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City and District

—Rev. J. W. Ten Eyck, of Hamilton, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Patterson, of 507 Dundas street.

—Mr. Harry Hilbourne, traffic manager of the Chicago and Alton Railroad, Chicago, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Major, Albert street.

—Rev. T. B. R. Westgate, of German East Africa, was the guest, yesterday, of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Patterson, of 507 Dundas street. Mr. Westgate left on the evening train to visit his parents in Watford.

Annual Meeting.
The annual meeting of the West Nisour Civilian Rifle Association will be held on Jan. 31 for the election of officers and other business.

Presented With a Ring.
A. R. Barrett, of the Greene-Swift Company, London, and Mrs. Barrett, spent Sunday with Mr. Barrett's parents, Center street, St. Thomas. Before leaving St. Thomas Mr. Barrett was presented with a beautiful signet ring by the employees of the firm.

Took the Axe.
St. Thomas Times: James Ostrander, wire Chief Armstrong from Kingsmill on Monday afternoon, to the effect that a transfer for a St. Thomas firm had made off with his axe, and was at that time, Mr. Ostrander believed, on the way to London.

"Laughter."
Mrs. Edna Chaffee Noble will speak in St. Andrew's lecture hall on Friday evening, Jan. 24, on the subject of "Laughter." A Toronto paper, commenting on Mrs. Noble's appearance in that city, says: "One of the most notable events in the literary history of Toronto was the visit of Mrs. Chaffee Noble, who preached the gospel of

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Baptist Banquet.
The laymen of the Baptist Church will hold a banquet in Talbot Street Baptist Church tonight, in connection with the missionary movement. The speakers will be ex-Mayor Urquhart of Toronto, Rev. W. P. Sprackhouse, of Winnipeg, and J. Stevenson, of Toronto.

Presentation at Buffalo.
Several of the officers of the Seventh Regiment will leave for Buffalo on Saturday and spend the evening at a gathering that has been arranged by the officers of the Seventy-fourth Regiment, whose guests they were last summer. It is the intention of the London men to present the Buffalo company with a handsome silver loving cup.

Death of George Brown.
Many friends in London will be sorry to hear of the death in Detroit on Friday last of Mr. George Brown, a well-known stove moulder, who was formerly in the employ here, and who left this city for Detroit three years ago. He was well known as a member of the Belvidere Corps. The funeral was held in Woodstock on Sunday.

Ridson-McMillan.
The wedding was solemnized yesterday afternoon at the home of Mr. Robert McMillan, 837 Queen's avenue, of his eldest daughter, Miss Sarah McMillan, to Mr. James Ridson, of Devizes, West Nisour. Rev. Dr. Ross, of St. Andrew's Church, performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Ridson left last night for Toronto and eastern points, and on their return will reside in Devizes.

Learn-Carswell.
Two popular young Londoners celebrated their nuptials last night when Miss Mary I. Carswell, only daughter of Mrs. Duncan Carswell, of 313 Hyman street, was married to Mr. Leonard D. Learn, of the Grand Trunk freight office. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. J. Vining, in the presence of the immediate relatives and friends of the happy couple. Mr. and Mrs. Learn will reside in this city.

Home on a Visit.
Mr. J. E. Thomas, of New Liskeard, Ont., is in the city. He is employed in the store of the George Taylor Hardware Company. There are about 4,000 people in New Liskeard now, he says, and though the people are somewhat slackened, the people are optimistic, and speak hopefully of the spring. Londoners there are doing well. The winter has not been very cold. Mr. Thomas is visiting his parents, who reside at 662 King street.

A Pretty Wedding.
A very pretty home wedding took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Chamberlain, 692 Queen's avenue, yesterday afternoon when Miss Ellen Howe, of this city, was married to Mr. Charles McDougall, of Brandon, Man. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Anderson, of the Memorial Church, in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends of the couple. The house decorations were very beautiful, especially in the drawing-room, where the ceremony took place. Dr. McDougall, brother of the groom, acted as best man. Mr. and Mrs. McDougall left last night for Brandon, where they will reside.

Dignity of a K. C.
Hamilton Spectator: There was a sitting of the first division court this morning, when Judge Monck presiding. There was nothing of note in the cases, but a great deal of interest was displayed by the legal fraternity in the presence of half a dozen of the new K. C.'s. It is held to be derogatory to the dignity of a King's counsel to appear in such little things as division court cases, and some of the new K. C.'s took up their little cases this morning with rather a sheepish air. If the lawyers who have been left unhonored got all the division court work because of this unwritten law, they would be happy, and the K. C.'s would be very unhappy, because division court cases, while not important, are often profitable. In Hamilton, however, K. C.'s' justice eludes with the unhonored with perfect indifference. If the ethics of the profession are adhered to, some of the K. C.'s will abolish their dignity in order that division court cases may not be derogatory to it. In that way they may still be K. C.'s and do division court work.

