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The Railway Switchmen held their third annual assembly at the City Hall last evening, and it was a splendid social affair. Over a hundred couples were on the floor when Chadwick's orchestra struck up the music for the grand march about nine o'clock and they all appeared to enjoy themselves until considerably after midnight. The hall was tastefully decorated and many of the dresses of the ladies were very pretty. The arrangements were in the hands of the following committee:—Messrs. W. J. Hall (chairman), A. Douglas (treasurer), A. Leslie (secretary), J. Naylor, J. Watson, W. Hicks, R. Gould and I. Collins. Mr. S. Taylor was master of ceremonies.

Yesterday was the last day of the existence of the Agriculture and Arts Association. By an Act passed last session it was decided to dissolve it at the end of the present year. In future Mr. Henry Wade, who has acted as secretary of the association, will take the position of superintendent of live stock registration, and will retain the same offices as he at present occupies in the Parliament Buildings. The various associations who have worked in the past under the Agriculture and Arts Association will in future work independently of one another.

The annual Sunday school treat in connection with the Askin Street Methodist Church was held last night, and was a very pleasant one. In the early part of the evening an abundance of good things was distributed amongst the scholars in the school-room, and a little after eight o'clock Superintendent Copp introduced in the short literary programme in the church. Mr. John Ward had charge of the musical portion of the programme, and was materially assisted by the Sunday school orchestra.

The usual number of charity seekers who take advantage of every cold snap to call at the city relief office were around the municipal building bright and early yesterday.

Chas. D. Johnston, boot and shoe merchant, is meeting with great success as Trustee for No. 4 Ward.

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ASTRONOMICAL.

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Sun rises.....5:51 a.m. | Moon rises.....5:47 p.m.

Sun sets.....4:51 p.m. | Moon sets.....5:53 a.m.

MOON'S PHASES.

Last Quarter.....January 7th.....10:25 a.m.

New Moon.....".....14th.....5:19 p.m.

First Quarter.....".....22nd.....3:12 p.m.

Full Moon.....".....30th.....3:55 a.m.

METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE OF CANADA.



Toronto, Ont., Dec. 31, 11 p.m.—The storm centre which was over Ontario last night has moved north-eastward to Labrador, and has caused a strong gale from the lakes to the Atlantic. A storm centre now in Alberta is likely to move quickly eastward, and be followed by a pronounced cold wave in the North-west Territories, Manitoba and maximum temperatures:—Edmonton, 8-14; Calgary, 14-24; Prince Albert, zero-10; Qu'Appelle, 4 below-14; Winnipeg, 22 below-zero; Toronto, 2-28; Montreal, 34-49; Quebec, 32-40; Halifax, 30-40.

Probabilities:—Lakes.—Fresh to strong winds; fair and moderately cold Wednesday; a light snowfall most places on Thursday.

Local Temperatures.—The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the Observatory on Tuesday, Dec. 31, 1895, were:—Highest, 34°; lowest, 16°.

CITY NEWS.

Happy New Year to all.
Do not forget that this is Leap Year—1896.

The stores were kept open last night, but little business was done.

Mrs. Aspinall, sen., and Miss Aspinall, of Detroit, are visiting with Mrs. W. J. Reid, Queen's avenue.

Skating rink managers are happy again. Quite unexpectedly, they have splendid sheets of ice for New Year's skating.

The usual watch night services were held at the Methodist Churches last night. At midnight, the chimes of St. Paul's pealed forth a merry welcome to the new year.

Newton, Weidenfeld & Co., New York, have ordered \$500,000 in gold from Europe. It is rumored that other houses are considering the question of importing gold.

Mr. Geo. Morehead, manager of the eastern branch house of the California Cider Co., of New York, after spending a few days at his home, Queen's avenue, has returned.

The late Dr. D. E. Brooke, who died suddenly at Windsor the other day from the bursting of a blood vessel in the brain, was a brother of Mrs. Fred. Jarvis, formerly of this city.

