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21/2 pounds of pepper at 16

cents 20 pounds of barley at 5 cents

171/2 pounds of tea at 23 cents

pounds of butter at 25 cents

Sugar

Total consumption for quar-

per pound

Flour

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Medical Account.

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THE PROPER COURSE.

It is refreshing to hear one of the candidates for the Council, Mr. Frank Glass, who was on the socalled electrification slate, say that citizens should have "all the information that it is possible to obtain." Mr. Glass frankly made the same assertion at the East End Hall before the election. He now add that "Mr. Beck himself is anxious that the new Council should go to the bottom of the problem, if there is any honest doubt remaining in the mind of any alderman." It is to be hoped Mr. Beck has decided to take the position ascribed to him by Mr, If he had taken it before the election, a great deal of misunderstanding would have been prevented, and there would have been no rival slates, because there would have been nothing to quarrel about.

Seven members of last year's Council voted for further inquiry, because they wanted to "go to the bottom of the problem." Had the electrification bylaw been sent to the people on Jan. 1 there would have been no time to go to the bottom of it, or even to look under the unconvincing surface of the Gabey-Storer report. In offering for re-election, Messrs, Richter, Bennett, Ashplant, Robinson, Johnston and Blandford made it plain that they had not prejudged the electrification scheme to any community. The township dein merely asking that citizens should clared strongly three years ago against have the benefit of fuller investigation and information. During the campaign they were dishonestly accused of trying to prevent the people from expressing an opinion. After the election, when five of them triumphed, the latter find aid also in the experience of newspaper that had been misrepresenting them in this fashion ascribed of East Middlesex. There are no special Monypenny's volumes, fail to be struck their victory to the fact that they had not opposed electrification!

Mr. Beck is to be complimented if he has now decided to put no further pressure on the Council to prevent it a fractional vote three years ago. If problem." There can be no further objection to acting upon the terms of the and Adelaide townships the movement haps more Jewish than an invariably resolution passed by last year's Coun- for repeal is not in the least justified Oriental characteristic - the luxurioperation of the road by steam and Glencoe and Parkhill are important ties set forth in florid language, the four's lucid thought and steam road connections. It will now drink. Strathroy, from all accounts, is as to whether the sentiments can be glibly predicate of departed artists": mony, if Mr. Beck has withdrawn his local option bylaw, and there is no real kindness of heart into a character veto on an independent examination of likelihood of repeal, if our correspondall the factors of the situation.

TORONTO'S REBUKE TO SIR JAMES.

Ontario has never felt any need of second house in her government. Particularly under good Sir James would such an institution be amusing superfluity. He is a whole arreformed House of Lords in himself. As a blocker of progressive measures he stands like a derailed street car, with the lights out, in the way of six o'clock traffic. A Cromwell in administrative methods, he is rather a George III. in administrative vision. While he reigns there is little hope for legislative advance in Ontario.

Wednesday's vote in Toryopolis, however, must be something of a shock even to this rock-ribbed autocrat and Conservative. By 4 to 1, in a very heavy vote, the electors of Toronto declared themselves in favor and income in that city on a lower basis than that of land. In other words, the citizens of our Conservative Slough are at least less fossilized than their cherished captain, and want a special permit as a favor to themselves to tax individually created values more lightly than socially created values. Manufacturers and workingmen seem to have voted particularly solid for the reform.

The case for an amendment of our assessment law which has been aca-Mr. Rowell receives the strong indorsement of the people of Tory Tojudgment Premier Whitney up suddenly the more current of Mr. Hanna's yielding soul by the amazing revelation that the existing law is adequate, with proper interpretation, to the requirements of ax reform. He always stands for "the existing law"; that is his specialty, But in this the feeling he is engendering among matter of tax reform the people of supporters of Conservative principles Toronto, his own best beloved sons whom he has adorned with a representation of eight in the assembly, all hitherto subdued to his hand, have decided that the existing law is not so satisfactory as their master thinks and that he is on this occasion rather an honest Bottom than a Daniel come

Of course it is quite possible that the big dog is only playing and won't man who looks for work, and goes

caressed it. The vote on Wednesday work could be found, the Socialist tells may be but a bit of theorizing. A city even more faithful than wise may still be quite willing to trust that in all matters of practical polity set them. True he usually exagger-sin lemon will know what is best for lates them, and sometimes confuses so-Sir James will know what is best for its good. But he need not feel too sure about this.

