INCREASE IN ALL SERIOUS OFFENCES

Shown by the Annual Report of the Chief of Police.

Arrests For Drunkenness Numbered 843---Chief Wants More Men.

Dr. James Roberts, surgeon to the

Dr. James Roberts, surgeon to the department, reported 12 examinations for admission and 47 calls for sickness. Two members had been absent for long periods, one owing to derangement of the nervous system, the other to serious affection of the lungs.

The 2,960 crimes and offences in con-

nection with which prosecutions were carried on were as follows: Abduction; 1," assault, 141; assault, aggravated, 60; assault and interference with police, 19;

assault, indecent, 7: assault and robbery,

10: arson, 1; attempt to commit indictable offence, 9; attempt to commit suicide, 1; breach of cab by-law, 23; breach

lty to acent, 1; discharging mean, 1; disorderly, urbing religious meeting, 1; disorderly, 198; drunk, 843; drunk and disorderly, 200; disorderly, 198; drunk and disorderly, 200; disorderly, 20

198; drunk, 843; drunk and dispruency, 214; escaping from custody, 1; facing fruit, 3; fraud, 2; frequenting gambling house, 109; frequenting house of ill-fame, 1; furious driving and riding, 10; gambling, 33; gross indeency, 3; having conflative materials in their mossession.

losive materials in their possession, housebreaking and theft, 21; inmates

f ill-fame, 12; incorrigible j insanity, 16; indecent expe

keeping house of ill-fame, 5: ke

port, from which the following extracts are taken:

Chief Smith submitted his annual report, from which the following extracts are taken:

During the year 2,960 persons were trrested or summoned, being an increase increased or summoned, being an increase increased or summoned, being an increase in the following beautiful to the conduct of the force has been satisfactory, few cases of misbehavior having been reported. arrested or summoned, being an increase of 722 as compared with 1906. The following comparative statement shows ported that local property to the value of \$4.654.82 that had been lost or stolen had been recovered, while stolen foreign property to the value of \$1.080 had been recovered. The department made 245 city and 19 outside arrests. the increases of indictable offences re-

			In-
1	906.	1907. c	rease.
Murder	-	1	1
Assault and robbery	6	12	6
Burglary	3	6	3
Pocketpicking	8	10	2
Housebreaking	45	64	19
Theft	373	433	60
Theft of bicycles	64	74	10

Totals 499 600 101 Comparative statement of lost and stolen property:

1906. 1907. crease stolen property within the city \$10,825 \$9,256 \$1,569

Value of lost o stolen property within the city

recovered by the police\$ 5,963 \$5,192 \$ 771 Outside property recovered was valed at \$1,080, an increase of \$642.
liscellaneous cases 133
ceurrences reported 1,033
arests made 1,164

cas afterwards judicially executed.

Burgiary—The returns show an inrease of three cases, as compared with
906, the loss being \$218.

House and shopbreaking—Sixty-four
ases were reported and the property
tolen was valued at \$1,748, being \$713
in excess of last year. A number of
the entries were facilitated by the negcet of householders, who left doors and
cindows insecure. vindows insecure.

ed by the thieves from twelve perdirectly responsible for a majority of these cases were apprehended and con-

ricted.

Thefts—433 thefts were committed, as against 373 in 106, but the loss was cketpicking-There were ten cases

etpicking reported, with a loss as compared with eight cases with a loss of 8414. Two of cases occurred at the railway sta-and netted the thieves almost

veniles 89 juveniles were charged indictable offences as against 85 in

Gambling—The difficulties that the police have to contend with, in respect to gambling have not been lessened by any amendment to the law. More persons have been prosecuted, but the results are far from satisfactory, and will continue so until the police are given mare extended nowers.

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Houses of Ill-fame—Houses of ill-fame have had the usual attention, and prosecutions were instituted against keepers, inputes and frequenters, when the circumstances justified police action.

Inquests—Thirty inquests were held during the year, heing an increase of seven over the previous year.

Ambulance Service—Two thousand and five calls were received, as against 1.880 in 1906. For services rendered non-residents the sum of \$137\$ was collected and pald to the city treasurer.

Patrol Signal System should be extended. A box is needed on James street in the vicinity of Burlington street. The box on the gorner of Wentworth and Barton streets should be moved further east, and a new box creeted on Barton street and Victoria avenue. A largest for the last five years—1903. 2062: 1904, 2.246: 1905, 2.246: 1905, 2.245: 1906.

