For a Week-End's Big Busi-

ness We Offer the Following

Money Savers in Men's and

Boys' Clothing Two Specials in Men's

25 only fine Black English Vicuna finished Tweeds, Beatty model, body fitting, velvet collars, splendidly made and trimmed, selling regularly at \$15.00. Sizes 34 to 40 - . . 11.98

Overcoats

Slip-Ons

Same goods as in the Beatty models, only made in our new Slipon Coat, full-lined. Sizes 34 to 40, for -About 30 Coats to sell

Hundreds of coats in the department that will appeal to you from every view-point 8.50 to 38.00



Men's Serge Suits 10.98

50 Suits of Navy Blue Cheviot Serge, cut right to the minute in a smart style, English model. Sizes 33 to 40. Regular \$15.00,

75 Heavy Tweed Suits

All hand tailored, medium colors. Sizes 36 to 44. Regular \$18, \$20 and \$25 values, for

Stout Men's Chance

40 Suits of good Blue and Black Serges, well made and trimmed, specially for stout men of 42 to 52 chest measure. Regular \$18 and \$20 a suit, for .

Big Reductions on House Coats, Bath Robes and Dressing Gowns

We are closing out the balance of our Robes and House Coats, so that you can expect extra values on what we have left. 12 only fine English Figured Cashmere Robes, light in weight, suitable for travelling. Regular \$7.50, for - - -12 only Fine Maroon Cashmere Dressing Gowns, with girdle same material. Reg-Silk Velvet House Coats, sizes 36, 38 and 40. Shades, black and brown. Regular All balances of House Coats and Dressing Gowns show a like reduction and make a splendid

Boys' \$10 and \$12 Dressing Gowns for \$5.49

Military Suits for Boys \$3.49 Regular Military Suits, with Puttees to match, to fit boys 3 to 10 years; very smart little suit, \$3.49.

Caps to go with them at 50c and 75c.

Boys' Military Great Coats \$3.98 These are splendid little Coats; very heavy and warm; well made; full regulation cut; sizes 3 to 8 years. Regular \$5.00, for \$3.98.

Boys' Ulsters \$4.49, \$5.49

We will clear out all the balance of our \$6.50 and \$7.50 Storm Ulsters at two prices: Sizes 24 to 28, \$4.49. Sizes 29 to 35, \$5.49. This is a splendid chance to save on your boy's coat.

30 to 50% Off All Boys' Two-Piece Double-Breasted Suits

Sizes 25 to 36. This is a rare chance to get your boy a good suit for winter wear. From the Men's Pant Department we have taken the following lines and put them on sale:

Men's Pants

Lot 1 at \$1.49

One hundred pairs of good solid Tweed Pants, in dark colors; all sizes. Regular \$2.00 and \$2.50, for \$1.49.

Lot 2 at \$1.98

One hundred and fifty pairs, of selected tweeds, worsteds and serges in this lot. Worth up to \$3.00. All sizes for \$1.98.

Lot 3 at \$2.49

Fifty pairs of nice narrow stripe dark worsted Trousers, with five pockets and extra good trimmings; finished to your proper length. Regular \$3.50, for \$2.49.

Lot 4 at \$2.98 The very best heavy 36-ounce gray tweed pant ever sold with a guarantee of 10c a button, \$1.00 a rip. Sizes 31 to 48. Regular value \$4.00 a pair. On sale at \$2.98. Drivers and men who have outdoor work should see these pants.

Our celebrated all-wool Kentucky Jean Pants, lined all through; for three days only, \$1.75. Heavy All-Wool English Corduroy Pants. Regular \$5.00, for \$3.98.

Machinists' Coats, made from good heavy drill and khaki duck, \$1.50 and \$1.75. All sizes. MAIL ORDERS FILLED SAME DAY AS RECEIVED.

DAK HALL, CLOTHIERS YONGE AND ADELAIDE STREETS

J. C. COOMBES, Manager, STORE OPEN TILL 10 SATURDAY NIGHT.

TOWNSHIP FINANCES

Almost Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars.

