

PITATION RATES MAY BE INCREASED

President's Recommendation to Bricklayers and Stone Masons' Congress.

CATHARINES, Dec. 3.—That per capita tax should be increased 7-12 to 12 cents for the purpose of prosecuting the organization of the bricklayers in New Ontario, financing a better representation Ontario at the International Union of one of the chief recommenders of President John Sutherland of Ontario, in his annual address to the annual congress of bricklayers and stone masons for Ontario here today afternoon.

The committee on officers' reports consider the recommendation and report to the convention later. The question of providing an accident fund will also be taken up.

Addition to Membership.

An increase of 500 members during past year was reported, along with a substantial increase in wages in all sections of the province. The money stringency has had no appreciable effect on the trade, according to the various delegates, who report no scarcity of employment in their line. On the contrary, they feel that general conditions are the best since the inauguration of the association.

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CHEQUE GIVEN TO THE FIREMEN

Thornton's Limited Appreciated Good Work in Recent Fire.

Chief Lewis has received from Thornton's Limited a cheque for \$30 and the following letter, which speaks for itself:

"Dear Sir,—I desire to express to you on behalf of our company our appreciation of the prompt manner in which your firemen and yourself

fought the very dangerous fire which occurred at our plant on October 18th last. As a slight token of our appreciation I am enclosing you our cheque for \$30, which will convey to you in some manner our thanks for your work.

"Yours truly,
"THORNTON'S LIMITED,
"P. Thornton, President."

The Chief wishes, on behalf of the department, to express appreciation for the company's thoughtfulness.

LADIES

You certainly cannot afford to miss the many bargains which are being given in footwear at the Temple Shoe Store, Dalhousie street.

Local News

Will Elect Officers.

At the meeting this evening of Wolfe lodge, S.O.E., the officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

Close Up Affairs.

Last evening the local conference committee met at the Y. M. C. A. to close up all affairs in reference to the boys work conference held last week.

Money Prizes

Major G. J. Smith has received money prizes for Sgt. Geo. Wood, who won first prize, and Private Albert Sage, who won second prize, for being best shots in A Squadron at the Niagara camp last June. The prizes have been mailed to the winners.

Passed Away

The death occurred in Mitchell of Mrs. Maria Whitty, sister of Mr. J. J. Hawkins, and Arthur Hawkins of this city. She leaves to mourn her loss three sons and one daughter. Her husband predeceased her only thirteen months ago. She was born and raised in Brantford.

Eikes Stolen.

On Monday evening bicycles were stolen from in front of E. B. Crompton and Co's. store on Colborne St. and T. E. Ryerson and Co's store on Market street. They were ridden to a point along the banks of the river and abandoned, later to be found on the tracks by a sectionman. The police department took charge of them and they are now in possession of their owners.

Library Board Meeting

The public library board met last night in the board room at the library for the last time this year. Accounts amounting to \$724.50 were passed. Steadman Bros. were awarded the contract for the supplying of newspapers and magazines. Those present were D. J. Waterous, chairman, Rev. D. Mackenzie, C. Howard and Messrs. T. Hendry, M. K. Halloran and E. J. Carlin.

Want Guarantee.

By resolution of the Board of Trade, the City Council is being asked to guarantee the bonds of the Industrial Realty Company which is affiliated with the work of the Greater Brantford Board. The company proposes to buy industrial land, erect buildings for rental and to otherwise encourage the establishment of new industries here. The Council will take the matter up at the next meeting.

Trade is Good.

Despite the cry of hard times that has gone up, the local merchants state that they are doing quite a satisfactory year's business. While the volume in the majority of cases does not equal that done last year, there is this consolation, last year's business was exceptionally large. All along the trip travellers report a general decrease in the volume of business, but a good general trade is being done, however.

A Bad Road

Recently the residents on the Hamilton Road near Mohawk Park complained to the township council that a crossing was needed just where the car lines enter Mohawk Park, as in muddy weather those living on the north side of the Hamilton road have to cross in the mud in order to get a street car. The council had a crossing made, but autoists say it is built high off the road. Last Sunday a local gentleman had the misfortune to have a spring of his car broken at the crossing.

Rats Do Damage.

There might be war declared any day in this city, a war not with swords and cannon or even with assistance of aeroplanes, but with the deadliest form of rat poison procurable. Rats it is said, are playing particular havoc with the stock of the merchants in the central part of the city. It is not because the rats are hungry, but because they are prone to prowling around at night doing damage as rats do. A merchant said last night there was no use of a few merchants trying to kill them off, the task was enough for combined effort. The city hall is said to be infested with rodents.

