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Christmas merriment and the spirit of goodwill pervaded the dining hall of the W. O. M. H. at noon today when the ceremonial Christmas dinner was provided and thoroughly enjoyed by the staff and patients of the hospital.

dicated that in the words of one of the guests "there's not a down-hearted cuss here."
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Christmas dinners in the course of a

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TIMBER READY FOR

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London, Dec. 23.—The troops of Gen. Petlura, anti-Bolshevik commander in the Ukraine, have been surrounded by

the Ukraine, have been surrounded by soviet forces in the vicinity of Berditchev, in the province of Kiev, 24 miles south of Zhitomir, according to a wireless dispatch from Moscow, received here today.

tributing gifts of autographed phot

HALIFAX, Dec. 22 .- The schoone St. Clair Theirault arrived at Yarmouth

OF GALES FOR MONTH

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REMOVAL OF TRAINS ON FRENCH ROADS TO SAVE COAL PROVES FAILURE

Paris, Dec. 23.—Suppression of trains on French railroads for the purposes of IN FRANCE WILL RESUME according to newspapers, which say the amount of coal saved was insignifi-cant and the theory that the plan would permit increased freight service was ound untrue. It is expected a general



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protest will be raised against the sup-pression of traffic, but the plan has real-ly been put into effect only on state lines, important companies not having

OPERATIONS SHORTLY

Chauny, France, Dec. 23.-The historic mirror factory, established here

TEN OR TEN.—Three drunks were Many Nominees Have Served two years ago it shows an appreciaven the "ten or ten" option when nvicted in police court today. On Various Bodies.

sneak thieves are again at work. On Sunday night the residence of Mrs. Cooper, 411 King street, was entered by the vestibule door and two overcoats were stolen from the hallrack.

WARSHIP AIDS IN PUTTING

Barbadoes, Dec. 23.—The British steamer Hydahphes.4,611 tons.from New York to Montevideo and Buenos Ayres, arrived here Saturday on fire and the arrived here Saturday on fire and the arrived here saturday on fire and the steamer hydahphes.4,611 tons.from New York to Montevideo and Buenos Ayres, arrived here Saturday on fire and the base of the housing commission during the past two years, and Rudolph Hessel, another nominee, has been a member of the housing commission during the past

London, Dec. 14.—M. Tchitcherin, Russian Bolsheviki minister of foreign affairs, on December 22 addressed an offer to the Polish Government to begin immediate negotiations to conclude peace, according to a wireless dispatch peace, according to a wireless dispatch received here from Moscow. The Polish Government was requested to indicate the time and place it would like the negotiations to open.

CONSTIPATION.

in some persons becomes a habit by carelessness and by suffering the bowels to remain in this state for several days without an operation, and thereby is the cause of other affections, such as colic, dyspepsia, etc. It is, therefore, of the utmost importance to attend to this matter importance to attend to this matter strictly, as a neglect of the daily evacuations from carelessness, or want of proper exercise, will sooner or later produce a diseased state of the system.
Fig-Lax. The Tonic Laxative, conquers constipation; 25 cents at all dealers.
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Amerongen. Dec. 23.—Former Crown Prince Frederick William is coming to Amerongen to spend Christmas. He will leave his home on the Island of Wieringen Christmas Eve. Interested Dutch circles consider this visit evidence of a reconciliation between the former emperor and his good. Christmas mas tree for the erstwhile monarch was purchased last week, and many ifts for the exiles have arrived from ermany. Frederick William on Saturay gave a Christras tree party at Vieringen for 30 German children, discounter that the same of the same Roberts 35 t Cod Liver Oil & Tar

le a scientific remedy in which the powerful curative properties of Cod Liver Oil and Tar are combined. The nauseous effect of the oil having been cemoved, the extractive principles remain to build up wasted strength and remove the irriation set up by Conghs, Colds, Bronch tis and other affections of the respiratory organs. Try it, for it

st. Clair Theirault arrived at Yarmouth early this afternoon in tow of the government steamer Aberdeen. The Theirault, a British schooner of 340 tons, has been at the mercy of a succession of gales raging off the Canadian coast for nearly a month. Her arrival at Yarmouth today brings to a close a voyage of unprecedented hardship. does stop coughs