All over the county yesterday, the last statutory council meetings for the year were being held, in accordance with the act requiring the financial year's te mination not later than Dec. 16. All accounts presented at a later date will not appear in the current year's accounts, the payments may legally be made up to Dec. 31.

Reeve Griffiths presided at the final Reeve Griffiths presided at the final meeting of the York Township Council, where a number of matters more of less important came before the members, but little of an outstanding nature took place. Reeve and council were in a comparatively happy frame of mind, the financial satement submitted by W. J. Douglas, the freasurer, indicating a balance on hand of \$3472.88. In view of the enormously increased charity and hospital charges, totaling in round figures \$14,000, the statement was regarded as most satisfactory. signature of the statement was regarded as most satisfactory.

Other items of expenditure were: Law costs, \$4861; sewer rental, \$3246; county costs, \$4861; bank charges, \$401; board of health, \$5000, and roads and bridges, \$72,103. Debentures to the amount of Swansea were passed.

Nominations will take place at the ouncil chamber on Thursday.

Utside

city.
Outside the council chamber there is little suggestion of an election thruout York Township, and it will not be a matter for surprise if the council as at present constituted is returned unopposed.

EARLSCOURT WORKERS ARE PAYING IN CASH

That Portion of City Said to Be in Extremely Prosperous

"I do not know of anyone in actual need in the Earlscourt dis.rict today," said a prominent dry goods merchant on St. Clair avenue in answer to an enquiry by a social worker yesterday. "The St. Clair and Earlscourt section." a social worker yesterday. "The St. Clair and Earlscourt section is the most prosperous and go-ahead district in the city at present and the people who visit my store pay cash for everything and mostly in bills of large denominations. "Everybody is working and the trouble seems to be to find enough people to fill the positions. It is impossible to get female help and shuations are open for general servants in houses in the Oakwood and St. Clair districts which cannot be filled.

for some time to come is almost

BALANCE ON RIGHT SIDE. Scarboro Township Council Closes Year's Business With Banquet,

Reeve Cornell presided at yesterday's neeting of the Scarboro Township Coun-Reeve Cornell presided at yesterday's meeting of the Scarboro Township Council, when the ordinary accounts were passed and the year's business closed up. The financial position shows a substantial balance on the right side of the ledger. The present council has served continuously for three years, and during that period the death of Thomas Crawford, for many years clerk of the township, cocurred, the yearney being filled by the appointment of W. D. Annis, former reeve of the township. Following the business meeting, the annual banquet was tendered the members of the council by Reeve Cornell.

Nominations will take place on Mon-Nominations will take place on Mon-day, Dec. 27, at Woburn.

ORGANIZE BATTALION

Oueen's Own Has Received Instructions.

SEVENTY-FIVE ENLIST

rolling for Active Service With Canadian Army.

At last night's parade of the Q.O.R. at the armories, Lieut.-Col. Le Vesconte made a special address to the regiment and announced that it would soon start to organize a new overseas o'clock, but in spite of desperate efforts, the regiment arrived on time.

Q.O.R. not only in Toronto but also are suffering from chest complaints. all over the continent to answer the such as tuberculosis, has been accepted regiment's newest call for service for country. He announced

Engineering Classes.
in field engineering in which the infantry will be taught how to work under direction of the field ngineers corps when they reach the front, will be inaugurated at Exhibicamp today. Troops will be detailed daily to attend these classes. Four platoons of the 74th Battalion will start to receive this instruction this morning. Lieut T. R. London, 2nd Field Co., Canadian Engineers, will direct this special training.

Seventy-Five Enlist.

Enlistments for active service total-ed 75 in Toronto yesterday, a decline of 33 as compared with the corresponding day of last week. Six Italians en-listed yesterday for overseas service with the 34th Battery, Royal Horse

Artillery, Kingston, Plans are being made for a special sham battle to be held tomorrow, in which most of the overseas troops in Toronto will take part.
Has Spinal Meningitis.

