THE MAYOR'S PLAIN WORDS.

In these simple, forceful easily under od, homely English words Mayor McLaren yesterday repelled a false and malicious assertion made by T. J. Stewart at the nomination for the Mayoralty in the City Hall. The only reply made to him was that he (Stewart) was sorry that Mayor McLaren "so far forgot his sition as Chief Magistrate" as to make that kind of a statement .

But the Mayor did not forget his position . The forgetting was done by the man who made the false accusation with the evident purpose of injuring him. The Mayor's words were apropos.

It is by such statements that the gang which put forth great efforts to induce Stewart to carry the Hydro-Electric banner against Mayor McLaren hope to deceive too trustful ratepayers vote for its candidates on Monday next.

They have dealt in lies and half truths, which are the worst kind of lies, until truth and candor do not seem to come easy to their tongues, and Stewart's attack on the Mayor was but a part of the conspiracy to betray the ratepayers. The attack was met promptly:

"It is a lie!"

And the slanderer, halted in his mali cious assault, unable to substantiate his assertion, and smarting under the disapproving glances of the honest citizens before him could only whine at the direct and vigorous manner of the de-

And this is but one block which goes to make up the great fabric of lies and deception of which the Hydro-Electric structure is built. Watch the gang! Turn on the light! Expose the rascally deceivers!

THE HERALD'S SNARL.

The local organ of the Hydro-Electric conspirators, having failed to secure a mayoralty candidate who would stand by his guns and permit the hungry ones to get at his pockets, is exceedingly sore, and has turned its batteries of abuse upon Ald. Hopkins, whom it had counted ot play the role of deluded victim. Last evening it indulged in a long editorial snarl in which it insinuated with many "it is understoods." that Ald. Hopkins had vielded to influences of a certain kind and proved untrue to the Hydromaniac clique. Its editorial was headed "Called Off," and it was intimated that ex Mayor Biggar had been instrumental in the calling off. The organ of the would-be betrayers of the city sought to convey the idea that Dr. Hopkins had, in a conference with Mayor McLaren and ex-Mayor Biggar, been "induced" to leave the field clear for May or McLaren. The organ even went so far as to editorially inquire, in this con nection, the amount of the Mayor's doc tor's bill!

tic of the organ making it. How prone people are to suspect their fellows of resorting to such means as they themselves would use on occasions to effect

At last evening's council meeting May or McLaren referred to this attempt at "journalistic reputation assassina-tion." He had accepted an invitation to visit Mr. Biggar and meet his mayoralty opponent, and he had done so. was nothing in the nature of a "deal"; and he had no thought of such a thing. either then, or at any time before or since. When he left Mr. Biggar's place it was with the belief that the mayoralty contest was going on.

This statement by the Mayor will not be questioned by any ratepayer who explanation of Dr. Hopkins' determination to stand from under is hardly necessary to those who were not out "after the stuff' hoping to profit by election in November, 1908. The exports of the expenditures. Perhaps Dr. Hopkins was eleven months were over \$50,000,000 it gives. Perhaps in view of the organ's tardily convinced of the folly of contest ahead of the corresponding period of unmasking thus far the doctor may be the mayoralty; perhaps his mind was made up to retire earlier than many people think. We are not inclined to be lieve that the doctor was deceived by the Herald's bluff and bluster about the Mayor's alleged weakness. We half suspect that he did not make the mistake of incurring any considerable expense in forwarding his mayoralty ambitions. As far as we noticed, he never even published his card announcing himself in the field. He may have been willing to serve the Herald's purpose to the extent of keeping up the bluff, but we share effectively point out that to put about the opinion entertained by many that Dr. Hopkins held open the way of retreat from the mayoralty contest, preferring to take his chances as an alder-

manic candidate.

But whether or not this view is cor rect, the fact remains that his retire ment was not improperly induced, as the Herald insinuates. The Mayor's statement last night was hardly neces sary to reassure the public. It is, how ever, but one more public exposure of the unprincipled course which the organ of the desperate Hydro-Electric conspir ators pursues toward all those who do not lend themselves to the furthering of that scheme at the expense of the city.

