

When To Make Your Will

The time to make your will is NOW, while you are in good health and can exercise the same sound judgment in dividing your estate that you possessed while accumulating it.

Make your will NOW, naming as executor

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FRUIT GROWERS HAVE ELECTED NEW OFFICERS

The London and Middlesex Fruit Growers' Association's annual meeting, held recently, was largely attended. Prospects for the coming meeting of the winter months are exceedingly bright.

Following are the officers elected: President, A. J. Coyle; 1st vice-president, W. H. Mundy; 2nd vice-president, T. O'Brien; secretary, H. Shore; treasurer, H. Shore; members of the Western Fruit Board, Messrs. Shore and Coyle; to the provincial association, W. H. Mundy and the Westminster Agricultural Board, W. C. Pack.

Meetings will be held on the first and third Thursdays of each month in the agricultural office here. Addresses will be given by prominent fruit experts of Ontario at these meetings, which will be held during January, February and March.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

CONSIDER THE FIGURES.
To the Editor of The Advertiser:
Those who talk as if Sir Wilfrid Laurier had sustained a crushing defeat at the polls ought to consider the figures. Laurier has nearly a hundred supporters. Borden a little more than a hundred (straight Conservatives), and the Liberal supporters of the Government are less than forty.

Laurier has a majority not only in Quebec, but in the Maritime Provinces. Laurier has nearly as many supporters outside of Quebec as all those who support the Union Government.

OLD-TIMER.

IS IT FAIR TO RETURN MEN?
To the Editor of The Advertiser:
I should like to know why so many men in this city get the jobs at the polling booths today with the large number of returned soldiers unemployed and quite capable of doing this light work. Is it fair to the boys, do you think? I remain, yours, respectfully,
S. F. HARWOOD.
18 Glenwood avenue.



Let Kodak Head Your Xmas List

No matter how much good times are enjoyed, they are soon forgotten unless Kodak serves as the memory jogger.

Keep a picture story of the bright side of life, to cheer up the hours that need cheering.

J. H. Back & Co.
210 DUNDAS STREET

WANTS PERMANENT CONSTRUCTION FOR HOSPITAL BUILDING

Controller Moore Influences Commission to Change Plan.

BRINGS MONEY TO CITY

Material Will Be Purchased in London Instead of Outside.

A determined effort is being made to secure permanent construction for the new military hospital to be built in Westminster Township. The Military Hospital Commission had previously decided to build the institution of cement and builders' board.

Controller John S. Moore is anxious that the buildings should be constructed of material that would endure, and that this material should be secured in London. He has made an offer to the commission to give the building permanent construction at a cost below that estimated for the temporary construction, and his plans have had such an influence on the commission that the awarding of contracts has been held up.

The contracts for the material were to go to outside firms but for Mr. Moore's action. If his efforts are successful, there will be a considerable amount of the material secured in London.

SEVEN ELIGIBLES IN REGISTRAR'S PARTY CLASSED AS "A"

Four Recruits Also Passed by Armories Board.

Eleven men were sent to the medical boards at the armories by the deputy registrar to be examined Thursday. Seven of these were in category A, fit for service overseas as a combatant unit. One was in category C, fit for service in Canada, and three were in category E. Only one man was sent by the exemption tribunals. He was placed in category A.

Samuel Harris of London reported for service.

Four recruits obtained by the British and Canadian Recruiting Mission in the United States were examined. Three of them were born in Canada and had been residing in Saginaw. These were E. Grimes, Western Ontario Regiment; R. J. Powers, No. 1 Special Service Company, and W. A. Lynch, Western Ontario Regiment; P. Sponier, who was born in Italy and had been living in Saginaw, was a recruit. He was sent to the Western Ontario Regiment.

SOMEBODY STEALS WEIGHTS INTENDED TO CHECK SELLERS

Hard-Hearted Thief Blocks Protection Scheme.

It was the intention of Mayor Stevenson, he declares, to keep tabs on the weight of the market produce today, but an unforeseen occurrence in the theft of the scale weights foiled his worshipful scheme. Early this morning, a Clerk Maker discovered that the weights of the scales in the market basement had disappeared.

