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We regret to announce the illness of Mrs Collis, and hope for her speedy recovery.

Mr G. G. McDonald of the Elk hotel, Comox, is a proud grandfather. His daughter, Mrs Greenshields of Nanaimo, became the mother of a daughter last week.

A concert will be given this month by the young ladies of Trinity choir to aid the widow and children of the late Mr Torrance. Some of the best local talent will assist. Particulars will be given in our next issue.

The ladies of Trinity church guild entertained a number of friends at the residence of Mr and Mrs Peacey on Hallowe'en night. A most delightful time was spent, cards and various games, with singing and music, forming part of the programme. During the evening ice-cream, cake, coffee and other delectables were served. Mr and Mrs Peacey possess the art of making everyone feel at home, and proved themselves admirable hosts. The visitors did not leave until the "wee sma' hours," one and all agreeing that an evening of pleasure was profitably spent. The ladies of the guild desire to thank Mrs Peacey for the use of her spacious and handsome drawing room for the happy occasion.

The establishment of Cory S. Ryder at Extension was destroyed by an explosion on Tuesday the 23rd. Mrs Ryder who was in a room adjoining the store, putting a child to sleep had a miraculous escape. Previous to the explosion, Mr Ryder had upset an oil lamp which saturated some inflamables behind the counter, which took fire. He threw the lamp outside and hastened back to stamp out the fire. Satisfying himself that all was safe he left the building. Entering the hotel near by he noticed a reflection of light coming from his store. He ran back and luckily for his own safety had not reached the verandah when a terrific explosion occurred. The building is terribly wrecked, but the amount of damage done to stock has not yet been estimated. It is thought that some sparks had ignited a quantity of gunpowder which was stored under the counter. Building and stock are said to be insured.

Congratulations are in order to the citizens of Ladysmith, and more particularly to the members of the Church of England resident here over the fact that Venerable Archdeacon Scriven, M.A., formerly of St. James', Victoria, and now of Cumberland, will be the first incumbent of the new Anglican charge in Ladysmith. Archdeacon Scriven will be here at the end of the present week, and will conduct service on Sunday next. It is hardly necessary to say that the Church of England in British Columbia has few more able or accomplished men than the gentleman who is to minister to the spiritual needs of the congregation here. Not only is the Archdeacon most popular as a clergyman, but he is also a great favorite with the younger men on account of his sympathetic and practical interest in their welfare, an interest which he has ever strongly manifested. A splendid athlete himself he takes the keenest pleasure in all the manly sports and exercises, and both by precept and example has done incalculable service for the advancement of those rational methods of ensuring the healthy mind in the healthy body.—Ladysmith Leader.

The friends of Miss K. Willemar will be pleased to learn that she passed through an operation for appendicitis successfully. Mrs Willemar is with her in Seattle.

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Leon Czolgosz paid the penalty of his crime at 7:12.30 on the morning of Oct. 29. He expressed no contrition, nor did he show any sign of fear, actually conversing with the guards as they strapped him in the chair. His last words were, "I am sorry I could not see my father." Death was instantaneous, 1,700 volts of electricity being thrown into his body. After the physicians had been satisfied that life was extinct, the body was placed on the dissecting table. The top of the head was sawed off through the thickest part of the skull, which was found to be of normal thickness and to the satisfaction of the physicians it was found that his mental condition was in no way responsible for the crime.

The case against the Chinese for gambling, after several adjournments, reached the hearing stage last Friday, when the charge was amended to one against keeping a lottery. The two defendants were committed for trial, bail being accepted in two sureties at $250 each and selves in $100 each. Mr F. McB. Young prosecuting, Mr Bloomfield of Mr C. Wilson's office defending.

John Peacey was discharged from custody Thursday, for the shooting of A. S. Torrance, it being adjudged purely accidental. Substantially, the prisoner's story went to show that he had been following two deer for most of the day, occasionally catching glimpses of them without being able to get a shot. About 4 p.m. he rested awhile and decided to go a little farther before going home, he had not gone far when he saw what he took to be a deer in the woods and fired. When he got to the spot, poor Torrance was breathing his last, the bullet having entered the side well back, and made its exit at the chest, literally tearing away part of the breast bone. The unfortunate man had been digging a ditch and while stooping, had deceived the eye of the shooter. Seven children, mostly too young to fend for themselves, and a sickly wife are left in very poor circumstances. It is probable that the proceeds of an entertainment, to be given in the near future, will be devoted towards their relief.

The verdict of the jury in inquest on the Chinaman who met his death by falling down No. 5 shaft was "accidental death." A rider recommends the placing of a bell signal at the lower landing of shafts.

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

Following are the customs returns for month of October, 1901:

Imports dutiable	$ 523
" free	617
Duty collected	158

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TO THE DEAF.

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Court of Revision.

COMOX DISTRICT.

A Court of Revision and Appeal under the Assessment Act, will be held at Cumberland, in the Court House, on November the 20th, 1901, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

JOHN BAIRD,
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To all to whom these presents shall come—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

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And whereas His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, by Order in Council dated the 24th day of October, 1901, has ordered that the disabilities as to the shooting of Cock Pheasants be removed with respect to the Comox Electoral District, during the months of November and December, 1901.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honourable SIR HENRI G. JOLY LOTBINIERE K.C.M.G., Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this 24th day of October, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one, and in the first year of our Reign.

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A Story of the Golden Fleece.

By ST. GEORGE RATHBONE

Hastings worked with frantic eagerness, having discovered that the withes with which his arms were bound had not been secured in a positive manner, and his energy in this quarter speedily met with its reward, since he found a way to free his hands.

A hasty search of his person failed to reveal the presence of a knife that would have been of inestimable value just now.

Apparently his captors had searched his pockets when he fell into their power. Rex might feel grateful they had not carried their investigations still further, and sought to discover where his heart lay. It was something of a fad among the fierce Matabele and their allies to tear the still beating fountain of life from the breast of a fallen foeman, and thrust it in his face as he died.

As a result of Hastings' quick search, all he found was a small pocket match safe, which had escaped the marauder's hand. Even this suggested a desperate idea in his fertile brain, which he lost not a second in attempting. When a man is drowning he will catch most eagerly at a straw, which perhaps under such conditions is magnified to the dimensions of a goodly log.

It were worth while to note the calm deliberation with which the American in durance vile set to work.

He sat up, bracing his back against the wall of the rude lodge, and then igniting one of the matches, deliberately applied the flame to the withes that secured his limbs.

A cord would have given way at once, but the willow-like band was green, and he had to use three matches before it began to weaken.

Rex had just started the fourth, which he believed would finish the business, when he heard some one push aside the suspended mat made of braided grass that served as a door.

Startled, he looked up, at the same instant by a muscular coup de grace bursting his limbs from their lashings, so that he found himself in a condition to spring upon the intruder and battle for his life, but he did not move hand or foot, for by the light of the match he still held he discovered that the person who had entered the lodge was no other than the fair barbarian goddess whose song had enchanted him once before.

CHAPTER XVIII.

WALKULLA, THE MAN-OF-WAR.

The match went out.

Darkness again held sway in that prison lodge in the heart of the Zambodi kraal. The shouts and cries of mourning seemed to partially die away about this time, perhaps to gain additional volume when the chorus swelled again later on.

Rex had managed to pull himself together, which to be sure required quite an effort, for he had nerved himself to meet the desperate rush of a savage foeman, and on the contrary discovered his visitor to be the one person in all the village whom he would if given a choice have selected as his vis-a-vis.

He had seen the startled look upon her face as she beheld his singular action in burning the bands that secured his limbs. Hardly had the gloom again shrouded the interior of the hut than he heard a low voice that said:

"Sir, do not be alarmed—I have come here as your friend."

"Well," returned the American quickly, "it looks as though I needed a friend just now, and I thank you for coming, miss."

She gained new confidence, and Rex, having, risen, presently felt her hand on his arm. Of course the touch thrilled him as no other had ever done before. Some of these things are foregone conclusions, and the reader would be dense indeed who could not see the way the finger of destiny pointed when the first mention was made of this mysterious beautiful oracle, whose presence among the tribe of Zambodi drew Rex Hastings back to face again the dangers that lurked among the kopjes near the hidden temple where the three-headed god held sway, lo; these many centuries past.

"Who are you, and why have you returned again after once escaping from this place?" she asked him, for knowing the fanatic hatred which these blacks conceived for the whites of the border, it was very natural she should be puzzled to account for his suicidal policy.

It was a strange place for an interview, with the impis howling outside and demanding his immediate death, and Rex appreciated the novel situation.

"My name is Rex Hastings. I had come here in search of a treasure the secret of which was given me as a legacy. That was when I first saw you. Since then I have turned with a friend whose purpose in visiting this hostile region was to meet you, for he seemed to have some notion that you belonged to him — at least that was what I gathered from his talk," with some confusion, not knowing how she would take it.

"Tell me his name," she flashed, and when he mentioned it she uttered a cry of mingled surprise and dismay.

"It is not strange to you, then?" he asked.

"No, but this is the man whom I was warned against by my father."

"Then he warned you falsely, for a nobler comrade and brother than Lord Bruno never struck Johannesburg. But where is this man you call your father—surely not here?"

"Ah! he did live here, but he has gone to the other world. Once he was a prophet among this superstitious people, ruling them through his knowledge of magic. But he died, and left me alone. I had learned to practice his wizard tricks, and they believe his spirit lives in me. You have seen them prostrate before me. Yes, I am looked upon as a god, an oracle because I have brought men from the verge of death back to life by the use of simple remedies when the witch doctors gave them up for hopeless. I go and I come at will, having my face veiled, and no one dares to touch me. I have yearned for freedom, longed to see my kindred again, and of late my mind has been wholly taken up with plans for escape."

It may be readily understood that Rex listened to her brief story with the keenest interest.

Events seemed shaping themselves in a manner little short of magical, and when fortune takes charge of the helm it is only folly for any human to express a desire to steer the craft of the argonaut.

"Then if the chance offers you will go with us?" he asked, eagerly, just as if he had a sturdy army of colonists and raiders of the dashing Jameson type waiting close by, when the chances were his little group of friends had either been slain by the assegais of the blacks or else driven out of the neighborhood.

"Gladly, sir. This life has become too decidedly monotonous. I shall die if I do not soon see human beings other than rude savages, even if they do treat me as a god. Besides—there is another reason why I must escape—but it does not matter now. We must consider how you are to get out of this death trap."

"And you also!" he added, quickly.

"Do not think of me at present, since I am not in deadly peril. If the chance comes I will seize it, but you must go. First of all you shall become one of them."

"Meaning that the leopard should change his spots—that is a difficult task, I fear."

"Perhaps not so serious as it would seem. At least I have here the means of coloring your face and hands, so that at a glance you might not attract attention. Then here are other things if you care to use them that will assist the deception. I will wait just outside in the shadow of the lodge, where you can join me. They believe you tied so securely that no guards have been posted. Lose no time, sir, for if ever you had need of haste it is now."

How direct to the point she spoke. Rex could not but notice it, even under the extraordinary circumstances surrounding the case.

