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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1914

BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS

—Saturday—St. Valentine's Day.

—February has been giving us zero weather.

—Blizzards have been frequent during the week.

—Milton Council voted the town band $100 last week.

—The Beardmore & Co. Hockey Team, of Toronto, will play the Acton Team here at 4.15 on Saturday afternoon.

—Both the wheels and the runners have been in commission during the week.

—W. R. Savage has been appointed assessor for Oakville at a salary of $200.

—Electrician Foster, of Georgetown, has had his salary increased to $15 per week.

—Georgetown Public School is adding $50 worth of books to the school library.

—There is a proposal to strike off three hotel licenses in Guelph this year.—Herald.

—The Dominion estimates contains an item of $22,000 for a revetment wall at Burlington.

—Rev. W. B. Smith, B. A., of Hespeler, has accepted a call to the Oakville Methodist Church.

—Dr. McAndrew, Georgetown, has been engaged as Medical Officer of Health at a salary of $75.00.

—Sleighing has been rather heavy for several days, but it seems to have come again to stay for a while.

—The official count in the Canada Temperance Act election in Peel increases the majority by one. It is now 67.

—Ladies' Aid Social in the Methodist School Room this evening. Good programme and enjoyable social evening.

—A couple of boys in Toronto were sent to jail for thirty days on Saturday for snowballing the occupants of a passing rig.

—James Hower, Guelph's tax collector, has resigned. He says he is tired of the annoyance experienced by a tax collector.

—The Hydro Commission has recommended a reduction in power rates for Georgetown to go into effect from 1st February.

—Milton's debentures, $5000, 20 years, 5 per cent., for school purposes, have been sold to A. E. Amos & Co., Toronto, at 95 per cent.

—Rev. R. T. Bartlett, General Secretary of Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues, Toronto, will occupy the pulpit of the Methodist Church on Sunday, 22nd inst.

—The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church invite you to spend this evening with them in the school room. An enjoyable evening has been arranged. Admission 15 cents.

—On Saturday evening as a customer was passing out of Brown's Drug Store a gust of wind caught the door slamming it with sufficient force to shatter the large plate glass panel.

—The pastor and congregation of the Baptist Church will attend the anniversary services in Knox Church next Sunday morning, and the pastor and people of the Methodist Church in the evening.

—In the obituary notes respecting the late Mrs. William Nellis, published in the Free Press two weeks ago, the name of Robert, one of the sons, was inadvertently omitted. We regret exceedingly the omission, but hope this explanation will be acceptable.

—The prize winners at the amateur waltz contest at the Griffin Theatre last night were: John Carty and Miss Lena Carty, 262 Wellington Street north, first prize; H. Thompson, 86 Katharine street north and Miss Violet Lemprière, 211 Ferrie street, second prize; Archie and Mrs. Farewell, 158 Queen Street south, third prize.—Hamilton Spectator.

How They do it in Guelph

A feature noticed in several local stores and placed in a most prominent show position to-day, was wax candles. Last Saturday, due to the Hydro Power breakdown, between Niagara and Dundas, candles and coal oil lamps were very much in demand. The merchants seem to have remembered this and candles are to be seen in most grocer's windows to-day.—Saturday's Mercury.

A Profitable Public Utility

The earnings paid over to the city of Guelph by the Guelph Junction Railway, the city's section of 15 miles leased to the Canadian Pacific Railway, for the quarter ending Dec. 31st amounted to $10,884.29. This makes a total for the year of $43,081.74, an increase of $6,301.50 over the previous year.

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NEWS OF LOCAL IMPORT.

London String Band Concert

The London String Band and Variety Company will give a concert and entertainment at the Parish Hall, Acton, on Friday evening, 13th inst. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

Knox Church Anniversary

The anniversary services of Knox Church will be held next Sunday. Rev. Prof. Law, of Knox College, Toronto, will preach morning and evening. The choir will furnish special music.

Large Attendance at Sale

The dispersion sale of the executors of the estate of the late Donald Mann, third line, half a mile east of Acton, last Wednesday, was the most largely attended sale held in this section for years. The whole of the farm stock and other effects were disposed of and good prices were obtained.

Our County Good Roads

The standing committee on good roads of the County Council will meet at Burlington on Tuesday, 17th inst., at 11.30 a. m. Every member of the Council is a member of the committee. The roads to be constructed during the year will be decided upon.