Witcherait, 1.

Disposition of cases in the police court he provised in the police court he provised in the police court. Acquitted, 49; bound over to keep the peace, 14; fined, 1.314; both and the police court of the Care of the Children's Aid Sop. 5; sent to the Alexandria Industrial School, 26; sent to the Asylum for the Insane, 7; sent to the Alexandria Industrial School, 20; sent to the Provincial Penitentiary, 4; sent to St. John's Industrial School, 20; sent to the Victoria Industrial School, 20; sent to the Submitted to the central Prison, 20; committed to the provincial Penitentiary, 4; sent to St. John's Industrial School, 20; sent to the Victoria Indust street. The low on the corner of Many Assistant Dense, proceeds by the street of the process of the street of the

CHILDREN'S AID.

Encouraging Reports at the Meeting Held Yesterday.

The regular monthly meeting of the Children's Aid Society was held yester-day in the parlor of the Y. M. C. A., James street. In addition to the regular neeting there was the quarterly meeting of the Executive and delegates combined, from city churches. A report was read by which the latter were fully informed of all that had been done by the society since last quarterly meeting, and of th work generally. Mr. Adam Brown, President, was

Mr. Adam Brown, President, was in the chair. The minutes of last meeting were read by the Secretary, Miss Forbes, and confirmed. A number of communications were read. The Inspector, Mr. Wm. Hunter, made reports of children placed out in foster homes, and of necessary and satisfactory changes that had been made in some of the homes of some of the wards of the society. The inspector said he had not word any children begging or carrying liquor. Should anyone, however, learn of such, the President will be obliged if he be furnished with information; also should anyone know of any children being illtreated, the society desires such to be reported to Inspector Hunter or President Adm Brown.

Several reports from the visitors of the Government to the society's wards in their foster homes were read, and were most encouraging.

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been acknowledged by the Treasurer.

The President drew attention to th interest taken by the Grand Jury in th work of the society, as shown in the reference to the care of neglected children, and need of a shelter in their ad dress to Mr. Justice Teetzel, at the late Assizes, and of His Lordship's strong Assizes, and of His Lordship's strong and sympathetic response, strongly urg ing that a shelter be provided. It is to be hoped that the words of the Judge ing that a shelter be provided. It is to be hoped that the words of the Judge and jury will have weight with the municipal authorities, as to providing a shelter, and also generously aiding the society in its good work, not alone in the lower ground of saving the city a large sum of money each year, but on the infinitely higher one of fitting the neglected children to become good citizens. Mr. Hunter reported that during the past year 26 cases had been sent to institutions in Toronto, for which the city has to pay. Very many of these could have been dealt with here, had there been a shelter.

Mr. Brown read a very interesting letter from the late Secretary, Mrs. Urquhart, giving an account of the Children's Aid work in the county of Waterloo, where she is on a visit, and of the generous support of Berlin, Galt and other places.

able offence, 9; attempt to commit suicide, 1; breach of cab by-law, 23; breach
of carters' by-law, 4; breach of city bylaw, 299; breach of Dentistry Act, 1;
breach of contract, 1; breach of Emigration Act, 1; breach of Game Act, 3;
breach of Gas Companies Act, 16;
breach of Gas Companies Act, 16;
breach of Lord's Day Act, 13; breach of
Motor Vehicle Act, 3; breach of Postal
Act, 1; breach of Police Commissioners'
regulations, 3; breach of School Act, 40;
bringing stolen goods into Camada, 2;
carrying unlawful weapons, 14; clandestinely removing goods, 1; child desertion, 1; criminal neglect of duty, 1; cruelty to animals, 11; destroying document, 1; discharging firearms, 2; disturbing religious meeting, 1; disorderly,
198; drunk, 842; decays a vii in religious

ASCENSION WOMEN.

