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—Miss Gladys Platt, of this city, is visiting in Toronto.

—Miss Eva Farr, of Port Stanley, is visiting Mrs. Kerr, in this city.

—Mrs. John F. Probyn, of 169 Central avenue, is progressing favorably, after an operation performed yesterday.

—Mrs. Boxall, 194 Bruce avenue, Windsor, gave an evening at her home last week in honor of Mrs. Waymark, who is leaving for London.

—The Historical Society will hold its meeting this evening at the Normal School, when Rev. W. J. Spence will give views of England in the past century.

—Mr. Daniel Stevens, night foreman of the Dominion Express Company, left today on a ten days' vacation, which he will spend in Detroit, Hamilton and Toronto.

—Mrs. David Watson and little son Wallace have returned home to London after three weeks' visit with Mrs. Watson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Snider, Nelson street, Brantford.

—At the St. Thomas police court yesterday, George Morris, alias Hicks, of this city, was given nine months in the Central for burglarizing a butcher shop. Morris' home is on Hill street.

—The funeral of the late William Needham took place yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted at the family residence, Beaconsfield avenue by Rev. W. J. Clark. The funeral was largely attended and the floral tributes were numerous and beautiful. The pall-bearers were six brothers of deceased—Messrs. Hamilton, Charles, Albert, Wesley, Walter and Thomas Needham.

—The remains of the late Mrs. Harry Kibbler were interred at Mount Pleasant Cemetery yesterday afternoon. The funeral took place from her residence, 811 Central avenue, and was largely attended. Mrs. Kibbler was the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wistow, of Ashland avenue, London Township, and came to Canada from Sheffield, England, 25 years ago, with her parents. Besides her husband, she is survived by three children, one sister—Mrs. Awcock—and five brothers—Ernest, Albert, Alfred, Frank and Herbert Wistow, all of this city.

RECOUNT IN LOBO.

The Lobo municipal election recount asked for by Mr. A. C. Attwood will take place before Judge Macbeth in his chambers on Thursday next, the 24th inst., at 10 o'clock, a.m. None but the candidates and their agents can be present.

DEATH OF ALLEN THOMSON.

A Mitchell dispatch says: "The news of the death of Allen Lorraine Thomson in Toronto on Thursday evening has cast a deep gloom over Mitchell. The young man was only 19 years, 6 months and 22 days of age, and was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thomson, off St. Andrew street south. He had spent the holiday season in town at his home ,along with his parents and family, and had only returned to Toronto but a few days, when he became ill. He was removed to the City General Hospital, where he died on the above date. He was the youngest of the family of twelve, and a third-year art student at Toronto University, with a very bright future before him, and was one of Mitchell's favorite young men, beloved and respected by all with whom he came in contact, and his student demise is greatly lamented, not only by the family, but by his associates. As this is the first death in the family, their grief is hard to control, so unexpectedly has this sorrow been cast upon them. Kind neighbors and friends they have many, who share with them in their sympathy. The funeral took place from his late home on St. Andrew street to the Methodist cemetery, followed by a very large crowd, where interment took place. Rev. W. J. McIntosh conducted the funeral." Mr. Thomson, sen., is the proprietor of the Dominion oatmeal mills, Talbot street.

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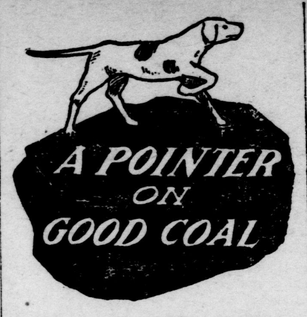

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RECEPTION GIVEN TO GRAND MASTER

Members of the Local Masonic Lodges Do Honor to J. H. Burritt, K.C., of Pembroke.

The members of the eight local Masonic lodges tendered a reception to the grand master of the order in Canada, J. H. Burritt, K.C., of Pembroke, last night in the city hall. The event was attended with very imposing ceremonies, and was in many ways one of the most successful of its kind ever held in this city.

The hall was artistically decorated with bunting and various colored electric lights and chinese lanterns, while long streamers of evergreens were suspended at regular intervals about the walls.

