EVENTS OF THE PAST YEAR

Brief Summary of the Occurrences That Fixed Themselves in the Public Mind or Have History—Making Significance.

The year 1903 will not task the memories of future students of history. It has been on the whole an uneventful year, and will be remembered perhaps more for the deaths of notable men, which occurred during its lapse, and for the many disasters and catastrophes which darkened its days, than for epoch-making events. In Canada the most notable political event has been the inception of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway scheme. The redistribution act is perhaps next in importance. Of greater interest to Canada was the Alaska boundary award.

Of matters foreign to Canada British affairs have chief interest. Unquestionably the great agitation over the tariff situation in England is the most notable event of the year politically. The passage of the Irish Land Act is also an event of first importance. England has been free from warfare during 1903 compared with other years, but the Somaliland campaign and the expedition to Thibet have sustained military interest. Elsewhere the Venezuela embroglio with Germany was important in raising the question of the Monroe Doctrine. More recently the recognition of the Panama Republic by the United States was of a semi-military character. The year has been a year of strikes and labor troubles, which threaten to increase as time goes on. Among the notable dead of the year not mentioned below are Bishop Bradley, Mrs. Booth-Tucker, Dr. Joseph Parker, Paul du Chaillu, Herbert Spencer, James McNeill Whistler, Richard H. Stoddard, Henry Seton Merriman, Theodore Mommsen, W. E. Henley, W. E. H. Lecky, R. D. Blackmore, Major J. B. Pond, Robert Planquette, Luigi Arditi, etc.

The year 1903 will stand out preeminently for the scientific discovery and development which has distinguished it. The advance of chemical knowledge, in the investigation of radium, the constitution of the atom, and etheric forces, was signal.

JANUARY:
1—Coronation Durbar at Delhi.
3—G.T.R. collision at Merriton, two lives lost.
5—Ex-Premier Sagasta, Spain, dies, 76. Dr. Alexander Young Scott dies.
5—Thomas Urquhart elected mayor, 767 plurality. Ex-Ald. Newman L. Steiner dies, 73.
6—Oakville Bank failure.
7—By-elections in North Perth, North Norfolk and North Grey go Liberal. United Sons of the Empire, fraternal society, chartered.
8—Albert Williams dies, 101.
9—McClarey Stove Foundry fire, London.
12—National Trust Co. administers Eli Hyman estate of $63,064.56.
13—President Castro of Venezuela yields disputed points to Germany. Senator Lachlan McCallum dies, 80.
18—M. Henri de Blowitz dies, 70.
19—Gas in Toronto reduced to 80c per 1000 feet.
20—Brockville, Westport and Sco Railway sold to New York syndicate. Julian Ralph, war correspondent, dies, 50. J. F. Ellis elected president Board of Trade.
21—G.T.R. collision near Port Hope, two killed. Senator A. T. Wood dies, 77. Annual meeting Toronto Street Railway Co., gross earnings $1,834,908.37.
22—King Edward and President Roosevelt exchange greetings by wireless telegraphy.
23—Col. Arthur Lynch found guilty of treason.
27—Colney Hatch Asylum fire, 52 deaths. Andrew Carnegie offers Toronto $350,000 to build libraries.
29—Judge J. E. McDougall dies, 57.
30—Madam Albani and Mrs. Langtry in Toronto. Panama Canal treaty, U. S. and Colombia, signed.

FEBRUARY:
1—Toronto Niagara Power Syndicate get charter.
2—First Rhodes scholarship awarded to Eugene H. Lehman of Colorado. H. J. Hill, manager Industrial Exhibition, resigns.
5—H. J. Pettypiece elected president of Press Association.
7—Montreal Street Railway strike settled.
8—Edna Lyall (Ada Ellen Bayley) dies.
9—Farewell dinner to Dr. George R. Parkin, C.M.G., LL.D.
11—Alaska treaty ratified by U. S. Senate.
15—William H. Doel, J.P., dies, 76.
16—President of Bell Telephone Co. summoned as outcome of monopoly agitation.
20—"Cedric," largest vessel, first arrives in New York. Principal Auden arrives at Upper Canada College.
23—C.P.R. buys fleet of steamers.
24—By-election in North Grey, Thompson (Con.) elected. By-election in Terrebonne, Ethier (Lib.) elected. By-election in Two Mountains, Desjardins (Lib.) elected.
24—Dominion government protests against Senators Turner and Lodge as Alaskan Commissioners.
25—Rt. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain sails from Cape Town for England.
26—By-elections in Centre Bruce, Clark (Lib.) elected. By-election in North York, Davis (Lib.) elected. Chas. G. D. Roberts in Toronto.
28—Mayor Urquhart returns from New York.

