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Already we can hear the music the boundary line should be agreed upon. of Christmas Bells. Those who still of Christmas Bells. Those who still or a joint international survey would be have presents to buy or holiday needs a fair settlement of the question, and this is probably the way the matter has been to the Canadian Government for a large to provide will find this store ready or will be disposed of. with about everything they're likely goods through either country has been in political parties to the United States comes up. The Mail is much given in these days to need and a prompt service in every department. Up to six o'clock make permanent that is now liable to interruption at any time. If a permanent arrangement 4s made it will probably be on the understanding that the future political battles of this country; but Conservatives will make very little of the store will close—for we can be store will close the conservative will make very little of the conservative will be the conservative will make very little of the conservative will be the conservation where the conservation we can be the conservation where the conservation we can be the conservation where the conservation we can be the conservation where the conservation where the conservation we can be the conservation where the conservation where the conservation where the conservation where the con never keep open evenings and will risdiction of the American Rallway Com- responsibility for the annexation record of remain closed until eight o'clock ed, therefore, we will probably find our selves subject to restrictions which did Canada, and for the treachery of that pap-Tuesday morning.

was the best we ever had and we thank you for your confidence and

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Halifax, N.S., Dec. 23.-The steamer Gas-

Windsor and Save 3c. Per Letter

TO NEW YORK VAUDEVILLE POSTAL MATTERS MIXED UP

Goes Ralph Stuart To-Night, After How Imperial Penny Postage Will a Pleasant Stay of Four Months in Toronto.

VAUDEVILLE. DETROIT MERCHANTS WILL CROSS

choly from city doors, is about to leave postoffice The the New Bijou, and on Monday leaves for cents on every letter sent to any place in New York to enter a career of metropolitan the British domain other than Canada. vaudeville. Only a recent gain to the ranks Many Detroit business houses, such as of vaudeville from the old legitimate, Mr. Parke, Davis & Co., have enormous foreign Stuart at once achieved a triumph. Keenly correspondence, and the saving to them in alive to his new sphere, and having all the advantages of the old school lying fresh within his mind, his comparison of the two must necessarily be interesting. So, last evening, as the actor smoked his after-dinner pipe before the open fire-place at the Grand Union Hotel, a reporter put the question: postage by bringing their letters across the river to be mailed will amount to a considerable sum in a year. If they mailed their letters in Detroit the postage on earn would be five cents.

The new rate brings to mind various postal conditions. Since the cost of carrying a letter to any place in Canada if the

The new rate brings to mind various postal conditions. Since the cost of carrying a letter to any place in Canada, if the letter be mailed in Canada, is three cents, while the same letter, if mailed in the United States, would be carried to any part of Canada for two cents, a great deal of the mail matter from points in Canada near the American border is taken over to the United States for posting. In Windsor this condition works injury to the postoffice revenue. Postmaster Wigle said this morning that in round figures \$1500 a year that should go into the Canadian Government finds it way into Uncle Sam's pockets from Windsor alone. What of Vaudeville?

"What do you think of vaudeville?"
Ralph Stuart smiled all over his face, while he replied: "I'm simply delighted with it. What is the attraction? Weil, to begin with, this continent is oversaddied with melodrama at present. People are sick of going to see plays describing how young men beat board hills or stand off their mothers-in-law. Your business man has, perhaps, just half an hour to spare, and wants some place where he can see the whole plot through in 20 minutes, instead of sitting for two hours in a house to find out why the hero was sent from home and why his father took him back."

A Passing Fad?

"But is this rage for vaudeville likely to What of Vaudeville?

"But is this rage for vaudeville likely to last, or is it only the fad of the moment? What about Shakespeare, in which we are promised a revival?" Shakespeare in Vaudeville.