A writer in an English magazine says that on the average it costs about a guinea to raise each one of the pheasants shot on English estates. Yet to this game breeding hundreds of thousands of idle acres are devoted in order to furnish sport for the rich. How much better it would be were the poor of the kingdom employed on these lands in prolucing their own support.

PICK YOUR MEN.

With thirteen candidates for the Board of Control in the field, and aldermanic ontests in every ward, and a number of by-laws to be voted upon, next Mon-day's work will not be light for the election officials. As the aldermen are elected on the ward system, however, there is less danger of congestion than if the at-large system prevailed. Every elector will be entitled to vote for four members of the Board of Control and for his ward aldermen. He may vote for fewer than four controllers if he choose to do so, but he must not vote for more than four, or he will spoil his ballot. Candidates have until this evening to

entitle them to a place on the ballot; and it will not be possible to know with certainty how many candidates will be was 82; in the years 1901-5 the average in the field until the expiry of the time | was 42. allowed by law for qualification. There is ample material offering from which to select a good Council. Last year the city was happy in getting rid of party machine rule. Various cliques have been seeking to pledge candidates to the pro motion of their ends. Let the ratepayer beware of being misled in this matter The man who acts upon principle and has given faithful service to the public, entrusted to their care. deserves consideration beyond that of any candidate who stands ready to give any pledge that may be asked in order to secure votes. As a general rule, the ratepayer stands to gain by rewarding faithful public service with a renewal of confidence. The Council of 1909 has many good works to its credit; let us hope that the people will be equally fortunate in their selections for 1910. Let us have a Council of business men devoted to the city's interests, not a Council of politicians, faddists and extrem-

EDITORIAL NOTES.

will be an unlucky number for a good many of them.

And must the Hydro vultures after all go hungry? No wonder the Herald mad at Doc Hopkins. So near and yet

Carrie Nation. But Virginia has long been famous for the production of bray

A Virginia man has offered to matty

reased in value \$100,000,000 for a single year. This is surely the "growing time

to see that the customer gets full weight. Mr. McNaught, M. P.?

Hon, A. B. Morine is doubtful of the anadian Courier.

It is a 'because" that accounts fally for a good many fault finding utterance,

The Government eral readjustment of its treaties of com-Japanese state-men say that will frame a tariff with the object of

banquet to mark the retirement of Engineer McFarlane from the waterworks. tion of his long and valuable services. The decision to thus honor Mr. McFarlane is one that will meet with anan-

The total trade of Great Britain for

The New York Medical Journal af- the gang. firms that it would be injudicious to at tempt to substitute spinal anaesthesia with stovaine as practised by Jonnesco for general anaesthesia in the majority of eases. It finds the local anaesthetic useful in special cases, but condemns it as a routine procedure.

Taking the figures of the "Tariff Reform 'advocates the British Liberals very £8,000,000 into the treasury by taxes on foodstuffs more than £19,000,000 taxes would be levied on the British consum-

ers on their grain, meats and dairy pro-

Ald. Jutten said very truly in his omination speech that it would have been folly for the Council to have committed the city to the Hydro monopoly, when it had a chance to test the scheme with a 1,000 h.-p. contract for a year before doing so. And no sane, honest man will gainsay it.

"It is a lie!" said Mayor McLaren, interrupting T. J. Stewart, Hydro-Electric Boss, in one of his personal attacks. Some of the clique resent the Mayor's plain words. But no other words so fitly describe not only the statement dromaniac assertions as well.

The Herald insinuates that Doc Hopkins was "called off," and closes a long editorial with some remarks about "open enemies and false friends" of the Hydro scheme. Jab it with a hypodermic, Doc;

it may enable it to endure with greater patience the "barrenness" of a campaign

The inequality of the British system of taxation is hinted at by the statement that Cardiff Castle and grounds owned by the Marquis of Bute, is rated for taxes at \$5,000. The Marquis' tailor's shop near by is rated at the same amount. The Lloyd-George budget revaluations will doubtless make a decided difference.

