

THE HAMILTON TIMES

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 8, 1909.

PRESIDENT TAFT'S MESSAGE.

President Taft's message to Congress is a distinct improvement upon some of the efforts of former occupants of the United States "throne." In point of brevity, clarity and directness, it has much to commend it. In two or three features of the message our people have more than usual interest. The Aldrich-Payne tariff, with its maximum and minimum schedules, and the wide discretion left to the President stimulated expectancy as to Mr. Taft's course toward Canada in view of the British preference, and our special trade conventions. The President's reference to the extraordinary powers conferred on him by the tariff measure and his "hope and belief" that there will be no tariff wars, justify public opinion as to his statesmanship, and tend to remove apprehensions. The disposition of the North Atlantic fisheries question by reference to The Hague Tribunal is also touched upon sympathetically. Relations with Mexico and the Central American States are discussed calmly and reasonably, and the determination of his Government is expressed to get at the facts and act upon them. A gentle word of warning is spoken to the American republics on the matter of discharging their honest obligations without any expectation of being encouraged in default by the Monroe doctrine. The United States is finding that the tutelage of a lot of half-civilized republics involves a good deal of trouble, and President Taft's hint is timely. A feature of President Taft's message is its intimation that about \$83,000,000 has been chopped off the army and navy estimates. This will not be good news to United States "militarists," the grafters and place-seekers, but Mr. Taft will gain not a little in the esteem of the people generally because of his courage in restricting the riot of expenditure and calling a halt in the foolish policy of national military and naval expansion.

SHOWING ITS COLORS.

When a Government is disinclined to adopt a particular course, any old excuse will serve. Hugh Guthrie, of Wellington, has been trying to induce the Dominion Government to take up the policy of direct aid to the cause of technical education, and yesterday he brought the matter to a head by moving a resolution in favor of that cause. The resolution was opposed by the Government—Hamilton Herald (Editorial).

The junior Tory organ in its eagerness to get a stab at the Laurier Government is a trifle too reckless. Prejudiced as is its own parliamentary report, it contains nothing to justify the editorial partisan malice. Mr. Guthrie's motion was not for "direct aid to the cause of technical education," but, as the Herald's own report shows, for a commission to inquire into the needs of Canada in respect to technical education, and to report thereon. Moreover it was not "opposed by the Government." Indeed the matter has been under consideration by the Government, and the Minister of Labor moved the adjournment of the debate, contending that the matter should be left to it.

But the organ got a whack at the Liberal Government; and its hostfulness "independent" soul is glad. Whistley's long neglect of his duty—constitutional and administrative duty—is all but winked at, the organ merely apologetically remarking: "The lukewarmness at Ottawa should not be allowed to serve as an excuse for inaction by the provincial governments in this matter."

Judicial, isn't it? The Tory Provincial Government, on whom the duty rests, with whom the jurisdiction lies, and which has been furnished with the funds for the work, escapes censure entirely, while the Liberal Dominion Government, which is without jurisdiction, and on which the responsibility has not been laid, is condemned and sneered at. And this is carried so far that although the Dominion Government has stated that it has been considering the question of appointing a commission of enquiry, it is represented by the organ as "sneaking the subject," because the Minister of Labor moved the adjournment of the debate to leave the matter with it!

How it does rejoice the Herald's masquerading Tory heart to get a stab at a Liberal, whether in Dominion, Provincial, municipal or private life!

THE BIRTH-RATE BOGEY.

France has for many years been held up to the Anglo-Saxon public as a terrible example of the effects of what has been called "race suicide." The decline in the birth rate which most countries are experiencing was first specially remarked there, and doleful has been the prophecies as to the extinction of France as a great power soon to result. Perhaps some of those who have expressed alarm at the prospect may be pleased to learn that the vital statistics do not warrant their apprehensions.

The population of France has not declined in recent years; there has been a substantial increase, and the increase has been greater between 1901 and 1906 than between 1891 and 1896. In the decade between 1886 and 1896 the increase was 290,072, while in the next decade it was 734,270.