St. Basil's Court

There was a good attendance at the meeting of St. Basil's Court, 534 Catholic Order of Foresters, held last night in the lodge rooms, Dalhousie street. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year. Spiritual Director, Rev. Father Clohery; District Deputy Chief Ranger, J. C. Waller; Chief Ranger, W. J. Hampel; Vice Chief Ranger, F. Grimes; Past Chief Ranger, E. J. Slattery; treasurer, John Ryan; Financial Secretary, D. J. McKinnon; Recording Secretary, Frank Waller; trustees, J. McGraw, T. Cronk, P. Kelly; speaker, Thos. Cronk; court physician, Dr. S. B. Stinson. The court is in flourishing shape and prospects are most bright for future growth.

Pleasing Event At Wellington

Sunday afternoon a pleasant event took place at Wellington street church when Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Anderson who were leaving the church after years of splendid service to become associated with the new Marlborough street Methodist church, were honored, Mr. Anderson being presented with a Bible, and Mrs. Anderson with a hymn book by the teachers and officers of the Sunday School. On the inside cover of both were these words: "Presented by Teachers and Officers of Wellington Street Sunday School, Nov. 30, 1913."

The presentation was made by the superintendent who in making the presentation spoke of the good work accomplished by Mr. and Mrs. Anderson and the loss of the church and the school sustained.

The pastor, Rev. R. D. Hamilton in a few well chosen words spoke of the loss of the church generally was sustaining; Wellington St. was just losing the workers to Marlborough street. Workers were being sent out to build up the Kingdom as the mother church, Wellington St., had been doing for years.

Mr. T. W. Standing, assistant superintendent of the school commended the good work done by Mr. and Mrs. Anderson.

Mr. Anderson gratefully acknowledged the gifts and spoke feelingly of his and Mrs. Anderson's association with the school and church.

Mr. Anderson has been associated with the church for 25 years, and for many years has been secretary of the

Joy Riders In A Close Call

Four miles out, on the back street to Mount Pleasant, at the top of the big hill, two young Hamilton men were thrown fifty feet this morning when the axle on their McLaughlin automobile broke. Both escaped without injury, one wheel of the car going right over a four-foot fence. The young men were endeavoring to make Hamilton within an hour, and the wonder of it is that they did not make it in less time. They telephoned to the city for assistance, and secured a new axle on a radial car from Hamilton this afternoon.

Men's League

A very pleasant and profitable hour was spent on Sunday afternoon in Park Baptist church auditorium. Mr. Roberts rendered a solo, which was enjoyed and Mr. Cornelius presided in his able manner. Leader Mr. Rose gave a very helpful talk on the lesson of the day. There was a good turnout and the attendance is increasing. The Men's League stands for mutual helpfulness, social, temporal, spiritual. Men of the city and strangers are always made welcome and are invited to contribute by word or song or to serve on one of the five committees for helping men.

STILL WILLING TO COMPROMISE

Lord Haldane Speaks on the Big Question of Home Rule.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—Viscount Haldane, the Lord High Chancellor of England, in a speech at Birmingham yesterday, tried to remove the impression left by Premier Asquith's speech at Leeds on the Home Rule dispute, which angered the Unionists by its declaration of uncompromising hostility to the Ulsterite demand for separate treatment.

Viscount Haldane denied that Premier Asquith's attitude was unchangeable, and cited his Ladybank speech as indicating his real attitude toward Ulster. The Lord High Chancellor said the government wants everybody to treat the problem that mood in order to affect a settlement. It wants Bonar Law, the Unionist leader, to talk over the matter in the manner of his better self. It is useless, he said, to bandy words from platform to platform. The Government would gladly discuss the details within the principle of the bill if the responsible party leaders got together to talk dispassionately on the subject. He said they would find a great deal of common ground.

The Right Hon. Herbert I. Samuel, Postmaster-General; Sir John A. Siman, Attorney-General; and the Right Hon. J. A. Pease, President of the

Laid at Rest

Ralph Friend.

The funeral of the late Ralph Wells Friend, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. William W. Friend took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of his parents, Burke Ave. to Greenwood cemetery. The Rev. Mr. Woodside conducted the services. Among the many floral tributes were: "Our Darling," "Our Parents' Wreath," "Baby," Grandma Smith, Aunt Minnie and Aunt Reta; cross, Chinese Bible Class of Zion Church Sunday School; sprays, Grandpa and Grandma; friend, Grandpa Smith, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Friend (Hamilton), Aunt Emily, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wells, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. B. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Spence, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pate, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Okey, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Day, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Graydon and Miss Wells.

