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MARKDALE STANDARD.

THURSDAY, MAY 28, 1896.

The Week's Commercial Summary.

Earnings of the Grand Trunk railway for week ended May 7 were $332,909, an increase of $8,738.

The earnings of Canadian Pacific for the first week of May were $353,000, an increase of $45,000.

The money market at Toronto is unchanged at 5½ to 6 per cent. for call loans, with only a limited amount offering.

The New York banks now have a surplus reserve of $20,243,125, as against $31,070,100 a year ago and $30,634,575 two years ago.

The condition of winter wheat in the United States on May 1 was 82.7 per cent., as against 77.1 on April 1, and 82.9 on May 1, 1895.

Stocks of wheat at Port Arthur and Fort William, 2,789,513 bushels, as against 3,133,936 a week ago, and 440,164 bushels a year ago.

The Dominion Bank's annual statement shows net profits of $189,862, or a little over 12½ per cent. on capital stock. This is a little better than the previous year. The reserve fund is unchanged at $1,500,000, equal to capital.

The Bank of Montreal annual statement shows net earnings for the year ended April 30 of $1,241,196 as against $1,210,436 the previous year. After paying 10 per cent. dividend, $41,196 was carried to profit and loss account, which now aggregates $856,348.

The visible supply of wheat in the United States and Canada decreased 1,519,000 bushels last week, and the total is 54,000,000 as compared with 59,623,000 bushels a year ago. Wheat afloat to Europe 29,200,000 bushels as against 44,240,000 bushels a year ago.

Montreal advices would indicate that though business is a little brisker in some lines, the impending elections are an unsettling element, inducing a considerable degree of caution in the orders of both the retailer and the importer, and the aggregate volume of business is less than the average of this season.

A dairy competition of a novel kind is being set on foot by the Quebec Government Mr. Gigault, who is assistant commissioner of agriculture for the province, is engaged with some others in establishing a new departure in the way of dairy competition. Cheese will be sent to the cheese and butter makers only two or three days before the opening of the competition, and exhibits will have to be sent forthwith. The cheese and butter will be purchased by the Provincial Government, which will also pay the freight charges. Prizes will be awarded by three judges nominated by the Government and the Dairymen's Association.—Monetary Times.

Here and There.

Marriage is very often a mirage.

It is almost impossible for a girl who is in love to make good cake. She is sure to get it too sweet.

The gold cures are doing a grand work. Not a solitary sick serpent has been seen thus far this season.

The latest is a spade trust. Many a man has been bankrupted by putting too much trust in a few of them.

A Minneapolis editor claims to have caught a red-white-and-blue bass the other day. We advise him to change his bait at once.

The New York Herald has been investigating "What Hats Weigh." It depends very largely upon what the wearer has done the night before.

Gradually the new woman is getting her rights. One of her was fined $50 and costs by a Williamsburg, N.Y., judge the other day for beating her husband.

A Kentucky man recently went crazy because he couldn't pay his debts. He must have been very light-headed, anyway, or he would have let the other fellows do all the worrying.

A St. Louis man, in giving his wife a good by kiss, pulled her off a street car platform and broke her leg. No man with so dangerous a kisser as that should be permitted to roam about at large.

One Indianapolis jay fatally shot another over a game of craps the other day. Somebody ought to teach the young idea how to shoot craps in Indianapolis and prevent the youngsters from shooting each other.

Just before his execution Holmes denied that he ever committed any murders at all. That is, should be remembered that any man who is thoroughly addicted to the murder habit usually doesn't scruple to sprain the truth if necessary.

There never was, and never will be, a universal panacea, in one remedy, for all ills to which flesh is heir—the very nature of many curatives being such that were the germs of other and differently seated diseases rooted in the system of the patient what would relieve one ill, in turn would aggravate the other. We have, however, in Quinine Wine, when obtainable in a sound unadulterated, state a remedy for many and grevious ills. By its gradual and judicious use, the frailest systems are led into convalescence and strength, by the influence which Quinine exerts on Nature's own restoratives. It relieves the drooping spirits of those with whom a chronic state of morbid despondency and lack of interest in life is a disease, and, by tranquilizing the nerves, disposes to sound and refreshing sleep—imparts vigor to the action of the blood, which, being stimulated, courses throughout the veins, strengthening the healthy animal functions of the system, thereby making activity a necessary result, strengthening the frame, and giving life to the digestive organs, which naturally demand increased sustance—result, improved appetite. Northrop & Lyman of Toronto, have given to the public their superior Quinine Wine at the usual rate, and, gaged by the opinions of scientists, this wine approaches nearest perfection of any in the market. All druggists sell it.

