

Steamboat Company Declared Ten Per Cent. Dividend.

That the season which was brought to lose by the tieing up of the Macassa vo weeks ago was a prosperous one shown by the reports presented at a annual meeting of the Hamilton amboat Company, held in the office of e president, Mr. J. C. Eaton, Toronto, Saturday. The usual dividend of per cent. was declared, and the shareshowed their appreciation of the directors and Manager Bishop by electing them. The directors are Mer I. C. Eaton, R. Y. Eaton, J. J. Vaug

shall not deny the statement, for 1 am quite willing to acknowledge that Mr. Small is better acquainted with the de-sircs and feelings of his friend in Hades than 1 am. But no Hamilton elergyman would have made that statement to shock the ears of decency by low vul-Rev. Father Michael F. Fallon, O. M.

The date for his consecration as bishop anot yet been decided, but an early announcement may be looked for.
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 Church. Father Fallon has been in Official for two months more, or until I can get to by business affairs straightened, said for the said official for the said the said for the form to the said for the said for

Rev. Dr. Benson, of St. Catharines, and Rev. Dr. Hodper, acting pastor of James Street Baptist Church, Hamilton, were visitors to the Association.

by Mayor Oliver, of Toronto, W. K. George, and Dr. Orr in regard to the desire of the Exhibition authorities to have a sub-marine and torpedo boat flotilla at the next Toronto Exhibition. The getHemen from Toronto were ex-ceedingly reticent as to the result of their conference, but it is understood that the Ottawa authorities did not give the project much encouragement that the orraw authorities due to group the project much encouragement. There is acomplaint from the Can-adian Manufacturers' Association that

adian Manufacturers' Association that freight cars which cross the Canadian border duty free, loaded with freight, are not at once sent out of Canada, but contrary to the spirit of the law contin-ued to be employed in Canada for some time. The customs deportment is look-ing into the complaint. The France-Canadian trade conven-tion is expected to come into force on

or leave it alone. But I notice that few holidays go by without it getting itself pretty well soused. the respected to come into force on the first of January. The ratifications which constitute the final step are now being exchanged

Relieved of Watch.

your when they returned, but because of a slight disagreement were ordered back They were not long then in arriving at their decisoin.

was paid.
Mrs. Bloomer said it was her son who purchased the piano, but as he was un-der age she had signed the contract for him. When she and her son complained to Mr. Garthwaite he agreed to ex-change the pian ofor another one, the price of which was \$325, the amount paid to be allowed on it.
Charles Bloomer jun., said he was pre-sent when the contract was signed, but he would not say whether his signature was attached or not. When the piano was taken down he detected that it was checked on the bottom board. Some of the receipts for the monthly pay-ments were lost and he did not know how much he had paid.
Mr. Geo. Lynch-Staunton, for the plaintiff, said he didn't think the case checked. The bottom board had been nothing wrong with the piano, with the exception that the bottom board had been changed, so that the piano was in good condition.

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 The board subsequently elected the officers. as follows:
 President—J. G. Eaton.
 Vice-President—R.Y. Eaton.
 Treasurer—J. J. Vaughan.
 Secretary—Miss Abraham.
 General Manager—W. E. Bishop.
 General Manager—W. E. Bishop. As this is an exceptionally busy time f the year for the president and offi-ers, the affairs of next year were not

AGENTS HERE.

Canadian Westinghouse Men Gather From All Parts.

Salesmen to the number of thirty, from all parts of Canada, representing the Canadian Westinghouse Company, have gathered in this city for the annual convention of the salesmen. The meet-ings are being held at the company's head offices, opening this morning and lasting for three days. Questions of interest to the trade will be discussed at all the sessions, and the company will look well after the social interests of the agents. To-morrow night they will be enterlained at dinner at the Hamilton Club, and subsequently will make a theatre party as Benett's. om all parts of Canada, representing

More Than Pleased

With Saturday's business, it far ex-ielled our, expectations while we have old hundreds of Tom Smith's Crackers, et our stock is well asorted. Another hipment of Long Point Duck and pig-rous. Turkeys are scarce, we will have us abundant supply of plump young birds at market price, also ducks, chick-ins. Ready to use plum puddings. Eng-ish coh ants, Spanish chestnuts, holly, mistletce, holly wreaths. Bain & Adams

promotion." Recent the Buffalo parishioners and friends of Father Fallon are already preparing to escort him to London and a wide the orremonies consequent upon his dera-tion to the bishopric. It is considered probable that special railroad arrange-ments will be made to accommodate the party from Buffalo.