MARCH:
2—R. R. Gatling, gun inventor, dies.
3—City action against Gas Co. dismissed.
5—George Boxall dies, 67.
8—Steamer "Montreal" burned at Montreal.
10—By-elections in North Ontario, Geo. D. Grant (Lib.). First session of Tenth legislature, Ontario, opened.
11—R. R. Gamey charges Ontario government with bribery.
12—Dominion parliament opens.
15—Whittaker Wright arrested in New York.
17—Shamrock III. launched at Dunbarton. Collision of freight trains on C.P.R., near Cooksville, two killed.
18—Wreck on G.T.R. at Marden, two killed.
18—Czar of Russia issues manifesto giving religious freedom.
20—W. H. Murray dies, 55. Close of Peat Coal Miners' Strike in favor of Mine Workers.
22—Dean Farrar dies, 72.
25—Toronto Opera House burned, Irish land bill introduced. Sir Hector Macdonald dies.
28—Dr. D. Gilbert Gordon dies, 46.
31—King Edward leaves for Mediterranean.

APRIL:
3—Commission on corruption charges opens.
8—News received that latitude 82 degrees 17 south is attained.
6—Judge Winchester appointed.
14—Delimitation of Chili, Argentina boundary completed.
15—Sir Evelyn Wood and Sir George White appointed field marshals.
16—Minister of Finance Fielding brings in Budget.
17—St. John, N.B., conflagration. Col. Plunkett meets disastrous defeat in Somaliland.
19—Sir Oliver Mowat dies, 83. Gen. Baden-Powell in Toronto.
20—Riots and massacre of Jews at Kishineff.
21—W. Mortimer Clark, Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario.
23—Russia seeks control of Manchuria.
24—Hon. Justice Lount dies.
27—Glory Whalen murder at Collingwood.
28—Lord and Lady Minto arrive in Toronto. Horse Show opens.
29—Landslide at Turtle Mountain, B.C., 75 killed. King Edward meets the Pope.

MAY
1—King Edward in Paris. Strike of 3000 workmen in Toronto.
6—Great Britain claims paramount interests in Persian Gulf.
8—Justice David Mills died. Emerson Coatsworth, sr., dies, 76.
10—Conflagration in Ottawa, 500 families homeless. Montreal strike settled.
11—King Edward Hotel opened.
14—Wallace Nesbitt, K.C., Judge of Supreme Court.
16—Gamey investigation adjourned.
20—Fire at St. Hyacinthe, 2000 homeless.
21—Doukhobors march from Stony Creek without clothing. Stock market experiences severe depression. Bulgaria calls attention to Macedonian atrocities.
24—Dyment's Thessalon won King's Plate.
25—Penny Imperial postage adopted by Australia.
27—Cyclone in Wellington, Perth and Essex Counties.
28—Australian Commonwealth parliament opened. Max O'Rell dies.
28—Cuba signs permanent treaty with United States.

JUNE
2—Ames & Co. suspend payment.
4—Commission on corruption charges makes report.
11—King and Queen of Servia assassinated.
17—Dr. E. H. Dewart dies, 75.
19—Cardinal Vaughan dies, 72.
25—C. W. Taylor, dies, 53.
27—Ontario legislature prorogued.
28—Wesley Bicentenary celebrated in Toronto.

JULY
1-4—Toronto Home Comers' celebration.
2—Monument to Nicholas Flood Davin unveiled at Ottawa.
5—Horse Show in Queen's Park.
6—President Loubet in London.
9—United States cable to Philippines.
11—Chief Justice Armour dies, 73.
13—A. G. Blair resigns from cabinet.
15—Disastrous break in stock values.
20—Pope Leo XIII dies, 94.
12—Rev. R. J. Campbell in Toronto.
24—Stock failures in New York.
25—King and Queen leave Dublin.
27—Agreement between Dominion government and Grand Trunk Pacific Railway signed.
29—Dean Innes dies, 76.