As He Explained It.

She takes a great deal of interest in theatrical matters, and remarked to the young man:—

"These coster singers are very popular at present."

"Yes," he replied, nervously.

"I wonder why they call them costers?" she went on in a pensive tone.

"I don't know, unless it's because it costs half a week's salary to go and hear one of them."—Washington Star.

Justifiable.

"You say the police arrested that pretty Miss Beane, of Boston, simply because she wore blue glasses?"

"Fact. Pleasure you. You remember what beautiful eyes she has?"

"Don't. Yet. Fetcher life! Didn't she lay me out with 'em?"

"Well, that's the trouble."

"Er?"—

"Yes, the charge was carrying concealed weapons."

A Surprising Discovery.

Mrs. Lake Front—I felt so blue yesterday that I took down the family Bible and thought perhaps I would find something that would distract my mind from that horrid divorce suit.

Mrs. Jackson Park—And did you?

Mrs. Lake Front—Yes, I found five of my marriage records that I had forgotten all about.

TOPICS OF A WEEK.

The Important Events in a Few Words For Busy Readers.

CANADIAN.

Windsor's rate is 21 mills.

Preston's rate is 15 mills.

Galt's rate is 16¾ mills.

Montreal taxes bicycles $2.

Guelph's tax rate is 25 mills.

Cows are free commoners at Alliston.

Woodstock's assessment is $2,767,000.

A grist mill is being built at Comber.

Ingersoll's Pork factory is being extended.

The tax rate of St. Thomas is 14½ mills.

Port Huron bicyclists must pay $1 license.

Tilsonburg's assessment has increased $2,000.

Valuable dogs in Barrie have been poisoned.

The Kingston Dairy School is to be enlarged.

Walkerton voted down $10,000 for a new hall.

Rondeau summer resort has been given a post-office.

Inwood will bonus a grist mill to the extent of $2,000.

A Walkerton merchant last season handled 9,000,000 eggs.

Work on the new electric railway at Sarnia has commenced.

It is probable that the Demill College will be located at Cobourg.

It will cost $37,000 for the St. Thomas electric light and railway plant.

Already many fish are being taken from Lake Simcoe to Hawkestone.

A patent elevator factory is to be built at Chatham by a $300,000 stock company.

A Sebringville man owns a cow that produces 17½ pounds of butter a week.

Rain is still hindering the seeding operations in the eastern part of Manitoba.

Mr. George E. Hillis was killed at Courtland by a stick of timber falling on him.

A nine-year-old son of Mrs. Wm. Bradley, Merritton, fell into the old canal and was drowned before assistance arrived.

Mr. Wm. Gerry was elected to fill the vacancy in the City Council caused by the death of Ald. John Marshall, London.

A memorial to Jessie Keith, who was murdered by Chatterlie, will be publicly erected in Fairview cemetery, at Listowel, May 24th.

The 7th Fusiliers of London have decided not to go to Hamilton to participate in the Queen's Birthday military celebration.

It is not the intention of the Hamilton Rural Deanery to seek to annul the election of Canon DuMoulin as Bishop of the Diocese of Niagara.

Two men, named James Merner and William Kennedy, were drowned in the harbor at Port Burwell, Ont., while boating on Saturday.

In a serious fire at Sarnia the King Milling Company's premises and the Longbeed hub and spoke works were destroyed, entailing a loss of $70,000.

Dr. J. G. McPherson's suspicions that an Eglinton cow was afflicted with tuberculosis were verified when the remains of the animal were examined.

The local Ministerial Association has compromised with the lodges regarding Sunday church parades, which hereafter are not to take place before 4:30 p.m.

Michael Horn and Mark Tompkins, convicted of waylaying and robbing Tuckett's cashier in Hamilton, were each sentenced to twelve years in the penitentiary.

In addressing the Presbyterian Synod, its session at Collingwood, Rev. Dr. Robertson, moderator of the General Assembly, strongly condemned the action of the Government anent remedial legislation.

Sir Charles Rivers Wilson, president of the Grand Trunk railway, in an interview in Montreal, said that he was not aware that Mr. Hays, the general manager, had replaced English and Canadians by Americans.

The seventeenth annual meeting of the Quebec branch of the Dominion Alliance will be held in Montreal on the 26th inst., when the line of action required by the recent decision of the Privy Council will be decided.

The population of Orangeville is 3,775. The town's total assessment of real and personal property and income is $802,060, to which must be added a non-resident assessment of $1,360, making a grand total of $804,920.