SIR JOHN WILLISON.

The knighting of Mr. John S. Willison, of the Toronto News, is an honor conferred on journalism in one of its ablest exponents. Sir John began his journalistic career on The Advertiser in 1882 and had a very rapid rise. He is a clever writer, master of a finished and powerful style, undeniably a public force in this country, and wielding a lever in old country politics as the Canadian correspondent of the London

It is perhaps hard for those not in the secret to understand his political course in recent years, but it will be generally admitted that the man who wrote "The Life of Laurier" is entitled to recognition, whether he gets it for that service or not. Personally, Sir John has qualities which make him exceedingly popular, and he has always enjoyed the goodwill of his brethren of the pen.

THE LOCAL OPTION CONTESTS.

There are several local option contests in Middlesex. Bylaws for the abolition of licenses will be voted on in Parkhill, Glencoe, and the townships of London and Delaware. The votes in the town of Strathroy, and in Lobo and Adelaide townships are on repeal by-

The people of London are specially interested in the fight at their doors. Three of the licenses in London township have been extinguished by the annexation of districts to the city. There are nine remaining, and it can scarcely be contended that all these hotels are needed for the accommodation of the public. Any such need in any part of the township will support a hotel there, without the barroom attachment. A public house that can be maintained only by the sale of liquor warning that it must temporize no has more drawbacks than advantages longer, after six years of dallying, with the barrooms, the majority falling only six votes short of the necessary three fifths. Since then some of the licenseholders have put weapons into the hands of the temperance workers. The every other municipality in the riding much in the east can, in reading Mr. conditions in London township to warrant the fear that results would be different there.

Delaware's one license was saved by from "going to the bottom of the the hotel there serves a genuine need it will survive without the bar. In Lobo acity of purpose — though this is percil to ascertain the relative cost of the so far as The Advertiser can learn. satisfied with its experience under the genuine, the spasmodic eruption of ents there are well-informed.

The barroom has few friends, except those who have an economical interest in it. It should be banished from the Province, instead of permitting it to exist in spots, where it tries to counteract the effects of prohibitory laws in neighboring communities.

A city council should take rush orders from nobody.

Mr. Alderman-elect, don't be at any man's Beck and call.

The Ulster Unionists are forming a provisional government. Here is a chance for the Ontario Government to unload the Honorable Jimmie Duff.

The Unionists have been out of power seven years-long enough to get together. But the rest cure seems to

The Globe says that Mr. Beck kept his electrification report back until a few months ago. It is worse than that. He is naturally the idol of the trapof applying for legislation to permit It is dated July 5, and was concealed pers and seamen, to whom he has deuntil November.

Now, why didn't Mr. Beck say before the election that he was willing to allow the Council time to collect [Eliot Crawshay-Williams in West further information? He would have saved a lot of trouble, and spared the aldermen who had honest doubts a lot of dishonest abuse.

The coming session of the Ontario Legislature will compete with the session at Ottawa in public interest. Sir James Whitney has flouted the most progressive elements in the Conservative party, and they are not taking his demically agitated for thirty years attacks lying down. Mr. Rowell has past, now under the championship of behind him in his forward policies a fighting force which has found that it has no place in the Whitney camp. He ronto. Thinking to come as a Daniel will have the Government on the defensive during the session, and there is every sign that he will soon have it The on the run.

NEEDS CANDID FRIENDS.

[Galt Reporter.] Is not Sir James P. Whitney present in need of candid friends? Has the Provincial Premier a clear idea of by his obduracy on certain questions?

THE SOCIALIST'S USE.