Pte. George U. Allen of the 81st Overseas Battalion has been found to e suffering from spinal meningitis be suffering from spinal meningitis and is now in the Toronto General Hospital. It is the first case of meningitis at Exhibition camp this winter. Allen had been ill in the camp meningitis at Exhibition camp this winter. Allen had been ill in the camp hospital with a cold and had almost recovered when the meningitis developed. He joined the 81st Battalion on Nov. 26. His parents reside at 233 Markham street. Lieut. Col. Marlow, medical director at the camp, has taken every precaution to prevent face of the state of

GOLDEN STAR LODGE OFFICERS INSTALLED

mack Lodge at Banquet

Entertained Members of McCor-

Which Followed.

Golden Star L.O.L. No. 900 banqueted in St. James' Hall last night on the occasion of the annual instalation of officers when visiting officers and members of McCormack Lodge, No. 2142, were its guests. The officers installed are:W.M. H. S. Cheeseman; D.M., W. J. Goodwin; chaplain, J. R. Phillips; recording secretary, A. K. Moffatt; financial secretary, H. Bell; D. of C., J. Carson; treasurer, Alex. Kennedy; lecturer, G. M. Devanah; chaliman of committee, C. L. Winter. Returned soldier Sergt. C. Ball of the 15th Battalion, 48th Highlanders, R. Summerfield and E. Adams, were initiated into the society. At the conclusion of the installation ceremony they assembled in the supper room and enjoyed a splendid spread and an excellent varied program. W.M. Ivan Andrews, W.B. Clarke Wailace and D.M. N. C. Boylen were among those present.

Markham Township Council met yesterday in the Village of Unionville, Keeve Nigh presiding, with all the members present. A large number of accounts were paid and routine matters disposed off.

A feature of the municipal situation in Markham Township this year is the fact that the reeve of the township, who also occupies the position of warden, and who was generally thought to have definitely decided to retire, wilk in all probability stand for re-election for another year. There is a general disposition to avoid an election this year, and no opposition from any member of the present council will develop if the reeve consents to retain the position. It is regarded as extremely unlikely that any outside candidate would run and the money otherwise spent in a municipal election would in this event be turned over to the Red Cross Fund.

RATEPAYERS OBJECT.

Members of North Toronto Association
Take Exception to Newspaper Criticism

At a meeting of the executive of the North Toronto Ratepayers' Association, held last night, strong exception was taken to an article in The Evening News of last night in which reference was made to the transportation facilities on Yongo street minimizing the number of passengers carried and charging the North Toronto people with yelling over fancied grievances. The whole question was referred to a general meeting of the association.

It was also decided to secure from association.

It was also decided to secure from some one in authority, data relative to the alleged objectionable clauses in the hydro-radial bylaw in regard to the us of the city streets by the commission.

NEWMARKET FINANCES.

The Town of Newmarket closed up its financial year last night, Mayor Cane presiding over the statutory meeting. The treasurer's statement showed that the town is in healthy condition financially, and that, notwithstanding the added cost of the installation of an electric light system, the town will break about even. Approximately the total amount raised by taxes and thru the sale of debentures amounts to about \$75,000, and, of the taxes collectible, amounting in oil to \$36,700, \$32,000 has been paid in. \$36,700, \$32,000 has been paid in.

the case spreading, and says there is no special cause for alarm. Brigadier-General W. A. Logie, divisional commandant, received many congratulations vesterday on his pro-motion. Lieut.-Col. S.C. Mewburn has

also been promoted to rank of colonel.

No Legal Objection. In connection with the decision of Lt.-Col. Le Vesconte Announces the police commissioners to take a census of men in Toronto available for military service, City Solicitor Johnston stated that there was no legal objection to the taking of such a census. Whether people can be forced to

give the census facts asked for, is an-Colonel H. J. Grasett, chief of police. Six Italians Among Those Enquired. "Of course, every good citizen is expected to do what is asked of

him," he said.
Held Sham Fight. The 83rd Battalion, Lieut.-Colonel R Pellatt, C.O., held sham fight manoeuvres yesterday near York Mills. "D." Surgical X-ray work will be done at Rifles of Canada Overseas Battalion. the camp military hospital with a machine donated by the citizens of Niaraised, he said, but he would speak of gara-on-the-Lake. The offer of Gage Institute on College street to treat called on all members of the with Xrays all returned soldiers who

by Coionel Marlow, A.D.M.S. Publish Camp Newspaper. that the Queen's Own men on active service numbered 120 officers and 6006 men, "a fairly good record."