It was given out that the weight of all produce would be determined hereafter by officials of produce today, and that the practice of giving short weight would be severely dealt with. This method of protecting markets from the short-weight farmer has been carried on for some days at the city weigh scales, but not until this morning was it decided to apply the same method to produce sold in the market basement.

Everything was in readiness to check up the short-weight artists today, but when it was found that the weights had been stolen the scheme had to be postponed.

"We are going to protect the market-keepers of this city even if we have to buy all the weights in the country," Mayor Stevenson declared when apprised of the theft of the market weights.

OLD-TIME REMEDY MAKES PURE BLOOD

Hood's Sarsaparilla has been and still is the people's medicine because of its reliable character and its wonderful success in purifying, enriching and revitalizing the blood and relieving the common diseases and ailments—scrofula, rheumatism, dyspepsia, loss of appetite, that tired feeling, general debility.

Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies and enriches the blood, and in so doing renders the human system the greatest service possible. This medicine has been tested for years. It is perfectly pure, clean and absolutely safe, as well as of peculiar and unequalled medicinal merit.

Get Hood's, and get it now from any drug store.

BURGLAR HOLDUP ADMITS IDENTITY, PLEADS GUILTY

Man Arrested by Detectives Acknowledges Five Recent Robberies.

PAL CLAIMS INNOCENCE

Says He Sold Jewelry, But Did Not Steal Any Of It.

A series of burglaries, extending over a period of several months, was cleared up in police court today, when Joseph Stanton pleaded guilty to five burglaries and was remanded to jail for one week for sentence.

William Wolffitz, 19 years old, who came from Galt some weeks ago, was arrested with Stanton while the pair was in a local pawnshop attempting to dispose of some jewelry. Wolffitz pleaded not guilty to any participation in the robberies, but admitted he had disposed of several pieces of jewelry. He was remanded to jail for one week for trial, the crown not being prepared to proceed.

Stanton admitted to detectives that he was the man who held up Allan Barr, 247 Maitland street, with a revolver, while he made his escape from the house he had just robbed. Stanton's home is in Montana, and he enlisted with the 10th Battalion at Calgary. He was invalided from England and reached this city with a party of returned soldiers in September last.

Stanton pleaded guilty without the slightest hesitation to each of the five charges. Several charges are yet to be laid.

Stanton's method, according to his own confession, was to work on Sunday nights while the occupants of the houses were in church. He would rob a house one Sunday night in one section of the city, and then go to the other side for the following Sunday night.

Stanton pleaded guilty to burglarizing the home of Allan Barr, 247 Maitland street, W. Turner, 29 Maitland street, Charles Desand, 417 Grey street, Mrs. W. Smithson, Waterloo street, and Roy Barrell, 417 Oxford street.

In each house Stanton searched for jewelry and money, although at one place he stole two cans of fruit. His thefts, covering a period of the last six weeks, amounted to several hundred dollars. Several diamond rings were found at his residence on Simcoe street when his belongings were searched by detectives.

Stanton displayed not the slightest emotion when charged with the robbery. He strenuously denied he had anything to do with the robberies.

The stolen portion of the stolen property was recovered and identified in police court today by the owners.

When the men were arrested they had in their possession watches which had been stolen from the residence of E. W. Turner, 29 Maitland street, one of the latest houses to be robbed.

An ivory watch valued at \$50, and a watch presented for service in the South African war, Mr. Turner also alleged a South African medal. A number of articles were also taken from the house of G. Desand, 417 Grey street, including a revolver, two gold neck chains, and two gold rings valued at \$35.

The men have been under suspicion for some time, and by the clever work of the local detectives, Sgt. of Detectives Nickle and Detective Eganston and Down, were landed.