Eliminating immigration increases and dealing only with natural increase of births over deaths the showing is far from discouraging. The vital statistics for the years between 1898 and 1907 show a net surplus of births over deaths of 193,429. The population of France is not decreasing; it is increasing; and both excess of births and immigration contri-

bute to it. In only one census—that of 1872—was there shown a decline, and that is sufficiently accounted for by the Franco-Prussian war then just ended. Since that the increase has made up for the loss of the population of the two provinces taken from her by Germany. With Alsace-Lorraine in 1896 the population of France was 38,067,064; it is now placed at 39,252,245. Let us save our tears for some better occasion; the falling of the French birth rate does not appear to call for them.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

And even the debates of the County Council threaten to become interesting!

Taft talks a good deal like a sensible man, however, when he hopes and believes that there will be no tariff wars.

The Sugar Trust frauds on the United States Government go to show that sugar as well as "grease" plays an important role in politics.

The estimates of the United States for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1911, amount to \$732,223,073. That is a large sum, but it is \$103,370,503 less than the estimates of 1909, and \$123,066,493 less than those of 1910.

The test of a few days will show whether the powers that be at the City Hall know news when they have it under their hands, and whether they will give it out, or try to establish a real censorship. Then the press will know what to do.

At the Tory caucus in Ottawa yesterday it was decided to hold a convention of the party in July next in Winnipeg. Mr. Borden is to consult the Tory leaders in the Provinces, and a great effort will be made to arrive at some sort of a policy.

There's a suspicious similarity in the names of William Armstrong, one of the recently chosen bosses of the Tory machine, and William Armstrong, License Commissioner. Are they twins? or is Whitney getting Billy the boss' aid in prying the license administration out of politics?

The case of Merner vs. Ratz will not go to trial. The plaintiff has admitted that he cannot establish any cause for action and the case has been dismissed. This is the case in which it was alleged that Ratz had agreed to pay Merner to resign his seat in the Senate to make way for him.

Dr. Parkhurst describes the suffragettes as "sheep who have forgotten that it is the sheep's husband that does the butting." That is hardly accurate. Those suffragette "sheep" haven't forgotten; they are simply eager to do their share of the butting. They don't enjoy butting by proxy.

The enemies of the British Government are rejoicing at the financial difficulties occasioned to it by the Lords rejecting the budget. Probably some loss will be caused to the country, but it is not entirely certain that the revenue of which it is temporarily deprived will not yet be collected. They laugh best who laugh last.

Warden Gilmour, of the Central Prison, in an address to the Centenary Church Men's Fireside Club, accounted for much of the crime among young men by lack of early and proper home training. Warden Gilmour has made a correct diagnosis of the moral evil. And what are we doing toward restoring to the home its proper functions in this respect?

A short time ago Vancouver passed a by-law to raise \$1,075,000 by the sale of debentures for waterworks and bridge purposes. Now it contemplates submitting by-laws to raise \$1,500,000 more for parks, streets, schools, fire halls, etc. Vancouver is not afraid to spend money to advance the city, but she does not spend a dollar to war upon the industries of which her private citizens have made a success. That sort of thing is left to people like the Hydromaniacs of Hamilton.

In the House of Commons yesterday Hon. Mr. Graham brought in a bill to give the Government authority to lease branch lines for the Intercolonial Railway. This should put an end to the professed fears of some people, that the Government was going to alienate the road. In the course of the debate objection was taken to the provisions of the Lemieux Act being applied to the case of employees on the Government railway. Sir Wilfrid, however, took the ground that if the act were applied to other railways it was only reasonable that the Government should apply it to its own.

In a letter to the New York Sun Prof. Goldwin Smith expresses the opinion that the House of Lords "stands in need of complete reconstruction to make it a fair court of legislative revision," but he thinks abolition, which is threatened, in consequence of its recent action, would be a rash move. As to the question of protection, he says:

The great constitutional question is confused by the intrusion of that between free trade and protection. Protectionism was started by Mr. Chamberlain apparently to cover his Boer war, the cost of which is in part at least the cause of the present financial crisis. Nothing can be more confusing than the mixture with a great constitutional struggle of an issue so alien in kind.