W. O. M. H. PATIENTS N. MIDDLESEX MEMBER THOROUGHLY ENJOY CHRISTMAS DINNER Tables Laden With Best of

the staff and patients of the hospital. So abundant and varied was the spread that some of the guests aver that the tables literally groaned beneath the load, at least they are prepared to swear that some of their comrades did "after the feast was over." The dining hall had been appropriately decorated with Christmas tumings and mottoes and the scene when all the guests were seated was one of jollity and animation, while for the space of over half an hour the musical rattle of knives and forks indicated that in the words of one of Middlesex, was born in the township of West Williams in 1868. He is of Irish West Williams in 1868. He is of Irish parentage, his father having come to America about 65 years ago, and settled on lot 3, concession 21, West Williams, when the farm was practically all bush. The present member attended school in Section No. 13, West Williams. He engages in mixed farming on 100 acres in that township. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

BANK OF COMMERCE STRONG POSITION

same spokesman. "Aren't we all going home for the Christmas holidays. I'll be getting another Christmas dinner in a day or two amongst those at home. I've got no kick coming. It isn't everybody gets the chance of two Christmas dinner in a day or two amongst those at home. I've got no kick coming. It Assets Increase Nearly Forty Millions.

> Increase in Deposits Indicates the Prosperity of the Country.

week."

During the dinner Brig.-Gen, H. A. Panet, C.M.G., D.S.O, G.O.C., M. D. No. 1, and his staff paid a visit to the dining hall accompanied by Major McDermid, O.C., of the hospital. Gen. Panet, who was warmly greeted by the guests. spoke briefly expressing the hope that each man would have a very happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. A great many striking things are to be observed in the statement of the Canadian Bank of Commerce for the fiscal year ending November last. And the pleasing part about them is that in their sum total they are of a character that indicates prosperity for the country as well as for the bank. One of the particular items in the tatement which indicates prosperity for the country is the bank's deposit This in the aggregate amounted to \$393,605,156, an increase over the preceding year of no less than \$40,446,339, while compared with tion of \$117,179,502. But besides being an evidence of the country's prosperity it may also be taken as an indication Timber for the city's 1920 governing boards is proving exceptionally extent it did during the year under review, the public still reposes a high

Chulty, France Dec 2.—The his tote mirery, established here to be a proper factory, and the same than the part of the part of the war to 2,000 employees, will established the corresponding to a proper factory was established at Chauny, and this sale is being rounded at the part of the proper factory was established at Chauny, and this sale is being rounded at the part of the proper factory was established at Chauny, and this sale is being rounded to per page for the proper factory was established at Chauny, and this sale is being rounded to per page far proper for the proper factory was established at Chauny, and this sale is being rounded to be in the proper factory was established at Chauny, and this sale is being rounded to be in the page for the

The net profits of the Bank of Commerce are noteworthy, and that which makes them so is the fact that they exceed anything in the history of the bank, amounting as they do to \$3,674,-892, a gain of \$224,574 for the year. The percentage of profits to total assets is .64 per cent.

Twelve Per cent in Dividends.
Dividend payments at the rate of twelve per cent accounted for the disposal of \$1,800,000 cf the net profits, while in order to adjust investments on British and foreign securities held the sum of \$750,000 was set aside.

The amount written off bank premises was \$250,000, a further evidence of the conservative policy of the bank in estimating the value of its assets. cil in past years have again been is nominated. They are ex-Ald. P. J. Watt, ex-Controller G. E. Rose, ex-Ald. C. W. Summers and ex-Ald. H. A. Win. tw amount written of bank premount of the connection during the pass.

The vessel had been after since December 15, it was reported.

The Hydahphes sailed from New York on November 22 for Havana, leaving that port on December 7 for South America. She was built at Newcastle, England, in 1899, and was formerly known as the Manchester Port.

BOLSHEVIKI OFFER TO OPEN NEGOTIATIONS WITH POLISH GOVT.

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People have shown good judgment this year by buying early in December, but they can still help the merchants and clerks by shopping in the mornings. Rush shopping is poor policy, and in the crowds you get poor service. Drygoods stores, hardware and jewelers are all busy. John A. Nash, My Jeweler, is packed to the doors. Please give him a chance to give you that usual good service. He sells that better class of jewelry, and his store is 206 Dundes street, "where you will eventually buy."

