

SMALL VOTE TO-DAY THROUGHOUT CITY.

Ward System By-law Seems to be Popular.

Mayor Will Send Cataract's Letter Back.

Hotel Men's Slate Causes Some Ill Feeling.

The consensus of opinion this morning among those who keep close tab on the throbbing of the public pulse was that to-day's municipal election will furnish a series of surprises. It is generally regarded as the most uncertain aldermanic step...

Girl Stabbed

Berlin, Jan. 6.—Another mysterious "ripper" crime was committed in the suburb of Charlottenburg last night. A little girl four years old was enticed into the hallway of a house and fatally stabbed in the abdomen.

NOT FOR WAR.

France Anxious to See Japan and U. S. Settle Difficulties.

Paris, Jan. 6.—The French Government is considerably exercised over the reports cabled to some American newspapers last week in which it is represented as secretly desirous of a war between Japan and the United States.

JAP ARMY MEN

Ordered From Vancouver to Report at Tokio.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 6.—Many Japanese reserve army men have been ordered to Tokio, according to a report current here. The Japanese themselves refused to discuss the situation, but it cannot be denied that several hundred men have arrived from the United States and are making ready to leave for Japan.

BRYAN SPEAKS.

Trusts and Tariff Will be Issues in Presidential Campaign.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 6.—In an interview last night Wm. Jennings Bryan said that the trusts, the tariff and railroad legislation would be the paramount issues in the campaign of 1908.

CHIEF TOOK HIS NAME.

A good many complaints have been made lately about drivers of coal wagons blocking the sidewalks of the principal streets by placing a chute from their wagon to the area in front of the store in which they have to deliver black diamonds.

The Misses Flora and Lily Cope have returned home after visiting relatives and friends in Simcoe and other places.

EDITOR OF TORONTO GLOBE COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

On Four Charges of Criminal Libel Brought by Dr. Beattie Nesbitt.

Toronto, Jan. 6.—Mr. J. A. Macdonald, managing editor of the Globe, was this morning committed for trial on four charges of criminal libel, preferred by Dr. W. Beattie Nesbitt, the former Registrar of Toronto, and defeated candidate for the Mayorship of this city.

THE THAW MURDER TRIAL.

Harry Thaw to Face a Jury For the Second Time For the Murder of Sanford White.

New York, Jan. 6.—Harry K. Thaw, to-day, for the second time, faces a trial on the charge of wilful murder. After months of waiting in the Tombs, the tedious work of securing a jury to try the young Pittsburger for the killing of Sanford White has been begun in the criminal Branch of the Supreme Court.



HARRY THAW.

Compared with the former trial, interest in New York is at a low ebb. Rearrangement of the court room has materially lessened the number of seats for representatives of the press, but the demand for room for reporters has been considerably less than at the former trial.

It is probable that many tedious days will be spent in securing a jury for the trial of the case. During the previous trial thousands of columns of the evidence were printed in practically every paper in New York, and it is not believed that any case ever tried in New York attracted the amount of attention or caused more widespread argument than accompanied the first trial of Thaw.

and it is not impossible that he secured information there that may come out in the cross-examination. A special venire of 300 jurymen has been summoned, 100 of whom reported to-day. A second 100 will report to-morrow and the remainder on Wednesday.

There was a persistent report around on Saturday that a small boy had been drowned in the Coal Oil Inlet, but no corroboration of it was forthcoming. The mystery was cleared up on Saturday afternoon when it was found out that Willie McNichol, a small boy, living in the east end, had been skating and had broken through the ice, but a number of larger boys pulled him out.

THREE YOUNG MEN TO PENITENTIARY.

Burned to Death

San Francisco, Jan. 6.—Three persons lost their lives by a fire which destroyed an outbuilding at the French hospital, used as a laundry and electrical power plant early to-day. The third body was discovered after the flames had been extinguished.

"G." ANNUAL.

Highland Company Elects Officers—Good Things Coming.

G Company, 91st Regiment, held its annual business meeting on Saturday night at the armory. The financial statement showed that the company was in first-class shape.

BROKE THROUGH ICE

Willie McNichol Was Rescued by Boys Larger.

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PERSONAL.

Mrs. W. D. Platt, "Spruceside," will not receive again till the second Wednesday in March. The many friends of Miss Florence Roderick will be glad to hear she is out again after a recent illness.

IN FRUIT SECTION.

Elections To-day Are Creating Great Interest.

Beamsville, Jan. 6.—(Special).—The municipal battle throughout the fruit district to-day is warm. In Grimsby J. A. Livingston is having the fight of his life for a place on the school board, the solid local option faction being arrayed against him.

From the very best information, Saltfleet will poll a heavy local option vote.

The Man In Overalls

The holidays are over and the children are back again to school, and peace and quietness reigns in the house.

Have you paid your last year's dog tax yet?

Surely the Mayor won't ask us to pay the rent of these halls, or for the printing of his bogus figures.

