

ONTARIO'S MINERAL OUTPUT  
OVER \$11,000,000 IN 1904An Interesting Report of Last Year's Work—Valuable  
Papers by Government Experts.

Toronto, Dec. 27.—Parts I. and II. of the fourteenth report of the Bureau of Mines have been published. Part I. contains the statistics of mineral production for 1904 in considerable detail for the various products.

The total output for the year is given as \$11,572,647. The occurrence of platinum and palladium in the nickel-silver mines of the Sudbury district is noted, 4,621 ounces of platinum and 5,540 ounces of palladium, having a value of \$30,109 and \$166,530, respectively, having been produced during the years 1902, 1903 and 1904.

This volume contains the reports of Inspector Carter and Corbitt on the mines of Eastern and Western Ontario, respectively, an account of recent developments in the petroleum and natural gas fields of the Province by E.

T. Corkill, and a review of the cement industry of Ontario by F. Gillespie.

The geological features and agricultural resources of the Abitibi region are described by J. G. McMillan and Archibald Henderson, and the iron ranges of Michipicoten west, with their geological relationships, form the subject of a paper by J. M. Bell. W. N. Smith describes the iron-bearing district of Lake Lake east of Port Arthur, and Prof. W. G. Miller, Provincial geologist, has a short paper on the Boston Township iron range. Accompanying the report, which is profusely illustrated, is a geologically colored map of the iron ranges of Michipicoten west of the Maple River.

Part II. of the report consists of an account of the cobalt, nickel, arsenic and silver deposits of Lake Temiskaming by Professor Miller, Provincial geologist.

## HEARST NOT IN IT

Official Count of the Votes Cast in  
New York County.

New York, Dec. 27.—The official count of votes cast in New York county for mayor at the last election was issued yesterday by the country board of canvassers and shows that McCallan received 140,264, Hearst 123,292, and Davis 64,289.

## SKATER DROWNED

Nine-Year-Old Lad Breaks Through  
the Ice at Beamsville.

Hamilton, Dec. 27.—John McIntyre, the nine-year-old son of the G. T. R. ticket agent at Beamsville, was drowned by breaking through the ice while skating on a pond near his parents' home on Monday. His parents became uneasy when he did not show up at dinner time, and a search revealed their boy's body in the water, which was between three and four feet deep.

## STRANGE COINCIDENCE

Wives of Two Brothers Born and  
Died on Same Day.

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 27.—Mrs. Jas. Woods and Mrs. Richard Woods, the wives of brothers, died at their homes on Church street here on Monday. They were born on the same day, about 20 years ago, and had known each other since their babies, being friends all their lives. Mrs. James Woods, whose name was Parnell, was born in Grandham Township, and the other lady in the village of Port Dalhousie.

## DARING BAND OF THIEVES

Organized to Steal Italy's Art Treasures—Dante's House Invaded.

Florence, Italy, Dec. 27.—Much excitement has been caused by the daring of thieves who seem to have organized to steal the art treasures. Monday night they made a hole in the wall of the ancient house of Dante, and succeeded in carrying off several relics of the poet. Before leaving the thieves wrote on one of the walls: "You Florentines are idiots. You have saleable things and don't know it."

A CLOSE CALL  
FOR BRITISH SHIPNarrowly Escaped Being Dashed  
on the Rocks Near  
Victoria, B. C.

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Victoria, B. C., Dec. 26.—The British ship Brodick Castle arrived tonight, 41 days, Salinas cruise. She had a narrow escape last night, when off Carmanah Point. The gale drove the ship toward the Vancouver Island coast, and so near that the captain did not expect to weather the point. This he did, however, but with the roar of the breakers in their ears, the crew prepared for the worst, and life belts were served out.

The tug Tacoma, picked up the vessel shortly after, and towed her into port. The big tramp ship Dulwich parted her cable in Esquimaux harbor during the gale, but was brought up before reaching the rocks. The Dulwich was made fast to the naval monitors, where the hawser broke.

