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# HAMILTON NEWS

## CITY FATHERS SAT UP LATE

### An Effort to Clean Up the Slate, But There Was Difference of View on Some Things

### AND THE WORK WAS NOT FINISHED.

**Constable Campaign Made a Capture—Reported Death of Ex-Chief of Police A. D. Stewart.**

Hamilton, Dec. 27.—(Special.)—The Council sat until 11 o'clock to-night to clean up the business of the year, but it wasn't successful, and another meeting will be held next Friday night, principally to dispose of the T., H. & B. matter. The Finance Committee recommended that the company be allowed a rebate of $10,000 on its taxes for building the switch to the north end of the city, the line to be exempt from taxation. The proposal to reduce the water rates from $3500 to $1000 was dropped. The Council was willing by a vote of 13 to 8 to give the Finance Committee power to introduce a bylaw to that effect, but it was quite another story when the bylaw was dissected in committee of the whole. It was evident the Council was against the proposition and the first clause to allow the $1000 rebate was knocked out by a vote of 12 to 8. Ald. Carscallen then suggested that it would be useless to consider the bylaw any further to-night, and it was laid over till Friday night. The feeling against giving the company a rebate appears to be general.

The bylaw to fix the taxation of the Toronto & Hamilton Sewer Pipe Company at $6000 for ten years was given two readings. Ald. Carscallen delivered a lengthy address reviewing the progress of the city and its financial standing.

It was resolved to open Hannah-street out to Wentworth-street at a cost of about $2300.

Walter Anderson and A. R. Whyte were re-appointed city auditors.

**Campaign's Capture.**

Constable Campaign made a clever capture this evening. He arrested Edward Ringer of Hess-street, in a house, 83 Wellington-street north, on a charge of stealing from Morris Taylor's shop. Ringer, it is alleged, is the man who sold a stolen coat to Richard Nichol, who was "pinched" yesterday.

**A. D. Stewart Reported Dead.**

Mr. James Galloway, who is ex-Mayor A. D. Stewart's legal representative here, said to-day that he had received a telegram confirming the rumor that Mr. Stewart had died while on his way to the Klondike. He says a letter, giving detailed information, will reach the city in a few days.

**Reward for Bravery.**

The chairman and Board of Investigating Governors of the Royal Canadian Humane Association have unanimously awarded the bronze medal of the association to Alexander Allen of Rossland, B.C., for conspicuous heroism in risking his life to save Fred Holt from certain death in the shaft of Sunset No. 2 mine, Rossland camp, on Nov. 1, 1898.

**Police Points.**

Magistrate Jelfs gave judgment in the charges of gambling laid against William Gilman and several other men last week. He found the evidence did not support the charge and dismissed the cases.

Edward Hardy, who cut his throat last Saturday afternoon, will have to answer the charge of attempting to take his life when he is well enough to leave the hospital.

**The Keep Action Settled.**

The case in which J. P. and Nigel Keep of Grimsby brought suit to recover $3000 from the Merchants' Life Association and Hon. John Dryden has at last been settled. The association's officials have returned the Keeps their cheque for $3000 and have cancelled their application for $24,000 worth of stock in the association.

**Minor Matters.**

Mgr. McEvay of St. Mary's Cathedral has been appointed a domestic prelate of His Holiness the Pope.

Old Margaret Shea died in the city jail yesterday from diabetes. She was serving a six months' term for vagrancy.

A committee of the Grand Lodge, A., F. & A. M., will present a testimonial to M. W. Bro. W. Gibson, M. P., to-morrow evening. After the presentation the party will be dined at the New Royal by Barton Lodge.

Assessment Commissioner Hall is ill with erysipelas. It is affecting his eyes.

