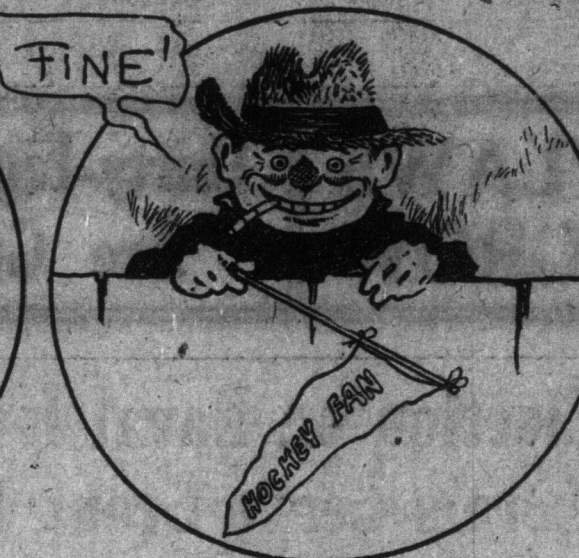


## EVENTS OF THE WEEK IN CARTOON

BY LOU SKUCE



HEAVY MAILS



EVERYBODY'S SAYING IT



MERRY CHRISTMAS



GETTING READY FOR CIVIC ELECTIONS



WEDNESDAY 4 A.M.

M. H. LUDWIG IS  
NEW PRESIDENT

Ontario Bar Association Elects Its Officers—"Fake" Suits De-  
plored by Discipline  
Committee.

## DIVORCE COURT WANTED

Resolution Is Passed With Only  
Two Members Dissenting—  
Change Basis of Appoint-  
ment of Judges.

M. H. Ludwig, K.C., the well-known Toronto barrister, was unanimously elected president of the Ontario Bar Association, at its concluding session Saturday. The other officers elected were: Hon. President, Sir Alan Aylesworth; Vice-presidents, F. M. Field, K.C., W. J. McWhinney, K.C., and George C. Campbell; recording secretary, C. A. Moss; corresponding secretary, R. J. Macdonald; historian and archivist, Col. W. N. Porter, M.L.A., Belleville.

Following a rather spirited debate on the question, the resolution recommending the creation of an Ontario divorce court of three judges, was passed with only E. G. Hearn, K.C., Toronto, and W. J. Kerr, K.C., of Cobourg, dissenting. Mr. Hearn attacked the very idea of granting divorces, basing his opposition chiefly on the moral aspect of the question. He said the evils resultant upon a loose divorce practice might not become alarmingly apparent during the lifetime of the parties involved, but it would undoubtedly show itself in future generations. It was for the children of the future that he so earnestly pleaded.

A Bachelor's View.  
"I am more anxious to have others stay married than to be married myself," said Mr. Kerr, a bachelor.

"Mr. Johnston said yesterday," he continued, "that we must eliminate the religious view. We can't. With-out religion marriage would sink from the honored state it now occupies to an entirely different one. Suppose we do find misfits, what plan under heaven is without its failures and its wrecks?"

The divorce danger give rise to such a condition as obtained in Japan, "where, if a man tired of his wife, he must send her away."

Mr. Kerr concluded with the remark that, personally, he would be willing to repeal divorce entirely.

Fake Railway Suit.  
The report of the committee on professional ethics referred to the action taken by the bar association in the "fake" Canada suit connected with the Toronto Railway Company.

"The discipline committee considers it as a serious matter, and was not at all inclined to gloss it over," said C. A. Moss.

Col. Farewell, K.C., added that various persons had been examined, and a resolution was passed asking for a number of reforms in the practice of law, as outlined by James McKinnell, K.C., in his paper on Friday.

Henry O'Brien, K.C., introduced the question of having the introduction of its influence to change the basis of appointment of judges. He thought the profession should at least be privileged to make recommendations, if not to decide upon the appointees.

