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NORTH TORONTO, Dec. 23.—(Special).—A meeting of the executive of the North Toronto Hockey Club was held Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. Tomlinson, Yonge-street, at which all arrangements were made for the opening of their new rink on Dec. 24.

It was decided to engage a band for at least three nights a week, and those nights to charge an admission fee of 15c for gentlemen, 10c for ladies and children, other evenings 10c for all.

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All those desirous of becoming members of the hockey team are requested to secure their tickets and attend practice at once. No admission will be charged until the opening of rink.

There will be holy communion and service at St. Cuthbert's Mission (Leaside), on Saturday, Christmas Day.

The action of ex-Mayor John Fisher and J. W. Brownlow, in moving and seconding that some substantial recognition be made the widow and family of the late Commissioner, James Walmsley at the nomination proceedings on Wednesday night, was a graceful and well timed tribute. Equally commendable was the unanimous expression of approval evinced by the big meeting. The late James Walmsley was a faithful public servant, actuated by high motives, and the recognition of his splendid services, even now will be a source of satisfaction to the bereaved members of the family.

A singular feature of last night's meeting was the apparent apathy with which any reference to the question of Sunday cars was greeted. If the demand for the submission of the plebiscite vote is as pronounced as suggested, the friends of the measure are singularly reticent regarding its exploitation.

H. J. Rankin, aged 16, of Roslin-avenue, Bedford Park, was arrested today by Constable Collins for the theft of a 32 calibre rifle and a lantern from a tool house at York Mills. He was brought before the magistrate and remanded to Jan. 3.

A clear cut instance of the happy-go-lucky manner in which the Metropolitan Railway is managed and the inconvenience resulting to passengers was furnished this afternoon.

The southbound Glen Grove car due to leave the C. P. R. crossing at 2.30 was a few minutes late in arriving, and a Newmarket car pulled out just as the former was seen coming down the Gallow's Hill. At the foot of the hill an accident was narrowly averted, and after both of the cars had been brought to a standstill, a long altercation took place between the two crews, relative to the right of way. Finally the southbound car went back to the Deer Park switch, delaying all concerned and causing the loss of about 15 minutes.

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YORK TOWNSHIP.

Small Attendance and No Excitement at the Nominations.

Either matters municipal have lost their charm for the sturdy yeomanry of York Township or the regime of Reeve Henry and the members of his council has disarmed all hostility, but whatever the cause yesterday's nomination proceedings at Eglinton town hall failed to evoke even a ripple of excitement. Less than three dozen ratepayers were present, and ex-councillor J. W. Jackson had no trouble in maintaining order. Only one councillor, Third Deputy-Reeve Nelson, will face a contest. The nominations were: For reeve, George W. Henry (accl.); first deputy, John T. Watson (accl.); second deputy, Robert Barker (accl.); third deputy, Jeremiah Nelson and George Syme, Jun., and for councillor, Thomas Griffith (accl.)

Reeve Henry reviewed in detail the work of the year, and all the candidates spoke briefly. The contest for third-deputy promises to be a keen one.

ETOBICOKE.

At the request of a large number of the ratepayers of the township of Etobicoke, ex-Reeve John Gardhouse has decided to re-enter the field as a candidate for that position. Mr. Gardhouse is a large taxpayer in the township, and has had a wide municipal experience, altho comparatively young in years, and is personally well liked by his brother farmers. Nomination takes place on Monday.

DIED FROM EXPOSURE

Body Was Found In One of the City's Lowest Dives.

Pneumonia, due to exposure, was the cause of the death of Mary Clark, found dead in the office of George Large, 127 East Queen-street, Sunday last, according to evidence given by Dr. A. J. Johnson at the morgue last night. Dr. G. G. Rowe was the coroner.

Constable Harris (157), said the place was one of the lowest dens in the city and was inhabitated by thieves and prostitutes.

Alfred Large was evasive in his answers and was threatened with punishment for contempt.

Maggie Rutlege, 15 Sydenham-street, called as a witness, said she was in jail Saturday and Sunday.