## ON AND OFF THE STAGE

**Souvenir Night at the Grand.**

To-night will witness the 300th consecutive performance of "The Royal Box" by Mr. Charles Coghlan and his clever company, and to mark the occasion, all ladies attending the Grand Opera House, who hold reserved seat coupons, will be presented with handsome souvenirs, in the shape of royal jewel boxes of a quaint design. To-morrow night, Hamilton will send down a train load of theatregoers to do honor to their fellow-townsman, Mr. Andrew Robson, the Prince of Wales in "The Royal Box."

**Robert Mantell's Repertoire.**

Mr. Robert B. Mantell, the eminent romantic actor, will present the following plays at the Grand Opera House, New Year's week: Monday and Saturday matinees and Wednesday night, "A Secret Warrant"; Monday and Thursday nights, "The Face in the Moonlight"; Tuesday night, "Monbars"; Wednesday matinee, "Romeo and Juliet"; Friday night, "Hamlet"; Saturday night, "Othello." Mr. Mantell is under the management of the well-known impressario, Mr. W. M. Hanley, and this season is doing the largest business known in years.

**E. H. Sothern's Production.**

The astuteness of the management of the Toronto Opera House has been demonstrated by the announcement that a great Lyceum Theatre, New York, production has been secured for the New Year attraction at that popular house. Of all of the pieces produced by E. H. Sothern none had such a measure of success as "An Enemy of the King," and it is this play which will be staged for the first time in Canada at popular prices on Jan. 2 next, when all the scenic and electrical effects which made it so famous in New York. The company which will produce the wonderful play is headed by that celebrated actor, John Griffith, who is well known here from former successful engagements. He is supported by Miss Kathryn Prunell and a strong cast. The sale of seats, which is already opened, is large, and the week promises to be a big one.

**High-Class Show at Bijou.**

Secure your tickets in advance is the order at the Bijou Theatre this week, owing to the big rush to see the best, high-class, refined vaudeville-comedy combination ever witnessed in this city. Among the many drawing cards are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sidman, in their original Yankee sketch, entitled "A Bit of Real Life," which is cleverly presented. The three Gardner brothers, musical exponents, introducing Master Gardner, the dancing wonder; the Persian trio do all manner of grotesque tricks. Mr. John Kurkamp has a classic selection of new things, which are highly acceptable. The three Bouffons do a comical "Humpty-Dumpty" performance, which keep the audience in a continued roar of laughter. Prof. Stevens, the noted rag time piano player, introduces all the latest coon music, cake walks, etc. The Hunting trio, John, Lew and Miss Mollie, present their own comedy creation "A Tramp's Troubles," which is brim full of jollity. W. O. Stevens is a new acquisition, and a clever pianist. The Two Fantas and their tiny pig and other features fill out a great and pleasing vaudeville entertainment. To avoid the rush secure your tickets in advance. Two performances daily, afternoon and evening. Admission: Afternoon, 10 and 15 cents. Evening, 10, 20 and 30 cents.

**Empire Theatre.**

Manager McConnaughy is well pleased with the patronage this popular playhouse is receiving. Attractive new scenery is being added this week, which makes the scenic display of a high order. A large fourteen foot illuminated sign containing 200 incandescent lights has been placed in front of the house, and the street is brilliantly lit in the evening. Ladies' special matinees will be held this afternoon and Saturday. Neat retiring rooms have been fitted up specially for their accommodation. Miss Viola Sheldon appears to good advantage in operatic selections. She has a splendid stage presence and an excellent high soprano voice. Mr. Fred Vice in his unique impersonation of the "Tramp" is good, and clever. Kinsners, the world's high-class equilibrists, are well worth the price of admission alone. Mr. Edward Bryan, Miss Madge Norman and a full company prove a host in themselves in their excellent production of "Casey's St. Patrick's Day Oration."

**PERSONAL.**

W. W. Tamblyn, M.A., of Bowmanville, is spending a week in the city with relatives.

Mr. R. E. Helme, route agent of the Dominion Express at London, Ont., is in the city on business.

Francis L. Smiley of Toronto was made notary public in and for the Province of Ontario, on the 24th inst.