[Rochester Herald.] As we see it, Socialism possesses one positive good. It is as excelient as a criticism of our present social order. There is not a defect in the present social order which the lynx-eyed Socialist does not perceive. All of those defects, and there are many, the Socialist lays bare and hids us consider them with becoming seriousness. The us we must not overlook. And so, too, with the millions whose wages never rise much above the rate of subsistence. The Socialist will not let us forcial ideas with individual errors. But some genuine evils that belong to our scheme of society, he lays his finger

This is a real service to society.

CORRECT COMBINATION.

First Doctor-Well, what has he? Second Doctor-It is a beautiful ombination. He has appendicitis, nephritis, laryngitis and \$1,000.

[Chicago Record-Herald.] "John, you never listen to half the hings I say to you," she complained.
"Well, dear," he replied; "I have to work part of the time."

THEN SHE WAS MAD.

PEACE MILLIONS.

[Toronto Globe.] Millions for Dreadnoughts, nothing for poverty: Millions for slavery, nothing

princeling exploiter, surrender earth's property-Millions for nothing, to sink in the waves.

Halt not to reason why, yield up your treasures: Reason would break the spell binding you fast. ingoists call for blood, offer war's

pleasures

to repent.

Turn from the paths of peace, think of war's glory Widows and orphans to weep for the

Ignorant feuds shall need bayonets Plutocrats urge it-your loss is their

Millions for Dreadnoughts, nothing for Millions for Moloch, for Christ but a

cent. Heed net a praying world, license its In the whirlwind of nations find time

MUST COME TO TIME. [Brockville Recorder.]

Mr. Rowell's work for workmen's empensation alone is very valuable. He gives the Whitney Government fair other. These speeches were always this question, Sir James Whitney must face the issue in the approaching session of the Legislature.

LORD CROMER ON DISRAELI.

[New York Pest.] Here comes Lord Cromer, who cerand begins his review of the new "Life of Disraeli" in the Spectator, with the the fact that Disraeli was a with thorough Oriental." The former ruler of Egypt goes on to file a bill of speci-

"The taste for tawdry finery, the habit of enveloping in mystery matters as to which there was nothing to conceal, the love of intrigue, the tenance of the imaginative faculties, the strong addiction to plausible generali- paragraphs as examples of Mr. Baltowns, and each of them can support a passionate outbursts of grief expressgood hotel without the profits from ed at times in words so artificial as to steeped in cynicism, the excess of flatpurely personal objects contrasted with the excess of vituperation poured forth on O'Connell or purposes of advertisement, and the total absence of any moral principle as a guide of life - all these features in a character, which is. perhaps, not quite so complex as is often supposed, hail from the east.'

DR. GRENFELL'S NEW BOOK. [New York Post.]

Dr. Wilfred Grenfell, whose simple address is "Labrador," and who is expected home before very long for a lecschemes for the Canadian deep-sea fisheries, is also writing a book for Messrs. Nisbet to be called "What Life Means to Me." Few lives have been Dr. Grenfell was a rugby "blue" at

Oxford, and afterwards assistant to Sir Frederick Treves at the London Hosoital. But his real bent was philanthropic, and after one or two minor adventures he went off, like the couple in Mr. Wells' "Marriage," to Labrador, out not for purposes of introspection. In that neglected territory he built ospitals and co-operative stores, and set on foot numbers of industrial schemes, for which he has found time in the intervals of his medical work. oted himself. Dr. Grenfell will publish his reminiscences with Messrs. small modicum will as a rule remain Nisbet next year or in 1914.

FROM EXILE.

minster Gazette.1 The midday sun smites down upon the scentless Indian plains; riven earth with gaping mouth eries dumbly for the rains; And O for the sands and the lone cliffs o' Wales

With the laughter o' ripples and shimmer o' sails And the tide coming in at Tresilian.

The tepid rains are pouring from the sullen, sultry sky. While earth breathes forth in gratitude a softly whispered sigh:

But O for the rush o' the wild Welsh weather. The swish o' the grass and the spring o' the heather the wind shrieking shrill Tresilian.