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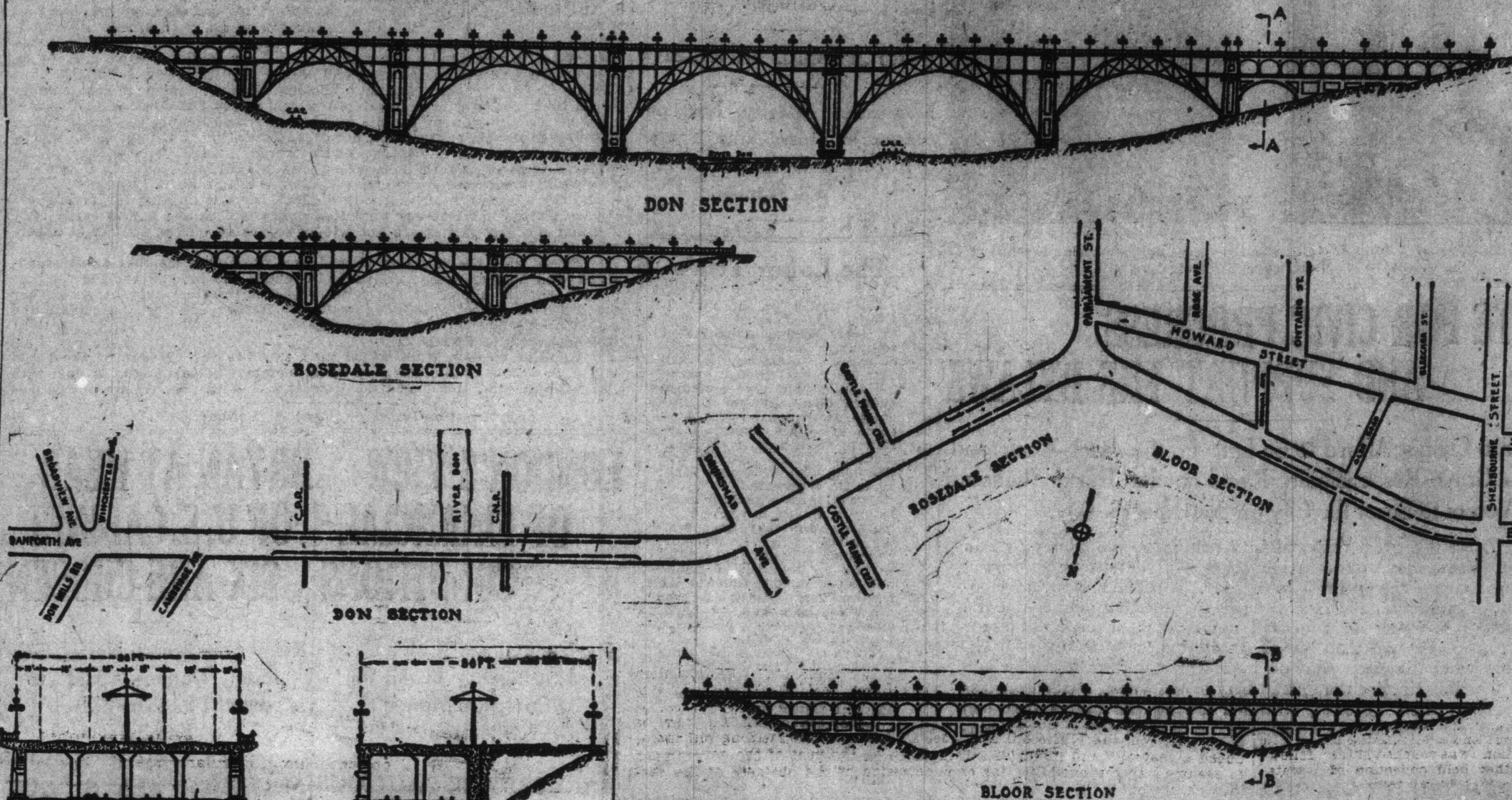
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FIREMEN RESCUED  
MANY IN BOSTON

Hundred Overcome by Smoke in  
Apartment House Fire—Children Carried Down.

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Several persons were overcome by smoke and more than a hundred were forced from their rooms today by a fire which damaged the Elliott and Allen Chambers and Denmark Hall, apartment houses on Hemenway street, Back Bay. Several children were taken down ladders by firemen. The loss is estimated at \$75,000.

## HOW THE BLOOR STREET VIADUCT WILL LOOK



PICK GOOD ONES, GET NEW  
BLOOD IN CITY COUNCIL

Continued From Page 1.

remain pigeonholed. Mr. Davies, who started up to oppose him at the eleven-fiftieth hour on the village principle, apparently, that little fight would lend interest to the holiday, is not seriously considered as a candidate, even if he is eligible, which the law department questions. But the voters should not leave the question to their neighbors, but show by their votes that Mayor Hockley's platform and his worth command the support of nearly all.

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once more as alderman in Ward Six, where he would probably have been elected. Mr. Spence is doing very well on the harbor commission, and we believe the city council can get along without his critical services. Mr. Spence has generally been opposed to progressive measures in Toronto like the Bloor street viaduct, tubes and other necessary improvements. He is splendid in destructive criticism. There is plenty of room for that outside the city council. Within it was needed a constructive ability.

