounds as he represents the Empire wall paper Co. of Toronto.

R. J. Kyle, our general grocer and Dep. Post master, has been appointed Issurer of marriage licenses, so boys patronize home industry.

On Jan. 6th, 1906, Mr. J. S. Kyle, sr., commemorated the sixtieth anniversary of his marriage. And on Feb. 19th, 1906, J. S. Kyle, jr., celebrated the 10th anniversary of his wedding by having a splendid oyster supper at his residence, where friends both young and old, assembled on many former occasions, where they know that they are always welcome and can enjoy themselves to their heart's content.

The evening being ideal, almost as warm as summer, at 6 p. m., the hour appointed for the gathering, the guests began to assemble to the number of 140 and were received by the youthful hostess, whose ten years of married life has set lightly upon her.

The hostess had provided amusements to suit the different temperaments of her guests by having singing and music with the assistance of a gramophone and other games, with the amusing fortune telling game of Oniga, but the best amusement which all seemed to enjoy was the lucious oysters, which were so deliciously cooked by a lady visitor from British Columbia, who thoroughly understood her business and lent her willing assistance to make the occasion a success. It was a tin wedding, but the tin was conspicuous by its absence, the presents being both costly, numerous and useful, which bespeaks for the good sense of the guests and the esteem in which the hostess is held in this community.

After the elder portion of the guests departed, the youth and beauty of the remainder finished by tipping the light fantastic till the wee small hours of the morning.

No Fees For Legal Lobbyists.

Ottawa, March 0.—Mr. Fitzpatrick's bill to amend the act regarding the Senate and House of Commons will provide that a member of either House, who is a barrister or solicitor, or the partner of a member of either House, shall not receive any compensation, directly or indirectly, for services rendered in any proceeding or contract, or claim, etc., in which the Crown is a party, either directly or indirectly interested, before either House.

Several cars of a C P R express, on the Soo branch, were derailed and upset near Sudbury. Two passengers were killed and several injured.

The six-months-old child of Mr and Mrs James Elliott, who live in Korah township, about three miles from the Soo was smothered through being wrapped up to closely.

A dynamite explosion occurred on the new C P R Toronto and Sudbury line, near the Severn river by which two young men named Armstrong and Foucher lost their lives.

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Class I Part II—Johnnie Moore.

Class I Part I—Bernice Cunningham, Grace Loucks, Kenneth Cunningham.

MRS. E. H. TRICKEY, Teacher.

S. S. No. 7, Finch.

Number of Fourth class on roll 13.
Number of pupils on roll 32.
Names in order of merit.

Sr. IV—Minnie Hamilton, Jennie Dunbar, Inda Casselman, May Dunbar, Alex. Munro, Murray Droppo, Nettie Munro, Patrick Foley.

Jr. IV—John T. Foley, Andrew Droppo, Mary McCloskey.

AGNES MCMAHOM, Teacher.

Reporter Still Missing.

Toronto, March 13—The police are looking for Wallace Laut of London, who is said to have been the accomplice of C. McIntosh Fisher, the Toronto World reporter, accused of stealing the proofs containing the university commission report. A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Lout. Descriptions of both men have been wired to the principal United States cities.

B. C. Legislature Frorogued.

Victoria. B. C., March 12—The Provincial Legislature prorogued at 10.30 to-night. Just previous to prorogation the West Kootenay Power and Light Company's bill was killed.

At Belleville Alex. Patterson was arrested on a charge of attempting murder on his wife.

George Talling was struck by a railway engine at London, Ont., and killed.



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Time table in Effect Nov 13th, 1905.

North Bound—Read Down.

	Express Ex. Sun.	Express Ex. Sun.	Mixed Ex. Sun.
Lv. Tupper Lake	6.15 a.m.	1.50 p.m.	6.30 a.m.
Moira	8.26	4.04	10.05
Cornwall	9.03	4.43	10.54
FINCH	9.42	5.22	11.42
Ar. Ottawa	11.00	6.35	1.15 p.m.

South Bound—Read Down.

Lv. Ottawa	7.50 a.m.	4.35 p.m.	6.00 a.m.
FINCH	8.59	5.47	7.33
Cornwall	9.33	6.24	8.20
Moira	10.09	7.02	10.05
Ar. Tupper Lake	12.30	9.25	1.10 p.m.

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HUNDREDS DIE IN MINE FIRE

Terrible Explosion in a Colliery Near Calais France, Entraps 1,200

Paris, March 10.—A mining catastrophe of incalculable horror and magnitude has stricken the great coal centre of northern France. An explosion of fire damp at 7 o'clock this morning carried death and destruction throughout the network of coal mines centred at Courrieres, and fire followed the explosion, making rescues difficult and almost impossible. The intense excitement and confusion in the vicinity prevented early estimates of the exact loss of life, but a despatch received here at 4.35 p. m., gave 1,404 miners entombed, and probably lost. At 8.45 o'clock this evening a brief despatch from Lille announced the awful total of 1,193 dead.

All France has been profoundly shocked by the magnitude of the disaster, which is said to be the greatest in the history of continental mining.

IMPOSSIBLE TO RENDER AID.

Gas is pouring into pit No. 2, preventing an entrance, and is is impossible to succor the men imprisoned there. In pit No. 3 the cages will not work, having been damaged by the violence of the explosion. The rescue work, therefore, is proceeding mainly in pit No. 4.

The rescuers are made up of engineers and the personnel of the surrounding mining towns.

Ten miners from pit No. 11 were removed alive, but none of the 858 miners who entered pit No. 4 has yet been brought out. Of the 500 miners who descended there this morning, according to a despatch from Lens, 388 have been brought out, but the rescue of the others is impossible. In pit No. 3 only 13 men out of 443 have been rescued, and as the ladders are broken and the cages jammed the rescuers despair of helping the others. The Prefect of Pas de Calais, M. Arras, is directing the work of rescue at pit No. 11, near the scene of the main catastrophe. It is possible that the rescuers may be able to approach the lateral galleries, and fifty miners, headed by Engineer Bar, have been formed into a relief gang, and will make an attempt to reach them.

Foreman Lecomte came up from the mine this afternoon and reported a terrifying scene below.

FAMILIES CROWDED THE SHAFTS.

The families of the entombed miners crowded about the shaft seeking husbands or fathers and threatening in their efforts to obtain details to force back the gendarmes who kept them from the mouth of the pit. The populace of the district is appalled by the disaster, which affects every household. Those persons who were rescued were terribly burned. The latest estimates place those taken out at 591.

Throughout the afternoon the heroic efforts at rescue were continued, but nightfall brought the conviction that the entombed men had been suffocated, and the despatch from Lille at 8.45 p.m. announcing the number of dead at 1,193 appears to remove the last hope that others may be brought to the surface alive.

A TERRIBLE EXPLOSION.

The catastrohe took place shortly after 1,795 men had descended into the mine this morning. There was a deafening explosion, which was followed by the cages and mining apparatus being hurled from the mouth of the Courrieres mine. Men and horse nearby outside the mine were either stunned or killed. The roof of the mine office was torn off. Immediately following the explosion flames burst from the mouth of the pit, driving back those without who sought to enter and dooming those within. The work of attempting to rescue the imprisoned miners was hastily begun by officials, engineers and miners from the surrounding mines, who formed parties and made heroic efforts to penetrate the smoke and foul gases and bring out the imprisoned.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S SPEECH AT THE OPENING.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The Canadian Parliament opened here with all due recemony on Thursday afternoon. There was a large attendance of members, and every available seat in the House was taken by the public. Society was very much in evidence.

TEXT OF THE ADDRESS.

The speech from the throne was as follow :

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Commons:

In again summoning you to meet for the despatch of business I am glad to be able to congratulate you on the prosperity prevailing throughout the Dominion.

The loss which Queen Alexandra has sustained through the death of her father, the King of Denmark, has occassioned much sorrow throughout the land, and I am satisfied that the warm sympathy of the people of Canada will be readily extended to her Majesty.

INAUGURATING NEW PROVINCES.