George Richardson has been fined \$2 and costs by Squire Lacey for being in the bar-room of a London West hotel during prohibited hours. Inspector Durand laid the complaint. The other defendants were discharged.

Hon. David Mills, M. P., reviewed the Monroe doctrine before an audience that filled the Liberal Club rooms last evening. The hon. gentleman's address was very interesting. Mr. Harry Ranahan presided, and songs were given by Messrs. Macdonald and Walsh. Ald. Jones, Bremer and others made short addresses.

Miss Adele McDonald, of 237 York street, London, was amongst the young ladies who graduated Christmas from the St. Mary's Hospital Training School for nurses, Brooklyn, N. Y. The class was a large one, and Miss McDonald passed near the head with honors. The young lady's friends in this city will be pleased to hear of her success.

Chorazin Lodge, No. 190, I. O. O. F., East London, elected the following officers on Monday night:—P. G. D. Spice; N. G. E. Rose; V. G. E. W. Boyle; R. S. F. Whitaker; P. S. J. A. Matthews; Treas. D. L. Harley; Physician, D. MacArthur; Trustees, W. G. Willis, J. Whitaker, J. Shoveller; Covener Committee, J. Fitzgerald, A. E. Somerville, W. Jacobs.

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When the New York Herald honored Rhea, who will appear at the Grand to-morrow night, with the declaration that the great artist looked every inch an Empress, on her appearance in New York as "Josephine," the distinguished compliment was deeply appreciated by the beautiful actress, whose personality so fitted her to portray the wife of Napoleon Bonaparte. It is true indeed that Rhea's resemblance to the Empress is remarkable, and when in the Imperial robes, and wearing the diamond coronet, the actress presents a wonderful and life-like picture of Josephine as painted by David. As Josephine, the charming actress makes her audience realize all the passions, disappointments, the deep, long, unalterable love that swayed the noble, self-sacrificing Empress. Commanding, yet yielding, confident, trustful, and at all times lovable and gracious. Possessed of such womanly qualities, who could help worshipping at the shrine of such an Empress.

At the regular half-yearly meeting of Court Magnolia, No. 8,089, A. O. F., held in their hall, Duffield Block, last evening, the following brethren were elected officers for the ensuing term:—Brother J. A. Geddes, Past Chief Ranger; Bro. Chas. Brennan, Chief Ranger; Bro. C. E. Bailey, Sub-Chief Ranger; Bro. E. L. Fysh, Financial Secretary (retained); Bro. S. T. S. Gale, Treasurer (retained); Bro. W. Pearce, Senior Woodward; Bro. Jas. Crowley, Junior Woodward; Bro. M. Ferguson, Senior Beadle; Bro. Fred. Halland, Junior Beadle; Bro. R. Whitton, Assistant Secretary; Bro. Wm. Longhrey, Recording Secretary (retained); Bro. Dr. W. J. Teasdale, Surgeon; Brothers John Ferguson, H. P. Brock and Wm. Atkins, Trustees. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the scrutineers, Bro. A. O. Jeffery, High Chief Ranger, and Bro. Wm. Trudell, P. C. R., of Court Forest Queen.

A meeting of the ratepayers of Ward Six was advertised to be held in the Grand avenue schoolhouse last night, but it failed to materialize. Only half a dozen citizens and none of the candidates put in an appearance up to 8.15 o'clock, and at that hour the schoolhouse was in darkness, and even the front gate was padlocked. The janitress said she had received no order from the Chairman of the Board of Education to open the schoolhouse, and she would not "light up" without such an order, as upon a previous occasion she got into trouble on that account. Evidently the Mayor's order for the holding of a meeting and the Chairman of the School Board's sanction for the opening of a schoolhouse are very different matters.