The 74th Battalion will publish the first camp newspaper. The first issue appears next Wednesday. It will be a appears next Wednesday. It will be a semi-monthly. Lieut, Wm. T. Willison, a Toronto newspaper man, will have charge of the paper's manage-

Owing to the Long Branch rifle ranges being closed this week, the croops in camp in Toronto will from low on practise musketry at twenty, 100-yard and 200-yard ranges which have been laid out at Exhibition Park. The scldiers' target practice will include shooting from a fire-trench and thus gain instruction regarding actual war conditions.

JURY ACQUITS GERMAN OF SWEARING FALSELY

Special to The Toronto World. WOODSTOCK, Ont., Dec. 15.-The case against William Appel of Tavistock charged with taking a false oath when running for the office of reeve of his vil lage, was disposed of in the criminal court today, the jury bringing in a verdict of "not guilty." It was contended by the crown that Appel, when he took the dec

CANADIAN CASUAL SIES.

Second Battalion.
Wounded—Corp. Ernest Traverse Hanysade, Prescott, Ont.
Dangerously wounded—Wm. McCarthy, Third Battallon.

Previously reported missing, now killed in action—Frank Farrant, England; Cecil H. Williams, England.

Fifth Battalion. Seriously ill—John Esson, Scotland, Seventh Battanon. Seventh Battanen.

Wounded—Lieut. John Gordon Murray,
nanager Dominon Bank, Beileville, Ont.

Tenth Battallon.

Suffering from shock—Harry Foster,
doose Jaw, Sask.

Thirteenth Battallon.

Killed in action Cook base. Box 227

Thirteenth Battalion.

Killed in action—Geo. Pass, Box 237,
New Glasgow, N.S.
Seriousiy iil—Kenneth W. Hutt, Milton,
Queen's County, N.S.
Wounded—Alex. Murray, Scotland,
Sixteenth Battalion.

Suffering from shell lire—Percival Kir-Suffering from snell fire—Percival Kir-by, 1214 Gladstone avenue, Victoria, B.C. Twentieth Battalion. Wounded—Henry Enright, England.
Twenty-First Battalion.
Killed in action—Harry Lewis, Ottawa,

Twenty-Second Battalion. Killed in action—Arthur Guay, Pointe aux Trembles, Que.; Vital Desroches, 1175 Angre street, Montreal. Wounded—Francois Massico.te, 124 Des Forges, Three Rivers, Que. Twenty-Fourth Battallon. Wounded-John Nee, 44 Everett street, Joston, Mass.; Andrew M. Cruikshank

Twenty-Fifth Battalion. Killed in action-Lance Corp. Killed in action—Lance Corp. James Glover, England. Twenty-Sixth Battalion. Killed in action—Albert Harry Steeves, Hopewell Hill, Albert County, N.B. Twenty-Seventh Battalion. Wounded—Patrick Joseph Connell

Royal Navy.
Twenty-Eighth Batta ion. Now unofficially reported prisoner of war at Munster—Fred Doucher, 554 Chamberd street, Montreal.

Thirty-Sixth Battalion.
Seriously ill—Herbert B. Glidden, Ing-Thirty-Eighth Eattalion.

Lord Strathcona's Hoise. Severely wounded—John Frankland Bagshaw, England. First Canadian Mounted Rifles. Died of wounds-John Kennedy, Cree

Died of wounds—John nore, Ont.
Second Canadian Mounted Rifles.
Slightly wounded—Lieut. Ralph S.
Worslev, England.
Wounded—Corp. Robt. Lees, England;
Wilfrid Tyler, England; Win. H. F. Flowers, England.
Third Canadian Mounted Riffes.
Wounded—James MacDonald, Scotland.
Royal Canadian Horse At Ullery.
Died of wounds—C np. Jas. Dalgleish

RAILWAY CONDUCTORS

Three Men Running Between Toronto and Sudbury Placed Under Arrest.