It afforded me much pleasure as the chief representative of his Majesty to take part in the inauguration of the Provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan as constituents of the Confederation. The universal rejoicing on the assumption of Provincial autonomy everywhere was gratifying to witness, and I venture to say that in no part of the world could a more contented population be found. The universal sentiment was one of abounding confidence in the future.

LARGEST TRADE ON RECORD.

The bountiful harvest with which we have been blessed in the past season, together with the continued development of our industries and transportation facilities, have so stimulated business in all parts of Canada, and have given such an impetus to our exports and imports, that the trade both with the United Kingdom and foreign countries for the current fiscal year, gives promise of being the largest on record.

The flow of immigrants seeking homes in the three prairie Provinces still continues, and from the present outlook the number will be in excess of any previous year, and it is satisfactory to note the increasing proportion from the British Isles.

A treaty on behalf of Canada has not been concluded between the United Kingdom and Japan, which it is confidently hoped will largely increase our trade with the people of that progressive empire. When the formal documents have been received they will be laid before you.

NEW FOREST RESERVES.

The rapid destruction of our forests now going on will, unless the operations of the lumbermen be prudently regulated in the future, and a system of reforestration adopted, result in grave consequences, affecting the uniform flow of our rivers and limiting our valuable water powers to a few months in the year. A bill will be submitted for your consideration empowering the Government to set apart forest reserves on lands under its control.

In accordance with the offer made by my Ministers to the Government of the United Kingdom, the Imperial Treasury has now been relieved from the cost of garrisoning Halifax, and arrangements are in progress for taking over the defence of Esquimault, and hereafter detachments from the permanent force of Canada will have charge of both these important stations. You will be invited to consider the propriety of making such a change in the fiscal year as will bring it more into harmony with the active business season.

THE INSURANCE INQUIRY.

The result of the investigation into the administration of leading life insurance companies in the neighboring Republic has naturally created some uneasiness in the public mind as to the condition of Canadian companies. A commission has therefore been issued to inquire into and report on the management and financial standing not only in companies holding Canadian charters, but also of all companies doing business under license in Canada.

Satisfactory progress has been made in the exploration and surveys of the Eastern division of the National Transcontinental Railway and it is expected the contracts for the construction of two important sections embracing together about 400 miles will shortly be executed.

INTERNATIONAL WATERWAYS.

The imterim report of the Canadian section of the International Waterway Commission will be laid before you. The work of the joint Commission has been somewhat delayed owing to a doubt as to the jurisdiction of the American section. The great development of commerce on the waters dividing the two countries and the opportunities for the generating of electric power at many points necessarily evolve questions which can only be dealt with by international arrangement or treaty. At Niagara the Commission will have to consider how best to preserve the scenic effect of the Falls, while not unduly restricting the use of the flow of the Niagara River so valuable for the power purposes.

REPORT ON TRANSPORTATION.

A report has been received from the Transportation Commission containing several important recommendations; the document will be laid before you.

The legal experts appointed to revise, classify and consolidate the public general statues passed since the revision in 1886 have completed their task, and it is expected that the volumes will be ready for distribution before July.

AMEND LORD'S DAY ACT.

A measure for the better observance of the Lord's Day will be submitted for your consideration.

You will be invited to consider among other subjects, bills to amend the Railway Act, the Fruit Marks Act, and Act respecting usury, and also the Dominion Elections Act.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

The accounts of the past year will be laid before you. The estimates for nine months, embracing a portion of the proposed fiscal year terminating on the thirty-first day of March, 1907, will be submitted for your approval at an early date.

WISDOM AND MODERATION.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate, Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

I invite your earnest attention to the several subjects I have mentioned and to the general business that will come before you, and I trust your deliberations will be guided by wisdom and moderation.

The House had only a short session on on Friday, lasting for about 20 minutes. Hon. Mr. Sifton had the honor of opening the session in a business way by presenting a petition from some of his constituents. Sir Wilwrid Laurier then moved that the select committee for the appointing of standing committees be composed of the following: Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Mr. R. L. Borden, Hon. Mr. Paterson, Hon. Mr. Hyman, Hon. Mr. Haggart, Mr. Calvert, and Mr. Taylor.

Mr. Foster enquired when they could expect a number of returns which had been moved for last session but not presented. One of these was from the Public Works Department, and there were two from the Department of the Interior, the first regarding timber licenses and the second regarding the scrip enquiry.

Mr. Hyman said that the return in regard to public works would be ready on Monday. Mr. Oliver said that the returns from the Department of the Interior would be ready on the same day. The evidence which had been taken in regard to the scrip had not yet been printed, but would be if the House desired it.

AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT.

Hon. Mr. Foster enpuired when they could expect the report of the Auditor-General.

Sir Wilfrid said he had spoken to the Auditor-General in regard to the matter, and was in a position to say that the first part of the report would be laid on the table on Monday, and the balance a few days later.

BRITAIN OWNS FIFTH OF WORLD.

First Census of the Empire Shows 400,000,000 Population.

A despatch from London says: The result of the first organized census of the British Empire is isued in a blue book. It shows that the Empire consists of an approximate area of 11,908,378 square miles, or more than one-fifth of the entire land area of the world. The population is about 400,000,000, of whom 54,000,000 are whites. The population is roughly distributed as follows:—

In Asia	300,000,000
In Africa	43,000,000
In Europe	42,000,000
In America	7,500,000
In Australasia	5,000,000

The most populous city after London is Calcutta. The highest proportion of married persons is in India, Natal, Cyprus and Canada. The lowest is in the West Indies. Depression in the birth rate is general almost everywhere, but is most remarkable in Australasia. The proportion of insane persons in the colonies is much below that in the United Kingdom. Insanity is markedly decreasing in India, despite consanguineous marriages. Indeed, the theory that such marriages produce mental unsoundness is little supported by these statistics.

DARING FORGER ARRESTED.

He Passed $18,000 Worth of Bogus Pay Checks.

A despatch from Chicago says: The principal in the $18,000 forgery of Illinois Steel Company pay checks in South Chicago has been discovered. According to his own confession, Louis Longpre is the man. He was arrested on Tuesday in the office of the Western Bank Note Company, where he has been employed as an engraver. Longpre confessed that he made the plate from which the checks were printed and that he assisted in cashing them among the South Chicago merchants. Marie, Longpre's wife, was arrested Monday and was identified by several merchants as having cashed some of the pay checks. There are several others under arrest, but the police refuse to tell their identity. Longpre in previous years has been arrested on suspicion of being concerned in other big forgeries.

FRENCH CABINET RESIGNED.

Was Defeated on the Question of Church Inventories.

A despatch from Paris says: Prime Minister Rouvier and the members of his Cabinet resigned on Wednesday, following a debate in the Chamber of Deputies on the Government's application of the law regarding the taking of inventories of church property. M. Rouvier demanded a vote of confidence, which was defeated by 273 to 234.

The Cabinet crisis comes at a most dramatic moment, when the Franco-German contest has reached a decisive stage, and may exert an important adverse influence on the Algeciras conference and European affairs.

The Government succeeded in holding only 234 votes, while the various elements in opposition, Clericals, Socialists, and Nationalists, united and polled 27 votes, thus placing the Ministry in a minority of 33.

Premier Rouvier, with all his colleagues, immediately proceeded to the Foreign Office, where a joint letter of resignation was prepared. Later M. Rouvier presented this letter to President Fallieres, who accepted the resignations. Having returned from presenting to President Fallieres the resignation of the Ministry, M. Rouvier was surrounded in the lobbies of the Chamber of Deputies by groups of members, who expressed their regret at his abandonment of office. M. Rouvier displayed not the slightest emotion.

DEATH OF HALIFAX PRELATE.

Archbishop O'Brien Expires After Few Hours' Illness.

