

TEA TABLE GOSSIP.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred McArthur, Chicago, are visiting relatives here. —The Right House will remain open to-night until 10 o'clock. —A. M. Ewing, baker, presented each of his employees with a fine Christmas turkey. —First Methodist Church will have a Christmas Day service from 11 to 12 o'clock. —Miss G. Mills, Miss K. Thompson and Miss M. Cartwright are home for Christmas. —Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Hunter, of Detroit, are visiting Mrs. Hunter's relatives here. —Mr. George McArthur and wife, of Blind River, are spending the Christmas holidays here. —Messrs. Arthur Henning, of New York, and Geo. Heming, of Pittsburg, are here for the Christmas holidays. —Christmas services will be held in Emerald Street Methodist Church tomorrow, beginning at 10.30 a. m. —T. J. Stewart, of the Hamilton Grand presented each of his employees with a fine turkey, for which they thank him very much. —The Royal Distillery has very thoughtfully remembered its employees by presenting each with a fine Christmas turkey. —Mr. Harry Tansley returned from Calgary yesterday afternoon, and is at present staying with his mother, on East avenue north. —The Church of St. Thomas' Christmas Day services will be held in Emerald Street Methodist Church tomorrow, beginning at 10.30 a. m. —Chief TenEyck, on behalf of the firemen, wishes to thank James Turner & Co. for their annual gift of a caddy of tobacco, which is much appreciated. —The sergeant-major, staff sergeants and sergeants of the Ninety-first Highlanders will be at home in the mess rooms, 133 Hughson street north, from 3 to 5 o'clock on New Year Day. —Mr. Charles D. Waldron, manager of the Peas-Waldron Co., of Winnipeg, is home for the Christmas holidays, and is visiting his mother, Mrs. Charles Waldron, 234 John street south. —At St. Peter's Church to-morrow holy communion will be celebrated at 8 o'clock, and morning prayer and holy communion at 10, at which service the Christmas music will be sung. —On Friday evening the Highlanders will be Col. Moodie's guests at the Savoy Theatre. The band and sergeants' mess will meet at the drill hall and march to the theatre. —At the close of the rehearsal Friday night in the James Street Baptist Church Mr. Chester Walters, the popular choir leader, presented each member of the choir with a box of choice bonbons. —The Bishop of Niagara will preach at the 11 o'clock service at Christ's Church Cathedral on Christmas Day. Communion services will be held at 7, 8 and 11 o'clock. —The employees of Mr. George Elliott, the popular plumber, very kindly remembered him yesterday by presenting him with a handy oak office chair. The gift was highly appreciated, and the recipient made a suitably reply. —First Methodist Church Epworth League paid a Christmas visit to the old ladies of the Hamilton Orphan Asylum and Aged Women's Home, last evening, taking with them Christmas cheer and giving a musical programme which the old folks enjoyed very much. —A special Christmas service will be held in Centenary Church to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock. The pulpit will be occupied by Rev. S. Banks Nelson, D. D., pastor of Knox Church, and the full choir of the church will render appropriate music. —The hucksters and sellers on the market expressed their appreciation of Market Constable Nichol's services during the year in a very acceptable manner, the evidence of their appreciation taking the shape of a twenty pound turkey. George is much elated at this spirit of good will and wishes them all the compliments of the season.

FLAGRANT ABUSES.

When seen this morning by a reporter, Ex-Ald. H. A. Martin, a member of the Citizen's League, did not have much to say in regard to the League's recent police court cases. He said that he disapproved of the methods of the men and did not think that outside detectives should be employed. "There is no reason why we should get outside detectives," he said. "The city police are the men who get the tips, and there are a good many flagrant abuses that would be put a stop to if the police did their duty." Mr. Martin said he did not know when the next League meeting would be as they had only about one a year, the Executive being the prime mover.

HAMILTON CLUB

Will be at Home in Permanent Quarters To-morrow. Hamilton Club vacates its temporary quarters at the corner of MacNab and Jackson streets to-day and will be at home, in its permanent quarters, corner of Main and James streets on Christmas day. The club went into the temporary quarters almost eight months ago, on May 8, and the old building was given over to the building contractors. The east half of the old building was torn down and a magnificent new structure erected in its place. The west half of the old club has been entirely renewed, internally and it is this part that the members will now occupy, while the new part is being completed inside, and fitted up. This will not take long, and the club will then have magnificent quarters. Ultimately the west half will be replaced with what will make the club one splendid building on the plans so beautifully carried out in the east half.

