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PROBS— E. and n.e. winds; cloudy; same temperature today; snowfall; Friday, colder.

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## All Municipal Candidates Qualified—Prisoner Liberated on Christmas Eve—Peace Messages Exchanged Eighty People, Including Sixty Children, Trampled to Death at Christmas Festival Controller Foster Refuses \$10,000 for Property Assessed at \$305.50

### EIGHTY LIVES WERE CRUSHED OUT IN PANIC CAUSED BY CRY OF "FIRE" AT FESTIVAL IN CALUMET, MICH.

**Copper Mine Strikers' Wives and Families Assembled for Christmas Tree Festivities in Hall Were Stampeded When Man Outside Raised False Alarm, and in a Moment Four Score Persons, Mostly Children, Were Trampled or Suffocated—Bodies Piled High on Narrow Stairway, Principal Exit—Three Persons Injured.**

CALUMET, Mich., Dec. 24.—(Can. Press)—Four-score persons, mostly children, were killed tonight at a Christmas celebration by copper mine strikers in an Italian hall because of a needless panic caused by a false alarm of fire.

While several hundred miners and their wives looked on, the children pressed eagerly towards the stage to receive Christmas presents. At the instant a man put his head in at the door of the hall and yelled "Fire."

The cry was taken up by those in the hall. Everyone started for the doors. The weaker were thrown to the floor, and these behind tried to climb over those ahead of them. The stairway and other avenues of egress were blocked so effectually that those inside could not get out, and those without could not get in to aid the panic-stricken crowd in the hall. It was some time before the panic subsided.

#### BODIES PILED IN HEAP.

The alarm was spread outside the hall by a few persons who had been near the door and had escaped unhurt. A crowd soon assembled, and the work of clearing the hall was begun. The principal exit was a narrow stairway at the back of the hall. When this had been cleared of the bodies that filled it to the top, and a quick accounting had been made it was found that seventy-four corpses had been piled up beside the hall building. It is thought that a dozen others were carried away by friends.

#### VICTIMS MOSTLY CHILDREN.

The dead that were piled up beside the hall included 37 girls, 19 boys, 13 women and five men. Excited men and women stood about the building, some dazed by the sudden change from holiday festivities to tragedy, others calling hysterically for a missing child, and a few even threatening violence to the rescuers for keeping them back from the long row of bodies.

There was not much work for the many doctors who hurried to the scene as soon as the alarm was spread, for those who were not killed in the first rush were held upright and safe by the very force of the onrush toward the exit. Only three injured persons were taken to hospitals, and a few went home with the assistance of friends.

#### AWAITING "SANTA CLAUS."

For many days the children of the copper mine strikers had waited expectantly for the Christmas tree exercises that had been arranged by the Women's Auxiliary of the Western Federation of Miners. The entertainment was set for the early evening, and the hall, which is on the second floor, was soon filled to its limit. The children selected to recite Christmas selections

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#### IRRESISTIBLE



#### Iroquois Disaster Recalled

The disaster at Calumet, Mich., recalls the calamity of almost ten years ago when seven hundred people were killed in the Iroquois Theatre, Chicago. On Dec. 30, 1903, during the presentation of the extravaganza "Bluebeard," by Eddie Foy and Company, a fire which started behind the scenes, created a wild stampede, resulting in the greatest theatre holocaust the world has known.

### BURGESS WILL EXPOSE PAPER

**Mayorality Candidate Intends to Denounce The Telegram and Will Publish "Hot Stuff."**

Ald. Burgess stated to The World last night that he has been treated infamously by The Telegram in the matter of his nomination for the mayorality, and that he will denounce The Telegram from the platform at every meeting he will address in his campaign. He is also preparing a statement of his charges against The Telegram, and will send it to the newspapers for publication. It will be hot stuff.

In his hatred of Mayor Hocken The Telegram was so determined to oppose his re-election that it pledged its support to both Ald. Burgess and Ald. McBrien if they would run for mayor in order to make sure of one candidate. This double-dealing of The Telegram with the two aldermen was not known to them until the eve of nomination.