Annual Meeting of the Auxiliary Held Yesterday.

ing house, 8; mischief, 4; murder, 1; neglect to support wife and family, 18; nursance; 7; obscene and profane lan' guage 22; obtaining money and goods by false pretences, 12; perjury, 6; pointing revolver, 3; refusing to pay car fare, 1; receiving stolen goods, 5; refusing to pay wages, 118; refusing to pay car fare, 1; receiving stolen goods, 5; refusing to assist officer, 1; resisting arrest, 1; rioting, 1; seduction, 1; selling liquor contrary to law, 18; selling liquor contrary to law, 18; selling tobacco to minor, 1; selling liquor without a license, 12; shopbreaking and theft, 14; shooting with intent, 1; trespass, 59; threatening, 16; theft, 220; uttering counterfeit coin, 1; vagrancy, 152; wilful damage, 55; witcherait, 1.
Disposition of cases in the velling est was shown in the Society's work. The Recording Secretary's report showed 129 members on the roll. The Treasurer's report showed total receipts \$477.33. During the year bales have been sent valued at \$79.96. The Dorcas Treasurer reported 43 people provided with clothing. The Treasurer of the Juniors' Auxiliary reported total receipts \$30.75. The reports of the various committees showed they were full of activity and interest.

EMERY WARDEN OF WENTWORTH

Reeve of East Flamboro Elected on First Ballot.

Saltfleet Representative Was the Only Objector.

Warden Gives a Hint About the County Finances.

The Council for 1908 of the County of Wentworth made its initial bow yesterday afternoon, at the chambers in the Court House, and the members made it clear that business is to be attended to promptly this year. The work of the Council last year was such that the electors had every reason to feel higrly gratified at the manner in which the councillors conducted themselves. This year's Council is largely made of the same men, with the exception of five new men, and these have had considerable Township Council experience. It is expected that business will be trans-

The first order of the afternoon was the election of Warden. Clerk Jardine Councillor Malcolm, seconded by uncillor Guest, Mr. William A. Emr. Reeve of the Township of East unboro, was nominated as the Ward-At first these secondary of the Council of the Present was appointed to the Year. Flamboro', was nominated as the Warden. At first there was no opposition to the nomination, no other name being suggested. Ex-Warden Vansickle started to the execution of the name of the chair, when Councillor Millen objected to the manner in which Mr. Emery was being allowed to take the chair—without taking the vote. The clerk explained that there had been no opposition to Mr. Emery taking the, chair, but Mr. Millen insisted on the vote being taken, and declared that it was a funny way to do business. Mr. Emery was forced to take his seat in the Council again, for a few moments, while the vote was a few moments, while the vote taken. It showed that Mr. Emery unade a clean sweep, winning by a vof 10 to 5. The vote was as follows: Yeas—Councillors Binkley, Emery Erench, Gage, Glover, Guest, H Jones, Malcolm and Spittal—10.

Nays-Davis, Lawson, Millen, Russell

understood that Mr. Millen ex pected to be nominated for the Warden-ship, and when he did not get it he got trifle sore at the easy manner which Warden Emery was elected. Ex-Warden Vansickle introduced the

Warden with the kindliest greet He said that it gave him great o introduce such a gentle who would carefully guard the inter of the county. He has the ability the right principle in handling the co

Held Yesterday.

The 22nd annual meeting of the Church of Ascension Women's Auxiliary and Dorcas Society was held in the school room on Tuesday, Jan. 28. Canon Wade occupied the chair. Upwards of 60 were present and the utmost interest was shown in the Society's work. The Recording Secretary's report showed total receipts \$477. 33. During the year bales have been sent valued at \$79.96. The Dorcas Treasurer reported 43 people provided with clothing. The Treasurer of the Junior's Auxiliary. time in straightening out the troubles that had been inflicted upon it by the Council of 1906. He said there were some important matters to come beyear's Council, and he lookee for the disposal of these matters in business-like manner. The most import ant matter to be considered was the fin ances of the county. The present conditions demanded the most careful consid-

election of the Warden being

the local Road Commissioners and the Road Superintendent.
On a motion of Councillor Malcolm, seconded by Councillor Jones, it was decided to refer all applications for grants, either charitable or otherwise, until the June session of the council.
The petition of the grand and petit jurors forwarded to Justice Teetzel at the last Assizes was referred to the Finance Committee. The petition is in reference to an increase in pay for the jurors. Many of the councillors were of the opinion that the pay should be increased.
W. A. Ryckman was appointed a High School trustee for Waterdown for this year.

is expected that business will be trans-acted with a business-like spirit. ty Council take action in the matte The councillors were of the opinion tha they did not know enough about the subject to warrant them passing on it. It was decided to ask some one in au

WARDENS ELECTED.

County Councils Choose Their Presiding Officers.