COLDS CAUSE HEADACHE AND GRIP

LAXATIVE PROMOTING QUININE removes the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature is on box; 30c. 14-law-w

NEW BOOKS ADDED TO LIBRARY SHELVES

The following new books have been added to the public library and are now in circulation:

Philosophy, Religion and Sociology—Fairbanks, Laugh and Live; Smyth, How God Inspired the Bible; Hastings, Great Texts of the Bible, 4 volumes; Blackstone, Jesus is Coming; New Methodist Bible and Tune Book; Hackett, Land of Your Sojourn; Watkinson, The Fatal Barter; Pelouzet, Select Notes on the Sunday School Lessons for 1918; Tarbell, Teachers' Guide for 1918; Plowden, Religious Reconstruction After the War; Carter, Industrial Reconstruction; Napoleon, Maxims of War; Useful Arts and Literature—Elder, War Shock, Cumberland, Co-operative Marketing; Weaver, Thousand Ways To Please a Husband; Higham, Scientific Distribution; Hendrick, Everyman's Chemistry; Binion, Death of Adam; Dowden, Letters About Shelley; Smith, Shakespearean Criticism; Chesterton, Utopia of Usurers; Pugh, Book of Laughter; Squire, Tricks of the Trade; Ford, History and Biography—Carr, Around the World Cruise; Alexander, On Two Fronts; Ainsworth, Billy Ingham and His Orderly; Ashton, Tale of a Tank and Other Yarns; Dawson, Back to Brightly; Belch, All In It—Ki Carries On; Buchanan, Nelson's History of the War, volume 17; Coleman, With Cavalry in 1915; Erichsen, Forced To Fight; Jachowitz, Turkey and the War; Lintner, My 75; Sapper, No Man's Land; Stenstrom, Denmark and Sweden; Peshall, Immortal Gamble of the Dardanelles; Warwick, Memories of Sixty Years; Hammer, William the Silent; Wells, From Montreal to Vimy Ridge.

Fiction—Beresford, The Wonder; Burgess, Mrs. Hope's Husband; Churchill, Dwelling Place; Light, Davides Heart's Kingdom; Gibbs, Secret Witness; Hichens, In the Wilderness; Orszag, I Will Repay; Orszag, Lord Tony's Wife; Packard, Adventures of Jimmy Dale; Pemberton, Show Girl; Ward, Missing; Zankwill, Children of the Ghetto.

QUERIES REGARDING MILITARY SERVICE

Send in Your Problems and They Will Be Answered From Official Information by The Advertiser.

Question—A young man, born in Canada, who has lived in Detroit for fourteen months, would like to return to Canada for a few days. While in Detroit he was drafted and turned down as physically unfit for active service. He has his papers for the first year and his exemption papers. What steps should be taken?

ANSWER—It is not clear yet whether he is a citizen of Canada or the United States. If he is still a citizen of Canada, he is liable for service in the Canadian army no matter whether he has been exempted from service in the United States army or not. If he is no longer a citizen of Canada, he is not liable.

His best plan would be to get a passport from the United States immigration authorities, and then he would have no trouble in returning to Detroit.

Question—A man in category E holds a certificate of exemption. He is a citizen of Canada and is in the border? If not what proceedings are necessary?

ANSWER—He should write to W. E. Wismer, deputy registrar, Royal Bank Building, London, Ont.

SERB MISSION ARRIVES.
An Atlantic Port, Dec. 20.—A Serbian diplomatic mission to the United States arrived here today on a French steamship. It is headed by Dr. M. R. Vesitch, who represented Serbia at the inter-allied conference at Paris. Its members include a number of Serbian army officers. The mission plans to go direct to Washington.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM

SPECIAL—40c COURSE SUPPER, 5 TO 9 P.M.

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Store Open Evenings Until Christmas

Beginning tonight, this store will be open each evening until 10 o'clock—today, Friday, Saturday and Monday, Christmas Eve. This gives our customers who did not get an earlier start an opportunity to double up on their Christmas shopping—also an opportunity for the men (who work up to 6 o'clock) to take a hand and assist in the good work. Only three shopping days remain before Christmas, and tomorrow (Friday) will be a real Christmas bargain day, a day of special sales throughout the store. Don't miss one item in the list below.

