

REPORT
WORLD'S CROP
of Wheat This
Slightly Below
Average.

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—A cablegram re-
national institute
the following official
section of wheat in
Spain, France, Great
Netherlands, Rumania,
ia, United States,
ia and Tunis is 2-
against 2,238,100,
in 1918, and the
average annual
five years 1913-1917,
of rye in Denmark,
Italy, Netherlands,
and Canada and the
189,104,000 bushels,
in 1918, and a five
150,500,000 bushels,
of barley in Den-
mark, Netherlands,
Rumania, Switzer-
land, United States,
Japan, is 598,000,000 bush-
els in 1918 and a
of 602,000,000.
of oats in the same
year is 2,034,340,000
bushels in 1918 and
a of 2,225,000 bush-
els.

corn in Spain, Italy,
and Canada and the
138,340,000 bushels
in 1918 and a five
195,000,000 bushels,
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For the convenience of the public store
will remain open till 10 p.m. Monday and
Tuesday.

Timely Suggestions
For those who have not yet finished
their Christmas shopping.

SPECIAL DISPLAYS IN
Ladies' Handkerchiefs in plain, H.S.,
Initialed and Embroidered.
Gents' Handkerchiefs in Cord Edge,
Hemstitched and Initialed.
Embroidered Lawn Bedspreads.
Initialed Linen Towels.
Embroidered Guest Towels.
Embroidered Linen Pillow Cases.
Madras Linen Pieces of all kinds.
Real Lace Trimmed Linen Pieces.
Linen Table Cloths and Napkins.
Automobile Rugs.
Jap. Silk Wadded Robes.
Eiderdown Quilts.
Wool Blankets.
Real Hand-knit Shetland Wool
Shawls.
Silk and Wool Hosiery.
Sweater Coats and Wool Spencers.
Taffeta Underskirts.
Silk Waists.
And a host of other useful articles ap-
propriate for Christmas gifts.

MAIL ORDERS PROMPTLY FILLED.

JOHN CATTO & SON
TORONTO

ANGLO-DUTCH PACT SIGNED?

Brussels, Dec. 22.—The Nation Belge
today prints a rumor that a secret
treaty has been signed by Great Bri-
tain and Holland by which the integ-
rity of Dutch territory is guaranteed.

THE WEATHER

Metropolitan Office, Toronto, Dec. 22.
p.m.)—The depression which was off
the coast of Florida last night is moving
slowly up the Atlantic and gradually in-
creasing the weather turning somewhat
colder tonight in the northern portions of
Saskatchewan and Alberta. Elsewhere in
Canada it is fair and relatively mild.
Minimum and maximum temperatures:
Prince Rupert, 16-20; Vancouver, 48-50;
Saskatoon, 10-27; Winnipeg, 15-23;
Perry Sound, 22-32; Toronto, 26-33; Mon-
real, 4-25; St. John, 6-30; Victoria, 41-43;
Kamloops, 38-42; Edmonton, 22-30; Prince
Albert, 4-28; Medicine Hat, 32-40; Moose
Jaw, 17-42; Fort Arthur, 26-40; London,
10-28; Ottawa, 12-28; Quebec, zero-20;
Halifax, 4-34.

Probabilities—
Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Gener-
ally fair, comparatively mild.
Ottawa Valley and Upper and Lower
St. Lawrence—Fair, stationary, or a lit-
tle higher temperature.
Gulf and North Shore—Fair, stationary
or a little higher temperature.
Maritime—Generally fair today with a
slight higher temperature tonight, but likely
to become more unsettled.
Superior—Fair and mild today then a
few light snow falls or flurries and
becoming colder.
Saskatchewan and Manitoba—Becom-
ing colder with some light local snow-
falls or flurries.
Alberta—Mostly fair, colder in northern
port, stationary or lower temperature
elsewhere.

THE BAROMETER.
Time. Ther. Bar. Wind.
8 a.m. 27.29 31 S.W.
Noon. 28.20 30 S.W.
2 p.m. 28.20 29 S.W.
4 p.m. 28.20 29 S.W.
8 p.m. 28.20 29 S.W.
Mean of day, 28.20; difference from aver-
age, 4 above; highest, 33; lowest, 24.