Th County Councils of Ontario met esterday and elected their Wardens, s follows :-

HURON-Robert McLean HONN-Robert McLean. LINCOLN-Frank Lowery. HALDIMAND-William Bain. WATERLOO-Dr. R. J. Lockhart. HASTINGS-W. C. Farley. ONTARIO-William L. Parish.
ESSEX—E. J. O'Neill.
VICTORIA—Dr. R. M. Mason.
PRINCE EDWARD—Delos Spafford LANARK LEEDS AND GRENVILLE-J. B.

OXFORD-J. A. Fleming. WENTWORTH-W. A. Emery. KENT-George Johns. GREY-R. J. Ball. SIMCOE—D. C. Barr. WELLINGTON—John M. Young. MIDDLESEX—D. D. Graham. BRUCE-H. Hilker. STORMONT, DUNDAS AND GLEN-ARRY-E. P. Callahan.
PRESCOTT AND RUSSELL-J. N.

apointe. WELLAND—Donald Sharpe. NORFOLD—C. Walker. PERTH—G. Hazenflug. HALTON—J. McKibbo ELGIN-C. O. Lucon. LAMBTON-James Smith.

In Brant County there was a dead-Thomas, Ont., Jan. 29.—Subday C was elected this morning warden of the County of Elgin, at a postponed meet-ing of the Council.

VISITED WESTOVER. D. D. G. M. Hahnau and Party of

Canadian Oddfellows. District Deputy Grand Master Harold

Hahnau, of the Canadian Order of Oddfellows, made an official visit to West over last night, accompanied by P. G. Richard Powell and P. G. Albert Blythe. The election of the Warden being over, the regular business was proceeded with. Clerk Jardiue read a number of communications, which will be taken up later in the session. On a motion of Councillor Salmon, seconded by Councillor French. it was decided that the reeves of the county be made a committee to strike the standing committees for the year's work. This concluded the day's work in the chamber, and the members retired to the Grand Jury room to nominate the committees.

The manner in which the Councillors conducted their business this morning

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The tarength of the force on the 31st by a falling keep of nor in a heavy life, and the wreak and print of the proposed retrieval and one of the short of the proposed retrieval and one of the short of the short

STANLEY MILLS & CO., Limited

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29th, 1908

Thursday Bargains

Thursday will be the best bargain day before stock taking, and department heads have taken advantage of this day in order to clear the decks of all small lots and broken lines.

That the day will be filled with exceptional buying advantagles is clearly evidenced in the "Bargain Briefs" below. Shop early.

Men's Underwear Special

Men's Wolsey Underwear, finest English make, guaranteed unshrink-able, pure wool, worth regularly up to \$2.75 per garment, on sale Thurs-day at only \$1.69

Workingmen's Shirts 75c Workingmen's Smrts and About 1½ dozen Workingmen's Heavy Shirts, in serviceable navy flannel, serge and tweeds, worth regularly \$1.25 each, on sale Thursday 75c

Boy's Underwear 25c

Children's Coat Clearance

The balance of our remaining tock of Children's Winter Coats, earing on Thursday at half price \$9.00 Coats will be sold for \$4.50

\$4.50 Coats will be sold for \$2.25 Percale Waists 50c

Two styles in pretty Percale Waists at this exceptionally low price on Thursday.

One in navy polka dot, the other in neat grey and white stripes, with tucked front and back, long sleeves with cuffs, open front, detachable collar, ideal waists for house wear, triply, media. trimly made and easy to launder sizes 34 to 42, on sale to morrow a

Sateen Underskirts 89c

Another splendid Underskirt of o dozen mail, in good black sateen, two excellent styles to chose from, some made with an accordion pleat-ed flounce, others with small frill and French ruffle, sizes 38 to 42, on sale Thursday at all one price **S9c**

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Strong, Well-made Hardwood Cots, size 2 ft. 6 x 6 ft. Each is fitted with a good spring and the price includes a roll-up mattress to fit. The legs and head piece fold up when not in use, Thursday com-

Pillow Slips 29c Pair

Flannelette Gowns 49c

Fiannelette Gowns 49C
5 dozen Women's Flannelette
Night Gowns, in several splendid
styles, all made of excellent quality,
flannelette, in plain blue only, rome
made with tucked yokes, others
with braided yoke, high neck and
square cut neck, with trimmings of
lace and frills, sizes 56, 58 and 60,
worth regularly up to 85e each, on
sale Thursday at all one price 40c

