ARRESTED ON AN OLD CHARGE.

The Theft of an Overcoat—Several Drunks—Hackmen Fined.

There were few cases to occupy the Magistrate's time at the Police Court this morning, and as a result the session was a brief one. William Mahoney, arrested by Detective Campbell on an old warrant, issued in June last, was arraigned on the charge of stealing an overcoat from John McQuaig, a fellow-boarder at No. 78 Bay street north. The coat was recovered some time ago by Detective Reid, and that officer had charge of the case. Mahoney pleaded not guilty, electing to be tried by the Magistrate. A lawyer engaged for the defence did not appear, and at the request of Detective Reid, the Magistrate adjourned the case for a week.

The prisoner applied for bail, but old P. C. Ferris tried to hustle him down stairs.

"Hold on a minute till I speak to the judge," said the prisoner.

"Come on downstairs," replied the vet.; "you can't get bail."

"Yes, I can; I never did anything."

"Your own father had no use for you."

"That's all right, Mr. Ferris; you ain't the judge."

"Well, you're no good, anyhow."

Magistrate—You must find $100 bail, Mahoney, if you want to get out.

William Carmichael and William Jarvis, two hackmen, charged by P. C's. Tuck and Ford with violating the cab by-law in leaving their cabs unattended last night, were each fined $2.

Maud O'Neil, aged 41, arrested by P. C. Gibbs for vagrancy, was fined $3 or thirty days in jail.

Richard Gale and Michael Cahill, drunks, were assessed $2 each; and Mary Love, another drunk, was requested to contribute $3 to the civic treasury or go to jail for thirty days.

THE YEAR'S BUILDING OPERATIONS.

The Commissioner's Books Show Half a Million Dollars Spent in Buildings.

Though this year has not been marked by a rush of building operations, there has been a steady run of business, and the various trades that follow the architect have been kept in work all through the year. The books of Assessment Commissioner Balfour show that permits representing a nominal value of almost half a million dollars have been issued. It is a well-known fact that the cost of the buildings is not accurately represented by the figures given the commissioner. There are always extras of one sort or another, which run from 15 to 30 per cent., and often more, over the estimated cost, so that $600,000 would be a better estimate of the actual value of the buildings than the figures given below, which also show a comparison with 1891:

	1891.	1892.
January	$ 8,000	$ 19,000
February	3,000	2,400
March	16,650	21,160
April	40,025	45,820
May	40,900	50,650
June	50,800	68,150
July	28,100	26,250
August	16,475	79,325
September	20,500	44,300
October	28,060	59,910
November	24,865	35,330
December	23,650	11,575
	$305,675	$466,170

Increase in 1892, $160,595.

A Happy New Year.

We stand to-day upon the threshold of new resolutions with a stronger ambition to urge us on and larger opportunities to deserve success. While thanking you, the public, that helped to make '92 what it was, we write down better things for '93. The year that is past shall be the compass for the year that is passing. To accomplish the more excellent thing we promise improvement, if possible, in the merchandise, the service, the prices and the spirit of the store. 1892 was the best of years, but we will do better still. The store's safety lies in the constant, persistent progress, and the success of the past is encouragement for the future. Monday we rest all day. Tuesday we invite you again this way for the best teas, coffees, baking powder, cocoa, chocolate, etc. Premiums with all. Smarts, importers and profit-sharers, No. 147 King street east.

Harvard vs. Davis.

Judge Muir gave a written decision in the case of Harvard vs. Davis this morning. This was the dental chair suit tried at the last County Court in which the Harvard Company, of Canton, Ohio, sued a Rochester dealer in dental furnishings and Bailiff George Hunter, of this city, for illegal seizure of a chair and cabinet, which had been leased to Dentist Chittenden, formerly of this city. Judgment was given against both defendants for $125 and costs. H. Carscallen, Q. C., for plaintiffs; S. F. Washington for defendant Davis; E. Furlong for defendant Hunter.

The Holiday Reception.

The arrangements for the New Year's reception to the young men of the city on Monday afternoon and evening have been completed, and every young man in Hamilton will be welcomed at the Young Men's Christian Association on that day. Commander Cheyne's beautiful, artistic views will be the chief attraction at 8 p. m., and the athletic contest at 2 p. m.

The address at the men's meeting to-morrow afternoon will be given by the secretary, who will announce the year text.

The Poultry Exhibition.

It will be seen by advertisement that the nineteenth annual exhibit of poultry, under the auspices of the Ontario Poultry Association will open in the old post office building, James street north, on Tuesday, Jan. 2nd. The secretary has received nearly sixteen hundred entries and the show promises to be one of the best ever held in Ontario. Some $1,500 will be awarded in prizes. The exhibition will be open from 10 a. m. until 10 p. m.

