

STANDS SEARCH-LIGHT

Michigan's Insurance Commissioner Can Find Only Good to Say of Canada Life.

Lansing, Mich., September 27.—The Michigan Insurance Department has completed an investigation of the Canada Life Assurance Co., and reports its affairs as being in a most satisfactory condition. The examiners' official statement says that "the company is most conservative and careful in regard to its investments," and that there has been "no attempt in any way to inflate the assets." The Canada Life's business is further referred to as being on a stronger reserve basis than that of any other company in America known to the examiners.

The Department is able to report "with no hesitation that the Canada Life Assurance Company has no improper or unprofitable financial relations or alliances with any other institution, and all its affairs seem to be conducted on a purely business basis. Its officers, in our opinion, make the best terms possible for, and in the interests of, the Company. The banking business of the Company is transacted with several of the leading Banks of Canada, preference being given to those banks giving the Company the best terms."

Special mention is made of the policyholders' defined rights in the Company's profits, as follows: "By the Company's Charter it is provided that 90 per cent. of the profits of the Company shall go to the Policyholders, and no more than 10 per cent. of the profits to the Stockholders. Until \$90 is earned for the Policyholders the Stockholders could not receive \$10 Dividend. The Company has thus established a community of interest between the Policyholder and the Stockholder, and has combined the advantages of security and continuity of management inherent in a Stock Company with the most desirable privileges of a Mutual Company."

Reference is made also to the Company's voluntary action in 1899 when it requested the Government so to amend its Charter that Policyholders should be allowed to elect six of their number to sit on the Board of Directors. The Examiners state: "So far as we know, the Canada Life was the first purely Stock Company to give Policyholders a voice in the management, and it has in this manner succeeded in securing a harmonious blending of the rights of Policyholders and Stockholders. In our opinion this arrangement is a most equitable one."

The report is likely to be regarded as especially reassuring because it comes from Insurance Commissioner, Hon. J. V. Barry, who has a continental reputation as an impartial official. A year ago he was given the distinction of being Chairman of the Convention of State Insurance Commissioners. Of late the press of other states, where the insurance departments are less efficient than Michigan's, has been advocating Mr. Barry's appointment as National Supervisor of Insurance, should the United States Congress establish a Federal Insurance Department.

extents of the Japanese fisheries may be judged from the size of the nets employed by the fishermen. Doctor Smith tells, in the National Geographic Magazine, of a net employed for catching yellowtails which was more than a mile long. It had a bag 900 feet long, 250 feet wide at its mouth, and 125 feet deep. On one occasion 10,000 fish, averaging 20 pounds in weight, were taken at a single haul.

FUEL IN YUKON.
Coal Being Mined—Some Steamers Are Using Oil.

Fifteen men are employed this summer in the Tantalus coal mine, on the Upper Yukon River, says the Dawson News. Several of the White Pass steamers are using the coal, and are going well with it. Miller, the owner of the Tantalus coal property, promises to realize a good thing out of it.

The White Pass, notwithstanding it is burning coal to some extent, has 32 wood camps along the river between Dawson and White Horse. An average of two men are engaged at each camp. This means the distribution of considerable money for fuel.

The lower river boats are buying considerable wood also this year, and wood camps are scattered along the entire 1,700 miles from Dawson to St. Michael, but are not patronized so extensively as in some of the years past.

The Northern Commercial Company now burns oil on most of its steamers. The oil is brought from California.

Coal for the river steamers also is being produced on the lower river. At the Coal Creek mines, below Forty-mile, and near Nulato, coal is being produced. Another mine is being opened on Roy Creek, below Eagle. A large traction engine, to be used in drawing coal to the river bank, was sent down the river a few days ago by steamer.

SHUN THE "BLUES."
"Blues" are unnecessary. They mean one of two things—an unhealthy body or a diseased mind. In either case distraction is the best remedy. One must strive to forget self in work, in reading, or in pleasure. A busy life, judiciously arranged, will crowd vapours to the wall. There are women who never seem to have any resources. Let them cultivate a good-sized feminine acquaintance, with varied types to suit one's moods, to sew with this one, shop with that one, entertain and be entertained. There is always charity work to fill up one's time, even when the social amenities are not pleasing. The best cure for loneliness is a brisk walk through the clear sunshine and pure air. It generally puts a person into a reasonable frame of mind, but is often avoided by sick-minded people.