LOST ALL HER MONEY.

LOST ALL HER MONEY. Every cert she had in the world, Mrs. Tessan, 331 York street, lost this morn-ing. Her aggregate wealth totalled \$3, and with it in her purse she came down town intending to buy a few things, particularly a pair of shoes for her little boy, when in some manner she lost the money. She does not think it was stolen; but is inclined to believe the purse fell open and the money, which was in one dollar bills, dropped out. Any person who finds the bills is re-quested to return to the police office, City Hall. She thinks she dropped them around the Market square.

How Will This Do?

How Will this to ! We can solve the problem for you es to Christmas presents. English Mab razor \$1.00, or one of our lines of handsome razor strops that will do the work. A nice badger hair rub-ber set brushes for shaving. Genuine ebony, pure pigs' bristle hair brushes 50c, 75c, \$1.00. See our silver shav-ing mugs and brushes before pur-chasing elsewhere.—Parke & Parke.

What's Your Choice In

Overcoat style? Do you like the form fitting or the loose back; do you prefer a velvet or a cloth collar? Well show you any style you want, a hig line here at \$16, perfect whatever the model-Praick & Co., 13 and 15 James streat

increase the burdens which would be laid upon other taxpayers. When I go to a church in Hamilton I never fail to hear Christian doctrine, graced with scholarship and filled with love and charity. The venerable man who instructs me is fitted by education to charm as well as to taxh and accurate

to charm as well as to teach, and never makes the mistake of thinking reckless assertion to be argument or coarse vul-garity to be wit.

garity to be wit. If there were the slightest reason to think that the reduction of licenses would lessen drunkenness there would be something to be said in its favor. But all experience shows that such a result is never attained. The testimony of all well-informed men is that when licenses are cut off the business goes to the house still in the trade or to illicit deal-ers.

house still in the trade or to illicit dealers. But if it were thought advisable to reduce the number of licenses, common honesty would call, upon us to compen-sate the men whose property would be taken from them. That is the course taken in England, where the public con-science has not been educated by men with the low moral tone of Mr. Small. The hotel-keepers have invested their money with the sub-tion of the law and the approval of the community. If their licenses are taken away the value of their property will be desiroyed. At honest man will pay for the property he destroys.

hopest man will pay for the property he destroys. And then the question would be pre-sented to the taxpayers: Can we afford to lose the revenue now derived from these fifteen licensed hotels, and also may for the property we expropriate? A large sum would be required to do that. Mr. Snall would not pay anything; when the time for payment comes he will be "over the hills and far away."

This is the determination of General Estrada, at the head of the revolution-ary army in Nicaragua, as expressed in a telegram received from him by the Secretary of State. The telegram is dat-ed Bluetields and was sent by wireless from Colon. In the same telegram Es-trada says that no change in the person of Nicargaua's chief executive selected by Zelaya or by the Congress he con-trols will be accepted by the majority of the Nicaraguan people allied to the revolutionists in the struggle for jus-tice. of origin, accompany goods which are entered into Canada under treaty rates ROBBED HIM. County Constable From Caledonia

FOR ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Charles Stratford, Dundas, was be-re Judge Monck this morning at o'clock for election on the charge f attempting suicide and elected to of attempting suicide and elected to be tried by a judge without a jury. Stratford is the man who shot him-self as Chief Twiss was about to place him under arrest because he had not put in an appearance to give evidence at the trial of his wife on a charge of child desertion. The case will be tried to-morrow morning.

SUDBURY FIRE.

Sudbury, Ont., Dec. 19.-Sudbury's worst fire in its history destroyed, \$125, worst fire in its history destroyed \$125, 000 worth of property in two hours this morning, between the hours of four and six, and almost resulted in the loss of several lives. The town was in dark-ness at the time, owing to the power company taking advantage of Sunday to change the transformer. This greatly hampered the initial movements of the fire brigade, and necessitated the in-mate of the hurning building groping their way to safety. peed. David was momentarily stunned by the audacity of the rogue, but when his powers of reason returned he strip-ped off his toat, threw it on the side-walk and statted in hot pursuit. Acting Detectives Cameron and Barrett arrived on the scene, lud, taking in the situa-tion at a giance they pacificed their brother officer and took up the search, but up to the resent, the thief has not been apprehended, nor the time piece re-covered.

