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mous War Nurse Tells of Her Affairs Nature—Why She Rejected r Is Also Made Known.

O SHOULD NOT MARRY

See Rottenness in Westminster

t, and WANT VACANT LAND FOR LONDON'S POOR

Effort to Procure Free Gardens Has Not Met the Enthusiasm

[SPECIAL DISPATCH.] LONDON, January 10. HERE is an effort in London to make table gardens for the poor in the way that already has proved successful in cities elation plained According to an officer of the Vacant

Land Cultivation Society, there are 14,000 acres of idle land within the met

find it which So far the society has not met with a ready response to its request for making use of idle land, although it agrees to vature cate at a week's notice, and to hold itsel done. Out of its hundreds of acres of unused land the London County Council has lent to the society less than ten acres, but the Gas Light and Coke Company has dovill at nated a large plot at Canning Town ferent tables, but have made upward of \$1.50 a ld not week from sales of produce besides.

g do- HARD COURT TENNIS GROWING IN FAVOR

Hundreds of Places Have Been Marked Out for Playing in Winter

and by Night.

[SPECIAL DISPATCH.]
LONDON, January 10. ARD court tennis is evidently grow-1846] ing as a winter recreation. Grosvenor House, the stately town mansion of narry- the Duke of Westminster, now boasts its don't own tennis court, the Duke, who is a ten-

e sinhis house.
But the makers of hard courts have put
down hundreds within the last few
months. The day has gone by when tennis players were content to say farewell nuch the beginning of May. The perfection of the hard court has now robbed winter of its tedium for the enthusiast, and the covered-in court, rendered bright as daylight ught by electric lighting, has made tennis by

and might another winter vogue.

Mr. Sabelli, the secretary of the Lawn Tennis Association, says that the coming hard court season promises to be a very successful one. Tournaments will take place at Scarborough, Dulwich, Brook-

and he is expecting a great many that they keep fit on the hard

BRANTFORD DAILY COURIER.

FORTY-FOURTH YEAR

BRANTFORD, CANADA, MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 1914

Just Like a Summer Sea--Mayor-Elect Spence Congratulated --- Standing Committees Elected for the Year--Appointments Made.

Council of 1914, this morning was not to keep the wheels of civic progress unereal, neither was it joyous, but in good working order and well oile it was about the quietest affair one One might have expected to-day the could imagine after a rip-snorting a council 15 to 1, in its make-up Con mayoralty campaign, which was a servative would have launched a head natural precedent to the inaugural. chopping affair on the civic represent-Of course everybody this morning atives to the different boards. No was in a congratulatory mood. Mayor- so, however, as the same old men or Elect Spence again had to respond to each board were sent back to the plaudits passed his way. If the meet- respective jobs. ing this morning is any augury of future proceedings reporters will not have to sit up late o' nights, worrying iness cannot be made into fiction nor about fisticuffs in council, or anything straight business into a war of words of like nature. The City Council of The council started right to-day, and 1914 started off like a Mutual Admir- it is believed will continue so. ation Society. "You pat me on the back and I'll pat you." Chairmen as announced in Saturday's issue of the declaration from the City Clerk and Courier were elected without objec- his congratulations,

tion, even without applause. With a blizzard raging outside one council-elect had concluded taking naturally would expect a blast or so the oath of office. from the City Council. The expecta- Mayor-Elect Spence thereupon de tion proved a libel. It was like a livered his inaugural addess, outlin-June bride going sailing on a June summer sea, despite the fact that a week ago a local paper announced that there was a world's champion- Mayor Farland were at the Mayor's right and left. There were ship fight on for the plums of the three back benchers present at the council. Said paper being horror-stricken at prize fights, the announcement was funny. There was no strife to-day. It was all husiness. Of course the election of John H. Spence as member of the finance committee, he Mayor called for a little oratory and was gratified at the chairmanship as Harris. one clse but Spence been elected, it was filled last year, and the economy carried out was greatly to the benefit of this city. Ald. Charlton would have been a civic calamity.

The inaugural meeting of the City electors the council of 1914 starts off

The inaugural proved a happy one if it were tame. Routine council bus

The usual mormalities including th

Congratulations. Ald. Charlton was first to extend congratulations to the Mayor. As a best for the handling of township af-

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Slayer of Bank Manager Mrs. Parker Here in His in Manitoba Has Not Behalf—An Interview With Her.