After the brethren had marched in and formed up in a body in the center of the hall, the grand master was presented, and an address of welcome was read. He was then presented to the masters of the local lodges, after which he addressed the audience briefly, dealing with the origin and history of the order.

The grand master in Canada holds an office associated with much responsibility and dignity, therefore the local Masons look upon the privilege of being able to tender a reception to Grand Master Burritt as a great honor.

A splendid programme was indulged in, as follows: Violin solo, Master Joe Cortese; solo, Mr. Milton Francis, of Stratford, and Mr. Ed Crawford, of this city; "Creole Love Song," Miss Elsie Green; readings, by Miss Tena Elliott.

After the programme Tony Cortese's orchestra delighted the audience by dispensing very pleasing music from the council chamber, while the guests enjoyed many dances.

The party then adjourned to the Masonic Temple, where a splendid dinner was served in the ballroom, which was decorated with green and Chinese lanterns.

Among the brethren present were Past Master D. B. Burtch, of Lambeth, and J. H. Flock, K.C., of this city. Mr. Burtch is claimed to be the oldest Mason in this district, being 82 years of age, and having been a member since 1851, when he joined the Eldorado Lodge in California. Mr. J. H. Flock last year celebrated his 50th anniversary as a Mason, and claims to be the oldest past master in the district.

PYTHIANS INSTALL THEIR NEW STAFFS

Ceremony Followed by Presentation to Past Grand Chancellor and a Banquet.

The Knights of Pythias met last night in their rooms in the Duffield block for the purpose of holding the annual installation of officers. The following were installed for the two city lodges:

Prospect Lodge—Chancellor commander, A. Blackwell; vice-chancellor, Wm. Clarke; prelate, T. Burns; master of work, R. Craibe; K. of R. and S., G. Stinson; M. of F., H. Farnan; M. of Ex., S. Webb; M. of A., A. McClarty; I. G., E. Phillips; O. G., A. Pinch.

Myrtle Lodge—Chancellor commander, D. Ross; vice-chancellor, M. Gunn; prelate, W. Boomer; M. of W., Charles Tinsley; K. of R. and S., J. Hussey; M. of F., F. Winegarten; M. of Ex., W. Caldwalder; M. of A., G. Grisman; I. G., J. Murray; O. G., J. O'Rourke.

Among the visiting brethren present were the following from Strathroy: District Deputy Grand Chancellor A. E. Hare; Grand Master-at-Arms, T. E. Gough; R. Moore, R. G. Thompson, T. Benstead, C. Becket, J. Graham and D. E. Fortner.

After the ceremony of installation, Past Chancellor J. E. Reid, of Prospect Lodge, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, presented Past Grand Chancellor George Burdick with a past grand chancellor's jewel, and Past Chancellor Harry A. Plastow presented Vice-Chancellor W. W. Clark, of Prospect Lodge, with a solid gold watchchain, given by Past Grand Chancellor Burdick to the member bringing in the largest number of candidates in 1906.

During the evening a splendid supper was served, after which speeches and music were enjoyed. The toasts were to "The King," "The Grand Lodge," responded to by Grand Master A. E. Hare and Grand Master-at-Arms T. E. Gough, of Strathroy; "The Supreme Lodge," responded to by Past Grand Master F. J. Fitzgerald, who complimented the two previous speakers on the information given by them on Pythianism, and also praised the work of Past Grand Chancellor Burdick. He denounced the idea of giving the honors to the young members over the heads of the older ones, who had done pioneer work and brought the order to its present high state of efficiency. He then spoke of the organization from an insurance standpoint, and stated that while it was certainly not the cheapest, its rates were as low as practicable with a positive assurance of ability to meet all calls. At present 650,000 persons belong to the society, and though there were other good orders, there were none which in his mind equaled the K. of P.

Messrs. George Zwicker, McMoreland, Saunders and Elliott brothers contributed numbers to the musical programme.

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BENNETT'S BILL A RECORD-BREAKER

Galaxy of Star Acts Secured by Manager Aloz—Big Hit Scored.

