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LONDON, TUESDAY, DEC. 5.

"TRUTHFUL JAMES" AND THE BOUNDARY QUESTION.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has done a good service in showing up the chicanery of Premier Whitney respecting the new boundary arrangement. Our honest Iago (merely Italian for James) goes about denouncing the Laurier Government for delimiting a boundary unfair to Ontario. The fact is, as Sir Wilfrid stated, that he left the matter to the Ontario and Manitoba Governments to settle between themselves, doing no more himself than suggest a line of demarcation.

While Sir Wilfrid was in power, the two Conservative Governments could not come to an agreement, and nothing was decided. They thought it better for partisan purposes to keep the question open, especially in Manitoba, where it has served the Roblin machine for two or three elections. Under the happy auspices, however, of a coalition, Conservative-Castor regime at Ottawa, a happy issue has perhaps already been found out of all dissensions. At least, the Attorney-General of Manitoba looks at it that way. For whatever settlement has been made, at any rate, the Borden Government and the two provincial governments are the responsible parties; Sir Wilfrid has no more to do with it than the man in the moon. If it is true that the Laurier suggestions have been adopted, as Mr. Borden does not deny, then it is the Borden-Whitney-Roblin ring that has adopted them, and not the Laurier Government.

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A FEW LINES OF MOST ANYTHING

The old fellow who used to cry out "Scissors to Grind" doesn't come around so often these days. Has the safety razor put him out of business?

Here's a joke that should go without cranking. A Toronto advertiser is offering: "Fur-Lined Man's Coat" for sale.

What has become of the old-fashioned man who could never find his wife's pocket and the old woman who could always find her husband's?

Anyone in search of practical osteopathy may find it by spending half an hour at the gallery. The price of a theatre just before the door opens.

A man's sternest judge should be the one whom he finds in the mirror.

There is a standard measure for sympathy and selfishness. A man gets what he gives.

It was just another case of forgetting to leave a call with the Socialists.

"Typhoid Mary" is suing the city of New York for \$50,000. Now, just about how much per pound would that be?

A study in contrasts is the grouchy man who comes home, greets his wife as usual, and then finds there are guests behind the velvet curtains.

Our Village.
Quite a number of the local young men who wait for choir to come out, think it's time for the church to provide foot-warming accommodations for the choir.

Things are very quiet in this district concerning election matters. It looks fine to see the boys and girls going to the rink together.

Ad. Becu will be in the government by sec. this time. He will renew acquaintances in our midst about 1915. Wonder if he'll be changed much by then?

Our streets are being torn up just as the new pavements are laid down. The new pavements are laid down on Wednesday afternoon.

Detective Burns, who went for those McNamara boys like sixty, is a former Londoner. He once fraternized for an afternoon with the local chief, Mr. Williams.

Mr. Beattie, our well-known mayor, denies that he is going to take over the Royal Bus Line to the depot. Says he's given up the reins of power for good.

Some of the women folks are having early shopping bees these days.

All for Ten Cents.
In a barber's shop window: "During alterations patrons will be shaved in the back."

By Ninety! Jim's a Corker!
[Brighton Progress.]
James Thompson shined corn and served wood on his own place Saturday forenoon, and in the afternoon shredded corn for Jos. Barnes—Ossian News.

For the Love of Mike!
[Essex Free Press.]
Mike McCarthy decided that he needed a bath Wednesday evening and took a plunge through the ice. But for the timely aid of a friend who heard him we would have no Mike.

First Catch Your Bird, Etc.
[Kinsey Reporter.]
As the holiday season approaches chicken and turkey thieves come more and more into evidence. The police are in the section have had their fowls stolen, and one man north of here had fifty turkeys taken from his place only to find them in the hands of a neighbor. We can only recommend a shotgun loaded with something that will smart a little when it strikes a prowler's legs.

E. W. J. OWEN IS A FORMER LONDONER
Conservative Candidate in South Toronto Was Once in Law Business Here.

Mr. E. W. J. Owen, of the law firm of Owen & Co., who until about ten years ago practiced law in this city, was nominated by the Conservatives as the candidate for South Toronto in the forthcoming election. Mr. Owen, before removing from this city, was a member of the firm of Owen & Co., and before that time was with Messrs. Cronyn & Greenlee. The seat which he is now contesting against W. R. James, a Labor man, was that held by Hon. J. Foy.

GLOVES IN CHRISTMAS BOXES

A pair of Kid Gloves in a pretty Chapman box would make an acceptable and useful gift. Our Gloves are all entirely new and we fit and guarantee every way. Customers will find the familiar makes for which we have always been agents.

Women's Wool-lined Gloves, in kid and mocha, 2-clasp wrist length. Per pair \$1.00
Men's Wool-lined Gloves, kid and mocha, in tan and brown. Per pair \$1.00
French Kid Gloves, our regular makes of fine kid gloves, wrist length. Black and colors. Per pair \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50
Suede Gloves, fine undressed kid. Per pair \$1.50
Children's Gloves, tan and brown kid, wool-lined. Sizes 2 to 6. Pair 75c
Children's Gloves, in tan, brown and gray suede. Sizes 0 to 4. Pair 75c

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CHRISTMAS LINES NOW ON DISPLAY.
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"Our Beauty," undressed kid body doll, stands 24 inches high, double jointed body, beautiful featured bisque face, with curly wig, natural moving eyes and real eyelashes. Light or dark hair. This is a special value at \$1.00

Other Undressed Kid Dolls at 25c up to \$2.75. Make your selections early.