Been Caught. [By Special Wire to The Courier] Krafc's iko is still at large. The con- January 23. The condemned man's past. It was thought by the council census of police opinion is that Kraf- days are numbered and realizing this that this was a very good move and of the city, and is secure with friends half have numerous petitions in cir- having all taxes paid in by the first that he fled in an automobile that When inquiry was made of Mrs. N. given for the preparation of the anthe rope, have not been verified. In fact one well defined rumor is that the outlaw slept only two blocks from the station all day Saturday and spent the station all day Satu part of the time since his escape in at the Y. W. C. A. this afternoon, the old locomotive "Countess of Mrs. Parker expressed the opinion his notice directly by teachers and Dufferin," which is located in a little that she was firm in the belief that park opposite to the C. P. R. station. for the crime Taylor should not die. During his confinement Krafchenko That Taylor should be examined was This is particularly necessary with reopenly boasted that he would be out believed by Mrs. Parker to be only ference to the large schools in the shooting rabbits in the spring. Yes- a form of justice. She expressed a terday a rabbit was delivered to Chief hope that the business men of the of Police MacPherson with the com- city would assist to attain the desired pliments of John Krafchenko. Close goal. scrutiny of the handwriting proved beyond doubt that it was that of the condemned man but once, and that to the township during 1913 amounted escaped murderer, it is said in police was on Saturda afternoon. When to \$37.37. This was made up by arcircles. Rewards now offered for information leading to the arrest of replied that he did and seemed quite the fugitive now total six thousand, glad to see her, expressing a wish wrote the Council disclaiming liabil and the city council to-night will add that she would again visit him.

another thousand to this. ko, and last man to see him before his the prisoner's attention was called escape, with the exception of the guards, has issued a statement declaring his opinion that the escape was and looked at Mrs. Parker, not pany would agree to the culvert being the result of "an inside job." Hagel speaking until asked if he knew declared he never took his client anything but a package of cigarettes, and two or three minutes with him. places the responsibility for the es-

OPENED WITH PRAYER inauguration of the city council was among them was a young lady, a opened, several aldermen got wise residence in Chicago with his wife, and urged the mayor to dispense with operated a baking business. The news the invocation, but he stoutly refused. came as a shock, as it was the first aldermen and spectators rose and re- outcome Mrs Parker had received. verently stood while an appeal was Although not a blood relation, but offered for divine guidance and bless- because of her interest in humanity, ing upon the civic proceedings.

may succeed Judge Morgan on the York County Bench.

WINNIPEG, Man., Jan. 12.-John of Charlie Dawson, be hanged on ci nko has not been able to get out those at work in the city in his be- it is likely it will be instituted. By who fear to betray him. Early reports culation to secure an investigation of December, more time could be passed the police station about the D. Parker, an aunt of Taylor's detime he was known to have slid down ceased wife, who is here from Chi-

Since arriving, she has seen the Mrs. Parker promised to do, but has company's solicitors, Smoke and Percy Hagel, counsel for Krafchen- since been unable to do so. When Saunders also addressed the Council.

It was on New Year's Day that pay for the work. Mrs. Parker, who resided in Chicago had the first word of the crime and that Taylor was to be hanged. KINGSTON, Ont., Jan. 12.-The Friends were calling upon her, and opened with prayer, an unusual pro- member of the Salvation Army, who would be amended so as to allow cer ceeding here. Mayor-elect Shaw, a first conveyed the news. Taylor was tain portions of the township to pay Methodist, arranged with Rev Alfred known in Chicago to have worked for Hydro out of the money allowed Brown to officiate. Before council Mrs Parker, who at the time of his the district for road improvement. When the prayer was proposed, the word of the dreadful affair, and its of the Williman property purchased

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Cold Weather How They Line Up Arrives at Last **Around Council Board**

By Special Wire to The Courler! WINNIPEG, Jan. 12.—After two months of a winter notable for its unprecedented mildness, the weather in Western Canadahas now dropped into its accusticated winter stride. A cold wave swept across the Canadian prairie west yesterday, the thermometer dropping to 20 below zero at several points. At Winnipeg 12 below was registered during the day with a further MAYOR SPENCE HOLLINRAKE ROBINSON during the day, with a further drop to 12 in the evening, with cold westerly winds. While the forecast for Saskatchewan and

The Inaugural Meeting of Brantford Township Council Today.