On Saturday morning the dwelling of Mr. Michael Harvey, about a quarter of a mile north of Blackwater, Ont., was burned to the ground, with all the contents. Two girls, aged six and eleven, were burned to death.

At the meeting of the National Council of Women in Montreal a resolution was passed calling attention to the great want of medical men in the Northwest, and the consequent suffering, particularly to women and children.

Peterborough, Ont., was visited by a most disastrous fire Thursday, destroying a flour mill belonging to the Auburn Milling Co., the old Hillyard storehouse, some offices and dwelling-houses. The total damage is estimated at $160,000, with an insurance of about $65,000.

Chronic Derangement of the Stomach, Liver and Blood are speedily removed by the active principle of the ingredients entering into the composition of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills. These Pills act specifically on the deranged organs, stimulating to action the dormant energies of the system, thereby removing disease and renewing life and vitality to the afflicted. In this lies the great secret of the popularity of Parmelee's Pills.

UNITED STATES.

The State Legislature of Ohio has passed an anti-lynching bill.

In New York there are 280,020 acres of buckwheat under cultivation.

Abyssinians have liberated the Italians who were made prisoners at Agama.

Official reports from Rome deny the reports that Cardinal Galimberti was poisoned.

The A.P.A. have declared war on Mr. McKinley in his candidature for the presidency.

Allegetown, Wis., is the only town in the United States without one female inhabitant.

The German Government has voted a credit to fight the cholera epidemic in Alexandria.

The Cuban rebel chief Gomez has invaded Matanzas province, and is making forced marches toward Havana province.

It is likely that Prof. Leyden, of Berlin, will be called in consultation on the condition and treatment of the Czarewitz.

Great damage was done in Quito and other towns of Ecuador by recent earthquakes, which destroyed the city of Puerto Viejo.

The United States House of Representatives has passed a bill for the construction of a bridge across the Niagara river from Lewiston, N. Y., to Queenston, Ont.

The Spanish press is greatly irritated over the Cuban affair, the tone being that if the United States wants a war she must have it.

The Sultan's fear of assassination has led to wholesale arrests of Armenians, who are being barbarously tortured to make them confess.

A Thorndike (Mass.) man has a young kitten which has two distinct bodies, eight legs, no tail and a head which looks strangely human.

The gifts to colleges, churches, libraries and public charities in the United States last year amounted to $38,948,949, against $19,967,116 in 1894.

Rockland, Me., has a woman justice of the peace, a woman court stenographer, three women who have made an ironclad agreement to wear bloomers.

Work is proceeding day and night at the ordnance shops in the Washington navy yard on the guns designed for the new ships nearing completion.

The Chicago City Railway Company is preparing to spend $2,000,000 in building 40 miles of track in the south and south-western parts of Chicago.

French customs receipts for the first four months of 1896 show an increase of imports to the amount of $33,400,000 and exports $16,600,000, as compared with the same period last year.

Two lads, one eighteen and the other twenty years of age, who were arrested in Cambridge, Mass., on Thursday night, have confessed to starting fifty fires during the past six months.

At the Electric Exhibition in New York on Saturday night, Mr. Chauncey Depew sent a message, which passed over fifteen thousand miles of wired, and the reply was received in four minutes.

The Spanish Minister at Washington assures Secretary Olney that the proposed reforms for Cuba will grant that island a measure of autonomy comparable with that enjoyed by the Dominion of Canada.

The Anglo-Canadian trade continues to make gigantic strides. The aggregate business of the past four months has increased 36 per cent. Imports from Canada increased 70 per cent., whild British imports from all other countries increased only 9 per cent.

Very many persons die annually from cholera and kindred summer complaints, who might have been saved if proper remedies had been used. If attacked do not delay in getting a bottle of Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Dysentery Cordial, the medicine that never fails to effect a cure. Those who have used it say it acts promptly, and thoroughly subdues the pain and disease.

FOREIGN.

It is estimated that about two hundred lives were lost in the recent cyclone in Texas.

Experiments made with live guinea-pigs show that the Roentgen ray's destroy the germs of diphtheria.

Nora Berry, the authoress and poetess, died on Wednesday at Dudley, Mass. She was fifty-five years of age.

It is rumored in Suakim that the Khalifa is dead, but no confirmation of the report can be obtained.

Annie Dyer, the London infanticide, has been declared insane by an expert from the Imperial Home Office.

The despatch of Indian troops to garrison Suakim has given great satisfaction and confidence to the natives.

Scott Jackson was found guilty of the murder of Pearl Bryan and sentenced to death. There was a motion for a new trial.

