

After Dinner

To assist digestion, relieve distress after eating or drinking too heartily, to prevent constipation, take

Hood's Pills

Sold everywhere. 25 cents.

AROUND THE CITY.

From Yesterday's Last Edition.

—Capt. R. K. Barker, of Toronto, is in the city.

—The grand jury will visit Victoria Hospital tomorrow afternoon.

—Mrs. Complin, of 76 Albion street, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ball, Chatham.

—The Children's Aid Society have placed one of their boys in a foster home in Oxford county.

—Mr. A. W. Seligson, of the Western Medical College, is spending New Year holidays in Berlin and Elmhurst.

—Many friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. George Hayes, of Wellington street, is improving from a severe illness.

—Mr. C. S. Hyman, M. P. for London, is spoken of as probable mover of the address in the House of Commons.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Guiney, of Toledo, Ohio, are visiting Mrs. Guiney's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Clegg, corner Waterloo and Grey streets.

—Mr. Dougald Scott, a highly esteemed resident, died this morning at Victoria Hospital, in his 59th year. The remains were conveyed to Rodney for interment.

—Mr. Simon McLeod, elected to the county council recently by acclamation, we regret to state, has been very poorly of late, being confined to his house. Latest reports are, however, a little more favorable.

—Mr. J. H. Richards, agent for the "Tide of Life" Company, is in the city arranging for the production of this play at the London Opera House on Tuesday next. The company is at present playing to crowded houses in Detroit.

—Sheriff Cameron begs to acknowledge the receipt of \$10 from an anonymous donor, signed "Thankofferer," towards the fund of the Children's Aid Society. The amount has been handed to Mrs. J. I. A. Hunt, treasurer, and is a welcome and much appreciated addition to the society's fund.

—The regular meeting of the W. M. S. of the Wellington Street Methodist Church was largely attended, at the home of Mrs. Earl, Simcoe street, on Thursday afternoon. After the business was attended to a good programme on missionary work was carried out. Rev. Mr. Hamilton, being present, encouraged the ladies on to renewed effort for the betterment of the new century. The hostess served tea at the close of the meeting.

PRESIDENT EVERETT HERE.

President Everett and Directors Moore and Wasson, of Cleveland, are in the city to attend the annual meeting of the London street railway, which takes place this afternoon.

TAXES.

There remains about \$45,000 taxes unpaid. Payments should be made before Feb. 1.

A MANAGER MISSING.

J. K. Spry, manager of the Parisian Laundry here, is in temporary charge of the Toronto branch of the laundry, pending an investigation into the accounts of Mr. E. M. Moffatt, the former manager there, who disappeared a few weeks ago.

POLICE COURT.

Two alleged wife-beaters appeared in police court this morning. One, James Taylor, was found guilty, and sentence was deferred for a week. Taylor was also bound over in \$500 to keep the peace. Joseph E. Campbell, charged with assaulting his wife, Alice Campbell, will be tried next Wednesday.

W. C. T. U.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held in their rooms, Somerset Hall, on Tuesday, Jan. 8. Mrs. Gordon Wright presided. The corresponding secretary read three important papers on "Scientific Temperance," "Juvenile Work," and "Temperance in Sunday Schools." The treasurer's report was received as read. Mrs. E. J. MacRobert and Mrs. B. J. MacRobert, who were elected as delegates to the annual conference of the W. C. T. U. in London, were also present. The meeting closed with prayer.

WILL SEE THE END.

Mr. Harry Barty has received word that his son, Gunner Walter Barty, is not on the Rosslyn Castle, which has arrived at Halifax. He joined "Gat" Barty's company and will stay in South Africa for another six months. Among all the splendid young Londoners who went to the war none have reflected more credit upon the city than young Barty. The story of his exploits in joining the regiment though only 19 years of age, is well known, and it is with little surprise that it is learned that he has determined to stay and be in at the finish. It is no little honor, either, to be chosen one of the famous Howard's corps.

INSPECTOR MURRAY'S HOLIDAY.