AUGUST
4—Cardinal Sarto, Patriarch of Venice, chosen Pope.
5—Stock Exchange failure in New York. Phil May, caricaturist, dies.
8—Argonauts make rowing record—6.33 3-5.
10—Burglars Quackenbush, Doyle and Gallagher arrested.
13—Goldwin Smith completed 80th year.
14—Irondequoit wins Canada Cup. Jeffries defeated Corbett.
15—Joseph Pulitzer gives $2,000,000 to establish School of Journalism. A. W. Pirie dies, 50.
22—Marquis of Salisbury dies.
23—Miss Edith Curzon drowned.
28—Toronto Exposition opened with Jubilee gifts loaned by King Edward.
29—Degree of LL.D. conferred on Lord Strathcona by Toronto University. Great storm on Lake Ontario.

SEPTEMBER
3—Reliance defeated Shamrock III for America Cup.
5—Alaska Boundary Commission sits.
7—Coldstream Guards Band in Toronto.
10—Fire at Hanlan's Point.
18—Consolidated Lake Superior Company shut down at Sault Ste. Marie. Joseph Chamberlain, C. T. Ritchie and Lord George Hamilton resign from British cabinet.
26—George E. Lumsden dies, 56. Samuel Rogers dies, 68.
27—Mark Guy Pearse in Toronto.
29—Soldiers leave Toronto for the scene of "Soo" riot.
30—Murder of Irene Cole at Brantford.
30—Sir Michael Herbert dies.

OCTOBER
2—Gen. Sir Ian Hamilton in Toronto. Capt. George S. Mackay dies, 80. Rioting commences at the "Soo."
5—Premier Balfour added new Ministers to cabinet.
6—Rt. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain opens campaign at Glasgow.
11—Honorable Artillery Company of London in Toronto.
13—Chinese commercial treaties signed with United States and Japan.
14—Great Britain and France sign arbitration treaty.
16—Dowie of Zion, Ill., in New York.
17—Alaska Boundary Commission renders award.
20—Alexander Manning dies, 85. Alaska Boundary award signed; Canadians dissenting.
21—Garrison Commons acquired by City of Toronto.
22—W. E. H. Lecky dies, 65.
24—Dominion parliament closed session.
25—Sir Henry Mortimer Durand, Ambassador to Washington.
27—By-election in Muskoka—Mahaffy (Conservative). By-election at the Soo —Smith (Liberal.
29—Margaret E. Sangster in Toronto.

NOVEMBER
2—Majestic Theatre opened by Mrs. Fiske.
3—Miss Rhona Adair, golf champion, in Toronto. Tammany wins in New York city elections.
6—President Roosevelt recognizes new Panama Republic.
9—King Edward's 62nd birthday. Lord Rowton dies, 65.
17—King of Italy in England.
21—Samuel Gompers re-elected president American Federation of Labor.
24—E. W. Rathbun dies, 62.
25—Grand Trunk Railway double track completed to Montreal.

DECEMBER
26—By-election, Pembroke — Dunlop (Conservative).
29—Andrew Pattullo dies, 53.
30—Iroquois Theatre fire, Chicago, 600 dead.

GAIN OF $15,000,000.

Clearings of All the Montreal Banks Put in Figures.

Montreal, Dec. 31.—In round figures the clearings of all the Montreal Banks for 1903 show a gain of $15,000,000 over 1902. The total clearings this year were $1,113,978,000, compared with $1,098,970,000 the previous year. These figures are small, however, when the increase in 1902 over 1901 is taken into consideration. A year ago the enormous increase of over $200,000,000 was shown, but this was in a considerable measure due to the very heavy transactions in the stock market. While general business has increased there was a marked falling off in stock transactions, which would result in a considerable reduction in bank exchanges.

Cat's Mile-a-Minute Ride.

Utica, N.Y., Dec. 31.—An Albany cat reached Utica in a rather unconventional manner to-day. She was a passenger on the New York newspaper train which makes the run from Albany to this city without a stop at about a mile-a-minute gait. Miss Pussycat rode on the front trucks of one of the cars. The cat was exposed to the bitter cold during the journey of the train up to Mohawk Valley, but was none the worse for the experience.