The Telegram and the two aldermen were in a pretty mess. The Telegram tried to get out of it by clubbing Ald. Burgess, but found the alderman had as big a club as The Telegram. Ald. Burgess will keep his club swinging until January 1st. Ald. McBrien will go on eating out of The Telegram's hand until January 1st, and then he will have the same opinion of The Telegram as Ald. Burgess. The Telegram has made one mess after another this year in its attacks upon Mayor Hocken and the people are getting on to it.

### THREE MEN HURT CHRISTMAS EVE

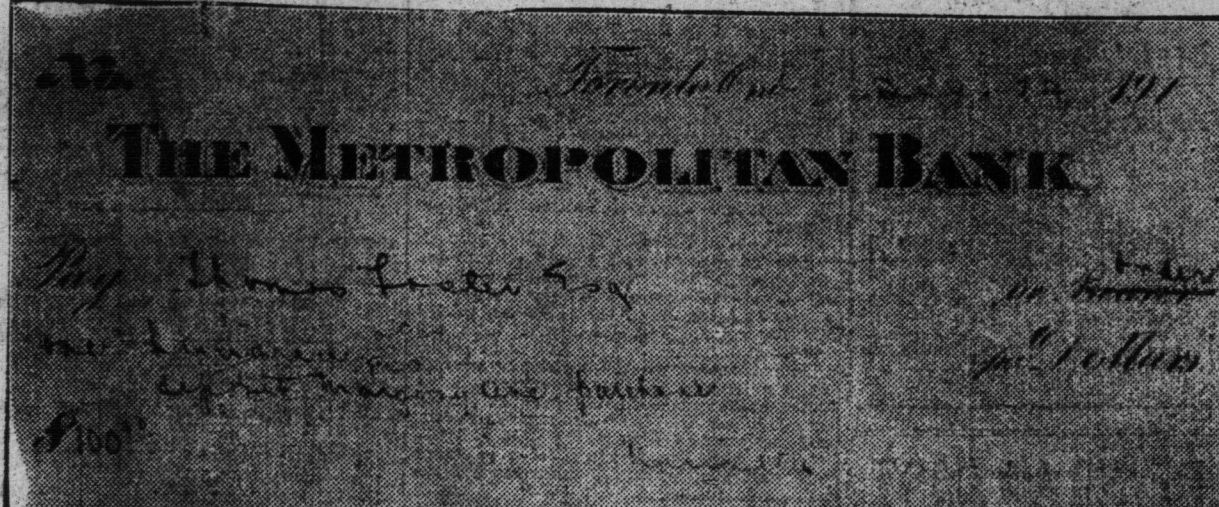
**James Patterson May Not Recover From Injuries Sustained in a Street Car Accident.**

Alexander Allen, 45 years of age, of 33 Rowan place, a C.P.R. yardman, was struck by a shunting engine in the yards at the foot of York street yesterday afternoon, and was conveyed to the Western Hospital suffering from severe internal injuries.

James Patterson, 704 College street, was struck by a westbound College street car near Bathurst street yesterday afternoon at 6 o'clock and was conveyed to the Western Hospital with injuries to his head and internal injuries, from which it is expected he will not recover.

John McGregor, 14 Phoebe street, was knocked down by a motor truck on York street near King yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock and was conveyed to the General Hospital with a broken leg.

### HERE IS THE CHEQUE



The original of this photograph, together with duplicate copies of an offer of \$10,000 for part of Controller Foster's Marjory avenue property, are in The World office. The cheque for \$10,000 is to bind the bargain in case the controller decides to accept \$10,000 for land he claims is worth \$61.10. It is a genuine offer made by Kenneth E. Mackenzie as solicitor for a prominent east-end business man.

### FOSTER'S CHANCE TO GET TEN THOUSAND.

**Controller Yesterday Refused Two Offers of Ten Thousand Dollars for Part of His Marjory Avenue Land, But He Can Take Up One Unit Tomorrow Night.**

Controller Foster yesterday refused two offers of \$10,000 for his property on the west side of Marjory avenue, containing 611 feet frontage. This is the land which is assessed at 50c a foot and which the controller contended thru The Telegram on Monday was not worth ten cents a front foot or \$61 and ten cents for the whole block. Did not the "economical controller" show a lack of business ability, or is the land as Mr. Foster told one of the would-be purchasers "worth a good deal more than the offer"? No doubt the controller was right, as he ought to get more for his property, as the offers he turned down would only have netted him about \$16.50 a front foot.