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248 DUNDAS STREET, LONDON

and had resided at Culloden for 35 years. He leaves to mourn his loss a widow, five daughters and one son.

The funeral will take place to the Delmer Cemetery on Wednesday afternoon. Deceased was the father of Misses Annie and Lizzie Allen, of Ingersoll.

THREE MONTHS FOR BLACKSTOCK

Ex-Dog Catcher Rewarded for Two Petty Thefts On the Market.

ALMOST FOOLED P. M.

Wife Said There Were Five Children at Home Pleading For Their Dad.

Ben. Blackstock was sentenced in the police court this morning by Magistrate Judd to three months in jail at hard labor on both charges of stealing, to which he pleaded guilty Monday, the sentences to run concurrently.

In sentencing him, Magistrate Judd asked him if he had been responsible for sending his wife to the police court for the same offence. It seems that Mrs. Blackstock came into Magistrate Judd's office Monday afternoon and with tears in her eyes, and a pathetic ring to her voice, pleaded with the magistrate to be lenient with her husband, not for the sake of his five children, but for the sake of his five little children at home, who were looking forward to the Christmas time. The magistrate was affected, and when asked to sentence him he said he would let him go on suspended sentence.

Then he made inquiries about the children and was informed by Chief Williams that there were no children. Williams said that Mrs. Blackstock had pleaded in just such a way for her husband on other occasions.

Detective Down was sent to the house and although Mrs. Blackstock was there, the children were conspicuous by their absence. In fact, there was no sign of any kind that there were any children. Blackstock admitted sending his wife to see the magistrate, but claimed he had not told her to say that there were five children. He was then sentenced to three months, and was informed it would be at hard labor that he could not labor while in jail because he had a sore leg. In passing sentence, Magistrate Judd informed Blackstock that he had no occasion to come up again if he would mean years instead of months.

William Pearson, who was also remanded from Monday for sentence, was fined \$20 or 30 days for pointing a loaded revolver at John Jones. Pearson will have to serve the days, as he did not have the money on him.

Five Months For Theft.
Charles Kennedy pleaded guilty to stealing a new suit of clothes from one of the City Parcel Express rigs on Nov. 26. He was sentenced to five months in the Central Prison. Kennedy claimed he was drunk when he committed the theft. He was arrested on Monday, and the vest was found in his room at the place where he boarded. He told the detectives where the coat and pants could be found, but when the police searched the spot, they could only get the pants. In court this morning Kennedy stated that he did not know where the coat was, as he had hidden it with the trousers.

Charge of Neglect.
Mr. and Mrs. Webster White appeared to answer a charge of neglecting to send their two boys to school, preferred by Trust Officer Weir. They claimed that the boys were made ready for school, and were supposed to be there, but played truant instead. The magistrate adjourned the case until Jan. 6, when the parents will have to report as to whether the boys have been attending school regularly between now and then.

Jan. Watson, who has been appearing in court with great regularity and frequency of late, was fined \$20 or 21 days on a charge of being drunk. Three first-timers were allowed to go.

1,000 CHILDREN
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The matter to the society. The lad was made a member of the Junior Y. M. C. A., and given the benefits and privileges of association with that institution, and is now doing very well indeed.

Some Statistics.
Following are the statistics of the juvenile court for the year commencing Dec. 1, 1910, and ending Nov. 30, 1911, there is a most remarkable decrease in the number of offences, the number for this year being 150 against 268 in 1910.

Disorderly conduct 43
Theft 34
Damage to property 18
Vagrancy 12
Assault 7
Truancy 7
Breach of bylaw 23
Trespass 12
Neglected children 150

The sentences were as follows:
Discharged 78
Sentence suspended 47
Fined 10
Committed to industrial schools 8
Deported to England 1

Children Cared For.
During the year there were 56 children from the city of London alone who were sheltered and taken care of by the society. There were nine children picked up on the city streets, and who, although they did not belong to the city, were taken care of by the society. There were 20 children from the County of Middlesex who were taken in and cared for in every respect. There were five children from the County of York who were taken in and cared for in every respect. There were also taken in and cared for, there is only a record of 10 deaths, showing that the children that have been placed out have been normal and healthy in every respect.

The report of the probation officer, Mr. J. A. Stevenson, was also submitted. It showed that the work of looking after the probation boys was progressing satisfactorily. Sheriff Brady also submitted a report.

The financial statement showed that the receipts of the society had been \$1,100 for the year \$3,650.24, with disbursements of \$2,120.68, leaving a balance of cash on hand of \$1,529.56. The statement also shows that the society has a surplus of \$1,529.56.

STRICKEN SUDDENLY
Alex. K. Ross Died After a Very Brief Illness at Sarnia.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Sarnia, Dec. 4.—Alex. K. Ross, for two years customs official at the tunnel station, and for many years prior a Grand trunk engineer, died very unexpectedly today at his home. Early in the morning Mr. Ross was stricken with paralysis, and his death resulted a few hours later. He was 60 years old, and besides his wife is survived by one son, Alex. K. Ross, M. Y., and two daughters, Misses Anna and Isabel, at home. The funeral will be held on Wednesday afternoon to Lakeview Cemetery.

Headaches—nausea—indigestion—muddy complexion—pimples—bad breath—these are some of the effects of constipation. The mild, sensible, reliable remedy is

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Baked in Their Jacket with skin on, and then peeled bag in the usual way in ordinary oven.

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