CARE OF THE EYES.
There are certain rules with regard to the care of the eyesight which should be religiously followed. They might be formulated in the following way: First, do not use the eyes in a poor or flickering light. Second, do not have the light directly in front or behind; the light should fall, without interruption, from one side. Third, do not use the eyes much when you are tired or when recovering from an illness. Fourth, do not use the eyes when they become watery or show signs of indistinctness of vision. Fifth, do not work with the head bent over. This tends to gorge the vessels of the eyes with blood and to produce congestion. Sixth, do not read lying flat on the back or reclining, unless the book is supported in the same relative angle and position as when erect. Seventh do not remain a single day without glasses after you should put them on.

MUNICIPAL NEWSPAPER.
Dresden, Germany, is one of the few cities possessing a municipal newspaper, and this was bequeathed to the city by the late Dr. Gunt. The bequest is a very valuable property, and consists of a daily newspaper, which, in consequence of its extensive circulation, is the principal advertising medium in the neighborhood. The profits are applied to the beautifying and improvement of the city and to charity.

Finishing up the windows of a new house is a pane-fall proceeding. In 1793 the steamboat was first conceived by Robert Fulton, an American



A little Sunlight Soap will clean cut glass and other articles until they shine and sparkle. Sunlight Soap will wash other things than clothes.

CAPTURING A CROCODILE.

Exciting Experience of Two Men in the Malay Peninsula.

Why should a crocodile leave a river stocked with food, explore for miles an unsuitable tributary, and then wander inland until it finds a pool? One can only say that it does, declares a writer in Blackwoods Magazine. He goes on to speak of the Tai-ping lake, of the Malay Peninsula, whither three crocodiles had found their way. So long as they confined their attention to the fish and an occasional duck, no one objected to their presence, but when one of them began to take sheep off the bank as they came down to drink, it was felt that the brutes ought to be exterminated, and Mr. Maxwell and his servant, Manap, made the attempt. They set bait attached to a heavy rattan and then waited.

The crocodile had seen us coming, and unconscious of the fatal rattan which marked its course, moved into deeper water.

Decks were cleared for action. Manap was, of course, barefooted, and I took off my shoes and stockings, so that my bare feet might have as good a hold as possible on the smooth bottom of the dugout.

As the crocodile moved off into the deep water, dragging the canoe after it, we realized that we had him well hooked. After a protracted struggle, I managed to get the crocodile within a few yards of the canoe. At one moment the open jaws would surge out of the broken water and snap together in unpleasant proximity to our legs; the next moment the heavy tail would swing free of the water, and with the weight of a falling tree would hit the side of the canoe a blow that made it shiver. More than once the great claws got on the gunwale of the canoe, and it seemed as if the brute would get on board. There was no little risk of losing one's balance and falling in on top of the raging brute.

As the crocodile surged close to the canoe and the open mouth appeared above the water, Manap slipped a noose of stout cord over the animal's upper jaw and pulled it tight, some six inches behind the point of its nostrils. Then, with a quick turn of his wrist, he slipped the slack of the cord round under the lower jaw. He drew the cord tight, and the teeth of each jaw pressed home into the sockets of the other. Manap now grasped the point of the long, narrow head with one hand, and with the other rapidly wound the cord round the clinched mouth.

Another noose was slipped over a fore leg. It pulled the leg up to the animal's side. Manap slipped the line over the creature's back and caught up the other fore leg. Then he moosed and tied together the two hind legs.

"Sudah," he said. "That is finished."

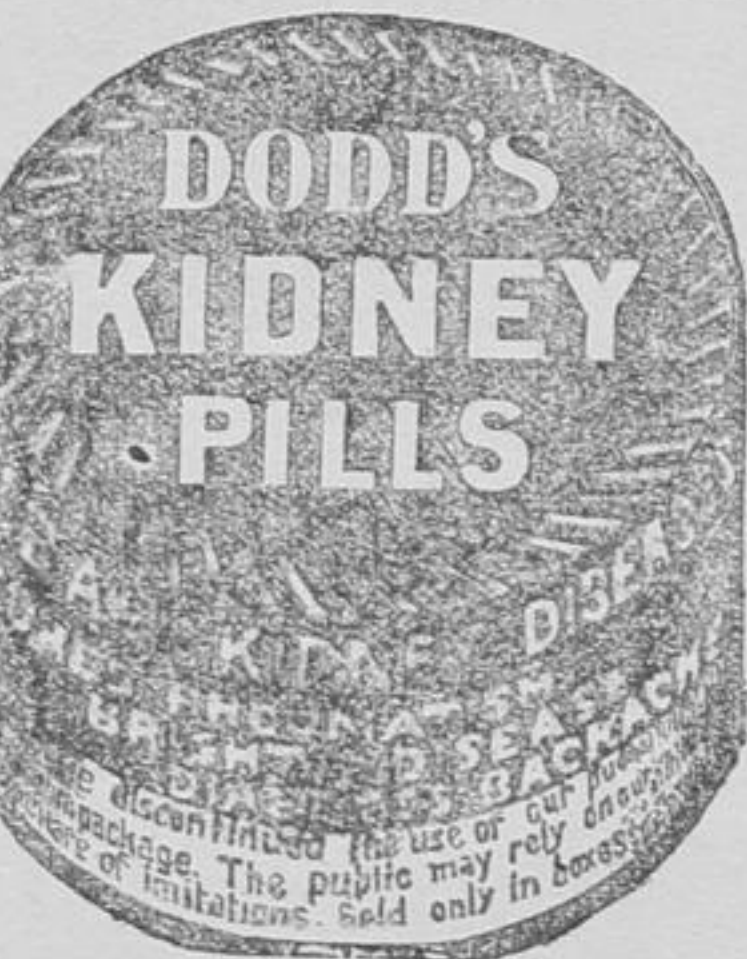
What he had effected was marvelous. In a few minutes he had transformed a ravening water-devil into a trussed-up monstrosity, and his only weapon had been three pieces of box cord.