The young Duchess of Marlborough will be presented at the next drawing-room, which will be held by the Princess of Wales.

The will of the late Bishop Ryan was probated in Buffalo. It leaves to the Church his entire estate, valued at $500,000.

Chicago real estate and securities valued at $215,000 has been presented to the Northwestern University by Wm. Deering, of Evanston.

The Emperor of Germany has given great offence to the clerical party by declaring that clergymen have no right to interfere in politics.

Prof. Langley, of the Smithsonian Institute, Washington, has invented a flying machine, which has been pronounced a remarkable success.

The Anglo-Egyptian expedition up the Nile is proceeding without the slightest hitch, and the dervishes appear to be temporarily demoralized.

The Duke and Duchess of York, from Copenhagen, and the Princess of Wales and her daughters, from the south of Europe, have returned to London.

Mr. Rudyard Kipling, owing to the threats of his brother-in-law, Beatty S. Balestier, to kill him, announces his intention of leaving the United States.

Bishop William Lawrence, of the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts, has suspended the Rev. R. Fuller, of Malden, for remarrying after obtaining a divorce.

The quintuples born in Mayfield, Ky., April 29, are all dead. The doctors think their death may be the result of worry, caused by the enormous visiting crowds.

The United States Government has leased a permit to the North American Commercial Company to take thirty thousand male seals this season. They were allowed to take only fifteen thousand last year.

President Kruger expresses himself satisfied with the promise of Mr. Chamberlain that there will be a full parliamentary enquiry into the conduct of Mr. Cecil Rhodes and the action of the Chartered South African company.

It is rumored that President Cleveland will involve the United States in war with Spain as soon as congress adjourns, that Cuba will be liberated, and Mr. Cleveland will float on the wave of popular approval to the White House for another term.

Mr. Curzon stated in the House of Commons that the British Vice-Consul at Bonna has been instructed to lodge an appeal against the acquittal of Capt. Lothaire, the Belgian officer who was recently tried for hanging Stokes, an English trader of the Congo Free State.

An Earlier Habit.

Hilda—I envy Eve. She didn't give a fig for a change in styles.

Dorothy—But, still, when she changed her costume it was a re-leaf.

Ruling Passion.

The reporter lay on his elderdown couch, slowly breathing his life away. It was evident that the end was very near.

Suddenly the luxuriously furnished room was filled with a phosphorescent light, and a pale shade appeared, standing at the bedside, grim and inscrutable.

"I am the Messenger of Death!" he said.

"One moment, please!" gasped the reporter, reaching feebly for his notebook and pencil. "How do you like America?"

A Spring Dinner.

The following is a description of a dinner table to be set in "blossom week," when apple blooms, those loveliest of all flowers, may be obtained. The effect will be found most cool and restful as well as transcendently lovely in its coloring. Have the round table divided into sections by a broad pink satin ribbon over the white damask cloth, which comes from a shallow basket of apple blossoms in the center and separates off each couple of guests. The centerpiece should be set in moss and down each ribbon should be laid a narrow band of smilax. A small silver menu stand set in a trail of the blossoms should stand between each couple. The table service should be of the thinnest undecorated white china, with colorless glass and the only color in the flower and ribbon.

A NEW LEASE OF LIFE.

HOW A CUMBERLAND CO., N.S., MAN OBTAINED IT.

A Sufferer From Acute Dyspepsia and a Complication of Troubles Following an Attack of La Grippe—He Was Forced to Quit Business and Was Hopelessly Discouraged When Help Came.

From the Amherst, N.S., Sentinel.

Mr. Charles Tucker, who lives about two miles from Lockport, is one of the best known men in that section. He is engaged in business as a lobster packer, and dealer in flour and salt, and in addition has a fine farm. During the past three years Mr. Tucker has been an almost constant invalid, being the victim of a complication of troubles following a severe attack of la grippe. Recently he has been restored to his old time health and having learned that he gave the entire credit to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, concerning which so much has been said through the press, a reporter interviewed him in the matter, and was cheerfully given his story for publication. Mr. Tucker said: "About four years ago I had a severe attack of la grippe, which left me in a fearful condition. I had for a number of years before this attack been a sufferer from dyspepsia, but following the la grippe it took a more acute form, and to add to my distress my liver appeared not to perform its usual functions, and my heart troubled me greatly, and there were as well other complications which baffled the skill of four doctors whom I successively called in in the hope of regaining my health. From the knees down my legs were as cold as ice, my