In New York in 1908 over 1,000 persons were treated for hydrophobia. The number of deaths was 20, and these in these cases no treatment was given, or take the oath of qualification, which will there was too much delay in beginning it. The total number of deaths of hydrophobia in the United States in 1908

> The lack of public interest manifested in the Board of Education elections is to be regretted. Probably such matter are overshadowed by the aldermanic and ontroller elections, but it is a pity that they should be. A considerable part of the revenue of the city is disbursed by the trustees, and important interests are

> An enquirer about the Strathcona und for the encouragement of military training in connection with the Public Schools, is informed that no schools can share in the Trust Fund until the Province takes action to comply with the conditions under which the gift is made, and which were published in the Times recently. Everything is at a standstill now in that regard, awaiting Whitney's

> There are people in Canada uphelding the House of Lords, who would be no furious rage if its Canadian countersart, the Senate, would do as it has Jone. Victoria Colonist (Con.).

That is a very true statement. For ntelligent (anadians, no matter what their party allegiance, would submit to have their affairs managed by the Senate in defiance of the will of the people's

one new industry had been secured by the city this year. Well, isn't that what he and the Hydro gang were working for? What else did they expect to ac omplish by libelling the city, playing into the hands of tivals, knecking the ocal power concern and striving to in ure it, and advertising abroad the falsehood that we were in the grasp of a

Stewart looked very foolish vesterday, when, after attacking the Mayor and The Supreme Court of Illinois has at firmed the right of the city of Chicago to fix the weight of a baf of bread, and attitude, illustrating by asserting that the content of the country church. When the content of the weight of a baf of bread, and attitude, illustrating by asserting that the bread one. the hotels and not the average ratepaysomebody please carry the news to er would profit by it, the Mayor mildly deNaught, M. P.: the grace to admit that the Mayor knew My, what an admission

coretofore presented thair policy as a Great Britain is intended to be pleasing to Canada and the other British coun

to stay in as spite candidate for the November was over \$500,000,000. The Hydro clique that had looked forward "What kind of a collector would want to a jolly time "pulling his leg." the a thing like that?"

"Oh, you never can tell," said the old should be a solid to be a jolly time age. exports of British products, chiefly man-ufactures, were \$20,000,000 greater than organ is now ready to turn and rend very glad that he did not give himself (and his purse) into the hands of

Now that the Bridish Columbia elec-tions are over, the Dominion Government will proceed to select from among the defeated candidates of the Reform party some judges and a Lieutenant-Governor for the Province. Its trouble now will be that there are too many defeated can didates. The men who are not placed will be sure to have a grouch.-Hamil-Spectator

ton Speciator.

And among the appointments there was not a single defeated candidate:—
Vancouver Sunset.

It would seem that something in the way of amend would be due from our local Tory contemporary, which, of course, is not to be regarded as seeking to malign the Liberal Dominion Government. But will it be forthcoming?

Chancellor Boyd has dismissed the action brought by a Chatham restaurateur to quash a Chatham by-law which requires every victualling house, etc., and all other places of like entertainment, to be closed every Sunday from 2 p. m. til p. m., and also from 7 p. m till 5 a. m. the following Monday. The judgment is one which may have farreaching effects, and which, in local option localities, would deprive the public of any facilities for obtaining meals except at the particular times permitted i the by-law. It approves of an enormous stretch of municipal powers and in that

Our Exchanges

PRINTER'S ERROR. (Toronto Star).

The printer erreth sometimes almost beyond forgiveness, but it remained for the Stratford Herald to speak of a local clergyman as "a monster of God."

ADMIRATION REVIVED.

"Do you like my new hat?" asked Mrs. brooke. "Yes, indeed," replied Mrs. Lynn. "I had one just like it when they were in style."

ALL A MISTAKE.

(Niagara Falls, N. Y., Journal.) Since he did not reach the pole, they

Nor climb McKinley, steep and tall,
They may prove, at some distant day,
There was no Dr. Cook at all.
ALL READY FOR PUSS.

(Exchange.)

Mr. Youngbird (on the train)—Did you leave anything for the cat, dearest? Mrs. Youngbird—Oh, how can you ask? You know 4 wouldn't forget him. I left a whole tin of salmon, with a can-opener right beside it.

A SLIGHT MISTAKE. (Rochester Herald).

has been discovered that Mrs. It has been discovered that Harriman is worth \$221,000,000 stead of \$149,000,000, with which was credited. Quite a discrepancy somebody's bookkeeping.

