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LADIES' CLOAKS AND SUITS. There is something very unusual offering just now in these lines in effort to maintain interest during the holiday season of lighter buying.

SPANISH LACE SCARVES. Immense stock of Handsome Spanish Scarves; hand-run; \$3.00 to \$5.00 each.

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SHIRAZ SPENCERS OR BODICES. A winter comfort at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00 each, in white or grey.

REAL LACE. Berthas, Chemisettes, Collars, etc. in great profusion.

SILK AND FANCY HOSIERY. Nicely boxed lots of Ladies' Fancy Embroidered Cashmere and Silk Hosiery. These make a very acceptable Christmas Gift.

GENUINE SOCKS. Very select showing of those also for Christmas shoppers.

OPENING CLOAKS. Exquisite evening shades, in every make of suitable fine cloths; elegantly trimmed with fine lines at Extra Special Prices, for Christmas Gifts.

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Christmas Festivities. During the merry Christmas season do not forget to have a supply in your cellar of the most delicious of all mixers, radnor water.

Have a Sleigh Ride. Call up Finn's, Main 6309, for pleasure sleighs and tallhops.

THE SAVOY'S Xmas Candies Purest and Best At 20c to \$1.00 Per Lb. ALSO A LARGE VARIETY OF CHOCOLATES AND NOVELTIES AT SURPRISINGLY LOW PRICES. COME AND SEE US YONGE AND ADELAIDE STS.

THE WEATHER

OBSERVATORY, Toronto, Dec. 20. The weather has been generally fair today through Canada, but a few snow flurries have occurred in Ontario and Quebec and there have been showers in Southern British Columbia.

Probabilities. Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay - Moderate to fresh westerly and northerly winds; fair; stationary or a little lower temperature.

THE BAROMETER. Time. Ther. Bar. Wind. 5 a.m. 32.2 18 S.W. Noon 32.2 18 S.W. 2 p.m. 33 20 W. 4 p.m. 33 20 W. 6 p.m. 33 20 W. 8 p.m. 33 20 W. 10 p.m. 33 20 W. Mean of the day, 32.7; difference from average, 5 above; highest, 35; lowest, 24.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

Dec. 20 At Maurtania...New York...Liverpool Pres. Grant...New York...Hamburg Emp. Ireland...St. John...Quebec Lusitania...Queenstown...New York Celtic...New York...Hamburg Baltic...New York...Liverpool Canadian...Boston...Liverpool La Touraine...New York...New York Pres. Lincoln...Genoa...New York Empress of Britain...New York...Liverpool

TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Dec. 21. South York Conservative Association annual meeting, Labor Temple, 2 p.m. Power bylaw meeting, Broadway Hall, 8 p.m. Commercial Travelers' M.B.S., St. George's Hall, 8. St. George's Hall, Beatrice Nesbitt meeting, 8.

BIRTHS. BESWICK-On Dec. 19th, at New Toronto, to Mr. and Mrs. Chester Beswick, a son. Both doing well. DEFRIES-On Dec. 20th, at Toronto, to Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Defries, a son. MCKINLEY-On Dec. 19th, 1907, to Dr. and Mrs. W. E. McKinley, a daughter.

MARRIAGES. MACKENZIE-CHARLTON-On Dec. 18th, at College-street Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. Mr. Murray, Martha Charlton to Owen C. Mackenzie, both of Toronto.

DEATHS. CARLTON-On Friday, Dec. 20th, 1907, Elizabeth M., beloved wife of Robert, Carlton of 20 Henry-street, aged 70 years. Funeral from above address on Monday, 23rd, at 2 p.m., to St. James' Cemetery.

HENDERSON-On Dec. 20, 1907, Jennie Henderson, at her mother's residence, 511 Dundas-street, 23rd, at 8.30 a.m., from above address, to St. Helen's Church, thence to St. Michael's Cemetery. Owen Sound papers please copy.

HERBERT-At corner Union and Dundas streets, Toronto Junction, on Friday, Dec. 20th, Nathalie G. Herbert, youngest daughter of the late C. J. Herbert and the late C. J. Herbert, aged 6 months and 6 days. Funeral Saturday, at 2 p.m.

