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CITY LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Work There
was announced yesterday that the International Harvester Company Hamilton would keep its present staff at work all winter.

Acknowledged.
Secretary Gildersleeve of the Lakes Easter Fund of Canada, has acknowledged the receipt of \$300.50, Brantford's contribution to the fund. Heartfelt thanks and appreciation are expressed.

Action Over Theatre
M. J. O'Reilly, K.C., of Hamilton, acting on behalf of James O'Reilly, started an action against Charles Dusen, J. P. Coulson, S. J. Kearns and H. S. Young for an order setting aside and declaring void an agreement whereby the plaintiff is alleged to have agreed to assign and dispose of all his interest in a lease of the Brant Theatre, in Brantford.

Receives a Call
Rev. Wm. Moore, formerly pastor of the Presbyterian church at Whitby, Ontario, and at present engaged in the life insurance business in this city, has received a call to the Presbyterian church, in the Chatham Presbytery. The call was formally received and extended at a meeting of the Chatham Presbytery held on Tuesday.

At Alexandra Presbyterian.
The Rev. Mr. Little was present at Alexandra Presbyterian church last evening and greatly impressed those privileged to be there with his splendid message. The reverend gentleman said he had come to tell of the same old Gospel message that was told by the pastor week after week, "Christ and Him crucified." Mr. Little's subject was "God's Pathway of Blessings" on conditions laid down in the text, "If My people which are called by My name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive them their sin, and will heal their land; now My eyes shall be open and Mine ears attend unto the prayer that is made in this place." His promise is for those who are humble and pray. The solos by Professor Johnson were particularly pleasing. The Rev. Mr. Little will visit the pastor this evening and go on Friday evening which will be the concluding night of these splendid special services.

Accept Invitation
Rev. D. E. Martin, B.A., of Kingsville, has accepted the invitation to become pastor of Wesley church subject to the approval of the conference stationing committee.

Euchre Tournay.
The Sergeants of the 3th are holding a Euchre competition with the Borden club on Thursday night (this evening). The sergeants will meet at the armories. A good attendance is expected.

Enlarged Quarters.
The Inland Revenue offices are now quartered in the old Y. M. C. A. building and carpenters are busy fixing over their office for the use of the Customs which will now have the use of the whole second storey of the Y. M. C. A.

New Company
The Canadian Oak Tanning Company, in which Thorntons Limited of this city are interested, has just been incorporated with a capitalization of \$100,000. The company will operate at Woodstock, taking its supply of hides from Thorntons in this city.

Successful Social.
A very successful social and concert under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid was given in the Mission House, Echo Place, last evening, to a crowded audience. Those taking part included: Mrs. H. A. Wright, Mrs. Chipping, Mrs. Loughlin, Mrs. Finn and Miss Saunders and Messrs. Standish, Barnes, Einn, Chipping and Rev. C. V. Lester. Refreshments were served and the singing of God Save the King brought a pleasant evening to a close. A handsome sum was realized towards the funds.

Huron College Jubilee.
A graduates' banquet, "At Home" and a special service conducted by his Lordship, the Bishop of Huron, marked the 30th anniversary of Huron College, London, last night and a large number from out-of-town points attended. Rt. Rev. Archdeacon Cody, of Toronto, delivered a strong sermon in which he appealed for diocesan support for an institution which had now completed fifty years of most useful service. The alumni banquet was presided over by Rev. T. B. Howard, president of the association and addresses were given by Rev. Canon Macnab, Rev. Canon Craig, Rev. W. L. Armitage, Rev. W. L. Clough and others.



HERE'S a Merry Christmas for all our friends!
We trust their Christmas will be "merry!"
Here's a Christmas suggestion for old Santa Claus—a wise and suitable one. It's this:

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GRAND JURY MAKES DUFFERIN SPORTS PRESENTMENT TO THE JUDGE

Satisfactory Conditions Reported But Changes Are Asked.

Ernest Pike "Not Guilty" of Perjury, Says the Jury.

It has again been recommended by a Grand Jury that the shed in the Jail Yard at the County Jail be taken down. This was embodied in the report of the Grand Jury for the general session of the peace which are now being held before His Honor Judge Hardy. The jury made their presentment during the session held yesterday afternoon.

The Presentment.
His Honor Alexander David Hardy, Judge of the County Court of the County of Brant.

