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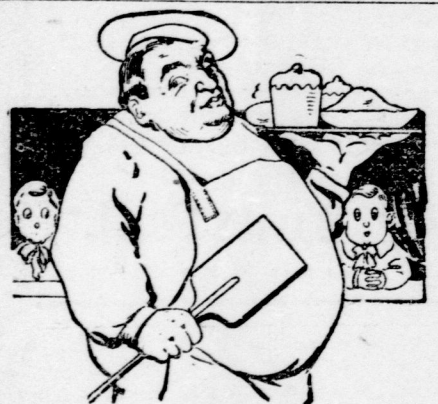
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New York, Jan. 3.—A dispatch from Paris says:

A real duel took place on Wednesday near Paris, and as usual on the rare occasions when such meetings are serious, nothing is being allowed to be become known, beyond the fact that the principals were two young French officers, Lieut. Spitzer and Lieut. Andre, previously the closest friends, the former receiving a serious wound in the abdomen. What distinguished this duel from the ordinary ones is the fact that regulation army revolvers were used, and at the order to fire each combatant was allowed to fire as many of the 25 cartridges with which he was provided as he could. The scene of the encounter was at Sahiere, near Versailles. The duel itself occupied only a few minutes. The adversaries were placed 30 meters apart, and fired at the word. Six shots were exchanged, when Lieut. Spitzer staggered, dropped his revolver, and fell into the arms of his second.

All present surrounded him except Lieut. Andre, who, without a word to his opponent or the doctor, quickly departed. The wounded man was transferred to a nearby restaurant, where it was found that the bullet had penetrated his abdomen.

An ambulance carried Lieut. Spitzer to a private hospital. A nurse who accompanied the ambulance says he suffered terribly during the journey. He was semi-conscious, and kept repeating ceaselessly, "Fauvre Chere. He is the son of a St. Petersburg banker. His mother is well known in the highest Parisian society. Nothing has transpired as to the cause of the duel.

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## 1907

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## LONDON AND DISTRICT

—Miss Ada Rudd, of Toronto, spent the holidays with her mother, Mrs. James Sinclair, of 439 Princess avenue.  
—Mrs. James H. Crouch and son Allen, of Detroit, are spending a couple of weeks with Mrs. A. E. Crouch, 321 King street.

—The Grand Trunk Railway authorities have given orders to their police officers to prosecute all persons found throwing rice in their coaches or around stations and waiting-rooms.  
—A meeting of the electors of London Township is to be held tonight at Dyer's Hall, London Junction. All the candidates for the council are expected to be present to discuss municipal affairs.

—A Waterloo correspondent writes: Mr. Isaac Hertel, the efficient and obliging agent of the Canadian Express Company at Waterloo for the past two years, has received notice of his transference to the London office, where he will act as chief clerk. His removal is in the nature of a promotion. Only the numerous friends here extend best wishes for his future success.

—A quiet but pretty wedding took place at the residence of Mr. Canfield, Iona, on New Year's Day, when his daughter, Reta, became the bride of Mr. Francis E. Cotton, of London. Rev. Mr. Cross, of Iona, officiating. Only the immediate friends of the bride were present. Both the bride and groom have a host of friends who will wish them a long and happy married life. They will reside on Maple street, city.  
—The Guelph Herald says: Mr. H. E. Lemon, who for some time has occupied the position of steward at the

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JAN. 1, 1907.

## Hats and Furs

Priory Club, has resigned, to accept a similar position in the service of the Travelers' Club of London. Mr. and Mrs. Lemon will leave Guelph at the end of the month, and Mr. Lemon will enter upon his new duties on Feb. 1. These many friends they have made in Guelph wish Mr. and Mrs. Lemon much happiness and prosperity in their new home.

—A happy event took place on the evening of New Year's Day at the residence of Mr. John Jacobs, York street, Ridgeway, when his daughter, Miss Celista, and Mr. Harry Houlgate, of this city, were united in marriage. After the ceremony, the guests, who were principally near relatives, besides P. H. Bower, M. P. P., and Mrs. Bower, sat down to a dainty repast. The young couple were the recipients of many useful presents. Mr. and Mrs. Houlgate later on left for London, where they will have their home.

## SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT.

Last night the Sunday school of Christ Church held its annual Christmas entertainment and treat in the Sunday school room, which notwithstanding the inclement weather, was crowded to the doors. At 6 o'clock a tea was served to the children and about 8 o'clock the parents arrived and were entertained to a delightful programme of songs, choruses, recitations and instrumental selections put on entirely by the children. Rev. R. S. W. Howard made a splendid chairman. The gathering broke up after all had spent a most enjoyable evening.