SCHEDULE DRAWN.

For Beamsville-Grimsey-St. Catharines Hockey Group. St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—A meeting of the O. H. A. delegates for the new district, comprising St. Catharines, Grimsey and Beamsville, was held at the Russell House last evening, when a schedule was drawn up for the season. The delegates present were J. Gibson, Grimsey; W. Bretty, Beamsville, and E. J. Sutton, St. Catharines. The delegates thought the grouping would be more compact with Niagara Falls as a member, but they have already scheduled with the Welland group. So nothing could be done in that respect. The following schedule was adapted: Jan. 7—Grimsey at Beamsville. Jan. 10—St. Catharines at Beamsville. Jan. 16—St. Catharines at St. Catharines. Jan. 17—Grimsey at St. Catharines. Jan. 22—Beamsville at Grimsey. Jan. 31—Beamsville at Grimsey. At a meeting of the clubs of the Thistle Curling Club last evening, Mr. C. S. Wilcox and Dr. J. W. Edgar were chosen skips for the Ontario tankard matches.

ROYAL CHRISTMAS DINNER.

6 to 8 p. m. Canape Caviar Astrakhan. Consomme Algerien, Potage a la Russe. Celery, Sliced Tomatoes, Queen Olives, Salted Almonds, Cheese Straws. White Onions, Mixed Pickles, Chow Chow. Sweet Gherkins, Pickled Walnuts. Filet of Sole, Travatore. Pommes Sarah Bernhardt. Boiled Capon, a la Genevoise. Vol au Vent of Sweetbreads, a la Reine. Cotelettes d'Agneau, a la Victor Hugo. Squab en Crapandine. Filet de Boeuf, Lardo Providence. Collet of Pineapple, Cream Vanilla. Lalla Rookh Punch. Sirloin of Christmas Beef, Yorkshire Pudding. Stuffed Young Turkey, Cranberry Sauce. Canvas Back Duck, Red Currant Jelly. Paque de Volaille, Froid au Gelee. Salads. Royal, a la Reine, a l'italienne. Mashed Potatoes, Sweet Potatoes, Boiled Potatoes. Asparagus Hollandaise. Stewed Tomatoes. Christmas Pudding, Hard and Brandy Sauce. Home Made Mince Pie, French Apple Pie. Tartlets Diplomat, Bouchees Alexander, Jelly Turtleneck. Fruit Cakes, Roulade au Confiture. Petit Fours, Macaroons Hollandaise. Vanilla Ice Cream in Fancy Forms. Confectionery. Apples, Oranges, Bananas, Grapes. Nuts and Raisins, Dates, Figs. Cheese and Crackers. Tea, Cafe Noir, Milk.

ONE YEAR TO-DAY.

Since Then 93,500 Have Skated at Alexandra. The Alexandra Rink management wishes to convey its thanks for the fine support given this amusement enterprise, since the opening, one year ago to-day. There have been 93,500 skaters on the floor of this popular resort, showing the appreciation of the general public for something a little better than is usual in the way of a roller rink. The fine condition of the floor, new steel rollers and general equipment are a source of congratulatory remarks to the management all the time, and the many patrons of the Alexandra may rest assured that they will always have the best that is going in carnivals, skating competitions and other special attractions at all times. Watch the advertisement in the amusement column of this paper, if you are looking for real fun and exercise.

The Festival of Clothing

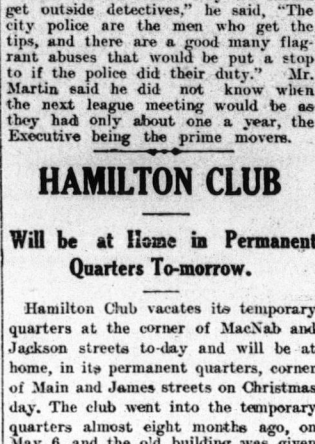
Bargains arranged for Fralick & Co's. patrons, simply demonstrates the power of ready cash. Thousands of dollars' worth of high-class overcoats and suits at unprecedented discounts from the regular prices. Extra special, 200 fine all-wool beaver coats, regularly \$16, at \$10.98. 100 coat sweaters, regularly \$4, at \$2. Hats, caps, fur garments and neckwear all at sale prices—13 and 15 James street north.

Steamship Arrivals.

New York, Dec. 24.—From New York, via Florida.—From Naples. Mosha.—From London. Hamburg.—At New York, from Genoa. La Bretagne.—At New York, from Havre. Zealand.—At New York, from Liverpool. Haverford.—At Queenston, from Philadelphia. Calabatta.—At Toronto, from New York.