Electors in Ward 5 cannot do better than vote for ex-Alderman Stewart. He has a good record.

Thanks—Happy New Year.

I desire to thank the many kind friends all over the city who have been promoting my candidature for the new Board of Education, and wish one and all a happy and prosperous New Year. J. C. Clarke.

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Your choice is of the finest furniture that we keep regularly on our floors. Every piece on the three floors is marked down in price.

It is well-known that there is no other house in Canada where such fine furniture and so great a range of it can be found. We give some particulars to suggest the kind of goods and the prices.

SPECIALS IN SIDEBOARDS

—Buffet, fine quarter-cut golden oak, bevelled mirror, carved columns, length 3 ft. 6 in., containing three drawers and two cupboards. Marked price, $26.50. Sale price, $21.50.

—Fine quarter-cut golden oak sideboard, large bevelled shaped mirror, shaper columns, 3 drawers and two large cupboards, length 4 ft. 6 in. Marked price, $47.50. Sale price, $38.50.

—Quarter-cut golden oak sideboard, large bevelled shaped mirror and handsome Colonial columns, drawer and cupboards. Marked price, $52.50. Sale price, $45.00.

—Handsome quarter-cut golden oak sideboard, oval mirror, beautifully carved, length 4 ft. 5 in. Marked price, $82.00. Sale price, $67.50.

—Old-fashioned English dining room dresser, in weathered oak, with heavy hand-wrought trimmings, three drawers, two cupboards and five shelves, 7 feet high. Marked price, $80.00. Sale price, $65.00.

—Handsomely carved Belgian oak sideboard, very elaborate carving. Marked price, $85.00. Sale price, $60.00.

—Fine weathered oak sideboard, with antique trimmings, 5 feet long, four drawers and three cupboards. Marked price, $90.00. Sale price, $75.00.

SECRETARIES AND BOOKCASES

—Golden oak secretary-book case—desk and book case combined—with cupboard. Marked price, $21.50. Sale price, $17.50.

—Golden oak book case, fine veneered front, large glass door. Marked price, $14.50. Sale price, $12.00.

HALL FURNITURE

—Handsomely carved settles, with umbrella stand, in golden oak, wax finish, with cupboard. Marked price, $18.50. Sale price, $14.00.

—Polished golden oak settle, 3 ft. 4 in. Marked price, $9.50. Sale price, $7.50.

—Polished golden oak hall rack, with large brass trimmings. Marked price, $23.50. Sale price, $18.50.

—Polished golden oak hall rack, handsomely carved. Marked price, $40.00. Sale price, $33.50.

SPECIALS IN CHAIRS

—Handsome golden oak library chair, upholstered in velvette. Marked price, $35.00. Sale price, $25.00.

—Solid mahogany library chair, upholstered in embossed leather. Marked price, $21.50. Sale price, $17.50.

—Gilt finished window seat, upholstered in green brocade. Marked price, $19.50. Sale price, $16.00.

—Mahogany library chair, beautifully carved and richly upholstered in leather. Marked price, $95.00. Sale price, $65.00.

—Gentleman's library arm chair, upholstered in leather. Marked price, $17.50. Sale price, $13.00.

—Solid mahogany settee, upholstered in green brocade. Marked price, $46.00. Sale price, $35.00.

—Reception chair in mahogany, handsomely veneered. Marked price, $31.00. Sale price, $23.50.

—Mahogany inlaid drawing room chair, upholstered in rose brocade. Marked price, $21.50. Sale price, $17.00.

—Mahogany drawing room chair. Marked price, $21.50. Sale price, $17.00.

—One three-piece drawing room suite, in mahogany—beautiful furniture. Marked price, $110.35. Sale price, $90.00.

BEDROOM FURNITURE

—One only three-piece bedroom suite, in green, including bed, bureau, with four drawers, and washstand, our own manufacture. Marked price, $65.00. Sale price, $55.00.

—Three-piece weathered oak bedroom suite, including bedstead, bureau, with four drawers, and washstand, our own manufacture. Marked price, $65.00. Sale price, $55.00.

—Golden oak folding bed, with mirror. Marked price, $37.00. Sale price, $29.50.