The second offer, which was made by Kenneth E. Mackenzie (no relation of Sir William) of the law firm of Ryckman, MacIntyre & Mackenzie, on behalf of a prominent east end business man who wants to use the property for industrial purposes, had a hundred dollar deposit attached and was as follows:

To Thomas Foster, Toronto: I, Kenneth E. Mackenzie of the City of Toronto (as purchaser) hereby agree to and with you (as vendor) to purchase all and singular the premises on the west side of Marjory avenue in the City of Toronto, known as lot No. 4-22 inclusive plan No. M. 105, as registered in the registry office for the said City of Toronto, having a frontage of about 611 feet by a depth of about 95-100 feet more or less, at the price or sum of ten thousand dollars as follows: One hundred dollars in cash to the said Thomas Foster as a deposit, and covenant, promise and agree to pay as follows: One thousand dollars in cash on completion of sale; balance, one thousand dollars in six months thereafter, one thousand dollars in one year, two thousand dollars in 18 months and thereafter two thousand dollars half-yearly until the whole is paid, with privilege of paying the whole at any time without notice or bonus; the balance with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, half-yearly until fully paid to be secured by first mortgage upon the premises, free from dower.

(Followed by the regular offer to purchase form.) This offer has been lodged along with the deposit at The World office and must be accepted within three days.

Controller Foster has the opportunity all day Friday to take ten thousand dollars for the property assessed at \$95.50.

### ITALIAN GOVERNMENT BUYS FAMOUS STATUE

**Donatello's Masterpiece Was Hidden Away for Five Centuries.**

FLORENCE, Dec. 24.—(Can. Press)—Donatello's famous statue of St. John the Baptist which was executed for his friend and patron Martelli and purchased by the Italian Government for \$30,000, was placed today in Donatello's hall in the national museum after having remained hidden for five centuries in the old Martelli palace.

Large sums have been offered for the statue by foreign galleries and art collectors, but the law prevented its leaving the country.

Dinsen's Express Thanks. After 49 years' successful trading, the well-known Dinsen Company, 140 Yonge street, return thanks for the continued loyal support that has been their portion. They feel that while old standing customers have patronized the store as consistently as ever, they are extremely grateful for the more than usual influx of new patrons. The latter have filled the company with confidence for the future, as well as indicating the progressive spirit apparent in all departments at Dinsen's. The company again express their best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Seat Sale Opens Today. The sale of seats for Margaret Anglin's engagement at the Princess Theatre here next week, opens today at the theatre. Miss Anglin, who is a great local favorite, is supported this season by an exceptionally strong company, and an enthusiastic welcome is in store for her.

### WAS FREED ON CHRISTMAS EVE

**Served Third of Fifteen-Year Term for Crime of Which He Was Innocent.**

MONTREAL, Dec. 24.—(Can. Press)—After serving five years of a 15-year sentence imposed upon him for a crime for which he was innocent, Gerolamo Fazzari walked out a free man from St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary today.

Fazzari was sentenced for attempted murder, in connection with a fracas which occurred in St. David's lane in March, 1908. He was convicted on the evidence of three witnesses, one of whom has since paid the death penalty for a murder committed in the eastern provinces. Another is now serving a term in Dorchester Penitentiary, while the third is a fugitive from justice having jumped a bail bond of \$12,000 given at the office of the court of appeals.

The police became convinced of Fazzari's innocence about five months ago. Proceedings were hurried at the last minute so that the unfortunate man would be granted his liberty on Christmas eve. The notification of the pardon was telegraphed to Warden Malandain of the penitentiary and to the office of the local court of appeals this morning, and Fazzari, given a railroad ticket, was released from the penitentiary. He reached this city shortly after 6 o'clock.

### PEACE MESSAGES WERE EXCHANGED

**Prominent Americans and Borden Cabinet Reaffirm Desire for Anglo-Saxon Amity.**

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Alton B. Parker, Cardinal Gibbons, Bishop David H. Greer, Nicholas Murray Butler and Andrew Carnegie, the American committee charged with preparations for the celebration of 100 years of peace between Great Britain, Canada and the United States, wired a Christmas message from New York to Premier Borden, couched in the following terms: "Cordial Christmas greetings and respectfully ask message of approval and friendship from the premier of our sister nation to the north, knit to us by ties of blood and relationship, by language and institutions whose people have contributed so powerfully to the civilization, to the prosperity and the population of the United States, to the end that this century of peace may be made an example to all the nations of the north."

