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Strayed.
Into the premises of the undersigned, 6, 4 lot 27, con 2, Digby, five head of yearling cattle, 3 heifers, 1 steer and 1 bull. Owner is requested to prove property, pay expenses and remove same at once.
JOHN McLACHLAN,
Dec. 15, 1896.—74-3. Uphill P.O., Ont.

Strayed.
Strayed on to the premises of the undersigned, Lot 41, Con. 8, Eldon, A SPOTTED STEER, two years old. Owner is requested to prove property, pay expenses and take it away.
W. E. GRYLLS,
Kirkfield.
Dec. 9th, 1896.—73-3

Strayed.
From Lot 6, Con. 9, Carden, a RED COW, 10 years old, white heart on face, and white tip on tail. Any information thankfully received.
LUKE MARREN,
Dec. 5 1896. 72-3. Victoria Road P.O.

Strayed.
On or about 4th November, from the premises of the subscriber, Lot 2 Concession 14, Emily, ONE RED STEER, and ONE RED HEIFER with a white star in forehead. Information concerning them will be thankfully received by the owner.
DAVID KENNEDY,
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Nov. 2nd, 1896.—69-3. Oakwood P.O.

County Council Divison No. 2.
To the Municipal electors of Lindsay, and Ops.
GENTLEMEN,—At the request of a number of my friends I have decided to offer myself as a candidate for the County Council for your division, and while thanking you for your support for the past seven years, beg to solicit your vote and influence again in my behalf. I remain, gentlemen, your obedient servant,
RICHARD TOUCHBURN.
Dec. 17th, 1896.—73-2.

County Council.
To the Electors of Division No. 3, to elect Commissioners for the County Council of the County of Victoria:
GENTLEMEN,—Having consented to offer myself as a candidate for the above honorable position, I might say that I have been a member of the County Council for ten years, three years Deputy Reeve, seven years Reeve in succession. I have also had the honor to represent the County as Warden. After my long experience with County Council affairs I claim I am justified in asking your support, and if elected will discharge my duty to the best of my ability for the best interests of the County and particularly for the division that I may represent.
Yours most respectfully,
Dec. 14, 1896.—74-2. T. H. McQUADE.

County Council, District No 2.
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—At the earnest solicitation of many electors in the Town of Lindsay and Township of Ops, I have consented to become a candidate for District No. 2, comprising the Town of Lindsay and that portion of the Township of Ops lying west of the Scugog river in the new county council, for the County of Victoria, for the years 1897-98. I have had considerable municipal experience in town, township and county councils and am perfectly satisfied to leave my past record for your consideration. If elected, I will do all in my power to serve the best interests of the county generally and District No. 2 in particular. Wishing you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, I remain, yours truly,
ROBERT BRYANS
—74-2.

County Council Division No. 3.
To the Electors of East Ops, Emily and Omemee:
GENTLEMEN, As a large number of ratepayers in Division No. 3 have been asking if I am a candidate I have decided to offer myself for County Council Division No. 3, comprising that portion of the Township of Ops east of the Scugog river, the Township of Emily and the Village of Omemee, and solicit your vote and influence. I have been a member of the county council for the past two years, and if again returned will do all in my power to serve the best interests of Divinon No. 3, and the county generally. Yours truly,
S. J. FOX,
Ops, Dec. 9th, 1896.—73-tf. Dupty-reeve of Ops.

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The serials for 1897 will be: The Red Bridge Neighborhood, by MARIA LOUISE POOL; and Father Quinnallion, by GRACE TRANT. Short stories will be constantly presented by brilliant writers, among who are MARY E. WILKINS FREEMAN, FAMCOURT SPOFFORD, MARION HARLAND, RUTH MCENERY STUART, LUCIA BLISSOR, and MARGARET SUTTON BRISCOE
What Women are Doing in various parts of the Union will form a special feature.
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Salvation Army Notes
Adj. and Mrs. Andrews from Simcoe, and Capt. Rechburn, euphonium soloist of the prov. staff band have been appointed to take charge of the local corps.
Adj Hay, junior soldier secretary, will be at the barracks on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 21 and 22. All are cordially invited.

When all the World is Young, Lad.

When all the world is young, lad,
And all the trees are green;
And every goose a swan, lad,
And every lass a queen;
Then hey for boot and horse, lad,
And round the world away;
Young blood must have its course lad,
And every dog his day.

When all the world is old lad,
When all the trees are brown;
And all the sport is stale, lad,
And all the wheels run down:
Creep home and take your place there,
The spent and maimed among;
God grant you find one face there
You loved when all was young.

Winnipeg Roman Catholics Meet and Unanimously Pass Resolutions.

(*From North west Review.*)

Wednesday evening of last week, the catholics of Winnipeg assembled in St. Mary's school house to protest against the injustice which they say has been done them by the Laurier government in connection with the so-called settlement of the school question. With one of two exceptions all the catholic families of the city were represented. The enthusiasm which was manifested at different stages of the proceeding made it quite conclusive that His Grace of St. Boniface has the loyal support of his Winnipeg flock on the stand he has taken on the school question. The speeches delivered by the several leading catholics were all loud protestations against the treachery of the Laurier-Tarte combination.