—Golden oak bureau, with large oval mirror, handsomely carved. Marked price, $25.00. Sale price, $18.50.

—Very quaint Colonial style chiffonier in mahogany. Marked price, $38.50. Sale price, $31.50.

—Polished mahogany chiffonier, with full swelled front and six drawers. Marked price, $32.50. Sale price, $25.00.

—Mahogany bureau, with large bevelled mirror and handsomely carved front, with four drawers. Marked price, $32.00. Sale price, $25.00.

—Kay's famous mattress, sold regularly at $17.50, special during this sale at $14.50.

Orders from out-of-town always have very careful attention. It is an exceptional opportunity for people all over Canada to buy the best furniture at very special prices.

John Kay, Son & Co., Limited
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PRESENTATIONS TO RAILROAD MAN

W. A. Gray, General Superintendent G.T.R. Freight Station, Honored.

W. A. Gray, general superintendent of the G.T.R. freight station, corner Yonge and Esplanade-streets, who is leaving to accept a position in the local office of the D. L. W. Railway Co., was yesterday afternoon made the recipient of two purses, each containing a substantial sum of money, as testimony of the high esteem in which he is held. The first presentation was made by General Freight Manager Nelles, who spoke of the loss the Grand Trunk would experience in the departure of Mr. Gray. There were a number of prominent wholesale fruit men present, and Mr. Mulholland of Husband Bros., in a short speech, told of the pleasant relations that had always existed between Mr. Gray and themselves.

Mr. Tillson made the second presentation in the general freight offices at the foot of Simcoe-street. He alluded to the long term of service of Mr. Gray with the Grand Trunk—23 years—and to the high esteem which all members of the staff entertained for him. The recipient replied in a feeling manner.

CANADA'S REVENUE GROWS.

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Canada's customs revenue for the six months ended to-day show an increase of two and one-half millions of dollars, as compared with the same period of 1902. The details are:

For six months—	
1903-4	$ 20,653,261
1902-3	18,026,615
Total increase	$2,627,146
For December—	
1903-4	$3,100,761
1902-3	2,967,860
Increase	$132,891

Guilty of Blackmailing.

Helena, Mont., Dec. 31.—A jury today returned a verdict of guilty against Isaac Gravelle, charged with sending blackmailing letters to the Northern Pacific officials and with dynamiting its trains. He will be sentenced Monday.

DUNLOP'S MAJORITY.

Pembroke, Dec. 31.—The official declaration of the result of the by-election on Saturday last for the Provincial Legislature, has been made. The vote was as follows, compared with the election of 1902:

	1903. Dunlop, Con.	1903. Hale, Lib.	1902. Munro, Lib.	1902. White, Con.
Pembroke, No. 1	129	41	45	106
Pembroke, No. 2	102	57	51	92
Pembroke No. 3	72	66	86	40
Pembroke, No. 4	84	101	122	66
Pembroke, No. 5	83	89	100	60
Pembroke, No. 6	83	100	101	71
Cobden Village	85	70	70	80
Algona S, Tp	115	82	164	31
Alice and Fraser—				
No. 1	74	59	73	55
No. 2	102	62	88	79
No. 3	67	69	59	40
Bromley, No. 1	61	126	131	50
Bromley, No. 2	106	111	119	76
Bromley, No. 3	14	51	58	12
Pembroke Tp	128	59	61	95
Petawawa	112	95	118	74
Rolph, Buchanan & Wyle, No. 1	24	55	86	53
Rolph, Buchanan & Wyle, No. 2	78	75	50	18
Ross, No. 1	71	40	39	60
Ross, No. 2	127	74	108	94
Ross, No. 3	61	82	74	64
Stafford, No. 1	126	41	34	117
Stafford, No. 2	67	47	67	60
Westmeath, No. 1	163	107	136	108
Westmeath, No. 2	100	22	18	99
Westmeath, No. 3	55	70	72	49
Westmeath, No. 4	54	105	103	44
Westmeath, No. 5	89	27	23	87
Wilberforce and Algona N., No. 1	148	49	72	116
Wilberforce and Algona N., No. 2	104	66	81	76
Wilberforce and Algona N., No. 3	81	79	116	25
	2765	2167	2565	2106
	2167		2106	
Majority	598		459	

There were only 18 rejected ballot papers.