I wonder how the poor Jolley Cut is to fare at the hands of the new Council. The sidewalk is gradually slipping down the hill.

Should the Hydro-electric by-law be carried, we shall all have to dig in a little harder to earn the extra taxes.

Will we have to pay Billy Maclean's expenses, too? How much for his speech?

One-half of the forty-two candidates will be unsuccessful at the polls this evening. But don't fret, gentlemen, you couldn't all be elected, however willing we might have been to put you there.

Now help to make the children's hospital scheme a success.

The Thaw trial is again looming up in front of us like a dark cloud.

At the risk of annoying Mr. Whitney, I venture to ask if it be a sure thing that we are to get that technical college?

Owing to the at-large system of voting it will be impossible to tell until late this evening or early to-morrow morning who have been successful at the polls.

Are you still on the water wagon?

Perhaps Mayor Stewart will now have time to explain to an enquiring public how he made out of the moving of Sir John Macdonald's monument. Some people think he lost by it.

Leap year is here, ladies. Get busy.

HAND BAG RECOVERED.

Miss Muriel Golden, 122 Main street east, was unfortunate enough to drop her handbag, containing a purse, on Friday. She knew it was a golden opportunity to try the merits of the Times.

THE OFFICIAL AXE.

Efficient Employee of the Asylum Gets It.

On Friday last a visitor called at the Hamilton Asylum, told Mr. Daniel McCarthy, the store keeper, he would have to get out, and announced Mr. McGinnon, a Morrisburg man, as his successor.

It is announced, too, that the axe will be kept in readiness. There are other Liberal employees at the asylum, and an election is coming on.

DO IT METHODICALLY.

Advantages and Opportunities to Which Every Housekeeper Should Give Serious Attention.

The mammoth reduction and special purchase sales of tremendous quantities of useful personal and household goods now being held at The Right House should be given careful and thoughtful attention by every citizen and nearby resident of Hamilton.

Five months of preparation have brought about the greatest under price sale ever attempted in Hamilton. Every one should carefully examine their supplies of household necessities and personal requirements, and make out lists of every probable as well as actual need, and then enter on a week's general shopping excursion.

This is timely and wise advice. The Right House has the goods—vast assortments of them—and such wonderful values as only such a great store can give.

Are an ornament to anyone and you can have nice teeth by using Parke's Thymol Tooth Paste, as it preserves and whitens them. It is an antiseptic and arrests decay and also hardens the gums, sold in tubes at 15 and 25 cents each, by Parke & Parke, Druggists.



CHARLES G. BIRD.

Who has been elected President of the Hamilton Trades and Labor Council.

ABOUT THAT SEE-SAW.

Remember to watch the see-saw on the back page. Its position changes every day and each change means something to you.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES.

To rent at \$2 a year and upwards, for the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills and other valuables. TRADERS BANK OF CANADA

Watson, Ford and Purrott are Sent Down.

Receive 33, 32 and 31 Months Respectively.

Stabbing Case Against Antcoe Stands Again.

At Police Court this morning the Magistrate dealt with three thieves with an iron hand. Frank Ford, Harry Watson and George Purrott are the three, and they probably realize now that the path of honesty is the safest one.

George Antcoe, 277 John street north, was up on a charge of wounding Steven Knight on New Year's night.

John Emerson was charged by his wife with non-support, but he promised to pay her a nominal sum, and was allowed to go.

Robert Donnelly, Thorold, came to town on Saturday, and got filled up with election whiskey, and was fined \$2 this morning.

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Small Sliver of Iron Brought on Blood Poisoning.

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Failed in Job.

Perf Dillhouse, Jan.—After working for four hours trying to get the tug Escort and two pontoons through lock No. 1 of the new canal yesterday, the tug engaged had to give it up and pull outside again when the Escort broke loose and sank to the bottom of the canal again.

Fine Turkish Cigarettes.

Mural cigarettes have the enjoyment of richness, in perfect harmony with mildness, in fact, a luxury in smoking. They are sold for 15 cents a box at peace's cigar store, 107 king street east.

NO TIDINGS YET OF THE MISSING STEAMER MOUNT ROYAL.

Fears That She and Her 400 Passengers are Lost—Some Have Hope Yet.

St. John, N. B., Jan. 6.—The C. P. R. people still express confidence that the Mount Royal will be found floating, with her passengers safe, but in the public mind the conviction grows that the vessel and her precious freight of upwards of 400 lives are never to be seen again.

Even if still afloat, the last of her coal and provisions must be now reached, and the situation of the four hundred passengers and crew must be desperate.

One theory among shipping men here which would account for the loss of the Mount Royal is that the liner may have got out of her course and possibly struck an iceberg and gone down at once with all hands.

The Dagams, now in port, is said to have taken thirty days to cross the Atlantic from an English port. It would thus seem that while there is reason for the gravest anxiety, the prospect of the steamer turning up safely is not absolutely hopeless.