The following series of resolutions were moved clause by clause, by prominent catholics and were carried unanimously.

We, the catholics of Winnipeg assembled at this meeting of roman catholic ratepayers in the city of Winnipeg, called by public notice, for the purpose of giving expression to the opinion of the roman catholic minority of this city on the arrangement recently concluded between the provincial and federal governments on the Manitoba school question, resolve as follows:—

1.—Very respectfully but most firmly we protest against the terms of that arrangement. We affirm that they are wholly insufficient to redress our wrongs, while they utterly fail to make good the pledges solemnly made to the electorate by members of the federal cabinet and of parliament.

2.—We condemn federal ministers for trying to force on the roman catholic minority a proposal so inadequate and in the negotiations for which, the minority itself were not consulted. We resent the insult offered to the most prominent and most trusted representative of the minority in this controversy—the Rev. Archbishop of St. Boniface—who, as openly averred by one of the ministers, was designedly ignored in the negotiations. A policy of conciliation for reaching a settlement we indeed approve, but it is a farce to call it conciliation, when only one party to the controversy is approached in that spirit, while the other party, and that the one which has been wronged, is treated with undisguised contempt.

3.—As loyal subjects of a British country, we ask for British justice, no more, no less; as devoted upholders of British institutions, whose maintenance is an honorable adherence to the spirit of the British constitution of our country be respected, and that its protection be extended to the minority, whose rights in educational matters were thereby specifically safeguarded.

4.—We declare our most earnest desire to live in harmony with our fellow citizens of all creeds. In the matter of secular education we are most willing to submit, under reasonable conditions, to state inspection, but we claim that roman catholics ought, wherever in sufficient number, as is the case particularly in Winnipeg, to have the privilege of sending their children to schools which, while maintaining a standard of proficiency second to none under secular conditions, conform to our well understood laws as to religious and moral training.

5.—Under the law of the province, prior to 1890, we had this privilege, but we do not call for the re-enactment of the old law in its precise terms. We demand, however, that by amendment and modification, as suggested by the judges of the privy council, our grievances be removed and our essential rights in this respect be restored.

6.—Through the proceedings in appeal, the parliament of Canada is now empowered to deal with the question, and give us relief. We recognize that by provincial legislation a more easy remedy could be secured, but this being denied us, we can but look to parliament for justice, and we appeal with confidence, not only to our co religionists in the other provinces, but to all lovers of British fair play, for their sympathy and support.

7.—We protest against the vicious and absurd theory that federal legislation is to be taken as coercive, or as a menace to provincial rights, in a case where federal legislation is not only clearly contemplated, but is in express terms provided for by the constitution. Appellate bodies, charged with the duty of extending protection to either communities or individuals, must wholly fail in their duty, if they are deterred from reviewing the acts of the bodies appealed against by a consideration of the tenacity with which these bodies cling to their acts.

8.—To our protestant brethren, we would recall the fact that this provision for appeal to parliament, was put in the constitution at the instance of the protestant representatives of Quebec, for the express purpose of affording protection to the protestant minority in that province. We remind them too of the fact that the same protestant minority was the first to avail itself of this right of appeal against an alleged deprivation of their educational rights by the roman catholic legislature of Quebec, and that the appeal led to a speedy restoration of those rights by that catholic legislature. Should the educational rights of protestants in that province be again prejudicially affected in the future, by an act of its legislature, and another appeal to Ottawa by protestants become necessary, we are sure that protestants throughout the Dominion would not willingly see justice denied because of a very earnest interference with Quebec's provincial rights. The roman catholic minority of Manitoba in such a case would be the first to deprecate a failure of justice through such a cry. And the Christian principle of doing to others as they would wish others do to them, will suggest to our protestant brethren that a line cry ought not to be the cause for withholding justice from us in the present case.

9.—That these resolutions, signed by the chairman and secretary, be printed and that copies be mailed to His Excellency the governor-general, to the Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, and several colleagues, to Sir Charles Tupper and the several members of his late cabinet, and to such other persons as the chairman and secretary may think proper.

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A Distinguished Eldon Boy.

Dr Emory Lanphear of St. Louis, writing from Chicago to the Medical Fortnightly, published in St. Louis, Mo. has the following to say of an old Victoria County boy, which will be of interest to the many readers of THE WARDER.—

It is impossible to complete a series of letters upon the prominent operators of Chicago without referring to Dr Alex Hugh Ferguson and his work. D. Ferguson is a young, enthusiastic, scientific surgeon who not long ago moved to Chicago from Winnipeg, where he was professor of surgery in the Manitoba medical college and accounted the great surgeon of the Northwest. He decided to locate in Chicago where he was offered the chair of surgery in the post graduate medical school. Unlike some noted surgeons of this city, he had the advantage of a good collegiate education before receiving the degrees of doctor of medicine and master of surgery (M. D. C. M.) supplemented by two years' work bacteriology and pathology in the laboratories of Berlin, as well as a year's study in the greatest clinics of Europe and America. As a consequence, he is what may be very properly termed an "accomplished surgeon."