A despatch from Halifax, N.S., says: Cornelius O'Brien, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Halifax, died suddenly at 11 o'clock on Friday night. For four or five years his Grace had been in somewhat poor health, suffering from an affection of the kidneys, but it was apoplexy that proved the immediate cause of death. Friday morning the Archbishop rose feeling about as usual, but in the afternoon he complained of indigestion, from an acute form of which he was a sufferer. He went to bed and sent for his physician, who came and prescribed. The doctor was called for again at 10 o'clock at night, but saw no reason for thinking it more than indigestion. At 11 o'clock his Grace asked his niece, who was in the room, to get him a glass of water. She went after it, and returning in a minute, found the prelate dead on his bed. He had expired in a moment, and without a pang.

CARNEGIE ON WEALTH.

Millionaires Who Laugh Are Rare, Says Carnegie.

A despatch from London says: Andrew Carnegie has written to a newspaper here declaring that the advantages of wealth are trifling. He says, "Beyond a competence for old age, which need not be great, and may be very small, wealth lessens rather than increases human happiness. Millionaires who laugh are rare."

SALARY FOR BRITISH MEMBERS.

Bill Carried to Pay Each of Them One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars.

A despatch from London says: The House of Commons, after a discussion occupying the whole of the Wednesday evening session, carried by a majority of 238 the motion introduced by the capitalist Liberal, Wm. Hesketh Lever, representing the Wirral division of Chesire, in favor of payment to members of Parliament of $1,500 yearly.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE

WHAT THE LEGISLATURE AT TORONTO IS DOING.

THE ESTIMATES.

Hon. Col. Matheson, the Provincial Treasurer, said that the estimates showed a large increase, but that the increase was in reality smaller than the figures would indicate. There were several heavy offsets that were concealed in the intricacies of bookkeeping, which would reduce the increase by $200,000.

The total estimates are $5,625,543. The expenditure last year was $5,396,016. The estimated increase is $229,526. To this must be added the very large increases the Government's new educational policy will entail. The educational policy will entail. The educational estimate this year is the heaviest item. A total of $1,233,416 is asked as against $1,131,799 expended last year. For administration of justice $519,000 is asked, an increase of $18,000.

The Agricultural Department asks for $446,000, a $41,000 increase. The statement applies $432,805 on capital account.

Colonization and mining roads will get $212,410.

The increase in civil government expenses is $57,602, which gives every man in the civic service at the buildings from $50 to $500.

Over $101,000 is allowed for increases in the maintenance of public institutions.

Crown lands gets $127,525, an increase of $105,794.

Public works include $48,600 for two cottages for forty patients each at Woodstock Asylum, and $7,000 for an addition to the O. A. C. chemical laboratory.

Under miscellaneous items are included $7,500 for enforcing the Liquor License Act, $6,000 for wolf bounty, $8,000 for the Hydro-Electric Power Commission, $5,000 for the University of Toronto Commission, and $10,000 for gratuities.

Salaries and expenses of the Agricultural College are placed at $97,683, as compared with $89,373 in the estimates of 1905. There is $11,000 increase in the estimates for dairy instructors. The Eastern Dairy School gets an increase of $5,000.

For incidentals the sum of $22,000 is allowed, as compared with $16,000 last year.

NEW JAIL FOR COBOURG.

The private bills committee decided to report Mr. Preston's bill to authorize the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham to raise $60,000 by the issue of debentures payable in 30 years, for the purpose of erecting a new and modern jail at Cobourg. Many condemnations of the old jail have been voiced by the inspectors of such institutions. Nevertheless it has been considered by the Counties' Council that the structure might be remodeled in such a way as to fit it for use as a House of Refuge. Land has been purchased to carry out this project. The new jail will be adjacent to the court-house, from which the old lock-up was distant two miles.

TO INSPECT CHEESE FACTORIES.

The appointment of three inspectors to enforce the maintenance of sanitary conditions in the 1,200 odd cheese factories and creameries as well as the many farm diaries of the province was the request of a deputation which waited on Hon. Nelson Monteith, Minister of Agriculture, yesterday, on behalf of the Eastern and Western Dairymen's Associations. It was suggested that two inspectors should perform the duties in the east and the other in the western portion of the province. It is not expected that the new officials will be able to inspect all the places in which cheese and butter are manufactured, but it is felt that they would learn in what factories unsatisfactory conditions prevail, and visit them. "I for one member of the Cabinet will be pleased to do what I can to forward the idea," Hon. Mr. Monteith said.

DAIRY HERD.

Mr. Sutherland asked a number of questions respecting the Ontario Agricultural College Farm, particularly with regard to the dairy herd kept there and the output of milk from it. He was supplied with the desired information by the Minister of Agriculture, who stated that from 1895 the average yearly production of milk from the herd had been 28,200 pounds.

JOINT STOCK COMPANIES.

M. Hoyle's bill providing that hereafter all promoters of joint stock companies selling shares in the Province of Ontario shall file with the Government their prospectuses and these prospectuses shall contain full and accurate particulars as to the allotment of capital stock, the character of the business to be conducted, etc., was warmly endorsed by both sides of the House. The bill is an important one, and its passage, which is now sure, will give a valuable safeguard to investors against the wiles of professional promoters who issue misleading and alluring prospectuses of enterprises in which the promoters themselves are to be the chief beneficiaries.

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WOULD CHEAPEN LAWSUITS.

An enlargement of the jurisdiction of the Division Court is contemplated by the bill to amend the Division Courts Act, of which T. H. Lennox, M.P.P., for North York, has given notice At present suit can be entered in those tribunals for damages from $60 up to $100 on open account, and up to $200 where the amount is ascertained. Suit can be entered in the County Court for damages or on a running account up to $200, and where the amount is known, up to $600. Cases of either sort are tried by the same judges or by a jury. Expenses of action in the County Court are heavy as compared with those in the Division Court. M. Lennox would include within the jurisdiction of the latter tribunals actions up to $100 in suits for damages, $200 in open accounts, and $400 where the amount is known. In the County Courts suits for $400 for damages or on running accounts and $500 where the amount is ascertained it would be permissible. He would also make is possible to serve any papers in the Division Court as in the High Court, instead of through bailiffs and officers.

RETURNS ASKED FOR.

Mr. McDougall (Ottawa), obtained an order of the House for return of copies of all documents showing amounts and prices of all commodities supplied either to Government or to Commissioners of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway by the license inspector at Mattawa. Also on order for a return, giving the names of all officials replaced by the Government in East and West Nipissing, with reasons for their dismissals.

THE LIST OF DISMISSALS.

The leader of the Opposition obtained an order of the House for a return giving a list of all persons in the service of the province on Feb. 7th, 1905, who have since retired from the service, distinguished as follows:—(a) Those who voluntarily retired. (b) Those whose resignations were called for. (c) Those who were dismissed. (d) Those in regard to whose conduct an investigation was held, showing where resignation was called for, or dismissal took place, the reasons or cause therefore in each individual case.

WEALTHY PAUPERS.

Mr. Eilber's bill to recover maintenance from inmates of houses of refuge possessing property, was given its second reading. In his own County of Huron he instanced four cases, where the persons living on the charity of the county had among them more than $2,000. One correspondent mentioned an inmate of a house of refuge who had over $1,000 in the bank and a house and lot valued at $750. Another man had a paid-up life insurance policy. It proposed also to have houses of refuge inspected by the Inspector of Jails and Prisons, who, he thought, had ample time on his hands for this duty.

A MONSTER ENGINE.

Will Haul C.P.R. Transcontinental Train in One Section.

A despatch from Montreal says: The C. P. R. is experimenting with what is said to be the largest locomotive ever built. This locomotive was designed by Mr. Vaughan, assistant to President Van Horne. It left the shops on Tuesday night under its own steam for the North Bay division, on which it will be tried out.

The C.P.R. is trying to get an engine that will take the Transcontinental across to Vancouver in one section. Hitherto when traffic has been at all heavy it has been found necesary to break the Transcontinental into two sections. This new engine, if it fulfils expectations, will take a train of twenty passenger cars across the continent.

Though the C.P.R. authorities admit that they have built the largest engine ever constructed in America, they will not give out any particulars as to its weight or manner of construction.

ENA IS NOW A CATHOLIC.

Impressive Ceremony at the Conversion of the Princess.