Bennett's appears to be continually scheming, and successfully scheming, too, how to give the people of London more amusement for the money than is to be had in any vaudeville house on the continent. Once in a while the problem doesn't work out just as intended, but on the whole General Manager Bennett and Manager Aloz manage to bring to the local house some acts which are individually worth the admission charged. Take this week, for example.

Here is the list of attractions:

Daisy Harcourt, of "Waiting at the Church" fame.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Murphy, whose clever sketch, "The Coal Strike," is a favorite in every first-class vaudeville town in America.

Tom Mack, a funny man who is really funny.

T. W. Eckert and Emma Berg, a tenor and a soprano worthy of the name.

Josephine Gassman and her pickaninnies.

Leo St. Elmo, the musical German, who puts on a splendid turn.

Woodford's animals—better than the best.

Manager Aloz must have had his troubles fixing upon who should be given the headline position on the bill. The singling out of any one act among such a galaxy of stars must surely result in a riot outside the manager's office. All the acts are winners. Each one in its own way has an especial attraction for some certain class of theatergoers, while all have some attraction for everybody.

Miss Harcourt yesterday afternoon sang her three numbers, and expected that she was going to get away without singing "Waiting at the Church." But the audience would not stand for it. They ceaselessly applauded until she came forth in the well-known bridal costume and sang the well-known song. She had previously repeated her hit of last season here, but "Waiting at the Church" sent the audience into a frenzy of delight. And it was the same at night. The applause showed Miss Harcourt plainly the position she holds in the regard of local theatergoers.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Murphy received an ovation also. "The Coal Strike" proved as popular as ever. In New York Mr. Murphy attempted to put on a sketch on a Sunday night, but as the law prohibits performances in costume he appeared on the stage clad in evening dress, and carried his hod up and down stairs in this manner. He's funny now, but it must have been funny to have seen the dress-suit and the hod hooked up.

Tom Mack produced a bright line of new stories and crisp jokes, as well as a number of songs, which kept the crowd busy laughing. He certainly is the real thing from the song-and-story standpoint.

Mr. Eckert and Miss Berg have a decidedly artistic musical sketch, in which the splendid tenor and superb soprano find ample scope for their wonderful vocal abilities. The setting of this act is a fairyland dream.

Miss Gassman and her pickaninnies are the best of their class seen in London yet. The youngsters sing well and have the real brand of colored humor.

Mr. St. Elmo is all the way with a comedy musical act.

As usual, Woodford's animals made a big hit. The act was remembered by the audience, and the wonderful tricks of the well-trained animals, won hearty applause.

The performance is brought to a close with the Bennettograph, which is this week very interesting.

MADE MARKED PROGRESS

Egerton Street Baptist Church Had a Very Successful Year.

The report of the Egerton Street Baptist Church for 1906, presented at the annual meeting of the congregation, held recently, showed that the year had been marked by an unexpected degree of progress. The membership of the church is now 131, 37 having been added durin gthe year, while 5 were dismissed to other churches. The Sunday school attendance now averages over 200, and the Young People's Society has 55 active and 21 associate members, with an average attendance of 35. There are 20 members in the Women's Mission Circle. One of the most promising organizations in the church is the Junior Mission Band, with an enrollment of 63 and an average attendance of 43.

The financal statement shows the receipts to have been $1,734 79, the expenditures amounting to $1,633 68. Three hundred dollars was paid on the mortgage during the year, and $100 shortly after Jan. 1, leaving only $1,200 now due on the building.

The congregation is very much encouraged by the advances made in 1906. Two years ago Egerton Street was a small mission hall, with 27 members, but over 100 have since been added. The members are very liberal in their givings, and expect to be able to burn the mortgage soon. The congregation own a large lot adjoining the church, and if the attendance at the services continues to grow a large People's Mission Church may be erected.

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Local Association Has Its First Anniversary Celebration.

The first anniversary banquet of the London Letter Carriers' Association was held last night in the Queen's Hotel. There was a large attendance of the postmen and a very pleasant time was spent. After the splendid banquet had been partaken of, a toast list was carried out. There were songs and instrumentals by Messrs. B. Cockrell, W. Taylor, Bert Logan, W. McKenna and W. M. Empey.