The Exeter Advocate says:—"Mr. John P. Ross, who last spring sustained great loss by the fire which partly destroyed his store and almost totally ruined his stock, has succeeded in his actions against the Wellington Mutual and Gore District Fire Insurance Companies. For some reasons the companies refused to pay Mr. Ross the amount of his loss, and compelled him to sue his claim. The actions were to be tried at the Jury sittings of the High Court to be held at London on the 13th prox. Last week, however, the companies weakened and agreed to pay Mr. Ross the full amount of his claim, interest and costs. Mr. L. H. Dickson acted for Mr. Ross and B. B. Osler, Q. C., and Guthrie, Q. C., for the companies."

The death occurred the other day in Toronto of Mr. W. J. Morgan, a former resident of this city, from an attack of pneumonia. Mr. Morgan was during the Great Western regime Chief Clerk in the Superintendent's office here, under Mr. Wallace, Mr. Watson, Mr. Woodford and others, and was an up-to-date railway man. He was subsequently appointed Assistant-Superintendent of the D. G. H. & M. Railway at Detroit for several years. He was an old-time member of the Tuscan Lodge of Masons and of the Brunswick Club in this city. His many friends will hear of his death with deep regret. He leaves a widow and small family.

The City Engineer yesterday found nine Toronto men, laborers and hod carriers, employed on the street railway power house. He wrote to Manager Carr stating that clause 23 of the by-law was being infringed. Manager Carr replied, saying that no outsiders, other than experts, were being employed. The contractor, a Toronto man, told Engineer Graydon that he had brought the men here and was going to keep them.

A 5-year-old child of Mr. William Ward, of the Pipe Line road, had his leg badly broken a few inches above the knee the other day while coasting on an elevated slide near his home. The mother had occasion to go to the city a short time before it happened, and a sister only a few years the senior of the lad carried her little brother into the house and nursed his fractured leg until the arrival of Dr. Ferguson.

Candidates for public office these days are walking around with a child-like and bland smile. This, no doubt, will be the correct thing until Monday evening next.

His Lordship Bishop Baldwin preached an eloquent and timely sermon in St. Paul's Cathedral at the watch night service last night.

Mr. S. N. Sterling, of this city, was at St. Lawrence Hall, Montreal, on Monday.

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Mr. Wm. Templeton, of the G. T. R. round-house, has left on a month's visit to friends in Michigan.

Mr. Ernest Richardson, of the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, is enjoying his holidays at home here.

Miss Mortimer, of this city, is a guest at the residence of Mr. Kirkpatrick, St. Clair street, Point Edward.

Exeter advocate:—"W. H. Nellis, of London, has again returned to relieve Mr. N. Dyer Hurdon during his illness. Mr. Hurdon is fast recovering.

Mr. Herbert Tatham, Inspector for the London Life, is in Sarnia on business for the company. Mr. Greer, their agent there, being seriously ill.

Miss Agnes Kennedy, of this city, a graduate of the Guelph General Hospital, is spending New Year with her brother, Dr. Kennedy, in that city.

Miss Gurd, one of the popular attendants at the London Asylum, has accepted a responsible position, under Supt. Burgess (formerly of London), at the Montreal Protestant Asylum.

Owing to the pressure of numerous friends Mr. Henry Depper has consented to stand as Alderman for No. 5 Ward, and as he is well known there, the belief is that he will be elected.

The London Cheese Board will hold their final meeting on Saturday next. The London Rowing Club will be "At Home" to their friends at the club rooms over the river New Year's day. The boys will have their skates on, and promise a welcome to old and young.

The Los Angeles, Cal., Daily Times of the 25th Dec. says:—"J. A. Fairbanks, of Petrolia, Can., arrived in Pasadena Monday evening to attend the wedding of his daughter, Miss May Fairbanks, to Huron Rock, on the evening of January 1. Mr. Fairbanks is a prominent capitalist of Canada, a wealthy oil magnate and an ex-member of the Canadian Parliament.

Chas. D. Johnston, boot and shoe merchant, is an aspirant for School Trustee, No. 4 Ward. He will make a good man. L31h

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