He was compelled to work in the dark, but when life is the stake for which he plays, a man is capable of astonishing things, and in a very brief space of time the argonaut had transformed himself into a creditable warrior of the Zambodi tribe, though his rather heterogeneous costume would hardly have borne a close examination.

This done Rex was ready to make his debut in the ridiculous character he had assumed, although were the issues of the campaign less grave he might have felt some delicacy about appearing before that queenly girl in such unbecoming undress; for while retaining his trousers and shoes he had stripped to the waist, and smeared himself as best he could with the greasy compound she left him, so that taken in all he must have presented a formidable appearance after donning the cape of plumes and necklet of teeth, together with the tails of animals dangling from his waist to his feet.

Thus arrayed Hastings made for the exist of the prison lodge, which the girl had so arranged upon her departure as to give him a small amount of light.

Upon emerging, his first act was to sweep a glance around. It could not reassure him to any extent. He saw scores of these cone shaped lodges on every hand crowded very close together, and between them moving figures, each one of which he knew to be an enemy.

Beyond these he remembered lay the stockade of the kraal, and then—the wilderness. Really, a man must possess a stout heart who dared dream of escape when environed by such discouraging conditions.

He went even further and entertained the notion not only of escaping himself but of taking the fair barbarian with him. What is impossible to a spirit of that calibre?

As Hastings turned the corner of the lodge, he reached that side away from the nearest fire. Here the shadows lay thickest, and here he was to look for his fair benefactress. That she did not immediately appear he laid to his ferocious make-up as a full-fledged warrior of the Zambodi, and desiring to reassure her he said aloud:

"I am ready!"

Then a figure, coming from he knew not where, appeared at his side, and touched his arm. She was dressed in black, and with a veil over her wondrous face appeared like a phantom, whereas in while he had deemed her an angel.

A sense of his remarkable appearance almost overwhelmed Rex, and he mentally thanked the friendly shadows that in a great measure concealed his savage garb. He felt more foolish than at any time in the whole course of his life.

However, a man can undergo varied experiences and still live to tell the tale, and by degrees he became, in a measure at least, accustomed to the peculiar role fate had marked out for him.

The girl made no comment—possibly because she was quite accustomed to the sight of Zulu and Matabele and Zambodi warriors in all their weird toggery, since she must have spent years among them.

"We must lose no time, sir—you can hear those savage shouts rising higher all the while. That comes from the widows of the warriors lately slain by your friends. They are singing your death song," she said.

"Come, that is pleasant," remarked Rex, as the chant reached such a ferocious pitch as to send a shudder over him.

"Presently, when they have succeeded in working themselves up to a pitch of demoniac fury, a rush will be made for the prison lodge, with the intention of dragging you out and tearing you to pieces."

"Regular Amazons, I guess, which makes me feel doubly under obligations to you, my good friend. If you will lead the way I shall follow close behind."

"You have the weapons I left—we must hope and pray there will be no occasion to use them, but remember, it is your life that is at stake."

"There's small danger of my forgetting that," answered Hastings, as he moved away just a few steps behind her.

He grasped in his hand an assegai, but the weapon did not give him half the pleasure that sprang from the possession of his own revolver, hidden under the ring of cat-tails around his waist, though how she had managed to secure this treasure, was a mystery that puzzled him greatly.

In and out among the lodges they passed, without attracting attention, thanks to the amazing disguise of Rex.

He could see men and women give way before his guide, shrinking back as they caught sight of her sombre garb and in secret Hastings chuckled to think what a great thing it was to have a goddess for a guardian, whose presence caused many to throw themselves prostrate, and thus kept curious eyes from too searching a survey of his person.

The girl while heading for the gates of the kraal, was wise enough to avoid as far as possible any piles of burning wood, which fact Rex could not but note with exceeding pleasure.

His attention was directed toward a group of females indulging in a series of contortions that would have put the best warrior to the blush, all the while shrieking as they tore their hair, in the utter abandonment of grief and unholy rage.

This was not a very pleasing sight for Rex to gaze upon, realizing as he did that these frantic souls were the widows who longed to avenge their loss by tearing him limb from limb.

On the whole he was quite satisfied to leave these warm friends in the lurch, since their interests in his welfare was decidedly too personal.

Thus moving along they drew near the gate of the stockade. Rex remembered how he had seen the river of dancing blacks come pouring forth like a living stream, as they advanced in obedience to the tom-tom signal that called them to the war dance.

Once outside the gate the chances of discovery would be considerably lessened, although he was puzzled to know how their ultimate escape might be effected.

Perhaps she meant to secrete him in the depth of some lonely cavern until the hunt had been given up when they might arrange to depart together.

Her presence was an incentive to him and he was ready to follow her lead without a question, no matter through what danger she might take him.

There were times when he almost rubbed elbows with stalwart warriors in his passage, and more than once guttural words were spoken, doubtless addressed to him, but he only returned a shake of the head and strode onward, for the language of the Zambodi was worse than Greek to him.

All seemed going well.

The gates were at hand, and open, for warriors came and went, since the advent of the white argonauts had dispelled sleep within the kraal for this night at least.

It was just at this juncture Rex awakened to the fact that trouble lay in store for him. His attention was first directed to the actions of his girl guide, whom he saw turn her head several times, as though peering through her veil toward that side of the kraal nearest the foot of the hill.

His attention being thus directed thither he became aware of the fact that a moving figure was keeping on a line with them.

(To be Continued.)

Analysis of a pound of chimney-soot has showed that it contained iron, calcium, nickel, manganese, copper and silver.

NERVE OF ENGINEERS

IT DOES NOT, AS A RULE, DESERT THEM AFTER AN ACCIDENT.

Desperate Chances the Man at the Throttle Will at Times Take Without Being Able to Give a Satisfactory Reason For His Action.

"I have been often asked why railway engineers disregard their instructions and the warning signals along the line of their road," said the general superintendent of a railroad to a man, "and I have summed it up that it is human nature for men to take chances in their business and that engineers are no exception to the general run.

"Sometimes they cannot give a satisfactory reason why they do so. I will give you an authentic instance of this habit which made me live 10 years in 30 minutes.

"On a road I was at the time connected with was a long trestle over a bay several miles in length, with a drawbridge in the center. The draw had been opened, and as a tugboat was passing through the bridge men heard the rumble of a fast, heavily laden passenger train as it struck the bridge a mile away. Knowing that the red danger signals were set with the opening of the draw, they supposed that the engineer would slow up or stop, as might be necessary. Instead, to their consternation, the train came along at regular speed, and a frightful accident appeared inevitable. They yelled to the captain of the tugboat to go at full speed, and as the boat glided through the draw in the darkness they exerted themselves to swing the draw into the locking bolts before the train could get to the point where the rails separated.

"The engineer, however, disregarded the last danger signal, a few hundred yards from the draw, and came on. By a remarkable coincidence of time and position the draw, which was of course in motion, swung so that the rails of the east bound track were in juxtaposition with the west bound track, upon which the train was running, and the heavy engine and one of the passenger coaches, striking the east bound rails, glided upon the draw and stuck there, the remaining portion of the train being on the west bound track, making almost a figure S of the coaches.

"If the draw had moved the thirtieth part of a second faster or slower, the east bound rails would not have been opposite the west bound rails at the very instant that the great engine struck them, and a frightful disaster would have resulted. When I got out on the bridge a few minutes later, I fully expected to find the train in the bottom of the bay and the draw smashed into splinters. I discharged the engineer on the spot and asked him why he had not observed the signals. He admitted that he saw them, but could not give a satisfactory reason for failing to observe them. He evidently took his chances of finding the draw closed when he reached it.

"The engineer of today is a sober, steady, nervy man, especially on the fast express trains on the big roads. It is nerve that makes one man carry a limited express train through the darkness of the night, fog, sleet and blinding snow at 60 miles an hour. The stories we read about of an engineer losing his nerve after an accident are largely fiction. In 27 years of active railroad life I have had but one or two men apply to me for a transfer upon the ground that their nerves had gone back on them for running the fast trains.

"I have had men who have been flung 50 feet over their tenders in a head on collision and had a dozen bones broken come to me after they had been discharged from the hospital and ask to be put back on their old run. You see, they begin firing when they are about 18 or 20, and the cab of an engine is their home. If they run into a person or a wagon load of people on the track, if it is not their fault, they take a practical view of it; they have to. If it is their fault, we discharge them, and they can take any view of it they please then, for we do not wish in our employ careless men. This is true with all of the big roads, and as a result American engineers of today are about as model a set of men in their employment as can be found."

Things Not Wanted.

Dogs, pianos and typewriters are the possessions most frequently advertised for sale at second hand, according to an advertising man. Cameras run these three hard in the sale of things desirable to get rid of, and bicycles come next.

Bicycles and cameras would probably head the list, so many people seem to wish to be rid of them, but their tenure of advertising popularity is usually brief. Household furniture, horses and carriages come next in the list. Then jewelry, watches, sewing machines and musical instruments.

Books are far down, almost the last in the list. Folks who have them usually seem to wish to keep them.

The Charge Not Sustained.

"You say," pursued the chairman of the investigating committee, "that he resorted to no bribery whatever during the election so far as you know?"

"Yes, sir," replied the witness; "that's what I said."

"Did he not circulate several boxes of cigars?"

"Yes, sir, but them cigars wasn't bribes. Here's one of them. You try it."

Saving Requires Character.

The faculty of saving money is much rarer than the faculty of making it, and it calls for the exercise of a higher degree of good judgment and more self restraint. In a word, it requires more character.

Better Than He Expected.

A builder in Glasgow recently, having heard that his men did not start on time, thought that he would drop about 6.30 o'clock some morning to see. Going up the yard he caught sight of a joiner standing smoking, with his kit unopened. Simply asking his name, which he found to be Malcolm Campbell, he called him into his office and, handing him four days' pay, told him to leave at once. After having seen the man clear out of the yard, he went to the foreman and told him he had made an example of Malcolm Campbell by paying him off for not starting at proper time. "Great Scott!" exclaimed the foreman, "that chap was only looking for a job."

Anywhere and Everywhere.

The value of Italy's exports of eggs nearly equals that of her olive oil.

Algeria has four zones in which petroleum occurs. One of them is 125 miles long.

In Japanese shipyards eight vessels are being built for San Francisco and Seattle lines.

There is a cave on the Jorend Fjord, Norway, from which at every change of weather flashes of lightning issue.

Lake Copais, the largest sheet of water in Greece, and one of the natural features of that country, has recently been nearly all drained off by an English company, and its former bed is now being cultivated with gratifying results, the soil being very fertile and well suited for cotton, melons, colza, beets and other vegetables. The lake formerly covered about 60 square miles at low water in the centre of Boeotia, and near it was one of the ancient oracles of Apollo.

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To all to whom these presents shall come—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

D. M. ESSERTS, Attorney General. } WHEREAS by section 24 of the "Game Protection Act, 1898," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, on good cause shown, to remove the disabilities as to the shooting of Pheasants in the Province, and to declare within what periods and limits the said birds may be shot:

And whereas His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, by Order in Council dated the 24th day of October, 1901, has ordered that the disabilities as to the shooting of Cock Pheasants be removed with respect to the Comox Electoral District, during the months of November and December, 1901.

