

## Dangerous Pitfalls

London, Friday, Dec. 27.—Reviewing the relations between Austria and Serbia a leading commentator emphatically deprecates the view that the political atmosphere is clear. Nothing, according to this writer, has been done beyond making a beginning, and the most formidable difficulties remain to be overcome. These are causing responsible statesmen considerable nervousness.

Nobody knows as yet, says the writer, where Serbia's port on the Adriatic is to be, and the settlement of this point will present most dangerous pitfalls.

The decision as to the Albanian frontiers will be equally difficult owing to the conflict of the ideas of Albania and Serbia.

Diplomatists are further troubled, says the commentator, over the question of the fate of the Aegean islands, which in certain, though unlikely, contingencies may awake European claims for compensation all around.

## ANOTHER MIGHTY RUSH FROM THE UNITED STATES

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—That the American immigration into Western Canada will total no less than two hundred thousand for the fiscal year of 1911-12 is the prediction of W. J. White, head of the Canadian agencies in the United States, who is in Ottawa this week. This is an increase for the year of seventy thousand.

"We predict another big rush this coming spring," he said today, "as the big crop of Western Canada for last season has been a great advantage."

## CHRISTMAS WEDDING BELLS

### Parsons—Lille.

On Christmas afternoon at 5:30 o'clock a quiet wedding took place at the residence of Talbot Street Baptist Church, when Mr. Robert Parsons, of London, was united in marriage to Miss Clara Lille, of this city. Rev. H. H. Bingham performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Parsons will reside at 1048 Mabel street.

### Wardner—Anstead.

At 11:30 o'clock Christmas morning at 134 Maple street, Mr. Alfred Bertam Wardner, of Paisley, was united in marriage to Miss Margaret May Anstead, also of Paisley. Rev. H. H. Bingham performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Wardner will reside in Paisley.

### Teifer—Elliott.

In the presence of about 30 guests on Christmas Day at 4 o'clock in the afternoon Miss Amelia Elliott, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Elliott, of Partridge avenue, was united in marriage to Mr. Wm. Teifer, of Kensington street. Rev. H. H. Bingham, of Talbot Street Baptist Church, performed the ceremony. Miss Jennie Elliott, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid, and Mr. Andrew T. Teifer supported the groom. Mr. and Mrs. Teifer will reside at 14 Partridge avenue.

### Lee—Livingstone.

On Christmas afternoon at three o'clock a quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lee, 729 Elias street, when Miss Margaret Livingstone, of this city, was married to Mr. James W. Lee. Rev. H. H. Bingham performed the ceremony. They were unattended. At the close of the ceremony the guests sat down to a dainty wedding breakfast. Mr. and Mrs. Lee will reside at 729 Elias street.

### Luscombe—Warren.

Rev. T. B. Clark officiated at the wedding yesterday afternoon of Mr. James Luscombe and Miss Florence Marion Warren, both of this city. The ceremony, which was of a very quiet nature, was solemnized in All Saints' Church at 3 o'clock. The bride was attended by Miss Caroline E. Rayner, of St. Thomas, and Mrs. Charles S. Martin acted as groomsmen.

man. The young couple will reside on Queen's avenue.

### Wood—Elson.

The residence of Mr. Peter Elson, M. P., London Township, was the scene of a happy event on Dec. 26, when his youngest daughter, Dora, was married to Louis A. Wood, B. A., B. D., Ph. D., of Robertson Presbyterian College, Edmonton, only son of Mr. and Mrs. George Wood, Central avenue, London.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. Salton, of Arva, assisted by Rev. J. E. Hockey, of Waterloo, and Rev. Dr. Nixon, of London, under a canopy of smiles and white ribbon. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore the gown in which she was presented to their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught at the royal drawing room in Ottawa a few weeks ago. It was of white duchess satin with imported overdress of silk net, heavily embroidered in crystals, with pearl fringe trimmings, and yoke of embroidered chiffon. She wore a long bridal veil, with Juliet cap, wreathed with the orange blossoms worn by her mother at the latter's wedding, and carried a huge shower bouquet of roses and lilies of the valley. She wore the groom's gift, a beautiful pearl and amethyst necklace.

The bridesmaid, Miss Daisy Black, daughter of Captain Black, London, was gown in champagne silk with lace and chiffon rosebud trimmings. She wore a lace cap with osprey mount and carried a bouquet of pink carnations and ferns. She wore a pearl and peridot brooch, the gift of the groom.

Little Florence Dean made a winsome flower girl in a frock of pink silk and lace, and carrying a basket of pink carnations. She wore a gold locket and chain the gift of the groom. Mr. Harry Murchy, of Wyandotte, Mich., supported the groom.

The wedding march was played by Miss Lillian Grant, of London, cousin of the bride, who wore tan silk. Her gift was a pearl and sapphire brooch. Mrs. Peter Elson, mother of the bride, was gown in silver gray velvet, with pearl garnitures; and Mrs. Wood, mother of the groom, wore a gown of tan silk, with overdress of silk net and lace trimmings. Mrs. Dickie, sister of the bride, wore pink

silk, with real lace trimmings, and pink velvet hat with milk trimmings. Dr. Wood is an old London boy, having obtained his early education in this city. Later he graduated from Toronto University and from Montreal Presbyterian College, afterwards going to Germany, graduating from Heidelberg University a year ago. He is at present professor of history in Robertson College, Edmonton.