Shakespeare in Vaudeville.
Ralph Stuart was enough interested in the question to leave his chair. "Why, we have Shakespeare now on the vaudeville stage," he exclaimed, excitedly slapping his interviewer vigorously on the knee. "There's the balcony scene from 'Romeo and Juliet' and 20 minutes of Shylock has made a great hit in New York. Vaudeville meets the demands of the people, just as the short story does. These regular plays that you go to are only just so many short stories padded out. So much for the public. As to the actor, the regular work is simply a treadmill, and, physically, most exhausting. In some of my plays I have had to cry for 20 minutes at a stretch and consult a doctor afterwards. There isn't this strain in vaudeville, and, then, see what time is left for other enjoyments!

There is Money in It.

"I've said nothing about the money side of the question," larged the store. "but

"I've said nothing about the money side of the question," laughed the actor; "but vaudeville has its remunerations, you know. There's Maurice Barrymore playing an engagement of 20 weeks at \$740 a week, and Cissy Loftus getting \$20,000 for 20 weeks' work. You can best get some idea how much money there is in vaudeville by the fact that the Hopkins Kohls Castle circuit booked acts aggregating \$72,000 in one day."

Been Treated Royally. Raiph Stuart then turned the conversa-tion to Toronto. "I hate to leave," he re-marked, "Feople have treated me royally here, and I never met a nicer or more con-siderate manager than Major Robinson in my life." It was now time for the Bijon to open, and it interrupted the conversation. You say you are not well." Of course—how can you be well if you are

Red Rose League in Ottawa. Red Rose League in Ottawa.

Frills writes in The Citizen: The proposal some time ago put forward by Mr. John Coates, the president of the Conservative Association of Ottawa, for the organization of a Red Rose League to perpetuate the principles so untiringly inculcated by Sir John Maedonald throughout his life—Imperial unity, Conservative democracy, constitutional rule and religious toleration—I understand is meeting with much favor among the women of Ottawa, who no less than their liege lords were great admirers of the great old statesman.

Gave a Cool \$100. The St. Vincent de Paul Society acknow-ledge with thanks the receipt of \$100 from Dr. Goldwin Smith, in aid of their chari-table fund.

Coming After a Wife.

Winnipeg Telegram: Dr. A. J. Carscal
len has taken his departure for Toronto of
a two weeks' holiday during which time i
is announced his marriage to a prominen
young lady of that city will take place.

THE TORONTO WORLD CNE CENT MORNING PAPER. No. 85 YONGE-STREET. Toronto.

SIR WILFRID'S CHRISTMAS BOX TO CANADA.

each country undertaking to abrogate its alien labor laws. This is a fair settle-

nission in the regulation of Canadian rail- preparing the

lement of the question we can hope for. shing vessels for landing in Canadian har-ors to secure bait, and to send their fish s concerned we are worse off than we were on we had an undisputed right. We return

pose of that right absolutely to the Amfleet engaged in the business. It is the good-will and monopoly of the business are to get nothing at all for our good-will, beggarly half-million dollars we bind our selves to throw thousands of Canadian fishermen out of employment, and to rob

amounts to hundreds of thousands of dol-

referring question No. 6 to the Commission. We stood to lose, and the Americans to gain, everything in submitting that have lost, or will lose, if Sir Wilfrid Laurier's proposed settlement is carried out We went to Washington with our soverestioned. Sir Wilfrid returns to Ottawa after having made a draft agreement to allow the Americans to share with us that sovereignty. When we went to Washington we had a treaty with the United States whereby the great lakes were secured from the threats of hostile fleets. It is now proposed to allow war vessels to be con structed on the lakes, and Canada is to allow the Americans the use of our canals to transport them to the ocean. The tranquillity of the great lakes is to be threatened. In the event of a rupture between pesia of the New Canadian service between the two countries we will find a hostile Paspebiac, Que., and Milford Haven, which fleet before Canada's two largest cities ran on a sand bank off. Rice's Point, St. Peter's Island, P.E.J., yesterday morning, came off without assistance. She floated several hours after striking bottom and arrived at Charlottetown last evening, where she is now loading for Liverpool.