bowels would bloat and I suffered great pain. My case went from bad to worse despite the medical treatment I was undergoing and at last I got so bad that I was forced to give up business. I could hardly eat anything, got but little sleep at night, and as you will readily understand my condition became one of despair. My father urged me several times to give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial, but I was so discouraged that I had no further faith in any medicine. However, more to please him than from any hope of beneficial results, I began the use of Pink Pills. The first beneficial effects I found was that the warmth and natural feeling began to return to my limbs, my bowels ceased to bloat, and with the continued use of the pills my appetite returned. I crept slowly at first, and the action of my heart again became normal. I continued taking the Pink Pills until I had used in all fifteen boxes, and I have not felt better in years than I do now. I did some particularly hard work last fall, and was able to stand it with a strength and vigor which surprised me. I consider Dr. Williams' Pink Pills not only a wonderful medicine, but also in the light of what my other treatment cost, the least expensive medicine in the world, and I strongly recommend Pink Pills to all in need of medicine."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills act directly upon the blood and nerves, building them anew and thus driving disease from the system. Those who trouble due to either of these causes which Pink Pills will not cure, and in hundreds of cases they have restored patients to health after all other remedies had failed. Ask for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and take nothing else. The genuine are always enclosed in boxes, the wrapper around which bears the full trademark, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People." May be had from all dealers, or sent post paid on receipt of 50 cents a box, or six boxes for $2.50 by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

An Original Idea.

The latest proof of the value of advertising is given by a member of a London firm who says: "We recently hit upon a novel expedient for ascertaining over what area our advertisements were read. We published a couple of half-column ads., in which we purposely misstated half a dozen historical facts. In less than a week we received between 300 and 400 letters from all parts of the country, from people wishing to know why on earth we kept such a consummate idiot, who knew so little about English history."

"The letters kept pouring in for three or four weeks. It was one of the best paying ads. we ever printed; but we did not repeat our experiment, because the one I refer to served its purpose. Our letters came from schoolboys, girls, professors, clergymen, school teachers, and, in two instances, from eminent men who have a world-wide reputation.

"I was more than ever impressed with the value of advertising from those two advertisements than I should have been by volumes of theories."—The Fourth Estate.

Preventing Egg Eating.

If an egg is broken the hens will eat it, and it is by eggs being broken that the hens learn the vice, as they never eat eggs unless they first find one broken. The only way to prevent the hens from eating eggs after they once begin is to make a nest with a trap, compelling the hen to walk a mile to reach the nest, and have the box raised ten inches off the floor, so that the hen cannot stand near the box and reach the eggs. When she goes on the nest she cannot do any harm, as she must come off and stand up to eat the eggs.

His Queer Dream.

He—I had a queer dream about you last night, Miss Louisa. I was about to give you a kiss when suddenly we were separated by a river that gradually grew as big as the Rhine.

She—And was there no bridge or no boat?

Single or Separate Houses.

A long house, with apartments all under one roof, with a wide passageway, is a very convenient arrangement for a large flock (that is, each flock to have a house separated from the others), also possesses some advantages. If, lice get into a large house it will not only be more difficult to rid the premises of them, but the attack upon the flock will necessarily cause all the others to be liable. With the single house plan the lice can more easily be subdued, as one may contain lice while others are exempt. We call attention to this matter because there is something else to consider in a poultry house other than its arrangement, and that is its liability to attack from vermin.—Prairie Farmer.

ODDITIES AND CURIOS.

A Gatling gun fires 5,000 shots a minute.

The word "facetious" contains all the vowels in their regular order.

Not including Alaska, Brazil is larger in extent than the United States.

People, as a rule, hear better with their right than with their left ear.

The capital "A" occurs 8,791 times in the New Testament and 14,020 times in the Old Testament. The capital letter "Q" will be found but twice in the Old Testament and three times in the New.

Woodwork and floors are now stained with a color called forest green. It harmonizes with draperies and coverings of almost any color.

OWNED ONLY HALF.

A Bad Man Who Had a Habit of Talking Too Much.

"One day," said an old-timer, "Cactus Jim and I were fishing in the south fork of the Platte River, when a stranger rode up on a mule and blandly inquired of Jim: 'Stranger, be you the man who owns this yere river?' 'Not as I knows of,' replied Jim, as he looked up long enough to see that the stranger had a gun in his hand. 'Then what is you a-doin' yere?' softly inquired the man. 'I'm a fishin' arter fish.' 'I shouldn't think you'd dare fur to do it, 'cause the man who owns this yere river is a riproarer and a-lookin' fur a fuss. I am a-knowin' of the fact that he killed a feller yesterday fur fishin' in this river.'