Killed at Port Colborne

Word has been received by friends here that J. R. Bruce, electrical engineer, who spent a year or so in Acton, and then removed to Montreal, was killed in January while engaged at his work in a factory at Port Colborne. Mrs. Bruce and her baby boy are still in that town.

Thinks Waterworks Necessary

Acton is face to face with a problem that will mean a considerable outlay to the village but which must be dealt with, that is the establishment of a waterworks system. The recent fire has brought the matter prominently before the ratepayers.—Milton Reformer.

Barrooms to go in Waterloo

At the annual convention of the Waterloo County Temperance Association at Berlin on Monday, the question of bringing into operation the Canada Temperance Act in that county created lively discussion. Definite action, however, was deferred until certain amendments to the act, which are being urged by the Dominion Alliance to be made at the present session of Parliament are passed.

Nearly Drowned in Jackson's Hole

Nicholas Rasmussen had a narrow escape from drowning Monday night at Guelph. Taking a short cut across the river on the ice he walked into open water on foot deep, and was almost exhausted when he got out again, owing to being heavily clad and wearing a big overcoat. Man had been cutting ice and had not put up anything to prevent people from walking into the water as the law requires they should.

Why Not Give Towns Mail Delivery

"Now that our friends, the farmers, have rural mail delivery with their letters and papers delivered daily at their farms, don't you think the Postmaster-General should now consider the delivery to our homes of those of us who live in the towns?" was the query of a venerable citizen of the Free Press the other morning at the Post Office. "Remember," he said, "I have no fault to find with the farmers getting the mailing privileges that have come to them, but I think we should now be considered as well."

Narrowly Escaped the Train

Last Friday morning during the prevailing blizzard Mr. A. G. Claridge, dairyman, had a narrow escape at the G. T. R. Mill Street crossing. Owing to the storm he had the doors of his delivery rig closed and the snow was blowing in such eddies that he could only see a few feet away. Just as he went to cross the track he heard the train from the west and had barely time to swerve his horse to the side of the track when the engine rushed past. He is a very thankful man that he escaped without injury.

Left Fingers Painfully Lacerated

On Friday as Mr. O. A. T. Beardmore was superintending the hoisting of some timbers into the new coal chutes at the works of the Acton Tanning Company he had his left hand caught in the metal sheave through which the wire cable was running. The first and second fingers were painfully lacerated and abraised, the nail being torn off the first finger and the end of the bone crushed in the second. Mr. Beardmore thinks himself fortunate that he escaped losing his hand. The injuries are healing nicely.

Business Prospects Bright

The general business depression throughout the Dominion last year, was keenly felt by our manufacturers. At the annual meeting of W. H. Storey & Sons, Limited, on Tuesday, however, the prospects for the present year were found to be exceedingly bright. Orders are pouring in, especially from the northwest, of unusually large volume and business is most encouraging. The election of officers was as follows: President, W. A. Storey; Vice-President, H. P. Moore; Directors, D. D. Christie, Guelph, John Firstbrook, Toronto.

Who is to Blame for this?

A most deplorable event was witnessed after ten o'clock on Tuesday night when a church street resident between 70 and 80 years of age was seen staggering homeward from one of the hotels with great difficulty. In his drunken condition he fell headlong into a snowdrift. Fortunately a pedestrian came along and found him and with the assistance of a neighbor got him home out of the bitter cold. A half hour's longer exposure with the zero temperature would probably have lead to fatal results. Where in this, and similar cases, does the law observing license system figure? Is anything more brazenly condemnable than instances of this kind? Of course no one would dare to hint that liquor is ever sold to an intoxicated man.

Another Redpath Attraction

The success of the Chicago Glee Club concert in January has encouraged the officers of St. Alban's Church to engage another of the great attractions put on the road by the Redpath Bureau. On Saturday evening a great valentine concert will be given by the renowned Killarney Girls and Rita Rich. The seven bright Killarney girls appear in Irish costumes and with an appropriate setting will present a programme of instrumental music and singing, with special emphasis on the latter. There will be Irish songs that range from simple folk-love to the Irish classics, and the singers are real artists. Miss Rita Rich is a clever impersonator in songs. The press everywhere speaks in highest terms of these high-class entertainers. Scottish companies have invariably been successful in Acton. Here's a chance for our Irish fellow-citizens to manifest their patriotism and at the same time enjoy a delightful evening. The Committee by special arrangement is able to offer the popular prices of admission.