The medical health officer will be asked to enquire into the sanitary arrangements of the building, and the chief of the fire department will see whether or not the place is a fire-trap. The inquest was adjourned until Tuesday, December 27.

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IN SOCIETY.

Mrs. James A. Robertson and her grandson, Hudson McCarthy, of Vancouver, and Master Jack Moore are spending a month with Mr. and Mrs. J. Cameron of 138 Palmerston-avenue.

Lady Whitney will spend Christmas with Mrs. Thompson at Gravenhurst.

Dr. Carlton Monk, R.M.C., and Mr. Gordon Mortimer (California), R.M.C., are the guests of Mrs. Monk.

Col. and Mrs. J. Lyons Biggar and their family will spend Christmas in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Lockhart Gordon and their children will spend Christmas in Ottawa with Mr. Justice and Mrs. Cassels.

Mrs. Arthur W. Draper of Detroit and her sister, Miss Priscilla Mills, sail Jan. 29 for the Mediterranean, and intend to remain some months in London, England.

Mrs. Percy Rutherford went to Montreal to visit her daughter, Miss Marie Rutherford, who is at Macdonald College, and was the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Robert Brownlee, Sherbrooke-street.

Mr. D. Macdonald and Miss Evelyn H. Macdonald of Goderich are at the King Edward Hotel.

Mrs. John Taylor of Florsheim and family are spending the Christmas season at Highland Inn, Algonquin Park.

Mrs. Arthur B. Rankin of Chicago has arrived in town to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. B. H. Bennett of South Parkdale. Dr. Rankin will join his wife later in the week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Anderson of 145 Spadina-road with their nurse and two children have gone to London, Ont., to spend Xmas with relatives there.

THE MESSIAH.

Handel considered himself as appealing less to musicians than to mankind thru a medium which was part and parcel of his nature. This appears from his reply to Lord Kinnoul, who had complimented him, soon after the first performance of the Messiah, on the noble entertainment he had just given the town. "My lord," said Handel, "I should be sorry if I only entertained them; I wish to make them better." But it appears even more clearly from the evidence afforded by his works, as we proceed to instance in the case of the "Hallelujah Chorus." When the audience have been wrought into a state of excitement by this jubilant outbreak, it is suddenly arrested that they may hear the reason for it, and feel the solemnity of it: "For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth." This forms a new musical subject, given in unisons and octaves. So startling is the effect that (we are told on Lord Kinnoul's authority) at the first performance of the Messiah, the king, who happened to be present, and the whole company rose as one man and remained standing until the end of the chorus. The Hallelujah then returns, accompanied, however, with drums and trumpets in addition to the strings, and invested by the chastened feeling of the audience. Next a picture of this beneficent reign is a strain of heavenly sweetness. The turbulent rule of the Prince of the Air has been overthrown and "the kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ." Mr. E. C. Towne of New York has been engaged to take the tenor parts and Mr. Frank Croxton the bass. The Daily Republican Register says of Mr. Towne: "The singing of Mr. Towne was really admirable. 'Thou shalt break them' showed how much art could be embodied in that splendid number, and his 'Behold and See' was rendered with fine feeling." And The Boston Globe, speaking of Mr. Croxton, says: "Mr. Croxton sings the music of the Messiah well. He displayed a beautiful voice of great depth and resonance." Under the direction of Dr. F. H. Torrington the Yuletide performance of the Messiah will be given at Massey Hall on Dec. 30 by the Toronto Festival Chorus, the West Toronto Chorus and the Toronto Orchestra. The plan of reserved seats will be open at the hall on Monday, Dec. 27.

"The Best Seller."