"'How much of the river might he own?' placidly asked Jim. 'The hull outfit, as fur as the water runs, with all the creeks thrown in. He jest took it fur a fish pond, and the galoot who is cotched a-stealin' of his fish never sees his mother no more!' 'Would you reckon that yere feller rides a yaller mewl?' asked Jim, as he rebaited his hook. 'Yes, I reckon he do!' 'Man about your size, hain't he?' 'I should go fur to say that he was.' 'In fact, you ar' the rip-roarin' cuss himself?' 'You've stuck it right, stranger, and you've got jest three minits to pray!' 'Thank ye,' said Jim, as he got his legs under him, and rose up, whirled about and covered the man with two guns, all in the time you could count five.

"'Say, stranger, that's a mistake yere!' said the man on the mule after he had shaken off his surprise 'As how?' asked Jim. 'As how I've concluded that I don't own all this yere Platte River, but only half, and you hain't fishin' on my half at that! My eyes ar' gettin' a little weakish, and I can't see landmarks as I used to.' 'Kin your eyes see that trail over thar?' queried Jim. 'They kin.' 'Then ride fur it and keep right on out o' sight!' The man rode straight away and never looked back, and when he was two miles distant Cactus Jim picked up his fishpole and growled: 'Somebody'll hurt that feller some day if he don't quit talkin' and go to shootin' '"—Field and Farm.

Old Jim—A Hero.

The Mount Morris correspondent of Thursday's Post-Express, says: "Old Jim!" is the hero of the hour on the George Wampole place. He is a big bay horse, homely, but intelligent. Last night he slipped his halter and presented himself at his master's bedroom window about 2 o'clock, where he rubbed his nose against the sash—Mr. Wampole sleeps on the floor—and while it did until he aroused the folk. Mr. Wampole was mad. He had been up until midnight with a sick child and he wanted to sleep, but he got up and led the troublesome animal back to the stable, returned to bed, and was on the borderland between consciousness and dreamland, when crash went the window.

This time "Old Jim" had poked his nose through a pane and the cold night air blew in. Mr. Wampole got up, put Jim in the stable and used some bad words. Upon his return to bed he told his wife there would be peace the rest of the night. But it was not to be. For the third time Jim returned to the window, this time bringing part of the halter. Upon investigation, Mr. Wampole found in a back stable behind the one in which Old Jim is kept, one of his horses—the mate to Jim—cast and helpless. It was a narrow stall and he might have died before morning. By dint of hard work Mr. Wampole pulled him around and got him on his feet. Then he went back to "Old Jim's" stall and stood, looking at him. "Well," said he, "that beats all!" And he took the rest of Jim's halter off and threw it behind the feed box. "Old Jim," he says, "shall never wear a halter again—he knows as much as a man."

Sailor Paints a Flagpole.

Thousands of people watched a man "shin up" the flagpoles on top of the Great Northern Hotel and then work his way industriously to the roof. It was a sight to send a thrill of horror down one's spine, and the crowd stood as if spellbound, swaying in unconscious sympathy with the figure, not much larger than a spider's, that vibrated in the wind 250 feet above.

The man was Thomas Shay, No. 289 West Ohio street, and he was simply painting the flagpoles for Landlord Eden in anticipation of the June Convention. The little fellow, as sinewy as he was fearless, is a Norwegian ex-sailor, who acquired his agility while sailing on the lakes. For the last three or four years he has found more money on flagpoles than on the water, and has been quite a specialist, painting poles and gilding globes in all sorts of dangerous places at from $10 to $30 apiece. He went to work yesterday as nonchalantly as if he were painting the wicker-work of a boudoir chair.

The wind was blowing almost a hurricane when Shay began his task. It was with him a matter of strength and skill, nothing more. He had simply a few feet of rope tied around his waist, with a couple of stirrups dangling near his feet, and this primitive apparatus he did not adjust till his head was on a level with the gilt ball at the top of the pole. He wriggled his way up as if it were a pleasure, put his feet in the stirrups, and gave the rope a twist around the pole. Then he began to "sling paint," as he expressed it, gradually letting himself down.

"It's real pleasant work," said he, "and not dangerous."—Chicago Tribune.

Relative Strength of Wood and Steel.