PERSONAL AND TRAVEL NOTES

Social and Personal Items of Interest to Free Press Readers

GLEANED DURING THE WEEK

Mr. Roy Zimmerman, of Grand View, is visiting friends in this vicinity.

Messrs. D. D. Christie and W. P. Gamble, Guelph, were in town on Tuesday.

Mrs. Jack Thompson, of Edmonton, Alberta, visited Acton friends on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Soper, of Bolsevain, Manitoba, are visiting Acton friends this week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Taylor, of Corwhin, visited Mrs. L. Lee, Young Street, last week.

Miss Mary McPherson left a week or so ago to assume a position as teacher, at Midlothian.

Mr. W. S. Smith Jr., of San Francisco, Cal., was a guest at Fairview Place during the week.

Miss Annie Mulholland returned home after spending a month with her sister in Owen Sound.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Martin were at Ashgrove on Tuesday attending the funeral of the late Joseph Wright.

Mr. T. J. Moore, City Clerk, Guelph, spent Saturday at the home of his mother, Mrs. T. T. Moore, Young Street.

Mr. Robert Watson has been in Wellesley Hospital, Toronto, for several weeks having his eyes treated for cataract.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Rudman, who have been with friends in England the past two months, sailed for home yesterday on the Royal Edward.

Mr. James McDonald, of West Toronto, visited at the home of his cousins, Messrs. Graham and Allan McDonald, Young Street this week.

Mr. L. S. Cockburn, who has been draughtsman at the Beardmore tanneries for some time, left last week to take a position in the Topographical Survey Branch in the Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

Mr. and Mrs. William Grant, of Toronto, for many years esteemed residents of Acton, celebrated their fifty-fifth wedding anniversary yesterday. They are both enjoying very good health. Mr. Grant is in his 87th year. He is the oldest member of the Adult Bible Class in his Sunday School and attends nearly every Sunday.

SOME OBSERVATIONS

Does the sum mentioned last week in the Free Press as having been put in the Dominion estimates for the Government building at Acton include a provision for keeping the pavements along said property properly and regularly clear of snow and slush to prevent ice? The Hon. Robt. Rogers should make this clear. The safety to life and limbs of Clerks of Works in patrolling the building as well as that of tannery employees and others using Willow Street, and citizens generally going to see about the staff of life at the Feed Store demands that the Hon. Robt. keep the law as well as others.

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Speaking of Hon. Robt. Rogers, it is being much mooted as to whether he may be appointed Lord High Commissioner to London to succeed Lord Strathcona. The inappropriateness of such a succession may recall what a noted parliamentarian wit—Joseph Rymall, M. P. (Honest Old Joe) once said in the House of Commons, as to a successor of John Hilliard Cameron to a certain position, that he bore about the same resemblance to John Hilliard "as a singed cat to a Bengal Tiger." The skill of Hon. Robt. in handling elections to suit his party is in strange contrast to the action of the deceased nobleman, once, when an M. P., in standing up in the House and declaring that he would like to support the Government if he conscientiously could, but—and on the latter unanswerable hung the defeat of a government, for after Sir Donald A. Smith found he could not do as he otherwise would have liked, it was seen that the tide had turned and a ministry of long standing soon resigned.

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Other names are freely mentioned for this important post, and recently it occurred to this humble Acton Observer to suggest our own Reeve Hynds. He has come along the way, as School Trustee, Councillor and Reeve, with years of service in each position, and now is Warden of the county, by the evident approval of all. As great events move slowly he might be allowed to finish his year out in the Wardenship before going to London, and then the Warden's dinner would be a notable affair. He would grace the London office well, and is Tory enough anyway, and that is a first consideration.

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This will all have to be taken back. Bigger fish will get the bait and anyway, Acton could not very well spare the Reeve yet. It is to be hoped that he, having reached the top rung, municipally, will not allow himself to drop out of service, for there is no available material in sight to take his place here in respect of general ability, careful, detailed supervision of municipal affairs.

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However, the Conservatives may be after him for another purpose. It is a kind of understood thing that a new standard-bearer will be needed at both the Dominion and Provincial elections next ensuing, and as Mr. J. W. Elliott is shelved in a judgeship, our man might be as likely as anyone else. Here, again, it may truly be said he is Tory enough, and as Halton seems to have fallen into the lap of the Tories, the place seems sure enough.