New Men for Aldermen.  
Among the aldermanic candidates there is a considerable amount of new blood. It is a matter for regret that more men like A. E. Walton in the First Ward have not come forward all over the city. Successful in his own affairs, independent, with no private axes to grind, subject to no influences but the desire to help the city, Mr. Walton should have a fine civic career ahead of him. His name should head the poll in the far east. Ald. Robbins has been of great assistance to the commissioner of works, it is said, by his knowledge of street car matters, and his election may therefore be a practical benefit to the city. Ex-Controller Hubbard or Mr. W. E. Orr are regarded as useful men.

In the Second Ward Mr. Morley Wilkett is having general support. Mr. H. H. Ball, who has been a councillor in North Toronto, has some claim as representing the new territory, but a much stronger claim in account of his familiarity with civic affairs generally, his progressive spirit, his devotion to popular interests, and his appreciation of the problems of the future of a city approaching a million population. Ald. Rowland is likely to retain his seat, the Dr. Risk is receiving a good deal of support.

In the Third Ward the voter had better apoll his ballot than vote for Ald. McBride. That gentleman talked thousands of times in council at huge expense to the city, and the few things he agreed to have done are as nothing compared with the multitude of things he obstructed or prevented being done. Absent treatment is the only cure for Ald. McBride's atrocious conduct.

There are plenty of good men to replace him, but Mr. A. E. Burgess should be chosen, and either Mr. David Bell or Mr. Duncan D. Reid to assist Ald. Rawlinson in the big city ward.

Wantless and Weston.  
The Fourth Ward will return Aldermen Wantless and Weston. Dr. Sharkey and Mr. R. B. McLeod are both good men for third choice. In the Fifth Ward Messrs. May, Meredith, and Spence looks the best combination, and the city can do no business properly except on business lines. We believe The Star has no plea for ex-Controller Ward, but that of friendship. The Globe is not able to consider even that. Had Mr. Ward been moved solely by public interest he would have stood

BIRTHS  
NANCY KIVELL—To Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Nancivell, 92, Balsam avenue, Toronto, a son, on Dec. 22.

STEAMER WRECKED  
IN GALE: FIFTEEN  
OF CREW DROWNED

Danish Steamer Swamped in  
English Channel—Captain  
and Another Survivor  
Picked Up Exhausted.

PENZANCE, Eng., Dec. 28.—Fifteen of the crew of the Danish steamer Volmer were drowned when she was wrecked on Thursday in the great gale which has been raging in the English Channel.

The captain of the Volmer and another survivor were picked up in a state of collapse in an open boat today 50 miles to the southwest of the Lizard and landed at Newlyn by a trawler this afternoon.

The crew abandoned the sinking steamer on Thursday. One of the boats, with nine occupants, was immediately swamped by the heavy seas, and six more men were washed out of the second boat, commanded by the captain. All of them were drowned.

The two survivors were dashed about for two days before being sighted by the trawler that rescued them.

CHICAGO COPS AND  
FIREMEN MAY QUIT

Protest Against Reduction of  
Twenty Per Cent. Owing to  
Lack of Funds.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Fourteen hundred policemen and several hundred firemen threaten to resign within a few weeks as a result of the expected 20 per cent. reduction in salaries of all city employees for at least the first six months of 1913, made necessary by lack of funds in the city treasury.

MARRIAGES.  
HEAKES—PUDDY—On Dec. 26, 1912, at College street Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. Dr. Gilray, Bertha Adelaide Puddy, daughter of Mr. Henry Puddy, to Alfred Flavell Heakes, eldest son of Mr. F. R. Heakes.

DEATHS  
LEONARD—On Dec. 24, 1912, at her son's residence, 15 Amelia street, Catharine, widow of the late John Leonard.

Funeral from the above address on Thursday, Dec. 26, at 8.30, to Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Sherbourne street, thence to Mount Hope Cemetery.

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TALK CHANGE OF  
SEA REGULATIONS

British Board of Trade Repre-  
sentatives Hold Conference  
With U. S. Senators to  
Revise Rules.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Representatives of Great Britain and the United States conferred here today to discuss measures to make life safer at sea. George Baker of the British Board of Trade, Counselor Innes and Secretary Kerr of the British Embassy, discussed the question with Secretary of Commerce Nagel, Senator Nelson, chairman of the Senate Commerce Commission; Senator William Allen, Senator Fletcher of Florida, Representative Alexander, chairman of the house marine chamber; E. T. Chamberlain, chief of the bureau of navigation, and George Uhler, inspector-general of the steamboat service.

General phases of revisions of regulations as taught by the Titanic disaster were considered for presentation to the international maritime conference in London.

GUELPH M. H. O. SUES  
NUMBER FOR LIBEL

All Accusers of Local Board of  
Health Are Made Defendants  
in Action.

GUELPH, Dec. 28.—Dr. Howard medical health officer, has taken action against all those whose names appeared in the charges against the local board of health. The grounds will be for libel and defamation of character. The information was sworn out at noon today.

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