ELECTION FIGHTS WILL BE VERY KEEN

Nomination Day in Western Ontario Brings Out Many Candidates.

MANY ACCLAMATIONS

In Stratford Eight Were Nominated For Mayoralty, and Sixty-Two For Aldermen—Great Interest Taken All Through District.

Many keen contests will be waged at the polls on Monday next as a result of the very large number of nominations which took place throughout Western Ontario on nomination day. Although in many cities and towns the chief officer was chosen by acclamation there will remain stiff fights for the councils, and in many instances the electors have shown their interest in public affairs by nominating much larger numbers of candidates than has been customary. In Stratford, for instance, all previous records were beaten when eight candidates were nominated for the mayoralty and no less than 62 for aldermen.

Among the mayors returned by acclamation were:
St. Marys—F. G. Sanderson.
Aylmer—G. R. Christie.
Seaforth—D. J. McCallum.
Windsor—J. W. Hanna.
Galt—D. E. McLennan.
St. Thomas—Mayor Guest.
Goderich—Mayor Cameron.
Bradford—J. Scanlon.
Oakville—G. Hillmer.
Barrie—T. Beecroft.
Forest—E. Mumford.
Trenton—Dr. Kidd.
Meaford—J. G. Clark.
Palmerston—M. C. Burns.

AT STRATFORD.

Stratford, Dec. 26.—All nomination records were beaten to a frazzle here today, when 62 aldermanic and eight mayoralty candidates were slated, with a correspondingly large field for the commission and school trustees.

For mayor the nominees are: Ex-Mayor John Brown, Ald. F. J Cowie, County Clerk Wm. Davidson, Ald. R. G. Frame, Ald. C. N. Greenwood, Mayor W. S. Dingman, ex-Ald. Thos. Savage, and Ald. Ben. Williams. Of these Messrs. Brown, Cowie and Greenwood are sure to stand, as may also Messrs. Savage and Frame.

Mr. Ben. Leekie and Dr. Eidt are elected by acclamation as trustees in River and Shakespeare Wards. Nominees in the other divisions are: Town—D. M. Ferguson, H. A. Barker, B. Williams and W. Nichols; Falstaff—Jas. Stewart and J. R. Myers; Hamlet.—Dr. Baker, Dr. Bothwell and Mr. E. J. Smith.

For Light and Heat Commission.—C. E. McIlhargey, J. J. Mason and B. Williams.

For Water Commission. — Mayor Dingman, J. L. Youngs, C. E. McIlhargey and Jos. Orr.

The aldermanic field was easily a record, 62, and it is predicted that at least 30 names will appear on the ballot. The full list of aldermanic nominees follows: Alex. Abraham, J. W. Elles, Fred Bloxam, A. Brandenberger, Chas. Carter, A. Collins, F. Copus, F. J. Corrie, A. Crerar, W. Daly, J. A. Davidson, W. T. Davis, T. G. Delamere, J. Dickson, W. S. Dingman, J. Dory, Chas. A. Down, D. Easson, John Etty, C. Farquharson, D. M. Ferguson, R. G. Frame, C. N Greenwood, W. H. Gregory, J. D. Hamilton, T. Holliday, D. Hay, W. Ireland, G. T. Jones, F. Johnston, A. Knechtel, J. Keller, J. Keyes, J. M. Lillow, F. Mingay, J. C. Monteith, J. R. Myers, W. J. McCully, John McGeorge, R. J. McInnes, D. A. McLachlan, G. McLogan, W. McMillan, W. Odbert, J. Orr, H. Pauli, T. Pounder, P. F. Quinlan, J. H. Roberts, C. W. Robinson, T. Ruston, T. Savage, J. G. Schmidt, C. Trombley, J. Trow, J. Stevenson, B. Williams, D. Wright and D. Wilton.

SARNIA NOMINATIONS.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Sarnia, Dec. 26.—The outlook is for a keen contest in Sarnia, as a result of the large number of nominations. F. C. Watson and Dr. Henderson were both nominated for mayor. Other nominations are:

Reeve—John Goodison, acclamation.

First deputy—J. M. Diver, acclamation.