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THAT SEVENTH LINE CROSSING

An Esquesing Resident Protests Against Delay in Protection of Life

OVERHEAD BRIDGE DEMANDED

The Star has received the following letter from Mr. J. R. Lindsay, of Georgetown, dealing with an application for a subway under the G. T. R. at the seventh line of Esquesing Township.

"Some three years ago an application was made by the Council of the Township of Esquesing to the Dominion Railway Board to order the construction of a subway instead of a level crossing where the main line crosses the seventh line of the above township, on the grounds that this crossing was a menace to human life and had been of great loss of valuable property.

"This application was thrown out on the ground that although this crossing was situated in the heart of the Township of Esquesing, whose people were threatened, the road was a country road. So we went to work again and had an application put in from the County Council, had a survey made, and blue prints prepared by the County Engineer, showing a level crossing on top of a 20-foot embankment; had witnesses to prove that at least three people had been killed there and a large amount of property destroyed. But the ruling of the Railway Board was that because the deaths had not occurred recently, they were not justified in ordering the change. In plain terms, they wanted a few more of the people in this community slaughtered in order to prove that it was absolutely necessary that the railway should spend a few dollars to rectify an outrage which was just as much an outrage the day they put it there as it is to-day.

"Well, they have secured the additional evidence which they demanded. On Friday evening last, in a blinding snowstorm, another of our neighbors, Mr. Robert Wright, one of our best and most careful citizens, was killed on the crossing, and two school girls, to whom he was giving a ride, were seriously injured, one of them now lying in the hospital with an arm and and leg broken, besides other injuries. Now, none of the direct participants in this tragedy were to blame. The occupants of the buggy couldn't see the train. The engineer couldn't see the horse and rig. But the conditions were wrong, the people who are responsible for perpetuating these conditions are guilty of manslaughter.

"That is not all. A few rods further down this same road the Toronto Suburban is busy constructing another level crossing. In the bottom of a ravine, with a steep bank on either side, it is an ideal place to construct an overhead crossing for the road. Our Council made representations to the railway authorities, with the usual result. The matter was then taken before the Railway Board of Ontario. But, of course, no one had been killed, it was preposterous, and so the Toronto Suburban is to be allowed to go on and construct this level crossing and operate it, in order to keep down the cost and increase the dividends—until it is soaked in the blood of the defenceless private citizen, who has spent his time and money in vain trying to get justice from those who sit in the high places and take a fat salary under the pretence of looking after his rights.

WHISKEY BOTTLES THROUGH WINDOWS AGAIN

Outrages by Opponents of the Canada Temperance Act at Streetsville

TEMPERANCE WORKERS' PROPERTY DAMAGED

On Thursday night last, after the result of the Canada Temperance Act was made known, a sample of rowdyism not equalled in the County of Peel for many years was displayed at Streetsville.

About ten o'clock a whiskey bottle was thrown through the window of the residence of Mr. W. Kamp, headmaster of the high school.

Half an hour afterwards another window in his house was broken in the same way.

About midnight a bottle was thrown through the windows of the Presbyterian Manse and four panes of glass broken in the shop of Mr. Andrews.

The three persons whose buildings were attacked were active temperance workers.

The matter was brought to the Attorney-General's department and the case assigned to a provincial officer.

The act is reprehensible from every point of view and it is to be hoped the guilty persons will be brought to justice. It is suggested that they were under the influence of liquor and it is even reported that the liquor was brought from Toronto on election day. The penalty for selling or even giving liquor out on election day is very severe.

The people of Streetsville cannot allow it to go abroad that the village is at the mercy of a few men made blackguards by drink.—Brampton Conservator.

FATS GILLETT'S DIRT LYE CLEANS DISINFECTS

BALLINAFAD

The Methodist Sunday School tea-meeting at Ballinafad last Friday evening was a marked success considering the prevailing weather. The church was filled to the doors. The tea served in the hall was just what would naturally be expected when provided by the famous cooks of this section, and it was provided in great abundance. The programme was elevating and enjoyable. The Methodist Sunday School orchestra, of Acton, provided a generous number of excellent selections and a couple of quartettes. These were much appreciated. Miss Mitchell, teacher at Peacock School, and Miss Cheyne, of Cheltenham, a rising young elocutionist, were loudly applauded for their numbers. Excellent addresses, each giving valuable food for thought, were given by Rev. C. D. Draper, Acton, Rev. N. Waddell, Ballinafad, Rev. Dr. McArthur, the pastor, and Mr. H. P. Moore, of the Acton Free Press. Mr. F. Hewlett, Superintendent of the school, performed the duties of chairman in an admirable manner.