It is hereby ordered and declared that it shall be lawful to shoot Cock Pheasants within the Comox Electoral District, during the months of November and December, 1901.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS the Honourable SIR HENRI G. JOLY LOTBINIERE K.C.M.G., Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this 24th day of October, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one, and in the first year of our Reign.

By command.

J. D. PRENTICE,
Acting Provincial Secretary.

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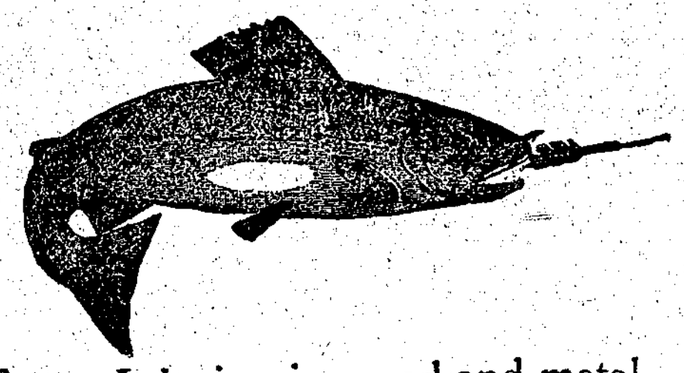

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IT IS DIRIGIBLE AND HAS BEEN SUCCESSFULLY TRIED.

Description of the Air Ship Which Has Been Successfully Steered in Paris by Senhor Santos-Dumont, With a Portrait of the Inventor—Capacity and Propelling Power.

Senhor Santos Dumont's balloon is not a mere inflated bag, subject to the caprices of air currents. He has solved the problem of dirigibility—in other words, he has invented a balloon that can be steered either with or against the wind.

This air ship which M. de Santos Dumont has just successfully tried in Paris is the outgrowth of several years of work and experiment on the part of the inventor. This machine was only recently completed. Work on its construction was kept profoundly secret until it was ready to sail. The steering apparatus is suspended from a huge cigar-shaped balloon. The motor is a gasoline engine, which drives the shaft of the screw. The aeronaut sits in the saddle and starts the motor by means of a pedal and chain gear, as in the case of a motorcycle. The gasoline is contained in the upper cylinder and in the lower and larger cylinder is a reservoir of water which is used as ballast. The capacity of the balloon which floats this apparatus is 11,796 cubic feet, and the motor gives sixteen horse-power. The mechanism is suspended seventeen feet below the centre of the balloon, which weighs 125 pounds. The weight of the ropes, including the guide ropes, is thirteen pounds, and that of the steering mechanism 352

SENOR SANTOS DUMONT.

pounds. The screw is made of aluminum, covered with steel to enable it to cut the air with the best effect; it weighs about fifty-nine pounds and makes 180 revolutions per minute. At the rear end of the balloon is carried the rudder, which is simply operated by ropes reaching to the car. The motor is of the two-cylinder type, very like that which is used on gasoline motorcycles. The spark for ignition is produced by an induction coil. The motor makes 1,500 revolutions per minute, and this speed is reduced by gearing connected with the shaft of the screw. The inventor has been working upon his idea for many years.

Senhor Santos Dumont is a young Brazilian engineer, about 27 years old. He has been greatly interested in aeronautics for a number of years and has the means wherewith to indulge in expensive researches. His motives are most praiseworthy, for he was ambitious of being the first builder of a dirigible balloon. He has built a number of flying machines, none of which, however, has exactly answered his purpose. His success with his latest venture has reached the first stage of his ambition.

Women Cannot Boss Each Other.

The old theory that woman is man's helper seems incorrigibly well founded, says E. S. Martin in McClure's Magazine. If the situation isn't satisfactory to her, there is no help for it, for the conditions it came out of seem to be eternal. Women may vote. They will be none the less man's helpers if they do. They never will band together to put man down and teach him his place. They will push him ahead if they can, they will pull him along when they must, they will influence him enormously, as they always have done, but they will never conspire together on any very great scale to make him play second fiddle. Some one has got to be master. Women in general will never agree to have women bosses so long as there are competent men for that use.

DOGS.

There are nearly 200 distinct varieties of dogs.

Foxhounds give cry, but deerhounds hunt in silence.

The greyhound is the only dog which hunts by sight.

A pure bred staghound never attacks the head of his quarry.

Only in the temperate zone is the dog found perfect in courage and speed.

The Italian greyhound is reputed to be the most symmetrical of all animals.

Skye terriers have been known to jump into the river and land hooked fish, which they take carefully by the back.

Eskimo dogs are capable of drawing a well laden sledge 60 miles in a day. Their harness is of the lightest, only a single trace and no reins.

THE KING'S BROTHER.

H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught Installed Grand Master of the English Free Masons.

Prince Arthur, Duke of Connaught, who has just been elected Grand Master of English Free Masons, is the third son of Queen Victoria. When he attained his majority in

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1871 he was voted a grant of $75,000 a year, which was increased to $125,000 on his marriage with Princess Louise of Prussia.

COUNTESS TOLSTOI.

Her Noble Letter in Defence of Her Famous Husband.

Countess Sophia Andreevna Tolstoi, wife of the famous Russian novelist and sociologist, may be accounted one of the most remarkable of women in Europe. She has stood fast by her husband's side in all his ups and downs of fortune and was his mainstay during his recent disgrace by the Russian Government for having defended the liberty-loving students of St. Petersburg. Countess Tolstoi is a genuine wife and mother and very different in her tastes from her philosopher husband. The Count describes her as a "high flyer at fashion." Judging from accounts of a recent visitor to Russia, the same distinction characterizes the husband and wife. This visitor describes his interview with the great author and reformer. The Count was in peasant dress and received his guest in a

COUNTESS TOLSTOI.

plainly furnished study. But when the two repaired to the reception-room they found the Countess in magnificent court costume, and the ladies who were with her were similarly attired. These things, however, are mere matters of taste. From the events of the late uprising in Russia it would seem that the Countess has a peculiar right to be heard and honored by everyone. Her husband's excommunication gave her an opportunity of issuing a public letter which was especially appealing. The brave wife closes her letter in these words: "God will be lenient to those who even outside the church have lived a life of humility, renunciation of the good things of this world, love and devotion. His pardon is surer for them than for those whose miters and decorations sparkle with precious stones, but who strike and expel from the church those over whom they are set as pastors. Hypocrisy would vainly distort my words, for good faith does not err in judging people's real intentions." Countess Tolstoi for many years has acted as her husband's friend, secretary and critic. The romance of their lovemaking is found in "Anna Karenina."

Deserted.

Jamestown, Va., where the English gained their first foothold in the new world in 1607, was burned in 1676. Today nobody lives there. Little remains to mark the site except a crumbling church tower, dilapidated gravestones and remnants of the foundations of a few houses.

A Bit of Evarts' Wit.

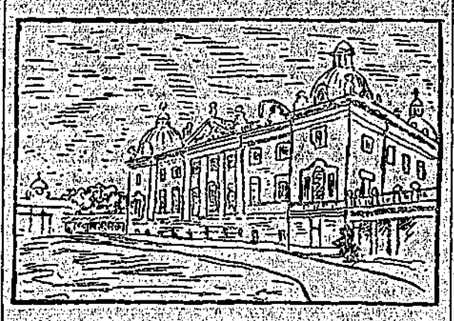
When William M. Evarts was secretary of state in President Hayes' cabinet, he said in an after dinner speech at Omaha: "I like the west. I like her self made men. And the more I travel west, the more I meet with her public men, the more I am satisfied of the truthfulness of the Bible statement that the wise men came from the east!"

HISTORIC HOUGHTON

RESIDENCE OF THE HEIR-APPARENT TO THE BRITISH THRONE.

Norfolk Proud of This Hall for Its General Magnificence—Home of Sir Robert Walpole—Built Between 1722-35, It Is Close to Sandringham, One of Most Beautiful Enclosures Possessed by Royal Family.

The Duke of Cornwall, who is on his way to visit Canada, will likely have his permanent residence in Houghton Hall, Norfolk. Of all the historical mansions of which Norfolk may justly be proud, Houghton Hall, by reason of its general magnificence, claims priority and receives additional luster from its association with the name and fame of one of England's most noted ministers, Sir Robert Walpole. The Walpoles are one of the most ancient families of England and as the Walpoles of Houghton were heard of in the reign of Edward I. and for centuries afterward. The present Houghton Hall was built by Sir Robert Walpole between the years 1722 and 1735. The hall as it now stands is in close proximity to the Royal residence at Sandringham. It is surrounded by magnificent oaks and walnuts, many of the former a century ago having been cut out to make three deckers for the Nile and Trafalgar. The original designs for the exterior were furnished by Colin Campbell. The structure is of freestone and has two principal fronts,



HISTORIC HOUGHTON HALL.

the chief facade being surmounted by a statue of Demosthenes, flanked on either side by figures of Justice and Minerva. The pediment over the entrance is supported by Ionic columns. The main building is crowned at each corner with a cupola and lantern, and on either side is a Tuscan colonnade. The principal features of the hall are the magnificent state apartments and the valuable pictures which they contain. These paintings include productions by Guido, Coreggio, Salvator Rosa, Rubens, Van Dyck and Lely. The walls are covered with Brussels tapestry. The state bed cost $10,000, and is famous for having been the resting place of George IV. and the Duke of Wellington. The private grounds are laid out in flower gardens and extensive walks shaded all the way by gigantic trees. Sir Robert Walpole regarded the spot as his "dearest resting place" and it is certainly one of the most beautiful enclosures possessed by the Royal family. Horace Walpole is buried in the old church of Houghton Hall, close by the historic structure itself.

DR. A. KUYPER.

Holland's New Premier Said to Be Broad-Minded and Intellectual.

Dr. A. Kuyper, the new Premier of Holland, is said to be one of the broadest-minded and strongest intellectual forces of Queen Wilhelmina's domain. As a public man Dr. Kuyper is known in Holland as

DR. A. KUYPER.

the most liberal and democratic of the many who have made that land famous. He was made an LL. D. of Princeton University in 1898, and it was through his influence that a free university, uncontrolled by the state, was founded in Amsterdam some years ago.

The Modern Hotel.

"Mr. Dash," said the waiter, "a man just lifted a silver spoon from the table."

"Call the police!" roared the clerk "The man is a thief."

"But he is one of our regular guests."

"Ah, then he is doubtless a kleptomaniac. You needn't mention it, George."

"And he pays $5 per day on the American plan."

"He does? Why, the gentleman is a souvenir collector. How dare you cast reflections on his character?"—Chicago News.

Theatrical Aspirations.

New Girl (just going on the stage)—Is it true that if I go into the chorus I can never rise? They say I'll never be able to get out of it.

Old Stager—Don't you believe it. I got out the first week easy.

New Girl—Oh, how did you do it?

Old Stager—I was fired.—Leslie's Weekly.

IN THE HIGHWAY.

Two men gazed at the self-same star
That gleamed out through the night;
One saw a wondrous world afar,
One saw a point of light.

