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MAYOR URQUHART TO THE YOUNG.

Speaks at the Convention of the Y. P.U. of Toronto Presbytery.

Addresses by the chairman, Rev. Dr. Gilray, and by Rev. W. G. Wallace, opened the annual convention of the Young People's Union of the Presbytery of Toronto in College-street Church yesterday morning. Rev. Mr. Wallace spoke on "Work and Methods of Individual Societies."

At the afternoon session Rev. Alfred Gandier conducted a discussion on "an ideal series of topics for young people's societies, bringing out the idea that the basic element should be the Christian and missionary aim of the society. There should, however, be a certain part of the time spent on those things which would serve to build up full grown, well-rounded Christian manhood and womanhood, devoting some time to the literature, music and the social side of their characters.

A. E. Armstrong read a paper on "Missionary Obligations of Our Young People," and G. R. McLeod spoke, asking why all the young people of the church were not active members of the society. Miss Wintergill addressed the meeting on "Our Relations With Other Organizations in the Church."

Mayor Urquhart spoke in the evening and outlined his idea of "The Ideal Young Christian." To be a good citizen, he said, a man had to be a good Christian and to have the courage of his convictions. When these conditions were fulfilled and the home, the civic and the national life depended on Jesus Christ, we would have attained the ideal. Rev. J. McPherson Scott and Rev. Alfred Gandier delivered addresses.

Wages Reduced in Zion City.

Chicago, Feb. 1.—Workers in the various departments of Zion City have had a reduction in wages. A scarcity of work is given as the cause, the officials desiring to keep as many persons as possible employed rather than reduce the payroll by wholesale discharges. Lack of employment, it is said, has caused many families to move away from the town.

Horse Knocked Him Down.

While crossing at Adelaide and Yonge-streets last night, John Rennie, 100 1-2 Church-street, was knocked down by a horse. He was taken to the Emergency, where a wound in his head was dressed.

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CLERK DURANCE SENT UP FOR TRIAL

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duced it was done without his knowledge and that the poll clerk could not fairly be expected to know personally the men whom he was recording as offering votes, therefore, he was not criminally responsible for any personations or for the books showing a large number of people to have cast ballots who declared they had not been in the voting place.

But the suddenness with which the Crown established beyond question that at least two dozen persons had been recorded at the bottom of the list in a bunch as voting when they swore they had not, when the handwriting expert swore that these twenty-five ballots had been marked by the same hand, clinched by the evidence of several persons showing that these twenty-five names were added to the rolls either within three minutes of closing time or wholly after the poll had closed, provoked a profound sensation in the court room. Special Civic Prosecutor Riddell became instantly alert, several aldermen in the crowd began to take hasty notes and Magistrate Denison and Mayor Urquhart held a whispered conversation, and most of the spectators exhibited renewed interest. The lid had been thrust off of the first pot of corruption in the municipal scandal, and the amazement was too general to be concealed. Gradually the story was unfolded and the wholesale disfranchisement of voters in sub-division nine of Ward Four became a matter of police court record.

Ex-Controller Burns' Case Called.

The verdict of the magistrate had been discounted, and little surprise was exhibited when Durance was held for trial. The crowd increased in proportions as ex-Controller Burns' case was called. The magistrate clearly indicated the state of his mind when the books of the divisions, where the defendant was accused of voting, were introduced, when he observed: "AFTER THE CROWN HAS BROUGHT THESE TWENTY-ODD WITNESSES IN HERE WHO SWEAR THEY DID NOT VOTE IN THE FACE OF THE FACT THAT THE RECORDS OF THE POLL SHOW THEY DID, I MUST INSIST THAT IT IS SCARCELY SUFFICIENT TO ACCEPT THESE BOOKS IN OTHER CASES AS CONCLUSIVELY CORRECT." This remark brought a perceptible smile to the face of the accused.

When John Durance was called, a young man of apparently twenty-five took his place among his legal representatives. The accused is a bright-looking chap, and made a favorable impression in spite of his evident seriousness. He consulted with his legal advisers frequently and when the damaging evidence against him was produced, maintained his composure distinctly. After being bound over in the sum of $600 to appear for trial, with the Thompson brothers as his sureties (brothers of Samuel Thompson, deputy returning officer, who is accused jointly with him), Durance refused to make a statement to The World, politely referring the reporter to his counsel.