Sale of Ladies' and Misses' Sweater Coats, \$2.79



About 50 coats similar to these were put on sale Monday and were sold in half an hour. In this lot there are 154 coats, another clearing made this week from the same wholesaler. These coats, like the last, are half-price and less; styles are shawl collars, and V necks. Sashes and belts plain colors also two toned effects, in rose, copen, khaki, grey, maroon, navy and white. Come at 8:30 for your choice. Sizes, Misses' and Children's, 6 to 14 years; Ladies', 34 to 42. All one price, to clear\$2.79 each

Sale of Silk Poplin Dress Goods, \$1.19

We offer ten pieces of this lovely dress fabric tomorrow at above price. All in beautiful new colors and black, reseda and bowling green, brown, taupe, grey, rose, myrtle, navy and cream. A superior quality for this price. A Christmas opportunity, 36 inches\$1.19 yard

Sealette Coating About One-Third Off

About 40 yards of genuine Lister Sealette, one of the best qualities. A beautiful plush coat at about the price of cloth. An appropriate and sensible gift, beautiful rich pile. One piece only, 50-inch. Sale price about one-third off regular\$5.95 yard

Table Linen for Christmas Gifts



A few numbers of All Pure Linen Damask Sets at popular prices. Quantities are limited, in some cases only one set left. At last season's prices. 5 sets only, Cloth 2x2 yards and half dozen napkins to match. All pure linen. Special\$6.00

7 sets assorted designs. Cloth 2x2½ yards and one dozen napkins. Special \$10.00 set

6 sets in size 2x3, with one dozen napkins to match.

1 only at\$9.50
2 only at\$10.00
3 only at\$10.50

These are all less than mill prices today.

Special Gift Handkerchief Counter

Plain handkerchiefs, embroidered handkerchiefs, lace trimmed, colored and hemstitched handkerchiefs. Handkerchiefs for men, women and children. In pretty gift boxes, lots of quarter or half dozens. You will recognize that this is the Christmas handkerchief store.

BOXED HANDKERCHIEFS.
Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs, pure linen 75c and \$1.25 per box
Ladies' Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, assorted patterns,\$1.25 for box of 4
Children's Initial Handkerchiefs, pure linen, colored border and initial45c for box of 4

EMBROIDERED HANDKERCHIEFS.
Ladies' Dimity Handkerchiefs, embroidered in one corner 12½c and 20c each
Ladies' Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, embroidered corner 25c and 35c each
Ladies' Fine Lawn Handkerchiefs, dainty embroidered corner, fine scalloped edge40c each
Ladies' Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, dainty embroidered corner 50c each

LACE HANDKERCHIEFS.
Maltese Lace Handkerchiefs, pure linen centres 65c to \$2.75 each
Ladies' Dimity Handkerchiefs, dainty lace edge 40c each

PLAIN LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS—Ladies' Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, plain,10c, 18c and 20c each, or \$1.20, \$2.15 and \$2.40 per dozen

HANDKERCHIEF CASES—Dainty Embroidered Handkerchief Cases, very pretty and useful gift 65c, 75c, 85c and \$1.00 each

Gifts For the Traveler or Those Who Occasionally Travel

How the giver of a Wardrobe Trunk, a Roomy Bag, or some such carrying piece, will receive the blessing of the recipient. Necessity often compels the purchase of some traveling equipment, but the gift-giver always selects an acceptable article.

SPECIAL CLUB BAG, \$6.49—Walrus Grain Leather Club Bag, with double handles, leather corners, brass lock and catches, full leather lined. Special \$6.49

\$8.00 LINE—Heavy Walrus Grain Goatskin Bag, three-piece style, leather-covered frame, full leather lined, with pockets. Prices\$8.00, \$9.00, \$9.50

SPECIAL FIBRE SUITCASES, with strong lock and catches, fancy lining, three sizes. At\$1.50

MATTING SUITCASES, light and strong, leather corners, brass lock and catches, fancy lining. Prices\$2.10 and \$2.25

STEAMER TRUNKS, waterproof canvas-covered, heavy hardwood slats, strong lock and bolts, fancy lining, with tray\$4.50 to \$6.50

FIBRE STEAMER TRUNKS, covered and lined with fibre, strong brass corners and clamps, strong lock, fancy lining, with compartment tray. Prices\$10.50 and \$12.00

Also a full line of all grades of Suitcases, Bags and Trunks. Prices ranging from\$1.00 to \$25.00

BASEMENT.