WATCHED FOR WEEKS

Police Claim Lashman, Mulligan and Gaudet Retained Cash measures are being inaugurated with a view to expelling the pro-German electron and the nest of sples with which Fares Collected.

Some weeks ago the officials of the C.P.R. Company complained to the Toronto detective department that a system of "knocking down fares" was being operated on the trains running thips detained in the ports of the enbetween Toronto and Sudbury, and terte allies would be released." that the company was being defraud-ed of considerable sums of money by a number of conductors in charge of the Havas News Agency says it is rethe trains. Detectives Taylor and ported from Sofia that Gen. Petroff, Twigg were detailed to work in conjunction with the men of a private detective agency in investigating the detective agency in investigating the charges, and as a result of their efforts three conductors in the employ of the company were placed under arrest yeserday evening. Their names are F. Lashman, 46 years of age, 73 Shuter street; J. E. Mulligan, 51 years of age, 145 Shuter street, and P. Gaudet, years of age, 634 Bathurst street. Mul-

ligan belongs to North Bay and roomed at Shuter street.

Detectives Make Arrests. The arrests were made by Detectives Taylor and Twigs, who appresoldiers in France to remove colds and hended Gaudet and Lashman at the Typica Station and Taylor Station of the Station of Union Station as they were boarding the trains to start work about 5 o'clock, and Mulligan was placed under arrest an hour later at his rooming house. Charges of theft of money for the railway company were placed of direct by Hotel Teck and sold in

the police court today.

Inspector of Detectives Kennedy was unable to state last night the exact amounts the conductors are alleged to have stolen, but as the fraud is said to have been carried on for three or four months he believes the sum will total hundreds of dollars.

JUDGE BENSON CALLED SUDDENLY BY DEATH

Fenian Raid Veteran and Prominent Jurist Dies at Port Hope.

Special to The Toronto World.

PORT HORE, Dec. 15.—Judge Thos.
Moore Benson died here this morning
after a short illness. He was appointed judge of the united counties of
Northumberland and Durham 34 years
ago. He was born at Port Hope on
Nov. 25, 1833, and was a son of Thos.
Benson, a native of Tyrone County,
Ireland. He was educated at the University of Toronto and was called to
the bar in 1859. He was lieutenantcolonel of a regiment from Port Hope the bar in 1809. He was helderant-colonel of a regiment from Port Hope that saw service during the Fenian raid in 1866. Politically Judge Benson before his elevation to the beach was a Conservative. He retired from the bench in 1913, having passed the age

"SIR JAMES" PARTY ESCAPED DISASTER

ALLIES ARE AWAITING GERMANY'S NEXT MOVE

Lull in Balkan Operations Follows Anglo-French Retreat Into Greece.

SPECULATION IS RIFE

Austro-German Forces Seeming. ly Too Small to Continue Advance.

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has been said of it recently, has not bas been said of it recently, has not been lost sight of.

Wherever the Germans move they will find the entente allies prepared. Saloniki is being made stronger daily, and has the backing of warships as a lost of the control of the has also the Gal.ipoli Peninsula, where entente forces likewise have been

strengthened German Officials in Serbia Telegraphing from Athens the correspondent of the Havre News Agency of Faris says it is reported from Sofia that Gen. Petroff, ex-premier of Bulgaria, has been appointed inspector-general in Old Serbia, and that Gen. Kouttingseff has been named inspect Kouttingseff has been named inspector-general of Serbian Macedonia tor-general of Serbian Macedonia.

The Greek Socialist party has issued a manifesto to the people, says the correspondent at Athens of The Paris Temps, criticizing the country's neutrality, which it says should not be continued, and Cavoring the intervention policy of ex-Premier Venizelos in favor of the entente allies.

Bulgars Halt at Border?