STEAMER ARRIVALS.
Steamer. At. From.
Frederick VIII. New York. Copenhagen
Sweden.
New York. New York. New York
New Toronto. Algoa Bay. Montreal
War Party. Barrow. Quebec
Mattawa. St. John. London

STREET CAR DELAYS
Monday, Dec. 22, 1919.
Yonge cars, northbound, de-
layed 8 minutes at 9.17 p.m.,
at Yonge and Barton streets,
by auto on track.
King cars, both ways, de-
layed 7 minutes at 7.38 a.m.,
at G.T.R. crossing, by train.
King cars, both ways, de-
layed 5 minutes at 7.50 p.m.,
at G.T.R. crossing, by train.
King cars, eastbound, de-
layed 5 minutes at 4.09 p.m.,
at King and Sherbourne
streets, by wagon on track.

RATES FOR NOTICES
Notices of Births, Marriages and
Deaths, not over 50 words \$1.00
Additional words, each line50
No Lodge Notices to be included in
Funeral Announcements.
In Memoriam Notices50
Poetry and quotations up to 4
lines, additional50
For each additional 4 lines or
fraction of 4 lines50
Cards of Thanks (Bereavement) 1.00

DEATHS.
CRACKNELL—On Sunday, December
22, 1919, at her daughter's residence,
73 Merril avenue, Martha Cracknell, in
her sixty-first year.
Funeral Tuesday at 2 p.m. from above
address to St. John's Cemetery for in-
terment.

PINGLE—At Unionville, on Monday, De-
cember 22nd, Alexander Hunter Pingle,
in his seventy-fifth year.
Funeral service on Wednesday morn-
ing at 10 a.m. at St. Philip's Church.
Interment in St. Philip's Cemetery.
Friends and acquaintances kindly
accept this intimation.

STOBO—On Monday, December 22nd, at
her late residence, Kingston road, Scar-
boro, Jane Glendinning, aged 77 years,
relict of the late Isaac Stobo.
Funeral notice later.

Established 1892.
FRED W. MATTHEWS CO.
FUNERAL DIRECTORS
665 SPADINA AVE.
TELEPHONE COLLEGE 791
No connection with any other firm
using the Matthews name.

VETERANS
Items of Interest to Returned Sol-
diers Will Be Printed in This
Column if Phoned or
Sent In.

**\$40,000,000 HAS
MANY APPLICANTS**

Twenty Constables Required
to Handle Throng of Un-
employed Veterans.

Several hundred veterans gathered
at the Ontario Government Em-
ployment Bureau, West King street, yester-
day morning to make application
for a share of the \$40,000,000, which
the government has allocated to the
patriotic fund as a distress fund for
unemployed returned men. So large
was the crowd that 20 constables were
despatched to keep order. The men
were perfectly orderly, however.
Each man filed into the office of
the employment bureau and if there
was no work obtainable for him he
passed on to a representative of the
department of soldiers' civil re-
establishment, where a certificate was
made out, stating that he had no em-
ployment. He then went to the of-
fices of the patriotic fund and received
payment. Single men received \$50 a
month and some married men re-
ceived \$100 a month, according to the
number of children.

**TODMORDEN G.W.V.A.
FORMS AUXILIARY**

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the G. W. V. A.
Todmorden branch, was inaugurated
at a well-attended meeting, held at the
residence of the secretary, A. Crossley,
142 Don Mills road last night. A. T.
Brown, president, occupied the chair.
The following officers were elected:
Mrs. A. Crossley, president; Mrs. W.
Peora, vice-president; Mrs. Dawe, sec-
retary-treasurer; Mrs. Barry, cor-
responding secretary; Mrs. Elise, social
secretary.
Executive committee—Mrs. (Dr.) R. H.
Fleming, Mrs. Peora, Mrs. Rousby, Mrs.
Walters, Miss Barry, Mrs. Barry, Mrs.
Walken, Mrs. Elise and Mrs. Daubett.
Owing to two Christmas tree events
being held in the order, it was de-
cided to hold a Christmas tree on Jan. 5.
It was decided to hold next meeting
at the residence of Mrs. Rousby, 1221
Pape avenue.

ARRANGE FOR CHRISTMAS

Prince of Wales Post, No. 15, G.A.C.,
met in Rose Avenue School last night
and made final arrangements for the
Christmas festivities to be held in
Winchester Hall on Dec. 30.

FOR JEWISH VETERANS.

Macabean Post, G. A. C., will hold a
special meeting in the Zionist Institute,
Beverly and Cecil, at 8 p.m. tonight,
to discuss the gratuity petitions and eastern
funds. All Jewish veterans are specially
invited.