The inaugural meeting of the Township Council is taking place to-day at the Court House. There was little time taken up with addresses, Reeve Jennings and Councillor Morgan Harris only making speeches. The reeve welcomed the members of the council and outlined the situation to

be found by the council. He outlined what he believed to be the method fairs. The reply was made by Mr. Councillor Morgan Harris is the

only new member of the council he having jumped into the arena for the his old place, while Mr. Rupert Greenwood has gone a step higher now holding the second deputy reeve-ship, the holder of the position last year having been the choice of the people for reeve. First Deputy Reeve McCann occupies a seat at the left of the reeve, he having been returned to his old position

was an overdraft of \$6,300, a goodly portion of which constituted money spent in 1913. At the session this norning it was deemed necessary to uthorize the clerk to prepare a bylaw authorizing the borrowing of \$40,-000 to cover expenditures until such time as the taxes are collected.

With regard to the collection taxes the council discussed the advi ability of having all taxes payable on Will James Taylor, the murderer or before December 1, instead of on or before December 15, which has been the period for payment in the

> A Suggestion. In connection with the re-appointothers without waiting for a report

suburbs of the city. Payments to the Township. County Treasurer Foster reported that the payments made by the county

The Brantford and Paris Road Co. This ity for the repair of a culvert. The It was set out that the culvert is on whichever according to law should

> Act Will Be Altered. The Hydro Electric Power Commission advised the council that it was possible the municipal Hydro act

> > A Petition.

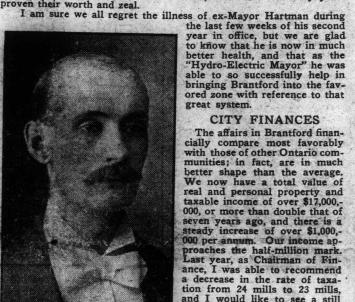
Isaiah Dougherty and other resi dents owning property in the vicinity by the city for a smallpox hospital, petitioned the council to oppose the establishment of the hospital. It was tial purposes.

"STRAIGHT BUSINESS"

SAYS MAYOR SPENCE IN HIS INAUGURAL

The inaugural address of Mayor-elect Spence to-day was

I heartily congratulate you upon your election to office, and feel sure that it will be the aim of each one of us during the ensuing year to discharge to the best of our ability and judgment the duties devolving upon us. In that regard we are fortunate in having the assistance of a tried and true set of civic officials, who have for many years proved their worth and real seed.



CITY FINANCES

The affairs in Brantford financially compare most favorably with those of other Ontario communities; in fact, are in much better shape than the average. We now have a total value of real and personal property and taxable income of over \$17,000,000, or more than double that of seven years ago, and there is a steady increase of over \$1,000,000 per annum. Our income approaches the half-million mark. Last year, as Chairman of Finance, I was able to recommend a decrease in the rate of taxa-The affairs in Brantford finana decrease in the rate of taxa-tion from 24 mills to 23 mills, and I would like to see a still further reduction this year if at all possible commensurate with

MAYOR SPENCE recent phases in connection with the gas situation to render any further enlargement necessary at this time. The company have been allowed a small period in which to purify the existing sulphuret supply from the Tilbury field, and the outcome remains to be seen. All I have to affirm is that the gas furnished must be made right, or else the city should institute steps to take hold

Matters in the above regard are still in abeyance. We have won out in the courts so far, and I trust the situation will be soon in such shape that the people can take up the municipal ownership of the plant. Personally I am strongly in favor of that, and a general extension of the service, with a lowering of the fares if possible.

OUESTION OF BRIDGES I earnestly believe that the time has come when there should be better bridge facilities across the Grand River, alike for the convenience of the residents of the Holmedale and of Eagle Place. The Mary street footbridge is also another matter which should be taken hold of. Ample bridge accommodation across the canal into the

The need for more subways to the Terrace Hill district is most apparent. Beginning first with the dangerous Market street crossing of the Grand Trunk Railway and that of St. Paul's avenue, the necessary steps should be taken to avoid the annoyance and the peril of level crossings in this rapidly-growing city.