The Cheque Has Arrived.

This morning City Clerk Beasley received a cheque for $2,839 from the Street Railway Company for the city's percentage of receipts and mileage rate for the quarter ending Dec. 26th. The gross earnings of the company amounted to $23,913.22, 6 per cent. on which was the city's share of $1,434.79. The mileage payment came to $1,404.21. The total is a little over $500 less than that of the summer quarter ending Sept. 26th.

Do You Know

that J. A. Sharp is now sole proprietor of the Senate House on James street, opposite the Royal Hotel? Choicest brands of wines and liquors. Cigars a specialty. Fresh lager always on hand. Give him a call.

First Methodist Church.

The regular services will be conducted in the First Methodist Church to-morrow. The Sunday school will meet at 2.45 p. m. in the church, as the school-room will not be ready for some time to come.

Try trading with Kingsley this new year and save gold. Learn by trial (if you don't know it already) that Kingsley keeps the best boots, shoes, slippers, rubbers, overshoes and shoe findings in the city.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

"The Private Secretary."

Travers' New York company presented the above comedy at the Grand this afternoon before a large audience. The play will be repeated this evening.

"By Wits Outwitted."

This company will be at the Grand on Monday afternoon and evening. Patrons of the Grand fairly went wild over the play and the company when here last October. They should draw big audiences on Monday next.

Robert Mantell.

On Tuesday and Wednesday nights this great tragedian and melodramatic actor will be at the Grand. On Tuesday evening his new play "The Face in the Moonlight," will occupy the boards, and on Wednesday evening "Othello." Mantell should crowd the house. The Toronto papers speak highly of both productions. The plan of seats will be at the box office all day Monday.

TO PREVENT CRIME AMONG BOYS.

The Police Commissioners Consider a Recommendation of the Grand Jury.

At the late session of the County Court the grand jury made a suggestion to the Board of Police Commissioners as to the supervision by the police of places where boys frequent. The Board held its first meeting since that time at noon to-day in the Mayor's office and considered the question fully, after which the following resolution, proposed by Judge Muir, seconded by Magistrate Cahill, was unanimously adopted:

The Board recognizes the importance of the suggestion of the grand jury at the last General Sessions, to the effect that the "laws in regard to selling liquors and tobacco to boys under age be more rigidly enforced, and that places of resort frequented by boys under 16 years of age have constant police supervision," and while feeling assured that the efforts of the force in the direction indicated are already being fully exerted, the attention of the Chief is nevertheless called to the subject.

The charge against one of the constables who was injudicious enough to take liquor on Christmas day and leave his beat was laid over until next Wednesday.

A Sanitary Association.

Some days ago a letter was published from Mr. Hopkins, outlining the plan of forming a voluntary association for the inspection and improvement of dwelling houses from a sanitary point of view. The following letter shows that Mr. Hopkins is still at work upon his scheme:

HON. J. M. GIBSON.

DEAR SIR,—Considering the probability of a visitation of cholera during the coming year it seems to me to be of vital importance that all the drains and pipes connected with the public sewer should have no leakage into the dwelling. If there is a case of cholera, scarlet fever, diphtheria, typhoid fever or kindred disease in any quarter, the contagion is liable to enter the dwelling through such leakage. If you reside in a high part of the city your residence will be exposed to all the contagion in the lower districts, as sewer gas, being warm and light, ascends. If you will read the accompanying printed matter I am sure it will not be lost time. I would like if you would give to my scheme your support and co-operation in forming a sanitary association, in which each member will have his house examined in a thorough manner and reported on at length, for a small annual fee.—Your obedient servant, M. W. HOPKINS, B. A., Sc., Civil and Sanitary Engineer.

Hamilton, Dec. 21st, 1892.

Mr. Watkins in the Field.

To the Editor of the TIMES:

SIR,—It has been intimated to me that some persons are saying that I am not a candidate for the position of Alderman for Ward No. 5. I would simply like permission to say in reply that I was nominated for the position on Christmas day and that I have not withdrawn my name, nor do I intend to do so. I hold the same views now that I did twelve months ago. If the electors of this ward think I am a suitable person to represent them then they have the privilege of voting for me. If they do not think that I am qualified to sit in the Council Chamber, then of course, they have the right to leave me at home. I am not canvassing, nor do I intend to ask any persons for their votes. I think it is the duty of the electors to select good men for the position, and not for men to go around begging to have themselves placed in power.—Yours truly, FREDERICK W. WATKINS.