A contemporary finds in President Taft's message "a knockout blow" to the contention that a protective tariff increases the prices of commodities to the consumer. That "knockout blow"

has been given by every protectionist who sought to get legislative privileges to tax his countrymen. And it is just as effective as it ever was—and no more so. No matter how frequently it is repeated, the taxed masses refuse to repeat the plea for tariff taxes as inspired by a holy altruism—a desire to see the consumer get the goods he manufactures cheaper than they would be sold were these protective taxes not levied. When the combines beseege Congress for higher tariff taxes—spend huge sums to secure the legislation—be very sure that the combines are going to repay themselves, with interest.

The Toronto Mail and Empire, which is inanely eager to misrepresent the Liberal defence policy, has found Sir Charles Tupper's support of it a great stumbling block. Its disgust was not mitigated by the recent letter of Sir Charles to Mr. Borden. In that letter Sir Charles strongly advocates the Liberal policy unanimously adopted by the House of Commons, and opposes the demand of certain people that instead of forming the nucleus of a navy, Canada should give money or Dreadnoughts. The Mail and Empire now editorially asserts that Sir Charles "points out that Sir Wilfrid Laurier has always been hostile to Empire defence." A careful examination of the text of Sir Charles' letter discovers no evidence to support the Mail and Empire's statement. On the other hand, he frankly declares for the policy which was adopted by the Government and unanimously endorsed by the House of Commons. What does the organ hope to gain by such deliberate falsehood?

An Englishman was brought up in Toronto Police Court yesterday charged with vagrancy. He denied the charge, said he was a tanner and willing to work. He wanted to return to Leeds, where he thought employment at his trade might be obtained. According to the Mail and Empire this astonishing conversation followed:

"You could not get employment there," replied Magistrate Denison. "Thousands of men are walking about the streets starving because the English are getting their work done by the cheap labor in Germany. You had better remain here."

The Magistrate's offer to take care of Thompson for the winter was not gratefully received. He had suffered enough already, as he had lost his vote on account of his absence. If he went back immediately he could not take part in the election.

"How would you vote?" asked Mr. Corley.

"I'm an English Liberal," replied the defendant, and added that nothing would alter his politics. Mr. Jacob Cohen came forward and said he could secure plenty of employment for the man if he was a good tanner.

"I do not wonder he's hard up when he would vote for the man who told the Magistrate, as the man went down to the cells."

If Magistrate Denison has been correctly reported, he exhibited not only execrable taste, but an utter lack of that judicial spirit which should characterize every man on the Bench.

Our Exchanges

WHAT IT COST.

(Kingston Whig.)

The Centenary celebration in Quebec cost the enormous sum of \$1,204,763. Was it worth the money?

ONLY SLIGHTLY.

(Life.)

"Do you have social relations with their family?"

"No; purely business—we exchange Christmas presents."

MORE MISREPRESENTATION.

(London Advertiser.)

"Mr. King opposes technical education," says a headline in a local contemporary. Misleading, as usual. Mr. King made a headline for technical education. It is time the Government of Ontario awakened to a sense of its duty.

NOTICED THIS?

(Louisville Courier-Journal.)

"Every cheap crook who gets arrested nowadays threatens to make disclosures that will shake civilization to its base. 'Well!'"

"I've been listening patiently for some time now, but I haven't heard anything yet."

A SIGNIFICANT RETORT.

(Woodstock Sentinel-Review.)

That was a significant retort made by Dr. Fraser at the Bright meeting held last night for the discussion of the naval question. The question had been asked, to what was Germany's policy of naval construction tending? And Dr. Fraser answered, "To bankruptcy."

WILLISON TO THE RESCUE.

(London Advertiser.)