Eastern moon is silvering the world with mystic light? A myriad crickets carol, a myriad fanes gleam white:

Where the fragrant night air whispers faintly above And the wee waves caress thee, Tresil-Saugor, India, 1903.

CHARMING.

[Punch.] "I've just been introduced to Prof. Smythe; such a charming man to talk to. He doesn't make one feel a fool, in spite of his cleverness." "Ah, my dear, but that's because of his cleverness."



The Writings of Arthur Balfour

[By Special Arrangement With the Winnipeg Telegram.]

The Hon. Arthur Balfour is still a member of the House of Commons and was heard from during the recent storm. But he has now entered the happy hunting grounds of metaphysics and has left the cares of office at the front gate. During those troublous years when he carried upon his shoulders the weight of the British premiership, his friends felt that he was making a great sacrifice by continuing in the hurly burly and the strife, for his interests had always been academic rather than forensic. The study of philosophy in some high, lonely tower would have pleased him better than the study of men and measures in the crowded House of Commons. And when, after these long years of devotion to the public service, he resigned from the leadership of his party, he went back to his books with a great sense of relief. Today he is completely happy, wandering in the platonic shades of Give your life, give your all, give to studious meditation fancy-free.

But even when Mr. Balfour was in the midst of the storm and stress of public life, when the leadership of a great party, and the affairs of a vast empire, occupied his mind, he was never so busy but that he could prepare a public address at short notice on almost any kind of subject; ethics, science, metaphysics, golf, education, aesthetics, copyright, novels, poetry, eugenics, political economy or music-he was at home in all departments of thought. And during his long term of office he was obliged to make many speeches on important public occasions, in unveiling statues or opening art galleries, or addressing congresses of one kind and ancarefully reported in the Times, and amazed Englishmen by the keenness of their dialectic and the subtlety of their thought. Now that Mr. Balfour has retired from the public stage an attempt has been made to rescue these addresses from the files of the press tainly ought to know if anyone does, and they have been edited by Mr. W. M. Short, who was for years the ex-Premier's private secretary. The volume of over 500 pages is entitled, "Arthur James Balfour, as Philosopher and Thinker; a Collection of Passages in His Non-Political Writings, Speeches and Addresses, 1879-1912." (Longman's Green & Co.)

> It is impossible to indicate the raried contents of this rich medley in a short article. Perhaps my best course would be to quote a couple of the game? style. In the following passage he is speaking on "the immortality we "If they survive at all it is but a

shadowy life they live, moving on tery accorded at one time to Peel for through the gradations of slow decay to distant but inevitable death. They can no longer as heretofore speak directly to the hearts of their fellowmen, evoking their tears or laughter, and all the pleasures, be they sad or merry, of which imagination holds the secret. Driven from the market-place they become first the companions of the student, then the victims of the specialist. He who would still hold familiar intercourse with them must turing tour on behalf of his extensive train himself to penetrate the veil which in ever-thickening folds conceals them from the ordinary gaze he must catch the tone of a vanished society, he must move in a circle of alien associations, he must think in a language not his own. Need we wonder, then, that under such conditions the outfit of a critic and that if from off the complex sentiments with which they regard

the 'immortal legacies of the past,' We strip all that is due to interests connected with history, with biography, with critical analysis, with scholarship, and with technique, but a which can with justice be attributed o pure aesthetic sensibility."

