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Toronto the Greater!

Toronto enters on its greatest year, today. Our city will add 50,000 souls to its population this twelve month, without annexation. With the annexation of what remains in the Township of York south of the Canadian Northern's Ottawa line and everything south of a line 1320 feet north of Eglinton avenue to the Humber, at least 25,000 more will be taken in. These 25,000 are practically in the city now. The development in the business section down town, of Yonge street to the north, of Over-the-Don, in the great manufacturing and residential section to the northwest, will be of a character to dumfound those who have not watched in detail the march of 1912. The World was the one paper three years ago to see all this coming and it reads the signs today with a still clearer vision. We had big eyes then; we say to you, have bigger eyes now. What does the new harbor and the development of industrial sites on Ashbridge's Bay not mean to Toronto? At least three great modern hotels will be under way, many new financial structures, many factories, many new homes of all degrees of comfort and excellence! We are, as a municipality, beginning to plan for a million people, and we have broken down the barriers that meant congestion! Sir James Whitney and the legislature must, as we believe they will, give us the necessary municipal powers to grapple with our greater problems. York Township, what of it is left, and the whole front of the Township of Scarborough, and of the Township of Etobicoke, must be put into a metropolitan district with Toronto and governed by a commission. Everything between Toronto and Hamilton will be moving; also everything from Toronto to Oshawa. It will be one great industrial and business organization. Hamilton will be the right wing. Behind this line of industry and commerce will be a great garden and farming section of highly increased cultivation and production. The backbone of this throbbing centre of all Canada will be the Province of Ontario, and even more the great Canadian West. Some day it may be the seat of the empire! Let us therefore have the civic pride—no, rather let us have the spirit of public service in our hearts, and still greater things will come to us! Faith in Toronto, in Canada, in our British citizenship, will do most of it; and a determination to seek the benefit of the many and not the few will make this the most modern, and the most prosperous territory on the face of the earth! Let us all shake hands, from the far bounds of Hamilton to the far bounds of Oshawa!

My wish for you. IT IS TRUE THAT, BY THIS TENDRANCE OF MY HOPE AND WISH, I MAY NOT STRENGTHEN EITHER... STILL - THAT YOU MAY BE ASSURED THAT I, WITH ALL MY HEART, IN VERY TRUTH DO PRAY THAT, IN THE YEAR NOW DRIFTING US-WARD, YOU MAY HAVE GREATER SHARE OF THIS WORLD'S GOODS - AND INCREASED JOY OF LIFE - I ASK THAT YOU WILL TAKE THESE WORDS OF MINE AS MEANING - IN THEIR ESSENCE - THAT MY PRAYER IS THAT THE COMING YEAR MAY DAWN FOR YOU - AND BE FULFILLED WITH EVERY EARTHLY HAPPINESS. G.T.B.

THREE CANADIANS KNIGHTED SIR JAMES WHITNEY HONORED



Sir John S. Willison.

J. S. Willison, Hon. Auguste Angers and Frederick Taylor Receive Knighthood, While Premiers of Ontario and Newfoundland Are Now K.C.M.G.'s - Other Canadians in New Year's List.

Canadians Honored Sir James Whitney, premier of Ontario, K.C.M.G. Sir Edward Morris, premier of Newfoundland, K.C.M.G. John Stephen Willison, K.B. Toronto. Hon. Auguste Real Angers, K.B. Montreal. Frederick William Taylor, K.B. London. Eng., manager Bank of Montreal. Lieut.-Col. William Patrick Anderson, chief engineer department marine and fisheries, C.M.G. Major Zachary Taylor Wood, assistant commissioner, N. W. M. P. C. M. G. John C. McRae, late chief of police, Winnipeg, King's police medal. William Patrick Traynor, police department, Winnipeg, King's police medal. Hugh Brown, police department, Winnipeg, King's police medal.

