



Mrs. F. Wright, of Oelwein, Iowa, is another one of the million women who have been restored to health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

A Young New York Lady Tells of a Wonderful Cure: "My trouble was with the ovaries; I am tall, and the doctor said I grew too fast for my strength. I suffered dreadfully from inflammation and doctored continually, but got no help. I suffered from terrible dragging sensations with the most awful pains low down in the side and pains in the back, and the most agonizing headaches. No one knows what I endured. Often I was sick to the stomach, and every little while I would be too sick to go to work, for three or four days; I work in a large store, and I suppose standing on my feet all day made me worse. "At the suggestion of a friend of my mother's I began to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it is simply wonderful. I felt better after the first two or three doses; it seemed as though a weight was taken off my shoulders; I continued its use until now I can truthfully say I am entirely cured. Young girls who are always paying doctor's bills without getting any help as I did, ought to take your medicine. It costs so much less, and it is sure to cure them.—Yours truly, ADELAIDE PRATT, 174 St. Ann's Ave., New York City.—\$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

WALKED INTO TRAP.

A Young Man Arrested for Stealing Letters. Montreal, Dec. 13.—Joseph Portras, a sorter at the post office, was arrested today on a charge of stealing money from letters. A trap was laid for him, and he walked into it. He took three letters containing mail of money that was found on him. He pleaded "guilty."

At Mullins' This Week.

Good cooking butter, 15c. per lb. Large sealer of cream baking powder, 20c. Five lbs. cleaned currants, 25c. Three lbs. new select raisins, 25c. Orange and lemon peel, 15c. per lb. Molasses, 10c. per quart. One pound of pure coffee, Java and Mocha blend, 25c. Corner Johnston and Division streets.

Y.M.C.A. Building Crowded.

The large number of young men who crowded our hall last Sunday will speak again to-morrow. His subject is "Life's Mad Bargains." The secret of Mr. Margrett's power to attract and delight young men can only be explained by inviting you to come and hear him.

Christmas Umbrellas.

A special range of new handles with silver mounting; initials put on free, price \$1 to \$15. Jenkins.

Electric walking canes at Brock & Halliday's, Princess street.

3 lbs. blue raisins, 25c.—Crawford's. The village of Alexandria will be hereafter known as a town.

Just read Taylor's ad., page 2. It is reported that an English syndicate seeks a concession of 2,000,000 acres in New Ontario for colonization purposes.

A Grinding Kidney Pain

Prostrated Mrs. Readon, Simcoe, Ont., so that she was unable to attend to her work.

A Bottle of Dr. Pritchard's Backache Kidney Tablets Completely Cured Her.

In the town of Simcoe, Ont., there are many people who have a good word to say in behalf of Dr. Pritchard's Backache Kidney Tablets—a remedy which has done wonders curing backache and serious kidney, bladder and urinary troubles.

Mrs. Jennie Readon, who lives on Agricultural street of that town, writes as follows:

"For more than six months my back has bothered me a great deal. I have had to get some one to do my work at times (ironing and washing). The pain was of the grinding variety. I laid it to overstrain and the kidneys. Pain in the side was also very bad. I got a bottle of Dr. Pritchard's Backache Kidney Tablets from J. Austin & Co's. drug store, and I am very much pleased with them. I do my own work now, and can scrub if necessary without trouble. The pain is a thing of the past. I found the Tablets gentle in action and am pleased to recommend them."

Dr. Pritchard's Backache Kidney Tablets are chocolate coated and easy to take. Price 50c. a bottle, or 3 for \$1.25, at all druggists, or by mail. The Dr. Zina Pritchard Co., Toronto, Ont.

Mrs. John Wiseman, Woodham street, St. Mary's, Ont., says: "During a recent sharp attack of lumbago, due to exposure to cold, I used Dr. Pritchard's Backache Kidney Tablets with complete relief. I did not use the entire bottle, which speaks well for their ability to cure backache kids. Easy troubles."

BRIGHT EVENTS

THAT TOOK PLACE ON FRIDAY NIGHT.

Scottish Prima Donna in the City Hall—"At Homes" at Queen's and Collegiate Institute.