WHITE-At his late residence, 2 Bolton-avenue, on Thursday, Dec. 19th, 1907, George, beloved husband of Alice Clara White, president of the White, Allan Co., in his 57th year. Funeral Saturday, 21st instant, at 2 p.m. to the Necropolis.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Simmons IN PROFUSION 266-268 YONGE STREET

THE CIGARS FROM HAVANA.

Dangers Which the Smoker Must Guard Against in Buying. A year ago the whole tobacco crop of Cuba was found to be inferior, and simultaneously with the fact becoming known the news leaked out that a few of the rich cigar manufacturers had gone suddenly into the market and bought up all the available supply of good tobacco still in the hands of the planters and buyers.

The new season's crop in Cuba is of the usual high quality, but there is a present danger because of the famine conditions which had begun to exist. Some Havana makers were induced to begin making the cigars before the leaf had been properly matured and cured.

One of the cigar dealers of Canada, a gentleman who is credited with being the ablest tobacco expert in America, got over the difficulty as soon as he was informed by his Cuban correspondents of the trend of affairs. He instructed the makers not to start on his orders until he gave the word.

At the end of the last month, he had his orders for some quarter of a million cigars filled in November, and forwarded to him by fast steamship express. On one shipment alone the express charges were \$38.

"This is the kind of attention to details and conditions which make for success in any business," commented a gentleman who made the quick guess that the business actor was G. W. Muller, who has created the exquisite cigar store in the Traders' Bank Building.

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TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD 5. At the election of many representatives I am a candidate for the position of Alderman, and shall take an early opportunity of stating my progressive views.-J. T. V. MAY.

Player Piano for Christmas. The books of Heintzman & Co., Ltd., 115-117 West King-street, Toronto, show a remarkable sale of player pianos for Christmas gifts. Think of a high-class piano that anyone can play—a knowledge of music in no way being necessary. A visit to the warerooms will show how large is the variety of player pianos on exhibition.

To Dine Wisely and Well. Is to dine at Williams' Cafe, corner Queen and Yonge-streets. On the bill (made in chicken fricassee dinner, 25c; roast prime ribs of beef, dinner, 35c; roast duckling, with apple sauce, dinner, 35c. You'll like the cooking.

WORKINGMEN QUIZ WOULD-BE MAYORS

Hear Four of the Candidates Tell What They Would Do for Labor's Interest

"Why should I expect the workingmen of Toronto to vote for me?" This was the question that the string of mayoralty candidates was asked to explain before a mass meeting of electors in the Labor Temple last night.

The gathering was a large one and Socialistic in its leanings, showing also a considerable mingling of the British immigrant, judging by the accents of the majority of the inquirers.

The contestants who appeared upon the platform were: James Simpson, Miles Vokes, Aid. Geary and Dr. Nesbitt, in the order named. Jos. Oliver also gave a short address.

The glad welcome with which "Jimmy" Vokes received made it clear that the great bulk of the audience was in sympathy. He told his hearers amid much enthusiasm that, if elected, he would use such energy and administrative ability as he had ever and always for the good of the workers.

The applause having somewhat subsided, Miles Vokes, equipped with a notebook, well groomed and prosperous in aspect, came forward, while in the midst of some scattered evidences of welcome there were to be heard very audible remarks suggesting that Mr. Vokes was of capitalistic turn.

The speaker said that if elected mayor he would not represent any one class, but would try to give a square deal to every citizen. There were some ironical "Ohs!" following his announcement that he had once been a workman, and had piled the trowel.

"I am still a workman," he continued. Signs of general incredulity. Mr. Vokes thought the city had neglected the water question too long. It should come first of all questions, he said, and promised that if mayor he would try to have it settled as soon as possible. However, he went on to advocate the passing of the power bylaw as a means of enabling manufacturers to produce their goods more cheaply, with resultant higher wages. He also favored a commission for the city's parks.