* * * Or let us listen to what he has to say on music and its wonderful de-

velopment: "Read through the long catena of critical judgments, from Wagner back A Very Pretty Wedding in (if you please) to Plate, which every age has passed on its own performances and you will find that to each of them its music has been as adequate as ours is to us. It moved them not less deeply nor did it move them differently, and compositions which for us have lost their magic, and which we regard as at best but agreeable curiosities, contained for them the secret of all the unpictured beauties which music shows to her worshippers. Surely there is here a great paradox. The history of literature and art is tolerably well known to us But O for the hush o' the little Welsh for many hundreds of years. During that period poetry and sculpture and painting have been subject to the usual mutations of fashion, there have been seasons of sterility and have been seasons of sterility and a few weeks ago, has entered seasons of plenty; schools have against the C. P. R. for damages, arisen and decayed new pations and arisen and decayed; new nations and languages have been pressed into the supposed that at the end of it all we are much better off Man the Greeks of the age of Pericles in respect of the technical dexterity of the artist,

ternal standard, the development of music has been so great that it is not I think, easy to exaggerate it. Yet through all this past revolution the position and importance of the art, as compared with other arts, seem, so far as I can discover, to have suffered no sensible change. . . . How then can we resist the conclusion that this amazing musical development, produced by the expenditure of so much genius, has added little to the elicity of mankind; unless, indeed, it happens that in this particular art a steady level of aesthetic sensation can only be maintained by increasing doses of aesthetic stimulant."



And shall Burleigh Bennett die? Then twenty thousand workingmen shall know the reason why.

* * * But, then, you should know, Mr. Bennett is a former lieutenant in the First Hussars. That's why he can make a slashing fight. And his middle name is "Wellington."

We stop the press to announce that Ald. Richter has headed the polls, and that "our reputation as a public man" s shot to pieces.

Mr. Beck ate salt with the G. T. R. officials, then told the aldermen that the officials were not sincere. Mr. Beck reminds one of the doubter who sat on the rail fence, watching the farmer hoeing turnips, while the sweat poured from his brow. "Is he sincere?" asked the sitter.

Another fine day for tobogganing.

What makes the Czar unhappy? His lands are broad and fair; High-steppers prance about him, And snort and rip and "rare,"

But yet he sits lamenting, Crying, "Alas! Alack! I'd give up half my kingdom, Had Richter not come back!"

The Czar and his Cossacks seem t e taking a well-needed rest. From all the holiday reports that

ave been received, it is apparent that Broadway's real name is The Jagway. Latest reports from the "hide-row" at 931 Wellington street indicate that

wet blankets are not appreciated by the

noble steeds. Mr. Beck is now ready to have all necessary information secured. What's

No, gentle reader, Mr. Beck. cigar box maker, who threw out hydro to use steam, is not the same gentleman that poses as the king of Niagara

By hissing Jack Johnson from their dances the colored people of the United States are winning real respect. The paragraph expressing sympathy

with the rink and fur men seems have had the desired effect.

What does Mr. Beck care? He's going to leave us in a little while, any.

It is now up to the Free Press to rise and explain the advantage of the home-brewed article of electricity over the imported variety. One of the owners knows more about electricity than Adam himself, and should be able to make known the advantages.

Well, what's the Moving Finger going to write for you over this clean page of 1913?

He marched his min right up the hill Then marched them down again.

Hearing this ditty hummed by the office boy reminded us of Herr Glaubitz's scheme to pump the water to the top of the Springbank mountain, and rush it down again to make power, Mr. G. will have his playthings.

Mr. Beck makes boxes to put cigars in. He has recently manufactured box large enough to put himself in.

> Revised Version. How sad! How sad! To see the plight Of Adam, Colonel, And Near-Knight HOWE-RAMEY

South London.

[Special to The Advertiser.] North Ekfrid, Jan, 4.-A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Ramey Wednesday, when their eldes daughter, Martha Pearl, was married to Mr. Henry Howe. About one hundred and twenty guests were present. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Campbell, of Appin. The bride was attended by her

sister, Isabel. Jos. Howe, cousin of the groom, performed the duties of groomsman. The bride looked charming in a dress of white satin. She carried a bridal bouquet. A large circle of friends were present.

WALKERTON.