WILL RUN THE CITY.

(Kingston Whig.) Montreal and Hamilton will next year experiment with city controllers. The Council will supervise their work, but cannot refer it back except by a tothirds majority. Three or four good men will, therefore, practically run

THE DAY OF SWEAR OFF.

The Day of Judgment comes once, we may trust the premises from which the theologians argue their conclusions. The Day of Swear-Off is annually recur-

WRONG ADVERTISING

In Berlin an advertiser has been punished by the courts for trying to draw attention to his wares by sending forth announcements on blackoraw attention to his wares by sending forth announcements on black-bordered paper with the appearance of being notifications of death. There are those who are slow to learn that the best advertisement of honest goods is that which on its face pretends to be just what it is.

While on his vacation, a city doct

HIS VOICE.

con, would you mind letting the baby

CAESAR'S ROBE.

(Pitt-burg Time-

ther admission that it is designed to add to the burdens of the masses that the classes might escape taxation.

Alas, that the Hydro cause should have received no benefit at all from its medical treatment.

What's the amount of your doctor's foil. Mr. Mayor.—Herald.

Having failed to induce Dr. Hopkins to stay in as spite candidate for the stay in as spite candidate for the stay.

BENNETT'S THEATRE.

"A Woman of Few Words," a unny sketch, is the largest indivi-augh on a merry bill at Bennett's week. Immense audiences filled c eat at both performances yesterday udging by the applause the show pr dessing, to the majority of those seat at both performances yesterday, and judging by the appliause the show proved pleasing to the majority of those present. Rae and Brosche get off some lively dialogue and the sketch is full of amusing complications. The headline on the programme is Adelaide, America's foremost dancer, with Johnny Hughes and girls in "The Poster's Dream." Adelaide is one of the most graceful dancers ever seen here, and the supporting company of six clever people make one of the most entertaining numbers offered this season. Radford and Winchester, in a comedy juggling and pantomime act, provide twenty minutes of fast fun. They perform some remarkable juggling feats and some of their stunts are excruciatingly funny. Another good comedy act is White and Simmons in "On the Ban' Wagon." They are a elever pair of comedians, and have some new jokes. Lillian Tyce sings several Irish songs with a delightful brogue. Clark and Bergman and Ferry, the frog-man, and Bergman and Ferry, the frog-man complete a very good bill.

BETHEL MISSION.

A pleasant and profitable evening was spent at the Bethel Mission on Christ-mas night, the Vice-President, Mr. Fel-lers, being in the chair.

A good programme was given by the workers of the mission, assisted by the Ferguson Avenue Baptist Quartette, and friends; closing with a good, hearty friends; closing with a good, hearty vote of thanks to the friends who had so loyally subscribed for a good substantial dinner, for upwards of forty men.

The trouble with a pull is that it locsn't always pull the right way.

Salesman—Shirt sir. Will you have a negligee or a stiff bosom? Customer—Neglige. I guess. The doctor said I must avoid starchy things."—Boston Transcript.

WEDNESDAY, DEC.

SHEA'S

May Manton Patierns all 10 Cents

Every department of the Shea store will have special bargains all this last week of the old year--Bargains that will be money-saving investments for those thrifty people who know.

Bargains in Linens Bargains in Staple Goods Bargains in Dress Goods

Bargains in Blouses Bargains in Underwear Bargains in Underwear

Bargains in Gloves Bargains in Neckwear Bargains in Belts

Our Cut Price Mantle Sale at its Best

CELEBRATED THE JUBILEE.

Golden Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McKenzie.

ome of Andrew McKenzie, 129 Fair leigh avenue, presented last evening, the occasion being the fiftieth anniversary of the wedding of Kenneth and Mrs. Me-Kenzie, SI Catharine street north, kenneth McKenzie, born in Garroch, and Margaret McCullech, born in Rosshire, were married in Cromarty, Scotland, on Deacmber 27th, 1859, by Rev. M. McLecheran, and in 1884 came to this country with their children, four sons and there disuptiers, three of whom have

WAS ANGRY.

Man Said to be Married Shoots

parents. Mr. and Mrs. Stephen t erset. police Mackey, a great of the first to have a wife and child in isfield. On attempted to pay attent to the girl, and was enraged when also delearing his intention of ing the family, drew a revolver and an shooting.