This much-vexed question we still have with us. I hope this year that the members of the Buildings and Grounds Committee will make an early and earnest effort to grapple with the same, and also the matter of a City Hall, for the existing quarters in both regards are at present an absolute disgrace, not to mention the undoubted danger to health. A proper public convenience should also engage the attention

CIVIC BOUNDARIES

With regard to an agitation in some quarters with reference to the enlargement of the civic boundaries, I am of the opinion that we should first take more efficient care of the territory we at present have. In any event, residents of the township adjacent to the city should be given to understand that if they desire inclusion with the rest of us, the same should take place on the basis of city assessment and city

LAKE ERIE & NORTHERN All regret the cessation of work upon the above important enter-

prise, and hope that same will be only temporary. I am of the opinion that the City Council should give this railway every co-operation in accord with the safeguarding of the interests of the ratepayers.

A SUGGESTION

I would suggest to the members of the Board of Works that they immediately take up the matter of the establishment of a proper purchasing and store-keeping method. There has in the past, apparently, never been any systematic check upon anything, either going or coming, in connection with this important department of civic outlay and activity.

PUBLIC OWNERSHIP

In conclusion, I feel and recognize, as I think you do also, that we have been elected as a Council in favor of the people owning, wherever possible, public utilities. We have had a splendid illustration of the benefit of such a course in the case of the waterworks, and I have a speciage in convenient with Hadron and I have a speciage in convenient with Hadron and I have a speciage in convenient with Hadron and I have a speciage in convenient with Hadron and I have a speciage in convenient with Hadron and I have a speciage in convenient with Hadron and I have a speciage in convenient with Hadron and I have a speciage in convenient with Hadron and I have a speciage in convenient with Hadron and I have a speciage in the case of the waterworks. believe will speedily have a like experience in connction with Hydro-Electric light and power. To further extend such a plan would seem to be the course of wisdom. As Mayor I ask, and feel that I will receive, your hearty support, for we all must recognize the importance of the duties devolving upon us with regard to as fine and as enterprising a city as there is in Ontario.

A sequel to the wreck of a fishing suspended for six months the cer-A sequel to the wreck of a fishing suspended for six months the cer- and my very act of keeping him con-boat while the captain, at the wheel, tificate of Captain Crane of the North fined here is an expression of my Thaw's sanity in Pennsylvania, will Mrs. Parker, upon making inquinies set out that such an institution would and the whole of the crew were as-Mrs. Parker, upon making inquimes set out that such an institution would and the whole of the crew were asof the Chief of Police of this city, and finding that it the JJames Taylor and render it undesirable for residential purposes.

Mrs. Parker, upon making inquimes set out that such an institution would and the whole of the crew were asdepreciate the value of their property leep through overwork, was furnished mended, however, that he should be granted a mate's ticket during the whole of the crew were asdepreciate the value of their property leep through overwork, was furnished mended, however, that he should be granted a mate's ticket during the whole of the crew were asdepreciate the value of their property leep through overwork, was furnished and render it undesirable for residential purposes. Board of Trade court of inquiry suspension,

SIR JAMES WHITNEY IN SERIOUS RELAPSE TODAY

Doctors Worried at Condition of Their Patient --- Bulletin Issued at 11.30 Shows Cause for Much Alarm---Must Forsake Politics it is Said.

By Special Wire to The Courier] cated by the bulletin issued at the Manhattan Hotel in regard to the were afraid that any suggestion of

For nearly a week his doctors had daily reported little change, but at | 11,30 to-day, after an examination of compelled to state that the Premier's ondition was "less favorable" and that he had spent a "poor night." The change was immediately reflected in the attitude of Sir James Whitney's party, which under the favor-able bulletins that had been issued, had been able to relax of their watchfulness. The anxious and worried look came back to the face of Dr. Pyne and Horace Wallis, the Premier's secretary. It was decided that one or the other must remain within call of the sick room until the re-

Out of Politics. If Sir James Whitney, who is still lying seriously ill at the Manhattan James of practically all the work of Hotel from the effects of heart trouole, will take the advice of many of the medical profession, he will decide not to enter politics again when he this compromise as his nature which tion, as his party here are hopeful thing that would savor of an office that he will. This advice has been with nothing to do in it. ommunicated to Sir James, who has so far made no promises.