What has Canada 5 two largest titles. What has Canada to gain by sharing with the Americans her sovereignty of the St. Lawrence and by filling the great lakes with warships? Nothing whatever. On the contrary we give away a valuable privilege

So far, then, the chances seem to be that three of the seven questions enumer The North Grey and Ottawa Petiated above will be settled on a rationa basis. As to the other four Canada stands The end of the 73 election protests filed to lose very seriously. Everything the Amafter the last provincial election has been ericans set their hearts on they are apparnearly reached. Judgment will be given in the West Elgin case on Dec. 27. In one or two cases an appeal is pending. Yesterday the petitions against the two Ottawas and North Grey were dismissed by Justices Osler and Maclennan at Osgoode Hall. The members confirmed in their seats are: Messrs. Lumsden (Liberai) and Powell (Conservative), Ottawa, and George M. Boyd (Conservative), North Grey.

ently going to secure. They will get a monopoly of the Behring Sea fisheries, they will get a right of way through the St. Lawrence for their war vessels, they are in a fair way to get equality with Canadians in the Atlantic fisheries. Poor Canada, we servative), North Grey. ently going to secure. They will get a humiliating program is carried out.

POLITICAL SCALAWAGS. The proposal to extend the national railway (the Intercolonial) from Montreal to Parry Sound, is meeting with some criticism. The proposition of itself is a sound one; the method of doing it may be wrong or right; The World prefers not to pass

judgment on the method until we know the There are just two ways of bringing to time the Grand Trunk and the Canadian Pacific, and that is by Staffe regulation of their rates through a national commiss and by paralleling their lines by a railway owned by the people. We cannot hope that the State will take over all the railways for many years to come. But we can do a great deal (1) with a railway commission. (2) by extending the national system so that it touches the great lakes, (3) and by insisting that provision be made in all charters hereafter granted for an interchange of running rights. Rallway reform for the next few years must run on these lines. The World is prepared to accord its support to any reasonable effort on these lines, irrespective of the source whence it comes. If the Laurier Government will move in this direction, we will not hamper

ves to be made a party to the hostility a railway of their own, and, strange to say, they have tried several times to sell it to the Intercolonial. Had their proposal any-

The Mail, after its long record of deceit and treachery toward the Conservative party, is very anxious to be recognized as its on. As far as question 4 is concern- five years of The Mail, of the missions of our holiday trade this season of exist prior to our going to Washington to the trying days of seven years ago.

Our holiday trade this season in submitting question 4 to the Joint Com-Question 5 will probably be settled by ducted The Mail then, and were up to the

> the fight that is to come is to try and hold re our Commissioners went to Wash-Canada claimed and exercised with-ty responsible for the sins of the scala-Macdonald created and built up. Conservatives who are hoping for better things had better look with some suspicion at the ef-

> > The Ontario Accident Ins. Co.

The Home Life Association. special meeting of the policyholders of Home Life Association of Canada was a at the office of the association, 72 gestreet east, on the 21st inst., to con-Ring street east, on the 21st inst., to consider a recommendation to apply to Parliament, asking for an amendment to the charter increasing the capital of the company to \$1,000,000, enlarging the plans and enabling the company to do a general life insurance business, and to make a deposit of the funds of the company with the Government. The proposition was unanimously approved of by the meeting.

Messrs. Suckling & Co. announce that they will hold a special holiday sale on Wednesday next, commencing at 10 a.m., when they will endeavor to close out all consignments at present on hand, which consist of men's frieze ulsters, overcoats, boys' and youths' ulsters, boys' and youths' two-plece sults, waterproof coats, flannelettes, wrapperettes, linens, towellings, pillow slips, handkerchiefs, etc., etc., also 1000 pairs skates. In view of the special railway fares, this will be a fine opportunity for buyers to sort up their stocks. Special Holiday Sale.

North Bay Despatch: Liberal Organizer Preston of Toronto and his co-worker, Capt. Sullivan, timber agent of Algoma, have been in this district during the past week. Draw your own inferences.



en get together alone, a common theme of conversation is their physical ailments. It would be better if these discussions of the ailments peculiar to women took place twenty years earlier in life. If a little of the prudery of modern society were banished, so that young women talked these subjects over among themselves, there would be less suffering among women in middle life.