Berlin's Poultry Show.  
Berlin, Dec. 26.—The fourth annual show of the Twin City Poultry Association opened here today, and promises to be most successful. There are over 500 exhibits, some of the birds being owned by the leading poultry fanciers in Western Ontario. The Judges were performing their duties this afternoon, and in the evening a large number of townspeople visited the exhibition. One of the features is the exhibition of pet cats and is attracting considerable attention. The show will continue on Wednesday and Thursday.

## ALD. STEVELY AND UNION MEN.

In its campaign against Ald. Stevely the Free Press, the organ of the corporation candidate, Mr. J. C. Judd, has not taken the trouble to verify the charge it has seen fit to make. At the beginning the paper attempted to take a paltry advantage of Ald. Stevely by placing him in a false light before the workingmen of London. But these workingmen, who love fair play, at once hastened to deny the charge made by the Free Press. Not until last night did Ald. Stevely make the reply public, and then it was with the consent of the men who wrote the refutation.

Here is the letter of the union men. It speaks for itself, and the electors are left to judge of the truthfulness of the charge which the Free Press is now hurling against Ald. Stevely:

LONDON, CAN., December 9th, 1905.

Mr. S. STEVELY, City.

Dear Sir—In the evening edition of the Free Press of December 8th, we notice a statement to the effect that you had been speaking in uncomplimentary terms of our Union.

We, the Committee of the Union referred to, which is Iron Moulders' Union, No. 37, of London, desire to repudiate such a statement.

We further desire to say that in all our dealings with you we have always been received in a friendly and businesslike spirit, and that you have done nothing detrimental to our Union, which was shown by a resolution passed at our regular meeting on Tuesday evening, Dec. 5th. The following is the resolution:

"Be it resolved, that Iron Moulders' Union, No. 37, of London, commend Mr. S. Stevely for his attitude towards us during our strike with the McClary Company, of which he was agent." (Signed)

J. D. JACOBS,  
GEORGE GRANT, } Committee.  
FRANK COUKE,THE YORK LOAN SHAREHOLDERS  
MAY GET 66 2-3 ON THE DOLLAR

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Dec. 27.—The Government inquiry into the affairs of the York County Loan Company, was continued this morning by Mr. Cross, the auditor.

Phillips and Miss Hall, the head bookkeepers, were under examination in the morning, and from the information obtained, an estimate, based on present values, has been made of the

assets and liabilities, and the probable percentage of their claims that will be finally paid the shareholders.

The assets are placed at \$2,040,634, with liabilities approximately a million more.

Mr. Cross bases the probable dividend for shareholders at 66 2-3 cents on the dollar. That is placing the real estate holdings at \$1,500,000, but an appreciation of real estate will materially increase the dividend.

A PUBLIC MEETING  
FOR WEST LONDON  
VENEZUELA RIGHT  
IN HER CLAIMSMunicipal Matters To Be Con-  
sidered Thursday Night—  
Questions for Mr. Judd.

Though the people of West London had been overlooked at first in the matter of a public meeting to discuss municipal issues, they have now taken the matter into their own hands, and a meeting will be held in Collins Hall on Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

A move was on foot today to call another public meeting for Thursday night in the city hall, but the idea was not entertained as a meeting will be held there on Friday night, and it was not deemed advisable to have a meeting in the city which would conflict with the meeting in West London.

Both Ald. Stevely and Mr. Judd are conducting an active canvass. In the shops of the city Mr. Stevely has met with a most hearty reception.

For well over 50 years the firm of William Stevely & Son has been an employer of labor in London, and it is to the credit of the firm that men have been in its employ for over 30 years.

When a man is fair to his employees the act is well known to all, and this is why the workingmen of London have a ready handshake for Ald. Stevely.