Old Engineer Dead.

Ogdensburg, N.Y., Dec. 31.—John Schrier, who piloted the first passenger train over the Ogdensburg and Lake Champlain Railroad on the completion of the road, is dead here, aged 80 years. He had held every office from engineer to superintendent.

YORK COUNTY AND SUBURBS

Recruiting in York County for Toronto Light Horse Will Be Held To-Morrow.

LOCAL OPTION VOTING QUESTION

Settled by Deputy Attorney-General —Notes From East Toronto— County News.

Recruiting will take place throuout York County on Saturday, Jan. 2, for the Toronto Light Horse, to increase the present strength up to the new establishment of the corps. The following routes have been arranged.

Route A: Capt. Moss and Lieut. Archibald, at Mimico, 10 a.m.; Islington, 11.30 a.m.; Lambton, 1.30 p.m.; Fairbank, 3.30 p.m.

Route B: Lieut. Meredith, Woodbridge, 9.15 a.m.; Central Hotel, Weston, 11 a.m.; Peacock Hotel, Toronto Junction, 3 p.m.

Route C: Capt. D. L. McCarthy, Palmer House, Richmond Hill, 10.30 a.m.; Thornhill, noon; Birrell's Hotel, York Mills, 2.30 p.m.; Eglinton, 3.30 p.m.; Minn's Hotel, Davisville, 4.15 p.m.; O'Halloran's, Deer Park, 5 p.m.

Route D: Major Peters and Lieut. Gordon, East Toronto, 10 a.m.; Wexford, 11.30 a.m.; Ellesmere, 12.30 p.m.; Agincourt, 1.30 p.m.; Malvern, 2.30 p.m.; Woburn, 3.30 p.m.; Scarboro, 4.30 p.m.; Halfway House, 5 p.m.; Scarboro Junction, 5.30 p.m.

Applications may also be sent by letter to Capt. D. L. McCarthy, Lieut. J. R. Meredith, Home Life Building; Capt. J. H. Moss, 18 West King-street, and Lieut. H. R. L. Gordon, Scott-street.

Toronto Junction.

Toronto Junction, Dec. 31.—J. R. Cartwright, Deputy Attorney-General of the Ontario Legislature, has set at rest the dispute as to whether voters can vote more than once on the local option bylaw. He has decided that a voter can vote in as many wards as he has property.

The customs' receipts at the Toronto Junction port of entry for the half year ending to-day have been double what they were in the corresponding half year of last year. Last year they amounted to $24,364.45, and this year $58,665.96, an increase of $34,301.51. The value of imports was $242,070 more than last year, the total for six months being $445,033.

The speakers at the local option mass meeting, under the auspices of the Y.P.C.U. in Davenport Methodist Church tonight were: Rev. O. McCully and Rev. J. H. Oliver of Listowel, the John G. Woolley of temperance in Canada; ex-Mayor Peter Laughton occupied the chair, and music was furnished by the church choir. On Sunday Rev. Dr. Abraham and Rev. A. J. Johnson and Rev. Dr. Chown will speak.

Two games of hockey are to be played on Annette-street Rink on New Year's Day. The Shamrocks play the C.P.R. team and the Rangers the Waverleys.

During the past year there have been 144 cases in the Police Court. Of these 95 were for disorderly conduct, 9 for trespass, 14 for thefts, 10 drunks, 10 animals in pound, 11 animals destroyed, 16 assault, 1 fraud, 4 riding wheels on sidewalks, 6 vagrancy and 1 breach of License Act.

The vital statistics for December are: Births 24, marriages 6, deaths 11.

Fred Sproule, who, in sending in his resignation as a candidate for Council in Ward 2, neglected to have his signature witnessed, has been prevailed upon to run, and will put up a vigorous fight.

Matt H. Beatty has returned from Sarnia, and is busy canvassing Ward 1 as a supporter of local option.

There were 18 interred in Humbervale Cemetery for the month of December.

MR. SPROULE IN TO STAY.

Editor World: It has been reported that I had dropped out of the fight for Council in Ward Two, Toronto Junction. This is not correct. At first I had intended to resign, believing that Councillor Matthew H. Beatty was going to remain in the field there. Upon learning that Mr. Beatty was not running in this ward, but in Ward One, where he had also been nominated, I have concluded to allow my name to go before the people and am in the fight to the finish.