Good sleighing again after our recent thaw.

Mrs. Waddell, who has been in Guelph some time undergoing treatment, has returned home much improved. Her daughter, Miss Edith, who has been her nurse, accompanied her.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ritchie, of Windsor, have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Swindlehurst for the past week.

CHURCH SOCIETIES FRATERNIZE

Georgetown's Young Baptists and Methodists Visit Acton

BOTH HAVE ENJOYABLE EVENINGS

A gala night was spent in the Baptist Church last Thursday evening, when the young people of the Georgetown Church visited the local society. They came in sleigh loads, about thirty-five strong, accompanied by their pastor, Rev. Mr. Holmes. The visiting society provided a programme of unusual merit in the form of musical and literary selections, followed by an illustrated address showing views of many interesting points and persons among them one of our local money exchangers in a very characteristic posture. Local Georgetown views and parts of our northern Ontario summer resorts lands were also given. Following the programme a social hour was spent around tables, laden with good things provided by the ladies. In the neighborhood of midnight the company disbanded, all reporting an excellent time.

On Monday night the Methodist Epworth League had the pleasure of having the members of the Georgetown League as their guests for a few hours. About fifty of the Georgetown young people were present. After receiving preliminary kindness at the hands of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Brown they were conducted to the church where they provided an excellent programme of solos, instrumental selections and readings. A very unique feature presented on the programme was that of the possible effect of women obtaining "their rights." It was portrayed in vivid style by the luckless "Mr. Penelope," perspiring over the wash tub, Mrs. Penelope was campaigning as a parliamentary candidate. However, domestic troubles were suitably adjusted upon Mrs. Penelope finding herself not needed as a candidate. An address of appreciation on behalf of the Georgetown people was given by Mr. Manning. Rev. S. H. Roadhouse, the pastor, was unable to attend, but Rev. Mr. Zimmerman, of the Norval circuit was present and assisted. After the programme had been rendered a very pleasant informal hour of social intercourse was spent supplemented by light lunch served by the local League.

Swordsmen of the Sea.

The swordsmen of the sea are the sawfishes, spearfishes, sailfishes, sword fishes and the narwhal, with its spiral by twisted straight tusks. Sawfishes inhabit the warmer seas, while the narwhal is a creature of the Arctic. The tusk of the narwhal is hollow nearly to the point and is spirally grooved. It uses its tusk as a weapon of defense and to plunge through the ice to breathe, the narwhal being a cetacean. Sometimes when a boat has been caught in the ice great damage has been inflicted by the inquisitiveness or blundering of this great creature, that sometimes reaches a length of fifteen feet, with a tusk of from six to ten feet in length. As a rule, however, the narwhal uses its tusk for the purpose of killing fish for food. In the castle of Rosenborg the kings of Denmark have long possessed a magnificent throne made of tusks of this cetacean. These tusks are harder and whiter than ivory.

Author Who Wrote Legibly.

No author, or any one else, for that matter, could possibly have written more legibly than Francis Thompson. He wrote frequently in pencil in a careful round hand that would have put a schoolboy at the top of his writing class. His copy was always "good" for the compositor, which was fortunate, for there was always the greatest difficulty in getting him to correct the proofs of his reviews. I have the manuscript of one of his later poems, which a child of ten could read with ease, though it is written partly in ink and partly in pencil and carefully stuck together where lines have been snipped out with scissors. He was probably the only writer of genius who used penny exercise books as manuscript paper.—London Spectator.

Tennyson and a Telescope.

Sir Herbert Beerbohm Tree in "Thoughts and Afterthoughts" tells this tale of Lord Tennyson: The poet was invited to a certain country house, and all the neighboring luminaries of the county had been invited to meet him. After dinner his host asked whether he would like to look at the stars. Tennyson took up the telescope and, forgetting all else, gazed for twenty minutes at the wonders of the heavens. "Well, what do you think, Mr. Tennyson?" inquired his host. "I don't think much of our county families," Tennyson replied.

Tumblers.

Drinking glasses called tumblers owe their name to the fact that they are the successors of the little round silver bowls, so perfectly balanced that, which ever way they were tipped about on the table they tumbled into position again and there remained with the rim upward.

Fairly Lazy.

"Is Jones lazy?"