It is said that Editor Willison, of the Toronto News, who has gone to England, will work for the Unionists in the election campaign. As a defender of the House of Lords, he would be the principles he has always professed; but politics makes strange bedfellows.

THE BATTERY.

(Puck.)

There had again been trouble in the O'Hagan household, and O'Hagan had the word of sympathy when he next met his neighbor.

"It's not much of a team ye make, ye and yer wife," said Murphy.

"An' that's where ye're wrong," said O'Hagan. "Tis the foinie team we make entirely. Me wife pitches an' Oi catches."

HANNA AFTER HOTEL MEN.

(Brantford Expositor.)

Hon. W. J. Hanna states that in rural England he found many hotelkeepers who were doing business profitably without having licenses for selling intoxicants, and he gives the hint to the men who are engaged "in the trade" in this Province that they will have to make preparation to do likewise or get out of the business.

Amusements

MacNab Street Presbyterian Church was filled almost to overflowing last evening, on the occasion of the choir's singing of Gounod's sacred cantata, "Gallia," under the direction of Mrs. Margaret McCoy-Hamilton, and it was a pleased audience that filed out of the auditorium at the conclusion of the evening.

Many complimentary things can be said of the work of the choir, which, by the way, consists of about twenty-five voices. The singing showed the result of conscientious practice. "Gallia" is full of harmony, and it served an extra purpose—that of hearing Mrs. Hamilton to the best possible advantage. Even to her warmest friends her singing was little short of a revelation. The quality of tone was flawless, and the clearness of enunciation was indeed a pleasure.

Previous to the cantata came a miscellaneous programme of exceptional merit, including such well-known artists as Harold Hamilton, C. Percival Garratt and Frank Blachford and Dr. Nicolai, of Toronto.

Mr. Hamilton was in splendid voice and sang with correctness of interpretation. In his first number, "It is Enough," from Elijah, Mr. Hamilton displayed a slight tendency toward a throaty tone in his upper register, but this he easily overcame in his other numbers.

Frank Blachford and Dr. Nicolai, members of the famous Toronto Quartette, more than delighted the audience with their superb playing on the violin and 'cello, respectively.

Mr. Garratt's one solo on the organ was not as effective as it could have been, owing to the limitations of the instrument he was playing. His accompaniment for the cantata was all that could be desired. The programme was as follows:

Organ—A Tone Poem Sibelius
"Finlandia"
C. Percival Garratt.
Anthem—Yea, Though I Walk Sullivan
A Capella.
'Cello solo—(a) Andante Religioso Holman
(b) Serenade Jan. Bloks
Dr. Frederick Nicolai.
Aria—It is Enough Mendelssohn
From Oratorio "Elijah."
Mr. Harold Hamilton.
Violin solo
(a) Gavotte Gosses
(b) Minuet Mozart
(c) L'Abelle Schubert
17th and 18th Century Compositions.
Mr. Frank Blachford.
Quartette—My Faith Looks Up to Thee Schnecker
Messrs. MacNab, Sutherland,
Messrs. Mills and Peacock.
Cello obligato Dr. Nicolai
Bass solo
(a) A Land of Roses del Riego
(b) Out of the Darkness
(c) "The Song of the Sea."
Mr. Harold Hamilton.
'Cello solo—Lament of the Sea
Dr. Frederick Nicolai.
Sacred cantata—"Gallia" Gounod
For soprano solo and chorus.
Choir and Mrs. Margaret McCoy-Hamilton.

MAY ROBSON.