The task of intimating to the Prenier, that, as one of his medical 71.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12. -A change he should go back into politics upon or the worse this morning was indi- recovering," has been a very delicate one, but it appears to have been handled most deftly. His attendants ondition of Sir James Whitney, this nature would at once arouse him to a fury that would be highly dangerous, but at the same time it was felt that he would be discouraged from contemplating a return to his Herman Biggs of New York were Herman Biggs of New York, were whether or not his feeble heart would stand the strain of political activity, something every member of his party is extremely dubious about However by dint of slight hints now and again, direct suggestions, when Sir James was apparently in the mood to receive them, this ultimatum has been communicated to him.

When hints have been given to him the Premier has shown that he is confident that by patience he can wir back his health and contradict all the pessimism that has been felt and expressed at different times about his chances of recovery. The Premier's policital confreres it has been learned, are quite willing to relieve Six his office if he should insist upon remaining head of the Ontario Governwould militate against accepting any-

Jeremiah Hallett, Collector of Cus-

THAW HAS CHANCE OF BEING RELEASED

Commission Has Declared Him Sane --- Attorneys and Alienists Receive Decision With Conflicting Emotions --- His Friends Are Pleased.

the news of the commission's report mobile. which decided that he is sane with conflicting emotions—some express- Thaw stands an excellent chance of ing pleasure at the findings, others being admitted to bail by Judge Aldreiterating convictions that Thaw rich, pending the determination of the would be a menace if released on bail.
William T. Jerome, who was district attorney when Thaw killed
Stanford White, and who has since
Stanford White, and who has since lawyers concerning the outcome of

Dr. Austin Flint, alienist for the state in the prosecution of Thaw, and ALBANY, Jan. 12.—Should Harry history of Thaw's life and attempted ment in any step he may decide to to show that he might be a model take. titizen for a time, but that tempta-

Expressing a directly opposite view to that of Dr. Flint, Dr Britton D. Evans, superintendent of the New Jersey state institute for the insane, said the commission's report confirmsaid the commission's report confirmed this testimony given at hearings mody's hands. and that whatever where Thaw's sanity was at stake. He considered it a personal vindica- course the attorney-general chose to tion, he said, in view of criticism that follow would have his strongest supwas made on his testimony in behalf port. of Thaw, both at the murder trials

before that I believe Thaw is insane, business.

Aldrich of the district court of New it."

[By Special Wire to The Courier] | Hampshire, is the most important NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Attorneys, victory won by Harry K. haw in his alienists and others who have been fight for liberty since he escaped from participants in the trials and insanity Matteawan Asylum, on the morning hearings of Harry K. Thaw, received of Sunday, August 17, in a fast auto-

It is generally agreed now that Stanford White, and who has since continued to oppose every move to have him declared sane, refused to discuss the commission's report. He discuss the commission's report. He commission will have on Judge discuss the commission's report, it the commission will have on Judge said he did not care to discuss his Aldrich's decision on the question of next move to have Thaw returned to Matteawan, from wwhich he escaped is problematical.

who has repeatedly asserted that K. Thaw be admitted to bail and at-Thaw was insane, declared that feared for his life if the release of ney-General Carmody will try to efthe prisoner was granted without re-the prisoner was granted without re-strictions. Dr. Flint went over the will have the support of the govern-

citizen for a time, but that templations of drink and a desire for revenge would lead him back into his dangerous self. He concluded his statement by saying that "Thaw is statement by saying that "Thaw is have acknowledged the validity of the proceedings before Governor The governor said that he had left

To Start Business

PITTSBURG, Jan. 12-Roger O'-Dr. Russell, K.C.B., superintendent Mara, trustee for the estate of Harry of Matteawan hospital for the crim- K. Thaw and his confidential adviser, inal insane, expressed surprise when said to-day that while no definite informed of the text of the report. plans had been formed for Thaw, if "I have no desire to comment on it he is released on ball, he would probfor publication, he said, "I have said ably come to Pittsburg and go into

"If the court action to establish