VETERANS TO ISSUE LICENSES.

At the suggestion of the Hon. Col.
Carmichael, Premier Drury has con-
sented to give about 20 per cent. of
the appointments of automobile license
issuers of the province to returned
men for the coming year. At present
there are 57 holders of authority to
issue these licenses and in some cases
they make from \$100 to \$300 a year out
of the appointment.

HOUSING THE HOMELESS.

Secretary P. G. Pratt of the Red
Triangle Club stated that the response
from Toronto citizens in extending in-
vitations to homeless returned men for
the holidays has been excellent.

VOTING OPINION DIVIDED.

Provincial Secretary J. V. Conroy,
G.W.V.A., yesterday denied that he
had stated that the returned men
would support Mayor Church at the
coming elections. Mr. Conroy said
that he had purposely avoided making
any comment on the majority as the
returned men are divided in their
opinions of the candidates.

ORIGINAL'S FUNERAL TODAY

The funeral of C. Rochford, a mem-
ber of the first contingent who died
suddenly on Sunday morning, will take
place this afternoon at 2 o'clock, from
128 Shaw street. The interment will
be at Prospect Cemetery. The de-
ceased was one of the first members
of the Originals' Club, and it is ex-
pected that many members will pay their
last respects to their comrade-in-
arms at the graveside.

**NURSES BADLY NEEDED,
SAYS DR. HASTINGS**

Dr. Hastings, M.O.H., is sending out an
appeal for nurses in the homes of the
city, and requests all graduate nurses to
offer themselves for the holiday season
in the public interest. The health de-
partment also asks all physicians and
others to release graduate nurses from
the less serious cases wherever possible.
It is understood that this action is being
taken because of the smallpox epidemic.
This is, however, no indication of any in-
crease in the epidemic, as all figures for
the past few days point to a steady de-
crease in the number of cases.

**ROTARY CLUB REJOICES
CHILDREN**

A charming Christmas entertain-
ment was provided by the Rotary
Club to 100 boys and girls at the
King Edward Hotel last evening.
After the festive meal, the boys and
girls sat down to a glorious Christmas
dinner, at which members of the club acted as waiters.
When the children were full of
good things as each was capable of
comfortably containing, they spent a
merry hour watching Mr. Punch
knock Mrs. Punch about until he fell
into the hands of the hangman and
died paid for his sins. Then home
with glad thoughts and a bag contain-
ing a sweater coat, cap, scarf, gloves,
mitts, toys, crackers, fruit and candy
to show mother.

ORGANIZATION PROCEEDING.

Bank clerks held another largely at-
tended organization meeting at the Labor
Temple last night, with excellent results.
Harper, customs broker, 39 West Wel-
lington street, corner Bay, Adelaide 4982.

HYDRO Power Shortage

The capacity of the generating plants at Niagara Falls,
available to the Commission for supplying the power and
lighting demands in the Niagara district, has reached its
limit, which has necessitated the Commission limiting the
amounts of power that can be supplied to the Municipali-
ties in the Niagara district.

The power shortage during the winter months is greatly
increased by the overlapping of lighting and power loads,
by the extensive use of electric heaters, and also at times on
account of the blocking by ice of the water supply to the
generating plants.

The Commission are asking the co-operation of every
Hydro user, whether domestic or industrial, to assist them
in conserving power and light in every possible way in
order that an uninterrupted service may be maintained,
until a further supply of power is obtained for this system.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER COMMISSION OF ONTARIO

MOONLIGHT AND MONEY
BY MARION RUBINCAM

A PEACEFUL INTERLUDE.
CHAPTER 68.
Spring came slowly that year;
March was alternately sultry and
stormy; April was unusually chill, and
it was not until May that the weather
settled down into a steadily growing
warmth and brightness. From the very
first day of the month, however, it
was ideal; Louise began to fret at
her enforced inactivity.

"But we'll be able to go off
on some long Sunday walks again,"
Harry tried to console her one evening.
"Not for two months at least,"
Louise answered gloomily. "And I
hate the house."

"Go out and walk a bit," Harry
insisted. "It isn't far to the park."
"I don't want to," was the answer
to that.