Hamilton, Dec. 31st, 1892.

St. Lawrence Christmas Tree.

Another large crowd of people attended the Christmas tree entertainment in St. Lawrence Hall last evening. Among those present were Ald. Moore and Mr. J. S. Lillis, and both gentlemen invested a considerable amount of money in prizes. Songs were sung during the evening by Master James O'Brien and Mr. Charles McNichol. Little Miss C. Laliberti repeated her song of the previous evening. The contest for the gold-headed cane, which was a leading feature of the entertainment, will close on Monday evening. The following prizes were won: Bamboo easel, Father Hinchey; bamboo table, Mrs. McNamee; child's dress, Mr. J. E. Murphy; fancy splasher, Mr. A. C. Cummings. All the prizes will have been disposed of by Tuesday night. All returns of tickets, etc., should be made to the proper officers by Monday night.

Young People's Methodist Union.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Toronto Young People's Methodist Union held last evening in Spadina Avenue Church, it was stated that some objections had been raised in Hamilton towards the holding of a Denominational Convention in that city. A resolution was immediately carried requesting the executive of the Provincial Association to hold the convention in Toronto. The Executive of the Provincial Association met directly afterwards, when the following resolution was carried unanimously. Moved by W. J. Waugh, Hamilton, seconded by Rev. Dr. Withrow, Toronto, that whereas difficulties have arisen in the way of holding in Hamilton a Denominational Convention of the Methodist Young People that the executive accept the request of the Toronto Union to hold the annual convention in Toronto.

Messrs. William Stewart & Son.

Mr. Wm. Stewart, the well-known architect, has taken into partnership his son, Mr. Walter W. Stewart, who for some years past has been engaged in the office. Mr. Stewart, jun., bids fair to rise to the top in his profession, and if he attains the reputation for first-class professional that is enjoyed by his father he will do exceedingly well. See the card elsewhere.

Week of Prayer.

There will be services all next week in connection with the week of prayer. To-morrow evening there will be an after-church prayer meeting in Centenary Church, Rev. James Allen presiding. A general union meeting will take place in St. Paul's Church on Monday evening. Addresses will be delivered by Rev. Dean Wade and Rev. Dr. Fletcher.

Steamship Arrivals.

Dec. 30.—Assyrian at Liverpool, from Baltimore; Manitoban at Glasgow, from Philadelphia; Rhynland at New York, from Antwerp; Pomeranian at New York, from Glasgow; Nestorian at Halifax, from Glasgow.

The Weather.

TORONTO, Dec. 30, 11 p. m.—The general tendency everywhere is for lower pressure. A depression is developing to the north of Lake Superior, and another of less importance is over the southwest States. Light falls of snow have occurred in Ontario; elsewhere the weather is fair throughout Canada.

Minimum and maximum temperatures—Calgary, 4-40°; Battleford, 4-12°; Edmonton, 4-26°; Prince Albert, 8° below-1° below; Qu'Appelle, 8° below-6°; Port Arthur, 16-22°; Toronto, 17-26°; Kingston, 4-26°; Montreal, 4-18°; Quebec, 2° below-14°; Halifax, 12-28°.

TEMPERATURE IN HAMILTON.—The following is the temperature registered at the Gore by Messrs. Garland & Rutherford: Yesterday, 6 p. m., 20°; to-day, 9 a. m., 24°; to-day, 12 noon, 32°.

Probabilities to Sunday at 8 a. m.—Increasing winds; unsettled and milder weather, with some snow, turning to sleet or rain in southern portion.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Stocks—Market firm. Atchison, 35¾; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, 97¾; Canada Southern, 56½; D & H, 134½; Delaware & Lackawanna, 154½; Louisville & Nashville, 71½; Lake Shore, 127½; Michigan Central, 104⅞; Northern Pacific, preferred, 47½; Northwestern, 112; New York Central, 106⅞; Rock Island, 82⅞; St. Paul, 77½; Union Pacific, 39⅞; Western Union, 95½.

LONDON STOCK MARKET.

LONDON, Dec. 31, 12.30 p. m.—Consols, 98 for money and account; Mexican, 21¼; Mexican Central, 68; St. Paul, 78½; Erie, 24½; Erie seconds, 104; Pennsylvania Central, 55½; Reading, 27¼; Canadian Pacific, 91½; New York Central, 113; Illinois Central, 102. Bank of England rate, 3 per cent. Open market discount, 1½ per cent.

ENGLISH GRAIN MARKET.