LITTLE PROGRESS IN DIRECTION OF PEACE

End of Year Finds Situation in Near East Beclouded, European Powers Being Disinclined to Support Demands of Allies, Who Are Threatened With Split.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—(Can. Press.)—The passing of the year has occurred without either the conclusion of peace in the Near East or notable progress in the negotiations which are proceeding in St. James Palace. What ever has been accomplished towards settling the status of European Turkey, the work has been done outside the council chamber and largely by the great powers.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—(C. A. P.)—Among the New Year's honors which will be published tomorrow are the following: K. C. M. G.'s: Sir James Whitney, premier of Ontario; Sir Edward Patrick Morris, premier of Newfoundland.

C. M. G.'s: Lt.-Col. William Patrick Anderson, department of marine and fisheries, Ottawa; Zachary Taylor Wood, Northwest Mounted Police; George Thomas Allen, secretary-treasurer of the Australian Commonwealth; Hon. T. Quinlan, late Speaker of the Western Australia Legislative Assembly; Leonard Stowe, clerk of the New Zealand Parliament.

King's police medal: John C. McRae, late chief of police of Winnipeg; William Patrick Traynor and Hugh Brown of the police department, Winnipeg.

SOME DISAPPOINTMENT.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—(Can. Press.)—The New Year's list of honors issued tonight, according to custom, proved disappointing. Two peerages, seven baronetcies and 18 knighthoods are conferred. Government officials, manufacturers and merchants almost monopolize the rewards. The stage, literature and art were entirely ignored.

The Liberal government has been criticized so sharply for having previously inflated the peerage, while professing to be extremely democratic, that it caused no surprise that only two additions were made to the list, those being Sir George Sydney Clark, a distinguished Indian official, and Sir George Kemp, a wealthy M.P., whose selection is considered remarkable because he recently resigned his seat on the ground that he was unable to support home rule.

Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Scott received a baronetcy as a reward for his successful work in improving the gunnery of the navy, for which he



(1) The vote for the 'vialcock'. (2) The congratulatory Sir John Willison. (3) The call on Sir John and Sir James at Government House.

GUELPH COUNCIL ORDERS INQUIRY

Charges Against Chief of Police and Health Department Will Be Probed.

GUELPH, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—At a special meeting of the city council tonight it was decided that the charges and petitions sent to the city council a week ago, and which were held over pending legal advice, be proceeded with. The charges against the chief of police and also against the health department officials were referred sent in to Judge Jamieson, junior judge of the County of Wellington, to be fully investigated. The charges made against the manner in which the law was being administered by the various officials of the county was not dealt with, it being the opinion of the city solicitor that the city council had not the power to deal with them as federal and provincial officials were referred upon. It is understood that Mr. W. M. Robinson, who fathered the charges against the health department officials, is not anxious to push the charges, and there may be no investigation held into that department. On the other hand, it is said that the charges against the chief of police will be pushed to the limit.

PARCELS POST INAUGURATED

Postmaster-General of United States Mailed First Package on First Second of the New Year.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—(Can. Press.)—As the clock ticked off the first second of 1913, Postmaster-General Hitchcock inaugurated a new era in the American postal service by depositing in the Washington postoffice the first package to be entrusted to the domestic parcel post service. The strokes of the last hour of 1912 were dying away when the postmaster stepped to the window under the newly-painted inscription, "Parcel Post Packages," and handed in the official "first package." At the same moment the parcels post service was opened for business in every postoffice in the United States. Postmaster-General Hitchcock's package contained a silver loving cup enclosed in a stout box, addressed to E. M. Morgan, postmaster of the City of New York. After it has made its journey to New York it will be sent back to Washington to be engraved and preserved in the national museum to commemorate the inauguration of the parcels post service.

BRUTAL ASSAULT BY TWO ROBBERS

Visitor's Left Leg Broken by Kick and He Was Almost Dead When Found.