A despatch from San Sebastien, Spain, says: The impressive ceremony of the conversion of the Princess Ena of Battenberg to the Roman Catholic faith prior to her marrying King Alphonso occurred on Wednesday in the chapel of the Palace of Miramar. The members of the royal family were deeply moved, the Princess Beatrice, Princess Henry of Battenberg, mother of the Princess Ena, and Princess Ena were in tears. An artillery salute announced the termination of the ceremony, after which the royal party lunched together. The town enjoyed a holiday in honor of the event, processions headed by bands of music passing constantly through the streets.

MURDER AT WINNIPEG.

A Drunken Quarrel Followed by a Stabbing.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: A Galician named Thomas Korchzynski was murdered in a row in a tenement house in the foreign quarter on Saturday night. Another Galician named Fred Huyk has been arrested charged with the crime. About 25 foreigners in the house had been drinking and celebrating before the altercation, which terminated in a fight between Korchzynski and Huyk. They went outside to settle the difference and Huyk stabbed deceased four times, inflicting wounds which caused death shortly afterwards. The police have arrested all the parties implicated. Huyk has a bad record, having served eighteen years in prison in Austria for killing a police officer. He has a wife and family in his native country. His victim was a young man, 27 years of age.

CANCER CURES WITH RAYS.

Prof. Schiff Successfully Uses Rontgen and Radium.

A despatch from Berlin says: Prof. Edward Schiff, of Vienna, who was one of the first physicians to study the healing effect of the Rontgen rays, describes in a Munich medical journal three cases in which he has succeeded in healing cutaneous cancer with the aid of Rontgen or radium rays.

In opposition to the practice of other physicians, who assist the healing process with slight operation and the application of certain chemical materials, Prof. Schiff used only the rays. One case was that of a lady of 75 years of age, who had cancer in the right temple. The other two, who were also between 70 and 75 years of age, had cancer on the nose. From ten to fourteen sittings sufficed to heal the cancer, the radium and Rontgen rays being applied alternately for the space of one hour with the former and ten minutes with the latter treatment.

Prof. Schiff considers that he has proved that the statement that cancer on the skin can be removed only with the knife is erroneous.

DISASTER IN AUSTRIAN MINE.

Forty Miners and Engineer Killed by Collapse of Staging.

A despatch from Vienna says: By the collapse of the gallery staging in Earl's Mine at Raibl, district of Tarvis, on Thursday, 40 miners and one engineer were killed.

Toronto's assessment this year is expected to be increased by $10,000,000.

LEADING MARKETS

BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, March 13. — Wheat — Ontario —No. 2 white, 78c asked f.o.b., 73 per cent. freight points; red, 76c bid, 77½c asked, mixed 77c asked.

Wheat — Manitoba — No. 2 Northern, 81c asked, f.o.b. lake ports for May.

Oats — No. 2 white, 34c bid, f.o.b. 73 per cent. freight points.

Barley — 50c asked for No. 2, outside, 47c bid for No. 3 extra and 45c for No. 3.

Peas — No quotation

Corn — No. 3 yellow, American, 47c bid, at Toronto.

Flour — Exporters are bidding $3.05 for Ontario 90 per cent. patents for export, in buyers' bags, at outside points. Manitoba—first patents $4.30 to $4.50, $4 for second patents.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter — Receipts are generally less heavy, and the market has a firmer tone for all lines.

Creamery	25c to 26c
do solids	23c to 24c
Dairy lb. rolls, good to choice	18c to 19c
do largs rolls	17c to 18c
do medium	16c to 17c

Cheese—13½c for large and 14c for twins.

Eggs — Deliveries are again heavy, and the market is taking a downward turn, and quotations are lower, at 17c for new laid and 14c for storage.

Poultry — Fat chickens, 11c to 12c, thin 7c to 8c; fat hens, 8c to 9c, thin 6c to 7c; ducks, 12c to 13c, thin 6c to 7c; geese, 10c to 11c; turkeys, 14c to 15c, for choice small lots.

Potatoes — Ontario, 65c to 75c per bag on track here, 75c to 85c out of store; eastern, 70c to 80c on track, and 80c to 90c out of store.

Baled Hay—Quiet at $8 per ton for No. 1 timothy and $5.50 to $6 for No. 2 in car lots on track here.

Baled Straw—Unchanged at $6 per ton for car lots on track here.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, March 13.—Grain — Bids were out of line in Manitoba wheat, and business was quiet. The oat market continues easy in tone; prices unchanged. Barley firm. No change in flour. Rolled oats firm in tone, and millers have advanced prices to $1.90 per bag in car lots, and $2 to $2.05 in jobbing way.

Oats — No. 3, 39c to 39½c; No. 3, 38c to 38½c; No. 4, 37c to 37½c.

Peas — 79c f.o.b. per bushel.

Barley — Manitoba, No. 3, 49c to 49½c; No. 4, 48c to 48½c; Ontario, 46c f.o.b 78 per cent. points.

Corn — American mixed, 50½c; No. 2 yellow, 51½c ex-track.

Flour — Manitoba spring wheat patents, $4.50 to $4.60; strong bakers', $4 to $4.10; winter wheat patents, $4.25 to $4.50; straight rollers, $4 to $4.10; do in bags, $1.75 to $1.85; extras, $1.65 to $1.75.

Millfeed — Manitoba bran in bags, $19; shorts, $20 per ton; Ontario bran in bulk, $14.50 to $15; shorts, $20; milled mouille 21 to 24, straight grain mouille $25 to $27 per ton.

Rolled Oats — Per bag, $1.90 to $1.95; cornmeal, $1.30 to $1.40 per bag.

Hay—No. 1, $8 to $8.50; No. 2, $7 to $7.50; clover mixed, $6 to $6.50.

Cheese—No change; fair trade is passing in small lots, dealers quoting 13c to 13½c.

Butter — Steady, choice selling at 22c to 22½c, and 23c to 23½c in small lots. Second quality is unchanged at 21½c to 22c.

Eggs — Fresh selling at 19½c to 20c, fall stock at 14c to 15c, and limed at 13c to 14c.

Provisions — Heavy Canadian short cut pork, $21; light short cut, $20; American short cut $20; American cut clear fat back, $19 to $20; compound lard, 6¾c to 7¼c; Canadian pure lard, 11½c to 12c; kettle rendered, 12½c to 13c; hams, 12c to 13½c, according to size; bacon, 14½c; fresh killed abattoir dressed hogs, $10 to $10.25; country dressed, $8.75 to $9.50; alive, $7.50 for selects.

BUFFALO MARKETS.

Buffalo, March 13. — Flour — Quiet and steady. Wheat — Spring unsettled; No. 1 Northern, 82⅝c, carloads; Winter quiet; No. 2 red, 82¼c. Corn — Easier; No. 2 yellow, 46½c; No. 2 corn, 46c. Oats — Quiet, and only steady; No. 2 white, 34½c. Barley — Only steady; Western, in store, offered at 46 to 52c. Rye — Nominal.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Toronto, Mar. 13.—The run [illegible] offering at the Western [illegible] morning was heavier than [illegible] time, but the demand continues fairly active for all lines and prices were well maintained.

Export Cattle—Choice are quoted at $4.16 to $5.15, good to medium at $4 to $4.50, others at $3.75 to $4, bulls at $3.50 to $4, and cows at $2.75 to $3.50.

Butcher Cattle—Picked lots, $4.50 to $4.75; good to choice, $4.10 to $4.40; fair to good, $3.50 to $4; common, $2.50 to $3; ; cows, $3 to $3.60; bulls, $3 to $4; canners, $1.50 to $2.

Stockers and Feeders — Short-keep feeders are quoted at $4 to $4.50; heavy feeders at $3.85 to $4.15, medium at $2.50 to $3.50, bulls at $2 to $2.75, good stockers run at $3 to $3.65, light at $2.75 to $3, rough to common at $2 to $2.75, and bulls at $1.75 to $2.50.

Milch Cows—Trade is steady and the range of prices offering is unchanged at $30 to $60 each.