A few blows despatched the brute, and Manap received the government reward.

A Pleasant Duty.—"When I know anything worthy of recommendation, I consider it my duty to tell it," says Rev. Jas. Murdoch, of Hamburg, Pa. "Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder has cured me of Catarrh of five years standing. It is certainly magical in its effect. The first application benefited me in five minutes. 50 cts."—9

Polite Tramp.—"Will you oblige me with a little vinegar and a bit of rag, madam? I've bruised my heel." Lady of the House—"I'm very sorry, but our vinegar is all out; wouldn't a little rum do as well?" Tramp—"I don't know, madam, but I'll try it; and—er—never mind the rag."

A celebrated oculist offered to operate on a blind beggar's eyes, and said, "I'll guarantee to restore your sight." "What," exclaimed the beggar, "restore my sight, and so ruin my business! A pretty notion! Do you want to deprive me of my livelihood?"



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Mamma (at breakfast table)—You should always use your napkin, Georgie. Georgie—I am using it, mamma. I've got the dog tied to the leg of the table with it.

A Requisite for the Rancher.—On the cattle ranges of the West, where men and stock are far from doctors and apothecaries, Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil is kept on hand by the intelligent as a ready made medicine, not only for many human ills, but as a horse and cattle medicine of surpassing merit. A horse and cattle rancher will find matters greatly simplified by using this Oil.

"I shook hands with Bilkins this morning. He doesn't seem well. What's the matter with him?" "I think it's ennu." "Heavens! my wife would worry if she knew. She's always afraid I'll carry some of these contagious diseases home to the children."

Faulty Kidneys.—Have you backache? Do you feel drowsy? Do your limbs feel heavy? Have you frequent headaches? Have you failing vision? Have you dizzy feelings? Are you depressed? Is your skin dry? Have you a tired feeling? Any of these signs prove kidney disease. Experience has proved that South American Kidney Cure never fails.—6.

He—"Did I ask you to marry me last night at the dance?" She—"Good gracious, no! Why?" He—"Well—er—you know, I got excited, and I often do silly things when I'm like that."

No person should go from home without a bottle of Dr. J. D. Kellogg's dysentery Cordial in their possession, as change of water, cooking climate etc., frequently brings on summer complaint, and there is nothing like being ready with a sure remedy at hand, which oftentimes saves great suffering and frequently valuable lives. This Cordial has gained for itself a widespread reputation for affording prompt relief from all summer complaints.

"FERROVIM" IS A GENTLE STIMULANT to the stomach, thereby aiding digestion. As a tonic for patients recovering from fevers and all diseases lowering the vitality, it is without a rival. At all drug and general stores.

Mr. Headstall—"That horse you brought yesterday is a vicious-looking animal. Is he kind?" Mr. Cropper—"Kind? I should think so. Why, when he came out of the stable he stood upon his hind legs and tried to embrace me."

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She—Before we were married you told me that you never stayed out late. He—Did I, dear? She—Yes, you did. He—Do you recollect what the time was that night when I told you that? She—No. He—Nearly twelve o'clock.

DEVoured BY BEAR.

Terrible Experiences of Two Brothers in the Tyrol.

A terrible adventure with a bear has befallen two Hungarian goat-herds, the brothers Paul and Martin Dosek, one of whom was killed and partly devoured by the animal.

The brothers were making their way in the direction of the Belebitt mountains, one of the most romantically beautiful spots in the Tyrol, when they came upon a huge she-bear in the act of devouring a goat.