Good health is the best endowment that a human, being can have. Good general health among women is largely dependent upon good local health in a womanly way. Through ignorance and neglect it has become such an ordinary, common-place thing for women to suffer from weakness and disease of the delicate and important feminine organism, that many women have come to look upon these troubles as an unavoidable inheritance. This is a mistake. All troubles of this nature may becured in the privacy of the home, without undergoing the obnoxious "examinations" and "local treatment" insisted upon by the average physician. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription gives health, elastic strength and vitality to the sensitive organs concerned. It allays inflammation, heals ulceration and frees from pain. It tones the nerves and builds up the nerve centers. It makes a woman healthy and strong, and thus prepares her for healthy wifehood, capable motherhood and a safe transition at the change of life.

"I want to testify to the great benefit derived from using Dr. Pierce's Pavorite Prescription,"

"I want to testify to the great benefit derived from using Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription," writes Mrs. H. Mason, of Strykersville, Wyoming Co., N. Y. "I commenced using it about three months before confinement. With my former confinement I suffered greatly, while this one was comparatively easy, owing to the use of the 'Favorite Prescription.'" And, taking that stand, we join with The

The West York Election Case Dropped by Consent of

Why Everyone Connected With the Case is Pleased - Witnesses

The subtle influence that decrees a byeconbridge and Street disagreed on charge 111 in the West York election case, knowing that the back of the case was broken

The case has been dropped and Billy Hill. as he is called now—during the trial he was referred to as Hill—has shaken a good many hands, for, like Hon. John Dryden. he can at last sit down and feel his seat

The witnesses are happy because, as the court crier—and a very fine court crier lie is—says: "The witnesses will all remain after, so as you can get your pay." a naughty idiom, but excellent English. So yesterday the charges collapsed. "Your Lordships, I have had a consultation with the petitioner and with the learned counsel representing the respondent, and subject to your consent, I am willing to drop the petition without costs to either side."

A BRITISH SCIENTIST HONORED

Prof. Willian Ramsay, Discovered of Argon and Helium, Meets the German Emperor.

Berlin, Dec. 23.—Before the Emperor, the Empress, the British Ambassador and a large and distinguished audience, 1 rot. ation with the British scientist.

YALE DIVINITY STUDENT A THIEF

James P. Miller Was a Shoplifter Who Made a Business of Stealing Books.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 23 .- James P. Miller, a Yalle divinity student, and three-years' graduate, was arrested last evening for shop-lifting. He was seen by the detectives to purioin three books in a the detectives to purion three books in a book store, and by tracking the man they discovered that he was evidently a professional shop-lifter. Five thousand volumes were discovered at his rooms, and at his home. The books ranged from editions de luxe to pocket editions. Two dealers have already polenanted 2000 volumes. Minter were a coat fitted with pockets such as professional thieves wear.

OUR HIGHLAND CORPS.

What the General Officer Commanding Says After His Rigid Inspection of the Regiment. In the regimental orders of the 48th lighlanders, dated Dec. 23, is the follow-

after his recent inspection of the comps:
General remark—in excellent order.
Physique—Excellent,
Drill—Very good.
Clothing and accts.—Very good.
Arms—Excellent,
Books—Very good order.
Discipline—Very steady and quiet on oracle.

Discipline—Very steady and quiet on perade.

General—A very reliable and efficient buttarion; complete in officers, and somewhat over strength in men; very keen and enthusiaside in all duties; an excellent band, with a very good bugie corps, as well as pipers; efficient bearer and pioneer corps.

A class for the instruction of those who desire to quality themselves for promotion to the rank of conporal and sergeant will be formed on Friday, Jan. 6, at 8 o'clock, All N.C.O. holding provisional rank must attend and quality. Officers commanding companies will see that only those likely to make good N.C.O. are sent for instruction. If the numbers warrant it, two classes will be formed, one for sergeants and one for corporals, thus making the work more interesting.