Those who responded to the several toasts were: Chairman J. H. Cushing, Secretary W. M. Empey, Treasurer Walter Logan, Messrs. A. C. Williamson, John Wilson, John Denehy and Cecil Simpson.

AN ARTISTIC ACT

Audience at Bennett's Shows Appreciation of Beautiful Vaudeville Operetta.

Manager Aloz has collected an unusually strong list of attractions at Bennett's for this week. The act of Eckert and Berg is one that has won the very highest praise, not only in London, but throughout Canada and the United States wherever played. It is one of the most artistic acts ever put on in vaudeville. In a beautiful little operetta, "The Land of Two Moons," Mr. Eckert introduces some wonderful imitations on the piano. For the act, which is magnificently put on, complete scenery being carried for it, Mr. Eckert uses a Bell orchestral piano, which has the beauty and lucidity of tone necessary for the delicate work he does upon it. The immense audience at Bennett's last night showed the utmost appreciation of this and the other excellent acts Manager Aloz offers.

TORONTO TURNS AT LAST

Police Ordered to Have Certain Street Car Lines Restored.

Toronto, Jan. 21.—The city council at today's special session voted to take forcible action to compel the Toronto Railway Company to restore to Bathurst, Arthur and Winchester car routes.

The council, in addition to passing the resolution to employ force, if necessary, to compel the restoration of the three routes in question, passed a resolution to take the matter of the overcrowding of cars to the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board.

The line of action will now probably be as follows: The city engineer, having received the instruction of the council from the city clerk, will at once apply to the chief constable for officers to compel the company to carry out the order of the council. The chief may act on his own responsibility and give the city engineer all the police necessary, or he may summon a meeting of the police commissioners and throw the responsibility for acting on their shoulders.

LOST IN THE WILDS

Two N. W. M. Police in Search of Insane Man Missing Many Days.

Edmonton, Alta., Jan. 21.—December 22 last Constables Smart and Shand, Royal Northwest Mounted Police, accompanied by Sam Adams, left for the Grand Eddy, on the Mille River, via Lac Ste. Anne, and 500 miles distant from that place.

Their mission was to capture a rancher named Horneback, who had reached there with about 40 mares from Cochrane, and who had gone insane from loneliness, losses of his horses and the cold.

The report of his condition had been brought to Ste. Anne by an Indian, who reported the rancher was in immediate danger from starvation and cold. Since their departure no word has been received of the constables, and it is thought they have gone astray.

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THE McGEE DEFALCATION

Sum Now Said to Approximate Two Hundred Thousand Dollars.

Montreal, Jan. 21.—The defalcation of W. J. McGee, secretary-treasurer of the People's Mutual Building Society, will, according to the latest computation total up to the vicinity of $200,000.

His operations cover a period of something like 10 years, and not only the society, but a large circle of personal friends will suffer heavily.

One well-known restaurant keeper will lose $15,000, advanced at different times to McGee. Hosts of other friends are in for smaller amounts, it is said.

Property held by McGee to the nominal value of some $50,000 has been turned over to individual members of the building society, presumably to cover that concern's losses.

McGee comes up for preliminary trial tomorrow.

PUBLIC WORKS EXPENDITURE.

Ottawa, Jan. 21.—The annual report of the public works department of Canada shows the expenditure has increased almost eight millions since two years ago. Last year's expenditure was $8,304,399, and this year it amounts to $9,347,527. The chief items are harbor and river works, $2,374,664; dredging, $1,922,315; public buildings, $3,743,483. The revenue of the department last year was $261,314 67. Telegraph tolls fell away, so that the revenue this year was reduced by about $19,000.

BAPTIST CONVENTIONS.

New York, Jan. 21.—General arrangements for the Baptist anniversaries in May, 1907, were announced today as follows:

Meetings of the Missionary Union, the Home Mission Society and the Publican Society, at Washington, D. C., on May 14-21 inclusive.

Meeting of the Southern Baptist convention, Richmond, Va., May 14-21 inclusive.

Meeting of the general convention of the Baptists of North America, in Convention Hall, Jamestown Exposition, on May 22-23.

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