Superintendent Fitzhugh of the middle division of the Grand Trunk was out on an eastern tour yesterday.

Mr. A. R. Bickerstaff of the Tariff Department of the Dominion Express spent the Christmas holiday with friends in St. Catharines.

Mr. John Catto, the head of the house of John Catto & Son, has left for England and the continent in search of the latest fashionable goods for his firm.

Rev. Dr. Courtice, editor of The Christian Guardian, is ill, and confined to his bed. He will not be out for two weeks.

Mr. Albert Boswell and wife, who have been spending Christmas with Mr. J. A. Boswell, superintendent of the Dominion Express Company, returned to their home yesterday.

Mr. W. H. Burr, auditor of the Dominion Express, accompanied by his family, went to Bloomington, Ill., yesterday, where he will spend the New Year's holidays with his parents.

**FIRES REPORTED.**

The premises occupied by Hutchins & Riley, saddlers, at Calgary, were damaged by fire yesterday morning to the extent of $2000.

The house and contents belonging to Mr. George Patterson at Collingwood were burned early yesterday morning, and the family had a narrow escape, being all asleep when the fire broke out. The loss is covered by insurance.

Mr. J. A. M. Alley, churchwarden, has presented St. Stephen's congregation with a handsome pair of brass candelabra.

John Burton of the village of Cobden, County of Renfrew, has been appointed bailiff of the Division Court of the said county.

## CHINESE PUZZLE NOT IN IT

### The Druce Case in London is a Fine Instance of the Technical Tangles of Law.

### MORE TROUBLE FOR THE CLAIMANT.

**Cemetery Company Must Show Why They Should Not Carry Out the Order of the Court.**

London, Dec. 27.—The counter-move in the Druce case, which is still a mystery, has quickly followed upon the surprise. The Chancellor of the Diocese of London has ordered the Cemetery Company to appear before him and show cause why they should not open Mr. T. C. Druce's coffin, or allow somebody else to do it for them.

The application was made at the Registry by Mr. Arnold Statham, on behalf of Mrs. Druce and her son. He asked the Chancellor, Dr. Tristram, that a citation might issue, directed to the Cemetery Company, calling upon them to appear and show cause why they should not at once carry out the order for the opening of the vault, or permit the petitioners, by properly authorized persons, to do so.

The application was supported by an affidavit, showing that the company is amenable to the order of the court, inasmuch as the grave is in consecrated ground.

Dr. Tristram ordered the citation to issue. The Cemetery Company must appear before him, when the matter will be argued.

Being the Druce case, it does not follow that nothing will happen in the interval. There may be an appeal to the High Court for an injunction, or something equally formidable, to prevent the Chancellor from doing anything at all.

**An Intricate Case.**

It is about as easy to explain the Druce case as it is to define the theory of the fourth dimension. Leaving out the irrelevant intricacies, however, and ignoring the nine judges who have already been dragged into the case, it is possible to indicate the present position:

1. The Chancellor of the Diocese has ordered the coffin to be opened.

2. The respondents have not appealed to his superior judge.

3. Sidney Druce, who was the admitted owner of the grave until a week ago, has consented to it being opened.

4. The Home Office says the Chancellor's order is not sufficient—that the Home Secretary's license is also necessary.

5. The Cemetery Company declare that the real owner of the grave is not Sidney Druce, but Herbert Druce, who represents the opposition. They decline to open the grave without Herbert Druce's permission—which will not be granted.

6. The respondents oppose the opening of the grave for the reasons contained in paragraphs 4 and 5.

7. Mrs. Druce, by her advisers, challenges both objections.

8. She says that, as the grave is in consecrated ground, the Chancellor has the sole power of jurisdiction over it; that the Home Secretary's license is unnecessary, inasmuch as the coffin will not be removed from consecrated ground; that the owner's consent is equally unnecessary, under the circumstances, and that, if it is necessary, it has already been given.