## FROM FAR AND NEAR.

That the circulation of The London Advertiser is not confined to the city alone is brought out by the return of a brown satchel advertised as lost by Mr. H. C. Grellin, 298 Dundas street. A postal card has been sent this paper by Wm. W. Revington, of Mooreville, stating that he found a brown satchel on the market square, which would be returned to the owner the first time he came to London. This is another case where The Advertiser proves its superiority.

## GAMMAGE FOR TRUSTEE

Well-Known Businessman Expected to Win Re-Election.

There is a general feeling throughout the city that Mr. Wm. Gammage will be re-elected to the board of education. His pronounced, businesslike views commend him to the thinking, tax-paying voter. He has stood for non-resident students paying their share to the school; he has followed a definite policy regarding better sanitary conditions in the schools; he has voted for the best teachers when additions were made to the teaching staff. His work has been done on a good sound businesslike basis. Mr. Gammage has won the regard of the entire city as one of the safest and most careful citizens ever on the school board. He is out for re-election and asks all voters whom he cannot see personally to cast a vote for him, and he will give the same careful attention to the work of the board as he has given during the past five years.

## THE GREAT CATCH OF THE SEASON.

The Magic Fish—the new toy. Price, 15 cents. For sale by The Red Star News Company, 8 Market Lane, city.

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Fresh Select and Standard Oysters received daily at Smythe's, Hyman and Richmond streets. Phone 1231.

## A PRESENTATION

Glencoe Says Farewell to Popular Young Professional Man.

Glencoe, Jan. 3.—On the eve of his departure for Ottawa where he has received a Government appointment, Dr. D. Henderson, V. S., a resident of this town for the past 20 years, was waited upon by a number of his friends at the McAlpine House and presented with a past master's jewel.

Mr. T. K. Poole acted as chairman of the affair, which was quite informal, and the presentation was made by Mr. E. T. Hughson on behalf of Lorne Lodge, A. F. and A. M. Speeches expressive of regret at Dr. Henderson's departure were made by W. J. French, J. C. Elliott, ex-Reeve J. M. Currie, Principal W. K. Foncar, M. S. Elliot, Dr. Walker, A. E. Sutherland, McAlpine, John Smith and Gilbert McAlpine.

## Township Councils.

LONDON.

A special meeting of the London township council was held in the clerk's office, London, on Wednesday, Jan. 2, at the call of the reeve, for the purpose of settling accounts in order that a statement of the amount paid for work on the Adelaide street bridge, designated road, could be made to the county engineer in time to obtain the Government grant of one-third of the total cost. There were present: Hamilton Needham, reeve; S. Frank Glass, James H. Hodgins, George E. Hudson and W. A. Langford, councillors.

It was moved by James H. Hodgins, seconded by S. Frank Glass, that Jenkins & Dresser be paid \$500 on account of the steel superstructure of Adelaide street bridge. Carried.

On motion of S. Frank Glass, seconded by James H. Hodgins, the following accounts were ordered to be paid: Wm. Jones, balance of his account for having John Whiting removed to the house of refuge, Strathroy; Chas. Boyne, repairing approach to bridge, opposite lot 3, con. 16, \$1.50; T. J. Donley, 200 tile for road purposes, lot 15, con. 16, \$2; C. Heil & Co., printing voters' list, 1906, \$7.10.

It was moved by James H. Hodgins, seconded by W. A. Langford, that the following accounts be paid: Mrs. May, in full settlement for right of way while Adelaide street bridge was being built, for all work performed, and for all damages sustained re bridge, \$75.00; D. Waide, lumber for Adelaide street bridge, \$104.78, and tile for drain opposite lots 7 and 8, con. 7, \$61.26, a total of \$166.04; George May, two cords of gravel, \$4, and two days with team filling in holes and snowing bridge, designated road, \$11; W. Sage, use of 30 rods wire fence and one rod damaged, at Adelaide street bridge, \$3.40. Carried.

## AGAINST THE BARROOM

Vote To Be Taken in Westminster at Request of 500 Electors.

The following circular has been issued in the interest of the advocates of local option in Westminster:

Westminster, Dec. 31.—Dear Sir, In response to a petition signed by over 500 electors of Westminster, a vote on local option will be taken on Jan. 7, 1907, at the municipal election. If the full favorable vote is polled, the bylaw will undoubtedly carry.