One of the greatest treats which has been given local theatre-goers for some time was the play presented last night, with May Robson in the title role, of "The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary." It was wonderful natural, even to the smallest detail, and each character was distinctly clever. There was a large and highly appreciative audience, which was unquestionably merited. In her more serious work Miss Robson showed to immense advantage, but her comedy was inclined to be a little overdone. The facial expressions of Aunt Mary, who falls in love with the wayward New Yorker, were remarkably good, and to see her, a quaint figure in her dainty old fashioned gown, in the beautiful residence of her nephew's city friends, was very refreshing. The music, specially written for this play and introduced in the second act by the constantly-introuble nephew, "Jack," was brilliant, and the quartette chorus by the four collegians was greatly enjoyed. "Believe Me if All Those Endearing Old Charms," played and sung by "Jack" could not have been excelled. The witisms and jokes, at Aunt Mary's expense, particularly by Mitchell, Jack's particular friend, were all very much to the point, and hearty applause, judging by the laughter from the time he appeared in the first act till the final scene. Lucinda and Joshua, Aunt Mary's constant attendants, were excellent in their role, and the charming Betty Burnett, the pro tem. lady's maid, was as bewitching while acting as Aunt Mary's maid as when she took her rightful place as Jack's sweetheart. The stage settings were decidedly pretty, and the costumes splendid.

AT BENNETT'S.

A good sketch is always a valuable adjunct to a vaudeville bill. Bennett show this week includes two of them, widely different in character and equally pleasing. One is the clever pro-tem sketch presented by Charlotte Parry; the other a bright little comedy drama by J. R. McCann and a capable companion. Miss Parry's last appearance here has considerably improved her playlet, which is full of stirring action and abounds in intense situations. As a portrayal of character she is exceptionally clever, and as a lightning fast change artist she has no superior in vaudeville. She last appeared in Hamilton two years ago in the same sketch. Those who recall her clever work on that occasion will welcome an opportunity of seeing her again. The McCann sketch is one of those burlesque playlets in which the thief risks his own safety to protect a woman's honor. It is cleverly written, contains a number of strong situations and abounds in bright dialogue. The balance of the bill, including Raymond and Caverly, the German senates, and Geiger and Walters in their clever little musical novelty, is a combination of thoroughly pleasing entertainment.

"The Models of Jardin de Paris," the miniature musical comedy, which has made such a hit this season, will head next week's bill.

CAMBRIAN GLEE SINGERS.

This celebrated organization of Welsh singers will give a concert in Association Hall to-morrow evening. The Providence Tribune says of a recent concert there: The course of entertainments at the Calvary Baptist Church was opened last evening with a concert by the Cambrian National Glee Singers. This aggregation is quite unique among musical organizations. Twelve of the best prize winning male vocalists of Wales comprise the

attraction, and as Wales is a country where singing is not only a gift, but an accomplishment of practically all the people, the unusual excellence of the singers may be appreciated. Each member is a prize soloist, having won distinction in the Royal Eisteddfod, or singing contests, of his native land. The programme was arranged to gratify the tastes of all hearers and was rendered in a manner to please the most critical. The members were of a varied character and gave the singers opportunity to show their voices to the best advantage. And all who heard the concert were loud in their praises of its excellence and of the enjoyment afforded by it.

THE ARRIVAL OF KITTY.

"The Arrival of Kitty," a most amusing comedy, which was produced here last season, will return to the Grand on Friday evening of next week. The company is said to be a good one and a delightful evening's fun is assured.

LECTURE POSTPONED.

Owing to a misunderstanding in the arrangements the lecture to have been given at the Grand to-night by Captain Bernier, on the North Pole, has been postponed. Due announcement of the date on which Captain Bernier will relate his experiences of the frozen north will be made later.

"HIS HONOR, THE BARBER."

At the Grand next Friday and Saturday, S. H. Dudley will be seen at the head of the Smart Set Company, in a new three act musical comedy in seven scenes, entitled "His Honor the Barber." Dudley is one of the best negro comedians before the public and as "Rasberry Snow," a shiftless, but resourceful "coon," who aspires to shave the President of the United States, he has a role that permits his talents plenty of scope. The comedy is said to have any amount of amusing moments and there is not a dull period during the entire three acts. It contains enough original features, song hits and novelties to stock a dozen similar offerings. Twenty-five singers and dancers make up the chorus.

LADIES' STRING ORCHESTRA.