9. The Chancellor, having ordered the opening of the grave, has cited the Cemetery Company to show cause why his order should not be obeyed.

10. The opposition, or the Cemetery Company, may spring another surprise by making a brand new application to the courts of civil law.

The Chinese puzzle was nothing to it. A characteristic paradox emerges from the maze. After nine victories Mrs. Druce is confronted with two more obstacles than she began with. To bring it up to even numbers, she has herself introduced the twelfth, which is in the way of an obstacle for the other side.

### HAPPENINGS OF A DAY.

**Items of Passing Interest Gathered in and Around this Busy City.**

On Friday, at the Albion Hotel, the Executive Committee of the Dominion Horse Breeders' Association will meet.

The appointment was announced yesterday by the Ontario Government of Robert Compston as bailiff of the first Division Court, in Lincoln County.

The inspection of the ballots of the South Ontario bye-election took place yesterday at Osgoode Hall. It is an informal proceeding and is preliminary to the protest trial.

The time for receiving tenders for the Ontario Government printing has been extended for a week. Several houses in the city have applied for specifications, and considerable competition is expected.

The Garrison Recreation Club, composed of the non-coms and men of the R. C. D. and the R. R. C. I., hold their annual ball at Stanley Barracks on Friday, the 30th inst.

Sympathy is expressed for W. J. Graham, 102 Baldwin-street, in the loss of his daughter, who died at Buffalo on Tuesday. She was the wife of George Troup of that city.

By mistake the cut used in the issues of the 24th and 26th of this paper was a production of our '97 Bonner, the old style of skate. See new cut in to-day's issue. Fred Ivey, 170 Bay-street, Toronto.

## A Working Man

### Able to Keep His Place in Spite of Difficulties.

### He Writes About His Condition—Wife and Children Helped.

WALLACEBURG, ONT.—The following letter will prove of interest to working men and others who may be in a condition similar to that of the writer:

"For three years I was subject to poor spells. I always felt tired, could not sleep at night and the little I could eat did not do me any good. I have been working at the barber trade for about 20 years and for the last four years I have been very closely confined and have had my meals very irregularly. I was taken with a

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and the doctors said it was caused by my stomach troubles. I lost flesh and became so weak I was hardly able to stand up to the chair to work. One day I happened to be looking over some testimonial letters and I thought I would try Hood's Sarsaparilla. Before I had taken two bottles I began to feel better and in a short time I felt finely and had gained 21 pounds in weight. I have taken nearly five bottles and now I feel like a man again. I am

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# COUNTY AND SUBURBAN NEWS

### The Past, the Present and the Future of News Items From All Over the County.

### BROTHERS MEET AFTER 25 YEARS.

**A Banquet to Weston Council—Mrs. William Burgess, Victim of an Explosion, is Recovering.**

Toronto Junction, Dec. 27.—(Special.)—Chief of Police J. R. Royce spent Christmas with his father, Mr. George S. Royce of Hillsdale, who is 79 years of age. Around the family circle were seven brothers, who have not met together for 25 years.

A large number of members of Stanley Lodge, A., F. & A. M., went to Lambton Mills to-night to witness the installation of officers in Mimico Lodge.

The Toronto Junction Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, No. 255, will hold their eight annual ball and supper to-morrow night. The event will take place in the Temple Building, Toronto, this year.

The fire brigade was called out this morning at 5.55 to a fire in Burke's blacksmith shop, on Royce avenue, and succeeded in getting it out without much damage being done to the building. The contents, however, were considerably damaged, and a wagon and buggy outside were also burned. How the fire started is a mystery, as all fires were put out on Saturday night and had not been re-lighted.

A public meeting of the ratepayers will be held in Kilburn Hall to-morrow night to hear the candidates for municipal honors speak.

**North Toronto.**

Two new cars similar to those already in use have arrived at the Metropolitan sheds from the States.