A large and enthusiastic audience greeted Miss Jessie MacLachlan, the Scottish prima donna, and her talented company, at the City hall, last evening. It was Miss MacLachlan's fourth visit to Kingston in two years and her welcome was as hearty as ever. Occupying the front seats were a number of St. Andrew's Highland brigade boys in their kilts, and their presence delighted the sweet singer from across the sea. Each number on the programme was encored and courteously responded to. The opening piece was a piano solo, given by Robert Buchanan, in masterly style. Miss Helen Wyrick, a bright, winsome girl, prettily dressed in white satin with pink rosebuds in her hair, is an exceptionally clever elocutionist. Her first number was a scene from "Ingomar," the portraying of three characters, Parthenia, a Greek maiden; Aetia, her mother; and Polydor, her miserly suitor, and it was excellent, especially the miserable, bargain-loving miser. Her encore was a laughable hit of fun, "How Tomkins Went to Market."

Miss Alice Dean, violinist, wore a dainty, girlish costume of white silk net over white silk, with crimson poppies on the bodice and in her hair. The first solo she gave was Borovsk's "Adoration," which completely captivated the audience; her perfect control over this delicate kind of instruments being at once apparent.

With Miss MacLachlan's appearance, came long and hearty applause from her numerous admirers. Beautifully gowned in yellow satin, with black lace trimmings, wearing her medals on her breast and a magnificent diamond star in her hair, of midnight darkness, she was never seen or heard to better advantage. The marvelous range, strength and sweetness of her exquisite voice, and the charming personality she throws into the different characters of her songs, has to be heard and seen to be understood and appreciated. "The Holy City," was sung by request, her encore being a quaint little Scotch ballad, "Where Grows the Bonnie Brier Bush." Miss Wyrick gave a bright recitation, "Louis Little Star," telling of the ambitions and disappointments of a stage-struck girl. Miss MacLachlan then sang two pretty Scotch songs, "The Rowan Tree," and "Blue Bonnets." At the conclusion a member of the Highland Brigade presented her with a bouquet of pink roses. As an encore she gave, "The Last Rose of Summer," letting the petals of a rose fall, one by one to the floor. A violin solo, "Berceuse," by Miss Dean was charmingly rendered. Miss Wyrick again delighted the audience by a clever character sketch entitled "April Showers," which, if true to life, amazes one as to the amount of misery a wife of a month can endure if her husband is a few minutes late for supper.

"Loch Lomond," by Miss MacLachlan had as an encore, by request, a song in Gaelic, Miss Dean's "Mazurka de Concert," was the gem of her solos. "Home, Sweet Home," was her encore, that would not be denied. The concert closed with Miss MacLachlan's "Will Ye No Come Back Again?" a spirited Scottish marching song for an encore. All joined in singing "God Save the King." R. Buchanan and W. F. Jones were the accompanists.

Collegiate "At Home."

A little nonsense now and then is relished by the best of men. These were the words at the head of the programmes used by the pupils of the K. G. I. at their "At Home," held last night at the Collegiate building. Not since the opening of this historic school nine years ago, have the students undertaken to entertain their friends, but of last night's success too much praise cannot be spoken, and those in charge of the affair must indeed have been amply repaid for the efforts expended. The building was handsomely decorated, flags, bunting, streamers, banners, crests, etc., being artistically arranged. But in the large assembly hall were the efforts of the decorators most noticeable, and the room could hardly have looked prettier. Here the visitors were received by the patronesses, Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Dales and Mrs. Sills, and soon the buzz of voices and the ring of merry laughter resounded throughout the hall.

Dancing was not indulged in, but promenades were the order of the merry hours. Crosby and Thornton's orchestra supplying the music for a programme consisting of twelve numbers. Refreshments were served on the second floor, Mr. Bassam being the caterer. The function broke up shortly after midnight, having passed without a single hitch, the three hundred guests present hoping only that the "At Home" will become an annual gathering.

Social Function at Queen's.

Queen's senior year in arts held a very enjoyable "At Home" in the new arts' building last night. There were 230 persons present. Dancing went on merrily in the reading room, while promenading and games occupied the attention of those who desired other diversion. O'Connor's orchestra played the dance music. In the mathematics room on the first floor there was a musicale in which Miss Evans, Miss Clark, Mr. Mulloy, Mr. McDonald, and Mr. Watts took part. Miss Singleton being the accompanist. Refreshments were served in the English room. Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Bogart and Mrs. Short were the patronesses. About one o'clock there was a general hurry-scurry to the dressing rooms, before the dance programme was completed, as announcement was made that the electric lights would be out in ten minutes. Early in the evening the lights vanished for five minutes, during which time the place was enveloped in total darkness.