Women's Coat Clearance

Embroidery Specials

1.000 yards of Embroidery in open and blind patterns, one to four inches wide, in Nainsook, Muslin and Cambric, suitable for trimming whitewear, etc., worth regularly 8 and 10e yard, choice at all one price Thursday ... 5e yard

Thursday Groceries

Mirsday Groceries

Nicholson's Condensed Mince
Meat, each p'k'g. makes 2 or 3

small pies. Thursday 3 pkgs. for 25e
500 dozen freeh Baking Eggs, on
Thursday for sale at ... 25e doz.
Lea's Sweet Mixed Pickles, large
bottles, Thursday for ... 25e
Maple Syrup in quart tins 25e
Pot Barley, 3 lbs. for ... 10e
Split Peas, 3 bs. for ... 10e
Green Peas, 3 lbs. for ... 10e

Spiit Peas, 3 cos. for 10cc Green Peas, 3 lbs, for 10cc 3 p'k'gs, of Quaker Oats, for 25cc Jersey Cream Soda Biscuits, 3 lb. box for 25cc Navel Oranges, Thursday 25cc

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600 rolls of Wall Papers, comprising 12 designs in which will be found papers suitable for dining rooms, and bedrooms, in dainty flor-

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Black Cheviots Two days of the biggest selling and savings for years in black all wool English Cheviots, specially for the cold weather season and thoroughly dependable in every way, but they must go, too many on account of the backward season for heavy goods, it's our loss and your gain. They are showing in medium and large twill makes so popular for military suits, and separate skirts, some are thoroughly shrunk, with the perle finish, 44 to 52 inches wide. Choose now, don't delay, why not get the special prices for making up which lasts until Friday.

69c for Cheviots at 90c

89c for Cheviots at \$1.25 and \$1.35 99c for Cheviots at \$1.50

79c for Cheviots at \$1.00 **Bed Comforters and Scotch Blankets at**

Great Savings

Warm winter Comforters in assorted art satin coverings, filled with cotton batting, large sizes, choose now, quantities limited in some lines, \$1.50 Comforters \$1.19; \$1.75 Comforters \$1.39; \$2.25 Comforters \$1.69 and \$3 Comforters, \$2.39.

Buy your winter Blankets now, the savings are large in extra fine and all wool Scotch Blankets, all finished and made singly with pale blue borders, fine white lofty finish, the kind that wear well and give entire satisfaction. They are only to be had at Finch Bros., and at these savings until the sale closes Friday.

\$6.50 Blankets \$5.49 \$7.50 Blankets \$6.49 \$ 8.50 Blankets \$7.49 \$10.00 Blankets \$8.49

Fur-Lined Coats---Prices Make Them

Scatter With such cold weather as this you begin to think of how to keep warm. The prices on our fur-lined Cloaks will settle the matter, but come early, for quantities and styles are limited. They are in brown, navy, green, wine and black broadeloth, sheets lined throughout with baluga, hempster and black squirrel, with high storm collar of marmot, sable, opossum, Isabella fox and black Persian lamb, lose ripple back styles, in 42 to 50-inch lengths, at these prices:

\$30.00 Fur-Lined Cloaks \$18.50 \$50.00 Fur-Lined Cloaks \$35.00 \$45.00 Fur-Lined Cloaks \$32.50 \$60.00 Fur-Lined Cloaks \$40.00 \$75.00 Fur-Lined Cloaks \$55.00 \$60.00 Fur-Lined Cloaks \$40.00 Fur

Jap Silk Blouses \$2.49 Jap. Silk Blouses, in white and black, made with pin tucked front, Val. lace and silk embroidered, trimmed collar and cuffs, long and three-quarter sleeves and button front or back, assortment of styles, regular value up to \$4.00, for clearing at \$2.49.
Enquire at the Staple Department about making your Flannelette Garments to measure at 25c.

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British Goverment's Blue Book on

London, Jan. 28.-A Blue Book deal- Conductor Gives Evidence Regarding ing with the Transvaal's treatment of Asiatics has been issued. It shows

TRANSVAAL TO MODIFY ACT:

Transvaal yielding on certain points that the Act was not vetoed. As it stood-before it was considerably mage drastic in some of its provisions.

Street West

Merritton Fatality. St. Catharines, Jan. 28.—Coroner Mer-