Messrs. Pearson of Weston and Pearen of Brampton yesterday visited the prize hennery of Mr. C. Bonnick, Eglinton.

Mr. R. Brown, son of the town assessor, is down from Barrie, looking up his large circle of friends.

The Christmas entertainment of Christ Church Sunday School, Deer Park, will take place at the school house to-morrow evening.

Only one resignation was received last night of the nominations on Monday, this being Mr. E. C. Brown, as school trustee for Davisville Ward. There are now nine candidates in the run for the six Council positions, viz.: Messrs. Brown, Lawson, Spittel, Armstrong, Lawrence, Stibbard, Pearl, Ellis and Maguire.

**Thornhill.**

The statutory meeting of the trustees of Union School Section No. 1, Vaughan, will be held this morning at the school house.

The fiftieth anniversary of Buttonville Sabbath School was held on Monday night. The attendance was an exceptionally large one, and one of the pleasantest evenings in the history of the church was spent. In addition to a very enticing table, a program that was happily received was given by the following: Miss E. Patch, Aurora; Miss Teasdale, Messrs. L. Eckardt and J. H. Sanderson. The Aurora Quartet also contributed.

Thornhill Lodge No. 232, A. O. U. W., have elected the following as officers for the year: W. M., Bro. H. Harper; foreman, Bro. J. Breakey; overseer, Bro. H. Goulding; rec. sec., Bro. J. Ed Francis; fin. sec., Bro. J. C. Steele; receiver, Bro. D. James; guide, Bro. C. Perryman; I. W., Bro. G. H. Charlton; O. W., Bro. J. Graham.

A pretty wedding was celebrated on Monday at the Methodist Church, Hagerman's Corners. The contracting parties were Miss Nellie, daughter of Mr. Austin Hemingway of Hagerman's Corners, and Mr. Thomas Berry of Toronto. The ceremony was performed before a crowded congregation by Rev. Mr. Stevenson. The best man was Mr. Thomas Little, Toronto. The happy couple left after the ceremony and held a reception at the bridegroom's residence, Toronto. Miss Blanche Dean acted as bridesmaid.

**Edgeley.**

Mr. and Mrs. John Kaiser of Edgeley had the pleasure of a family gathering at their residence, to enjoy their Christmas festivities. Those present were: Dr T E Kaiser and Mrs. Kaiser of Oshawa, Mr. and Mrs. M. Fisher of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hoover of Toronto Junction, Mr. Arnold Kaiser of Thorold and Mr. A. E Fisher of Toronto. To show their respect for their parents they presented their father with a Siberian coon overcoat and their mother with a beautiful pair of Persian lamb gauntlets. The presents were received from Mrs. Fisher, their eldest daughter. The family wished that they might enjoy many more such gatherings in future years.

**York County News.**

A complimentary banquet was last night tendered to the Weston Village Council, in recognition of their services to the village for the past year. Mr. W. J. Cruickshanks, jr., presided, and the toast list was heartily responded to. Around the festive board were many representatives and officials of neighboring municipalities.

The Sunday School of Christ Church, Mimico, will hold their annual entertainment in the school house to-night. Most of the talent will be from Toronto, and an enjoyable time is looked forward to.

On Monday night, at the Orange Hall, Woodbridge, Mr. Richard Willis made a typical Santa Claus, and was a whole host of fun for the children of Christ Church Sunday School.

Mrs. William Burgess of Humber Bay is recovering from the wounds received by the explosion of cartridges in the stove a few days ago. She received one ball in the arm, another in the leg and a third in the face. Mr. Burgess says it was the West York election protest that was the cause of it all, as it was the searching for some papers for the trial that induced him to turn the old cartridges out.

**TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.**

Dr. Guay, M.P. for Levis, is dangerously ill.

Mrs. J. F. Guite, M.P. for Gaspe, Que., is reported to have resigned his seat.