Twenty-five witnesses had been summoned, or at least the Crown thought a subpoena had been sent to each. That included every person the detectives could find who was on the list as having voted in Durance's sub-division who denied having so voted, two ladies who were the last to vote at that place and the scrutineers, D. H. Robson, W. Purdy, F. A. Novaire, Ellen Murray, Mary Cosgrove, R. H. Flint, T. W. Hill, E. Cline, Retta Loftus and S. J. Kerns did not respond to their subpoenas. Kerns and Mary Cosgrove are dead.

Somers the First Witness.

After the preliminary skirmish between Crown Attorney Curry for the prosecution and W. D. McPherson for the defence, during which Messrs. Robinette and Slattery expressed a desire to have the Burns case tried, the first witness was introduced. J. W. Somers, chief clerk in the City Clerk's office, brought in the poll books for Ward Four, sub-division 9, as the first evidence to establish the charge of conspiracy to introduce and count bogus ballots in that division. The books were filed as exhibits and the witness was asked to find the names of Anne and Ellen Cleary, 224 Queen-street. They were marked 154 and 155. There were especially important, since these are the last two honest votes deposited at this division, if the theory of the Crown is correct. All the twenty-five names following the Cleary sisters are those of dead persons, or those who claim they did not vote.

The clerk admitted that he could not trace the books to Durance or to Thompson, and said he got them from the Crown-Attorney's office, where they were in the custody of City Clerk Littlejohn.

There a Few Minutes Before 5.

The significance of the Cleary Sisters' evidence was appreciated, when Miss Annie testified that she and her sister arrived at the poll within a few minutes of five o'clock, the closing time. It was between 12 and 15 minutes of five, when they left home and they would not consume more than two or three minutes getting to the poll. The sister gave similar testimony. Each had voted for controller. It was apparent that the twenty-five names registered as voting after they had left could not have been legally handled in the minute or two elapsing between the time the ladies left and the closing minute. This was one of the strongest points made as fixing the time of violating of the ballot box by the plugger.

Frank Cayley was on the list as voting from 14 Beverley-street. He testified that he voted, but not from that number, and was not the man referred to by the record, and did not know any person of similar name from that number.

John Alexander, 39 Beverley, was recorded as voting, but testified that he had not gone to the booth. The defence asked the witness if he knew Durance and he said no.

William Amory was booked as voting from 14 Beverley-street. He testified that he resided at 75 St. Patrick-street, and until three months ago resided at 14 Beverley. He had not voted, and was not out of his house all the day of election.

Warrant for Missing Witness.

D. F. Robson did not answer to his name and the Crown asked a warrant for his arrest.

J. R. Lane, 46 McCaul, said he had not voted, tho the record showed that a James O. Lane of that number had voted. He did not know of such a person. He was out of town election day.

Freeman Hawley, 12 McCaul, had not been out of his house election day, tho the record had put him down as voting.

Robert Jamieson, 10 Sullivan-street, was in the same position. He did not know who cast his vote.

Mrs. Marion Baker, 11 Renfrew-place, was on the list as having voted from 206 Queen-street, but she denied with much indignation that she had ever cast a vote in her life.

Detective Slemin testified that he had looked up evidence in the case and had found that Mary Cosgrove, recorded as voting, had been dead three years.

T. W. Hill, 68 Beverley-street, was alive enough to vote Jan. 1 by the record, but he has not been found since, and did not respond to the call for his testimony yesterday. H. Cline was also absent and was said to have gone to the States.

Scott B Kippen of 50 Grange-avenue denied that the man who voted under his name from 50 Grange-avenue was himself.

James Kelley of 42 Sullivan-street said he was not in the city New Year's day, and that the man recorded as voting for him was an imposter.

William H. Hewlett, 106 John-street, swore that he had voted down town, and that the vote credited to him at the 9th sub-division of Ward 4 was not cast by him.

Thomas Curtis, 44 McCaul-street, was not out of his shop all day, but a kind friend cast a ballot for him.

Sarah Allen, 76 McCaul-street; John Bullman, 127 Givens-street, and John Tongo, 2552 Queen-street, swore that they had not voted, tho the record disputed their oaths.