Dr. and Mrs. Wood left on the evening express for their new home. They will visit Chicago and the large American and Canadian cities en route.

### Hewitt—Scott.

On Thursday evening at 6 o'clock in All Saints' Church, Mr. George John Hewitt and Miss Winnifred Scott were united in wedlock by Rev. T. B. Clarke, the rector of the church. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. William Scott of 715 Nelson street, and was attended by her sister, Miss Eleanor Violet Scott. The bridegroom was assisted by Mr. Edward Reed, of South London. Mr. and Mrs. Hewitt will reside in Smith street, East London.

### Pringle—Ralph.

Hamilton Herald: A quiet but very pretty wedding took place on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30, at All Saints' Church, when Miss Georgina Frances Ralph, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph, of this city, was united in matrimony to Mr. Edward J. Pringle, of this city, by the Rev. Canon Forster. After the ceremony the happy couple left on the 3:30 G. T. R. train, amid showers of confetti and good wishes of a wide circle of friends for London and the west. On their return a reception will be held on the evening of Dec. 29 at the bride's home, 116 Florence street. Mr. and Mrs. Pringle will reside in Hamilton.

### Dimmick—Fleming.

Mr. Herbert Dimmick and Miss May Fleming, of Ingersoll, were married by Rev. Warren L. Steves on Christmas afternoon at 3 o'clock. The couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rutherford, of this city, and left for Ingersoll, where they will reside.

## WALLACEBURG MAN HELD FOR HOLD-UP

Clarence Johnston Run Down by Police After a Week's Search.

### [Special to The Advertiser.]

Sarnia, Dec. 26.—After a week's search Clarence Johnston, 28 years old, a painter, of Wallaceburg, Ont., was arrested in Marine City today, by sheriffs, charged with having been the man who held up Mayor Blood and four other residents of Marine City last Thursday night at a revolver's point. When arrested Johnston was inclined to resist the officers, but when informed that he might be taken back to Sarnia on a fugitive warrant, he agreed to accompany the deputies to Port Huron, where he is now locked up. He will be given a police court examination on Saturday.

Johnston has been in jail before. A year ago he was arrested for burglary committed at Marine City, and is now out on bail in connection with that affair. He has a wife and three children living in Wallaceburg.

## PUBLICITY NEEDED IN HURON COUNTY

Committee Is Already Busy Planning Important Work.

### [Special to The Advertiser.]

Zurich, Dec. 27.—The publicity committee of Huron County, which obtained grants of money from the Government and the county council, deserve credit and encouragement in its work. It has made a good start, and now expects the various municipalities to lend a helping hand. "A boost for the county," said one member, "is a boost for every hamlet within the limits of its possessions. Now that the campaign is open Zurich should lose no time in getting itself in the front row of the boosting procession. Unfortunately Zurich was little known until the last decade it was not plainly on the map. There is no other municipality of the county that needs more attention than this district.

"Transportation facilities come first. The farmer and merchant demand it. The soil is good and the people prosperous. A little exertion is all that is necessary to make Zurich the Los Angeles of the slope to the lake. Organization, then, is the other essential to make the boost effective. The township council will no doubt donate a sum to carry on the campaign locally."

## KINCARDINE MAN DIED IN TORONTO

Abraham J. Evans Was in Sash and Door Business.

### [Special to The Advertiser.]

Kincardine, Dec. 26.—The funeral of Abraham J. Evans, who died recently in Toronto, was held yesterday at Kincardine Cemetery. The pall-bearers were James A. McPherson, E. Fox, R. T. Walker, A. G. McIntyre, D. J. Gedhill and J. C. Cooke. Mr. Evans was well known here, and for many years ran a sash and door factory on the south side of Russell street square.

He was a native of Wales, and was born in 1839. His wife and one daughter, Mrs. H. W. Barker, of Toronto, and three sons, William, Ross and Charles, survive him. He was an active citizen, and filled for years positions in the town council as councillor and reeve.

In 1900 he sold his property and business and went to South Africa, but the stagnation of business caused by the war caused him to return to Canada, and he had resided in Toronto ever since. He was here last summer during the old boys' and girls' reunion.

### VARNA WEDDING

Miss Annie Stephenson Becomes Bride of David Johnston.

### [Special to The Advertiser.]

Varna, Dec. 26.—A very pretty wedding was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stephenson at 6 o'clock last evening, when their daughter, Miss Annie, became the wife of Mr. David A. Johnston, a prosperous young farmer of the Babylon line, Stanley.

The ceremony was performed by Rev.

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Mr. Snowden, pastor of the Methodist Church, assisted by Rev. D. Johnston, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, in the presence of about 40 guests.

## BETTER AT FIFTY THAN AT FORTY

Berlin, Dec. 27.—"The Man of Fifty" is the subject of a Christmas symposium in the Tageblatt, and medical experts, businessmen and artists agree that a man of 50 is no older than a man of 40, and in numerous instances decidedly more useful.