Two Galicians are studying for the Presbyterian ministry in Manitoba College.

Josiah Latta of Plainfield, Ont., was knocked down by footpads and robbed of $25.

Miss Gertrude Jenner claims the Wenvoe Castle estate in England valued at £100,000.

A. Stirrett, formerly a resident of Ontario, is dead at Sandon, B.C., from pneumonia.

The London Times editorially repudiates the idea that Don Carlos will get any support from England.

A bylaw authorizing the city of Hull to operate and control a civic lighting plant was passed yesterday.

The Cuban army and the Filipinos will be each given $100 for their services by the U.S. as they are mustered out.

The District Messenger Company of London is making a great income by sending boys out to snow strangers the city.

A general conference of Lutherans, the first of the kind in America, began yesterday in Philadelphia and will continue until Thursday.

James Maher, late master gunner in "A" Field Battery, has been appointed to a clerkship in the office of the Adjutant-General at Ottawa.

The car shops at Perth, Ont., have orders on hand for 350 box cars, 60 coal cars and 50 flat cars. These cars are sent to Toronto to be painted.

Burglars made a raid on Aylmer, Quebec, Monday night. They broke into four different places, one of which was Frank Sutcliff's Hotel, but got very little booty.

On Monday Driver Kell of "A" Battery, Kingston, was caught while attempting to desert. He had two pairs of boots and other articles ready to get away with.

Civil war is deemed inevitable in Bolivia, South America. Young men of the best families are joining one side or the other and the banks have lost all their clerks.

Miles Parker appeared before Police Magistrate Field at Woodstock yesterday, and pleaded guilty to stealing a horse and cutter from James Hood, liveryman. He was comitted for trial.

Senator Morrill of Vermont is seriously ill with an attack of grip, complicated with lung and heart trouble, and his death, it is said, is only a matter of a short time.

Simcoe elected William Sutton Mayor, and William Burt, Thomas McCall, R. S. McGill, George J. McKee, R. Gunton and Charles Mason councillors, all by acclamation.

Catlin Bros., bankers and extensive stock feeders of Miltonvale, Kansas, have failed with liabilities that will run from $300,000 to $500,000. The bank closed its doors Saturday.

Lord Wolseley has changed his tune about newspaper war correspondents. He used to say they were the "curse of the army." He has just referred to "those admirable newspaper correspondents."

James Brown, a Cheshire farmer, met a horrible death the other day while threshing. A cord was accidentally thrown around his neck and he was strangled before the machine could be stopped.

An investigation is being held in England over the disappearance of 50,000 rounds of ammunition from the magazine of Hounslow Barracks and about £100 worth of cavalry ammunition that has vanished.

Gonello, representative of Aguinaldo, the Philippine leader, is now in New York. He is waiting for the arrival of a committee of Filipinos before seeing President McKinley with regard to Philippine matters.

During the navigation season of this year 21,234,664 tons of freight have been locked through the Canadian and American canals at Sault Ste. Marie, an increase over 1897 of 2,251,900 tons. This beats all records.

The Commander-in-Chief of the British Army has approved of the existing practice of the wearing of beards by pioneers being discontinued, and the Queen's Regulations for the Army are to be amended accordingly.

The military governor of Paris, Gen. Zurlinden, says he does not believe there is a military plot against the republic. Even a declaration that Dreyfus is innocent, he says, would not make the army turn.

The Sheffield, Eng., corporation have made a profit of £8200 by working the tramways during the past half year. Since the tramways were taken over in July, 1896, the cash profit to the municipality has been £28,000.

Simeon Czuby, the Galician murderer of Stonewall, Man., was before the court at Winnipeg yesterday, and remanded for a day. He is completely broken down. Brown the negro murderer, is not worrying over his fate.

The civil and military governors of Havana have issued an order prohibiting the firing of guns or firecrackers in the public thoroughfares, also prohibiting the assembling of crowds after 6 p. m. Theatres and cafes must close at 11 p. m.

