

Seasonable Suggestions

At Michie's

If everyone left their shopping until Christmas eve, some would be disappointed. Plum puddings in tips at Michie's for those who have not made any this season—and the finest Fruit, Peel and Spices for those who still intend to make.

"It's from Michie's it's good." For Dessert—we offer good quality and good value in Almonds, Raisins, Nuts, Ginger, Glace Fruit, Figs, etc.

"Santa Claus Stockings are going fast." Fancy Imported Biscuits, made by Huntley & Palmers, make up an excellent dessert mixture, containing upwards of 15 kinds of fine, crisp biscuits.

"Candied Cream" is always good. While thinking of fancy products, remember also the essentials. Among these are good Tea and Coffee, good Ham, Bacon and Butter—in these we excel at Michie's.

"The true measure of cheapness is quality." The Christmas Cracker should be in every home—it is the mirth maker.

Prices to suit all purses—over 100 varieties—from 15c box.

Michie & Co.,

7 King St. West, 406 Spadina Ave.
"The Home of the Christmas Cracker."

A CASE OF OATH AGAINST OATH.

A London Cigar Firm's Suit Against a Toronto Hotelkeeper Was a Peculiar One.

London, Dec. 20.—The County Court here wound up with the disposal of the case of McKay & Co., cigar manufacturers of this city, against Edward McCormick, a Toronto hotelkeeper. The action was brought to recover \$133, the balance due on a promissory note. McCormick claimed to have paid the amount in dispute to the late Hugh McKay during the last week of April, 1897, when the latter called at his hotel, and, in support of his story, called two witnesses, who corroborated it in every detail. The plaintiff swore that for the past month he had been in Toronto but twice during April, and that he had never seen Mr. McKay. The judgment was given for the plaintiff, for the full amount of the note, with interest, on all \$133, Gibbons, Q. C. for plaintiff; McBrady, Toronto, for defendant.

THE HOUSE OF INDUSTRY

Will Permit Casuals to Remain All Winter.

The usual monthly meeting of the House of Industry Board was held yesterday afternoon, with Ald. Crane in the chair. The question of allowing casuals to remain in the wards for over three days was thoroughly discussed, and the superintendent's suggestion, that tramps be allowed to remain in the institution, was adopted on the condition that they perform the labor tests, will be acted upon. The superintendent's report showed that for the past month 732 new families, including 1312 children, were received. The following were also admitted among the poor: 198 tons of coal, 304 cases of wood, 3388 four-pound loaves of bread, a large amount of groceries, eight gallons of soup daily. One hundred and forty-five orders for breaking stone were placed, and the men in return received coal and wood for their labor. There were 251 female inmates in the institution. The treasurer's report showed an over-drawn bank account of \$488.40.

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY.

Items of Passing Interest Gathered in and around this Busy City.

Over 1000 men in barracks; due present for smokers. Alvin Karpis.

The Y.M.C.A. Debating Society held their regular weekly debate last night. Alvin Karpis's famous cool mixture, in decorated tin, was only 30c, five present.

Holy Trinity Guild will visit the young people of St. John's Church, Norway, on the evening of Tuesday, Jan. 10.

Trustee Baird's special committee of the Public School Board was elected to adjourn yesterday for lack of a quorum.

The annual meeting of the Astronomical Association will be held on Tuesday, 27th inst., at 8 o'clock, at the Canadian Institute.

George and William Travers of 450 Parliament-street were arrested last night charged with being disorderly on Yonge-street.

There are many applicants for the position of registrar of the Court of Appeal, reduced vacant by the death of Alexander Grant.

Arabel Fenwick writes to the editor advising the cat-o-nine tails as a punishment for women who brutally treat their children.

At the Armories on Monday evening a fast game of baseball was played. The score was: Stanley Barracks 44, Royal Grenadiers 19.

In the Divisional Court yesterday J. McCormack sued J. J. Walsh for \$600 on a horse debt. Judgment was given in favor of the defendant.

The reports sent in to the School Board officials by the teachers of the various schools show a marked improvement in discipline during the year.

John Hanrahan was yesterday, by a decision of the Queen's Bench Divisional Court, allowed to rank as a preferred creditor in the estate of R. & Co., lumber merchants.