Wr. Figg Galasser says he kept perfectly cool last night when that burglar got into his house.

Mrs. Figg-So his wife told me. She found him trying to hide in the residentary.

breast, the father in the face and the mother in the shoulder. Frank Hunt, a brother of the girl jumped through a window and escaped. After exhausting all the cartridges in his revolver, Mack-ley reloaded, fired four more shots and

Society wedding of Kenneth and Mrs. Medie, 81 Catharine street north, Kender, 81 Catharine street north, Kender, 81 Catharine street north, Kender, 81 Catharine street, and and garest McCullock, born in Rosshire. McCullock, born in Rosshire. Their married in Chub of Winona, was held last night in the Winona Institute Hall. There were nearly three hundred present, and in IsSA emine to this country with their deliberen, four sons and a daughters, three of whom have since their arrival here. There were nearly three hundred present, and in IsSA emine to this city; did, of Detroit; Mrs. David A. Kost and the worelty of more men than of their groups of Detroit, and Mrs. Beth, at home, editately on their arrival here they are members, of MacNab Street dealing hall was hung with ropes of Detroit, and Mrs. Beth, at home, editately on their arrival here they are members, of MacNab Street dealing hall was hung with ropes are fully street arrival here they are members, of MacNab Street dealing hall was hung with ropes of evergreen and red streamers, while the blief from which the dainty buffet supper was served, looked charming with trumson roses, ferns and brass candelar archent workers ever since, Yester and more their from out of afternsoon Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie was harded their miny friends and relative the suppersonal transfer of the miny friends and relative the suppersonal transfer of the miny friends and relative the suppersonal transfer of the miny friends and relative the suppersonal transfer of the miny friends and relative the suppersonal transfer of the miny friends and relative the suppersonal transfer of the miny friends and relative the suppersonal transfer of the miny friends and relative the suppersonal transfer of the miny friends and relative the suppersonal transfer of the miny friends and relative the suppersonal transfer of the miny friends and relative the suppersonal transfer of the suppersonal transfer of the miny friends and relative the suppersonal transfer of the miny friends and relative the supperson Among those present from our Music Mars. Newberry, Miss Cole, Miss Hattie Hagey, Miss Nora Kel-Miss Frances Baby, Miss Amy d. Miss Madeleine Darling, Mrs. Miss Lee, of St. Thomas, Mrs. Mrs. Rob.

lond, Miss Frances Davy, and Land, Miss Madeleine Darling, Mrs. Land, Miss Madeleine Darling, Mrs. Land, Miss Madeleine Darling, Mrs. Land, Miss Miss Miss Lee, of St. Thomas, and pread programme was didnered from the Mrs. Denald Deront, during the attention, Mrs. Denald Deront, during the attention of the Mrs. Denald Deront, during the attention of the Mrs. Denald Mrs. Mrs. Called Mrs. Mrs. Ellad Mrs. Mrs. Ellad Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. we oan by the lungs die Griffith. Miss trenevae.

one and presents desert Reg Walker, Harold Stratton, one their many Leo Sey, Hardy Awrey, Stevenson, Hairdanda, but the yBertraum. Elliott Weston, Jack Baby, Mr. and Mrs. Me A. G. Geddes, Walter Gay, Bob. Witherm unusual degree species, W. E. Daniel, C. McCune Boston, Er. R. Pope (Reginar), George Stron, E. R. Pope (Reginar), George Brown, Fred. Gayfer, W. F. Robinson, It is the hope of Fred. Harding, Dr. Carrick, Holden, hat they may be Googge Sutherland, Jack Glasseo, Fred Murphy, Griffith, McMenemy, McBride, Bob Brown, Bob Isbister, Dr. Unsworth, Bob Brown, Bob Isbister, Dr. Unsworth, Bob Brown, Bob Ishister, Dr. Unsworth, Dr. McDonald, Archie Mullin, Ed Skelley, Eddie Burrow, Harry McGill,

Young Girl When Repulsed.

Tokelo, O., Dec. 27. Carol Hunt, aged

Dr. and Mrs. McCormack, of Toronto, spent Christmas with Mrs. McCormack's mother, Mrs. Joseph Taylor, East Hamilton.

