

## London Shriners Secure Request For a Shrine for Western Ontario

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Many Points in District—  
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London is to have a shrine. Yesterday at the annual session at Toronto of the Shrine Temple of Mystic Shriners, the request of the London delegation was granted.

Details of the organization of this temple are wanting, as the imperial council, which meets in St. Paul, July 14 and 15, will describe the boundaries and other matters in connection with it. But the London contingent is jubilant over the victory.

London had a shrine years ago, but the charter was allowed to lapse. Of late years Masonry has been making rapid strides in Western Ontario, and it was felt that this section was entitled to a shrine, especially as the parent organization had become very cumbersome owing to its very large membership.

Western Ontario, it was felt, was of sufficient importance to have a shrine of its own, and the claims of this part of the Province were eloquently put forward by the delegates.

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The Toronto temple could not deny their request.

Local Masons are greatly gratified at the prospect.

The long distance of travel, and the expenses, were a considerable drawback to the Toronto temple, and it is thought that the local shrine will soon be very large.

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## Local Items

—Mr. Joe Hutcheon, of Toronto, is visiting with his parents at 524 Horton street.

—There will be a meeting of all Masonic lodges tonight in the Masonic Temple. The installation of the officers of the different lodges of the city will take place.

—The Hon. Wm. Anderson, of Jewell, senator of Iowa, and Miss Pearl Anderson, of Orangeville, Ont., are holidaying at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Anderson, of Arva.

—Dr. Teskey, of 612 Spadina avenue, Toronto, accompanied by his wife and family and his niece, Miss Ekin, returned home yesterday, after spending Christmas with Dr. Colin Smith, 23 Marley Place, city.

—Mr. Ed Lee, manager of the Merchants' Bank, Leduc, Alta. (who has been holidaying at his home, Wolfe street for some time), sails today for his return he will resume his work in St. John, N.B., for the old country. On his return he will resume his work in the bank.

—A lad giving the name of Walter Fisher, and his address as 180 Hamilton road, London, was arrested in Toronto last night on a charge of theft. The boy is 14 years old, and the police have notified his relatives to take him home.

—Superintendent Tiffin III.

The ill-health of Mr. W. R. Tiffin, formerly of London, G. T. R. superintendent at Allandale, has compelled him to seek leave of absence for an indefinite period. Mr. P. J. Lynch, assistant superintendent, will be in charge during Mr. Tiffin's absence.

—Took Deserter Back.

Sgt. Summers, of the military staff at Kingston, arrived in the city this morning, and took Robert Humphries, a deserter, who applied for a night's lodging at the police station last night, back with him. Humphries will be tried on Monday.

—The Dog Show.

Those in charge of the exhibition are: Dr. Fred L. Wood, secretary; Col. McEwen, Dr. Niven, judges; Capt. W. Smith, superintendent; Messrs. M. Graydon, Dr. Drake, Dr. E. P. Smith, and M. T. Carroll, executive.

—EMBRO OCCURRENCES

A Trio of Sunday School Christmas Entertainments.

Embroid, Dec. 26.—A cantata and Christmas tree entertainment was held in Knox Church Sunday school rooms on Christmas evening. There was an unusually large crowd present, and one much credit is due Mrs. Young, the choir leader, for her painstaking efforts in training the children, as the evening's success is largely due to her.

The Christmas tree was laden down with presents for children and their elders, while Santa Claus found ready helpers in the fairies, who were fittingly and thoughtfully dispensing the gifts.

The Methodist Sunday school held their Christmas tree and entertainment in the town hall on Monday evening. A good programme of music and recitation was rendered, and the conclusion of which the tree was relieved of its load.

The Congregational Sunday school Christmas tree and entertainment took place in the Congregational Church Tuesday evening. Lunch was served to the children present. A good programme was rendered, and Santa Claus was there, too, with his pack.

The sad death took place on Wednesday evening at her home on the fourth line, near Brookside, of Margaret Green, beloved wife of ex-Warden John Young. Mrs. Green, who was about 50 years of age, had been in poor health for some time. Her death is deeply regretted by a wide circle of friends and relatives. Besides her husband, she is survived by two daughters, Mrs. W. H. Young, of St. Marys, and Miss Annie, at home, also a son, Wilbert. The funeral took place on Friday at North Embro Cemetery, services being conducted by Rev. F. W. Langford, of the Methodist Church, Embroid, and Rev. Kippen, of Harrington. A large number of friends and relatives were in attendance.

Miss Martin, of our public school staff, is spending the vacation at her home in Preston.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Ellis and family, of London, are visiting at Mr. Hector Sutherland's.