The members of Dr. Willmot's Bible class called at his residence last night, to express their appreciation of his valuable services, by presenting him with "The Life and Times of Christ."

Among the visitors at the Parliament Buildings yesterday were: W. Johnston of Peterboro; Percy Dewey of Buffalo, N.Y.; Leslie Gorman of Chicago, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Driscoll of St. Paul, Minn.

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THE BOYS WERE BOISTEROUS

And Principal Macdonald Called Them Down—They Said, "Hear!"

The regret that a delighted audience feels as it views the disappearance from the stage of a favorite performer, was experienced by the crowded house that witnessed the exit last evening for their Xmas holidays of the ladies of the Presbyterian College. The singing program contained such merry pieces as Moszkowski's "Air de Ballet" and Corbett's "Butterfly," and the audience didn't need any doses of strychnine or absinthe to enjoy it. So celebrated an entertainment, of course, drew a host of jolly male students from adjoining colleges, but their exhilaration for once got a douche of cold water. When the fun was at its height, the principal, Rev. J. A. Macdonald, rushed with a very flushed face to the front of the platform, and with menacing gestures told the students that they had stumbled into the wrong hall, and were for vulgar to associate with his girls. The roared visitors greeted the principal's strictures with good-natured cries of "Hear, hear," and continued nearly as before.

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OPPOSITE THE POSTOFFICE.

TO BUY THE BOOTH RAILWAY

Is Now the Scheme of Mr. Tarte, According to Well-Founded Reports in Montreal.

A FEEDER TO THE INTERCOLONIAL.

It Would Complete a Trunk Line From Halifax to the Great Lakes—Will the Proposal Go?

Montreal, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Would it take the breath right out of the Dominion of Canada if the Government were to come down to Parliament with a proposition to purchase the Booth Railway system from Ottawa Landing a few miles from Montreal to Parry Sound? A great many people will reply in the affirmative, yet this is the grand project which the enterprising Mr. Tarte is evolving in his busy brain. For months it was known only to the few. The public caught on to the fact that La Patrie was giving column after column to the booming Parry Sound section of the road, yet the ultimate object was hidden by a veiled plea for trade for the intercolonial. Mr. Tarte, it is said, has started out to convert the whole Cabinet to his way of thinking and that already Hon. Mr. Blair has succumbed to the great project of the Minister of Public Works and that two other Ministers are open to conviction. The idea is to buy the Booth system, unite it with the L.C.M. and thus have one Government trunk line, extending from Halifax to the great lakes. Hon. Mr. Blair favors the scheme, so it is said simply because the Canadian Pacific would oppose it, and although Mr. Tarte would not do what the Canadian Pacific would do, he believes that a "business as business" state of mind is before the party, and that a mighty campaign fund could be raised in this manner. The fact that the scheme has been so long in the air, and that it is so generally recognized as the backbone of the country, is a fact which is not to be overlooked.

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By shrewd business enterprise, by buying in tremendous quantities, and by taking the advantage of several large manufacturing concerns, Mr. Philip Jamieson is thus able to give his patrons goods of the first quality at a figure far below the usual retail one.

For Christmas the Rounded Corner has secured an extra fine and selected stock in all the latest and seasonable suggestions, the sale of which is now in progress. Those who desire to get something really superlative as a Christmas gift, will find the Jamieson store, and they may then rest assured that their purchase is the best that can be procured for the money, and, what is more, it bears the name of "Jamieson's," which is so generally recognized as the hallmark of quality.

BORING FOR OIL.

The Standard Oil Company Drilling Around Manitowaning.

Manitowaning, Ont.—The Standard Oil Company's representative, Mr. Boesel, has been in the city for some time, and is now drilling for oil in and around Manitowaning all winter, so that by spring we shall undoubtedly know what we are to be.

The first well is being drilled on the property of Mr. John Gortley, just outside the limits of the town, and already the drill is grinding away at a depth of nearly 200 feet below the surface. It is expected to be completed in a few days, and it is hoped that it will be a success, as there are shifts working night and day.

MUCH TO BE THANKFUL FOR.

The Blind Chaplain of the U.S. Senate Enumerates Some Mercies.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 20.—In his invocation at the opening of the 55th Congress, the blind chaplain of the U.S. Senate, the Rev. Mr. McPherson, enumerated some of the mercies of God for his countrymen.

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