Speaking of electricity, it might be pointed out that the City of Toronto yesterday entered into a contract with the Toronto Electric Company to light the streets at \$69.25 per light. Mr. Judd's company charges the people of London about \$80 per light per annum.

It is very interesting, indeed, to hear Mr. Judd declare he is not the solicitor for the Grand Trunk.

Will he answer these questions? Did he not act for the Grand Trunk at the inquest into the death of Fireman Phillips, of the Grand Trunk, who was killed at East London?

Did he not act for the Grand Trunk in the case of one Bourne, an East London butcher, who was struck by a train at the Adelaide street crossing of the Grand Trunk?

Mr. Judd is taking great credit to himself now for securing the new line in South London for the people. According to his canvassing version of the matter, it was he and he alone who secured the line. Of course, it matters not that Ald. Stevely went to Cleveland Continued on Page Eight.

## THE MUNICIPAL CAMPAIGN.

Here's a question for the electorate: Has Ald. Stevely ever been seen around the city hall buttonholing aldermen to put through contracts with the city?

No.

Has Mr. J. C. Judd ever been seen around the city hall looking for favors for corporations?

Yes.

Night after night, Mr. Judd appeared in the corridors of the city hall hand in glove with corporations who were looking for civic contracts.

One of these was Mr. Scott, of the Bell Telephone Company. Another of these was Mr. C. B. Hunt, of the London Electric Company, whose firm draws \$30,000 a year for street lighting from the city.

Mr. Judd is a shareholder of the London Electric Company. He owns \$2,000 stock in the concern. He does not deny this.

At the court of revision he appealed against the assessment of the dividends of this stock.

He seeks to be mayor while each year he pockets a portion of the people's taxes.

Mr. Judd is the London representative of the Grand Trunk Railway. If he is defeated, the chances are he will be acting for the company next year when the company is asking favors from the city. If he is elected, the Grand Trunk will be coming to a mayor who has for years represented the interests of the Grand Trunk in London.

Think this over.

There are four school trustees to be elected. Mr. W. T. Strong and Mr. D. W. Blackwell have years of service on the school board to their credit, and their records entitle them to re-election. Mr. G. N. Weekes, barrister, is a former school teacher, and has made a study of educational problems. Mr. J. W. Westervelt, as the head of the Forest City Business College is a practical educationalist of long experience.

Ex-Ald Judd placed himself in a rather peculiar position before the electorate last night when in the east end hall he quoted law to prove that even if he is elected mayor he can do no wrong from a corporation standpoint.

Why was it necessary for Mr. Judd to do this?

Is it not proof that Mr. Judd himself is fully alive to the importance of the charge made against him that he is a corporation lawyer?

And he asked the people to support him on the ground that a corporation lawyer can do no harm in the mayor's chair, because the lawmakers in their wisdom have seen fit to legislate to this end.

The law provides that a man cannot vote upon a measure in which he is financially interested. Thus, according to Mr. Judd, if the London Electric Company came to the council and asked for a renewal of its very fat street lighting contract, he could not vote on the matter.

But is voting all a man can do if elected mayor? An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Better not put Mr. Judd in this embarrassing position.

Mr. Judd's version of his attempt to throttle electrical competition in London is certainly unique. He told the people of East London last night that he was fighting to give them the benefits of competition, the same as the center of the city now enjoys.

What are the facts? Mr. Judd and his company, the London Electric, sought by every available means to prevent the Sifton company doing business in London. And as a last resort Mr. Judd proposed that the new concern should be compelled to string wires along every street upon which the London Electric Company already had wires.

"Don't allow the Sifton people to compete with us in the center of the city alone," he told the council. "Make them compete all along the line."

This was a cunning scheme, but it failed to work. The people saw it was a monopolistic move. It simply meant that the Sifton company or no other company could ever hope to enter into competition with the London Electric under such conditions. The London Electric was asking that the Sifton people string as much wire before earning a dollar as the London Electric had strung in twenty years.