Toronto Globe: Chief Inspector John Murray, of the provincial detective staff, who has been seriously ill for some time, has recovered sufficiently to travel, and will spend three months in Jamaica, West Indies. He will return to Canada in April, probably in time to be present at the Sifton murder trial at London. The inspector spent a good deal of time on the Sifton case in the fall.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup

Has been used for over FIFTY YEARS by MILLIONS of MOTHERS for their CHILDREN WHILE TEething, with PERFECT SUCCESS. IT SOOTHES the CHILD, SOFTENS the GUMS, ALLAYS all PAIN, CURES WIND COLIC, and is the best remedy for DIARRHŒA. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind.

RESIDED BY TIME.—In his justly celebrated "Pills Dr. Parmelee has given to the world one of the most unique medicines offered to the public in late years. Prepared to meet the want for a pill which could be taken without nausea, and that would purge without pain, it has met all requirements in that direction, and it is in general use not only because of these two qualities, but because it is known to possess alternative and curative powers which place it in the front rank of medicines.

NOT FOR COL. OTTER

British Officer to Get the Kingston Appointment.

Second Contingent Men at Halifax Have Been Paid Off and Started for Home.

(Special to Advertiser per C. P. R.) Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 9.—The result of Lieut.-Col. Otter's visit to Ottawa is that he will not go to Kingston as commander of the Royal Military College, but will otherwise be provided for.

Apart from the fact that the imperial authorities have been making arrangements for Major Read, a British officer, to fill the position, Col. Otter has waived any claims he had for the position in favor of an imperial officer.

The official announcement of Major Read's appointment may be expected any day. It is said that the technical qualifications required for the position, Col. Otter and other Canadian officers do not possess, although Canadians generally would have been satisfied to have given Col. Otter a chance.

The second contingent men, the militia department received a telegram from Lieut.-Col. Vidal, at Halifax, stating that all the men on the Rosslyn Castle were paid off at 10 o'clock this morning. They will proceed west immediately after dinner.

CITY HALL NOTES.

The official returns, as prepared by Returning Officer Kingston, give Ald. Jolly 1,358 and Mr. Abram 1,355. The returns sent to The Advertiser by the deputy returning officer of the first division in No. 4 ward give Ald. Jolly 35, while Mr. Kingston's figures give him 41. It is the difference that gives him a majority of 6. It was rumored about the city hall today that Mr. Abram would have a recount. To do this he would have to deposit \$25 with the clerk of the county court. If successful it would be refunded to him. When Ald. Pritchard, who continues to be alderman until Monday next, heard that there might be a recount, he said that he wanted to be included in it and would be willing to share the expense.

The allotment of chairmanships and divisions into committees are now chief sources of surprise among the aldermen-elect. Last year a majority of the council met privately and named them. It is almost conceded that Ald.-Elect Greenlees will be given No. 1 committee. His previous experience makes him peculiarly adapted for the position. Ald. Winnett will, in all likelihood, get No. 2 committee. It is hinted that Ald.-Elect Farnell might stand a good chance for it, but he submitted to the pressure brought to bear upon him to run, upon the understanding that he would be only a private member of a committee. Some considerable doubt exists as to the chairmanship of No. 3 committee. Both Ald. Gerry and Ald. Stevely are mentioned in this connection. Both have had experience in the council and would make good men for the position. It is hinted, though, that the final decision is made, Ald.-Elect Stevely will be the man.

The newly-elected council meets on Monday morning at 11 o'clock. The presentation of the mayor's inaugural address, the drafting of committees and the making of appointments will be important business before the aldermen. The council will appoint two members of the board of health, two auditors, nine directors (with the mayor) to the Port Stanley Railway board, five to the Western Fair board, one to the Public Library board (in place of Mr. Macklin, who retires), and two school trustees (Mr. E. J. MacRobert and Mrs. B. J. MacRobert retiring this year). In this connection a little story is whispered about Trustee Logan's term expires this year, and he did not seek re-election. It is said that Mr. MacRobert, who voted against the continuance of the famous lawsuit, felt that he could safely face the people for re-election, while Mr. Logan, not being in the same position, determined to run chances of appointment by the council.

The majority of those in whom the power of appointment is vested are apparently of the opinion that Trustee Macpherson is the best man for the position. Such a choice would be a wise one.

Ald.-Elect Stevely was the first to swear "that he would be a good boy while an alderman," as the city clerk put it. Many others followed later in the day.