(BEERBOHM'S TELEGRAM)

LONDON, Dec. 31, 1 p. m.—Floating cargoes—Wheat and maize firm. Cargoes on passage—Wheat and maize, very firm. London—Good, shipping No. 1 California wheat, prompt sail, 31s 6d, was 31s 6d; nearly due, 30s 9d, was 30s 6d; No. 2 red winter, prompt steamer, 28s 3d, was 28s; for the present and following month, 28s 3d, was 28s. French country markets, steady.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 31.—Spot—Wheat, a turn dearer; maize, steady, fair demand. No. 1 California, 6s 3d—½d dearer; American red winter, 5s 8d—¼d dearer; Indian, 5s 2½d; spring, 5s 11½d—both ¼d dearer; flour, 19s 6d; maize, 4s 1½d; peas, 5s 2d—all three unchanged.

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE MARKET.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 31, 12.30 p. m.—Spring wheat, 5s 11½d to 6s; red winter, 5s 7½d to 5s 8d; No. 1 California, 6s 3d to 6s 4d. Corn, 4s 3d. Peas, 5s 3¼d. Pork, 63s 6d. Lard, 53s 0d. Tallow, 28s 3d. Bacon, heavy, 46s 6d; light, 47s 0d. Cheese, both, 53s. Wheat, steady; fair demand; holders offer moderately. Corn, firm; fair demand; markets of a holiday character.

THE LAST MARKET OF 1892.

Many Buyers Preparing for the Holiday—Few Changes in Prices.

SATURDAY, Dec. 31.—The last day of the year was marked by a large market this morning, with a considerable stiffness in prices, particularly of poultry and dairy produce. Butter sold at from 23 to 25 cents a pound, and eggs brought 30 cents a dozen.

Turkeys were plentiful, selling generally at from 13 to 14 cents a pound. Geese sold at 60 cents a pair, and ducks brought from 90 cents to $1.40 a pair. Geese could be had at from 8 to 9 cents a pound.

Apples were offered at from 60 to 75 cents a bag, and potatoes were in good demand at $1 or $1.10 a bag. Onions brought 75 cents a bushel, celery and cabbage selling at from 20 to 30 cents a dozen.

There were no changes on the outside meat market. Heifers and steers brought from 5½ to 6½ cents a pound by the carcass, hindquarters going at from 6 to 7 cents and forequarters bringing 3½ to 4½ cents. Cow-beef sold at 4 cents for sides, hindquarters bringing 5 cents and forequarters 3 cents. Bull-beef was offered at 3½ cents a pound for sides, 3 cents for forequarters and 4 cents for hindquarters. Mutton sold at from 5 to 6 cents a pound, and veal at 6 cents a pound. Pork was offered at $6.50 a hundred.

HAMILTON GRAIN MARKET.

SATURDAY, Dec. 31.—There was very little grain in to-day. Prices are:

Wheat, spring	60c	to 63c
Wheat, standard (fall), red		61c
Wheat, standard (fall), white	60c	to 63c
Goose wheat		55c
Peas		54c
Rye	00c	to 55c
Oats	29½	to 30c
Barley	40c	to 44c
Buckwheat		40c

OSWEGO MARKETS.

OSWEGO, Dec. 31.—Wheat—Market dull. White and red State at 78c to 80c. Corn—Market steady. Western at 51c. Oats—Market dull. Extra No. 1 white at 41c. Canada barley market dull. Extra No. 2 Canada at 73c; No. 2 Canada at 71c. No sales reported. No receipts or shipments. Rail freights—Wheat, peas, rye and barley, 10½c to New York, 8c to Albany, per hundred pounds.

THE ONLY WALKER

WISHES ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Hail, happy children, great and small,
I hope your every wish was granted;
I hope a portion fell to all,
From seeds which loving Santa planted.
With hope and joys as well as toys,
With pleasures sweet as well as candy,
I trust your stockings, girls and boys,
Held everything delightful—handy.
But if one h[illegible] escaped the eye
Of Santa [illegible] would be funny),
I would re[illegible]
Desire [illegible] at present.
The old prise,
His ages sadly;
Throw [illegible]ries
And it gladly—
The old pride
Walker.
But [illegible]
To [illegible] in [illegible]
The ne[illegible] year in [illegible] will give gre[illegible]
Stands here and [illegible]
Wants which have [illegible]
This young year leaves [illegible] your Walker.
Home is the refuge of the heart;
The world will turn its coldest shoulder.
Make home a heaven—act your part
And never let love's flames grow colder.
Be not afraid to trust the friend
Who never yet refused assistance,
SAVE by the week—your alms and end
To add new pleasures to existence.