Walkerton, Jan. 4.-Mr. Thos. Pye visted his old home at London recently. Mr. Lashman, late foreman of the C. R. construction, who lost his fingers few weeks ago, has entered action Shelburne, has been engaged to teach the high school at Niggara Falls. Mr. Wiles, former reeve of Elderslie. who was recently appointed caretaker of the House of Refuge, took possession of Chas Pearson and family. have been helidaying at P Todd's, re-Robert and James Young, of Lethbridge, are at the old home near Chep-

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lerport visited recently at Harriston.
Mrs. Chalmers, of Moncton, is visiting

BOARD AT THE COUNTY JAIL COSTS ABOUT 8 CENTS A DAY

Governor Carter's Bill of Fare Ham for Christmas dinner

Half-barrel of salt

1. "Fill:" If Not 2 4-5 bushels of carrots at 50 Satisfyin'."

Governor James Carter, of the county jail, has completed his statement for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1912, during which time 209 prisoners were committed for a total of 2,739 The daily cost of rations per days. prisoner, without medical attention, was 7.38 cents, and with medical atten-

tion 7.97 cents. The supplies consumed during the quarter were: 3,817 pounds of bread at \$2.10 per cwt. 70 pounds of oameal, at \$2.80 per

312 pounds of molasses, at \$2.50 per cwt. 81/2 bushels of potatoes at 92 cents 378 pounds of meat, shank, at 3

cents per pound

FLORENCE.

Florence, Jan. 4.-Mr. and Mrs. Amos hite and family, of Ogema, Sask., are pending the winter here Harry Drew, of Detroit, and Allan Drew, Toronto, are among the holiday visit-

ors.

A number of local young people enjoyed a pleasant evening with the "Minstrels" at Thamesville recently.

The Bodkin reunion was observed again t the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Baker, Croton, on Monday. The social part of the evening consisted of cards and dancing. A bountiful supper of oysters and lainties was provided for this large annual MacLean Bros. have finished taking stock in Croton. Mr. Baker, who has had

charge for some time, is leaving shortly for the West. The business will pass into the hands of W. S. Bodkin this week Mrs. A. Drake and Miss Annie Ridley, f Toronto, were Yuletide visitors of Mrs Messrs. Frank and Lee Tyler, of To onto, are spending some time with rela-

Fred Budd visited with friends here Windsor MacRoberts is the guest of his windsor Mackoberts is the guest of his cousin. Miss Vera MacRoberts.
Mr. and Mrs. Austin, of Corunna, are visitors of Mr. and Mrs. James Bloom.
Mrs. Walter Drew entertained to an expension of courts at the property of the property of courts at the property of courts at the property of the property evening of cards at her home last even-ing. The affair proved to be one of the best social events of the season. Mrs. J. Ross Webster was successful in carry-ing away honors at cards, while Mrs. Ernest Webster took the consolation prize

WIARTON.

Wiarton, Jan. 4.-Mrs. Phillips, Frank Wilarton, Jan. 4.—Mrs. Philips, Frank street, has returned from Detroit after attending the funeral of her son Thomas, who died there sudden y on Monday. Mr. Deacon, of Sudbury, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Keefer, returned

visiting his sister, Mrs. Keefer, returned home yesterday.
Roy Heppenstall has gone to work in Chesley for the winter, and has joined the hockey team of that town.
Mr. and Mrs. D. Ashley, of Vancouver, have started West after visiting at the former's home for the past few weeks.
Mr. J. Temlin, of Portage la Prairle, formerly of the Union Bank staff here, is visiting friends here.
Mr. B. B. Freeman, who was once in business in Wiarton, has returned from Edmonton to winter here.
Miss B. Symon has returned to New

Miss B. Symon has returned to New and A. Fletcher have returned from Clifford after attending the funeral of their mother, Mrs. Duncan Fletcher. George Hill is home from Port Arthur. The hockey club will give a concert Mr. Monkman, of Toronto, is visiting

ARVA. Arva, Jan 4.-The Arva Methodist day school entertainment and treat the children was a decided success, and was enjoyed by a large audience.