May it Please Your Honor:
We, the Grand Jury, following the instructions received from Your Honor, visited and inspected the Gaol, House of Refuge, the Hospital, and Nurses' Home, and the new Sanatorium.

We first visited the gaol, which we found in its usual trim and well-kept order. We would commend, however, that the shed in the gaol yard be taken down as we believe it to be a source of danger in regard to fire as well as a possible means of escape for the prisoners.

We next visited the House of Refuge where there are at present 53 inmates, and found everything clean and properly kept. We would recommend that a cement floor be laid in the laundry; also that the floors throughout the building be painted. We would also recommend that a new wing be built for hospital patients. Mr. Muir, the superintendent, showed us every courtesy, and the inmates appeared cheerful and contented.

We visited the Hospital where we found 45 patients. Miss Carson, the Matron showed us through and everything was in first-class order with the exception of the light in the operating room, which should be attended to at once, and the elevator being defective, also requires immediate attention.

Lastly, we visited the Brant Sanatorium and were more than pleased with everything, both inside and out. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed on behalf of the Grand Jury, R. T. WHITLOCK, Foreman.

Grand Jury Room, Brantford, Dec. 10th 1913.
Judge Hardy after complimenting the jury upon their excellent report, dismissed the jurors.

Pike Not Guilty.
A verdict of "not guilty" was returned by the jury in the case in which Ernest George Pike was charged with perjury.

The case in which O. M. Mackie is charged with perjury has been laid over until June owing to Mr. John Buskard being in British Columbia. **Settlement Arrived At.**
Elliott vs. Forest Lumber Co. has been settled out of court by the defendants agreeing to pay plaintiff \$300.
Bygrave vs. Township of Brantford has been allowed to stand until the arrival of the evidence of W. H. Fairchild, which was taken by commission. Mr. Fairchild was formerly Township engineer.

No Christmas Stamps
"Christmas" or "charity" stamps must not be placed on the face of letters, or other mail matter as postmasters are under strict instructions to send all letters having Christmas stamps, or any other stamps other than postage stamps on the face, to the Dead Letter Office for return to the senders. The post office has no option in this, as other countries refuse to receive the letters with stamps on the face other than postage office is to the man who sends the letters and pays postage thereon, and anything that is likely to lead to confusion or delay must be a matter of good faith, be prohibited. As letters bearing Christmas stamps on the face are now coming in, the public are again warned against this in order that it may be quite clear that while Christmas stamps may be used as stickers on the back of correspondence they must not be affixed on the face, as all correspondence having such stamps on the face will be returned to the senders.

The medical officer of health reported flagrant conditions of overcrowding in Toronto lodging houses. Centralization of cheese factories was advocated by district dairy instructors at a meeting in Morrisburg.

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Results of Events Held in the Armories Last Night.

The first night of the sports were run off last evening before a fair sized audience. The events were well contested, Lieut. T. P. Jones making a splendid showing by winning six firsts and one second prize.

The balance of the sports will be run off on Friday evening, among the events being bayonet v. bayonet with a large number of entries, and the competition for the best dressed squad which also has a large number of entries.

The following were the scores last evening:
100 Yards Dash—1, Private D. Cook, A. Co.; 2, Lieut. T. P. Jones, A. Co.; 3, Private W. Colquhoun, A. Co. Time, 15 seconds.

440 Yards Run—1, Lieut. T. P. Jones, A. Co.; 2, Private W. Colquhoun, A. Co.; 3, Private J. B. Croke, Bugle Band. Time, 1 min. 12.4-5 sec.

1 Mile Run—1, Lieut. T. P. Jones, A. Co.; 2, Sergeant W. W. Hamilton, Sig. Sec.; 3, Corp. R. Wakeling, A. Co. Time, 6 min. 24.4-5 sec.

High Jump—1, Lieut. T. P. Jones, A. Co.; 5 feet 2 in.; 2, Sergeant H. K. Martin, D. Co.; 4 feet 11 in.; 3, Sergeant T. K. Martin, D. Co.; 4 feet 10 in.

Shot Put—1, Lieut. T. P. Jones, A. Co.; 46 ft. 1 in.; 2, Sgt. P. Heatherington, E. Co.; 45 ft. 3 in.; 3, Corp. W. Gage, A. Co.; 43 ft. 5 in.