Patrick Flynn of S. St. Patrick's Square said the Peter Flynn recorded as voting was his father, who had not been in Toronto for four months. This closed the list of personated persons.

Votes After the Last Ones.

Then the evidence developed really interesting things. Charles Iredale, scrutineer for ex-Ald. Starr at the booth, was examined. He said he was in the poll from 4.30 to 5. The last voters were two women. This was in corroboration of the evidence of the Cleary sisters and served to fix definitely the time the bulk of the crooked work must have been done at this poll. AS THE WOMEN WENT OUT THE WITNESS SAID A MAN CAME IN BUT WAS TOLD IT WAS TOO LATE TO VOTE, THE POLL HAVING BEEN CLOSED. BUT THE RECORD SHOWED THESE TWO DOZEN VOTERS AS HAVING BEEN GIVEN BALLOTS AFTER THE CLEARY SISTERS.

Iredale, on cross-examination, said he had been out of the booth some 15 minutes after tea, at the request of the returning officer. He said he had not seen a person vote who was not entitled to. When he went out he had seen "card circulators" around, but when he returned the ballot box was in the same position as he last saw it. He had not seen anything wrong.

Crown Attorney Curry, in the course of explanation said to the court that he was prepared to prove that TWENTY-FIVE VOTES WERE RECORDED AS HAVING BEEN CAST AFTER THE CLEARY SISTERS LEFT THE BOOTH; THAT ALL WERE BOGUS; THAT THESE BALLOTS WERE MARKED BY THE SAME HAND FOR BOARD OF CONTROL AND EX-ALD. STEVE BURNS AND S. ALFRED JONES, AND "I WILL URGE YOUR HONOR TO CONCLUDE THAT NOBODY BUT THE DEPUTY RETURNING OFFICER AND THE POLL CLERK COULD HAVE POLLED THESE VOTES OR OTHERS IN COMBINATION WITH THEM."

This formal accusation caused a marked flutter thru the crowd of spectators.

Mr. McPherson at this juncture urged an adjournment as he had to appear at Osgoode Hall. The magistrate refused to entertain the idea, and the defence was left in the hands of D. O. Cameron, who is associated with Mr. DuVernet in the case.

The twenty-five suspicious ballots were produced by City Clerk Littlejohn. This would account for the exact number of personations charged, and proven by the crown. The same hand that had placed these ballots in the ballot box had unquestionably placed the twenty-five blank Board of Education ballots there, both torn off at the same time, to give the appearance of balancing each other.

The twenty-five bogus controllers' ballots showed twenty-two plumpers for Richardson, two for Loudon and one each for Jones and Burns.

Handwriting Expert Stanton.

The climax of all the convincing evidence of fraud came with the handwriting expert—Eldridge Stanton. He is an elderly gentleman with much experience, and an international reputation as an expert in pen and pencil marks made by man. He was asked to look at the bunch of ballots and select those that bore marks connecting them with the same author. He went thru the entire number and picked out the "phoney" ballots, the same marks that had enabled the Crown-Attorney to detect fraud being easily apparent to his expert eye. He said he could not be mistaken, that no one else had made those crosses. He would swear to the correctness of his statement.

Mr. Cameron called his attention again on cross-examination, and asked him if he had ever undertaken before to judge of similarity of crosses and straight marks. The witness said no. The magistrate was evidently much impressed with the skill of the expert.

This closed the case, and the accused was sent up for trial. Mr. Curry observed that bail would be required. The magistrate said: "Yes, two sureties each in $300." Durance did not appear surprised, since he had followed so closely the evidence. The two brothers of Samuel Thompson, accused jointly with Durance, came forward and signed the bond, qualifying on a small piece of real estate.

CASE OF WILLIAM BURNS.

His Counsel Raises a Technical Objection re His Bylaw Votes.