Christmas at the Pavilion Sunday Christmas at the Pavilion Sunday. The meeting of the Canadian Temperance League at the Pavilion to-morrow (Sunday) will partake of a Christmas song service, in which Mr. John M. Whyte, the well-known gospel singer, Mrs. Kennedy (nee Miss Norah James) of Jarvis-street Baptist Church choir and Mr. and Mrs. Waiter Sparks will take part. Short addresses will be delivered by the Rev. J. W. Graham, superintendent of the Fred Victor Mission, Rev. John Neil, B.A., and others. The chair will be taken by the past president, Mr. J. S. Robertson. A delightful and suggestive meeting may be expected.

A meeting of the directors of the College and High School Department of the Outario Educational Association was held yestenday at the Education Department. There were present: Messrs. R. A. Thompson, M.A., Hamilton, president; A. T. De Lury, M.A., Toronto, vice-president; F. F. Manly, M.A., secretary; John Henderson, M.A., and W. J. Robertson, M.A., A., St. Catharines; E. L. Hall, B.A., Guelph; and T. J. Birchard, M.A., Toronto. The program for the coming meeting of the department at Easter was arranged.

A Christmas Friend. On Christmas Day in the morning,
Old boy, I thought of you,
And I said: There is no botter gift
Than a friend so good and true;
A man who lends a lot of pelf
What time he needs it all himself.

A Merry Christmas To the Many Drinkers of



What shall I buy?

That ever-recurring pleasant Christmas perplexity "what shall I give?" is here again.

It's so easy to give a present, but so hard to select something that will be really appreciated.

-It's well to remember that something useful gives the greatest satisfaction and pleasure—if it contributes to the personal comfort of the recipient that's ever so much better.

Our stock of footwear offers facilities for your buying just such presents—there's beauty in them,

For instance, if there's a gentleman in the question, we have the famous "Slater's" Slippers, made of kidduck in general shades, comfortable and stylish at home or in travelling, for \$2.50 and \$3.00. Then there are Slater patent leather dancing pumps and street shoes at \$3.00 to \$5.00.

A pair of Rubber-soled "Slaters" would make a present that would pleasantly recall the giver's thoughtfulness. They cost \$5.00-all these are stamped on the sole with maker's name and price.

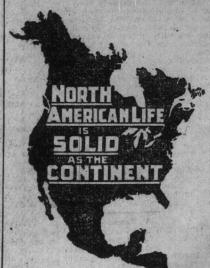
Boys are always delighted with new shoeswhy not send Santa around with a pair? Boys like the manly, strong, stylish, Goodyear-welted Slater Boys' Shoe. The cost only \$2.50 and \$3.00.

Or perhaps a gift equally welcome and appropriate this exceptionally cold weather would be a pair of very fine Jersey Cloth Overshoes, black wool linings, \$1.75 a pair.

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THE MAGOWANS WIN Ohio For a Mother to Steal Her

Own Child, the Judge Says. Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 23.-Judge Dissett in the Criminal Court to-day, sustained the emeumer made to the indictment return ed against ex-Mayor F. E. Magowan Tremton, N.J., Mrs. Magowan and Mrs. Wynn, Mrs. Magowan's sister, upon th charge of child stealing. The count order ed all of the defendants in the case discharged, saying that it was not a crime for a mother to steal her own child in the State of Orico.

The Magowans were not in court when the decision was rendered, and are said to be in Toronto.

Election Question at Napanee. A traveler, who is a resident of Napanees says the chief question before the rate payers of that town just now is Adams, of anti-Adams. In a word, Chief of Polic Samuel Adams' conduct in connection with the Napanee bank robbery seems to have found disapproval among a section of the community, and his going or staying has been made an election question.



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THE TRUST C.

A Copper Syndicate W of Millions of Capital est Proposed Co on, Dec. 23.—The bo ning stocks, which beg times to-day, with a very trading and prices went up The reason for this is said that a combination of New alms to control the coppe country and has started if the available stock of panies, with the idea of pe basis not made known as ynot fully decided upon. All of the stock of some of panies is in the control and the whole deal is likely ed within 60 days. There mates of the capital of the pany, from \$200,000,000 to



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