

HAMILTON HAPPENINGS

Just a Few More Days before it is time for Santa Claus to slip down the chimney of your house

We can promise any male member of your family a pleasant surprise on Christmas morning if Santa has visited our store in search of suitable gifts. We know that quite a number are going to get some handsome Dressing Gowns and House Coats. We were told on Saturday by one gentleman who had done the town pretty thoroughly that it was "Hats off to us" for the finest assortment and best fitting Bath Robes, House Coats and Dressing Gowns in Toronto. We have Silk Velvet House Coats in three shades - navy, black and garnet - that are the most handsome garments that you can imagine, priced at \$25 each. So far Santa has been good enough to select quite a number of these and we have just a nice showing of the three shades left for late shoppers. Fancy Vests make one of the nicest possible gifts you can give a gentleman. We will exchange any article after Christmas if the sizes are not correct. The Boys' Department is alive these days with the thoughtful mothers sending messages to "Santa" in the interest of the wee men, and hosts of boys will have new suits and coats on Christmas morning. The spirit of giving is in the air and you have not much time now if you've delayed your buying. We close at 6 every night; open till 10 p. m. Saturdays.

Buy Useful Gifts and Be Happy

OAK HALL Clothiers

Cor. Yonge & Adelaide Sts. J. C. COOMBES, Manager

LOW PAY FOR FIREMEN UNDERMANS DEPARTMENT

Increases in Salaries Remedy To Be Applied - Complaint Against Land Speculators.

HAMILTON, Dec. 18. (Special.) - "Is it gold braid, red tape, or short hay, that causes all these men to resign from the fire department?" queried Ald. Forth, when the resignation of another fireman was read to the fire, police and jail committee at its last meeting of the year to-night.

"At every meeting the committee this year the resignations of one or more firemen have been laid before us," observed the alderman. The members of the committee agreed that low pay was the cause of so many fire fighters giving up their jobs. At its last previous meeting the committee recommended to next year's council that general increases in fire department salaries be made, and in view of Chief Tonby's difficulty in keeping up the wages, the recommendation will most likely be adopted.

The annual financial statement of the fire department showed that a balance of \$182 was left from the appropriation for firemen's salaries, and the total net balance out of an \$57,500 appropriation was \$272.

The police department has a balance to its credit of \$126 out of its \$93,211 appropriation, while the city jail used up \$116 less than the \$500 set aside for its maintenance.

Land Going to Waste. "They told me that it was labor that was keeping East Hamilton back, but I tell you that it is capital itself that is doing so," declared Controller and ex-Mayor McLaren this morning. In speaking of numerous surveys of building lots which have recently been placed in the market here, and indirectly replying to Mayor Lee's statement of Saturday that there were only enough vacant land in the city at present to accommodate the next three years' growth of the city, Mr. McLaren contends that the vacant land within the city limits should be made use of, and the speculators should not be encouraged to throw too many surveys on the market. "Let the real estate men sound their own bells," is the controller's suggestion.

Killed by Wagon. Alexander Polington was instantly killed this morning when he fell from the wagon which he was driving, and the front wheel passed over his head, burying him and breaking his neck. Polington was employed by S. S. Chessman, a contractor, and lived with his mother, a widow, at the corner of James and Locke-sts. He was 42 years old. His wife and six brothers, besides his mother, survive him. Coroner McNicol decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

Controller Cooper Quits. Controller W. H. Cooper, who was defeated by Allan Studholme, for the provincial legislature, has been announced to-day that he would not accept a candidate for re-election to the board of control for 1918.

The high court action of H. C. Beckett, against T. J. Stewart, for alleged slander in connection with a statement made by the latter in the hydro campaign last summer, has been settled by a letter from Mr. Stewart stating that if he said anything reflecting on Mr. Beckett's personal character, he regrets having done so, and withdraws the objectionable statement.

Two Months for Assault. Pat Farley, 16 Wood-street east, was convicted by Magistrate F. C. McNeil, Saturday night, and was sentenced to two months in jail for the offence, without the option of a fine.

George Brazier, the 10-year-old lad whose disappearance from his home at 10 Melbourne-street, on Saturday, marked the beginning of a search which caused his parents considerable anxiety, has been found at Stratford, where he had gone to visit his grandmother, without notifying his parents.

Objections to board advertisements of a Buffalo department store have been voiced by Controller Bailey, who wants the advertisement prohibited.

Travelers' Certificates. Commercial Travelers' Certificates, Toronto Association, for 1918, can now be had from Fred Johnson, Room 5, Federal Life Building, 100 Queen-st. West, Germania Hotel, John and Main-streets, first-class table and rooming accommodation. 246

MAJ. LEONARD'S GENEROSITY. Will Place Tower and Bells on Grace Church, Brantford.

BRANTFORD, Dec. 18. (Special.) - Announcement has been made here that Major E. W. Leonard, chairman of the transcontinental railway commission, has offered to donate funds to Grace Church in this city sufficient to erect a tower with a chime of bells.