Mr. Borden replied in part as follows: "My colleagues and I on behalf of the people of Canada, send our warmest thanks and Christmas greetings. As we approach the consummation of a century of peace, which I trust will be worthily commemorated, we are profoundly thankful that the relations between our countries are of the most happy and cordial character. United by the ties of kinship, possessing like institutions and a common language and literature, inheriting like liberties, duties and responsibilities, each nation owes not only to the other, but to itself, for the cause of civilization and humanity, the sole duty and obligation of preserving and keeping constant that tradition of friendship and peace in the centuries to come."

### The Mayor Says Merry Christmas

Mayor Hocken's Christmas message to the citizens of Toronto: "At this season of good-will, those whom Providence has blessed with prosperity will find their chief joy and satisfaction in remembering those upon whom fortune has frowned, and as we develop the Christmas spirit so beautifully expressed in the works of Charles Dickens, our own happiness will be increased. To the people of this fine city I extend my heartiest wishes for their peace and prosperity."

### ALASKAN HARBOR LOST TO CANADA

**Whim of Grand Pacific Glacier Deprives Country of Facilities It Previously Bestowed.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(Can. Press)—The grand Pacific glacier in Alaska at the head of Glacier Bay has been "playing Indian" with Canada by giving her a harbor on the Alaskan coast and then taking it back again, according to Prof. Lawrence Martin of the University of Wisconsin, who returned today after making a survey of the glaciers in that region for the National Geographic Society.

Glacier Bay, wholly within American territory when the Canadian boundary treaty was made, was extended into Alaska territory during the summer of 1912 by the recession of the grand Pacific glacier, thereby giving Canada harbor facilities, much to the gratification of Canadian officials, according to the press of Canada at the time.

A sudden and rapid advance of the glacier since that time has pushed the head of the bay back 4000 feet into American territory again, Prof. Martin reports.

### HYDRO WILL BE USED BY LONDON RAILWAY

**Direct Current Installed and Customer for Thousand Horse Power Secured.**

(Special to The Toronto World.) LONDON, Ont., Dec. 24.—Up to the present the city has been unable to supply the street railway with hydro power because of the lack of direct current. This has been remedied, however, and tonight the new system was tried with satisfactory results. The railway will take 1000 horsepower and the added consumption means a lowering of the general rate in the near future.

### PERHAPS ITS THE ERIE.

The World asked a railway man yesterday what was the big purchase by the C. P. R. hinted at by The London Standard? Perhaps the Erie Railway, with its New York terminal. That's what Sir Thomas would like. Then the New York Central could be in Toronto to move in a great big way. Likely.

### MAYOR DECIDES TO ASK ADVICE

**Representatives From Four Citizen Bodies, and Chief Justice of Ontario Will Examine Purchase.**

The Board of Trade, the Manufacturers' Association, the University of Toronto and the Trades and Labor Council have been invited by Mayor Hocken to each appoint a representative who will join with the chief justice of Ontario in giving consideration to all the proposed solutions of Toronto's transportation problem, and report upon the best.

Now that the experts employed by the city to solve Toronto's transportation problem are a unit in the opinion that the only practical policy is to remove the Toronto Railway monopoly by purchase, and that the opponents of the purchase are doing their utmost to prevent the taxpayers voting upon what the experts advise as a solution, Mayor Hocken is determined that a commission, made up of disinterested citizens, should be given an opportunity to submit their advice upon the several plans proposed. Mayor Hocken will provide the commission with all available data.