The wind blew through the swaying trees
And stirred the grasses there;
And one heard wondrous melodies,
One but the swish of air.

And one of them was rich and proud,
Whom people served for bread,
And one pale-featured whom the crowd
Will honor—when he's dead.

INSECTS CARE FOR YOUNG.

Provisions Made for Food Supply During the Winter Season—Nature's Wonderful Works.

Katydids, grasshoppers and locusts, crickets and beedles, like the poor fly, are killed by the frost. Millions of eggs had been hidden, however, in the ground, or in the barks of trees to furnish the supply of next year. All of these are outdoors, and the balmy winter is especially grateful. Beetles exhibit a wonderful instinct in caring for their helpless young. Among certain species a ball of suitable material for food is made, and the eggs are rolled into it, providing in the spring something to eat near at hand for the voracious appetite that characterizes the beetle from the start, as the farmers know very well. The burying or sexton beetles deposit their eggs in the bodies of dead birds or field mice. The bodies and eggs are carefully buried and the newly-hatched beetle, as a result of this maternal forethought, finds a store of food waiting him when in the spring the sun stirs the budding life and by its strange alchemy bids it come forth. Butterflies and moths are victims of the first frost. Both lay eggs in a suitable feeding ground during the early summer. The hatched larva or caterpillar eats voraciously, gorging itself until it can eat no more. Finally it spins a cocoon and makes ready for winter. Through the cold season it apparently slumbers in its snug quarters, nourished by the plentiful store of food it accumulated when a caterpillar. At the proper time it emerges as a gorgeous butterfly, ready to be the element of beauty it ever is among the summer fields.

Spiders store away no food supply for the winter. Quantities of eggs are laid and are carefully stored away in velvety cobweb sacks, impervious to any but the most severe weather, and eminently snug when there has been no excessive cold.

Hon. Sydney Fisher and Danish Dairies.

The Hon Sydney Fisher's object in coming to this country on his present visit is to open the eyes—if such a thing be possible — of the English importers of foodstuffs, says the London correspondent of The Toronto Telegram But there are other countries besides Canada that are trying the same thing, and to a certain extent they seem to have succeeded better than Canada.

Some English farmers have just returned from Denmark, where they have been on a tour inspecting Danish dairies. The co-operative dairy, Hasle, said to be the largest in the world, they were particularly impressed with. This dairy is owned by forty Danish farmers, who send nearly 100,000 pounds of butter for treatment daily.

The co-operative movement in Denmark at the last return shows a total of 837 societies, with 130,331 members, rather good showing, considering that the whole population of Denmark is only half that of London. Last year alone their exports in pigs, bacon, butter and eggs amounted to over £10,000,000, the whole of the profits going into the farmers' hands.

All milk must, by law, be heated to 180 Fahr. before leaving the dairies. All cattle are killed under the eye of veterinaries, the meat being afterwards stamped according to quality, so that the purchaser knows exactly what he is paying for, and, lastly, the excursionists were surprised to receive practical demonstrations at the Royal Veterinary College that many diseases of horses for which in this country slaughter is considered the only course, are there successfully treated and cured.

Technical.

Barker—In a game of cards the man has the say. The king always takes the queen, you know.

Bullard—Yes, but that does not prevent the jack from following after her.—Boston Transcript.

Teachable.

Wimbleton—Hello, old man! Have you taught your dog any new tricks lately?

Quimbleton—Yes; I've been teaching him to eat out of my hand. He ate a big piece out of it yesterday.

Very Small Allowance.

Landlady—Will you have a piece of pie or some rice pudding, Mr. Thynne?

Boarder—It's quite immaterial to me, ma'am.—Detroit Free Press.

One Walnut Tree.

A man in North Carolina was selling standing timber—walnut trees. The man who was buying came to one very handsome tree. He told the owner he would pay as much as $50 for that tree. The owner did not sell, but sent for experts. He got $1,500 for the tree (curled walnut), as it stood. The man who cut it down realized $3,000 for it on the cars. It was shipped to New York and veneered one-sixth to half an inch. The sales were watched. The tree brought $60,000.

LATE HON. G. W. ALLAN.

An Incident of His Career—He Was One of Those Responsible for Placing the Capital at Ottawa.

"A just, fair-minded man, holding the respect of both sides of the House," was the simple tribute which Hon. R. W. Scott voluntarily paid on the 24th July to the memory of Senator G. W. Allan, of whose death he had just then learned. The Secretary of State became reflective for a moment. They had been old friends and fellow legislators for more than forty years.

"There is one incident in the course of the late Mr. Allan," Hon. Mr. Scott went on, "that ought to be recorded at this time. In 1858, when we were both members of the Legislature of Canada, the proposal was made in accordance with the decision of Queen Victoria, to remove the seat of Government to Ottawa. But the next year the Legislature, then sitting at Toronto, by a large majority decided against the proposal. Mr. Allan and others in the Legislative Council held strongly to the view that the Queen's decision ought to be respected and steps taken at once to have the seat of Government established at Ottawa.

"Mr. Allan and those who thought with him wanted to stop the Supply Bill, because it was proposed to have the Legislature meet again in Quebec, and refused to allow it to go through until some assurance was given that the Queen's wishes would be respected. However, a compromise was effected, and a number of us were chosen to do missionary work for Ottawa among the members, and when the Legislature met next year, the speech from the throne announcing the intention to remove to Ottawa was carried but by a narrow majority of three or four.

"The Government was in a difficult position, for there was the hostile vote of the Legislature on record and the fact to be considered, that it was then paying 8 per cent. for money, so the proposition to incur large expenditure for Federal buildings was a serious matter. However, the project carried, and the building of the Parliament Houses at Ottawa was begun in 1860, the year the Legislature left Toronto and moved to Quebec, for, as you know, we had the perambulating system then, the Legislature meeting in Quebec and Toronto for four years alternately.

"We remained considerably more than four years at Quebec the last time, because the Ottawa buildings were so well under way it was not worth while moving back to Toron-

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to again. 'Ottawa people,' the Secretary of State added, 'think it was all serene and simple getting the capital established here after the Queen's decision was announced. They don't know all the diplomacy that had to be used to have Her Majesty's wishes acted upon.

"As you see by the record here, an amendment was moved that Montreal be the place, and another amendment that the seat of Government should not be at Ottawa, was carried in the Legislature; even though there was before the House a letter from the Mayor of Ottawa offering to provide temporary arrangements. The member for Ottawa County, Mr. Papineau, voted against this city being the capital, and so did the member for Dundas. Both were eventually won over; but it shows the opposition we had to contend with, and it is to-day forcibly brought back to me with what loyal ardor the late Senator Allan advocated the carrying out of Her Majesty's decision in favor of Ottawa."

Making No Mistake.

"What a beautiful gown Mrs. Spingles had on at the reception," remarked Mr. Cumrox.

"I am glad to see you showing so much taste and discernment!" exclaimed his wife.

"Oh, I knew I couldn't go wrong on that proposition. Her husband told me that gown cost him over $600."—Washington Star.

Power Without Heat.

As we watch the world famous plunge of Niagara we are offered an impressive lesson as to the small value in heat of much motive power. In so far as the descent is perpendicular, so that the water leaves the foot of the falls with comparatively little current, the effect of the concussion is simply to warm the water through but one-sixth of a degree F. To heat the water as much as one degree the falls would have to be 777 feet in height.—George Iles in Everybody's Magazine.

MINING IN ONTARIO.

A THRIVING AND PROGRESSIVE INDUSTRY.

Report of the Bureau of Mines for 1900—Great Expansion in Iron Mining—Yield for First Three Months of 1901 Compared With That of the Whole of 1900—Some Interesting Figures.

No branch of industry has made greater strides in this province during the last few years than that of mined by the increasod information now accessible as to the location and extent of the vast mineral resources of New Ontario, which await development. The record of the past year's progress in this important department is furnished by the tenth annual report of the Bureau of Mines for 1900, which has just been published by the Provincial Crown Lands Department. In addition to a comprehensive general report setting forth the details and prospects of each branch of mining, prepared by Mr. T. W. Gibson, Director of Mines giving full particulars as to the output of the year, the volume comprises a number of special reports by the inspectors and papers by mineralogical experts of much interest to capitalists and prospectors.

The Year's Record.

The output of minerals for 1900 had a total value of $9,298,624, showing an increase of 10 per cent. over the yield during 1899, which was valued at $8,416,083. The number of workmen employed was 10,934, an increase of 9 per cent, and the amount paid in wages, $3,366,601, an increase of 15 per cent. over the corresponding figures for 1899. A satisfactory feature of the situation is that the list of mineral products is growing in addition to the increase in the volume of production in the staple items. Three new industries appear for the first time in the returns, namely, corundum, felspar and steel, all as yet of course in the infant stage. The value of the steel output was $46,380 and that of the three combined $57,380. In addition to the figures for the past year partial statistics relating to the metal production for the first three months of 1901 are also given from which it appears that the current season is likely to throw a considerable further increase in the volume of production more especially in iron, nickel and copper mining. The total metallic output of the three months was $827,860, as compared with $2,541,131, the yield of the same metals for 1900.

The Iron Output.

A very notable advance is recorded in connection with the iron mining and smelting industry which may be said to have entered upon a new era in consequence of the opening of the great Helen mine in the Michipicoton division concerning the operations of which full information is given. The total production of iron ore was 90,302 from 12 mines, valued at $111,805. The increase over the previous year was 73,391 tons in quantity and $80,854 in value. The employes numbered 438 and the wages paid aggregated $107,583, as compared with 100 men and $26,700 in 1899. The total production of pig iron was 62,386, showing a slight falling off in quantity, but owing to the considerable increase in the price, the value amounting to $936,066, was $127,909 in excess of that for the year previous. Most of the ore smelted was imported from the United States, 22,887 tons, or 28 per cent. being from Ontario mines. With the opening of mines in the Michipicoton district where an adequate supply of hemitate ore is available, the proportion of native ore smelted is growing steadily larger and during the first three months of 1900 had risen to 43 per cent. The number of workmen employed in the blast furnaces last year was 419 and the wages paid $97,915, as against 200 men and $79,869 in 1899. The Provincial Government bounty paid for the manufacture of pig iron out of native ore was $6,737 in 1900, and the aggregate paid during the last five years was $34,741. The discovery of the extent of the iron-bearing region which is now known to include a large area east of Lake Nepigon presenting a rock foundation similar to that characteristic of the iron regions to the south of Lake Superior has greatly stimulated explorations which are being conducted on an extensive scale in the hope of locating deposits which can be worked to advantage. The work is considerably expedited by the use of the Government diamond drills.

Nickel and Copper Mines.

A very substantial and encouraging increase in nickel and copper production is shown, last year's nickel utput being 3,540 tons, value $756,626, as compared with 2,872 tons, worth $526,104 in 1899. Copper yielded 3,364 tons, valued at $319,681, as against 2,834 tons, of the value of $176,236 for the previous year. These metals are exported in the form of matte to be refined abroad, and the values of the finished metal are considerably greater. The workmen employed numbered 1,444 of whom 350 were engaged underground. They received wages amounting to $728,946. In 1899 the number of men employed was 839, wages paid, $443,879.