Prof. Kraus asserts it is absurd to describe a man of 50 as even growing old. Only in exceptional cases due to special causes does he reveal decrepitude. He is a specialist, declares that a man of 50 is highly superior in intellectual steadiness, experience and rational living, possesses countless physical and moral advantages over a younger man.

Dr. Leon Zeitlin, secretary of the Berlin Retail Traders' Association, blames the Americanization of German commercial life for the increasing prejudice against the man of 50, which manifests itself in the ruthless casting out of employees who have reached a certain age and their supersession by younger men.

## FINED \$25

Parkhill Hotelman Found Guilty of Selling to Minors.

### [Special to The Advertiser.]

Parkhill, Dec. 26.—In the police court today, Mr. N. E. McKinnon, proprietor of the Arlington Hotel, pleaded guilty to a charge of selling liquor through his bartender, Louis Meredith, to minors. Several witnesses appeared, and from the evidence given he was found guilty, and a fine of \$25 and costs was imposed. Magistrate McTavish gave a warning that if either the minors or Mr. McKinnon were found guilty of a similar offence, he would impose the maximum fine.

## STRUCK ROCK

Efforts to Strike Oil at Zurich May Be Abandoned.

### [Special to The Advertiser.]

Zurich, Dec. 27.—After sinking a pipe 50 feet, the experiment of Dr. Strooskopf was abandoned on Saturday. The point of the pipe struck a rock, and the great weight of the pipe-driver bent the pipe in such a way that further operations were impossible. Another trial in a new place, by first drilling and then putting in the pipe, will be made in the spring. The doctor said that if he cannot get oil he will get water.

## TO DISCUSS HYDRO

St. Marys Station May Serve Many Customers in This District.

### [Special to The Advertiser.]

St. Marys, Dec. 26.—Chairman Weir, of the local water, light and heat board, who has been trying to have communities west of St. Marys hitch up to St. Marys sub-station for electric energy, called a special meeting of the board to arrange a public meeting by request of Mr. Charles J. Leacock, consulting engineer of the hydro-electric power commission of Ontario, who wired from Newmarket that he could come here Saturday afternoon and give an address on the benefits of extension of hydro-electric power.

On resolution of Commissioner Currie it was voted that 300 posters be ordered announcing a meeting of the farmers, villagers and communities in the vicinity of St. Marys, to be held in the town hall. The meeting will be held on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 28, at 2 o'clock, and Mr. Charles J. Leacock, consulting engineer of the hydro-electric power commission of Ontario, will give an address.

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Extra quality selected Black Goat.....\$16.50  
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## A Final Clearing in Furnishings

Silk Neckwear, 35c quality.....18c, three Ties for 50c  
IMPORTED SILK AND WOOL HOSE in grays, best 50c quality.....40c, three pairs for \$1.10  
Belfast Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, 2 for 25c  
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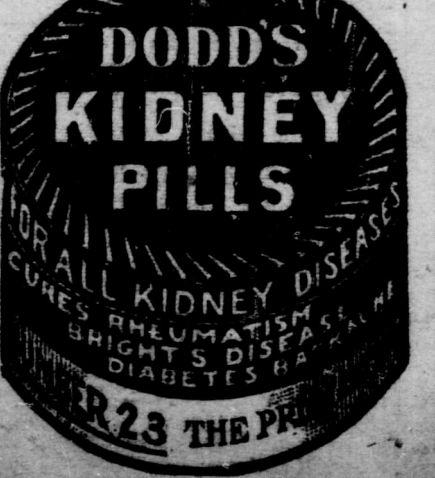
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## SHAW—SMITH

Pretty Christmas Wedding at Bride's Home in Alvinston.

### [Special to The Advertiser.]

Alvinston, Dec. 26.—A quiet but pretty wedding took place on Wednesday at noon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Smith, when their third daughter, Maude May, was united in marriage to J. S. N. Shaw, of Alvinston. Rev. James H. McLeod, of St. John's Church, performed the ceremony. The bride was gown in white, and was unattended. After the ceremony the company sat down to a splendid dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Shaw will reside in Alvinston.



## ELECTED OFFICERS

G. H. Baker Is Chief Ranger of Teeswater Foresters.

### [Special to The Advertiser.]

Teeswater, Dec. 27.—At the annual election of officers of Court No. 52 of the Canadian Order of Foresters the following brethren were elected: H. C. R.—G. Henry Baker. V. C. R.—W. Haskirk. Secretary—Dr. C. S. Fowler. Financial Secretary—D. McIntosh. Chaplain—S. R. Brill. S. W.—Frank Arcsott. J. W.—Charles Donough. S. E.—N. Dimert. J. B.—Robt. Bradley.

### GOING TO OTTAWA.

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—Rev. Charles R. Duncan, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Port Huron, Mich., has accepted a call to Fourth Avenue Baptist Church, this city. He will assume his new charge early in February.

## STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

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Russia	New York	Libau
Bulgaria	Baltimore	Hamburg
Menominee	Boston	Antwerp
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Arable	Liverpool	Boston
Winnifred	Liverpool	Boston
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