Miss Gwendolyn C. Anth'stle, of Lon den, visited Miss Lillian Anderson here

The funeral of little Verna Ardiel laughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Ardiel, et 20, concession 8, took place from the amily residence on Monday afternoon. was private. Rev. Mr. Salton con-

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Anderson, of Mc-Auley, Man.,: Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hender-son, of Detroit, Mich., spent the holi-days at the Anderson homestead here. WINGHAM.

Wingham. Jan. 4.-Mr. A. E. Pace who went to Toronto recently to visit friends, got as far as London on his way home when he wastaken very fil. After a short stay there, he was able to go home today, and is doing nicely. The recent snowstorms have been a great help to the famous have

The recent snowstorms have been a great help to the farmers as, owing to the fine sleighing, they can get their good from the bush to town Messrs. Wm. Hayles, Wm. Murch and r. and Mrs. A. Small were the guests friends in London over the holidays. Great interest is being manifested in the election of Monday next, when the local option bylaw, factory bylaw and street paving bylaw will be voted on.

Rev. D. Ferrie will preach a special

sermon on Sunday evening in regards to local option, as will Rev. Dr. Routledge, of the Methodist Church. THAMESVILLE.

Thamesville, Jan. 4 .- Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Thompson and son Arthur, visited friends Newbury recently.

Miss Mae Smith has returned home fter visiting in Toronto. Miss Hazel Snary is seriously ill at her

Mr. and Mrs. Parkinson, of Jarvis, have returned after visiting relatives here.
Mrs. L. Buchanan, of London, is visiting friends here.

Mr. Orval Hubell spent a few days in Wyoming recently.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Ferguson, from the West, are visiting Mrs. Buller Mr. W. R. Ferguson, M. P.P., spent a few days in Detroit recently

A business change took place recently when Mr. D. H. Tennent took over the tore and business of Messrs, Stantons Miss Beatrice O'Neal, of Detroit, has retirned after visiting her for the past few days. Mr. and Mrs. George Shankle, of Chat-

town and vicin WYOMING.

ouncil was returned by acclamation.

Mr. John Richardson, who served in his council for 1912, is very ill at his to such an extent that it depreciated to such an extent that it depreciated greatly in value. he field as candidate for 1913. Mr. John Lawson, London, this week visited his brother Henry, of Wanstead. Amongst the holiday guests at the home of Mr. D. McMurphy, second line, were Mr. James McLister, of Bothwell, who recently returned from a three-years' stay in the West Indies, and Mr. George Moulton and Mrs. Moulton, who returned a short time are from Supratus returned a short time ago from Sumatra, where Mr. Moulton was engaged in the Both gentlemen are brothers. in-law of Mr. D. McMurphy.

THAMESVILLE.

Thamesford, Jan. 4.-Quite a number of Thamesford, Jan. 4.—Quite a number of friends and relatives gathered at the depot on New Year's night to give Mrs. Knight (nee Rutledge), who had been married that day, a send-off. After a short honeymoon, they will take up housekeeping in the Northwest where the bride has two sisters now residing. A similar crowd met the 11 o'clock train to see Mr. and Mrs. McKay leave, but were disappointed, as they went by another route. Mrs. E. A. Dundas and children vis-

ter on account of the large number of sick and insane prisoners who were given special food upon the order of 44 73 Dr. Macarthur, the jail physician. the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. McMurray Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson, of Drumbo have been visiting at Ebenezer Villa, and waited for the McKay-Wallace wedding.

Mrs. F. O. Kester, who spent a few days at her former home in Tillsonburg.

The cost of the provisions was some-

what higher than usual this past quar-

came to her own home for the holiday PAISLEY.

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Paisley, Jan. 4 .- Mr. Jas. Tooke and ride, from near Winnipeg, are here n their wedding tour, guests of Mr. 'ooke's mother, Queen street south, Mr. Duncan Bell, of Sault Ste, Marie, Mich, and Mr. Donald Campbell, of Manitoba, are the guests of their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell and other relatives Mr Campbell has been a resident of Manitoba for 34 years.