Burglars have been doing daring work at Chippewa, Ont. They robbed the M.C.R. station, the postoffice and A. B. McKenzie's store on Sunday night. The frontier police are looking for the thieves, who are believed to be from the other side.

Andrew Allen Bonner, aged 47, eldest son of Robert Bonner, proprietor of The New York Ledger, died in New York yesterday of pneumonia. He was much interested in horses and was a leading member of the Suburban Riding and Driving Club.

The town of Honfleur, n France, is to have an international show next August, and Canada is requested to put up an exhibit. Hon. Mr. Turgeon will represent this country in charge of a collection of Canadian literature.

The U.S. Government is having trouble with the Colville Indians in Washington, owing to the decision to allot lands to each Indian. They are opposed to surveys unless the Government pays them for the land. Two of the chiefs will go to the capital to interview the President.

The total collapse of the South African campaign against the Boers is proved by the fact that M'Pefu, the Boer chief, has returned to the place whence he was driven by the Transvaal forces. The Boer women are already tilling the soil.

The libel suit between Mr. Stiglingh and Mr. Rhodes, the former claiming £2000 damages for saying that the funds supplied to the plaintiff to contest Mr. Rhodes' seat in the Bond interest came from the Transvaal, has been settled for £5.

At Omaha, Nebraska, on Sunday, Mrs. J. Weller was so badly burned by the explosion of boiling turpentine that she died Monday night. Her husband and two sons were also badly burned. They are Christian Scientists and refused medical assistance.

Archbishop Langevin of Manitoba sent Rev. Father Page to minister to the Galicians working on the Sifton and Dauphin Railway. The Galicians are Greek Catholics, and resented the ministrations of the priest to the extent that he has been unable to hold a service.

The trial of Johann Schneider for the horrible murder of Conrad Berndt in a London bake house has been concluded. Schneider killed his man with an ax and burned the body in an oven. The jury said he was guilty of murder, was sane, and Judge Hawkins sentenced him to be hanged.

Grover, aged 12, Lucy, aged 8, and Pearl, aged 6 years, children of Dewitt Geary, a Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad engineer, were drowned in the Morris Canal at Port Colden, near Washington, N. J., yesterday afternoon. They fell in while playing on the ice.

Michael Ferrando, a Greek, charged with decoying a fellow-countryman in New York to his room, beating him to insensibility and robbing him, has been identified as the Greek brigand Soteros de Sarantos, for whom the Greek Government has offered 5000 francs, dead or alive. Sarantos denies it, and the matter will be put in the hands of the Greek Consul in New York.

There is at present on view in Edinburgh the only remaining portion of the flag raised at the battle of Flodden in 1513 by the Homes of Wedderburn, the present owner being Colonel Milne Home. The flag, which is of silk, originally consisted of a white saltire on a green ground, but only a quarter remains. The banner is now to be "restored."

**A Man's Fur Needs.**

Experience justifies the claim that J. & J. Lugsdin, 122 Yonge-street, do sell the most dependable quality furs in Canada and this bears with special emphasis on fur garments for men, for they enjoy the well-earned reputation of having everything that man wants in fur garments right-up-to-the-hour in style, and at moderate prices—a strong magnet in inducing custom. Special prices this week in fur caps, fur gauntlets, fur collars and cuffs, fur-lined coats, fur coats and sleigh robes.

**Buried at Allandale.**

The body of the late Mrs. McKitchie, who died on Friday at 72 Woolsley-street, was taken to Allandale, and interred in Maple Hill Cemetery yesterday. Deceased was 62 years of age, and had been sick for some time.

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MEETINGS.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS' ASSOCIATION OF CANADA.

The Annual Meeting of the above Association will be held on Thursday, the 29th inst., —AT— ST. GEORGE'S HALL, ELM ST., Toronto, commencing at 1.30 p.m. Members are requested to attend.

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