There is great rivalry among the book publishers to produce what is known as the "best seller"—the volume most sought in the shop and at the public library. In their productions they have to reckon seriously with the Bible. The Holy Bible stands supreme as the "best seller." Statistics from an article in Munsey's for Christmas leave very little doubt as to the good book being the world's "best seller." Thus it appears that "each year there are printed 17,000,000 Protestant Bibles, Testaments and portions"—such as the psalms or the separate gospels—in more than 500 languages or dialects. Of these Bibles 10,000,000 are published by Bible societies, are sold far below cost, and return no financial profit to anybody. The remaining 7,000,000 are printed commercially and yield a handsome profit to the publishers. Of the 10,000,000 Bibles and parts of Bibles printed and distributed by charity, almost 2,000,000 are issued by the American Bible Society, and over 7,000,000 more by similar organizations in Great Britain."—New Haven Leader.

Sweet Peas in Pots.

When sweet pea seeds are sown in pots instead of in the open ground it is even easier to give them protection against birds, slugs and other adversaries. The pots can be placed along the foot of a wall, which will give much shelter, or they may be moved into a cold frame covered with wire netting fine enough to exclude birds. Sometimes one meets with growers who report they have tried to raise sweet peas sown in autumn and wintered under glass, but have not been successful. The explanation is they have killed their seedlings with kindness. Sweet peas sternly resent coddling, however well meant. They are botanically related to tares, if not directly descended from them.—Exchange.

The Stage for Ferrer's Daughter.

From The New York Tribune.

Paz Ferrer, the daughter of the recently executed Spanish agitator, whose violent arraignment of the Clerical party made her a conspicuous figure shortly after the death of her father, is credited with having much histrionic ability. She is said to be hard at work now, under the guidance of good teachers, who hope to see her make her entrance on the stage within a few weeks.

Benefit Concert.

A benefit concert was given in Labor Temple last evening for the Cloak-Makers' Union. There was a large audience. Louis Rottenberg, a young violinist, gave a splendid rendering of Wierawski's "Negenda." He was accompanied by Miss Steinberg.

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LLOYD GEORGE AND PEERS GIVE AND TAKE ABUSE

"Miserable Little Englander" One Description of Chancellor, Who Goes After 4 Proconsuls.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)—A number of the peers spoke at various meetings last night. Following are extracts from some of the speeches:

Lord Savile: "What was Lloyd-George doing while a number of the peers were gallantly fighting for Queen and country and England was mourning the loss of so many brave sons in Africa? He was sitting comfortably in the commons, cheering at the top of his voice at the news of each fresh disaster to the British forces. This is the man, this miserable Little Englander, this enemy of king and country, who now seeks to destroy the lords, who considers no device too mean or low to attain this end."

Lord Linlithgow: "The land in Britain is owned by far too few people, but what is there in the budget calculated to help make easier the transfer of land? Absolutely nothing. The government simply says, 'Give us a share of the plunder; mum's the word.'" (Laughter.)

The Duke of Norfolk: "If England wishes to have a reformed chamber, the house of lords will yield and bring itself into line with the very natural feeling."

Lord Tennyson: "If the people decide for the budget, God help England."

Joseph Chamberlain writes in a letter: "We have great odds against us. All the cranks in the country have put their heads together and are going to oppose us at the next election. But our people are very sensible people; I trust them not to be afraid of these odds. I am sure in the course of time that common sense will win."

Dr. Macnamara: "In April, 1912, we should have 20 Dreadnoughts. The next great naval power would have 13. These, together with our pre-Dreadnought ships, ought to leave no doubt in the mind of anybody that the present government has made national safety amply secure."

F. E. Smith said that during their four years of office the Liberals had done absolutely nothing to solve the unemployed problem, yet they were now asking for a fresh lease of power to deal with such abortive questions as reforming the house of lords.

Calls it Humbug.

The Irish Catholic, a Dublin publication, says editorially: "The intelligence of the Irish Nationalists must have fallen to a very low level indeed if, in either this country or Great Britain, any considerable number of them are found gullible eoough to vote for Liberal, Radical or Socialist candidates at the general election on the strength of Mr. Asquith's belated profession, sympathy for home rule. In our judgment the whole thing is simply a humbug, but a humbug of the kind which may prove exceedingly mischievous. If the foolish advice offered to our exiles in Great Britain is anything like that generally acted upon, those Catholics who accept it will be guilty of crime betraying the cause of religious schools which are the only safeguards of the faith of our little ones."