A vote for local option is a vote against the barroom, against the system of treating system with its attendant evils, and against having in our community any public place which attracts undesirable elements of what is in the best interest of our homes, our youth, and our whole community, we respectfully ask your vote and influence in favor of the bylaw.

The occasion is a momentous one, and the issue far-reaching. A great responsibility rests upon every elector. Let us face it faithfully. Signed on behalf of committee, Rev. George Jewitt, Lambeth, England; T. Baty, South London, secretary.

## DONATIONS ACKNOWLEDGED.

The trustees of the Conventual Home return their sincere thanks to the kind friends for beautiful gifts for Christmas and New Year. Mr. S. W. Strong, a sirloin roast of beef; Mr. Andrew Cleghorn, Chicago, five pounds of tea; A. McCormick & Sons, three glasses of jelly, bottle of salad dressing, bottle of Worcestershire sauce, bottle of tomato ketchup; Mrs. W. Ducharme, loaf of stove coal; Mrs. Jewell, plum pudding and mince-meat; Mrs. M. G. Bremner, roast of beef, mince-meat and sausage; Mrs. E. Flock, pair of chickens; Mrs. Maclellan, Pease House, roast of beef; Mrs. Beattie, Elmhurst, goose; Mr. W. Hamilton, three bags of salt, package of split peas, package of pearl barley, package of beans, package of graham flour, package of cornmeal; Mrs. Graydon, turkey; Mrs. Phoenix, \$2 worth of milk ticks; McCormick Manufacturing Company, box of fancy biscuits and candy to each inmate; Memorial Church, cake, tartlets; Church of England Bible Flower Mission, flowers and Christmas mottoes to each patient; Mr. and Mrs. Adam Beck, \$5; Mr. B. A. Mitchell, \$5; Mrs. H. C. McBride, \$5; Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson, \$5; Mr. Green, \$5; Mr. Andrew Thomson, \$1.

The Manila Daily Bulletin says that the reason so many Americans are leaving the Philippines is not because of the expense of maintaining policemen and primary schools, but because of the crushing expense of the insular government in the maintenance of ornamental bureaus and high-salaried officials, an expense so great that Americans filling minor posts are likely to bear the brunt of every attempt at economy, even though the salaries of higher officials are raised at the same time.

A navy man has been explaining to a lander that he says that the only possible trousers for a man-of-war's man. "They are baggy at the bottoms," he said, "so that they will roll up above the knee conveniently and easily. Sailors are great deck washers, and in deck washing it is necessary to have the legs bare to the knees. Trousers of ordinary cut rolled above the knee would cramp the flesh of the upper legs and hinder the circulation; but sailors' trousers may be taken by their wide bottoms and pulled in a jiffy up to the hip."

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**Crystallized Cherries** ..... 1-Lb. Boxes  
**Glaze Cherries** ..... 50c  
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We bottle this ourselves and guarantee it pure. A bottle, 30c  
**PURE MAPLE SUGAR—A Cake** ..... 10c

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STANDARD LOSES  
IN FIRST CLASHDemurrer to Rebate Indictments  
Overruled by Chicago  
Courts.

Chicago, Jan. 3. — Judge Landis, in the United States district court today, overruled the demurrer to eight indictments against the Standard Oil Company for accepting rebates from railroads. As to two others, the demurrer was sustained on account of technical defects in the indictments.

Judge Landis said the charge is that the defendants obtained transportation of property by railroads below published schedules. The contentions ruled against included those that it was not a violation of the law if a railway company gave a shipper directly a cut rate, that the requirement that shippers adhere to a published rate was void, as conflicting with the requirements that carriers transport property reasonably, that the indictments were bad because railroads were not compelled to publish rates beyond their own lines, and that the requirement that carriers publish terminal charges was not operative upon consignees.

The prosecutions are for alleged violation of section one of the Elkins law. After defending the law vigorously, Judge Landis said it was duty to "enforce the will of congress as expressed in the written enactments."

The ultimate object of the law, he declared to be the establishment of uniform railroad rates, reasonable in amount. The Elkins law had failed to accomplish this, he declared, and the rate law was enacted to strengthen it. A mere fine was prescribed by the former law, but the latest statute adds the penalty of imprisonment in the penitentiary. He denied that it was the purpose of congress in the rate law "to punish all unindicted prior offenders, whose conduct it was, more than all other causes combined, that moved congress to enact this rigid and far-reaching measure of June 29."

## LOSS OF PRECIOUS METALS AT SEA.

When the banks ship gold across the Atlantic, said a banker, "they prefer to ship it in bars rather than in coin. It loses less that way."