It was 5 o'clock before ex-Controller William Burns was confronted with the charge, "having voted once, and in an election in the city ask for a ballot contrary to law," etc. Evidently the defence was anxious to secure a hearing. Messrs. Slattery and Robinette appeared for Mr. Burns and insisted on going to trial. They thought Mr. Burns would have time to tell his story, as they did not intend to cross-examine the witnesses, and they did not. The accused was in an affable mood, and his attorneys had several witnesses present to aid in establishing the inaccuracy of the records. Among others who were prepared to swear that they were recorded as having voted in the same subdivisions with Mr. Burns were Mrs. Morgan Samme, 26 St. David, and Ellen Cook, 75 Regent. They were present to swear they had not voted for Board of Control in sub-division 9, Ward 3.

Books Appear Again.

The defendant pleaded not guilty. City Clerk Littlejohn came in with more poll books and ballots. The magistrate observed very pointedly that the Crown had just introduced numerous witnesses to prove the inaccuracy of the poll books, and now wanted to offer these books in evidence. Mr. Curry hastily explained that there would be substantiating evidence offered from independent sources to corroborate the books.

In sub-division 8 of Ward 4 the defence admitted having voted for controller and alderman. This was legal.

The record was produced in the 7th division of Ward 3 and showed Mr. Burns had voted there for the Board of Control. This was denied.

In sub-division 1 of Ward 2, checked as having voted for Board of Control and alderman. This was denied.

In sub-division 34 of Ward 1, credited the accused with voting for alderman and sanitarium bylaw. This was admitted and was legal.

In sub-division 10 of Ward 1 the record showed a check against the name of William Burns as having voted for alderman. Mr. Burns admits voting here for the bylaw, but not for alderman. The Crown Attorney declared he had no right to vote in the same ward twice for the sanitarium bylaw. Mr. Slattery took issue.

In sub-division 7, Ward 3, the record checked a vote for Mr. Burns for alderman. This was admitted and is legal.

Rely on the Books.

John Wright was the first witness. He was the deputy returning officer in subdivision 1 of Ward 2. This is the

T. FRANK SLATTERY.

poll in which the record shows a vote credited to Mr. Burns for both controller and alderman, and is denied. He said he would stand by the record. If it showed Mr. Burns credited with voting, he must have voted. He presumed the record was correct, but could not recall, particularly, the case of Mr. Burns voting.

William A. Henderson, the poll clerk for the division, was a very clear-headed witness. He declared if it was down in the book that Mr. Burns secured a ballot there, he got one. That he would stand by, as he was checking the ballots carefully.

Division 10a, Ward 1, was taken up. The record here shows he cast a vote for alderman. Mr. Burns denies that he voted here for alderman, but admits having voted for the bylaw in this booth. W. C. Murray, deputy returning officer of the division, remembered Mr. Burns coming in. Mr. Burns had first mentioned the bylaw. The witness said he had never said Mr. Burns voted for controller in that division, and had corrected the report attributed to him. He recalled perfectly well the appearance of Mr. Burns at his division.

This constituted the Crown case. It was too late to hear Mr. Burns' explanation, tho the defence tried hard to get his story in before an adjournment.

Technical Point Raised.

Mr. Robinette made the observation in the interest of Mr. Burns that the two votes on the bylaw in the same ward would not come under the charge of "voting twice at an election," since the bylaw was not an election. Mr. Curry took positive issue on this point and claimed a conviction on this admission alone. Aside from this aspect of the case against Mr. Burns, however, the two charges that he must explain rest on the allegation, established by the record, that he voted for Board of Control in both division 7, Ward 3, and division 1 of Ward 2. In these two the defence will enter a denial and produce several other persons who claim not to have voted in these same divisions, tho the books record them as having done so. In other words, the defence on the two specific charges is that the books were so inaccurate because of the impersonations going on, that they cannot be relied upon as evidence.

The Burns case will be resumed Wednesday, when the Maguire and Thompson cases will also be called.

NICE POINT RAISED.

James Baird, solicitor for Controller Richardson, remarked to The World yesterday that there was no significance in the absence from the city of Controller Richardson, in view of the quo warranto proceedings being instituted. "My client," he declared, "has nothing to fear from such proceedings." Asked how that was, Mr. Baird referred to certain clauses in the Consolidated Municipal Act, which he maintained have made no provision for declaring the seat of a controller vacant.