INDIAN HOUSEKEEPING.

A Sioux Girl's Story of How Her Tribeswomen Live.

I am going to tell you something about the uneducated Sioux women, their dress and their home life. The Sioux woman does more work than the man does. Of course, the women do not know very much about housekeeping. In fact, they don't know anything about it. They live in log cabins, with only the ground for the floor, and they have but one room. In that room they have their beds in one corner, their trunks around the sides, and they often have beautiful beadwork hanging on the walls. They have a large stove as near the center of the room as they can. On that stove you will always find a coffeepot and teakettle, and they are always kept full. If the women have coffee to drink, they are happy. They think it is a great medicine; they call it the black medicine.

In the summer the Indian women do most of their cooking out of doors. They put short poles on each side of their fire and a third stick across from one to the other, and on this they hang their kettle. The women when at home are almost always sitting in their tepee doing some kind of beadwork.

The women are always getting up some kind of a feast—that is, they have them very often—and especially if one of their sons or daughters gets married they will spend their last cent to make a great feast. They have a certain man go around and tell every one to come to that feast whenever it may be; then when he has come back and told them that he has told every one the women give him a horse. When they have the feast, the women all dress up in their brightest colors, paint their faces and put all the beadwork they can on their little children. They have a great time talking, especially the old women and men.

The women's dresses are made with only two seams, one on each side, so it makes a very loose dress. It is short in the back and front and long on the sides, and they almost always wear a long, beaded belt and a shawl. In fact, they wear a shawl all the time. When it is not around the head and shoulders, it is tied around the waist. They never wear a hat of any kind. Even on the hottest days they are bareheaded.—Sioux Girl in Good Housekeeping.

ANIMAL LIFE.

A good camel will travel 100 miles a day for ten days through the desert.

The lobster is his own most deadly enemy. The young ones scorn all other food when they have a chance to eat one another.

The stupid policy of hunters in South Africa has led to the almost total destruction of a host of wild animals, the quagga among them.

Dragon fly grubs are most destructive to the fry of fish. Out of 50,000 turned into a pond one April only 54 could be found the following September. The pond was infested by dragon fly.

Bees are known to be excellent weather prophets. There is a common country saying that "a bee was never caught in a shower." When rain is coming, bees do not go far afield, but buzz close to their hives.

A falcon which strayed from Fontainebleau, near Paris, in pursuit of some other bird, was found next day at Malta, in the Mediterranean. Another falcon is said to have returned from Andalusia, Spain, to the peak of Tenerife in six hours.

When taken young, the hedgehog may be completely tamed and made familiar, allowing itself to be handled and associating with the dog and cat upon terms of perfect concord. It feeds indifferently upon bread and milk, meat, etc., and keeps up a regular nocturnal chase after insects.

All Wives or Widows.

"When a girl is born in India," relates a woman missionary, "the first question asked is, Whom shall she marry? Every high caste girl must be wedded at 12 and to a man of her caste and her horoscope. He may be comparatively young, middle aged or old, immoral, diseased or brutal. It makes no difference, if his caste and horoscope agree with hers. A woman in India is perfectly helpless.

"She is generally married at 8 or 9, but does not become a member of her husband's family until she is 12. If it should chance that her husband die before that time, she becomes a child widow, the most despised of creatures. A curse is believed to be upon her, and if she goes the ordinary course she commits suicide in desperation. There are 72,000 child widows under 9 years of age in India. There is no wooing or being won in India. Every girl over 12 is wife or widow."

The Indigestion of Loneliness.

At a time like the present, when the marrying age of the average man of the middle classes is being more and more postponed, the physical ills of bachelordom come increasingly under the notice of the medical man, says the London Lancet. The experience of countless generations, from the red Indian of the woods to the white shirted diners of a modern party, has perpetuated the lesson that a man should not eat alone or think much at this time, but should talk and be talked to while he

Unfeminine.

"I wish you would leave me some money, George, dear," said Mrs. Speedway. "I am quite out, and several little bills are coming in today."

"Certainly, little woman," replied Mr. Speedway. "I am sorry you found it necessary to ask me. I ought to have asked you if you needed money. How much would you like?"

"About $10."

"Why so unfeminine a sum, dear?" asked Mr. Speedway.

"Unfeminine?" she queried. "I do not understand."

"Yes, $10 is unfeminine. You should have asked for $9.87. However, here's the tenner, and you needn't give me back the change."—Pittsburg Commercial Gazette.

THE UNSEEN CORD.

There is an unseen cord which binds
The whole wide world together;
Through every human life it winds—
This one mysterious tether.
It links all races and all lands
Throughout their span allotted;
And death alone unites the strands
Which God himself has knotted.

LAUNCH AT DUNDEE.

A Vessel Built for the Canadian Lake Trade.

There was launched from the yard of the Caledon Shipbuilding and Engineering Company, Limited, Dundee, recently, a steel screw steamer built for the Canadian lake trade to the order of the Midland Navigation Company, Ontario. A large number of persons were present at the ceremony. As the vessel left the ways she was christened Midland Queen by Mrs. W. H. Featherstonehaugh. An adjournment was then made to the drawing office, where "Success to the Midland Queen" was pledged. The dimensions of the vessel are as follows: Length, 255 feet, breadth, 42 feet 6 inches, depth, 23 feet 8 inches, with a gross tonnage of 1,900 tons a carrying capacity of 110,000 bushels of grain. The vessel, which has been built under special survey for the highest class in the British Corporation Registry will when completed, be one of the best equipped in the service. Ample accommodation fitted up in a most comfortable style has been provided for owners, officers and crew, as well as provisions for a few first-class passengers. Two large steel deck-houses have been placed amidships, where a suite of rooms for the captain has also been erected. A large deck-house, containing dining saloon, staterooms, etc., has been built aft. A saloon and staterooms are also to be erected under the forecastle, while the crew are to be accommodated under the spar deck. Six large hatchways, which have been so constructed as to be suitable for the working of grain elevators, will provide access for the stowage of cargo. The arrangements for the quick mooring and towage of the vessel are also most excellent. The engines, which are being supplied from the Caledon Shipbuilding and Engineering Works, are of the triple expansion type, with cylinders 18 inches, 30 inches and 50 inches diameter, with a stroke of 36 inches, steam being supplied by two large steel boilers with a working pressure of 170 pounds per square inch. During construction the vessel and machinery have been superintended on behalf of the owners by Captain W. H. Featherstonehaugh of Toronto, and Mr. F. Piercy, Superintendent Engineer to Messrs. W. Peterson & Co., Newcastle.

Sir John Murray.

Although Sir John Murray has already done what, for many men, would constitute a life's work in science, having won most of the rewards which learned societies and universities can bestow, from the famous Prix Cuvier down, he is still in the prime of life, a man not yet grey, of robust physique and unbounded energy. Besides the deep-sea work, in every minute development of which he is interested, he is now working on a bathymetric survey of the Scotch lochs, and promoting a Scottish Antarctic expedition, it being his firm belief that a thorough survey of the sea bottom in the regions of the South Pole will yield profoundly important scientific results, especially as regards scientific knowledge of deep-sea life.

Murray was born in Canada—but he has lived nearly all his life in Scotland. His home is just on the outskirts of Edinburgh on the shore of the Firth of Forth, where he can always hear the sound of the sea. It is a fine old stone building, pillared in front and surrounded by wide green lawns and ample grounds. He calls it "Challenger Lodge." He is a world-wide traveler—a broad thinker, and a most entertaining talker—a man whom it is good to meet.

Leading Him On.

The summer girl and the summer young man had exhausted all other subjects of conversation, when they turned to the crops.

"I guess the cornfields of the west are in a bad way on account of the dry spell," said he.

"Yes, that seems to be the case," she assented coyly, "but I don't think the popcorn crop will be injured."

After that what could he do but pop?—Pittsburg Commercial Gazette.

Patti's Escort.

Adelina Patti, the great singer, on one of her tours of Europe was due at Bucharest on a certain date. Owing to inclement weather, however, madame declined to budge from Vienna, and the poor manager went nearly distracted. As storming had not the slightest effect on her serene highness the manager set his wits to work. Soon afterward a telegram arrived from Bucharest, stating that a brilliant deputation of Roumanian nobles, with a torchlight procession and military band, was to receive the diva. The message was handed to Mme. Patti, who was enchanted, and at once made ready to start. On arrival, the band played and the torches flared, and madame was put in the best of spirits by being escorted to her hotel by the Roumanian nobles. It is not known what she would have said had she been told that the "nobles" were hired from the streets and dressed up for the occasion by a representative of the manager.

MOTHER EARTH.

Good, Common Sense About a Hackneyed Subject by Lally Bernard.

Providence has given us a magnificent climate, and education must teach us to arrange our lives with due reference to the meaning of that climate. This may seem a strange phrase, but we who live in cities where out feet tread the unyielding hardness of artificial pavements know little of the strange healing power and the soft impressiveness of magnetic mother earth; and this great mother calls for sympathy and understanding from her children, and as they rest upon her bosom and try to fathom the lessons of restfulness and healing imparted by her, a greater race is built up, who bring to the cities her force, her energy, healthful and strong, to work for the betterment of mankind. Could only those who have the care and responsibility of the coming generation on their hands realize how necessary it is to accept this lesson and bring those in our charge under the simple, restful influence of nature, discarding the hurry and stress of city life, not carrying it with them to their country houses, they would accomplish more than they do not overcrowding their houses with visitors, but allowing social duties to remain in abeyance until the winter, when the natural climatic conditions point towards intercourse and gaiety to counteract the long cold period when nature is bound up in ice. If this were only recognized universally the race would benefit by the recognition. In olden days, and still in many parts of Europe, men of wealth retire to their country places. On this continent a country house does not suggest retirement by any means, and it is difficult to believe that the results can be as advantageous.

Of course, the excuse will be that the professional and business man has but little time during the winter to enjoy the society of his fellow-men. This I think is rather a poor pretext, for the present system on which business is conducted makes social intercourse between men imperative, in fact I have heard it stated that a great many important transactions were mainly dependent upon the menu provided by the club where the man of business entertains his friends or possible clients. This being true there is no reason that the quiet of family life should be disturbed during the summer vacation, when the parents can come in close touch with their children perhaps for the first time in many months. There is much to be said, much to be thought of in connection with the tendency of our social recreation in Canada. Again and again the query, "What are you going to do with yourself this summer?" has promoted the desire to reply, "Nothing, thank God!" "Nothing" in this case meaning leisure to dip into favorite books, to frequent favorite haunts, to let the world pass by, and to taste the joys of the road with Bliss Carman, and to follow Lampman—

"Up to the hills, where our tired hearts rest.
Loosen, and halt, and regather their dreams,
Up to the hills, where the winds restore us,
Clearing our eyes to the beauty before us.
Earth with the glory of life on her breast,
Earth with the gleam of her cities and streams."

—Lally Bernard, in Toronto Globe.

Peasant Costumes In Ireland.