Sack Race—Corp. Geo. Casey, B. Co.
220 Yards Dash—1, Pte. J. B. Croke, Bugle Band; 2, Pte. W. H. Hertridge, A. Company; 3, Pte. D. Cook, A. Co. Time, 34.1-2 seconds.

1/2 Mile—1, Lieut. T. P. Jones, A. Co.; 2, Sergeant Chas. Bissett, A. Co.; 3, Pte. D. Miller, E. Co. Time, 2 min. 49.1-2 sec.

1 Mile Walk—1, Sergeant Geo. Crouch, P. Co.; 2, Pte. W. Healey, Sig. Sec.; 3, Sergeant C. Bissett, A. Co. Time, 9 min. 47.2-5 sec.

Standing Long Jump—1, Lieut. T. Jones.

Time, 34.1-2 sec.; 2, Sergeant H. K. Martin, D. Co.; 3, Corp. Gage, A. Co. Time, 43.1-2 sec.

With the City Police

A quarrel caused a considerable amount of trouble between a purchaser and a vendor and was the cause of police court proceedings this morning.

M. Shear, a local drygoods retailer sold a shirt to J. Bottrell, who paid 75 cents for it. Shear alleged that this shirt was changed to a dollar one and a half and was short of cash he allowed him to take credit for the quarter. Shortly after the vendor met the defendant and asked him for the quarter. Unquestioning Bottrell handed over the amount asked, and then wanted to know what the money was owed for. The dealer told him and he denied ever changing the first purchased shirt. Subsequently he went to the store to recover the quarter and according to Shear he became abusive and used bad language. The garment was got last civic holiday and the parties have been after each other's scalps since that time, and the visits are said to have been frequent. During the last little scene a policeman put in his appearance and the story of the quarrel came to court. This morning Bottrell and his wife swore similarly that only one shirt was ever got, and no bad language, however, swore differently, and said he had witnesses to prove that abusive language was used. The witnesses were not present, and the case was adjourned to allow him to produce them, the magistrate remarking that it seemed a pity to have to bring all the persons concerned back to court to-morrow on such a paltry charge.

Another charge of selling liquor without a license was on the list, but was not ready to be proceeded with and was adjourned until Monday. The defendant is Hugh White.

For supplying a Indian, W. McMillan was charged, but the Indian was an absentee and as he is an essential factor in the charge, the case was adjourned until Monday for his presence.

Wheat Crop 75 Per Cent. Greater Than Other Years

Movement of Grain to Lakes in Three Months 115,570,590, Against 67,367,592 in 1912.

OTTAWA, Dec. 11.—That the Western wheat crop for 1913 was almost 75 per cent. greater than that for last year, and many a previous one, is indicated by official figures issued by the Department of Trade and Commerce yesterday for the first time, covering the receipts and shipments of grain from Fort William and Port Arthur during the present shipping season. Advance figures, which have been given out at Fort William have indicated that the total would be a large one, but the final figures show that it surpasses expectations.

The total receipts of grain, including wheat, oats, barley, and flax, at Fort William and Port Arthur during September, October and November the three months of the shipping season, were 115,570,590 bushels, as compared with 67,367,592 bushels in 1912. In other words over seventy per cent more grain was received than last year. The total shipments for this season were 94,334,190 bushels, as compared with 60,501,012 bushels during a similar period last year, an increase of sixty per cent.

Crop Moved Early.

The best showing was made during September and October. November receipts and shipments being about the same as for the same month in 1912. This was due, of course, to the fact that the crop was moved earlier this year. During November of this year the total receipts of grain were 39,598,114 bushels. The total receipts of wheat alone during the three shipping months were 24,728 bushels as compared with 49,715 bushels last year. The total shipments of wheat were 70,190,910 bushels, as compared with 43,258,283 bushels last year.

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CONVICTS HAD BIG TRADE

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which the chairman, Mr. Downey and Mr. Whiting, and Mr. Stewart took part, the three former deprecating this evidence as irregular and Mr. Stewart maintaining that the best way to get the evidence was to allow the witness to tell his story in his own words. Mr. Downey stated the committee might just as well decide to stay in session until next spring, and not right that charges should be gone into against each guard. The evidence should have, to do only with the charges which had been made.

An ex-convict told of having been tubbed. Since his release he had spent money for doctors for disease contracted while in the penitentiary. He had been in a dungeon for days, and

once the deputy warden swore he would kill him. He could not get a letter to the Minister of Justice as the deputy would not send it. His mate in the dungeon was diseased as a result of diseased prisoners having previously been confined there. For sixteen days he had no water to wash in and was compelled to use that given to him to drink for cleansing purposes. His shirt was his towel. He had been tubbed in October. He also complained of Keeper Madden for assaulting a convict.