Calves—Prices were generally maintained and are quoted unchanged at 3½c to 6¾c per lb.

Sheep and Lambs—They are quoted at $4.75 to $5 per cwt., and bucks at $3.75 to $4.50. Lambs are steady at $6.75 to $7.10 for grain-fed and $5.50 to $6.50 for mixed.

Hogs—Selects are quoted at $6.85 per cwt. and lights and fats at $6.60.

LIVERPOOL WITH CANADA.

Big British Port Will Petition to Remove Embargo.

A despatch from London says: Liverpool City Council will petition for the removal of the cattle embargo in the interests of the meat consumers and for the benefit of the trade of the port.

PURE RED BLOOD.

Is Necessary to Health, Strength and Happiness.

Pure, rich, red blood is what is needed by every woman, young or old. Thin, weak, watery blood is the cause of all the headaches, and backaches, and sideaches — all the weakness and weariness, all the nervousness and fainting spells that afflict girls and women. The only thing that can help you is Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These pills make new, rich, red blood, that gives new life and strength to every organ of the body. In this way they make pale, feeble girls develop into healthy, happy women, and for the same reason bring ease and comfort, and regularity to women at all ages of life. Miss J. Dietrich, St. Clements, Que., is one of the many thousands made well and happy through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. She says: "I tried several medicines but got nothing to help me until I took Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I was subject to palpitation of the heart, a throbbing in the head, and dizziness and fainting spells. I had no appetite, and was weak, pale and discouraged when I began the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Six boxes of these have made me feel like an altogether different person, and have given me new health and strength."

Rich, red blood is the true secret of health and strength, and it is simply because Dr. Williams' Pink Pills make new, pure blood, that they cure such troubles as anaemia, loss of appetite, indigestion, neuralgia, rheumatism, St. Vitus dance, partial paralysis, kidney troubles, and the special ailments that only women-folks know. But you must get the genuine with the full name, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People," on the wrapper around each box. If in doubt, send to The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., and the pills will be mailed at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for $2.50.

ANSWERED HIMSELF.

How a Young Man Enlivened a Social Gathering.

There was a social gathering at the residence of Mr. Wigglesworth one evening last week, and among those who were present was a young man with a forehead of marvellously developed bumps, a delicate tenor voice, and a brilliant necktie. As the gathering was purely of a social character, the company sat about the room on chairs, stared vacantly at the pictures, and thought things about each other's clothes. Finally, during a continued lull in the conversation, the young man cleared his throat, pulled his cuffs down, and said, for general edification:—

"Why does a dog always sneeze three times?" It was an heroic act, and the young man actually turned pale as he realized his temerity, but the company eagerly grasped the rope thus thrown to their assistance.

"What kind of a dog?" inquired a pretty girl in blue silk.

"Oh, any kind," explained the young man.

"Is it because he can't help it?" observed a smart young clerk, with a tall collar and a weak smile, who was a little jealous of the sudden notoriety of the young man.

But the owner of the conundrum frowned severely. Then a fat woman, with grey hair and a jet-black chignon, remarked:—

"My husband had a dog once. He used to wear a nightcap—that is, my husband did—and one night when he was laid up with a sore paw—that is, the dog—he forgot to put it on—my husband forgot to put his nightcap on—and he chewed it all up—the dog did— and my husband jumped out of bed and found it so twisted around his feet—found the nightcap twisted—that I had to hold his hind legs while he cut it off with his knife."

"Hold whose hind legs—the dog's?" anxiously inquired a clerical looking man near the fire.

"Of course, sir," frigidly replied the fat woman.

"But what has that to do with the question?" mildly inquired a meek little woman in corkscrew curls.

"Nothing," responded the fat woman; "only he was such a funny little brute —the dog. I mean."

Just at this moment a young man by the door, who had been thinking so hard that he had started a seam on the back of his coat, burst out with:—

"Because it is the sneeziest thing to do!"

At this atrocious act the fat woman almost fainted; and the frowns of the whole company so abashed the unfortunate young man that he shrank out of sight behind the door.

"And why," finally said Mr. Wigglesworth, as the silence became painful, "why does a dog always sneeze three times?"

The company held their breath for the answer.

"He doesn't," replied the young man very softly.

"Eh?" exclaimed Mr. Wigglesworth, in condensed amazement, while the company resolved itself into an allegory of petrified astonishment.

"He doesn't," repeated the young man, in the same soft voice. And then it seemed as if a sort of gloom settled down over the company; and after the refreshments had been served the young man of the conundrum, noticing that the weather had suddenly grown very cool, went home. And of all that throng there was not one who bade him good night.

BABY'S SMILE.

Baby's Own Tablets has a smile in every dose for the tender babe and the growing child. These Tablets cure indigestion, wind colic, constipation diarrhoea, and feverishness, break up colds and bring natural, healthy sleep. And the mother has the guarantee of a government analyst that this medicine contains no opiate, narcotic or poisonous "soothing" stuff—it always does good and cannot do harm. Mrs. Joseph Ross, Hawthorne, Ont., says:—"I have used Baby's Own Tablets and find them just the thing to keep children well." You can get the Tablets from any medicine dealer or by mail at 25 cents a box from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Love at first sight may require the services of an oculist after a second

A woman writes a letter because she has something to say or nothing else to do.

EXCITING HONEYMOONS

COUPLES' DARING TRIP THROUGH CENTRAL ASIA.

Spent Their Honeymoon in Port Arthur —With Napoleon's Grand Army.

Count de Lesdain, of the French Legation at Peking, has with his bride just completed a daring honeymoon trip through Central Asia. From Peking the couple travelled north to the great Gobi Desert—discovering on their way two buried cities—where they came upon a new lake. They then made for the sources of the Yangtze-kiang River, enduring many hardships and nearly perishing in an upland mud plateau, 19,800 feet above the sea's level. At one period they were fifty days without encountering another human being. They ultimately reached Darjeeling by way of Tibet.

It was on his wedding-day that Lieutenant Nevelskoy received orders to proceed to Port Arthur, where he was appointed adjutant to General Stoessel, and served under him throughout the siege. His wife, who obtained permission to accompany him, spent her honeymoon in doing invaluable work in the hospitals of the beleaguered fortress, where, with Mme. Stoessel, she labored night and day in nursing the wounded and

FEVER-STRICKEN SOLDIERS.

Another honeymoon undertaken in somewhat similar, though even more perilous, circumstances was that of the young bride of Count Alesio, an Italian noble who had attached himself to the fortunes of the Great Napoleon. This girl, for she was but eighteen, immediately after her marriage joined the Grand Army with her husband, and accompanied him throughout the disastrous Russian Campaign, where she shared with him all the privations and horrors of the retreat.

It is now about two years since Mr. and Mrs. Bradley, of Nova Scotia, arrived at Plymouth, England, having spent an enjoyable, if very exciting, honeymoon on board a small decked sailing-boat, in which they crossed the Atlantic. Rough weather was experienced during the trip, but their little craft behaved admirably, and the couple were delighted with the success of their novel wedding-tour.

On more than one occasion has a balloon been selected as the locale for a honeymoon. A well-known English general passed the first hours of his married life travelling through space with his newly-wedded wife, while M. Camille Flammarion, the celebrated French astronomer, entered the car of a balloon with his wife immediately after the marriage ceremony, and was borne aloft on

AN AERIAL WEDDING-TRIP.

Six years back an eccentric couple from Orleans, France, spent their honeymoon on the summit of Mont Blanc. After battling for hours with a terrific snowstorm they gained the mountain's loftiest peak, where, in the presence of the guides, they embraced and swore eternal fidelity. On their return to Chamounix, after three days' absence, an enthusiastic reception awaited them. A band playing martial music came forth to meet them, a big gun boomed in their honor, and in the evening there was a display of fireworks.