Rev. J. J. Johnston, of Lynedoch, a former pastor of Knox Church, visited friends here recently,
Mr. Neil Cameron and bride, of Peter-

boro, are guests at the home of the for-mer's mother, Mrs. Cameron, Queen mer's mother, Mrs. Cameron, Queen street north.
Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Ballachey, the Misses Boyle and McLeod, and Messrs. J. H. Steele and J. Johnston, attended the bachelors' and benedicts' ball at Southampton on New Year's Eve.
Mr. Melvin McArthur, son of Mr. D. McArthur, went to Guelph on Jan. 1 to take a position with the Bell Telephone Company.

HALF MILLION DAMAGE BY NEW YORK GALE

Three Deaths as Result of Storm Which Swept the United States Metropolis.

[Canadian Press.] New York, Jan. 4.—At least three deaths and approximately \$500,000 proerty damage resulted from last night's -mile gale, which swept New York and icinity. This morning at 9 o'clock the wind had dropped to 60 miles an hour, out the mercury had crawled down to 32, and pedestrians suffered keenly.

The deaths reported were: Mrs. Mary Kline, Brooklyn, died of inuries after having been blown under s Rabert Walker, a painter, fatally in-

ured in a fall from a scaffold in Brook Unidentified man, blown into Newark Bay from a Central Railroad of New Jer-

A three-masted schooner, ashore and flying signals of distress near Egg Har-hor, N. J., last night, drifted off shore near Beach Haven, not far from Atlantic lity, teday, and life-savers lost sight The revenue cutters are look-

CASTRO TO FIGHT

May Go to Highest Court in Fight for Entrance to United States.

[Canadian Press.] New York, Jan. 4. - The Amerika sailed today for Hamburg without having aboard Cipriano Cas tro, ex-president of Venezuela, who announced at Ellis Island several days ago that he would abandon his desire to enter the United States, and return to Europe voluntarily. Castro remains under detention at Ellis Island, awaiting argument Jan. 10, on the writ of habeas corpus granted in his behalf

yesterday in the federal district court. Incidentally it cost Castro \$400 to cancel his passage to Europe. He had engaged two suites on the Amerikaone for himself and the other for his valet. The steamship company was notified late yesterday afternoon that they would not be needed. Castro has abandoned his idea of returning to Europe without entering the country, and now plans, his lawyer says, to go to the highest court if necessary in his

fight for entrance. WRITS AGAINST RAILWAYS

One Issued Against the C. P. R. One Against the M. C. R.

Joseph O'Brien, of the township of London, has issued a writ against the Michigan Central Railway Company to recover unstated damages for personal injuries sustained by him through the alleged negligence of the servants of the defendants. The plaintiff claims The new motor for imping the organ that he was loading a car with furni-as been installed in the Presbyterian ture when another car was shunted that he was loading a car with furniagainst the one in which he was workng, with the result that he was severely injured. Messrs. McKillop, Murphy and Gunn are acting for the plaintiff

Messrs. Ross and Bixel, of Strathroy, have issued a writ upon instructions returned yesterday after visiting in from C. McKeigan against the C. P. R. to recover \$500 for injuries to horse. The plaintiffs claims that he Wyoming, Jan. 4 .- Plympton Township shipped the horse from Strathroy in

CONVICTIONS INCREASE

Many People Found Guilty of Misde meanors By P. M. Judd.

The police officials are still delving eep into statistics for 1912, and while, as stated in Friday's Advertiser, the number of cases brought to trial before P. M. Judd was only a dozen or so in excess of the record of 1911, it is claimed that there were fully one-third more convictions.

The total amount of fines collected was also much greater than in 1911, and as a result the city will obtain about \$1,100 more than last year. The officials' figures will be out in a few days, it is expected.

KNOWS NOTHING OF IT. [Canadian Press.]
Regina, Jan. 4.—Bishop Mathieson to

ited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Thes. day with reference to a dispatch from McFarlan at Dorchester.

Dr. McMurray and family, of Ingersell, Jutor of Quebec, said he knew nothing and Rev. T. A. Watson, of Toronto, spent of the matter.