Section 219, sub-section 1, in the division of the act entitled "Proceedings to Declare Seat Vacant," says:

"In case of the validity of the election or the appointment or the right to hold the seat of a mayor, reeve, alderman, county councillor or councillor is contested, the same may be tried by a judge of the High Court or the judge or acting judge of the County Court of the county in which the election or appointment of the person whose election or appointment or whose right to sit is contested, was elected or appointed. Any candidate at such election or any elector who gave or tendered his vote thereat, or in case of an election by acclamation, or in case the right to sit is contested on the ground that a member has become disqualified or has forfeited his seat since his election or appointment, any elector entitled to vote at a municipal election in the municipality may be the relator for the purpose. 3 Edward VII, ch. 18, s. 32.

Section 276, sub-section 6, says:

Notwithstanding anything in this act or in any special act contained upon and from the date of the next municipal elections, the Municipal Council of the City of Toronto shall thereafter consist of the Mayor and four controllers to be elected from the city at large, and eighteen aldermen, three of whom shall be elected from each of the six wards of the city, and the four controllers so elected, together with the Mayor, shall be the Board of Control for the said city.

Hence, another obstacle seems to loom up to cloud the procedure in the municipal scandal probing.

PROHIBITION WRIT DENIED.

The writ of prohibition is denied. Thus the technicalities raised to save Samuel Thompson, the D.R.O., from immediate trial have fallen down. It leaves all the accused election officials in worse shape than if it had never been invoked in their behalf, since the original charge of ballot-box stuffing will be pressed and the more serious charge of conspiracy must be fought.

The decision rendered follows:

"The information before the Police Magistrate to be proceeded upon is as follows:

"The said informant, upon his oath, says he is informed and believes that Samuel Thompson on Jan. 1 did, contrary to the law, in a municipal election for the office of controller, fraudulently put into a ballot box for the purpose of said election a paper other than the ballot paper which he is authorized to place in the ballot box.'

"This is a petition for an order of prohibition, made on the ground that the magistrate had not jurisdiction to proceed upon the information. The motion was argued at very great length. Many cases and provisions of statutes were referred to by counsel. I may say on behalf of the applicant the motion was argued with much skill and ingenuity.

"At the close of the elaborate argument I had scarcely a doubt as to what the result should be, but I thought it the safer course to look at the authorities cited and consider the force of the argument before deciding. I have since read and considered, and I now entertain no doubt that the applicant cannot succeed and the application should be, as it is, dismissed."

CAUSED BY LIBERALS.

Ottawa, Feb. 1.—Controller Fred Richardson of Toronto is in the city today and says all the "fuss" in that city over the elections is caused by the Liberals, who are sore over not electing a majority of the members of the Board of Control. He says Judge Winchester is not a proper person to act, and that Crown Attorney Curry is a partizan.

KILLED 60,000 PORCUPINES.

Bounty Claims in Maine Make Drain on State Treasury.

Bangor, Me., Feb. 1.—Stacked hibh on several desks in the Senate Chamber during last week's session of the Governor and Council were the certificates of porcupine returns sent in by Maine towns in 1903. There were returns from 315 cities, towns and plantations, most of them in eastern Maine, and they represented 60,000 porcupines killed by the hunters last year and which have been paid out of the municipal treasuries at the rate of 25 cents per porcupine.

As the legislature appropriated only $500 for porcupine bounties in 1903, and as 60,000 porcupines were killed, the claims amounting to $15,000, it is plain that the number of porcupines in Maine and the enterprise of the hunters were much underestimated by the lawmakers. Moreover, these returns are likely to be far exceeded in 1904, it being expected that 100,000 porcupines will be killed this year, so that the claims will amount to $25,000 more. This will mage a total of $40,000 for the two years, to be met with an appropriation of $1000. The state must find $39,000 somewhere to balance the account. It is likely that the porcupine bounty law will be repealed next session.

Recital in St. George's Hall.

A Charming recital was given in St. George's Hall last night by Miss Jean Forbes, under the patronage of Mrs. Casimir Gzowski and other ladies. Miss Forbes had been connected for some time with the choir of Trinity Methodist Church, and she amply sustained last night the high reputation she there acquired. She first sang "I Will Extol Thee," and as an encore gave the "Ave Maria," which she rendered with much expression. She was ably assisted by Geo. C. Bullock, tenor; Mrs. Scott-Raff, reader, and H. S. Saunders, 'cello, while the accompanist was E. R. Bowles, all of whom were well received.