Eccentric, perhaps, rather than edventurous, was the honeymoon conceived by a young Californian couple named Beyers, who passed the week following their marriage amid the branches of a gigantic tree, where they had erected an extempore shelter. To this they ascended by means of a ladder, which was, at their request, afterwards removed, and not returned until, at the expiration of seven days, it was required for their descent. A weeks' honeymoon, too, was once spent by a newly-wedded pair named Kolcsey in the Dobschau ice-cave, a vast cavern whereof the roof, walls, and floor are thickly coated with ice. Although plentifully supplied with rugs, blankets, and other warm coverings, their experience was not one they would have cared to repeat.

FRAUGHT WITH EXCITEMENT.

Although of a different kind, was the wedding journey just undertaken by one George Frances, when on the way with his bride to see his father in Chicago. Having no money for his railway fare he secreted himself in his wife's big dressing-case, the lady herself travelling in a comfortable sleeper with the key of her trunk in her pocket-book. When near Omaha, however, a porter, while checking the luggage, heard a noise proceeding from the case, and, suspecting the presence of somebody within, called out, "Do you want a drink?" Noises indicative of an affirmative reply resulted in the trunk's being opened and the release of Frances, too stiff to walk and quite exhausted.

COUNTESS OF ABERDEEN'S SLAVES.

Interesting Incident in Her Wedding Tour in Egypt.

The Countess of Aberdeen, who is President of the Women's National Liberal Federation, and wife to the new Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, began her active life as a reformer when on her honeymoon.

She was twenty years old when she married the Earl of Aberdeen, who is ten years her senior. Part of their wedding tour was through Egypt, where the happy pair met General Gordon, and from him heard so much about the slave traffic that they resolved to make war against it immediately.

They noticed four youths who were being exhibited for sale, and invited their owner to bring them on board their launch. The dealer, thinking the couple intended purchasing his human merchandise, gleefully did so, whereupon the earl, pointing to the British flag flying over his boat, exclaimed:

"These boys are free. I claim them in the name of the Queen!"

His lordship steadfastly refused purchase-money, and Lady Aberdeen adopted the four youths, as well as a boy who had been imprisoned for being a Christian. Thus it happened that the young Countess, still a mere girl, returned from her honeymoon with five adopted sons! Three have since died, but two have lived to enjoy a good education under the direction of their noble foster-parents.

THEY MADE THIS COUPLE HAPPY

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS DOING GOOD WORK AROUND PORT ARTHUR.

Mr. Dick Souvey and Wife Both Had Kidney Troubles and the Great Canadian Kidney Remedy Cured Them.

Port Arthur, Ont., Mar. 12—(Special).—That Dodd's Kidney Pills cure the Kidney ills of men and women alike has been proved time and again in this neighborhood, but it is only occasionally they get a chance to do double work in the same house. This has happened in the case of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Souvey, a farmer and his wife, living about seven miles from here. In an interview Mr. Souvey said:

"My wife and myself have used Dodd's Kidney Pills, and have found them a big benefit to our health. We had La Grippe two winters and were exposed to much frost and cold. Our sleep was broken on account of urinary troubles, and pain in the kidneys. We each took six boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills and enjoy good health."

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Mrs. Brown: "I have such a lovely present for my husband!" Mrs. Smith: "What is it?" Mrs. Brown: "A pair of slippers. Won't he be pleased?" Mrs. Smith: "Yes. What do you expect to get from him?" Mrs. Brown: "Oh, nothing much—a diamond ring, I suppose, or a sealskin jacket."

Tiny tubercles on the skin of scrofulous people produce the hideous disease called lupus. Weaver's Cerate, used in time, will save the skin from destruction. Apply to all affected parts. Cleanse the blood with Weaver's Syrup.

Girls now-a-days are not so particular as they used to be about trifles. The other day a newly-made friend said to an awfully fetching girl: "What lovely teeth you have, dear!" "Yes," replied the other, without turning a hair; "they were a birthday present."

Stomach "Scowls." — Ever notice the seams and furrows that steal into the face of the sufferer from indigestion, dyspepsia and chronic stomach ailments. Watch the sunshine break in and the lines vanish when Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets are given a chance to show their power. One lady, in writing of their efficacy in her case, calls them "A heaven-born healer." 35 cents.—120

PROPERTY JUMPERS' TRICKS.

Burglar Who Gets into Houses Hid in Furniture.

Of all the criminals who make a living by preying on their fellow-creatures, the "property-jumper" is the most successful and the most scientific. He is not the common or garden thief, but a smartly-dressed individual, with plenty of money in his pockets and an excellent supply of that admirable quality known as "pluck."

A "property-jumper," it should be explained, is a man or woman who boldly takes possession of flats and houses, furnished and unfurnished, the owners of which have gone away and left the premises under the charge of a caretaker.

One of the smartest pieces of work that a "property-jumper" has done for some time was at a large flat in Paris. Some weeks ago the owner, a well known lady music hall artiste, went away to Spain to take up an engagement there. The porter of the building in which the flat was situated was told by the lady to admit no one to her rooms under any circumstances during her absence. About a week after she had gone the porter received a letter, purporting to come from the tenant, and informing him that she was forwarding a large antique cabinet and would be glad if he would see it safely lodged in her flat. A few days later the cabinet arrived and was placed in the rooms. When the lady returned home she found to her dismay that the better part of her portable property, including jewellery to the value of $2,500 had vanished. The thief had got into the flat in the old cabinet, which he himself had sent, and about which the tenant knew nothing whatever.

"Now, my dear sir," said Dr. Fox, "I can't cure you unless you promise to do everything I tell you." "All right," said Skinner. "I promise." "Good! Now, first of all, pay me my last year's bill."

THE EDITOR.

Explains How to Keep up Mental and Physical Vigor.

A New Jersey editor writes:

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"I know, old chappie," said Dobbs, "she has her faults, and a temper, and all that; but I—I love her and can't live without her." "Just so," calmly replied his friend; "but the question isn't that. Can you live with her?"

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Magistrate—"You say you didn't steal the watch. Then, where did you get it?" Prisoner—"Bought it, your worship." Magistrate— "Where?" Prisoner — "In King Street." Magistrate—"What did it cost?" Prisoner—"Really, your worship I quite forgot to ask."

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OF CANADA.

The Twenty-fourth Annual Meeting of the Shareholders was held at the Head Office of the Company, at Hamilton, March 6th, Mr. David Dexter, President, in the chair, Mr. W. H. Davis, Acting Secretary, when the following Report was submitted:

DIRECTORS' REPORT.

Your Directors have the honor to present the Report and Financial Statement of the Company for the year which closed on the 31st December, 1905, duly vouched for by the Auditors.

The new business of the year consisted of two thousand four hundred and fifteen applications for insurance, aggregating $3,532,579, of which two thousand three hundred and twenty-eight applications for $3,329,537.08 were accepted.

As in previous years, the income of the Company shows a gratifying increase, and the assets of the Company have been increased by $275,140.56, and have now reached $2,423,913.93, exclusive of guarantee capital.

The security for Policy-holders, including guarantee capital, amounted at the close of the year to $3,293,913.93, and the liabilities for reserves and all outstanding claims, $2,213,698.75, showing a surplus of $1,080,215.18. Exclusive of uncalled guarantee capital, the surplus to Policy-holders was $210,215.28.

Policies on seventy-eight lives became claims through death, to the amount of $156,886.00, of which $8,911 was re-insured in other companies.

Including Cash Dividends and Dividends applied to the reduction of premiums, with annuities, the total payment to Policy-holders amounted to $236,425.35.

Careful attention has been given to the investment of the Company's funds in first-class bonds, mortgage securities and loans on the Company's policies, amply secured by reserves. Our investments have yielded a very satisfactory rate of interest.

Expenses have been confined to a reasonable limit, consistent with due efforts for new business.

The results of the year indicate a most gratifying progress. Compared with the preceding year, the figures submitted by the Directors for your approval show an advance of nearly thirteen per cent. in assets.

The assurances carried by the Company now amount to $17,294,136.11, upon which the Company holds reserves to the full amount required by law, and, in addition thereto, a considerable surplus.

The field officers and agents of the Company are intelligent and loyal, and are entitled to much credit for their able representation of the Company's interests. The members of the office staff have also proved faithful to the Company's service.