A certain number of peasants in the wilder and remoter districts of Ireland still wear something like a national costume. About Lough Mask plenty of the lasses are to be seen in picturesque red petticoats that artists loved to bring into their sketches of Irish life. A sprinkling of the old high hats may be seen. The older fishermen wear them, but the younger school shun such antiquated headgear, as the English peasant of today does the smock frock.

Then He Takes His Chances.

"A millionaire can have things pretty much his own way in this world," said ore philosopher.

"He can," answered the other, "until he comes to make his will."

We should manage our fortune like our constitution—enjoy it when good, have patience when bad and never apply violent remedies but in cases of necessity.

Origin of the Word "Canada."

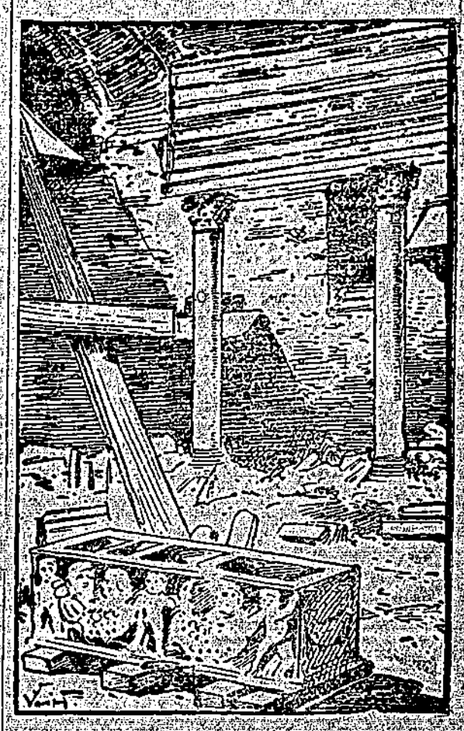
On April 20, 1634, Jacques Cartier sailed from St. Malo, Brittany, with two ships and 61 men, for Labrador, skirted Newfoundland, named Chaleur bay, crossed the eastern end of Anticosti and then headed for France again. The next year Cartier returned with three ships, thought he saw in the St. Lawrence the wished for passage to India and was only undeceived by the freshness of the water on reaching the mouth of the Saguenay. Then was revealed the majestic size of the continent, for, with the exception of the Amazon and the Orinoco, no American river gives one such a sense of power and grandeur.

As the Frenchmen inquired the names of the Indian villages along the banks they were answered "Canada," a Mohawk word meaning village, but which was applied by the Frenchmen to the country.

BURIED 15 CENTURIES.

First Christian Church Which Sank Beneath the Earth Re-discovered Under Its Successor's Foundations.

The sea has sometimes swallowed up a church that has been built too near the edge of the ocean, but it is difficult to understand how a whole edifice could sink into the earth, to be rediscovered beneath the foundations of its successor. Such, however, has been the case with the church of Santa Maria Antigua at Rome, built in the fourth century and now uncovered by the demolition of a newer church, Santa Maria Liberatrice. The entrance to this strange old church is built on to a vestibule of Caligula's Palace, and



BURIED FIFTEEN CENTURIES.

was once decorated with pictures, which, of course, have been ruined by the accumulation of earth and debris. Some, however, are fairly well preserved and give the history of Joseph and his adventures with Pharaoh and Potiphar's wife. Another series of pictures represent the history of our Saviour. This church must undoubtedly be the first Christian church ever built in Rome, and was especially erected to abolish the cult of Vesta and Juturna. The wonderful point about it all is, says an Italian savant, that this Christianizing transformation actually took place in the palace of the Caesars."

A LOVER'S TRICK.

Making His Sweetheart's Roses Change Their Color.

It was a lover who lately discovered this trick. When he was not with his lady love he was studying chemistry and experimenting, and one day recently he found an easy method of changing the natural colors of flowers.

He was in the habit of presenting his sweetheart with bouquets of beautiful roses, which grew in his garden, and a few hours after he had made the discovery he took her a half a dozen of the choicest white roses and told her that she could learn through them whether he was really in love with her or not.

"If you and I are destined for each other," he said, "these white roses will become crimson within five or six hours from now. Gradually but surely they will change color, and you may regard the change not only as an indication that the flowers are delighted to be worn by you, but also as an infallible sign that happiness is assured to us in the future."

Sure enough, before the eyes of the wondering maiden the roses changed color and were crimson at sunset that evening. Marvelous indeed the change seemed to her for how could she know the roses were originally red and that her lover had simply bleached them white by holding them for some time over a pan filled with smoking sulphur before he handed them to her?

The Water Beetle.

The great carnivorous water beetle, the dysticus, after catching and eating other creatures all day, with two minute intervals to come up, poke the tips of its wings out of the water and jam some air against its spiracles before descending once more to its subaqueous hunting grounds, will rise by night from the surface of the Thames, lift again those horny wing cases, unfold a broad and beautiful pair of gauzy wings and whirl off on a visit of love and adventure to some distant pond, on to which it descends like a bullet from the air above.

When people are sitting in a greenhouse at night with no lamp lighted, talking or smoking, they sometimes hear a smash, as if a pebble had been dropped on the glass from above. It is a dysticus beetle, whose compound eyes have mistaken the shine of the glass in the moonlight for the gleam of a pond. At night some of the whirligig beetles, the shiny, beanlike creatures seen whirling in incessant circles in corners by the bank, make a quite audible and almost musical sound upon the water.

When a man is going up hill, people dig ditches in front of him; when he starts down, they get out of his way and give him the whole road.—Denver Times.

We refuse to let any one question the good sense of a woman who still spanks her children when they are 15.—Atchison Globe.

A CLOSE SHAVE.

How Roaming Riley Rescued a Hard Hearted Young Man.

Roaming Riley, the Traveling Thirst, nailed the young man who had just emerged from the clothing store looking pretty spick and span in a spring suit.

"Sir," he began, walking alongside the young man, "I trust you won't consider me obtrusive, but"—

"To the dank virgin forest," cut in the spick and span youth. "Nothing doing."

"But," said the Traveling Thirst, "my only purpose in presuming to address you is to call your"—

"Now, look a-here," growled the young man in the new set of counter duds, pulling up and facing the Traveling Thirst, "you couldn't panhandle me with a baseball bat if you belonged to the home nine and had the top batting average and there were two outs and three men on the bases and you were up and trying one of your famous bunts on the pitcher. Nobody can panhandle me. I'm a craggy young person. I'm a nonproducer. I've always got the goods on me, but I'm notorious for the habit of never giving up under any circumstances. It wouldn't bother me any if you needed a hooter so bad that you were seeing purple hippopotami playing golf with fence pickets for brassies. I'd let you go right on seeing 'em. I'm naturally cruel. Consequently, back to the unblazed path, and back quick!"

Roaming Riley, the Traveling Thirst, stood with his hand on his chin in a rueful attitude during the delivery of this little speech, and at its wind up he turned away.

"All right," he said. "I didn't mean any harm. I simply desired to inform you that on the left shoulder of that admirably fitting coat you're wearing there's a large yellow tag bearing, in large, insistent figures, the legend, 'Thirteen dollars,' and"—

A blank expression flickered over the countenance of the young man with the freshly plucked glad rags.

"Say, is that right?" he inquired in a low, muffled tone. "Take it off, will you?"

"Sure thing," replied the Thirst, and then he walked up behind the young man and deftly removed the tag and exhibited it.

"That's worth the half to me," said the chagrined youth, laying the four bits in the Traveling Thirst's palm. "I was going to spring it on my landlady in about a half hour from now that it had stood me $41.50, all of my two weeks' wages, to cough up for this apparel as an excuse for not coming to the front with my little board coin, and if she had seen the tag after I'd handed her that swift con. there'd have been some vestibule language within the quiet precincts of that boarding house that'd have given the houseful of rubbernecks the chance of their lives to stretch. Take the money, my boy, and may your barrel house souse trickle to the spot."—Washington Post.

Pointed Paragraphs.

The waiter often pulls the carte before the donkey.

It takes more than a wooden head to produce thoughts that burn.

The parting that gives us pain often occurs while seated in a dental chair.

A good business qualification is the ability to attend to one's own business.

Many a man who has a small spark of genius imagines he possesses a large conflagration.

No man has ever been able to ascertain which gives a woman the most pleasure, hearing herself praised or some other woman run down.—Chicago News.

No Bribery There.

"You say," pursued the chairman of the investigating committee, "that he resorted to no bribery whatever during the election, so far as you know?"

"Yes, sir," replied the witness, "that's what I did."

"Did he not circulate several boxes of cigars?"

"Yes, sir, but them cigars wasn't bribes. Here's one of them. Try it."—Tit-Bits.

She'd Do That.

Shye—I want your advice. I feel that I'm falling in love with a lady, and I'm afraid if I keep on I shall be miserable, because I'll never have the courage to propose.

Newitt—Is it the Widow Bright I saw you with today?

Shye—Yes.

Newitt—You needn't worry about proposing.—Philadelphia Press.

Architectural.

Mrs. Rivers—My hat is ever so much nicer than Fan Billiwink's, don't you think?

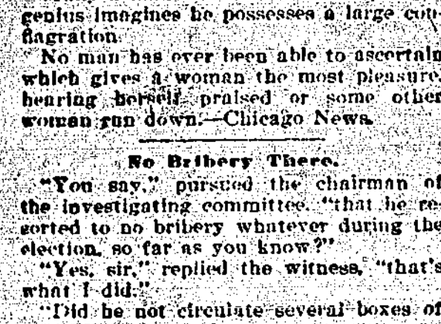
Mr. Rivers—Well, the cornice of it projects about six inches farther in front than hers. That ought to satisfy you, I suppose.—Chicago Tribune.

Lightweight Argument.

"I understand that Noltall says your new picture is a monstrosity."

"I don't mind him," quietly remarked the artist. "He never had an opinion of his own. He merely repeats what others say."—Philadelphia Times.

Overcome.



Skinflint—Here, my good man, is a penny for you.

Weary—Oh, thank you, sir. Jest wait a minute and I'll bring you the change.—New York Evening Journal.

A Normal Summer.

Foreign Visitor—You have a peculiar climate here.

Citizen—Oh, no. We can safely pack our buffalo robes away in moth balls by the Fourth of July.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Personal Experience.

Enpeck—Did you ever notice that most every one you meet has a pet ejaculation? Now, my favorite word is "Gracious!"

Singleton—Yes, and they tell me your wife's word is law.—Chicago News.

PLANT LICE.

Each One Carries a Complete Drive Well Outfit and a Suction Pump.

Plant lice are most peculiar insects. Popularly they are called "green flies" or "green aphides," and some species of them are known as "ants' cows." Science has found this name truly given, for ants know well how to excite the tiny lice, causing the sweet juice to flow upon which the wise little "milkers" delight to feast. The lice are not all of one kind, but belong to different species, differing in form and living on different plants. All, however, are true bugs belonging to the hemiptera, which includes such pests as San Jose scale, chinch bug and chicken louse.

The lice pierce the surface of leaves and suck up the flowing sap. The mouth of each little plant louse is a complete drive well outfit with a suction pump attachment.