### A YELLOW CHRISTMAS.



Jeff: Is that ye, John? Patna has ye on yer crav th' day? John: 'Donian's, Hocken, McKinnle; an' I can't sleep'oy nite. Jeff: What's trouble'n' ye? John: Donian's, Hocken, McKinnle; an' I'm full ov bile. Jeff: Can ye no try feasic, John? John: If you'd bin spun out of th' revolution door ov th' townhall like I was you'd see there was no medicine for a disappointed liver. Our Johnny's awful bad with jaundice, too. The hul staff is gettin' yellere an' yellere, an' th' paper looks like I'd bin scorched away th' fire. A men man showed me his pet ov White Rocks but they was all Buff Orpingtons to me. Jeff: Only cold sweats, John? John: No, but I got hot feet bad from countin' th' new bidin's jumpin' up tween the town an' Donian's. Jeff: Can ye no tak it awa frae him, John? John: I've got three lawyers on it now, an' I've given Jim Whitney notice that if he don't contravert it The Tey 'il put Rowell in his place. Jeff: Gang tel it, John; that'll suit Th' Glob'. But cheer up, John, it's Yale time. John: Nup, Pop, only wormwood an' epy-take an' last' marks covered with yellor ooze. I've gettin' Aleck Wright, to take my place as Sandy Claws up to th' sick hospite for children. Aleck's goin' to run my rapid track here, care, no Bob Fleming. Jeff: God gave us, John, frae sic things as are bidin' ye th' noo. But ye has bro't it on yersel, John. Can ye, at least, see th' Star' o' Bethlehem yince a year? John: Not if I see Hocken between it an' me.

Christmas goods on Wednesday... \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00... \$2.00... \$2.50... \$3.00... \$3.50... \$4.00... \$4.50... \$5.00... \$5.50... \$6.00... \$6.50... \$7.00... \$7.50... \$8.00... \$8.50... \$9.00... \$9.50... \$10.00... \$10.50... \$11.00... \$11.50... \$12.00... \$12.50... \$13.00... \$13.50... \$14.00... \$14.50... \$15.00... \$15.50... \$16.00... \$16.50... \$17.00... \$17.50... \$18.00... \$18.50... \$19.00... \$19.50... \$20.00... \$20.50... \$21.00... \$21.50... \$22.00... \$22.50... \$23.00... \$23.50... \$24.00... \$24.50... \$25.00... \$25.50... \$26.00... \$26.50... \$27.00... \$27.50... \$28.00... \$28.50... \$29.00... \$29.50... \$30.00... \$30.50... \$31.00... \$31.50... \$32.00... \$32.50... \$33.00... \$33.50... \$34.00... \$34.50... \$35.00... \$35.50... \$36.00... \$36.50... \$37.00... \$37.50... \$38.00... \$38.50... \$39.00... \$39.50... \$40.00... \$40.50... \$41.00... \$41.50... \$42.00... \$42.50... \$43.00... \$43.50... \$44.00... \$44.50... \$45.00... \$45.50... \$46.00... \$46.50... \$47.00... \$47.50... \$48.00... \$48.50... \$49.00... \$49.50... \$50.00... \$50.50... \$51.00... \$51.50... \$52.00... \$52.50... \$53.00... \$53.50... \$54.00... \$54.50... \$55.00... \$55.50... \$56.00... \$56.50... \$57.00... \$57.50... \$58.00... \$58.50... \$59.00... \$59.50... \$60.00... \$60.50... \$61.00... \$61.50... \$62.00... \$62.50... \$63.00... \$63.50... \$64.00... \$64.50... \$65.00... \$65.50... \$66.00... \$66.50... \$67.00... \$67.50... \$68.00... \$68.50... \$69.00... \$69.50... \$70.00... \$70.50... \$71.00... \$71.50... \$72.00... \$72.50... \$73.00... \$73.50... \$74.00... \$74.50... \$75.00... \$75.50... \$76.00... \$76.50... \$77.00... \$77.50... \$78.00... \$78.50... \$79.00... \$79.50... \$80.00... \$80.50... \$81.00... \$81.50... \$82.00... \$82.50... \$83.00... \$83.50... \$84.00... \$84.50... \$85.00... \$85.50... \$86.00... \$86.50... \$87.00... \$87.50... \$88.00... \$88.50... \$89.00... \$89.50... \$90.00... \$90.50... \$91.00... \$91.50... \$92.00... \$92.50... \$93.00... \$93.50... \$94.00... \$94.50... \$95.00... \$95.50... \$96.00... \$96.50... \$97.00... \$97.50... \$98.00... \$98.50... \$99.00... \$99.50... \$100.00