Mr. Vokes was then made the target for a number of pointed shafts of interrogation. What would he do if there was a strike and he was asked to call out the militia? Supposing a deputation of workmen and other deputation of manufacturers should wait upon him on any issue of wages and hours, would he favor the former? etc. Mr. Vokes, replying severely, intimated that he would handle the scales of justice with utmost impartiality. On retiring, he was applauded.

"Where's Nesbitt?" asked a chorus of voices, but the portly doctor had not yet been sighted in the office. Instead, Aid. Geary came forward. He was received with a fair show of cordiality, and forthwith issued a challenge to anyone to prove that by speech and action he had not stood for the workmen and the union label. He had been instrumental also in establishing a municipal asphalt plant and an electric lighting plant at the island. Like Mr. Vokes, he had to reply to several queries as to what course he would steer under hypothetical conditions.

The arrival of Dr. Nesbitt at 9.50 p.m. proved that the ex-registrar had some supporters. They gave him a "hand" as he swung confidently up the middle of the aisle, mounted the platform and divested himself of his overcoat.

The doctor began with a useful allusion to the intelligence and probity of James Simpson, whereat there was a popular demonstration. The speaker said all he desired was to be asked questions.

"What about the power bylaw?" enquired a Scotsman. The doctor asserted that he was for municipal control of the plant all the time.

"I would sooner be defeated than see the power bylaw defeated," he told them. Someone asked whether he would prefer negotiations to building a plant, and Dr. Nesbitt used his effective simile of the blackthorn.

Phillips Thompson wanted to know what the candidate would suggest as a remedy for economic evils, and that sort of thing.

"My only interest in economic depression is my own condition," returned the doctor, blithely. He went on to declare, however, that the wholesale watering of stocks was the root of the ills.

"What class do you belong to, capital or labor?" was another question. Dr. Nesbitt stated that he was not a member of any class, which was deemed a jest. Asked what he thought of members of parliament and judges owning public utility stocks, he declared that such a condition was a scandal, and that there should be legislation against it. He then withdrew amid applause.

PHYSICIANS ORGANIZE. "Unattached" Preparing to Secure Privileges in New General Hospital. A number of physicians who are not connected with the Medical School or with any of the city hospitals met at the Temple Building last night to discuss the new hospital scheme. Between 20 and 30 were present, and the result of the meeting was the formation of a new association. The meeting was a private one, and those present would not say what the new association is or who its officers are. It exists, however, to protect the interests of practitioners who are not connected with the hospitals. Its object will be to see that these physicians are given fair privileges in the new General Hospital.

AN IRRESISTIBLE IMPULSE. Wanting Presents Too Easily, Two Shoplifters Are Arraigned in Eaton's. Easy Christmas gifts for her many friends was the quest which took Mrs. Lottie Scott, a pretty woman of 30 years of age, living in her own house at 173 Major-street, in Eaton's shop yesterday. While she was taking a gift from a counter she was observed by Detective Kennedy, who took her into custody, charging her with shoplifting. She said the taking to an irresistible impulse. Several articles from the store were found on her.

Rose McLean, 17 years, 182 East Queen-street, Russian, was arrested by Police Constable Raney (256) yesterday, charged with stealing in the same store.

PERFECTION. The conclusion all oyster eaters come to after eating our celebrated Malpeques. Eat them in the morning, at noon or at night, the more you eat the better you feel. We will deliver them to your residence by the barrel or smaller lots at prices consistent with the quality. "Oh, Charles, of course," noted oyster house.

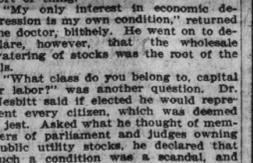
CENTRE YORK. R. L. Borden, R. R. Gamey and Capt. Wallace will speak at Markham tonight. Meetings will also be held at Thornhill and Highland Creek.

Traveler's Certificates. Commercial Travelers can secure 1908 certificates from J. K. Cranston, 122 Bay-street, agent for the Western Association. See him early.

THE SAVOY'S Light Mid-Day Lunch for Business People—12 Hill 2, Yonge and Adelaide.

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After the Christmas Dinner, when the World looks bright and cheery to every man in the World, you wish to offer your guests the best the World offers.

Of uniform quality, and with carefully preserved fragrance, the La Carolina can be laid on your table with its true Cuban flavor.