Could Not Sleep Eruption Itched and Burned So.

"I noticed a little pimple on my baby's face. I thought it was from the oun but it kept getting worse and the skin was red and very hot. He could not sleep or rest the eruption itched and burned so, and it cau him to scratch. I was quite dis-

couraged.
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ASSAULT ON YOUNG

Duncan McIntyre Fined by the Police Magistrate.

Grabbing Margaret Gardener by the throat and throwing her against the wall at her place of residence, 21 Bathurst street, on Friday night, cost Duncan McIntyre \$5 and costs in police court this morning.

Mrs. Wetherell, who is the house-Mrs. Wethereil, who is the house-holder at 21 Bathurst street, went out to a dance with her daughter on Friday. When they returned, Mcintyre, who has been living with them for the past eight years, scokied them for going out. During the altercation he called them a number of vile names. . Thomas Noonan was summoned P. C. Thomas Noonan was summoned by Miss Gardener, who had lived at the house for the past three months. Quiet and order reigned while the policeman was present, but within fifteen minutes of the time of his leaving, Mcintyre committed the assault. The police re-turned and placed the offender under ar-rest.

seems that McIntyre had a wife and family in Weaford, but disagreed with them. Mrs. Wetherell had a hus-band, but came to London without him. TWELVE KILLED IN COLLISION. Paris, Dec. 23.—Twelve persons were killed and 26 injured when two trains on the Lille-Paris line collided near the Douai station this morning.

D'ANNUNZIO LEAVES FIUME. Rome, Dec. 23.—Captain Gabriele d'Annunzio boarded the steams by Pannonia when he left Fiume, according to newspaper reports.

HIGH COURT JUSTICE WOMAN COSTS \$5 RESERVES JUDGMENT IN SMALLPOX CASE

Application To Enforce Vaccination in Toronto Is Heard.

Toronto, Dec. 23.-C. M. Colquhuon, appearing for the city of Toronto, to oppose the application by the provincial alleged officers under the mup. board of health for a mandamus requiring the city to effectively enforce a general vaccination order, remarked that he appeared for the city only; the council against whom the board is also moving had not been served with notice of the city only; the council against whom the board is also moving had not been served with notice of the city of the council against whom the board is also moving had not been served with notice of the city of the city solicitor advised to council against whom the board is alleged officers under the muple; elections act at the recent civic elections. The city solicitor advised to council against whom the board is alleged officers under the muple; elections act at the recent civic elections.

had been sued in one instance by the city of Ottawa and if it could be sued, he argued, it could also sue.

Mr. Justice Sutherland, before whom the motion was made, reserved judgment on the preliminary objection and proceeded to hear the arguments on the merits of the application. "I am not" he said, "going into the merits or demerits of vaccination and antivaccination. I assume that the Legislature looked into the question and came to the conclusion that where smallpox existed general vaccination should be ordered. As I view it, subject to what may be said on the other side, affidavits showing that 1.000 cases of smallpox have existed since September would bring this within the

Scope of the act."

His lordship warned Mr. Mowat that it was not necessary for him to make an elaborate argument. Mr. Mowat declared that whether the council had blundered into its present position of not, the denial showed that its attitude was a transcent procession of the present position of the present p was at present contumacious.

"At this time, when seeking reelection," said Mr. Mowat, "they are
very prone to resent what they think
is unpopular."

ALLEGED IRREGULARITIE IN WINNIPEG ELECTION WILL BE INVESTIGATED

ast night decided to place in the ha of the public prosecutor the list names sent in by the labor part also moving had not been served with notice of the motion. He took the preliminary objection that the board was not a corporation, person or corporate entity and had no status to bring the motion.

H. M. Mowat for the provincial board songht to show that the board of health had been sued in one instance by the city of Ottawa and if it could be sued, he argued, it could also sue.

Mr. Justice Sutherland, before whom the motion was made reserved today.

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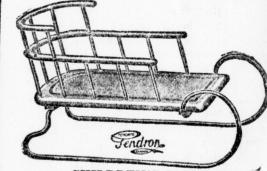
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