250 NATIVES DECEASED.

FREETOWN, Sierra Leone, West Africa, Dec. 11.—Over 250 natives are believed to have perished to-day when a terrific tornado blew twenty canoes, with some 400 natives on board, out to sea. The cable ship Sentinel rescued 136 of them, but no trace of the remainder was found. The storm swept the town and port and did much damage.

The police raided the jewellery auction rooms of S. H. Lee & Co. of Toronto, and made four arrests, charging fraud.

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Come and Make Your Selections Early

Here Are Some Attractive Gifts for the Home



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Curates. \$1.75, \$2 and \$2.25
Stools. \$2.25 and \$2.50
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Chairs (infants) \$2.25, \$2.50 and \$3.00.
Chairs (bedroom) \$2.75, \$3.00 and \$3.50
Chairs (arm and rockers) \$5, \$5.50, \$6.00 and \$6.75, \$7.50, \$8
Japanese Screens, hand worked, four winged, worked with silk and gold threads, all colors and styles, green, rose, blue and pink. Prices \$4.50, \$6.50, \$8.00, \$10.00 and \$12.00
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Why Not Give a Beautiful Shimmering Silk?

A Dress or Blouse length would be a welcome gift to any woman, and one that would carry with it a heap of good-will.

Brocadee Crepe de Chine for Dresses and Waists, French shades, all soft colors, 40 in. wide. \$1.50 and \$2.50 yard

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Fancy Work Dresden Silks, in small pattern, light grounds with pretty floral designs. \$1.25 yard

Black Duchess Satin, 40 in. wide, a rich finish and Lyons dyes. \$1.50 to \$3.00 yard

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IN TOYLAND
A world's congress of playthings, to which every country has sent its representatives. Bring the kiddies to see it!

Dolls—The cute little baby dolls, with jointed limbs, always popular with the children; then the kid body doll, with real hair and jointed body, very strong and durable; dressed dolls of all kinds, small size up to life size, beautifully dressed and trimmed. 25c, 50c, 69c, 75c, \$1.25 up to \$8.50

Skoop-It—A great game for young and old, simple yet interesting. Price... 65c

Santa Now Has a Souvenir for You—Come

Women's Warm Bathrobes

A hundred of them are ready—dark or light, collared or collarless, figured and plain.

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Eiderdowns, of course, are in solid colors, blues, reds, greys, pinks, and come at \$2.00 to \$6.50

Old Rose Satin Border effect, in mm design, very dainty collar and cuffs, with pleating of plain rose satin. Special Price..... \$10.00

Tango Silk Bengaline Kimono, short empire effect, with bordered flower design in cardinal, with pipings of cardinal, yoke finished with one large rosette, with cardinal centre. Regular \$18.50. For..... \$10.00

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HAVE YOU SEEN—

The New Egyptian Opera Scarfs, made of white or black net, with real silver pattern worked on material, 2 1/2 yards long. At \$6.50 and \$7.50 each

Utility Boxes, for bedroom use, will hold all your waists and at the same time furnish the room. They are covered with matting, some real cedar, mothproof and copper trimmed. \$4.50 to \$20.00

Hammered Brass Goods, such as swinging fern baskets, table baskets, inkstand, trays, match holders, smokers' sets, ash trays, umbrella stands, etc. 25c to \$8.50

Ladies' Linen Handkerchiefs, fine and sheer, the new 2-inch hem, "New York's Latest". 25c and 35c each

Fur Gauntlets—Grey Persian Lamb and Hudson Seal. Special price..... \$3.00 pair

Tea Cossy, in pretty materials, some made of white corded silk and beautiful hand-worked floral pattern on each side. \$1.00 to \$5.00

Jewel Boxes, large assortment of designs and sizes, beautifully silk lined, in silver or gold-dipped metal. 39c to \$2.50

New Dresden Silks for fancy work, small pattern, on white, blue or pink ground. \$1.25 yard

Oriental Table Scarfs, pattern heavily worked in gold thread, exquisite designs. \$1.25 to \$4.50

Chintz-covered Handkerchief and Glove Boxes, pretty patterns, very useful present. 50c and 75c