Yes, playthings and toys fade, but beautiful furniture, soft carpets, easy chairs, glowing stoves and bright pictures are lasting delights. Home unites all; give a thought to one who has done so much to bring this about in the past, and trust to him in the future.

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NOTICE.

The general annual meeting of shareholders of the Ontario Chemists' Manufacturing Co. (Limited), will be held on Wednesday, January 11th, 1893, at 2 p. m., at their office, Hamilton.

JOHN A. CLARK,
Secretary-Treasurer.

AMUSEMENTS.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

TO-NIGHT,

Edwin Travers' production of the greatest of all Madison Square Theatre successes, William Gillette's laughable comedy,

THE PRIVATE SECRETARY.

Evening prices—$1.00, 75c, 50c, 25c. Sale of seats open at Nordheimer's.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

Matinee and Night, Monday, January 2nd,
The funniest of all comedy,

BY WITS OUTWITTED,

by Edward Owings Towne, preceded by a brilliant curtain raiser,

FOR SWEET CHARITY'S SAKE,
BY E. O. TOWNE.

Special New Year Matinee Prices—25c, 50c and 75c. Evening prices—$1, 75c, 50c, 25c. Sale of seats at Nordheimer's.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, JAN. 3, 4.

ROBERT MANTELL

will present the Romantic and Interesting Drama,

THE FACE IN THE MOONLIGHT,

with all the beautiful scenery and accessories. Wednesday Night—Othello. Prices, $1, 75, 50, 25c. Secure your seats at Nordheimer's.

PALACE ROLLER RINK.

TO-NIGHT,

New Year's Eve, skate the old year out and the New Year in. Monday (New Year's Day) Band afternoon and evening.
Admission—Gents, 25c.; Ladies, 15c. Skates free.
J. M. WEBBER.

EDUCATIONAL.

HAMILTON ART SCHOOL,

PUBLIC LIBRARY BUILDING.

Students resume work on Tuesday, 3rd Jan., 1893. The new term commences on Jan. 12th. Thorough instruction given in Freehand, Model, Perspective, Geometric, Architectural and Engineering Drawing; Oil and Water Color Painting, Modelling, Carving, Engraving, Designing, etc.
Student joinery now can compete for medals, certificates and valuable prizes.
W. A. ROBINSON, President.
HUGH MURRAY, Hon. Sec.-Treas.
S. JOHN IRELAND, Principal, to whom all communications should be addressed.

DANCING.

W. B. MELVILLE'S ACADEMY opens for winter term,
TUESDAY, JANUARY 3RD FOR ADULTS,
SATURDAY, JANUARY 7TH, FOR CHILDREN.
Classes limited.

REOPENS TUESDAY NEXT.

The HAMILTON Business College, James street SOUTH, reopens January 3rd, 1893.
Both day and evening classes. Best course of study, best teachers and best accommodation for students.
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AUCTION SALES.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE
—OF—
Horses and Brick-making Plant.

Robert Hunter, auctioneer, will offer for sale at public auction, at F. Dean's brickyard, Aberdeen avenue, on
THURSDAY, THE 5TH DAY OF JAN., 1893,
at 2 30 o'clock p. m., four horses, strong and well matched, 2 brick wagons, 10,000 bricks, 2 sets bob sleighs, 2 sets double harness, brick machine, 20,000 feet lumber, 2 cutters, 1 cart, harrows, ploughs, cultivators, harrow teeth, picks and other articles. Train leaves H. & D. S. R. Station, Main street east, at 2.20 p. m.
For further particulars, apply to
WALTER ANDERSON,
Assignee, 68 King street east.

POULTRY ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO.

The 19th annual Exhibit of Poultry of the Poultry Association of Ontario will be held in the Old Post Office Building, James street, commencing on
TUESDAY, 2nd JAN. to 6th inclusive.
The entries received by the secretary amount to 1,576 (fifteen hundred and seventy-six).
The premiums to be awarded [illegible] amount to [illegible] hundred Dollars.
[illegible] at 10 a. m. to [illegible] p. m. on [illegible]day of the exhibition.
Admission to the general public 25c., children under 12 years 15c.
The door receipts will be given to the local association, which will supply the very best cooping for the birds, etc.
The public are cordially invited to sustain the exhibit with their patronage.
J. EASTWOOD, President. T. A. BERRY, London), Secretary.

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NOTICE.

In drawing the attention of the public to the above notice of partnership with my son, I embrace the opportunity of returning my sincere thanks to my numerous clients for their liberal patronage during the past seven years of my establishment in Hamilton, and I respectfully solicit for the new firm a continuation of their confidence and good will.
WILLIAM STEWART, Architect.

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