Your Directors are pleased to be able to state that the business of the Company for the past two months of the curernt year has been better than in the corresponding months of last year, and that the outlook for the future is most encouraging.

DAVID DEXTER,
President and Managing Director.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1905.

RECEIPTS.

Premium ond Annuity Income	$583,279.78	
Interest, Rents and Profit on Sales and Securities	121,197.07	
		$ 704,476.86

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid to Policy-holders	236,425.35	
All other Payments	215,313.47	
Balance	252,737.98	
		$ 704,476.86

ASSETS, DECEMBER 31st, 1905.

Debentures and Bonds	747,790.37	
Mortgages	834,987.59	
Loans on Policies, Bonds, Stocks, etc	487,234.35	
All other Assets	353,951.62	
		$2,423,913.93

LIABILITIES.

Reserve Fund	$2,170,425.45	
Death Losses awaiting Proofs	31,686.00	
Other Liabilities	11,587.30	
Surplus on Policy-holder's Account	210,215.18	
		$2,423,913.93
Assets	$2,423,913.93	
Guarantee Capital	870,000.00	
Total Security	$3,293,913.93	
Policies were Issued Assuring	$3,329,537.08	
Total Insurance in Force	$17,294,136.11	

Mr. David Dexter, President and Managing Director, in moving the adoption of the report, said:—I beg leave to submit for your consideration and adoption the report of the Company for the year ending 31st December, 1905. In doing so I am pleased to say that it is the most satisfactory year Directors have had the privilege of placing before you. As compared with the preceding year it shows a gain of seven per cent. in premium income, thirteen per cent. in interest earned, twelve per cent, in total income, ten per cent. ($319,038) in amount of new assurances placed, 7 per cent in amount of assurances in force, 12 per cent. in assets, 14 per cent. in reserves held to provide for the payment of Policy contracts now in force, and 43 per cent. in the surplus over all liabilities.

The profits paid to policy-holders also show an increase of 16 per cent. and the payments made to policy-holders 18 per cent. in excess of the previous year.

The reserves now held to meet Assurance obligations as they mature are in excess of the present requirements of the Insurance Act, additions being made from year to year to meet the higher standard of reserves on assurances written prior to the year 1900, which the Act requires that we shall hold at the expiration of a term of years. All policies of assurance written since the year 1899 and many previous thereto are secured by reserves on 3½ per cent. and 3 per cent. basis.

The profits to the policy-holders have been maintained in so far as it was possible to do so in the face of the inroads thereon from various sources, which may be sumarized as follows: The increased cost of new business owing to the methods adopted by competitors, particularly some of the American companies; the fees and taxes charged and levied by Provincial Governments; the greater privileges and advantages granted to the policy-holder under the modern policy contract.

I would here remark in explanation of the last item that these additional privileges and benefits are increased privileges of travel, residence, occupation and continuance of policy, the same becoming non-forfeitable after three years, until the reserve thereon is exhausted in payment of premiums. It will be readily understood that some of the causes which I have mentioned have tended to increase the cost of assurance, and others to impair the sources from which profits formerly accrued.

The shareholders who provided the paid-up and additional guarantee capital for security to policy-holders when such a provision was necessary have in no way encroached upon the profits to policy-holders, but have much less in return for their cash investment than the average rate of interest earned by the Company on investments.

Your Directors have always endeavored to the best of their ability to select safe as well as profitable investments for the funds entrusted to their care and the securities held will bear the most rigid inspection.

Your Directors decided to erect a first-class office building on the very desirable site owned by the Company and situated on the north-west corner of James and Main Streets, to meet the Company's requirements. Competitive plans were obtained for a steel frame fireproof building of eight storeys. Tenders were received and a contract let for the construction of such a building, to be completed in August next. We are confident that the building will prove to be a satisfactory investment, affording a reasonable return in office rentals as well as desirable offices for the headquarters of the Company.

Lieut.-Col. Kerns seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried. The retiring Directors were re-elected, and at a subsequent meeting of the Directors Mr. David Dexter was re-elected President and Managing Director. Lieut.-Col Kerns and Rev. Dr. Potts were re-elected Vice-Presidents.

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Anti Cigarette League.

An anti cigarette league has been formed in Winchester, the president being Roy Campbell; vice-president, Andrew Summers; Secretery, Fred Palmer and treasurer, Dan Irving. At the second regular meeting held in Room B of the Public school the league pledged themselves against the use of tobacco. A programme of readings, vocal and instrumental music then followed and the teachers gave short speeches. A collection of $1.41 was taken which will be used to purchase literature in connection with the work.

LOCAL AND DISTRICT.

Mrs. O. Abbot and little daughter of Smith's Falls, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Casselman last week.

Mrs. T. O Keys of Inkerman, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Merkley.

Mr. E. W. Forward and little daughter Margaret, of Montreal, are in town.

Messrs. A. Sweet, S. S. Reveler and Geo. Challies of Winchester, attended the annual reunion of Scottish Masons in Ottawa last week.

Mr. John P. Burns of Limerick, sold his high-stepping brown colt to Mr. Geo. Daniels of Ogdensburg, N. Y, for the sum of $335. Mr. Burns seems to keep the high priced horses.

Mrs. Will Smith returned to her home in Ottawa on Thursday, after visiting in town.

Mr. Thos. Irving, auctioneer of Winchester, was in town to-day.

The township Council of Mountain, are submitting a local option by-law to the ratepayers, the polling day being set for Friday March 30th.

A number of the principal ratepayers of the village of Winchester are of the opinion that the Normal school and school of Agriculture proposed to be built in this eastern section should be stationed at that place, and at a meeting recently held the following resolution was passed:—"Moved by B. Lane, seconded by A. Sweet, that this representative meeting of the citizens of the village of Winchester is of the opinion that Winchester is entitled to the serious consideration of the Ontario Cabinet when selecting a location for a Normal School and School of Agriculture, and that the reeve is hereby authorized to communicate with Premier Whitney and Minister of Education, strongly urging our claims in regard to the same."

Mr. Wm. Campbell of Cannamore, last week sold a cabinet grand Gerhard Heintzman piano to Mr. E. L. Munharvey. It is a beautiful instrument and one of the highest grades they manufacture.

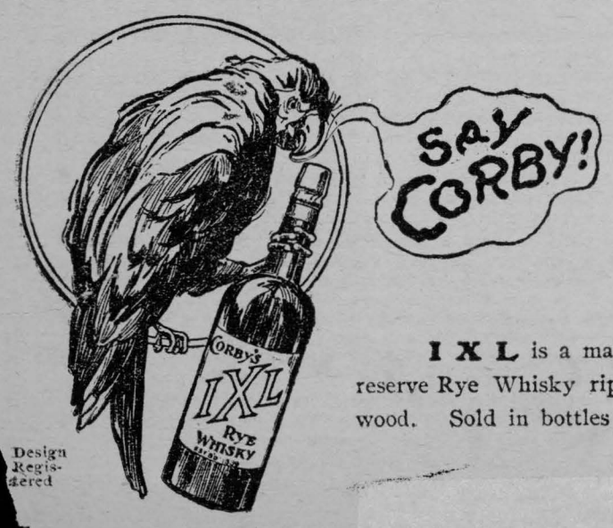
The concert and Drama, "Shaun Aroon," to be presented in Foster's hall, on Monday evening next, March the 19th, by St. Mary's church choir, promises to furnish a good deal of amusement. If you want to procure your seats you can do so now by calling at the store of Mr. J. T. Kearns, wdere the plan of the hall can be seen.

The anniversary services of the Presbyterian church in Chesterville, will be held on the 25th inst. On Monday evening a social will be held when the Rev. Leach of St. Elmo, will deliver one of his famous lectures.