The assessment commission has requested Commissioner Grant to tell them the total value of all assessments of real property (excluding vacant land) greater than \$2,000, and \$3,000 and \$4,000, after deducting from each assessment \$2,000, \$3,000, and \$4,000 respectively; also the total assessed value of all vacant land in the city, and all built on or improved. They acknowledge with thanks the receipt of his previous data.

The new board of water commissioners holds its inaugural meeting on Monday.

Suspended Payment.

The Stevens Manufacturing Company, of this city, have suspended payment. The liabilities are understood to be large, but it is expected that arrangements may be made to continue the business, and to reduce the losses to the lowest minimum.

INFAMOUS RHEUMATISM.—Mr. S. Ackerman, commercial traveler, of Belleville, writes: "Some years ago I used Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil for inflammatory Rheumatism, and three bottles effected a complete cure. I was the whole of one summer unable to move without crutches, and every movement caused excruciating pains. I am now out on the road and exposed to all kinds of weather, but have never been troubled with rheumatism since. I, however, keep a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Oil on hand, and I always recommend it to others, as it did so much for me."

SATISFACTORY EXPLANATION

Made by the Marquis of Dufferin

Of His Connection With the Suspended London and Globe Finance Co.

London, Jan. 8.—Amidst cries of "Turn him out," hootings and other hostile interruptions, the Marquis of Dufferin, chairman of the suspended London and Globe Finance Corporation (Limited), at the extraordinary general meeting of the company, called for today, succeeded in at least temporarily appeasing the wrath of shareholders.

The hall was packed, and the directors were evidently supported by a certain faction, as warm cheering was mingled with the hisses and hoots. As a result of the explanations of the directors the shareholders voted an adjournment until Monday, when a scheme for the reconstruction of the company will be submitted.

Lord Dufferin spoke with evident emotion as he explained his personal relations with the corporations, and the result of the meeting was largely a tribute to himself. During the course of his remarks he explained that he was to take her at once to South Africa, and he said that he felt that when two such eminent men were connected with the company, he could legitimately expect to be able to do so.

He soon discovered he had but few opponents, who desired his resignation, hoping that a depreciation of securities would follow. But he stuck to his position and investments, and through a greater sufferer than most of the shareholders, he had no regret if he helped to convince them of his good faith. Later he found the duties to be a physical strain beyond his advancing years, and wanted to withdraw, but was deterred by the fear of the detrimental effect of his withdrawal, and he held on to the chairmanship, until he received news of the serious condition of his youngest son. Then he yielded to his mother's prayers, and he was to be replaced by his son, and he sent in his resignation with a clear conscience, believing that the surrender of his position under such a company was so natural that no one would dream of placing a sinister interpretation upon it. He had no anticipation that the London and Globe would default from its engagements on the stock exchange. The news reached him in Ireland, and in the presence of such a calamity, he felt that every private concern must be sunk.

In conclusion, Lord Dufferin, who was deeply moved, declared that the patience and generosity with which the shareholders had heard him would be one of the brightest sources of his old age. He resumed his seat amid loud cheers.

Mr. Whitaker Wright's reception was of a mixed character. He announced that the directors had practically arranged with the creditors, and that the company would soon be sailing smoothly again. It would be necessary to adjourn until Monday, when he believed the shareholders would hear that all their interests were safe, and that a scheme for the reconstruction of the company would be proposed insuring its further prosperity. Mr. Wright added that he had advanced a quarter of a million pounds to the corporation over its struggle. Mr. Wright's further remarks were listened to with considerable impatience, and the meeting adjourned with further cheers for Lord and Lady Dufferin.

GRAVEL STONES LIKE BEANS

Reuben Draper, of Bristol, Que., Saves His Life by a Timely Use of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Bristol, Que., Jan. 7.—"I have the stones in a bottle at home and can show them to any one who doubts my story," said Mr. Reuben Draper, of this place, after relating his remarkable experience with the dread disease Gravel.

This is what he says: "About three years ago I was suffering great pain with Gravel. The doctor came twice and prescribed medicine, but it did me no good and charged me fifteen dollars. A man told me Dodd's Kidney Pills had cured his mother, so I bought some.