A Trip in the Old Land.

W. H. Moss, who a couple of years ago spent several months in England with his camera, gave the Toronto Camera Club a delightful talk on over one hundred lantern slides he had made of historic places and buildings he saw during his sojourn there. The slides were fully up to Mr. Moss' best, and there are none better, and his talk was full of information conversationally imparted.

Charged With Theft.

Arnold Brothers, the East Queen-street butchers, are mourning the loss of $184. One of the members of the firm went collecting, and was lucky enough to gather in $200, which he placed in a drawer of the desk. When he went back for it there was only $16 left of the original roll. Peter Lampheen, a former employe, who had only returned to work, was seen near the desk. He was arrested last night at his home, 24 Duke-street.

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STATEMENT OF M'CLEAN REPEATED BY HIS WIFE

Strange Incident Brought Out in Inquest Into the Cause of McClean's Death.

Coroner Young last night commenced an inquest on Edwin McClean, who died in the Emergency Hospital on Saturday. McClean was taken to the hospital on Jan. 25, suffering from the effects of partial asphyxiation. The enquiry was adjourned until the 10th inst.

The principal point brought out was the death-bed statement of the deceased, made to his wife. To her, she claims, her husband said, that it was not the first time Johnston had turned the gas on, while he (deceased) was sleeping.

Samuel Johnston, to whom deceased referred, testified that he had known McClean for a number of years, that they formerly occupied the same room at 37D Victoria-street. On Jan. 23 they moved to 65 William-street, where they had separate rooms. Witness remained with McClean until 11 o'clock Monday night. When he left McClean's room the gas stove was lighted.

He was awakened by Knox, the proprietor of the house, at 5.30 next morning, went to McClean's room and found him suffocating from gas. The gas stove was not lighted. There was a strong smell of escaping gas. He did not know how the gas in the stove had been extinguished.

The house, 65 William-street, has been vacated since the fatality. Coroner Young will issue subpoenas for the Knox family.

HEYD ON GAMEY.

Tells the Liberal Club What He Thinks of Him.

The Young Liberal Club met last night to discuss Gameyism, but prior to the speaking, a somewhat animated passage-at-arms occurred between President Dickenson and ex-President McLaughlin. One of the members made an enquiry of the treasurer in regard to the financial condition of the club, and it appeared that many leading members of the party had been asked for $5 subscriptions, which apparently had not reached the proper officer.

The president vehemently denounced the "cuthroatism" that existed within the party and predicted its prospects, while the ex-president claimed his successor had assumed the duties of his office at too early a date, and had made collections without any warrant.

The subject of the evening was introduced by Louis F. Heyd, K.C., who reviewed the evidence given before the commission, spoke highly of the judges and scored Gamey severely for his Buffalo trip and his actions in connection with the deposit slip. Mr. Gamey had abstracted a document belonging to the bank and had endeavored to substitute in its place a fraudulent and fictitious slip, with the teller's initials on it, an act that might be termed forgery.

J. D. Livingstone expressed the opinion that the money came from the Conservatives, but Geo. Ritchie said that he had traveled extensively thru the province and found that the public were not disabused of the idea that it came from the Liberal party. Stratton's evidence had not been at all satisfactory. Both parties had political crimes to answer for, and it was the duty of Liberals to see that their party was clean.

James McLaughlin said he had also traveled thruout the province and had not found a Liberal who believed the charges.

President Dickenson gave notice that he would introduce at the next meeting a resolution to the effect that THE G. T. P. RY. SHOULD BE BUILT, OWNED AND CONTROLLED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

TO CATCH HUSBANDS.

Dubuque, Ia., Feb. 1.—Twelve Dubuque society girls have formed a leap-year club. Those of the members who fail to win the hearts and hands of the men of their choice before the first of the year will be virtually ostracized from the society of their more fortunate sisters, and will not even be recognized on the street.

The club was formed three weeks ago. Knowledge of it became known when one of the girls proposed marriage to a young man who had been paying her attentions. She informed him that if she failed to marry before the first of the year she would have to entertain the other members at a dinner and after that lose their society. The young man promised to come to her rescue. She is the first to announce her engagement, and the other girls are envious.