As these insects do not eat the leaves or buds, internal poisons like london purple and paris green do not affect them, but something which kills by contact must be used.

Perhaps the best and simplest of the remedies is good whale oil soap solution. This is made by dissolving one pound of a standard whale oil soap in seven gallons of hot water. A good soap of this character may be made at home by boiling together for two hours one pound of crystal potash lye, three gallons of water and three pints of fish oil. Do not add the oil until the lye is dissolved.

Other remedies are kerosene emulsion, kerosene water mixture, tobacco decoction, concentrated extract of tobacco and pyrethrum, or "Persian insect powder." Whichever of these remedies is used the application should be made early in the season when the lice are but few, when leaves are unfolding and buds are breaking, else the leaves will have curled up so that the lice cannot be reached by the solutions. Spray from below, as the lice choose the undersides of the leaves, and spray thoroughly.

If the lice have not been noticed until late, it will be best to cut off the worst affected leaves, especially on bushes and small trees where the curled leaves can be reached easily. One or two careful sprayings following this treatment should keep the lice in check.

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If paid on or before June 30th, 1901:—

Three-fifths of one per cent. on real property.
Two and one-half per cent. on assessed value of wild land.
One-half of one per cent. on personal property.
Upon such excess of income—

CLASS A.—On one thousand dollars and not exceeding ten thousand dollars, one per cent. up to five thousand dollars, and two per cent. on the remainder:

CLASS B.—On ten thousand dollars, and not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half per cent. up to ten thousand dollars, and two and one-half per cent. on the remainder:

CLASS C.—On twenty thousand dollars, and not exceeding forty thousand dollars, two and one half per cent. up to twenty thousand dollars, and three per cent. on the remainder:

CLASS D.—On all others in excess of forty thousand dollars, three per cent. up to forty thousand dollars, and three and one-half per cent. on the remainder.

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Three-quarters of one per cent. on personal property.
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JOHN BAIRD,
Assessor and Collector.

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Department of Agriculture, Victoria, B. C. May 8th, 1901.

J. R. ANDERSON,
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THE CUMBERLAND NEWS

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HER FATHER WAS A DRUNKARD

A Plucky Young Lady Takes on Herself to Cure Her Father of the Liquor Habit.

STORY OF HER SUCCESS.

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"In the mattresses.

"Under the carpets. (Easily located in sneak shoes.)

"In the rag bag or wastebasket.

"In an unused grate or up a chimney.

"In sofa pillows or furniture.

"In the ice chest.

"It certainly is not a compliment to the ability of a professional to secrete goods in any of those places and not expect him to find them without half an effort. The scooped out volume of Dickens or Thackeray is as easily located, and the diamonds or roll of money which takes the place of literature is a familiar find. The piano often yields a fair harvest, and the shoes worn the day before left standing at right angles in the middle of the bedroom floor. Once in my salad days I confiscated a pair of such shoes and, as they fit neatly, kept them for my own use. One shoe always pinched me, and one day I sat down and dug a $50 bill out of the toe of that shoe. Why, it might have crippled me in time.

"And one night I slept in the guest chamber of a gentleman who was out of town with his family. I never slept so badly—in an elegant room, on a mattress filled with 40 pounds of white hair. I had horrible dreams, and in the morning there was a lump on my side as big as an apple. Now, what do you think? I had lain all night on a diamond sunburst that had given me all those bad dreams and nearly broke a rib. Such methods of hiding valuables are barbarous."

The retired burglar looked thoughtful for a moment; then he said in a prophetic voice:

"I may be wrong, but the time is coming when there will be a burglars' union, which will insure safety for both the owner of valuables and the man who lives by his wits and steals in the dark in disguise when his betters steal in the daytime unmasked. If a man can sleep with his doors and windows open without fear of burglarious intruders by paying a moderate assessment on his superfluous luxuries, I believe it would be for the good of the commonwealth. Some time I will draft a constitution and bylaws from my point of view. You see, I have had experience."—Chicago Record-Herald.

I was cured of Rheumatic Gout by MINARD'S LINIMENT.

ANDREW KING.
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I was cured of acute Bronchitis by MINARD'S LINIMENT.

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Sussex.

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Markham, Ont.

Women think no more of stealing hatpins than men think of stealing umbrellas.

THE BEST PILLS.—Mr. Wm. Vandervoort, Sydney Crossing, Ont., writes: "We have been using Parmelee's Pills, and find them by far the best pills we ever used." FOR DELICATE AND DEBILITATED CONSTITUTIONS these pills act like a charm. Taken in small doses, the effect is both a tonic and a stimulant, mildly exciting the secretions of the body, giving tone and vigor.

Better do a few things well than attempt to do many.

Later Dominion census returns will increase the population considerably.

$100 Reward, $100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that Science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One hundred dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Many a woman studies her glass to the neglect of her heart.

If a girl has teeth like pearls, she's never as dumb as an oyster.

FEVER AND AGUE AND BILIOUS DERANGEMENTS are positively cured by the use of Parmelee's Pills. They not only cleanse the stomach and bowels from all bilious matter, but they open the excretory vessels, causing them to pour copious effusions from the blood into the bowels, after which the corrupted mass is thrown out by the natural passage of the body. They are used as a general family medicine with the best results.

All women are born equal, but some spoil it by getting married.

Nothing aggravates a girl so much as her inability to make a man angry.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

Mrs. Andrew Carnegie is a very plain, practical woman, who buys carefully. Thus, while her gowns are fashionable, she wastes no part of her money on Paris dressmakers.

BABY IN THE HOME.

A Joy and Treasure When Good Natured and Healthy.

All children, in every home in the country need at some time or other a medicine such as Baby's Own Tablets, and this famous remedy has cured many a serious illness and saved many a little life. Mothers insist upon having it because it contains no opiate or harmful drugs. It is purely vegetable, sweet and pleasant to take and prompt in its effect.

For simple fevers, colic constipation, disordered stomach, diarrhoea, irritation, accompanying the cutting of teeth and indigestion Faby's Own Tablets are a certain cure. In fact in almost any disorder common to children these tablets should be given at once and relief may be promptly looked for.

Never give the babies so-called soothing medicines which simply put them into an unnatural sleep. These tablets are small, sweet, pleasant to take and prompt in acting. Dissolved in water, they will be taken readily by the smallest infant.

Mrs. John McEwan, Bathurst Village, N. B. writes: "My baby was almost constantly troubled with colic before I gave him Baby's Own Tablets, but since giving them to him he has not since suffered. Every mother should keep these Tablets always at hand."

They cost 25 cents a box. You can find them at your druggist's or, if you do not, forward the money direct to us and we will send the tablets prepaid. The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Dept. T, Brockville, Ont.

On the Delaware river fishermen sink hollow logs in the water and raise them to the surface when they are filled with fish.

Any fool can follow a crowd, but it takes merit to stand alone and follow the dictates of one's conscience.

A candy dealer, of national repute, says: "The American women eat more candy than any femininies on the face of the earth."

In the eighteenth century silken cocoons sold in London market for one shilling a pound.

It is stated that 39,832 persons perished at the hands of homicides in the United States during the five years ending with 1900. The figures of punishment for the crime are not made up, but are known to be startlingly small.

New South Wales has 15,000 miles of wire netting as fence protection against rabbits.

UNEQUALLED.—Mr. Thomas Brunt, Tyendinaga, Ont., writes: "I have to thank you for recommending Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil for bleeding piles. I was troubled with them for nearly fifteen years, and tried almost everything I could hear or think of. Some of them would give me temporary relief, but none would effect a cure. I have now been free from the distressing complaint for nearly eighteen months. I hope you will continue to recommend it."

In Russia it is the custom of duelists to breakfast together before going out to fight.

It is said that the American coal syndicate has ousted English coal from the Swiss market.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, Etc.

Men will wrangle for religion, write for it, fight for, die for it, anything but live for it.

Residents in England have £110,000,000 invested in mortgages in foreign countries. These investments annually drain the foreign countries of about £5,500,000 in cold cash.

The great lung healer is found in that excellent medicine sold as Bickles' Anti-Consumptive Syrup. It soothes and diminishes the sensibility of the membrane of the throat and air passages, and is a sovereign remedy for all coughs, colds, hoarseness, pain or soreness in the chest, bronchitis, etc. It has cured many when supposed to be far advanced in consumption.

High heels, it is said, owe their origin to Persia, where they were introduced to raise the feet from the burning sands of that country.

What the miser has is of no more use to him than what he has not.

Some people, when they work, don't do anything.

Only those who have had experience can tell the torture corns cause. Pain with your boots on, pain with them off—pain night and day; but relief is sure to those who use Holloway's Corn Cure.

It's an easy matter for a married man to get next to the latest word in use.

Idleness is the refuge of weak minds and the holiday of fools.

These two desirable qualifications, pleasant to the taste and at the same time effectual, are to be found in Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator. Children like it.

If a man fails to open the door when fortune knocks she doesn't break the door down with a battering ram.

If you would be happy you must live to learn a day at a time.

ITS SHOCKING

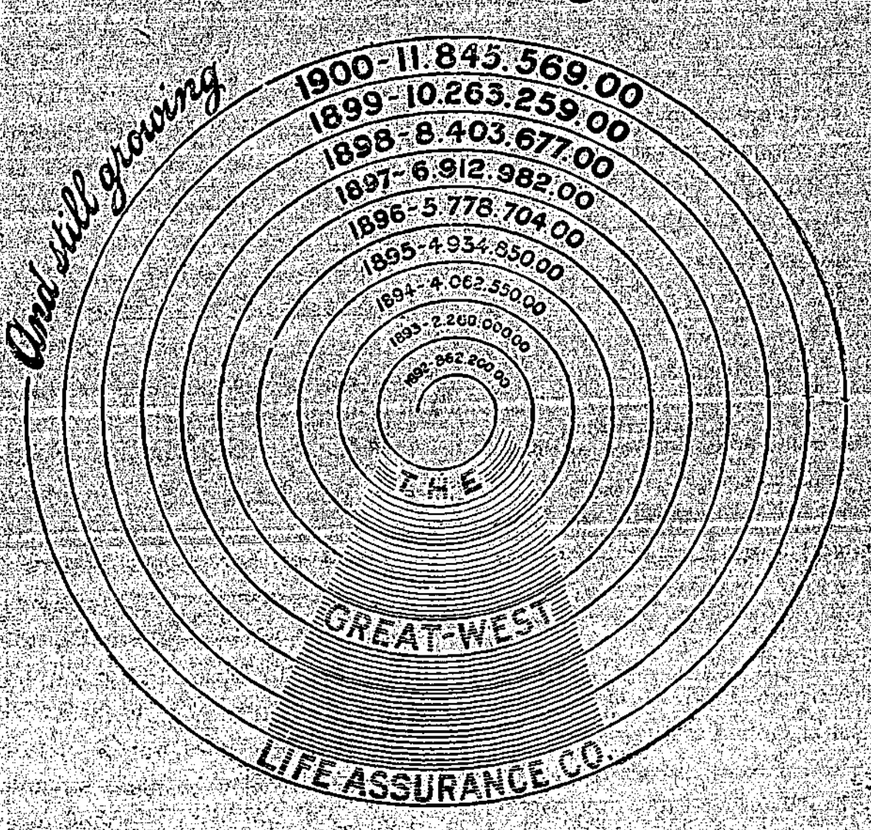
To listen to the din and would-be music emitted from a piano that is badly out of tune or possibly never was musical. There is no use having your nerves wrought upon when we will sell you a magnificent upright WILLIAMS PIANO, sweet toned as the note of a nightingale and soothing to the most sensitive nerves—at bedrock prices.