"After using them a week I passed a stone as large as a bean and four days later another as large as a grain of barley. From this on I gained strength. This is three years ago, and I have had no pain or symptom of the old trouble since. Dodd's Kidney Pills are certainly the best medicine in the world."

CARADOC.

Interesting Wedding at the Residence of Mr. and Mrs. Röckey.

A very pleasant event took place at the residence of W. H. Röckey, Caradoc, on Wednesday, Jan. 2, it being the marriage of their daughter Beatrice Pearl to Mr. Douglas Black, of Ekfrid.

At the hour appointed the bridal party entered the parlor. Rev. Mr. Pitkey taking the lead, followed by the groom and his father, and the bride, leaning on her father's arm, carrying a beautiful bouquet of flowers. The ceremony was impressively performed by Rev. Mr. Pitkey, assisted by Rev. Mr. Hurdston of Mount Brydges.

After the ceremony the guests to the number of sixty, sat down to a choice repast which was much enjoyed after a long drive in the cool morning air.

Among those present were the Messrs. Livingstone, Waford, Miss McQuarrie, Miss Röckey, Mr. Wilkins, London; Mr. and Mrs. Röckey, St. Thomas; Mrs. Allen and daughter, Mrs. and Miss Fisher, Delaware; Miss Fisher, Buffalo; Misses McKenzie, Gleason, Mrs. Black, Adelaide; Mr. and Mrs. Brown and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. George Black and family; Mr. Fisher, Mr. Black, Mr. Twilston, Misses Clarke, Mr. Waters, Mr. and Mrs. P. Jones, Mount Brydges; Mr. and Mrs. Hoover and daughter, Byron, and Mr. and Mrs. I. Haggerty, Wallaceburg. The bride was the recipient of many useful and valuable presents. The happy couple left for Mount Brydges on the afternoon train amid showers of rice and followed by the good wishes of their many friends.

90 PEOPLE

In Deadly Peril on Board a Stranded Steamer.

Life-Savers Cannot Reach Them Owing to the Tremendous Sea Running.

Marseilles, Jan. 9.—Dispatches from the village of Faraman, near which the French mail steamer Russe, from Oran, Algeria, stranded on Monday, in a violent storm, with 90 passengers and a crew of 40 on board, say that all efforts to reach the steamer have failed, owing to the tremendous height of the seas which are running.

The pilot boats and torpedo boats which have attempted to reach the steamer have been unable to battle with the waves, and have returned.

The only hope seems to be in the ability of the life-savers to throw a line over the Russian when the wrecked vessel shall be driven close to the shore. The forecastle and part of the forward deck house are all of the vessel remaining above water.

The beach was lined all night with watchers. Lights were seen on board of the steamer. It is believed that some of those on board of her must already have been drowned, although no bodies have been washed ashore.

THE ONLY BASIS

Memorial by Ontario Bar to the Prime Minister.

Asking That Merit by Distinction at the Bar Be Alone Considered in Appointing Judges.

Toronto, Jan. 9.—A deputation of the Ontario Bar, composed of the Hon. S. H. Blake, Q.C.; Z. A. Lash, Q.C.; Frank Arnold, Q.C.; G. G. S. Lindsey, Q.C.; W. R. Smyth and Walter Holland, waited upon the prime minister yesterday and presented to him the memorial set out below. The Hon. Mr. Blake, in the absence of Mr. Aemilius Irving, the treasurer of the Law Society, presented the memorial, and in so doing impressed upon the premier the unanimous view of the bar that no man should be appointed to the bench on account of nationality, creed or party claims, but on account alone of eminence and standing in the legal profession.

It was afterwards announced that the premier, in reply, expressed his entire concurrence in the memorial, and expressed his intention to call an informal discussion of the matter the deputation withdrew.

The memorial, which is signed by over 200 members of the Ontario bar practicing in this city, read as follows: "The signatories to this memorial recognize the fact that in the past appointments to the high court bench in Ontario have been merited by distinction previously attained at the bar and have been made without regard to other considerations than the public interests. Your signatories wish to express to you, as first minister, among the excellencies of your policy, their hope and trust that when the Ontario bench comes to be filled the government will not depart from the traditional surrounding this high office in the past, but will continue to deserve the confidence of the people by selecting for such exalted positions men of standing and eminence in the profession, without attaching undue weight to other considerations which may be urged."