The Radical Campaign.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—(Montreal Star Cable.)—Radicals, like Unionists, are taking nothing for granted in the fight. On Monday the Free Trade Union, using for the purpose the $50,000 gift to Mr. Churchill of a wealthy Dundee free trade manufacturer, are opening fifty campaign offices at various industrial centres, from which 800 speakers will be directed. Millions of cartoons and leaflets will be distributed. By reading some of these publications and listening to radical questions at meetings, ignorant electors may be persuaded that the protectionist United States is in deep depression, with thousands of workingmen at each centre searching vainly for work and food, that Germans are driven by the tyranny of tariffs to eat horseflesh and to lead miserable, downtrodden lives. Traces are also found of astonishing assertions that Canadians, because of the tariff, have to pay tenpence for a four-pound loaf, which only costs five to six pence in England, while the Canadian people are only waiting for a chance to throw over that protection which has greatly increased the burdens of the wage earners and covers their public life with corruption.

Mr. Balfour is still ill with pulmonary catarrh at Whittinghame. The doctors forbid his leaving the house for some while. Thus the Unionist attack is left for the present almost entirely to the peers, who are greatly handicapped by the allegations of self-interest and want of experience in electioneering. Joseph Chamberlain's part in the campaign is confined to short letters to candidates dictated to his wife or secretary.

Lloyd-George is Fierce.

In his Welsh campaign Lloyd-George is turning from the dukes, whom he believes he has utterly smashed, to what have been called "prancing proconsuls of Unionism." The following is an incident of his Llangelly speech yesterday: "We have four noble lords traveling the country. Milner, you know him, evidently we are still paying his debts. (Laughter.) Until they are all paid it would be better for him if he stayed at home. Then there is Cawdor, who has a special claim to speak his mind to the people, having been rejected twice by constituencies that knew him best. (Cheers and laughter.)

"Two other noble lords, Middleton and Curzon, have both been saying rather rude things about me. (Laughter.) I do not mind it really, but I will show them my appreciation of rudeness by telling the truth about them. Who is Lord Middleton? The hereditary system has at least one advantage, it enables a man, who used to be called Broderick, to call himself Middleton, when he wants the people to forget that he was ever a Broderick. (Laughter and cheers.) As Broderick, he has one claim to distinction. He wanted more public money than any living man except Milner. (Laughter and cheers.) He made such a mess of the war office that even the Tory government, and I suppose that was about the worst this country has ever seen, could stand him no longer, so they sent him to the India office to help Lord Curzon muddle the affairs of the Indian Empire. (Cheers.) If you asked Lord Middleton whether I have been too hard on Curzon, he would say that I rather understated the case. If you asked Curzon whether he thinks I am too hard on Middleton, he would say I was rather mild. (Laughter.) They do love each other. (More laughter.) These are the saviours, these be the gods, oh protectionist Israel! (Laughter and cheers.) It is a pretty quartet, Cawdor, Milner, Middleton and Curzon, singing these Christmas carols about the country." (Loud laughter.)

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From The SanAntonio Light and Express.

Austin—Female students of engineering at the University of Texas will hereafter appear for practice in surveying uncorseted. A magnetic needle in the transit used in surveying is the reason, a recent experience of two fair co-eds having shown that the needle will unerringly point out the whalebones in the make-up of lady civil engineers.

Prof. Bantell the other day was instructing two young ladies in the mysteries of the transit, when that compass needle attached to the apparatus began throwing fits on the approach of one of the students. The professor was mystified. He approached the instrument, and the needle pointed straight to the territory disputed by Peary and Cook. But when one of the ladies again attempted to squint thru the transit, and the needle, defying precedent, turned southward to point at her, a light broke on the professor.

"You ladies can't work this thing with steel in your clothes," he said politely, and the blushing students retired for a change of costume.

William Jennings Bryan is ill at Jacksonville, Fla., threatened with pneumonia.

Robinson Watson of Montreal, brother of Wm. Watson, will go to Havana at once to join the poet.

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