And his methods show the results of his excellent training. It has been my fortune to see the work of the most distinguished surgeons of America and Europe but candor compels me to say that, taken from all standpoints, Dr. Ferguson is the best operator I have ever met. With the utmost regards for asepsis (and if ideal aseptic surgery can be done, he is doing it) he is by far the most rapid of Chicago operators. While he has not the brilliance of speech possessed by Murphy, or the inexhaustible supply of clinical material Senn, he is unquestionably destined to be a formidable competitor of both. Although he has been in Chicago but little more than a year, he has presented some of the most interesting surgical cases I have overseen in the clinics here, and in surprisingly large numbers, too.

For instance, at one of his clinics at the charity hospital, I saw him make an abdominal section for hydatid cysts of the liver, removing three large cysts from within the epicyst of Glisson's capsule, draining the latter after suturing the margins to the parietal peritoneum. The nonchalance with which he would thrust his knife into the smaller cysts, thrust in his fingers and pull out the collapsed walls, while apparently deeply interested in his discourse on the character, origin, etc., of these growths, was remarkable—until one learned that he has operated upon nearly forty of these (here) unusual tumors. This patient was an Indian woman, but most of his patients have been Icelanders or Eskimos who slept with their dogs

At the same clinic he operated upon a man past seventy years of age for irreducible—but not strangulated—hernia; yet so speedily and bloodlessly was the operation done that the man recovered as nicely as would one of thirty years.

In operating for radical cure of hernia Dr. Ferguson prefers to isolate the sac, gather it up after the manner of MacEwen, and stitch it in the entrance to the internal ring; but in so doing he puckers it up by introducing his catgut string at the lower end, then catching it at a point about an inch and a half above by transfixion, then the needle is passed from within the abdomen outward through the transversalis above the inguinal canal, and the string tightened; this puts the whole sac into the internal ring in a series of puckers, which makes a much more solid pad than by MacEwen's simpler stitch. He next raises the cord into its new location, as in Halstead's operation, and brings Poupart's ligament up over the external and internal pillars of the ring whenever possible—thus making a support to the abdominal wall which cannot help but prohibit further descent of gut or omentum. In one case he could not find enough of Poupart's ligament to suture, so he resorted to the highly original plan of cutting across the sartorius muscle about eight inches down the thigh (fixing the upper end of the lower section with a few catgut stitches to prevent too much contraction), bringing this muscle up so that the cut end could be sewed to the fascia at the symphysis pubes. To this artificial Poupart's ligament the structures above and below were firmly sutured and with the most brilliant results. He does not like Czerny's method of excision of the sac, and has utterly discarded Kocher's plan of twisting the sac before invagination. He uses silkworm gut drainage in all his hernia operations, removing it at the end of a week.

Dr. Ferguson is as firm a supporter of catgut in aseptic operations as I am. He, like myself, has practically discarded silk, except for intestinal sutures, using catgut for all buried work and silk-worm gut for the skin. He uses a peculiarly prepared catgut, which seems better than any other I have ever seen. It is first subjected to some secret process which renders it perfectly pliable and very strong, after which it is subjected to sterilization by dry heat at a temperature of 284 degrees Fahrenheit for three hours. Each strand is then placed in sterilized tissue paper and enclosed in a sterilized paper envelope, which is hermetically sealed and only opened when ready for use. The envelope is then dipped in bichloride solution, 1 to 500, and torn by the nurse; the surgeon then extracts it with forceps, removes the tissue paper and uses the gut. It is almost impossible to break even a medium-sized strand. And in more than a hundred cases in which Dr. Ferguson has employed it, there has not been any suppuration in a single one. It can at present be obtained only from Noyes Bros. & Cutler, St. Paul, Minn.

Dr. Ferguson has a syringe of peculiar excellence for the injection of iodoform emulsion into joints, etc., as well as for exploratory aspiration. It possesses the advantage of being so constructed as to allow boiling, and so perfect sterilization. If, for example, one aspirates a suspicious tumor and finds pus, the common syringe is forever spoiled for other than known purulent cases, as there is no practical means of perfect sterilization; but this syringe is made entirely of metal, so that it can be boiled as many times as used, and so preserved in an absolutely aseptic state. It can be purchased at a comparatively low price.

EMORY LANPHEAR.

The Weather.

Report for the week ending Saturday night, Dec. 12th, 1896, from Lindsay observatory:—

TEMPERATURE.

Highest	42°.1	Saturday
Lowest	26°.8	Friday
Warmest day, mean of..	36°.0	Sun. & Sat.
Coldest " "	31°.7	Friday
The week "	33°.72	

PRECIPITATION IN INCHES.

Greatest fall of rain in 1 day, 0.02... Sunday
Rain fell on 2 days.
Greatest fall of snow in 1 day, 1,2... Wed'day
Snow fell on 4 days.
Total rain and melted snow, 0.33

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