A large number of acquaintances sympathize with Mr and Mrs. Friend in their sad bereavement.

No Stoppage

There is no stoppage of the work of building the remaining wall south of Lorne bridge for the Lake Erie & Northern Railway. Secord & Sons, the contractors, have concreting operations in progress.

Prolonged Mild Weather and Finances

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- And here are the values:
- Navy Blue Blanket Cloth, very heavy weight, trimmed with navy velvet convertible collar and velvet pipings, large pockets, with lovely blue buttons to match. Regular \$15. **\$8.50**
 - At \$10.00
 - Brown and Grey Chinchilla, trimmed with fancy leopard plush match coat, large pockets, fancy two-tone buttons to match. Regular \$18.50. **\$10.00**
 - Several Different Styles in Fancy Novelty Coats in reversible tweeds, trimmed with handsome plush collar and cuffs, some with the new peg top back and drop shoulder, in grey, blue and brown. Regular \$25.00. For **\$15.00**
 - Grey, Blue and Brown Convertible Tweed Coats, trimmed with seal plush collar and cuffs fastened with handsome silk ornaments slightly cutaway. Reg. \$20. For **\$13.50**
 - Brown, Grey, Black and Royal Purple Curl Cloth Jackets, made with the peg top back, contrasting velvet collar and cuffs, with fancy pipings and slightly cutaway. Regular \$30.00. For **\$18.50**

The Sweaters Women Fancy Most Particularly

are the heavy "mannish" sort, in colors, such as white, cardinal, scarlet and maroon. Prices \$5.00 to \$9.00. BUT THEY ARE BUYING LOTS OF THESE, TOO Ladies' Spencers, boxed in fancy boxes for useful presents, made from all pure wool in plain and fancy knit, with or without sleeves. Prices from **\$2.25** to **\$1.50**

Children's Golfers, Norfolk style, with roll collar, fancy knit, made from all pure wool. Colors white and saxe. Price **\$2.50**

We are also showing a little girl's Goller, made of brushed wool, plain knit, in a pretty blue and white stripe, red and black, cardinal and white. Prices from **\$1.00** to **\$1.50**

Then we show a Goller for women made of fine worsted yarn, snug fitting, made with high collar. This line comes in all the best colors. Special **\$1.89**

—Goller Section—Annex, Queen and Colborne.

Busy Fingers Are Making Fancy Work For Gifts

Many attractive novelties are here that require but a limited amount of work expended to convert them into the prettiest of gifts. For instance:

- Stamped Towels, full size, hemstitched or scalloped. Each **50c** to **\$1.00**
- Corset Covers, of fine nainsook, some made up **19c** to **\$1.00**
- Night Gowns, of fine French nainsook, **95c** to **\$2.50**
- Waists, of Ratine, Crepe and Lawn, **\$1.00** to **\$2.50**
- Tray Covers, oval or oblong shapes, **25c** to **50c**
- Collars and Cuffs, Ratine and Linen, **35c** to **85c**
- Tea Cosies—Full-over style, **75c**
- Centrepieces—The newest designs in eyelet, solid, punched work, coronation braid work. Very special designs at **19c**
- Pillow Tops—Stamped and tinted, floral and conventional designs. Worth up to **50c**. For **15c**
- Stamped Towels, the greatest size, made of the finest linen, hemstitched or scalloped. Each, **25c** to **50c**
- Pillow Cases, stamped for embroidery. A pair, **75c**

If you would solve the gift-giving problem get one of our Gift Suggestion Folders. They are given with our compliments. —Jewelry Section, Right Main Aisle.

Bring the Children in Tomorrow and Let Them See Santa Claus and Toyland

Santa Claus comes down the chimney right into Toyland at 11 o'clock and 3 o'clock WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY. All the children, accompanied by their mothers, or some other "grown-up" are invited. Plenty of room, good light, fresh air, and courteous salespeople.

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—Toyland, Second Floor.

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- Hors. O'oeuvre, 50c bottle
- Maroons, Glace, 45c tin
- Mushrooms, 35c bottle
- Macaroni and Spaghetti, 15c pkg.
- Large White Asparagus, 35c tin
- Large Green Asparagus, 30c tin
- White Tip Asparagus, 30c tin
- Stuffed Dates and Figs, 50c box
- Stuffed Dates, high boxes, 40c box
- Tomato Catsup, 20c and 35c bottle
- Glace Fruits, 80c jar
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