(Rev.) Murray and Mrs. Ross have gone to spend Christmas with friends in Chester, West Virginia.

Mr. D. C. Ross, of Toledo, Ohio, Mr. Ross was well-known among the older citizens of our village.

Miss S. Day, of Chatham, is holidaying at her home in Woodstock.

Miss Bella McDonald, of Woodstock, and Mr. Hugh McDonald, of Toronto, are spending the holiday at their home here.

Mrs. O. M. Alger and little daughter Agnes, are visiting at the mother's parental home in Warkworth.

Mrs. MacDonald Wallace, of Ingersoll, is visiting at her parental home, "Scotta Farm."

Miss Mary Jane Gunn, of Windsor, is visiting at her parental home.

Miss Weir, of the Glasgow House, has gone to her home in Milverton for the vacation.

Miss Burnette McLeod, of Beaverton, is spending the holidays at her home.

Miss Minnie Dorman, of Toronto, is visiting at Miss Logan's.

Miss L. Matheson is visiting with friends in New York.

Messrs. E. Collins and R. Mullin, of the C. P. R. survey party, Perry Sound, spent Sunday with friends here.

Mr. W. J. Dill, of London, is attending the funeral of his cousin.

Mr. Nacy McKenzie, of Montreal, is visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George M. McKenzie.

Mr. McKenzie sang a solo in the Congregational Church on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ward left to visit with friends in Winnipeg and British Columbia.

Mrs. Prentice and daughter, Miss Fannie, of Drumbo, are visiting at Mrs. Hector Morrison's.

In Paris dogs are treated as well as human beings are. They wear automobile coats when they go motorizing, they have a hospital and they even have a good-sized cemetery, with monuments and headstones and inscriptions and mortuary wreaths.

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Chemist and Druggist  
184 DUNDAS STREET LONDON

## SWAM IN RIVER ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Spectators Shivered as Hardy  
Athletes Plunged—Belgian  
Led, But Disqualified.

Paris, Dec. 27.—Swimming in the Seine on Christmas Day, while it may not become general as a celebration or pastime for the population at large, seems to have become a fixture for a certain category of hardy athletes in search of glory.

The second contest, known as the Coupe De Noix, under the management of the Societe Nationale d'Encouragement a la Natation, took place yesterday afternoon. The course was diagonally across the river, just above the Alexandre III. Bridge, the distance being about 150 meters.

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Thousands of spectators lined the banks of the Seine between the Pont de la Concorde and the Pont Alexandre III. Although the temperature was not very low for Christmas, the majority of persons present were disposed to shiver as they looked into the cold, gray waters of the river.

From the standpoint of the spectators the event was even more successful than last year. The crowd was enormous.

Twelve swimmers plunged from the pontoon after M. Moels had called "One, two, three!" They proceeded in overarm fashion, with considerable direction of the rear guard, in the direction of a red flag, the other side of the river, M. Meister, last year's winner, took the lead and maintained it most of the way, although he was threatened all the time by M. Bertia, who surprised his competitors by his wonderful stroke.

At the finish there was considerable confusion. M. Meister evidently had miscalculated the point of the finish. He was ahead of the Italian, but touched the wrong mark, and his competitor beat him to the official goal, while M. Maas, a Belgian, plunged into second place.

Naturally there was a squabble over the result, confusion among the judges and confusion among the spectators, which the official classification, which declared the results as follows:

1. Bertia, Italian; 2. M. Maas, Belgian; 3. M. Bignell, English; 4. M. Richard, French; 5. M. Hanouet, French; 6. M. Cazaine, French. The winner's time was 1 minute 40 seconds.

SEAFOORTH.

Seaforth, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Walter Willis, Mrs. Frank L. Willis, and Mrs. Frank L. Willis spent Christmas with relatives in London.

Mr. W. C. Mackay, barrister, of Toronto, spent Christmas with his mother.

Several of the members of the C. P. R. steamer Manitoba, has arrived home for the winter.

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## Saturday Will Be a Great Day of Money-Saving

Broken lots and odd lines of goods left from the Christmas rush, combined with the following list of Saturday specials, will make a day of great bargain-giving. Come early if you can and get the best that's going.

**Fine French Suede Gloves**  
\$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75 qualities. Nine o'clock Saturday morning, at per pair .... 98c

Some unlined, others silk lined—all perfectly made and splendid fitting gloves—the entire balance of our elegant Christmas stock of suede, moose, tan, brown, grays and blacks, almost all sizes in the lot.