THE IDEAL XMAS GIFT

GET ONE FOR YOUR HUSBAND



—AT— WALKER'S King and Catharine Sts.

Waldorf Hotel

CHRISTMAS DINNER An Elaborate and Special Menu from 12.30 to 3 p.m. Price 75 cents

CHRISTMAS DAY

Special Table d'Hote Dinner 30c. 1 Soup, 1 Meat or Fish, 2 Vegetables, Bread, Butter, Dessert, Tea, Coffee or Milk. Dinner Hours, 12 to 2.30 p.m.

Wishing You a Joyous Christmas

Thackeray, Lamb, Dickens, Parkman, Shakespeare, Macaulay, Ruskin, Scott, Eliot, Bronte, Austen, Stevenson, Josephus. Cloke & Son 16 KING ST. WEST

Markets and Finance.

Table with columns for Askd., Bid., and various market items like Buffalo, Cobalt Lake, etc.

THE WEATHER.

FORECASTS.—Fair to-day and to-night, with slightly lower temperature. Wednesday, light local snow falls. WEATHER NOTES. The disturbance mentioned yesterday has now reached the lower St. Lawrence valley, and another important disturbance covers the northwestern portion of the continent. Snow, sleet and rain have fallen heavily on Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, attended by strong winds and gales. In the western provinces the weather is turning colder, accompanied by light snow falls.

THREW A LAMP.

Constable Campaign was called this morning by a passerby to 17 Caroline street north, where he was informed a fight was going on. The fight resulted in one of the parties throwing the lamp. It exploded and set the house on fire. Campaign put the fire out. The constable took the names of Mr. and Mrs. Beckenham.

Advertisement for Walker's, featuring an illustration of a man in a chair and the text 'THE IDEAL XMAS GIFT GET ONE FOR YOUR HUSBAND'.

Advertisement for Waldorf Hotel Christmas Dinner, 'An Elaborate and Special Menu from 12.30 to 3 p.m. Price 75 cents'.

Advertisement for Christopher's Cafe Christmas Day Dinner Menu, listing items like Soup, Mock Turtle, and various meats.

Advertisement for Cloke & Son, 'Wishing You a Joyous Christmas', listing various authors and books.

Advertisement for Oak Hall, '10-12 JAMES NORTH', listing various market items and prices.

Advertisement for Tenders for Water Works on Burlington Beach, listing specifications for pumps, tanks, pipes, etc.

Advertisement for Cobalt Stock Bought and Sold by A. E. Carpenter & Co., 102 King St. East, Hamilton.

Advertisement for The Traders Bank of Canada, listing capital of \$4,300,000, rest of \$1,900,000, and assets over \$33,000,000.

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Advertisement for Savoy Theatre, 'XMAS WEEK THE TRADERS BANK OF CANADA'.

Advertisement for Hotel Royal Christmas Dinner, '6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, December 25th'.

Advertisement for Mother and Sister, 'Can make selection at Treble's two stores with the perfect assurance that their gifts will be appreciated'.

Advertisement for Christmas 1907, 'WE WISH OUR NUMEROUS PATRONS A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS'.

Advertisement for Landed Banking & Loan Company, 'CANADA LIFE BUILDING'.

Advertisement for Christmas Beef, 'Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, Etc.'.

Advertisement for The Duff Stores Co. Limited, '216-218 York St.'.

Advertisement for The Prince of Christmas Gifts, 'Beyond any question a course in a Business College is a royal gift for a Christmas present'.

Advertisement for Grand Christmas, 'Mrs. Temple's Telegram'.

Advertisement for Bennetts, 'ADJOINING TERMINAL STATION PATRICE'.

Advertisement for Alexandra Roller Rink, 'Special Band Christmas Day'.

Advertisement for Britannia Roller Rink, 'CHRISTMAS DAY'.

Advertisement for The Israelitish Benevolent Society, '10th Annual Ball'.

Advertisement for Centenary Methodist Church, 'Special service to-morrow (Christmas Day) at 11 o'clock'.

Advertisement for The Church of St. Thomas, 'Christmas Day'.

Advertisement for Corns, Corns, 'CASE'S CORN CURE'.

Advertisement for Common Florist, '41 King street west. Phone 867'.

Advertisement for As Christmas Draws Near, 'We find our trade in Christmas gifts rapidly increasing and we intend to make the coming week a record breaker'.