Dr. Robert H. Thurston, in a recent article, discusses various materials in which comparisons of interest are made. At the outset he gives the following generally accepted figures: Cast iron weight 444 pounds to the cubic foot and an inch square bar will sustain a weight of 16,500 pounds; bronze, weight 525 pounds, tenacity 36,000; wrought iron, weight 480, tenacity 50,000; hard "struck" steel, weight 490, tenacity 78,000; aluminium, weight 168, tenacity 26,000. A bar of pine just as heavy as a bar of steel an inch square will hold up 125,000 pounds, the best ash 175,000 and some hemlock 200,000 pounds. Wood is bulky. It occupies ten or twelve times the space of steel.

The Story of a Rose.

Only a rose!

It lay between the faded pages of an old book.

A man, beholding it, looked down the distance and the dark, dreaming of the past years.

A woman paused and, bending over it, pressed with quivering lips its crumbling petals.

Only a rose!

Then, as the evening shadows gloomed over it, a voice cried, startling the silence:—

"Mamma! Who's been in the parlor a-foolin' with this book? They've gone and lost the place where I was readin' at!"

Measurement.

"He is very gifted," said Mrs. Gushington. "Why, he can sit down and write poetry by the yard."

"Yes," replied the envious rival. "The only difficulty is that the public reads it by the inch."—Washington Star.

Arms and the Man.

Ethel—Tom says that that new young man who comes to see you is a stock broker. What is he, a bull or a bear?

Maud—Well, I don't just know, but he has some of a bear's proclivities.

Fugitistic Aquatics.

"Do you think Bob Fitzsimmons will be drowned?"

"Drowned?"

"Yes. Corbett has tried in vain to tongue-lash him to a spar."

A Polite Exchange.

First Lady—I was surprised to see you at the sacred concert last evening. I knew it wasn't your Sunday out.

Second Lady—Yes; well, you see Mary Ann wanted next Sunday for a wedding.

Chances Good.

Joe Kerr—Do you think this joke will be copied?

Mrs. Kerr—I don't know why it shouldn't be; it always has been.

DR. AGNEW'S TRIUMPHS IN MEDICINE.

Heart Disease Exiled—Over Fifty Members of the House of Commons Tell of the Virtues of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder.

The name of Dr. Agnew is one that deserves to rank with Jenner, Pasteur and Roentgen in the good cause humanity. Dreaded as it is by everyone, heart disease has no terrors where Dr. Agnew's Cure has become known. Mrs. Roadhouse, of Willscroft, Ont. has said: "Cold sweats would stand out in great beads upon my face, so intense were the attacks of heart disease. I tried many remedies but my life seemed fated until Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart became known to me and to day I know nothing of the terrors of this trouble." It relieves instantly and saves many lives daily.

It has been said that everyone in Canada suffers to some extent from catarrh. Whether the trouble is in the air, or where, it is a satisfaction to know that in Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder is the medicine that gives relief in ten minutes and has cured some of the worst cases where deafness and other troubles have followed the disease. George E. Casey, Michael Adams, Donald W. Davis, A. Fairbairn, C. F. Ferguson, W. H. Bennett and, all told, some fifty members of the House of Commons have borne testimony to the effectiveness of this remedy.

Ask your druggist for Agnew's remedies and see that you get them and not worthless imitations.

HE WAS THE CRIP?

And It Was He Who Discovered ... gas at the Creek.

"Yes, I know all about Cripple Creek," said the man with the stiff knee as he went down for a chew of navy plug. "In fact, the place was named after me. I fell down on the banks of the creek and crippled myself. I was still limping around when I discovered the first mine."

"So you discovered the first mine?" was asked.

"I have that honor, sir. Yes, I discovered the first mine and sold it for a gallon of whisky. Up to date over $2,000,000 has been taken out of the claim."

"Pretty dear whisky, eh?"

"Oh, well, I'm not kicking. It was good whisky—the best I ever saw out West. I made it last me two weeks, and after it was gone I went out and discovered the Princess mine. I had just staked my claim when a critter came along with four pounds of tobacco and made an even exchange. The returns from the Princess have been $300,000 a month for several years past."

"Wasn't that a pretty good ... for tobacco?" asked the interviewer.

"Well, rather high, but I couldn't chaw cut, you know. I was out of the last plug when I discovered the Lily Daisy mine. She was the richest of the lot, and I meant to get a million dollars out of her or bust. I held on for two or three weeks, and then a feller came along and ... me for a dicker. I got the hoss and the revolver and he got the mine. She's estimated at $4,000,000 to-day."

"But why didn't you hold on?"

"Couldn't do it, my friend. I had to keep my place in society. All the big men on hoss-back to chase cinnamon around, and I had to go with the swells or lose my reputation."

"But you might have been worth millions to-day."