**\$1.00 Wrappers, Saturday 69c**  
Ten dozen Wrapperette Wrappers, in navys, cardinals and grays, full sizes, waist lined throughout, frill on bottom; all sizes. We quote the regular price at one dollar, but those of you who have tried will appreciate the difficulty of buying a bargain wrapper even at a dollar. These are desirable at 69c.

**\$5 All-Wool Blankets for \$3.69**  
Ten pairs Pure Wool Blankets, size 68x86, elegant lofty finish, colored border. One of our regular \$5.00 lines. Sale price.... \$3.69

**Smart Dress Tweeds at Nearly Half**  
Seven pieces All-Wool Dress Tweeds, in fashionable ombra checks and stripes, 42 inches wide, dark colors, 50c qualities. Clear Saturday, at, per yard ..... 29c

**Fine Sheer Voiles for Evening Wear Gowns**  
Five pieces Fine French Voiles, in plain and with silk stripe. Colors—Mauve, pearl, Nile and Copenhagen blue. Worth 65c and 75c per yard. These make dainty gowns for evening wear. You may choose from these tomorrow at, special, per yard ..... 49c

**French Covert Cloth for 98c Yard**  
One piece only French Covert Cloth, in dark fawn, has indistinct herringbone stripe. Worth \$1.75 per yard. Special Saturday, at sale price ..... 98c

**Wool Waistings, 37 1/2c Tomorrow**  
French Flannels, Delaines, Lustres, printed and silk embroidered. None worth less than 50c, some more. Any of these tomorrow at, per yard ..... 37 1/2c

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**MOUNT BRYDGES.**  
Mount Brydges, Dec. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lockwood and family arrived here from Moose Jaw on Saturday night.

Mr. John Lipsitt, of Minnesota, is visiting his mother and other relatives.

Mrs. Badge, who has been in St. Joseph's Hospital, London, for over five months, returned to her home here on Saturday.

Mrs. A. Thomas is improving in Victoria Hospital. Her son Fred is very ill in London at present.

Mr. F. Birch, of Blyth, is home for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Clapp and daughters, of Harrison, are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Whiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown, of London, spent the Christmas holidays with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Lipsitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Down and Mr. and Mrs. Black, of Appin, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. B. Fisher.

Mrs. McLellan has returned home after spending several months with her son, Dr. McLellan, of Birmingham, and relatives in other places.

The Christmas entertainment given by the Methodist Sabbath school was a decided success. An excellent programme was rendered, which reflected much credit on the committee, and all those who took part. The proceeds amounted to nearly \$55.

Mrs. Graham, of London, is spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. O. Monger.

**AFRAID OF THE BATH.**  
With the advent of chilly weather, people are becoming fearful lest they should take cold after a hot bath, but this opinion is unable to reconcile itself with the immunity of the Japanese from colds. There are many public baths in Japan, but nearly every private house has one, either in the house itself or adjacent to it.

The ordinary bath consists of a large wooden tub, oval in shape and fitted with a cover. Before he enters the tub the bather thoroughly lathers himself from head to foot and washes the ends off by means of a wooden ladle or dipper. He then sits in the tub immersed up to his chin for several minutes, enduring a degree of heat by which a European would be well-nigh paralysed.

When Japan first began to study the methods of western nations the excessive heat of the baths was strongly condemned, and a law was made that the water in the public baths should be only moderately heated. This caused great discontent, so a committee composed of European and Japanese medical men was appointed to decide the question. The verdict was in favor of the national custom, which was pronounced to be not only harmless but beneficial.

The high temperature of the water was said to open the pores of the skin thoroughly, even without the use of soap, and a healthy action of the skin and cleanliness were secured, which it was impossible to get with any amount of washing in cold or so-called hot baths.—Chicago Tribune.

**DIES OF LOCKJAW.**  
Chicago, Dec. 27.—Dr. Joseph P. Peasen, a department superintendent, employed by a Chicago packing firm, died last night of lockjaw resulting from a fracture of the nose, which occurred a week ago. Dr. Peasen fell down a stairway in the laboratory of the packing plant. The skin over the nose was broken, and the wound became infected with tetanus germs.

Dr. Peasen was suddenly stricken with lockjaw. He diagnosed his own case, and with the aid of pencil and paper directed his family to send him to a hospital. He then sent for a lawyer and made his will. During his illness he constantly joined with the hospital physicians in the consultations, and gave it as his opinion several days ago that he could not recover. The immediate cause of death was said to be heart failure, following a convulsion.

Visit the Tecumseh Grill after attending the theaters. 26-n-xvz

One of the most traveled of English women is Lady Lachmere, who is also famous as a huntress of big game, having been on numerous hunting expeditions with her distinguished husband.