AT THE GRAND.

About Coronation Pictures To-Night.

A large audience attended the Moncton, N.B., Opera House last night and greatly enjoyed the moving pictures which were voted to be far superior to anything ever seen there. Mr. Ireland is indeed giving the public the worth of their money. The pictures shown embrace the greatest variety ever seen in the city.

"The Wizard Of Oz."

"The Wizard Of Oz," the new extravaganza, which will be seen on December 17th, is said to be a magnificent pageant of pictorial art, feminine beauty, and novel spectacular surprises, but it has the further merit of a cleverly conceived story with two very original characters, the Scarecrow and the Tin Woodman, absolutely without prototypes in the field of extravaganza. Fred Stone's Scarecrow is described by one Chicago critic as a great work of art.

Saturday's Market Quotations.

Saturday's market was not a large one, owing to the unfavorable weather. The following prices prevailed: Beef, forequarters, 4c. to 4 1/2c. a lb.; hindquarters, 5c. to 6c. a lb.; pork, hog, 7c. to 7 1/2c. a lb.; mutton, 6c. to 7c. a lb.; turkeys, 75c. to \$1.50 each; or 1 lb. a lb.; ducks, 75c. to 90c. a pair; chickens, 50c. to 60c. a pair; geese, 75c. to 90c. each; eggs, packed, 25c. a dozen; eggs, fresh, 30c. a dozen; butter, in prints, 25c. a lb.; in rolls, 18c. to 20c. a lb.; potatoes, 90c. a bag; apples, 75c. a bag; onions, 75c. a bag. Cabbage, carrots and other vegetables were plentiful, and sold at moderate prices.

Officials Are Ignorant.

Toronto, Dec. 13.—The announcement that a syndicate of English capitalists were about to make a proposition to the Ontario government to purchase a million acres of land in New Ontario for the purpose of settling 5,000 people was news to the officials at the parliament buildings. No such intimation had reached the crown lands department, where matters of this kind are arranged before being presented to the cabinet for endorsement.

Christmas Umbrellas.

A special range of new handles with silver mounting; initials put on free, price \$1 to \$15. Jenkins.

Killed By Dynamite.

Berlin, Dec. 13.—There was an explosion of between five and six tons of dynamite at Berne, near Dortmund, Westphalia, while it was being unloaded. Six persons were killed; others were injured.

Got A Big Haul.

Santa Fe, N.M., Dec. 13.—The Bank of Hillsboro, Sierra county, was held up in broad daylight to-day, and robbed of \$30,000, according to a report received here.

Christmas Dressing Gowns.

Prices to suit all purses, patterns to suit all tastes. English make, \$6.75 to \$20. Jenkins.

The Canadian Pacific railway has taken a notable step in establishing a pension scheme for old employees. It is a humane and broad-minded move. Oak Hall for Christmas furnishings. Maple sugar, 12 1/2c. Crawford's.

DAY'S EPISODES

PARAGRAPHS PICKED UP BY OUR BUSY REPORTERS.

The Spice of Every Day Life—What the People Are Talking About—Nothing Escapes Attention.