SHOP WITH A TRANSFER CARD and avoid delay and errors.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM LIMITED

Sale of Fancy Ribbons Friday Morning, 39c

200 yards Fancy Ribbon to be cleared at about half-price. Colored stripes in blue, yellow, green, mauve, and pink, with dainty floral design. Just the thing for bags, camisoles, hair bows, etc. To clear Friday morning, 39c yard—See Vestibule Window.

SUIT OR DRESS LENGTH IN BLACK, FOR MOTHER, WIFE OR SISTER.

Black Serges, all wool, from75c to \$3.50 yard
Black Gabardines, all wool, from\$1.75 to \$4.00 yard
Black Broadcloths, all wool, from\$4.00 to \$5.00 yard
Black Cheviots, all wool, from\$1.75 to \$2.50 yard
Black Worsted, all wool, from\$2.00 to \$2.75 yard
Black Taffeta, all wool, from\$1.25 to \$1.50 yard
Black Melrose, all wool, from\$1.50 to \$1.75 yard
Black Ottoman, all wool, from\$1.50 to \$2.00 yard
Black San Toy, all wool, from\$1.50 to \$2.00 yard
Black Armure, all wool, from\$1.50 to \$1.75 yard
Black Resida, mohair and wool, from\$1.10 to \$2.25 yard
Black Lustres and Sicilians from40c to \$2.00 yard
Black Silk Poplin, special\$1.25 yard
Black Silk and Wool Charmaine, Poplins, Eoliennes, Silk Meteor, etc., from\$1.50 to \$3.25 yard
Shepherd Checks, complete assortment, old values50c to \$2.00 yard

Sale of Gossard Corsets

This is a factory special made specially for Gossard dealers for Christmas selling, made of same materials as used in models at double these prices.

Prices, \$2.50 and \$3.50

Five dozen pairs of Gossard Corsets, featuring the new style tendencies, low bust, medium waistline and snugly-fitting skirt of good length, with elastic section at back; made of figured mercerized batiste. Price\$2.50

Another style made of firm coutil, in pink and white stripe. This model will correctly corset both the average and medium stout figure, while its graceful outline will appeal to every woman. Special\$3.50

Why Not Select a Carpet Sweeper?

The use of a Sweeper makes a pleasure of work that with the brooms was a drudgery. Then when you consider the length of time you can use a sweeper, you will find it costs less than brooms.

Special Steel-Frame Sweepers, mahogany finish. Price, each\$2.25

Bissell's Carpet Sweepers\$3.75, \$4.25, \$4.50, \$5.00 and \$5.25

BISSELL'S VACUUM CLEANERS IN THREE STYLES AT THREE PRICES.
The Household. Price\$8.00
The Grand Rapids. Price\$10.00
The Superba. Price\$12.00

See them in the Carpet Department, Third Floor, also in the Gift Bazaar on the Second Floor.

Solid Fumed Oak Arm Chairs and Rockers, \$4.95

These Solid Oak Arm Chairs, like ent, and Rockers to match, are made full box frame seats, upholstered in genuine leather. Special sale price Friday (16 only)\$4.95 each

HALF PRICE FOR THESE—12 only Waste Paper Baskets, made of closely-woven willow, fumed. Friday half price, \$1.39

AXMINSTER MATS, \$1.95—So many people were disappointed in not getting one of our Axminster Mats during the last sale that we are giving another opportunity Friday to secure a good-wearing mat at much less than regular value—50 only Hit-or-Miss Axminster Mats, size 27x54 inches. Friday sale price\$1.95 each

MORNING SHOPPING—Most satisfactory from now until Christmas.

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