Owing to the many requests received for the Ladies' Orchestra concert to-night Mrs. Margaret McCoy-Hamilton has kindly consented to sing the aria from "L'Orfèvre," by Massenet. It will be the first time a Hamilton audience has had the privilege of hearing this number, which is particularly suited to Mrs. Hamilton, and will show her voice to the best advantage.

The orchestra will play the programme as arranged, with the exception of (d) in No. 2, in place of which, by special request, Mrs. Albous will play "Berceuse," by Haselema, a number which is sure to be a gem. There has been a very large sale of tickets, and a full house is assured to the ladies to-night at the Conservatory.

THREE FOR WARD.

At a meeting of the executive of the Citizens' Campaign Committee of Ward 1, held last night in First Methodist Church, it was decided to have three candidates in the field this year, as the committee think that the temperance sentiment in that ward is strong enough to elect three men. A recommendation to that effect will be made on Thursday evening to the temperance workers at a ward meeting to be held in First Methodist Church.

BEAUTY AND HEALTH.

At the Y. M. C. A. Hall on Friday, December 17th, D. M. Barton will give the second of the series of local entertainments. There will be gymnastic specialties, musical selections, artistic illustrations, and the special feature will be the illustrated beauty and health hints for women. Illustrations will be given showing how a woman can acquire grace, symmetry, a good complexion, fill up the hollows around the neck, develop the bust and prevent a tendency toward corpulence. The reserve seat plan is now open at the Y. M. C. A. office.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

The feast of the immaculate conception was celebrated in the Catholic Churches of the city with special services to-day. His Lordship Bishop Dowling celebrated mass at St. Mary's Cathedral at 9 o'clock, the school children of the parish attending in a body. The altars were elaborately decorated.

COULD HARDLY STOP SCRATCHING

Severe Itching Humor on Joints Made Movement Difficult—Suffered for a Year and a Half—Many Treatments Failed to Cure.

USED CUTICURA AND ECZEMA DISAPPEARED

"I was suffering with eczema for a year and a half and had tried all kinds of medical treatment but without any results. All the joints of my body were affected in such a manner that I had difficulty in walking and moving about. It itched so at times that I could hardly keep from scratching it all the time. I had suffered for about a year and four months before trying Cuticura Soap, Cuticura Ointment, and Cuticura Resolvent. After using Cuticura for two months regularly, not missing a day, all signs of eczema disappeared and now you could not tell that I ever had eczema. I can now do anything I please to do the Cuticura Remedies Justice. Daniel Fisher, Jr., 1940 Lansdowne St., Baltimore, Md., July 5, 1907."

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Torturing, Disfiguring Humors Speedily Yield to Cuticura. The suffering which Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment have alleviated innumerable cases of disfiguring, disfiguring infants and children, and the comfort they have afforded worn-out and worried parents, have led to their adoption in countless homes as a priceless treatment for the skin and blood. Infantile and birth humors, milk crust, scalded head, eczema, and every form of itching, scaly, pimply skin and scalp humors, with loss of hair, of infancy and childhood, are speedily, permanently, and economically cured, in the majority of cases, when all other remedies suitable for children fail. Cuticura Remedies are guaranteed absolutely pure under the U. S. Food and Drug Act. Complete External and Internal Treatment for Eczema, Scalded Head, and All Skin Diseases. Cuticura Soap to Cleanse the Skin; Cuticura Ointment to Soothe and Heal; Cuticura Resolvent for the cure of Blood Poisons. Put in the bottle of Cuticura Soap, Cuticura Ointment, and Cuticura Resolvent. Sold by Druggists and Dealers. All Mail Free. Cuticura Book on Skin Diseases.

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MAJOR NOW.

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Headquarters, 2nd Brigade, C. F. A., Hamilton, Dec. 7, 1909.
Brigade Orders by Lieut.-Col. W. O. Tidswell, commanding.