"My dear, we'll have your mother's
car overhauled and you can go out in
that every day," Mr. Driscoll suggested.
The three had finished dinner and
were sitting in the study, whose open win-
dow let in a warm breeze from the
large shed behind the house. The
Driscolls had one of the "brown stone
fronts" in a district that had so far
held out against the apartment house
building. It was old-fashioned and
comfortable and boasted that rarity in
New York—a back yard. When Mr.
Driscoll had done over the place years
ago, he had ripped up the bricks and
put in grass and shrubbery, so it
was rather a pleasant bit of green to
look at thru the windows.

"Of course, the car," Louise ex-
claimed. "But I thought mother had
sold it. She spoke of doing it several
times."

"She probably would have done so
had she lived," Mr. Driscoll answered.
"The car was stored for the winter,
you see, I forgot all about it."
So Louise got out every day after
that and was much happier as a result.

"The best thing in the world for
you," Dr. Drake approved on one of
his periodical visits to her.
"Tucked in among the cushions where
she could see without being prominent
herself, she drove thru the parks and

along the smooth avenues during the
early afternoons before the traffic be-
came heavy. Sometimes with her
father, often with Carol or some of
the other girls of the old crowd she
had played with, she spent many de-
lightful hours. Sometimes she took
runs out into the country, glad of the
contrast of green trees and rolling
hills and broad spaces after the mon-
otony of the city streets.

And always she ended her drive at
five o'clock before the building in
which Harry had his tiny office. In
a few minutes he came out, and they
drove home together.

"This is the nicest part of the day,"
Louise told him one afternoon as they
made their way thru the congested
traffic of the downtown streets.

"It's very delightful and very lux-
urious to be met by my wife and a
big car and sail home like this,"
Harry grinned cheerfully. "That chap
I came out with may have a small
job of remodeling for me to handle—
wants a porch rebuilt on his house.
He'll think I'm highly prosperous hav-
ing seen you and this," he waved a
hand to indicate the beautifully ap-
pointed house and the chauffeur.

"He doesn't know it isn't my money,"
he added gloomily a moment later.
As far as my income goes, I've hardly
enough to afford railway rides."

"But you've had some commissions,"
Louise said, anxious to defend him
against himself.

"Also I've had rent and office
equipment to pay and bill collectors
at the rate of four every day."

Louise looked thoughtful for a mo-
ment. Bills and household bills, she thought.
Would they never be at the place
where the need of money was not a
haunting dream?

"She turned her hand over Harry's and
patted it.
"Never mind now," she said. "We're
beautifully comfortable with father,
enough to afford matter whether we've
any money of our own or not, right now."

"I hate to live off anybody,"
Harry began. He had been working
hard and was a trifle nervous.
"Never mind now," Louise repeated.
"I'm beautifully peaceful and con-
tented and I don't want to spoil it!"

Tomorrow—Expectation.

**Kitchener Man Fined \$1000;
Had Load of Whiskey on Truck**
Kitchener, Ont., Dec. 22.—(Special).
Thomas Thompson was fined \$1000
in police court here this morning
when found guilty of having a load
of whiskey on his truck. His truck
was followed by Sgt. Grazer, of
the local police, in the police car. As
soon as the man saw the game was up he
stopped. The booze was confiscated.

U. S. GOLD FOR ARGENTINE.
New York, Dec. 22.—Gold coin to
the amount of \$2,750,000 was with-
drawn from the sub-treasury today for
shipment to Argentina for the purpose
of stabilizing exchange. This follows
a shipment of \$10,000,000 sent to the
southern republic on Dec. 5, for a
similar purpose.

The state council of Lithuania com-
prises forty members, as follows:
Thirty Lithuanians, seven White Ru-
thensians and three Jews.

Christmas Decorations
Christmas Trees . . . \$1.00 to \$3.00
Holly, 40c per lb.; 3 lbs. . . \$1.10
Mistletoe, per lb. 60c
Holly Wreaths 35c to \$2.00
Moss Wreaths \$1.00 to \$2.00
Magnolia Wreaths . . . \$2.00 to \$5.00
Fris Wreaths \$1.00 to \$2.00
Xmas Roping, Cedar Wreathing,
Polynesian, Immortelles, etc.
FREE CITY DELIVERY
J. A. SIMMERS, Limited
141-151 King St. East Phone Main 2492
Store Open Until 10 o'Clock Christmas Eve.

Amusements.
WHAT? YES!!
"BLIND HUSBANDS"
ASK YOUR WIFE.