"Lazy? no name for it. Why, he'll go into a revolving door and then wait for somebody to come in and turn it around."—Judge.

He that comes unbidden will sit down unasked.—Irish Proverb.

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SOVEREIGNS IN EXILE

The lot of a dethroned king isn't so dreadful, said the first Napoleon, when he had had but a brief tenure of his imperial throne, little dreaming, we may be sure, that the fate he thus described would one day be his own. And it needs but a slight acquaintance with history to prove that few men are more to be pitied than those who are flung into obscurity and poverty from the splendours of palaces and the homage of the world.

Not that poverty is, by any means, the lot of all dethroned monarchs. There have been few more pitiful objects than Louis Philippe of France and his queen when, on that bleak March morning in 1848, they landed at Newhaven in the guise of "Mr. and Mrs. Smith" to spend their days in exile. But although Louis Philippe never saw again the throne from which he had been driven with the threats and execrations of the mob in his ears, he lived to his last day a king, in the almost regal luxury of Claremont.

When King Manuel's crown was snatched from his head he found a refuge and a welcome in the sumptuous home of his uncle, the Duc d'Orleans, at Wood Norton, where he had an environment no less splendid than that he had left behind in Lisbon, with the proud symbols of majesty around him and royal chamberlains to do his bidding. And to-day he has no lack of means to play the king in exile with his private fortune and a pension of £2,000 a year.

The Empress Eugenie has spent many lonely and sorrowful years since that September day, in 1870, when as an exile she set foot on English soil at Dover; but at her palatial English home she lacks nothing of splendour and luxury that money can buy. And similarly fortunate in disaster were Queen Isabella of Spain and other dethroned sovereigns, whose exile has at least not lacked its gilding.

Within the last score of years Britain has had in her custody at least as many minor potentates who have been stripped of their regal robes. In India she has found modest homes for Yakoob Khan and Ayoub Khan, of Afghanistan, and the ex-King of Manipur. The Kings of Benin and Uganda; Prempeh, ruler of Ashanti; Zebeher, a chieftain of the Sudan; Lobengula's three sons—these and many more minor royalties have been placed out of harm's way and provided with small incomes on which to ruminate on life's vanities.

Prempeh, who once lorded it over Ashanti, was turned out of his kingdom in 1896, and was carried off to Sierra Leone to spend his days in unwarlike leisure. He lives, we were told not long ago, in a mud-hut at Freetown, with a "Civil List" allowance of fifty shillings a week, and a retinue of a police superintendent and seven soldiers to keep watch and ward over him.

While Englishmen are playing golf amid the ruins of his palace, Prempeh still clings tenaciously to his royal state under conditions which would surely dishearten any other man. His chief pleasure is to parade the streets dressed in his state robes and ornaments, with his wives and attendants in his wake; and whenever he worships at the local Presbyterian church he never appears without his umbrella-bearer and his stool-bearer as in the days when he made his regal progresses to his devotions in his capital.

For some years Prempeh has had a rival in discrowned dignity in Ramony, once a great potentate of West Africa, whom the French sent to languish at Kayes. His ex-majesty, who began his adventurous life as a slave, and won his kingdom by an indomitable will and brute strength, now sits on a mat instead of a throne, and spends his days in the puting of interminable cigarettes.

Behanzin, Dahomey's fallen ruler, plays the king, like Ramony, on the lowly throne of a mat in the Martinique home, smoking pipe or cigar, with his three wives obsequiously in attendance. One holds his majesty's umbrella, another attends to the spittoon, while number three catches the ashes as they fall. Behanzin varies his smoking and meditating by frequent changes of attire, now decked in his royal trappings, now in a suit of linen, cut in the latest colonial fashion.

Mwanga, one-time King of Uganda, fled to German territory when the fortunes of war went against him, and there he settled down quite happily on an allowance of four pounds a week; and Kabba Rega, ex-Emperor of Kitwara, was left to sustain his royalty on a pound a week more.

The King of Benin, when he was run to earth in the bush, sixteen years ago, after his hideous massacre of a peaceable British mission, was sent to Old Calabar to repeat of his enormities on a pittance of ten shillings a day. And with this change, curiously enough, he professed himself quite satisfied. "Sometimes," he once admitted to a visitor, "I miss the daily sacrifice of forty men and women to the great Ju-Ju. But really the sight got monotonous; most of the victims die so tamely. Now I am not troubled, and I live in peace."

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