Council Will Now Deal With the Bill
The university bill has been sent to the city solicitor, who will examine it thoroughly.
The joint committee of No. 1 committee and the representatives from the Western University last night completed the bill, and the council will have to ratify their work.
There were few amendments to the original bill, and several changes were made. There were slight changes, involving the substitution of a word or so, but that was all.
The board of governors will consist of thirteen members.
The province will appoint four, the city four, and these eight will appoint four more.
The president will, ex-officio, be a member of the board.
It was also intended to have a chancellor, but this was not thought desirable.

Lady Teachers' Salaries Readjusted
The board of education held a special meeting yesterday afternoon to adjust the salaries of the lady teachers in the public schools.
Owing to the unequal salaries being received by the several teachers due to the former scale of increases, the task was somewhat difficult, but Trustees Westervelt and Fitzgerald worked out what was declared to be a satisfactory scale yesterday.
A former schedule was found to be unworkable and was not adopted.
It was moved by Trustee Westervelt, seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald, that the salary of lady assistant teachers in the public schools and kindergarten teachers for 1908 shall be as follows, for all receiving \$400 and upwards on Dec. 31, 1907:
The Increases.
Teachers receiving \$400 to \$449, be placed at \$500.
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Teachers receiving \$600 be placed at \$700.
The motion carried without objection.
It was also moved by Trustee Westervelt, seconded by Trustee MacRobert, that substitutes for public schools received \$2 per day, and kindergarten substitutes be paid \$1.25 per session.
This motion carried without discussion.
Those present were: Trustee Graham, chairman, Trustees Fitzgerald, Westervelt, MacRobert, Hamilton, McCormick, Teasdale, Inspector Edwards and Secretary McElhennan.

King St. Presbyterian Church Prospers
The reports which were received at the annual meeting of the members of King Street Presbyterian Church, last night, indicate that the year just past has been one of the most prosperous in the church's history.
The treasurer's statement, read by Mr. Joseph E. Sanders, showed that, notwithstanding that the year had been a deficit, all debts had been paid, and there remained a balance of \$84.
The offerings were the largest of any year so far, and amounted to \$2,172.
Debt Reduced.
The report of the board of management, read by Mr. George Duncan, showed that the church debt now amounted to only \$2,150, and it was decided to make an effort this year to free the building from all encumbrance.
The report recommended that the salary of Rev. James Rollins, the pastor, be raised \$100, the organist \$50, and the janitor \$30.
Mr. John Henderson, chairman of the board of management, then conducted the elections, which resulted as follows:
The Officers.
For 1908—Messrs. George Trebble, A. Grant, M. Tait, M. Hutchinson and Dr. Lindsay.
For 1909—Messrs. W. Richmond, T. Link, S. Murray, A. McElhennan, R. B. Pelton, J. A. McFarland and J. H. Branton.
For 1910—Messrs. Joseph Sanders, L. G. Roblin, John Wilson, K. H. Anderson, Wm. Rao and G. Anderson.
The auditors for the coming year are Messrs. George Duncan and D. McEachern.
After the meeting was over refreshments were served by the ladies of the congregation.

LAST NIGHT'S WHIST AT LIBERAL CLUB
The results of last night's whist games at the Liberal Club were as follows:
Compass.
Connors and Maguire, plus 9.
Sanders and Doyle, plus 8.
Goodwin and Richards, plus 4.
Grant and Johnson, plus 3.
Rider and Wyckoff, plus 2.
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WIFE CLAIMS COKE
London, Jan. 22.—The solicitors for Mrs. R. G. Coke announce that her marriage to Reginald Grey Coke in April, 1892, is still valid despite Coke's marriage to Miss Gaila Hambourg, sister of Mark Hambourg, the pianist, which took place recently in America. The solicitors add that nothing has occurred to justify Coke in setting the marriage aside.
Mrs. Coke will petition the British court for a divorce. The only notice she received that her marriage was impugned was a letter she received from Coke on Jan. 5, saying he had obtained a divorce from her, but not stating when or where he obtained it. Miss Gaila Hambourg is also a pianist.

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COUNT HANSIC'S LAST GAMBLE
Dramatic Suicide of Well-Known Character of the Paris Boulevards.