25 oranges, 25c. Crawford's. Bargains in Taylor's 25c. window. Christmas presents; big sale now on at Weese's. Miss Ella Rutan, Northbrook, has come to Kingston to reside. Books for girls, R. Uglow & Co. Rev. E. B. Ryckman, D.D., of Cornwall, is the guest of W. J. Crothers, Earl street. Christmas neckwear at Oak Hall. E. C. Dean, city editor of the Whig, is confined to his home, a sufferer from an injured foot. About one o'clock this afternoon, a chimney blaze on Ellice street required the attention of the firemen. New York neckwear at Oak Hall. The steamer New Island Wanderer is stormbound at Cape Vincent, and did not make her trip over today. Bargains in Taylor's 25c. window. Two of the Scotch machinists, who left the locomotive works to secure work and better conditions in the United States, have returned. See our French Stagwre—the leader for this season. Taylor. Zero weather drove one homeless unfortunate to seek warmth and protection of the police station last night. He cultivated a close friendship with the cheery, old box-stove. Try Oak Hall for overcoats. Rev. W. B. Heaney, rector of Christ church, Belleville, has been chosen organizing secretary of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew in Canada. He is taking time to consider the offer. Just read Taylor's ad., page 2. If you want to make a happy married man look silly, ask him how he proposed. If you want to make a happy married woman look radiant, ask her how she was proposed to. Miss Jennie Vanness, Wolfe Island, on Friday evening entertained a number of her friends to an oyster supper at the residence of her parents, where a pleasant time was spent. Rev. Mr. Hiraiwa of Japan, who preaches in Queen Street Methodist church on Sunday evening, belongs to the nobility. He was one of the first converts to Christianity. He is the guest of Rev. Eber Crumney, while in the city. Beautiful leather goods for holiday presents at Uglow's. The London Daily Chronicle says "Christmas would not be complete without Tom Smith's crackers." We are of the same opinion as the Daily Chronicle, as is evidenced by our large stock. Have a look at them. James Redden & Co. Missionary anniversary services will be held to-morrow, Sunday, December 14th, in Savelham street church. Rev. Mr. Hiraiwa, an educated and talented native minister and president of the Japan conference, will preach at 11 a.m. Rev. Dr. Ryckman, one of the foremost ministers of the Montreal conference, in the evening.

LOSS OF BANNOCKBURN.

Theory Advanced as to Fate of the Propeller. Detroit, Mich., Dec. 12.—Since the loss of the Bannockburn, there has been a good deal of speculation as to how so seaworthy a vessel had been lost. It has been related that two years ago the Bannockburn went aground. It is said that she struck on a reef in such a manner that she was carried half way over it and hung by the middle. After being released she was taken to harbor Beach and examined by the insurance adjusters and underwriters' agents, and it was concluded she had been seriously strained. However, she was never docked, and this fall, but a few days before she went down, she went aground and struck exactly the same way. The strain is thought to have further injured her, and the weather she encountered was too much for her. It is likely the vessel broke right in two. This is a supposition of a number of the best informed men about the lakes, who are more or less familiar with the boat and the circumstances of her disappearance.

Catarrahal Headaches.

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Had To Run Back.

The M. T. company steamer Glenary arrived back Friday night with the barge Augustus, coal-laden for Toronto. She was unable to get up the lake on account of the thick steam rising from the water. When the weather moderates, another endeavor may be made. The Glenary is commanded by Capt. Woods, a cousin of the captain of the ill-fated S.S. Bannockburn.

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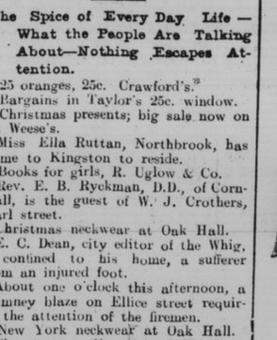
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GOOD-BYE CODY.

"Buffalo Bill" to Retire—His Last Tour.



NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Col. W. F. Cody (Buffalo Bill) declared to-day just prior to his departure for Europe that his show, the "Wild West," had appeared in this country for the last time. Col. Cody plans to spend the next two years in a European tour with his show. When he returns to this country he will devote his time exclusively to his business interests.

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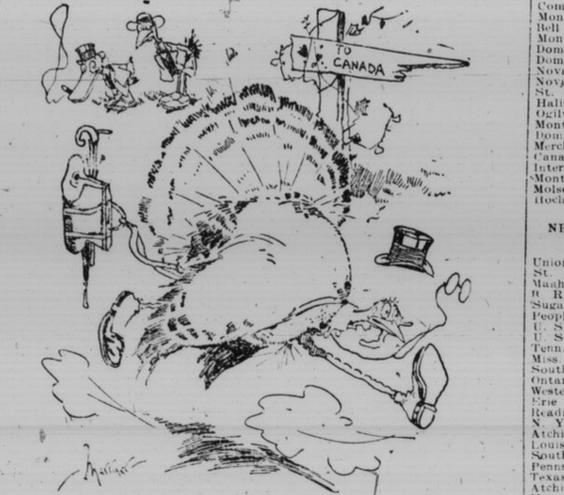
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