ALLEN NOW PLAYING
MABEL NORMAND
IN
"THE JINX"
ALSO
WILL ROGERS
IN
"JUBILO"

STRAND
TO-DAY
Paramount-Artcraft Presents
BRYANT WASHBURN
in the rollicking comedy
"IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE"
Commencing 12, 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10.

Alhambra
BLOOD AT BATHURST
PEGGY HYLAND
in "MERRY-GO-ROUND."
Special Xmas Mat.—"JACK AND THE
BEANSTALK."

MADISON
BLOOD AT BATHURST
SUSIE HAYAKAWA
in "THE DRAGON PAINTER."

VACCINATION
If you oppose compulsory
vaccination and know of
bad results following same,
please write the
Anti-Compulsory Vaccination League
(new address) 1 Elm St., Toronto.

VOTE FOR
John W. Huggins
(Carriage Agent).
AS ALDERMAN FOR WARD 5

ants individually as between solicitor
and client, and judgment for plaintiffs
for balance of \$200,000 paid with in-
terest.
Before Masten, J.
Grodwards Company v. Kirkland
Lake Gold Mining Company—Allan-
for plaintiff, D. I. Grant, for defend-
ant. Action to recover \$3182.12 alleged
due for a machine known as a No. 2
Tellsmith Masher. Judgment as asked,
with costs. Counter claim dis-
missed.

**LIQUOR SITUATION
IS GREATLY CHANGED**
(Continued From Page 1.)
April 1, 1918. The rush to get liquor
previous to that date was tremendous,
but it is believed that, while the
orders already received are huge, there
will not be such a demand now from On-
tario as previous to Jan. 1, 1918, because
of the fact that the time was limited
then, whereas at the end of this year they
can buy from Montreal for an indefinite
and perhaps perpetual period. It is true
that under the legislation passed by the
federal parliament last session a maxi-
mum is provided whereby a province can ap-
peal to Ottawa for a referendum in the
province to prevent inter-provincial traf-
fic, viz., the shipment of liquor into its
boundaries, but this is considered to be
a cumbersome legislation, and would prob-
ably take a year before the matter could
be arranged.

LAW MAY NOT STAND.
Even if the provisions of the law were
carried out, and the people of, say, On-
tario, in a referendum voted that liquor
should not be shipped into their pro-
vince, it is considered by legal talent,
which has been consulted in advance,
that such a law would not stand the
test of the courts because of the fact
that the British North America act pro-
vides for free interchange of commodi-
ties between provinces without restric-
tion, and legislation prohibiting inter-
provincial trade would be ultra vires. It
is pointed out that if Ontario can
quit the importation of liquor from
Quebec, why not look for an indefinite
period, or anything else? Unquestionably
an appeal would be taken as far as the
privy council in such a case, but this is
an eventuality which the liquor men
and lawyers look on as being in the dis-
tant and somewhat vague future.
As far as the province of Quebec is
concerned the situation also changes in
practice. A man will now be able to
buy liquor here to ship to a friend in
Montreal, quite a legal transaction, but
whether such liquor arrives in Toronto or
is kept by the individual purchasing it is
quite another matter, and when liquor
can be got in that way why worry about
a medical certificate? This province is
always looked upon as more liberal in
sentiment in regard to liquor than other
provinces, and if the people here had
to get a medical certificate for each bot-
tle and the people of Ontario were able
to get a case by merely writing to Mon-
treal for it and without even being sick
the Quebecer who wants a drink is in a
worse situation than his brother in On-
tario.

On the seventieth anniversary of the
death of Chopin, a simple ceremony
took place in the Square d'Orleans,
Paris, under the auspices of the Chopin
Society, when a marble tablet was
placed on the wall of No. 8, the house
in which the musical composer occu-
pied two rooms on the ground floor
from 1842 to 1849, and for which he
paid the moderate rental of \$120 a
year.

ARENA
HOCKEY TONIGHT
GRANITES vs. DENTALS

**STEPS TO SUPPRESS
WHISKEY SMUGGLING**
Burlington, Vt., Dec. 22.—Action
looking toward the suppression of the
smuggling of liquor in large quanti-
ties from Canada across the border
into Vermont was promised by Federal
District Attorney Vernon A. Bullard
tonight. He announced that he would
soon call a standing grand jury, which
would be ready at all times to take up
cases of this nature. He said that the
increasing frequency of liquor smug-
gling necessitated drastic action, and
that he would insist on maximum jail
sentences for those convicted.

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