In connection with the improvements in addition for a handsome parish hall, the gift of Major Leonard is entirely unconditional, and it is understood has been accepted by the church authorities.

Rev. H. F. Dr. Woodcock, M.A., has resigned as curate of Grace Church and will accept a call to Oakville Anglican Church.

Woman Obstructed Path. BERLIN, Ont., Dec. 18. - Mrs. O'Connor, who assisted her husband, James O'Connor, to escape from Bailiff Ogr, Ontario, when he brought her to court, will here to await trial on a charge of housebreaking, was placed under arrest by the local police and removed to the municipal gaol. She is charged with obstructing the police in the performance of their duty.

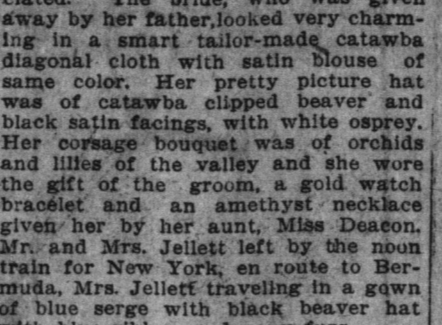
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KINGSTON, Dec. 18. - The marriage of Miss Beatrice Mary McGill, third daughter of Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Sydenham C. McGill, to Morgan Jellett of the firm of Aemilius Jarvis & Co., Toronto, was solemnized very quietly Monday morning in St. George's Cathedral, at 10.30 o'clock. Rev. Canon Starr officiated. The bride, who was given away by her father, looked very charming in a smart tailor-made catarwa diagonal cloth with satin blouse of same color. Her pretty picture hat was of catarwa clipped beaver and black satin facings, with white osprey. Her corsage bouquet was of orchids and lilies of the valley and she wore the gift of the groom, a gold watch bracelet and an amethyst necklace given her by her aunt, Miss Deacon. Mr. and Mrs. Jellett left by the noon train for New York, en route to Bermuda. Mrs. Jellett traveling in a gown of blue serge with black beaver hat with blue ribbon and pony furs.

The Daily Hint From Paris



Miss Agnes Deans Cameron was the guest of honor at a luncheon given at the Alexandra Club, Victoria, B.C., on Friday, the 8th inst., by Mrs. Henry Croft, president of the Alexandra Club. More than 40 guests were present at the entertainment, which was a most elaborate one.

Brig.-Gen. Otter and Mrs. Otter are this week in Toronto, where they will spend the Christmas season with Col. and Mrs. Sweny, St. George-street.

Their Royal Highnesses the Governor-General and Duchess of Connaught and Princess Patricia honored the Canadian Handicrafts Guild, Montreal, on Friday afternoon. They were received by Sir Melbourne Tait, hon. vice-president of the guild, Lady Tait and other members of the committee. The royal party spent about three-quarters of an hour in the shop and expressed much interest in the work being carried on by the guild. Before leaving they made a number of purchases, and Lady Tait, as souvenir of the visit, presented his royal highness the governor-general with a pair of embroidered deerskin mitts, made by the Mingan Indians; and Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Connaught with a towel made of linen grown, spun, woven and embroidered by the thenian settlers. The members of the committee included Mrs. John Savage, Miss Phillips, Mrs. de Bury, Mrs. W. D. Litchell, Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. A. E. Dunlop. Mr. A. D. Durnford, Prof. Dale, Mrs. E. S. Maxwell and Mr. Franklin Hibbert.

Col. William Wood, Quebec, is the guest of the Archbishop of Ottawa and Mrs. Hamilton.

Miss Constance Turnbull and Mr. Robert Turnbull are staying with Mrs. Robert Turnbull at the Prince George last night.

Miss Eleanor Lester and Mr. Harold Lester, Hamilton, left last evening for a trip to Jamaica.

Hon. Alec Ramsay, R.N., A.D.C., to his royal highness the governor-general, is the guest of Sir Melbourne Tait and Lady Allan during the royal visit in Montreal.

Mrs. Huntley Drummond entertained at a charmingly appointed luncheon of 18 covers at the Mount Royal Club, Montreal, on Friday, in honor of Mrs. E. L. Borden. Pink, white and mauve shades of sweet pastures artistically arranged on the table.

Mrs. Peuchen has issued invitations to a music and dancing party at her home, 26 Jessie Peuchen, on Tuesday, the 26th Dec.

Lady Laurier's protegee, Miss Eva Sealie, has been achieving great success during her recent tour in China and the Straits, the various Chinese papers being unanimous in their praise of Canada's great mezzo soprano. She is Miss Gauthier's home city.

Mr. Joe Ogden, who has been a resident of Vancouver for several years, is on a holiday, and will spend several weeks with his parents at Vankleek Hill, Ont.

Miss Nanno Hughes is spending Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Toller, in Ottawa.