Did the London Electric wire the entire city at once? Not much. It wired streets at its own sweet will, and only when such streets would declare a dividend for Mr. Judd and the other shareholders.

This is but one instance of Mr. Judd's monopolistic stand against the people.

Mr. Judd denies that he is or ever has been the solicitor of the Barber Paying Company.

But he doesn't deny that at an investigation of a Warren contract the alleged plaintiffs, for whom Mr. Judd was acting, swore that the Barber company was paying the costs of the suit.

Wasn't Mr. Judd working for the Barber company then?

In the face of the fact that it is known to every legal firm in London that the firm of Meredith & Judd does the work of the Grand Trunk in London, Mr. Judd denies that he has any connection with the Grand Trunk. He hides behind the subterfuge that he is (Continued on Page Eight.)

EXPECTS TO CRUSH REVOLT  
WITHIN NEXT FOUR DAYS

Russian Government Takes Optimistic View of Situation—Fresh Troops Have Reached Moscow.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—1:25 p.m.—An inspired statement in the Slovo today says the Government expects the revolt at Moscow to be completely crushed within four days. The duration of the rising is explained by the small number of troops available, many of whom necessarily were employed in guarding the Government buildings, leaving a comparatively small number available. Fresh troops have now arrived and the end is said to be near.

The Slovo says: "The Grenadiers have wiped out the stain on their honor with blood, fighting in the front ranks at their own request."

## A German View.

Berlin, Dec. 27.—The conviction prevails at the Foreign Office here that the Russian Government is more than holding its own with the discontented elements and the situation is regarded as having improved within the last two days. The Russian Government expects the National Assembly to be representative and to include strong men who in certain sense will bring the people into partnership with the sovereign in the administration of the country. The opinion of the German Government is that Russia has weathered the worst of her difficulties and that she will emerge into a period of constitutional development.

Identical opinions exist in financial

circles in Berlin. All Russian securities rose from one to five per cent on the bourse today, and it is added that the Russian finance minister appears to have chosen an opportune time to issue fresh treasury bills abroad.

## Difficult to Explain.

Odessa, Dec. 27.—The actual outlook is difficult to describe now that the train service is out of beyond Zomerkinka, St. Petersburg and Moscow, and the frontiers are isolated. The postal and telegraph departments are working again, but it is quite uncertain how long they will continue in operation as fresh strikes are declared daily and a general strike is expected every moment. Popular sentiment here is for a speedy finish of the disorders and street disturbances will be promptly ended by the military. Apart from the nervous tension of the city has entirely resumed its normal aspect. The peasants of the Kherson district are now quiet as the military sent there had orders to shoot marauders.

The exodus from Odessa still continues. The steamers leaving here are full of passengers. Most of the families of the foreign residents have already made arrangements for ships to take the remainder if such a step becomes necessary. Business is at a standstill.

At the moment of ending this dispatch the revolutionary party is endeavoring to close the banks.

## WEDDING AT THE CAPITAL

Daughter of Comptroller White, N.  
W. P., Marries Mr. G. Farquhar.

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—Edward Farquhar, Ottawa, was married today in St. George's Church by Rev. Snowden to Ethel Winnifred White, daughter of Comptroller White, of Northwest Mounted Police. The newly-married couple left for New York, and sail by the Celtic to spend the winter in the Mediterranean.

## STEALING GEESSE

That's the Charge Against Farmer  
Flannigan and His Hired Man.

John Henry and Charles Flannigan were arrested this morning by County Constables Northgreaves and Corsaut on a charge of stealing geese. Flannigan is a farmer living in London Township, and Henry is employed by him.

For some time farmers living in that township have been missing their poultry, and numerous complaints have been made. Last night Mrs. Inlay, of the second concession, missed some geese and the constables became suspicious. Going to Flannigan's to arrest him, and while his wife was engaged them in conversation, Charles attempted to take a high dive out of the window to escape. He was caught. Both Flannigan and Henry were remanded for a week this afternoon by Squire Gorvill. Flannigan was bailed. Other charges may be laid against the pair.