With official denials both from French and Greek sources of the reports that the Bulgarians had entered Greek territory, the entente capitals

Greek territory, the entente capitals await with keen interest the next move of the central powers in the Macedo-

of the central powers in the Macedo-nian theatre of war.

The question asked on all sides is,

hat will the Bulgadians do, now
they have realized whether temporari-ly or permanently remains to be seen, the greater part of their national as-pirations in Macedonia?"

Small German Forces.

Military observers here say it is re-cognized that without Bulgarian socoperation the Austro-Germans at present are not in sufficient strength to attack the Anglo-French forces in Greek territory. The report of the presence of large German forces in the replication of the presence of the Pulkariant to the replication of the presence of the Pulkariant to the replication of the presence of the Pulkariant to the replication of the Pulkariant to the replication of the Pulkariant to the presence of the Pulkariant to the pulkariant t the ranks of the Bulgarians is considered in London to be exaggerated. On the contrary, according to the contrary, according to the contrary best available information, only small of German detachments are included, and hese consist chiefly of artillerymen.
"Not more than 20,000 Germans are co-operating with the Bulgarian army that has been attacking the allies, according to intelligence gathered from

cording to intelligence gathered from risoners," says a Havas despatch from Athens, dated Dec. 13.

"The Bugarians are estimated to have lost 5000 killed and 15,000 wounded during the last few days."

Greece is completing the removal of its troops from the large area which the Anglo-French commanders mapped out as heing processory for the decrease. ped out as being necessary for the de ferce of Saloniki, and with the free dom of movement acquired by the en-

Ssioniki is alleged to be infested.

Cease Economic Coercion.

A despatch from Athens to the Havac News Agency, dated Monday, says:
"The minister of the quadruple entente, according to the Greek press officially informed Premier SKouloudis that the economic coercion has been d.scontinued, and that the Greek Telegraphing from Athens under date of Dec. 13, the correspondent of

named inspector-general of Serbian Berlin states that when the French troops fell back from southwestern Serbia they took away all food sup-

lies from the civilian population, and burned the houses. **Good For Soldiers**

Rum is the remedy that is daily for the railway company were placed against them, and they will appear in the buffet in same condition as it left

TO JOIN THE COLORS

the island.

Rev. Dr. Nelson of Knox Church Ready for the

HAMILTON, Dec. 16.—Rev. Dr. Neison of Knox Church, who severely criticized London ministers for protesting against the use of moving pictures in connection with Sunday recruiting meetings, and declared that two-thirds of the ministers in Canada ought to be at the front leading their men, announced yesterday that he was prepared to go. He already has two sons holding commissions with the American batalion.

"Men like myself who have to wear eyeglasses could drive transports or do other army service work," he said. "I am prepared to go at any minute."

Rev. Charles Morgan, assistant pastor of Centenary Church, and Rev. W. G. Martin, assistant at First Methodist Church, have both volunteered as chap-HAMILTON, Dec. 16 .- Rev. Dr. Nelson

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HUGE CROP OF GRAIN IN PRAIRIE PROVINCES

Bushels Was Total Production.

Collision at Armstrong, New Ontario, Caused Loss of Freight Cars.

Special to The Toronto World.

NORTH BAY, Dec. 15.—Ar official party in the world.

Second WINNIPEG, Dec. 15.—F. O. Fowler, secretary of the Northwest Grain Dealers' Association, estimates the total crop of the three prairie provinces this year at 737,682,000 bushels, over 200,000,000 bushels greater than any previous crop. The estimate is divided as follows: Wheat 307,230,000, oats 389,000,000, barley 39,202,000, flax 2,250,000 bushels.

The Weather a Year Ago Today
Snow, Temperature, high 36 degrees, low
24 degree—remember Laxative Bromo
Quinine cures a cold in one day. There is
only one "Bromo Quinine." Look for signature E. W. GROVE, 25c.

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WON'T SI Persists in F cognize

Acting Chief Toronto Fire. for the past set the action of the the city council to be called for Yesterday the from Mr. Smith was forced to s taining District of the board, ence. This is in view of the bers of the boa fant attitude the resignation. Mayor Churc
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