No. 1.—The following excerpts from general order No. 121, dated Ottawa, Nov. 5, 1909, are published for the information of this brigade:
Second Brigade: To be lieutenant-colonel, and to command the brigade, Major W. O. Tidswell, Col. the Hon. J. S. Hendrie, C. F. A., who on completion of his period of tenure of command, is transferred to the reserve of officers, 15th September, 1909.

4th Battery: To be major, Captain H. G. Carscallen, vice W. O. Tidswell, promoted 15th September, 1909.
Regimental Medical Services: G. O. No. 115, 2nd Brigade, C. F. A., 4th Battery: To be major, Captain E. B. O'Reilly, 13th June, 1909.
W. Field, Lieut., 4th Battery, Acting Adjutant.

LOCAL OPTION.

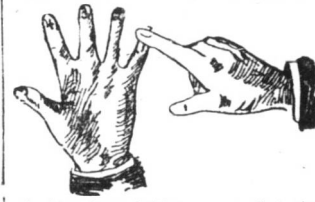
Dundas People Had a Good Meeting Last Night.

Dundas, Dec. 8.—A meeting was held in the Sunday school room of the Methodist Church last evening in the interest of local option. The attendance was surprisingly large, considering the condition of the weather, and a very hopeful, joyous feeling prevailed. W. J. Kerr occupied the chair. There were no set addresses, but the meeting from the first resolved itself into a heart to heart talk as to the best way to further the cause of local option. A goodly number of opinions were expressed, and among the decisions arrived at was one to have children's badges provided, and if the

local epidemic of scarlet fever subsided in time a children's demonstration and procession. Another decision was to have a public meeting as soon as possible, to be addressed by some well known advocate of the cause. There is at present, it transpired, some difficulty in getting desirable outside speakers owing to so many contests being on throughout the Province. Rev. Sam Small will be secured, if possible. The chairman announced that, beginning this evening, the local option committee rooms over Clark's store, King street, would be open every night. During the evening a discussion several present volunteered vehicles for election day. One speaker urged temperance electors to look well into the record of candidates for the council for whom they cast their ballots. Townspeople who entertained fears that the usefulness of the canal might be impaired by the Canadian Northern Railway crossing it on a level lower than the already existing bridges may lay aside their fears, as the road's plan for entering Hamilton has been filed, showing that it proposes entering Hamilton over the C. P. R. and E. H. & B. track.

The manufacture of cement by the process now in vogue was invented by John Asplin, an English bricklayer, in 1736. He called his product "Portland," because of its close resemblance to a building stone found in the Isle of Portland.

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Nearly 300 Girls' Winter Coats bought this week at sweeping reductions from the best manufacturers in Canada and passed on to you in the same open-handed way. All made of splendid warm cloths, light and dark colors, all the very best styles to fit girls 3 to 16 years. The regular values are from \$3 to \$10; they go on sale in 4 lots, as follows:

\$3.00 to \$3.50 Coats for \$1.50 \$5.00 to \$6.50 Coats for \$2.95
\$4.00 to \$4.50 Coats for \$1.95 \$8.00 to \$10.00 Coats for \$4.95

Half Price Sale of Women's Suits Still On
You never saw better made or better cut garments: Italian lined, silk lined and satin lined; all the new style touches, the best makers' clearing lots; everyone perfect. All on sale at actual price figures:
\$12.50 and \$15.00 Suits for \$7.50 \$18.00 to \$20.00 Suits for \$10.00
\$25.00 Suits for \$12.50 \$30.00 to \$35.00 Suits for \$15.00
WOMEN'S COATS IN EVERY SIZE, 32 to 48, 1/2, 3/4 and 5/8 OFF, at \$7.50, \$10.00, \$12.50 and \$15.00.

Splendid Values in Handkerchiefs

Women's Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 1/2 inch hems, very fine weave, worth \$2 on sale for, each 12½c; per dozen \$1.25.
Men's Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 1/2 inch hem, the best value in Canada at 15c
Men's Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, embroidered initial, each . . . 25c
Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs, beautiful quality, at . . . 10, 12½, 15, 25c up to 75c
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