Joe Skelly, Reuben Bartmann, E. Mor-

was instantly killed to night. Mr. Ben Foster, wife and son, of Somand Mrs. Stephen to the first of the city to spend three months with Mrs. Foster's size of the first months with Mrs. Foster's size of at the lime to the police, and at the lime to altroader, who is a proposed at the size of the first months with Mrs. Foster's size for Mrs. Geo. Potter, 138 Burlington Size that the limit of the city to spend three months with Mrs. Foster with Mrs. Foster's size of the city to spend three months with Mrs. Foster, which will be size that the city to spend three months with Mrs. Foster's size of the city to spend three months with Mrs. Foster's size of three months wit

FIRST PICTURE OF MME. STEINHEIL SINCE



HER ACQUITTAL.

MME. STEINHEIL IN HER RETREAT.

BARTON AND GLANFORD.

Rev. Matthew Wilson Horored by His Parishioners.

On Christmas eve at the Glanford Township Hall the rector of St. Paul's, Glanford, was in the chair at the an nual Christmas gathering, and at the close of the entertainment, while Santa

Amy Mrs.
Rob-lomas, Rob-ling, from the Woman's Auxiliary at Ancaster, per Miss Jermyn, of Ancaster, and Miss M. Bull, of Hamilton. They were used on Christmas Day for the first time at Holy Trinity, Barton.

GIRL'S CRIME.

Stele \$97,000 to be Sure of Getting a Husband.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 27.-An unusual story was outlined to day at the open-ing of the trial of eight Italians acing of the trial of eight Italians accused of conspiring with crippled seventeen-year-old Angeline Schievone to rob her father, a widely known Italian bruker. Assistant State's Attorney Fleming told the jury that Francisco Schiavone, uncle of Angeline, three years ago, told the girl to get all the money she could from her father's bank, bring it to him and he would save it for her, and when she had a snug amount she could marry his son, Michael.

The girl was employed in her father's bank, and it is alleged that her thefts aggregated S97,000 before she was detected. She testified that, being crippled she feared that she would be unable to marry and so had tried to win Michael Schiavone for a hu-band with her father's money.

er's money.

All of the different sums which sha abstracted from time to time she said she entered in a little memorandum book after she had given them to bet

The salient article of the January Century is easily Mr. Walter Camp's chatty discussion of "Personality in Football," in which he asks and answers the pertinent question, "Are our hoys trained to set up a false standard of hero-worship?" Entirely different in theme, yet also on an important question of current interest, is the "Study of the New Plan of Chicago," with remarks on city-planning in general, by Charles W. Eliot, President Emeritus of Harvard University, which is given added on city-planning in general, by Chaires W. Eliot, President Emeritus of Harvard University, which is given added vividness by reproductions of drawings by Jules Guerin, maps, diagrams and plans. John Kimberly Mumford's authoritative article on "The Passing of the Antique Rug" is notable for its illustrations. For music lovers there is Dantrations. For music lovers there is Danversation on Music with Frank Kneisel." There are two notable names of writers of fiction in the January Century—May Sinclair and Edith Wharton, Miss Sinclair's "The Creators: a Comedy," a novel of London life, will run through the magazine year. Mrs. Wharton's psychic story, "Afterward," which is novel of Lemon the magazine year. Mrs. Wharton's psychic story, "Afterward," which is made the leading feature of the number, is altogether different from anything is altogether differer she has done hitherto.

The January Strand is full of interesting and unique articles attractively interspersed with short stories and serials by popular writers. An article that should interest both sexes is by the Hon. Mrs. Fitzroy Stewart, entitled "Plain Men." The author declares that plair way have a postgoodingry facination. men have an extraordinary fascination for beautiful women which will be of for beautiful women which will be of comfort to those of us who are not east in an Adonis mould. Mr. A. E. W. Mason continues his exciting "The Murder at the Villa Rose," and a number of famous black and white artists each contributes what he considers his funniest Christmas picture. The color section is devoted to portraits of beautiful women made by eminent protographers. Lewis Waller, who, with Richard Mansfield brought "Monsieur-Beaucaire" to success, writes his "Reminiscences,"