Fred. A. Sproule.

Toronto Junction, Dec. 31.

East Toronto.

East Toronto, Dec. 31.—The Black and Yellow Social Club held their second annual dance at the Bayview Hotel to-night. About 60 couples were present, and an enjoyable night was spent. The affair was in charge of the following "kittens": Harrison, Harry Graham, C. N. Gates, G. Slocson, J. Wilson, P. McLeod.

A. Fernie of British Columbia is visiting friends in town.

Cakes and coffee will be distributed among the Grand Trunk Railway men to-morrow. There is a great fight on between R. Paterson, who is seeking re-election as Public school trustee, and A. Laxton, who is out for the same position.

A Leap Year ball is being held at Boston's Hall to-night. It is a successful affair.

Watch Night services were held in most of the churches to-night.

Woodbridge.

The annual concert and at home under the auspices of Maclean Camp, Sons of Scotland, will be held in the Orange Hall, Woodbridge, on New Year's night, and, judging from the excellent talent they have secured, it will be the best concert ever given in Woodbridge. The following artists will take part: Mrs. Flora McIvor Craig, James Fax, Alexander Gorrie, Stalker sisters and George Murray. The hall has recently been enlarged and will accommodate the large crowd that is expected.

Weston.

Reeve Jacob Bull was elected by acclamation, as were the old trustees by acclamation. Nominations for councillors are: C. Ashman, John Beasley, John Lawrence, Arthur Mallaby, W. J. Smithson.

Ellesmere.

A skating carnival will be held on the local rink Friday evening. It promises to be a success.

PILES

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There are pile remedies without number, but there is only one cure, and that is the Pyramid Pile Cure, which is in the form of a suppository and is applied directly to the seat of the trouble.

Any physician will tell you that for the proper treatment of Piles nothing can compare with a suppository, whereas the greater number of preparations that are offered to you for the treatment of this disease are lotions, salves and ointments. Why? Because they are not so expensive as a suppository, which is bound to contain more costly ingredients, and which requires special machinery to make it; moreover, a suppository inserted up the rectum comes in direct contact with the cause of the complaint, and no other form of treatment does so.

Wallace Cookman, Hallerton, P. Q., Canada, writes: "I have had two surgical operations for piles and they were not a success; after using three boxes of Pyramid Pile Cure I feel as tho I never had piles, and they have afflicted me for twenty-five years."

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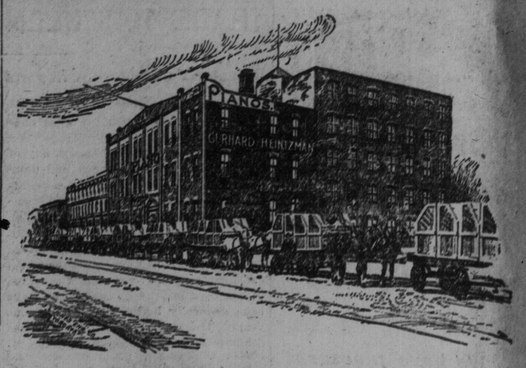

The Gerhard Heintzman Piano Factory

The above photogravure is a snapshot taken by one of the Gerhard Heintzman staff of a recent shipment of pianos, and is interesting by way of indicating the marvelous growth of this industry. In 1890, when Mr. Heintzman moved from the York-street factory, the front edifice without the upper storey was sufficient for all needs.

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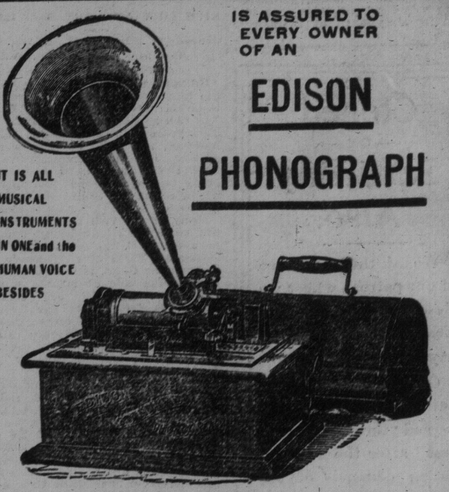

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