Miss Constance Turnbull was a tea hostess last week, in honor of Miss Lilly Bristol. The latter, with her father, George Bristol, left for Baltimore, where they will join Mrs. Bristol and Miss Marjorie Bristol, going later to the south, where they intend remaining for the winter.

Miss Morna Bate, Ottawa, has left for Calgary to join her mother, Mrs. H. Bate, whom she will accompany to Honolulu after Christmas.

Mrs. Robt. Lindsay, Sherbrooke-st., entertained at dinner on Thursday evening in honor of the Bishop of Ontario and Mrs. Lennox Mills, who have been visiting her this week. Covers were laid for ten, among the guests being the Bishop of Montreal and Mrs. Farthing.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Jarvis have left for Montreal, to spend Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Willie Hope.

Hon. Martin and Mrs. Burrell, who have been spending a few days in O'Connor, to escape from Bailiff Ogr, Ontario, when he brought her to court, will here to await trial on a charge of housebreaking, was placed under arrest by the local police and removed to the municipal gaol. She is charged with obstructing the police in the performance of their duty.

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Miss Emily McDowell, Vancouver, who has been the guest of Mrs. Murray, Baymor, Ont., is now staying with friends in Toronto. She will go to Ottawa next week to stay for some time.

A large audience attended the first performance of "The Chocolate Soldier" at the Royal Alexandra last night, and some beautiful bouquets were presented to Miss Coodie Hill. A few of those noticed were: Lady Mulock, Mr. W. W. Beadmore, Mr. D'Arcy Scott, Ottawa; Miss Edith Eward, Major and Mrs. Bennett, and Mrs. Hunter, Prof. Michael, Hamilton; Mr. Jan Hamour, Mr. and Mrs. Greig, Miss Gyp Armstrong, Mrs. Ede Chadwick, Mr. Jack Foy, Miss Foy, Mr. and Mrs. Benedict.

The engagement which has been announced in Vancouver of Miss Kathleen Morris, daughter of Mr. H. H. Morris, to the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Bell-irving.

Col. and Mrs. Will Hendrie, Miss Ernie Hendrie and Mr. Ian Hendrie are staying at the Prince George for Mrs. Hay's dance last night.

Mrs. Gordon Mackenzie is giving a dance at 6 o'clock this evening to introduce her daughter Violet.

Mrs. John Hay was the hostess last night of a dance to introduce her daughter, Miss Margaret Hay. The dance took place in the pretty drawing-rooms at the Prince George, which were decorated with palms and the most lovely flowers, many of which were offerings to the fair debutante. Mrs. Hay wore a very handsome gown of brown satin, with Brussels lace and diamonds. Miss Margaret Hay was very pretty in an imported gown of tulle over white satin, and carried a bouquet. The wide corridors of the Prince George made ideal sitting-rooms in the intervals of the dances being effectively arranged with comfortable chairs, palms and shaded lights. Supper was served at midnight in the large dining-room on small tables, which were decorated with pretty scarlet foliage and red shaded lights. The music during supper, heard in the distance through the piper of the Highlanders also playing for the Scotch reels. A great many friends and relations from Hamilton were in town for the ball. Col. and Mrs. William Hendrie, Miss Ernie Hendrie, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kay, Miss Kay, Major and Mrs. Blackford, Major and Mrs. Hume. About 200 were present, chiefly young people.

Mrs. R. N. Gooch will be at the Marlboro until the first of the New Year, and will then be at the residence of her son, F. H. Gooch, 120 Crescent-road, Roseade.

Mrs. Alexis G. Alexander, Port Arthur, with her little daughter, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McClelland, 882 Bathurst-st.

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Christmas Trees. Nice Bushy Trees, fresh cut, all sizes. Holly, Moss Wreathing, Mistletoe. J. A. Simmers, Limited. 141 to 151 King Street East. PHONE, MAIN 2492.

HAMILTON HOTELS. HOTEL ROYAL. Every room completely renovated and newly carpeted during 1917. Dr. J. Reeves. 18 CARLTON ST.

HELP PAY THE MILK BILL. One thousand, seven hundred and fifty-five glasses of milk consumed each day in the Muskoka Homes for Consumptives, at a cost of over \$800.00. THE WORLD OFFICE. 40 RICHMOND STREET WEST.

MOVING PICTURES SUGGESTIVE. SANTA AT THE ISOLATION. Editor World: Might I be permitted to endorse your correspondent's appeal in the Sunday World, Dec. 17, when he expresses the hope that Santa Claus will not forget the unfortunate children at the Isolation Hospital.

SEALS AND TAGS. Xmas Decorations. DENNISON'S MANUFACTURE AND CONSEQUENTLY THE BEST. Artistic Boxes of Stationery for Christmas Gifts. L. MORRIS, Stationer. 388 YONGE STREET.

Table with multiple columns and rows, likely a list of names or a directory. Includes names like 'MacLennan', 'MacLennan', 'MacLennan', etc.