Organ Boy Asleep as He Pumped.

Winsted, Conn., Feb. 1.—At the close of the sermon of the Rev. H. K. Job in the Congregational Church in Kent yesterday, the choir arose and sang the first verse of the closing hymn. Then the organ suddenly stopped. The organist started the second verse without the instrument. In the middle of the verse the music started again and all went smoothly. The small boy who pumps the organ had fallen asleep and had been awakened by the "awful pause."

His Tale of Woe.

Last night he got an overdose of that stuff that steals away man's brain. The result is that he was locked up in No. 2 station on a charge of disorderly conduct, after having been taken to the Emergency Hospital and having a cut in his head stitched. His name is James Armstrong and he lives at 26 Terauley-street. While feeling jubilant, he tried to make a rough house in Saperco's pool-room, 127 West Queen-street. During the excitement he fell and injured his head.

Count Zeppelin Tries Anew.

Berlin, Feb. 1.—Count Zeppelin has begun the construction of a new airship. His call for financial assistance brought subscriptions amounting to $112,500.

Toronto Junction Recreation Club.

The door of the Toronto Junction Recreation Club is closed. Tacked to it is the notice "closed for repairs." It was this way on Saturday afternoon and yesterday.

Mr. Orpen, in answer to a query last night as to when the club would "re-open," said that extensive repairs were now in progress, but that the place was not closed to members, who were free to enter as before.

He Was Lucky.

At 6 o'clock last night, Thomas Blaver, 90 Vanauley-street, while attempting to board a car at Yonge and Temperance-streets, slipped. He was dragged several feet and escaped with a number of severe bruises.

Marine Engineers Dance.

The annual ball and supper of the National Association of Marine Engineers held in the Temple last night, was a success in every way. About 100 couples were in attendance. The committee in charge was headed by F. S. Henning, with E. M. Garity as secretary-treasurer, and the Reception Committee of 15 members were complimented on the enjoyable program presented.

TO PREVENT THE GRIP.

Laxative Bromo Quinine removes the cause. To get the genuine, call for the full name. 25c. 246

THE ROBERT **SIMPSON** COMPANY, LIMITED
H. H. Fudger President; J. Wood, Manager. Feb. 2

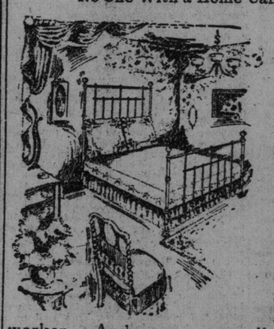
STORE CLOSES AT 5.30.

Stock-Taking To-Morrow Night.

Wednesday night ends our business year. To-morrow we will make the last offer at reducing stock to the lowest possible terms. Of course there will be many little items not worth advertising, but well worth being on the spot to pick up. So to-morrow will be a very good shopping day in any of the departments, as it certainly will in those whose programmes for the day follow herewith.

"Money Saved is Money Earned."

The Furniture Sale Holds Out Opportunities of Saving Such as No One With a Home Can Afford to Overlook.



The old proverb stands as true to-day as ever it was. It remains for you as customers of this store to follow the good sterling advice it implies. This Furniture Sale of ours is offering you the means of doing so. If you save a dollar on one article, dollar and a half on another, ninety cents on a third in a morning shopping you have saved a day's wages for a skilled worker. And you can easily save more than that in the wise investing of your appropriation for new Furniture this February if you come to this store. We are knocking off ¼ to ⅓ on many of the most staple and useful goods known to the Furniture trade. Here is a specimen list for to-morrow. Come and see before the full assortments get broken.