-A thief in the night entered Isaac Bloom's back yard, 41 Cathcart street, on Saturday evening, and stripped the clothes' line of the clothes that hung

Having discovered that they come under the criminal code, the Canadian Club will not hold the projected turkey raffle, at least not under that name. Government and the British authori

ties on behalf of Canada. The regula tions being prepared by the Canadian customs officials, requiring declarations of origin, accompany goods which are NO COURT,

girls.

But Evangelist Headland Gave Reporters an Address.

I am asked the question if Jim Miller a militant suffragette. I pass.

This is holiday week. Get the holi-day spirit. Look pleasant.

The next few days will be busy ones with mother. Don't leave it all to her,

Toronto always says it can take it r leave it alone. But I notice that few

No prisoners in the dock in Police Court this morning, consequently no Magistrate on the bench. Either the ghost of Christmas present, or the dili-

gence of the police may be the reason. During the last 48 hours only one soli-tary occupant saw the inside of the an-nex; he was lodged there for excessive irrigation. He was discharged at sun-When a constable, a member of the great Provincial Police force, is robbed of his watch and chain by a pick-pocket

irrigation. He was discharged at sun-rise this morning. When the reporters arrived in the court room at 9.30 the silence could al-most be felt. However, Carctaker Har-ry Headland delivered an impassioned speech from the throne to the three seribes. His oration dealt largely with the necessity of an automobile and a grand piano for all junitors and the pe-culiarities of the bumble bee in Decem-ber.

Harry is some orator, and stimulated by the scribal applause, coupled with that of the bacteria on the court Bible, grew pathetic and told an impressive Christmas story.

A Smoker's Christmas Present.

A genuine Turkish Hookah, or water pipe, with one, two or three stems, would make a nice present. Hookah pipes with nicely decorated bowls, all sizes, are shown at peace's pipe store, 107 king street east.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES.

To rent at \$2 s year and upwards, for the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills, silver and other valuables. TRADERS BANK OF CANADA.

charged, so that the piamo was in good condition. His Honor said there was no reason why the company should return the piano to the defendants until it was paid for. If the defendants until it was paid for the defendants until it was paid for the defendants until it was paid to the piano. Cockburn vs. Brown, for an accounts of moneys received. A. W. Brown for plaintiff, and Farmer & Scheiter for the defendant, was settled out of court. In the action brough by Carnale Scine against Charles Sostanza for breach of promise of marriage, in which the plaintiff considered her feelings were injured to the extent of \$600, neither the defendant Sostanza, or his counsel put in an appearance, so the jury was called and the evidence was taken, so that the extent of the damages could be ascertained. They allowed the plain-tiff the full amount, \$600. Carmelo Scine, the plaintiff, said a year ago she was living in Italy with her mother and was acquainted with the defendant. He came to Canada and lat-er wrote for her to come and 'marry him. In the letter Sontanza asked her mother out with trusted friends. It cost her about \$10 Oto come to Hamil-ton, and since she came here she paid \$10 a month for board and and other expenses. As her friends in Italy knew of her proposed marriage, she was aslamed to go back to her country. As the jury cases were concluded, with the exception of the Taglerino case, which will be tried to-morrow, the jury for it was called and the remain-der of the jurons dismissed. The order was made to have Speranzo and Colom-bo brought from the penitentiary, where they are now serving a sentence in con-mention, with black hand outrage. by brought from the pentence in con-nection, with black hand outrage, and they will be in the city this af-ternoon on the same.

TO BE MARIED HERE.

W. J. Relph, accountant of Black woods. Limited, Winning, was banquet ed by his friends there on Saturday night, prior to leaving for Hamilton. He is to be married in this city this week.

Commercial Travellers' 1910 are now being is i John Lennox & Co. d at the o

of his watch and chain by a pick-pocket in broad daylight, it can easily be na-deratood how an ordinary individual could fall a prey to the followers of Fa-gin. David Fellows, County Constable at Caledonia, came to the city on Sat-urday. Across his portly breast hung a heavy gold chain, and on the end of that chain was a valuable gold watch, which reposed in his pocket. As he pass-ed by a King street store, where the crowd was thick, a bold bad thief snatched that breast adormment, and with it and the time piece in his hand, made off down the street at Sherring speed.