UP-TO-DATE PREACHING.

Indianapolis Minister Claims It Does More Harm Than Good.

Indianapolis, Jan. 9.—Dr. Frank G. Ballard, pastor of the Memorial Presbyterian Church, stirred up the ministers of this city at their meeting Monday. He was discussing the denials that congregations make upon their pastors, and said that this forced the ministers to seek ideas at the expense of conviction. He asserted that what is known as "up-to-date" preaching is doing more harm than good. He contended that it is not right for a minister to deliver sermons on "sociology, biology, or any other 'ology,' as that is not the work he is put in the pulpit to perform.

"A preacher," says Dr. Ballard, "is intended to preach the Gospel. If he is educated in the sciences it is all right for him to use them in reference to his sermon, but the main truth must not be lost sight of—that a preacher is to preach the Word of God, and not to become a professor of sciences."

The paper was discussed by the ministers, and the praise accorded it was unanimous. One of the ministers told how he paid a visit to a church in this city, and heard a minister preach that a devil was a gentleman, and a man about an hour and a half to prove it. Not a word about anything else.

HE SPANKED HER WITH A FRYING PAN

Dr. Mosher Indicted for Assault on His Wife's Companion.

Somerville, N. J., Jan. 9.—The grand jury failed to indict Dr. Abram Mosher, of Griggstown, for the murder of William Vonschefflin, his coachman, who was found dead near the doctor's house a few weeks ago.

Dr. Mosher was indicted, however, on the charge of assault and battery on Miss Maud Fisher, the companion of Mrs. Mosher. The alleged assault was committed on Thanksgiving Day. Mrs. Mosher is now suing for divorce.

The evidence in the assault case shows that Dr. Mosher spanked Miss Fisher with a frying-pan on Thanksgiving morning, when she and Mrs. Mosher attempted to interfere with him in an attempt to prepare his own breakfast in the kitchen. Miss Fisher states that she was struck on the head with the frying-pan. Dr. Mosher says that Miss Fisher came at him with the frying-pan, and that he acted in self-defense. Dr. Mosher was arraigned before Justice Garretson and pleaded non vult to the charge.

When a man's temper gets the best of him it generally shows the worst of him.

GRAY & PARKER, 150 Dundas Street.**January Clearing Sale**

All winter goods to be cleared out before stock-taking.

Note the Prices

Ladies' Jackets, were \$3 75 and \$4, for.....\$1 90
Ladies' Jackets, were \$5 and \$5 50, for.....\$2 90
Ladies' Jackets, were \$6 50 and \$7 50, for.....\$4 90
Ladies' Jackets, were \$10 and \$12, for.....\$5 00

Remember These Goods Are All This Season's Purchases.

Dress Goods

Cloth Dress Goods, double fold, in black, navy, brown and green, only, yard.....12½c
Fancy Cloth Dress Goods, regular price 25c; sale price, yard.....18c
All-Wool Plaids, regular price 35c, for, yard.....25c
In Heavy Goods, 56 inches wide, Plaid Suitings, our regular price \$1 25, for, per yard.....98c
Ask to see our Special Serge, in heavy and fine twill, navy and black, at, yard.....50c

They Cannot Be Beat for the Money.

White Blankets

All-wool, heavy-weight, nice and fluffy, for, pair.....\$2 18

All Blankets and Comforters at Reduced Prices.

GRAY & PARKER, 150 DUNDAS STREET.**AN IMPERIAL COUNCIL**

Executive of the British Empire League in Canada Wants One for Consultative Purposes.

Toronto, Jan. 9.—At a meeting of the executive committee of the British Empire League yesterday afternoon the following resolution was passed unanimously on the motion of Mr. J. Herbert Mason, seconded by Mr. Alex. McNeill, M. P.

"That this committee being in favor of the formation of an imperial consultative council, urges strongly upon our government and upon the league in England, that an imperial conference be called on an early date to consider the establishment of such a council and to consider also the questions of imperial defense, imperial preferential trade, imperial cables, a uniform imperial solvency law and such other subjects as may be agreed upon."

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Letter to Devonians Living in Canada.