"Yes, sir. If \$1,000,000 in gold coin is shipped across the sea it is only \$999,800 on its arrival. It loses from twelve to fifteen ounces, about \$200, through abrasion, through knocking about with the motion of the waves. The sea makes gold lose weight, you see, the same as it does human beings."

"Gold bars lose less. In fine weather they will lose only about \$100 to each million. In the ugliest weather they don't lose more than \$150, whereas in like conditions gold coins have been known to lose \$300."

"As gold shipments of \$10,000,000 often occur, to make these shipments in gold bars instead of gold coin is a saving of \$1,500 or more."

"It is a lot to think when you cross in one of those gold-laden ships that every wave that hits the boat clips off 10 to 15 cents from its golden cargo."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Passengers have often been struck by the fact that the chief cornice at one end of Lord Rothschild's house in Piccadilly, London, has been left unfinished. It is said that Jewish tradition insists that some part of a Jewish house shall be left incomplete, in order that the incompleteness may remind its owner that, like his father Abraham, he is only a stranger on the earth.

And nothing is calculated to give a self-made man a harder jolt than a bill of fare in French. A woman is always ready to admit a man's superior intelligence. If he'll admit that she knows more than he does.

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All goods sold STRICTLY FOR CASH during the sale.

## A. Screaton &amp; Co

OLD COTTAGE IS  
POETS' SHRINE

Birthplace of "The Ancient Mariner" Purchased for the British Nation.

London, Jan. 3.—Near Nether Stowey, in Somerset, is a picturesque old world cottage, in which Samuel Taylor Coleridge passed some of the happiest years of his life and wrote some of his most famous poems.

"The Ancient Mariner," in fact, was produced there, and so it is especially good to hear that enough money finally has been raised by subscription to purchase the historic cottage and maintain it as a memorial to the great poet and critic. The movement to secure it for the nation was headed by Lord Lytton, Prof. Wright, and other distinguished men of letters, and the plan is to be preserved as far as possible for all time in the state in which it was during its famous tenant's residence.

Indeed, he took up his abode in it with his wife and child in 1797. With the large kitchen garden attached to it, it was then worth about \$35 a year, but the poet's friend and admirer, Thomas Poole, of Bristol, let him occupy it for nothing. This meant much to Coleridge, for he was then wretchedly poor, his main source of income being \$2 a week, which he received for contributions to the Morning Post and donations from his friends.

Indeed, when he took up his abode in the cottage, he expected partly to support himself by raising fruits and vegetables in the big garden. Though his circumstances were so straitened, the three years he lived in the cottage were associated with the pleasantest memories of his life, for he had not then contracted the evil habit of opium.

At Nether Stowey Coleridge was visited first by Charles and Mary Lamb, and then by Wordsworth, who for years had been one of his closest friends. The latter, in fact, eventually moved from Racedown to Alfoxden in order to be near Coleridge, and it was because his financial condition was not much better than that of his friend that "The Ancient Mariner" came to be written. For, growing tired after awhile of roaming among the Quantock hills, the two poets decided to make an excursion to the Valley of Rocks, at Lynton, and, finding this tour was costing them more than they could afford, they decided to write a poem in collaboration to pay for it. Of course, however, it was Coleridge alone, who actually wrote "The Ancient Mariner," though Wordsworth contributed one of its most striking ideas—the slaying of the albatross.

"Christalbe" also is said to have been begun at Nether Stowey, and Coleridge also wrote a tragedy there, "Remorse," which his publishers declined—whether with or without thanks is not known. Here, too, he planned a gigantic epic, which required "ten years' study of mathematics, psychology, natural history and other subjects, five years for composition, and another five for correction."

While occupying the cottage, Coleridge kept up the practice of occasional preaching, and, "to prevent the necessity of his going into the ministry," an admiring friend, Josiah Wedgwood, sent him a draft for \$500. He returned it to the donor, but soon afterward accepted an annuity of \$750 from the brothers Wedgwood, given him on the condition that he devoted the whole of

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## THE MULE'S SIESTA.

The large cigarette factories of Havana are now controlled by an American corporation. Cuba smokes an enormous quantity of cigarettes filled with dark sugar tobacco—3,000,000,000 a year, it is said, though the island has only 1,500,000 people. This is as many as are consumed in the United States annually.

To distribute cigarettes about Havana a large wagon service is needed. Some time ago the American corporation took over the factories it began to have trouble with the Spanish mules that draw these delivery wagons. The animals got decidedly off their feed, and, though a big modern stable with cement floors had been built, and all comforts known to horses installed, the mules did not do well. An