The bear, disturbed in her meal, sprang at the men, who ran for their lives, with the bear in pursuit. They finally succeeded in climbing a large tree, finding an uncertain refuge in a thick overhanging branch. The bear then sat down on her haunches at the foot of the tree.

Shortly after daybreak, Paul, the elder of the two brothers, probably overcome with fatigue and terror, suddenly lost his hold, fell, and was instantly torn to pieces.

Finally, towards noon, the animal fell asleep. Martin then silently slid down from his perch and made for Divoselo, where he was given refreshment. He began to foam at the mouth, and made a savage attack with his teeth on a peasant who was sitting at a table. Four policemen were required to master him, and he was taken to the asylum, a raving maniac.

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"But," protested the bridegroom, during their little quarrel, "you promised to love, honor and obey me." "Maybe I did," replied the bride, "but I had my fingers crossed."

PLEASE BEAR IN MIND that what is called a skin disease may be but a symptom of bad blood. In that case, Weaver's Cerate, externally applied, should be supplemented with Weaver's Syrup, taken daily.

"Well," said his wife, "I'll bet you a box of cigars." "No," replied the brute; "I won't bet!" "You're afraid you'll lose." "No; I'm afraid I'd win!"

If your children are troubled with worms, give them Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator; safe, sure and effectual. Try it, and mark the improvement in your child.

Mrs. Littlewit (proudly)—"Only just think! Charles has gone to address a public gathering." Friend—"I didn't know he was a speech-maker." Mrs. Littlewit—"Nor I; but he's been called upon to make a statement before a meeting of his creditors."

All fitting boots and shoes cause corns. Holloway's Corn Cure is the article to use. Get a bottle at once and cure your corns.

Three gas companies in London consume between them 4,000,000 tons of coal per annum.

Wash greasy dishes, pots or pans with Lever's Dry Soap or powder. It will remove the grease with the greatest ease.

Doctor—"You seem to have had a relapse. Looks like a severe case of nervous prostration, too." Patient (weakly)—"Nothing—nothing at all except looking over your bill."

WE ARE ALL FAMILIAR with the deep, hoarse bark, grimly called "a grave-yard cough." Take Allen's Lung Balm, a remedy for pulmonary trouble, highly recommended even in the earlier stages of Consumption.

He—"I think every woman is entitled to be considered man's equal." She—"Well, if she is willing to bring herself down to his level, I don't see why she shouldn't be allowed to pose as his equal."

Eat what you like.—Give the digestive organs some work to do. These functions need exercise as much as any part of the human anatomy, but if they're delicate, give them the aid that Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets afford and you can eat anything that's wholesome and palatable—60 in a box, 35 cents.—3

A very loquacious lady asked a friend what position he would give her were she a man. "I'd make you superintendent of a deaf and dumb asylum," was the reply. "Why?" "Because either the inmates would learn to talk or you to keep silent."

They Never Knew Failure.—Careful observation of the effects of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills has shown that they act immediately on the diseased organs of the system and stimulate them to healthy action. There may be cases in which the disease has been long seated, and does not easily yield to medicine, but even in such cases these Pills have been known to bring relief when all other so-called remedies have failed. These assertions can be substantiated by many who have used the Pills, and medical men speak highly of their qualities.

A prison visitor recently asked one of the prisoners how he came to be there. "Want," was the answer. "How was that, pray?" "Well, I wanted another man's watch. He wasn't willing I should have it, and the judge wants me to stay here five years."

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THEN DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS CURED HIS DIABETES.

Startling Case of Thos. Harrison, of St. Mary's Ferry—He Tells the Story Himself.

St. Mary's Ferry, York County, N. B., Sept. 25—(Special).—That Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure Diabetes, one of the most deadly forms of Kidney Disease, has been satisfactorily proved by Mr. Thos. Harrison, of this place. Speaking of his cure Mr. Harrison says: "I began to suffer with severe pains above the region of the Kidneys. When I lay down it was torture to get up again. My appetite failed and I lost flesh rapidly. "I doctored with several physicians, but it was all no use. Shortly after this I began to urinate blood and then I knew I was in the grip of that dread monster, Diabetes. "At this time a friend prevailed on me to try a box of Dodd's Kidney Pills and they did me so much good I continued the treatment till I had used three boxes. They cured me completely."

JAPAN'S GREAT FISHERIES.

Japan leads the world in the economical and scientific development of its fisheries. It has more persons engaged in this industry, says Dr. H. M. Smith, than any other nation. Sharks are among the commonest food fishes of Japan. They are sent to the markets to be "butchered" like hives in other countries. The