FORRESTER & HATCHER

Y. M. C. A. Bldg., Portage Ave., Winnipeg.

Did you ever compare Blue Ribbon Ceylon Tea with other much advertised brands? Don't you think they owe an apology to the public?

An Ever-Widening Circle



Ancient Ship Timber.

An English paper says: "Noah's ark is generally supposed to be the earliest ship of which we have record; but, says Engineering, there exist paintings of Egyptian vessels immensely older than the date of 2340 B. C., usually assigned to the ark, being, indeed, probably 70 and 80 centuries old.

"Moreover, there are now in existence in Egypt boats which were built about the period the ark was constructed. They are, however, small craft, about 35 feet long, 7 or 8 feet wide and 2½ to 3 feet deep. They were discovered years ago by the eminent French Egyptologist, M. J. de Morgan, in brick vaults near Cairo, and were probably funeral boats. They are constructed of three inch acacia and sycamore planks, dovetailed together and fastened with trenails. They have floors, but no ribs, and, though nearly 5,000 years old, they held rigidly together after their supports had been removed.

"These may be considered side by side with the better known but much more modern viking ship which is now to be seen in a shed at Christiania. This craft was discovered in 1880 and in a funeral mound, so that we owe both these existing examples of extremely ancient ships to funeral customs of countries so dissimilar as Egypt and Norway."

Where the Blame Rests.

"Yes, your honor," explained the prisoner, "I did hit him, but it wasn't my fault."

"Whose fault was it, then?"

"It was the fault of the thermometer, your honor. What he did to me would have been a joke at any other time, but you know how it is when the thermometer touches 100."

"Discharged," said the justice, who had run against practical jokers on a hot day himself.—Chicago Post.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.

A salad is like a woman. A great deal depends upon the dressing.

It frequently comes to pass that by helping our friends they become our enemies, and by helping our enemies they become our friends.

ESTABLISHED 1854.

The house now known as RYRIE BROS. is one of the oldest and best established jewelry houses in Canada.

Although established in 1854 it has only been under its present management for one-quarter of a century.

We have striven to conduct it upon such lines that "if it is from Ryrie Bros. you know it is good" has come to be an accepted axiom.

If you have any need in the jewelry line, however small, write us a letter, and try our Mail Order Department—it is positively good.

RYRIE BROS.,
Cor. Yonge and Adelaide Streets, **Toronto.**

Time is money, they say, and yet many a man spends his time in saving money.

There are now 1,142 different submarine cables, with a total length of 19,850 miles, owned by governments, and 318 cables, altogether 146,000 miles long, in the hands of companies.

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Transient Ads Cash in Advance.

Every working man should remember that Blue Ribbon Tea is packed in this country by white labor only. Are you drinking it?

The shocking shooting accident at Comox last week, whereby a most estimable resident lost his life, is another red-letter warning to all who carry fire-arms, against carelessness. The fact that a jury in such cases acquits a person taking life in that way of the charge of murder, is not an acquittal of carelessness, and no plea can excuse him of that crime. No denunciation can be strong enough to apply to any one who shoots at an object in the field without first satisfying himself as to the nature of that object.

It must be understood that these remarks are not specially directed to the late sad case. These accidents are happening continually in various parts of the world, and have been the subject of newspaper criticism and articles of warning for many years. Yet the warnings pass unheeded, and the work of death goes on, and the bitter irony of these accidents is in that, as a friend remarked, when you shoot a man accidentally a jury acquits you, as they must do, and you may go free and unfettered, whereas, if you shoot a man's cow, or horse, sheep or pig, goose, turkey or chicken, you must pay for it, whether the shot was accidental or otherwise. This is not to imply that money can replace a valuable life. No act of man can give back any approach to a substitute for a father, husband or son to the mourners, yet, in cases where dire poverty stares the family bereft of its staff of support, it seems but just that the depriver be made to bear a share of the burden.

The many young men of our district now learning woodcraft, should take a lesson by this late tragedy. If they take care before firing at any thing to be sure of what they intend to shoot at, they can never have the awful responsibility of a human life on their hands. nor the lesser one of destroying domestic animals.

We append a list of "Don'ts" which are most apposite, from "Forest and Stream," the great American sporting magazine:—

DON'T!

Point your gun at a person.

Point your gun at yourself.

Look down the muzzle of your gun.

Pull your gun toward you muzzle first through a fence or out of boat or wagon.

Shoot until you see that is game and not man.

These are don'ts not difficult to observe. They should constitute a part of the shooting creed of every one who goes into the field or the forest with firearms. The observance of them will insure safety to the man with the gun and safety to his companions. Their disregard often results in the death of the shooter or of some hapless victim.

We publish this week a reprint from an eastern journal regarding the French Canadian dream of independence. Gradually these anti British sentiments are becoming apparent. That the French Canadian policy, for years back, has been hostile to British interests is without a doubt, but the real feeling has been most cunningly concealed to all persons of British blood. At rare intervals, some chance or accident lifts a corner of the veil and shows the bitterness of feeling which exists against the Anglo Saxon. Men like Bourassa, for example, are lacking in the smooth diplomacy which is part of the present policy. He looses his head at times, and like the other statesman of the same race, thanks God he is French. Yet, the moment they are taken to task for their rebellious utterances, they start the whipped dog whine of "the race cry." Why, the strongest race cry that could be raised is not strong enough for traitors like these! The use of French in all public offices should be prohibited, on all public documents; and the learning of English in the public schools should be made compulsory. This country is a British one, not a French, then, for goodness sake, let us have British institutions and the English tongue. Sooner or later the reforms suggested must be made—or, allow ourselves to be over-ridden by the French—and the sooner the better for all concerned.

What about the electric light franchise? It is generally conceded that, under existing conditions, the city is not in a position to install the plant and carry on the work. The Company, we understand, have changed their offer somewhat. The first proposition was for a 20 years' franchise, the city to have purchasing option at the end of that time. Now, however, they ask a 50 years' franchise, giving the city the option of purchasing at any time. The offer is a good one in any case. The agreement to share profits over and above 7 p.c. is, in itself, an advantage. Then, in a few years' time, should the city find themselves in a position, and see fit to purchase the plant, they may do so, and in the meantime we are not deprived of our electricity. By all means grant the franchise!

TO THE DEAF.

A rich lady cured of her Deafness and Noises in the Head by Dr. Nicholson's Artificial Ear Drums, gave $10,000 to his Institute, so that deaf people unable to procure the Ear Drums may have them free Address No. 14517 The Nicholson Institute, 780 Eighth Avenue, New York, U.S.A.

PERSONAL.

Miss L. Abrams is home again after a short visit to Nanaimo.

Mrs J. Roe returned on Wednesday from an extended visit to Victoria.

Miss Clarke, Stevenson's popular saleslady, left on Friday for Nanaimo.

Mrs F. D. Little was an outgoing passenger on Thursday's boat and will return to-day.

Mr. K. Sharp who recently arrived from Dawson is staying at the Riverside Hotel, Courtenay.

Wedding bells will positively ring on Saturday at Comox Bay. Charivari on Saturday evening at Cumberland.

L. A. Mounce, M.L.A., paid Victoria a business call last week and returned home on the Thistle on Thursday.

Mr W. Campbell of the firm of Campbell Bros., Cumberland, has taken charge of the printing department of the "Cumberland News."

Mrs Cleland will be pleased to received pupils from the month of January, 1902, to form a class in drawing, and water colors. Pupils please apply at residence for terms, &c.

CARD OF THANKS.

I desire to acknowledge the receipt of $1000 from The Great West Life Insurance Company of Winnipeg, of which Mr Anthony Anderson is the local agent, being the amount of the policy on the life of my husband, who was killed in the Extension Fire on September 30th, and to thank the Company and Mr Anderson for the promptness with which the claim was settled.

ANNIE M. POLLOCK.

WHAT TO WEAR THIS WINTER.

The Latest Fashion News for Women from Paris and New York.

A charming new wrap is a Russian blouse, made of shaggy material to wear with a short skirt.

Trimmings of heavy braid and galloon will be worn more than ever before.

Green is the favorite color of the season, the more subdued shades prevailing.

Black silk waists, to be worn with odd skirts of black serge, cloth or cheviot, are much in vogue.

For evening wear nothing is more popular than black net or mousseline over black or white silk.

The new flannel waists have flat buttons and long-waisted pouch fronts.

Small metal buttons are much used for trimming dresses this autumn.

The pagoda sleeve is the latest thing in Paris. It is small at the top and widens toward the bottom, where it becomes quite large.

Some of the newest things in furs are long stoles, or little round collars with long tabs. Little tight-fitting fur coats are also popular.—November Ladies' Home Journal.

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Court of Revision.

COMOX DISTRICT.

A Court of Revision and Appeal under the Assessment Act, will be held at Cumberland, in the Court House, on November the 20th, 1901, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

JOHN BAIRD,
Assessor.

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IN THE MATTER OF GEORGE F. DRABBLE, DECEASED INTESTATE, AND IN THE MATTER OF THE "OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATORS' ACT,"

NOTICE is hereby given that an Order of the County Court of Nanaimo holden at Cumberland, was made on the 25th September, authorizing the undersigned to administer the Estate of the late GEORGE F. DRABBLE. Therefore, all persons having claims against the said Estate are requested to send in particulars of the same within 60 days from date hereof, and all parties indebted thereto are requested to pay such indebtedness to the undersigned forthwith.

HENRY P. COLLIS,
OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATOR.

November 13th, 1901.

BRIDGE AT REESE'S.

Mr Rockett. the bridge builder of Victoria, is, we understand, engaged in building the new bridge over the Tsolum river near Reees's. We have been asked if we know why the government considered it necessary to send an outsider to do this work. It is said that Mr Mounce, M.P.P., has stated that he knew nothing of Mr Rockett's engagement. If this is the case, the C.C. of L. & W. must be responsible, and the general opinion is that the injustice of acts like these should be brought strongly to his notice.

INSURANCE PAID.—Mr Wm. Pollock, who was among the unfortunate victims of the disaster at Extension mine on the 30th of September, had taken the precaution to insure his life for $1,000 in the Great West Life Assurance Company—the claim was paid yesterday.—FREE PRESS.

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A few choice Shorthorn heifers, yearlings and 2-year olds. Will make good milk cows.

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LOST

On the 22nd August, a gold ring lettered Yukon. A reward of $5 will be paid on returning same to Chas. Bridges or Riverside hotel.

ROBERT GRANT.

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TOO LONG A TERM.

If you don't worry you can live 100 years.

One hundred years? Goodness! If I thought I'd live 100 years, I'd worry myself to death right now.