

NET OVERDRAFT OF \$42,000 FOR 1907.

Last Year's Council Spent Money Freely.

Street Railway Paid the City \$33,000.

Water Department Had a Large Surplus.

It cost the city of Hamilton \$1,269,278.83 to operate the various civic departments during 1907...

The figures show that the company's receipts during the year amounted to \$216,739.05...

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ANNIVERSARY AT-HOME. Crescent Lodge, Independent Order of Oddfellows, celebrated the thirty-fifth anniversary of its organization...

BIG SNOW STORM. Montreal, Feb. 1.—Following the intensely cold snap of the past few days there was a marked drop in the temperature last night...

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE WEAK, SAYS MAGISTRATE. But He Committed Willie Kirkpatrick as a Matter of Form.

When the regular police court was over this morning the name of William H. Kirkpatrick was called. The prisoner sat quietly in the dock with a bunch of thieves and seemed rather dazed...

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WATCHMAN BEATEN.

Christopher Curry Set Upon by Probable Thieves.

Christopher Curry, 223 Wellington street north, watchman at the Canada Sewing Company's plant, was the victim of a brutal assault last night.

CHINESE NEW YEAR.

Local Celestial Colony Paying Bills and Rejoicing.

The Chinese of this city and all over the world are celebrating this day as their New Year. This is the year 4,605 in their calendar, and the 34th year of the reign of Quong Suey.

CHOIR SUPPER.

Enjoyable Affair at St. Luke's, Last Evening.

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MISS JEANETTE LEWIS, Originator of the Children's Hospital idea, which is meeting with popular favor.

Jap's Defences

Tokyo, Feb. 1, 4 p. m.—At a special committee meeting of the Diet today M. Oishi asked against whom are Japan's military preparations directed.

MONTREAL ELECTION

Montreal, Feb. 1.—The civic election campaign practically ends today as voting takes place on Monday.

COUNTY COUNCIL.

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"NOT GUILTY."

Jury's Finding in the Celebrated Case.

Insanity What Saved the Prisoner.

The Verdict Reached at Noon.

New York, Jan. 31. (Flash)—Thaw was found not guilty on the ground of insanity.

New York, Feb. 1.—After having argued and balloted all night long in the stuffy little jury room adjoining the chamber of the criminal branch of the Supreme Court, the Thaw jury this morning joyfully welcomed their release from confinement...

One of the worst storms of the winter, rain, snow and sleet alternated, swept before a stinging northwest gale, was raging as the jury went to breakfast...

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THE MAN IN OVERALLS

Who was it that said this was to be a mild winter? They must have been drawing it mild.

I hope Organizer Peebles sees the ghost walk regularly.

Suppose the city makes a \$10,000 grant to the Y. M. C. A. The overdraft couldn't be put to a better use.

It's sort of tantalizing to hear all that talk about summer parks and loop de loops.

When people talk about an auditorium, are they sure what they are talking about?

Sir Wilfrid said he would do his best for the Labor men. Always courteous, always anxious to please.

If you are a Scotoman, what excuse have you for not being a member of the St. Andrew's Society?

That timber limit scandal is the limit.

Complaint is made that the people read too much fiction. They must be reading the Spectator editorials.

These city employees who are preparing to file requests for more salary, surely could not have heard about the financial stringency.

Now if somebody could coax the hen to lay in cold weather eggs would not be the luxury they are to-day.

Memo. to the sexton: See that the furnace is attending to business to-morrow, but don't neglect the ventilation.

If you want to be immune from the smallpox have an operation.

Take a ride around the belt line and cool off.

John Burns seems to think that if the unemployed in London had to work for a living there would be fewer unemployed.

Kindly disposed people might chip in quietly, and help to raise the Con. Club rent. It's a deserving case.

No doubt the ice is getting thicker. Be careful. The water is dreadful cold, too.

That scandal talk at Ottawa is a perfect scandal.

Any apology yet for that \$60 story? Toronto is making an awful fuss about feeding a few hungry immigrants.

Who says \$200,000 to start the Y. M. C. A. building fund?

Lefurgy and Fowler should be right at home in the timber limit debate.

GETTING AT FACTS IN REGARD TO POWER.

CECIL B. SMITH. Year Before Hamilton Can Get It.

Winnipeg Board of Control Recommends Dismissal.

A Winnipeg despatch states that Cecil B. Smith, the well-known civil engineer, chosen to construct the power plant there, had been dismissed by the Board of Control there, subject to the approval of the City Council.

DRANK LAUDANUM.

Evan Kerrish Died in Hotel at Winnipeg.

A Winnipeg despatch of last night announces the death there of Evan Kerrish, of this city, commercial traveller for the Montreal wholesale house of Redmond & Co.

THE YELLOW RACE.

German General Warns Labor of Competition.

Berlin, Feb. 1.—The danger of "the yellow peril" from the military and industrial view points was the subject of a lecture last night by Inspector-General Baron Von Der Goltz, who recalled the Mongolian armed invasions into Europe 600 years ago.

CONTRACTS SIGNED.

Beach Waterworks Construction Will Begin in Spring.

All the contracts for the new waterworks system at the Beach have been signed. The Canadian Buffalo Machine Co. of Montreal, will supply the motor; the John Ingersoll Co., Toronto, will supply the tank, lower and well and the work of laying the mains and service pipes will be done by Mercer & Lovejoy.

HIGHFIELD.

Neat Pamphlet Published by Popular School.

Highfield School has just issued an exceptionally neat pamphlet, descriptive of the school and its work. It is illustrated with views of the school and grounds, the class rooms, halls, etc., and the boys at work and at play.

BANK STAFF CHANGES.

A number of changes have been made in the staffs of the agencies of the Bank of Hamilton around Simcoe. Mr. Manfred Barber, who has been accountant of the Simcoe branch for upwards of a year, goes to Jarvis, as manager, to succeed Mr. Charles Niblett, who is promoted to Port Elgin, as manager of the branch there.

HARDY, THE CHECK FORGER GETS 23 MONTHS SENTENCE.

And Three Boys Who Stole Brass Are Also Sent Down To-day.

Summary justice was dealt out to a number of offenders at the Police Court this morning. Bert Hardy, who pleaded guilty of forging Thomas Corridon's name to a post office bank cheque, was sent to prison for 23 months.

The three boys who pleaded guilty to stealing brass from Burrow, Stewart & Milne, William Ploozard, John Kirby and Alex. Thompson, were also up for sentence.

and were given 15 months each, but the only conviction against Thompson was for rioting in the street car strike. He accordingly was sent down for only six months.