100 Parlor Tables, in hardwood finished, golden oak, mahogany and light maple, 20x20 inch shaped tops, turned legs, with shelf, regular price 1.25 each, on sale Wednesday..... **.89**

Iron and Brass Bedsteads, white enamel finish, 1 1-16 inch post pillars, extra strongly made, with brass knob ornaments, sizes 3 feet, 3 ft. 6in., 4 ft. and 4 ft. 6 in. wide, reg. price 3.75, February Sale Price.. **3.15**

Iron and Brass Bedsteads, 1¼ inch post pillars, extra heavy make, white enamel finish, with brass top rod, brass knobs and caps, extension foot ends, regular price 9.50 each, February Sale Price..... **7.90**

Spring Mattress, heavy hardwood frames, closely woven wire tops, copper wire edge supports, with 4 woven band supports, all sizes, special Wednesday..... **1.28**

Mixed Mattress, in seagrass centre with wool both sides, closely tufted tops, in fancy striped ticking, all sizes, regular price 2.50, special Wednesday..... **1.98**

Extension Tables, hardwood, golden oak finish, 40 inch wide tops, extend 6 feet long, 6 turned post legs, regular price 6.50, February Sale Price..... **5.45**

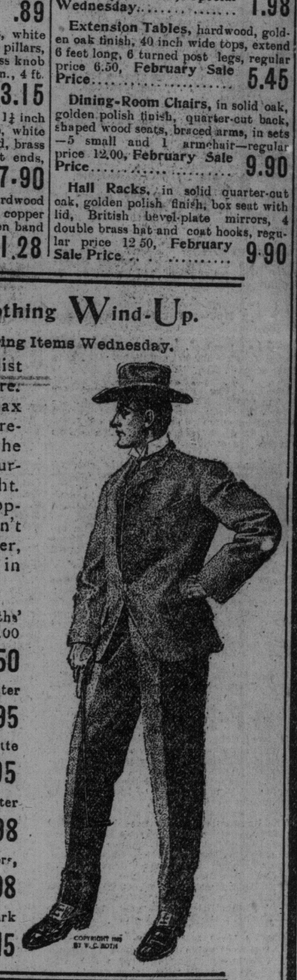
Dining-Room Chairs, in solid oak, golden polish finish, quarter-cut back, shaped wood seats, braced arms, in sets—5 small and 1 armchair—regular price 12.00, February Sale Price..... **9.90**

Hall Racks, in solid quarter-cut oak, golden polish finish, box seat with lid, British bevel-plate mirrors, 4 double brass hat and coat hooks, regular price 12.50, February Sale Price..... **9.90**

The Clothing Wind-Up.

Last Clearing Items Wednesday.

Glance over this list from the Clothing Store. It forms the very climax of the Stock-taking reductions which pave the way for the final figuring to-morrow night. It affords a series of opportunities which haven't been excelled this winter, either in variety or in savings.



24 only Men's and Youths' Tweed Sacque Suits, from 5.00 to 10.00, Wednesday..... **3.50**

45 only Men's Heavy Winter Overcoats, 5.00, 6.00 and 7.50 ones, Wednesday.. **3.95**

40 only Heavy Raglanette Overcoats, regular 7.50 to 10.00, Wednesday.. **4.95**

22 Men's Heavy Winter Reefers, size 35-38 only, 3.50 to 5.00, Wednesday **2.98**

65 Men's Worsted Trousers, regular 3.00 and 3.50, Wednesday..... **1.98**

43 Boys' Norway Coats, dark color, sizes 22-26, 3.00, and 3.50, Wednesday. **1.15**

Soft Shirts and Wool Underwear.

A man is apt to want both sooner or later. Here's reason enough for buying one or both now whether you absolutely need it now or not till a little later.

365 Men's Soft Bosom Neglige Style Shirts, made from good quality shirting cotton, light and medium shades, figures and stripes, cuffs detached, well made, perfect fitting, sizes 14 to 17, regular price 75c, on sale Wednesday, each..... **.47**

180 Men's Fine All-wool Underwear, shirts and drawers, fancy stripe, nice soft winter weight, fine elastic rib cuffs and ankles, drawers outside trouser finished, shirts double breasted, well made and finished, sizes 34 to 42, regular price 1.00, on sale Wednesday, per garment..... **.75**

The Boot That Wears.

We have case after case brought to our attention where a pair of Victors have been worn constantly for twelve months without losing shape or breaking.

Further than that we can give you particulars of Victor shoes wearing for two years.

You won't find many boots at 5.00 a pair wear better than the Victor. And the Victor, remember, only costs you **$3.50**.

For sale at this store exclusively. Our own shoe. All sizes, widths and styles.

Have lunch at Simpson's and save trouble, nuisance and unnecessary extravagance.