Paris, Jan. 22.—Count Hansic, the well-known Polish gambler, who for ten years has startled Paris by his high play at cards, and his wild extravagances, shot himself at the Hotel Terminus late last night.

The incident which led to his suicide was perhaps the most dramatic in his entire career, and one that has rarely been surpassed on the stage or in fiction.

Count Hansic came from Warsaw on the death of his father in 1887 with a fortune variously estimated at from £100,000 to £500,000. He took an expensive house in the Bois de Boulogne, and speedily became one of the most popular men in the city.

He was noted for his extreme care in dress, and for a time he actually set the fashion in neckties.

Gambling was his one passion in life, and he sometimes sat for twelve hours at a time at the tables, winning or losing heavily. He always played for high stakes, and at times his winnings were phenomenal.

Became Penniless.
During the past year, however, he had lost steadily, until, three months ago, he became absolutely penniless. His house was sold for the benefit of his creditors, and Count Hansic took a cheap two-roomed apartment. He was too proud to ask for loans from his friends, and he made a brave but pathetic attempt to keep up appearances.

In November Count Hansic went to Warsaw and endeavored to secure further funds from the family estates, but was apparently unsuccessful, as after his return to Paris he is known to have been more poverty-stricken than ever.

Nevertheless, he appeared almost daily at his club in the Boulevard des Capucines, dignified, but cheerful, trying to keep up the illusion that he was living in comfortable circumstances.

Count Hansic's friends were anxious to help him, but he refused to accept loans. Last Sunday night several of them decided that they would induce him to play cards, and allow him to win.

The next time the count entered the club he was invited to take a hand in a game. He consented, and the game began for merely nominal stakes.

"Luck" Changed
Count Hansic won steadily, and the stakes were raised gradually. With each succeeding victory his spirits rose, and when at last he had won £20 he exclaimed triumphantly: "The luck has changed. I shall retrieve everything yet."

But a moment later a friend of one of the other players, who was standing behind the latter's chair, looked at his hand, and exclaimed: "You must be mad! You are not playing at all! Why do you hide your trumps? It is absurd."

Count Hansic laid down his cards, and, pale as death, rose from the table.

"I beg your pardon," he said to the other players. "I understand," he added, pushing his winnings towards them. "I shall keep £2; it will be sufficient for all my requirements," and walked out of the room.

Count Hansic called a cab and drove to the Hotel Terminus at the Gare St. Lazare. He engaged a bedroom and immediately retired. A few minutes later a chambermaid was startled by the sound of a shot.

When the door of Count Hansic's room was broken open the count was found lying dead on the rug before the fire, the revolver still clutched in his right hand.

GREAT BOMB FACTORIES
London, Jan. 22.—News came from Odessa on Tuesday that several wholesale bomb manufactories had been discovered and raided by the police at Sebastopol. Fourteen persons were arrested in the first one, and on the premises were found 67 powerful pyroxyline bombs in steel casings, and 25 small hand-grenades. There was also a large quantity of explosive material and a complete set of appliances for

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the construction and loading of various kinds of bombs.

Another manufactory was discovered in a suburb of Sebastopol, and 11 persons, including 3 women, were arrested. Here the police seized 46 complete and 25 partly complete bombs and the revolutionary laboratory, and this, as in the previous case, was amply and perfectly equipped with explosives and constructive appliances.

Two other seizures of bombs were made about the same time—one in Simferopol, and the other at Feodosia. Both the police and the naval staff at Sebastopol evince great anxiety at these discoveries, since it is believed that the bombs were intended for the piecemeal destruction of the Black Sea squadron.

Armed robberies in town and country are also being reported from all parts of Russia. At Tiraspol two young men entered the Starost's bureau and shot the Starost dead. The murderers were pursued. One of them threw a bomb, which badly injured four persons. They were eventually both killed by gendarmes. At Dorekovo, near Kishineff, four farmers and a dragoon were killed in a fight with armed robbers.

A party of twenty armed robbers attacked and pillaged the residence of a large landowner named Kakitzski, in the Government of Poltava. Kakitzski and a manservant were killed. The robbers had brought telegrams with them, and carried off 1,200 pounds of grain. No arrests have been made. At Volai, near Warsaw, two rural constables were shot and killed on Monday, the murderers escaping.

Vanilla comes from a genus of climbing orchid which grows plentifully in the tropics.

Fraulein Richter has been appointed lecturer of philology at Vienna University, the first instance of a woman receiving such an appointment.

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