"Surely, but I'm not kicking. I have a pedigree, ticket to Denver, and legs to walk the rest of the way to Chicago, and two hours after I get there I'll stumble over the richest of the lot and hang right on to her till I make a good thing."

"And what would you call a good thing?"

"Well, a fur-lined overcoat, silver-handled umbrella, a new suit of clothes and money enough to live in Chicago for a month! Time's up and I must go!"

The Spirit of the Age.

Ethel—I felt so dreadful that I told Charlie I was going to commit suicide.

Gertrude—And what did he say?

Ethel—Handed me one of his business cards and asked me to have it tightly as I may hand. Said it would make a fine advertising for him—the

She Will Utilize Them.

When Gracie had ... from a shower that they drank ... tea to her little mother. Now, at Coney Isle, where she spends from guilt, as a thing sublime, she is a perfect fit.

Who Pays the Traveller?

The commercial traveller is supposed to be something of a ... with a ready smile for all kinds and bright new stories to give to ... there is much that is wearing ... life filled with long drives through sleet, dreary waits for trains, cold rooms and other hardships of these "gay dogs" has fought of being always ready for a ... by getting a Fiber Chamois ... On windy or rainy drives it is perfectly from the cold and wet; for ... on rubber days it is too light a burden; when sleeping in cold rooms it ... over him, enjoying it ... ing warmth—in fact he finds ... able.

A Perfect Justification.

Jingle Quick—What's the ... Officer—Drunk and disord—

Prisoner—Please, your honor, I just got into the city last night for the first time in a year. I've been living in Philadelphia.

Judge Quick—Nuf said—this is discharged.

Still Another Triumph.

M. T. ... Burton, Sunderland, writes: "... teen years I was afflicted with ... and frequently was unable to ... sit, but four years ago I was induced ... using Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, which ... also been subject to Quinsy for forty years, but Eclectric Oil cured it, and it was a permanent cure in both cases, as neither the Pills nor Quinine have troubled me since."

A Description to Fit.

"They tell me she is a ... changing artist."

"I guess that's right. She has been married and divorced three times, and she's only twenty-two years old now."—Chicago Post.

Where He Drew the Line.

Manley—Wasn't that a dirty ... that Bloozir played on me yesterday?

Dudley—How?

Manley—Why, I would n't play a trick like that on my own brother.—Roxbury Gazette.

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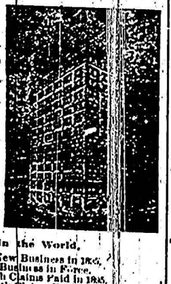

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$60,000,000 of New Business in 1895.
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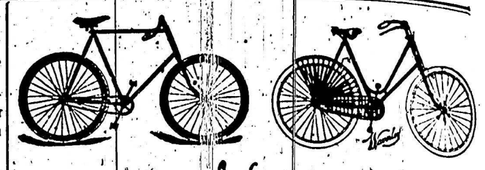

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Cole—Certainly not; it's more mine than yours now.

Horty (indignantly)—What, do you mean, sir?

Cole—Why, I've had it repaired, and several new ribs put in!

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Keeping Track of Them.

Elder Berry—Joblott offers to subscribe towards the new church bells, under certain conditions.

Dr. Thirdly—What?

Elder Berry—He wants to put them on the members.

She Took Him Down.

Marlow—Milson is a gruff old fellow, but I saw a woman take him down nicely during one of his fiery speeches yesterday.

Bagg—Indeed?

Marlow—Yes; she was his stenographer, you know.

RECIPE—For Making a Delicious Health Drink at Small Cost.

Adams' Root Beer Extract.... One Bottle
Fleischmann's Yeast.....Half a Cake
Sugar..... Two Pounds
Lukewarm Water..... Two Gallons

Dissolve the sugar and yeast in the water, add the extract, and bottle; put in a warm place for twenty-four hours until it ferments, then place on ice when it will open sparkling and delicious.

The root beer can be obtained in all drug and grocery stores in 10 and 25 cent bottles to make two and five gallons.

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Cream of tartar should always be mixed with flour, soda with milk.

An ounce of good gelatin is always sufficient to a quart of liquid for any dessert. A pinch of salt added to the white of eggs will make them beat up quicker and lighter.

Three ounces of sugar are sufficient to every quart of milk for custards of any kind.

White meated game should be very well cooked, while dark meat should be served rare.

Never use too much flavoring of any kind in baking, especially cinnamon or almond extract.

Keep the soup kettle always tightly covered lest the aroma of the soup escape with the steam.

All fresh fruit should be mixed with sugar before filling in pies. A little butter increases the delicacy.

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