Flannigan's house resembled a feather bed factory when entered this morning, so it is said.

SEVEN SAILORS  
LOSE THEIR LIVESWreck of Nova Scotia Schooner  
—Survivor Had to Eat  
His Oil Coat.

Tampa, Fla., Dec. 27.—The three-masted schooner Sakata, of Parsboro, N. S., has been wrecked, and its entire crew of at least seven men drowned, except Mate John P. Williams, of St. John, N. B. The drowned include: John Conlon, managing owner of the schooner; and his son, both of Peterboro; John Cox, of St. John, the steward; and four seamen.

The wreck was reported by Captain Lermont, of the schooner Helen Thomas, which arrived at Port Tampa today from Galveston. Capt. Lermont first sighted the capsized schooner on Dec. 23. He sent a boat containing his second officer and five men to the wreck. The mate found Mate Williams clinging to the vessel, and he had been without food and drink for four days. Hunger had forced him to eat a portion of his oil coat. Williams has practically recovered from his experience.

Highwayman Sentenced.  
Toronto, Dec. 27.—Wm. Delman, an Englishman, was sentenced yesterday to 18 months for attempted highway robbery on Christmas night. He met Miss Annie Cameron on Louisa street, about 8 o'clock, and struck her in the face at the same time snatching her chain. He was pursued by the plucky girl, and discovered crouching behind some barrels. The chataine was found nearby.

## THE COOK IN LUCK

New York Banker Gives Her \$5,000  
for a Christmas Box.

New York, Dec. 27.—Jacob H. Schiff, the banker, gave his cook, Lena, \$5,000 for a Christmas present, which proves that Mr. Schiff is very lucky to have such a cook, and that Lena is equally lucky to have such an employer. But everyone who knows the Schiff family has the highest regard for Lena; there is not a dyspeptic atom in a hundred dinners she prepares. Indeed, it is said that the only reason Mr. Schiff wanted to fight Cornelius N. Bliss at that famous meeting of the Equitable directors was because Mr. Schiff was late for a dinner Lena had cooked.

Mrs. Schiff gave Lena a cluster diamond ring, which, as she mixes the mayonnaise, will at once dazzle and encourage the two scullery maids who obey her orders in the Schiff kitchen.

## TRUSTEES RE-ELECTED

No Change in the Separate School  
Board for 1906.

The elections for separate school trustees took place today, and all were elected by acclamation.

Of the eight trustees, four were compelled to drop out this year, but all were re-elected.

They are Messrs. Philip Pocock, Frank Forristal, W. P. Regan and B. C. McCann.

The other members of the board are Messrs. William McPhillips, chairman; R. M. Burns, Jerry Loughlin, and Dr. Claude Brown.

The first meeting of the year will be held a week from Monday night.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE  
TODAY IN TORONTOThe Oxford University Press  
Building Damaged—Loss  
About \$40,000.

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Toronto, Dec. 27.—A fire broke out in the Oxford University Press building, on Richmond street, about 8 o'clock this morning, and in an hour had done \$40,000 damage, much of it, however, due directly to smoke and water.

There were no employees in the building at the time.

Manager Gundy is at a loss to account for the fire.

Shanghai Settling Down.  
Shanghai, Dec. 27.—British Ambassador Twyman resumed the sitting of the mixed court today, with the police in attendance, but without any additional ground. Everything here is in a normal condition.

Financial Concerns Fail.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 27.—The Merchants' Trust Company has closed its doors, and a receiver has been appointed. Felix T. Pope is president of the Merchants' Company. The institution has a capital stock of \$200,000. The American Savings Bank and Trust Company and the Merchants' Savings Bank have also suspended business. These are small institutions allied with the Merchants' Trust Company.