Those which I offer in boxes of 25 at \$5.50, or at 25 cents each, are made from carefully selected leaf of the famous 1905 tobacco crop.

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BROCKTON SOLID

Continued From Page 1. rates guaranteed by the government and the Hydro-Electric Power Commission, about half the present rates of the Toronto Electric Light Company. The central portion of the city would have an underground system, and the outlying districts, Parkdale, Brockton, Kew Beach, etc., would be supplied by pole lines at as cheap a rate as in small towns throughout the province. Dr. Nesbitt had a good reception.

Ald. Graham supported the bylaw because it was in the interests of the citizens. No man knew better than Mr. Pearson, who was a lawyer, that the electric plant would not cost the taxpayers one cent. There had never before been so much information given to the people about any bylaw submitted to them. Every body which had investigated the matter had reported in favor of it.

Likes a Dispute. Ex-Ald. Ramsden thought the world would be dreading if everybody thought the same way. It helped the papers to circulate when there was a disagreement. He believed that the city would have to pay \$148,000 a year for the electric plant.

A. W. Wright moved the resolution already carried at previous meetings, and made it clear that the question was not a party one in any sense. Hugh McMath, interrupting, instanced the case of 1891, when the electric lighting of that time had dishonest dealings with two aldermen who had to leave the city.

Ald. McMath seconded the resolution, and argued the necessity of protecting the interests of the public generally by distributing clean light to every house. J. A. McConnell, an aldermanic candidate, supported the bylaw.

One Candidate Agin It. "Hugh McMath, who writes to the board of control, stood up and opposed the bylaw on the ground that whether he owned real estate or not Toronto should not afford to undertake any new enterprises. Next year the city would have 21-2 mills more taxes on the dollar."

James Simpson declared that the workmen of the city were uncompromised in favor of taking over every public utility they possibly could. He warned the workmen that the electric ring check controlled several industries from which labor always got its severest checks.

RING OF VICTORY

Continued From Page 1. inquiry that had gone on for years was due to the prediction of the government given to the criminals who stole the elections of West Huron and Brockville.

Mr. Borden concluded by making an urgent appeal for the election of Capt. Wallace.

When the candidate was called he was glad to stand upon the same platform as his leader, and he was honored that Mr. Borden had paid a visit to his home town. Not all were good in both parties, and he was ready to condemn wrongdoing when he saw it. What was wanted in parliament was men of independent thought, and if Conservatives did not do what was right he would oppose them. Mr. Borden would expect no more from him. (Hear, hear from Mr. Borden). The Liberal government was bound hand and foot to great corporations. It had disgraced Canada. Capt. Wallace said he had been attacked by "The Globe" Director of this paper had received great concessions from the government, and did not want to see an honest man elected to parliament.

Policy 2 Cents a Mile. His policy was two-cents-a-mile, and he was against any cheap bribes like Archie Campbell's bribe of a postoffice for Markham. Laurier might be honest himself, but was surrounded by men who were a disgrace to Canada. The department of militia was rotten.

Capt. Wallace's address was well received and when he sat down a lady in the gallery aroused enthusiasm by singing "The Jolly Good Fellow."

Dr. Reid, M.P. for Grenville, and Dr. Godfrey wound up the meeting.

Saturday night's meeting, Markham R. L. Borden: Highland Creek, R. Blain, Houghton Lennox, Peter Christie, Thornhill, E. D. Smith and Joseph Armstrong.

"All I Want For Christmas" BELL PIANO WAREROOMS, 148 Yonge Street, Toronto.

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YOUTH TAKES CARBOLIC. Geo. Acomb is at the Western Hospital in a Critical Condition. George Acomb, 19 years, a glass-worker, living at 44 Penning-street, attempted suicide last night at his home by swallowing a large portion of a two-ounce bottle of carbolic acid.

Local Option Has Hurt Owen Sound the Matthew Kennedy, Mayor of Owen Sound and one of its chief business men, publicly asserted on Nov. 27 last that "Local Option has injured local trade, has not lessened drunkenness, and has lowered the moral well-being of very many."