A large water bird, shot by Irwin Ball on Mr. Allison's island last summer and mounted by a taxidermist at Chesterville, is now on exhibition at the Leader office. The proper identification of the bird has puzzled all the sportsmen and naturalists of Morrisburg, and its exact place in the bird class is still in doubt. It evidently belongs to the Order Longipennes (long winged swimmers), although its webbed feet and general appearance suggest a close relationship with the loon and other divers It's beak, however, is the shape of the gull's, The bird is a smoky color underneath, the upper parts and feet approaching a rusty black. The length of the creature is about 35 inches from tip of bill to end of tail. The neck is 8½ inches long, the bill four inches, the tail (which consists of eleven stiff quill-like feathers) measures 6¾ inches; the expanse of the wings is about 38 inches. The bill is ochre color. Who can name the bird? Our own opinion is that it is a cormorant.—Leader.

Mr. John McFee's residence at Belleville was burned. Loss $10,000.

Judgment has been given in the Nova Scotia Supreme Court sustaining the preliminary objection to the election petition against the return of Mr. E M. MacDonald M P. for Picton, and dismissing the petition.



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PROVINCIAL SALE.

Closing Day of Fat Stock Show.

The Ottawa Fat Stock Show of 1906 closed its doors on Friday, the concluding afternoon being devoted to the provincial sale of pure bred registered Shorthorn cattle. Though not quite up to that of last year the attendance was satisfactory and the fair in so far as being a help to farming community a success.

Thos. Irving, of Winchester, was auctioneer for the cattle sale. Prices generally were higher than last year except for the highest grades of stock which fetched about the same prices. Twenty males fetched $1,495 or about $78 on an average and sixteen females realized $1,295 an average of over $80. Only one animal was withdrawn. The following is a list of the sales with registry number, buyers and prices.

MALES.

Ferndale Laddie, 51792; bought by McMahon brothers, Billings' Bridge, $105.

Red Rover, 57291; Patrick Malone, Gatineau Point, Quebec; $65.

Roan Boy, 54589; Jacob Manchester, Huntley, $85.

Early Grey, 57293; E W Booth, City View; $50.

Nero, 59736; Wm Sweeney, March; $65.

Mersy Lad, 55538; Robert Dobbie, Calumet; $65.

Count Rufus, 61180; George Cornell, Lyn, Ont ; $135.

Royal Arch, 61603; John Dougherty, Beachburg; $70.

Knight of Bray Side, 60521; Thomas Fleming, Ashton; $105.

Samson, 59735; R H Grant, Hazeldan; $100.

Gilmour, 61605; Joseph Kerr, Gatineau Point; $50.

Duke of Richmond, 58514; W N Rivington, Riedau View; $55.

Pride of Twin Elm, 58518; John McGlashan, Gatineau Point; $60.

Clay Bank Rover, 58669; Geo Woods, North Wakefield; $80.

Netheraron, 61604; John Bancroft, Newington; $55.

Mina King, 2nd; M H McVeity, Ottawa.

Morning Star, 58517; John Brophy, Twin Elm; $50.

Nonpareil Chief, 60240; Joseph Maher, Limebank; $90.

Grand Duke, 58515; Joseph Kilt, Brudenell; $55.

Nonpareil Knight, E A Haines, Parry Sound, $85.

Enfield Captain, 60512; William Nixon, Richmond; $65.

FEMALES.

Marjory, volume XIX; Alexander Stewart, Stewartville; $125.

Rosebud. vol XIX; W Cahill, Carleton; $65.

Gladys 2nd, 62639; David Harten, Fallowfield; $100.

Merry Maid. 65219; George Armitage, Duntobin; $80.

Nonpareil of Straun, 69942; Joseph Barnett, Brooklyn; $140.

Belle of Struan, 69941; A Pritchard, Kazabazua, Que; $105.

Fairfax Queen, 72149; E A Haines, Parry Sound; $55.

Maid of Struan, 69940; James Leask, Greenbank; $100.

Lily of Robin Hill, 3rd, 70278; G A Beamer, Osgoode; $65.

Lily of Robin Hill, 4th, 70279; James Beaman, Osgoode; $65.

Enfield Belle, 70337; N Brownlee, North Gower; $75.

Rose Fairfax, 72147. R F Halpenny, Mosgrove; $45.

Lady Mona, 70353; W A Wallace, Kars; $70.

Lucretia, 70356; Clifford Richardson, Billings' Bridge; $80.

Marion's Pride, 68187; N Brownlee, North Gower; $45.

Enfield Blossom, 70338; Walter Hurdman, Hurdman's Bridge; $70.

Clay Bank Velma, 68188; withdrawn at highest bid of $45.

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Montreal Markets.

Receipts of eggs yesterday by freight were 77 cases and by express fully 50 were received. The demand from local buyers continues good at present prices, and an active business was done in new laid at 16 to 16½c, but the demand for limed is slow at 12c. to 13c. per dozen.

There was no change in the condition of the market for poultry. Receipts were small, for which the demand is fair at steady prices. We quote. Turkeys at 12c. to 14c.; ducks at 10c. to 11½c.; chickens at 11c. to 13c.; geese at 9c. to 11c.; and fowls at 7c. to 9c. per lb.

The market for dressed meats was fairly active, there being a good demand for most lines. Prices were steady with the exception of those for veal, which have a downward tendency on account of the increased supplies coming forward. Hindquarters of beef are selling at 6c. to 8c. and fronts at 4c. to 5c; lambs at 8½c. to 9c.; and veals at 3c. to 7c.

The local cheese market continues firm at 12c½. to 13c. The English market is strong, the Liverpool cable showing yesterday a further advance of 6d on colored.

The butter market is steady under a fair demand, choice being quoted at 22c. to 22½c. and undergrades at 20½c. to 21c. New milk butter is beginning to arrive in the market, and is selling at 22¼c.

At the Owen Sound Assizes Mr. Ludlow the Portland Cement Company's chemist, was given a verdict for $500 against The Durham Chronicle for libel.

TYPHOID AT FORT WILLIAM.

About 400 Cases There, Says Provincial Health Inspector.

Winnipeg, March 13.—Dr. Bell, provincial health inspector of Ontario, was in Winnipeg to-day returning from Fort William, where he was investigating the typhoid epidemic which has attained alarming proportions. Although somewhat unwilling to discuss the situation at Fort William, fearing to further antagonize the citizens, who are trying to supress all reports as to the extent of the epidemic, Dr. Bell said he could not very well refuse to give the facts. The situation he said was very serious and the epidemic seemed just now to be at its worst, there being probably four hundred cases. He believed the people of Fort William were now thoroughly alarmed and were willing to do almost anything and spend any amount of money to stamp out the disease.

Professor Starkie, of Montreal has been eugaged to take charge of the fight and was being paid $50 a day for his services.

"The water supply, which the town has been using," said Dr. Bell, "is undoubtely the cause of the epidemic. The state of affairs in Fort William is deplorable and the town is also to blame for not taking precautions some time ago. A good supply of pure water can be secured from Loch Lomond or from Lake superior, but the infected water of the Kaministiqua river, into which is poured all the sewage of the town, was used, and such a break of typhoid could only be expected. The epidemic will be stamped our if proper measures are taken, but it will take some time and will cost the town a lot of money."

Sneezed His Hearing Back.

Port Hope, March 15.—Mr. W. A. A. Russell, a well-known business man of Port Hope, who has suffered from apparently incurable deafness for the past thirty years, was seized with a severe sneezing spell yesterday, which culminated in a sudden restoration of his hearing. The case is attracting much attention, and it is believed that the hearing has been permanently restored.

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Want Canon Dixon.

Toronto, March 14.—Canon Dixon has been offered the rectorship of Little Trinity Church in succession to the Rev. T. R. O'Meara, appointed Principal of Wycliffe College.

Rev. James McEwen, one of the oldest clergymen in London Presbytery, is dead.



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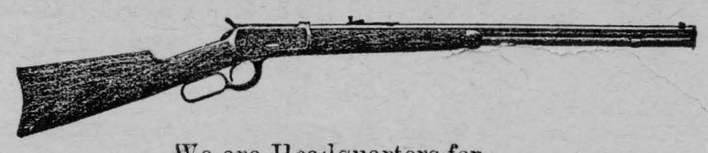

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