After being so brutally assaulted that his left leg was broken and his face battered and bruised, Archibald McIntyre, aged about 27, was robbed of \$65 in the G.T.R. Simcoe street freight yards last night. The young man was found, almost buried in mud, by an employee of the Homes' Electric Signal Company, about 8:30. G.T.R. Constable Homes was notified. With several others he commenced search of the small space just north of the freight sheds, below Front and west of the Grand Union Hotel. McIntyre told the police that he came to Toronto from Chapeau, Ont., yesterday. Towards 8:30 he met three men, one of whom he had seen before. He accompanied the three to the lonely spot on the north of the sheds, where they were making short cut. Once away from the street and the men pounced upon him. He fought desperately. Even after he had been knocked down a few times he still attempted to defend himself. A kick, however, snapped his leg and he fell into the mud. McIntyre has a brother, Donald, employed by the Collingwood Ship-building Company.

Big Hotel Project.

The biggest hotel project in town is rapidly shaping up toward a definite announcement. The plans have come to a head within the last week. Sketches have been made by New York architects and the drawings are in their local office. The building will cost three millions or more and run sixteen stories high, with ground space larger than anything in the hotel line so far proposed. The site, which is not very far from The World office, will have cost at least a million and a half when it is all closed up. The capital will be Canadian, and the backers of it Toronto men of reputation and title.

ANOTHER RECORD AT POST OFFICE

New Year's Mail Sent All Previous Figures Soaring But Rush Is Now Over.

Another record has gone gallivanting in the mail. That for the New Year rush has been knocked sky high by the work at the general and branch postoffices yesterday. The usual rush was augmented by the dumping in of two heavy British mails Monday night, which sent the figures soaring high in air.

MUCH REVELRY IN RESTAURANTS

Scores of Diners Saw New Year in While Enjoying Hospitality of Hotels and Cafes.

Everywhere in the down-town hotels it was the same story. As midnight came nobody had his own table. There was visiting about from party to party, and the wish of happiness and prosperity for the new year seemed to come as freely to the stranger as to the old acquaintance, tho, perhaps, not quite so heartily as to the friends. Somehow or other, there was a popping of corks in some places, despite the hour and the regulation, but no one will say just where this was to be heard or seen. Certain it is that many wishing to assure themselves of the said popping went rather to Montreal and Buffalo instead of remaining in Toronto. One connected with one of the city's largest hotels said that many reservations for tables had to be refused on the ground that there was no room. At the King Edward, the Prince George, the Woodbine, the Queen's, the Walker, the Bay Tree, Krussman's, McConkey's, and, in fact, all downtown eating places, revelry was the note of the hour. And if the good will went with the good wish there was no lack. It was Toronto's biggest New Year's eve in restaurant and cafe. There were more people than at any time heretofore, and there was at least some measure of the attendant show which marks the occasion in the larger American cities. And if there was less noise than in some places, perhaps there was more real enthusiasm.



IN THEIR MORRISBURG COATS.

The most important feature of the situation is as to whether the allies will remain effectively united as disensions, although officially denied, are constantly creeping in. Bulgaria, being the strongest among the states, arouses the greatest jealousy, and is accused of being responsible for present conditions.

The allied armies might have reached Constantinople many weeks ago, say the critics, if Bulgaria had not detached 35,000 men of her army and sent them to Saloniki to prevent undisputed Greek occupation of that town. Those 35,000 men, strengthened by fresh Greek and Serbian troops, they argue, would have been enough to continue the march to the Turkish capital.

A Balkan proverb says: "He who wishes all gathers nothing," and this applies to Saloniki, which may end by being neither Greek nor Bulgarian. A decision practically has been reached that Saloniki, with the Chalcidice peninsula, shall be autonomous.

ELECT BALL TODAY.

Progressive Candidate in Ward Two Should Have Big Majority. The World's pick of the new men offering themselves for the 1913 council is H. H. Ball, who is running in ward two. As a councillor in North Toronto he displayed ideas away in advance of the average and always along the lines of the public interest. North Toronto owes him a debt of gratitude for the fight he put up against the Metropolitan Railway. He has ideas of public ownership which cannot be shaken, and he would make a valuable addition to the city council. As a friend of the workman he has given practical experience in his past municipal career. Ward two will honor itself by including H. H. Ball among the three successful candidates.



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