Second deputy—John McGibbons, W. J. Proctor.

Third deputy—John D. Mills, Dr. J. G. Merrison.

Two councillors are to be elected from each ward and the following were nominated:

First ward—C. A. McArthur, J. Ross Geddes, J. Langan, John Elliott, Charles Nelson.

Second ward—John M. Newton, W. F. B. Coler, Frank Maclin, Robert Mackenzie.

Third ward—George C. Gardiner, W. J. Proctor, Alex. Kelly, Robert Miles, W. H. Minifie, W. Kirton.

Fourth ward—E. C. Lawrence, David Milne, W. Kirton, W. J. Proctor, W. H. Minifie, Stanley Williams.

Fifth ward—Thomas Bulman, acclamation; John Ferguson, acclamation.

Sixth ward — Charles Jennings, George D. Kerby, James Coplan.

ACCLAMATION AT AYLMER.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Aylmer, Dec. 26.—At today's nominations G. R. Christie was chosen mayor by acclamation. Other nominations were:

Reeve—J. R. Summers, O. McKenney and George Harp.

For Council—J. VanPater, H. H. Wright, J. Y. Smiley, Robert Trim, James M. Wrong, C. Timpany, George Harp, J. H. Strachan, Robert Chambers, R. C. McKenney, Harley Rychman, W. J Mann and F. L. Wagner.

Water and Light Commission—L. E. Lyons, Geo. Lemon and J. Y. Smiley.

WALLACEBURG.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Wallaceburg, Dec. 26.—There was a large list of candidates at the nominations held here today, and great interest was taken in the proceedings by the electors. The nominations were:

Mayor—E. U. Dickenson, G. F. Finnegan, C. Sauvey and J. N. Gibb.

Reeve—C. McGregor, L. H. Side, S Somers.

Council—J. N. Hess, S. A. Tye, S. Vincent, George Lindsay, N. McNairnie, John Langton, A. D. Brander, A. R. Dunlop, E. U. Dickinson, William Clifford, J. C. Shaw, W. J. McDonald, M. J. Shaw and Charles Houson.

School Trustees—St. James' ward, Joseph Lender, Joseph Farewell and T B. Dundas; St. George's ward, James McCallum and Delos McDonald (acclamation); St. Andrew's ward, A. McDougall (acclamation).

AT ST. MARYS.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

St. Marys, Dec. 26.—Mayor Sanderson was returned by acclamation at today's nominations. Other candidates will be:

General Councillors—J. W. Graham, W. H. Tovell, S. J. MacDonald, R. T. Gilpin, Jos. Meighen, James Maxwel, John Fitzsimons, E. L. Lancaster, Fred Richardson, O. R. Burns.

North Ward—James Spearin.

South Ward—G. Hayes, W. R. Butcher.

Councillors—W. R. Fellows, William Stratton, Robert Wright, D. Eagles, Geo. Morgan, A. G. Shillington, L. Rose, S. Edmonds. Reeve—A. Denholm, J. H. Ferguson, L. H. Edmonds, James Maxwell, Jos. Meighen, F. Richardson.

East Ward—W. H. Pullyblank, E. L. Lancaster, James Maxwell.

West Ward—H. C. White, J. W. Graham, O. R. Burns.

Water, Light and Heat Commissioner—Wm. Weir, W. R. Butcher, John Willard, Geo. Brown, F. Richardson.

School Trustees—South Ward, G. Gordon.

North Ward—Dr. Stanley.

West Ward—W. H. Tovell, W. J. Stafford.

East Ward—T. B. Bennett.

IN WATFORD.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Watford, Dec. 26.—There will be keen contests for municipal honors here at the coming election. At the nomination meeting held last night, Reeve Fitzgerald and Councillor Sanford Stapleford were nominated for the reeveship. Both will stand, and it looks like a warm battle.

A number were named as Councillors among them being Joshua Saunders, T. B. Taylor, Ben Parker, J. D. Brown, Jos. S. Williams, Hilliard Willoughby and John Livingstone. All will run, and it should be a great contest.

DUTTON CANDIDATES.

[G. N. W. Dispatch.]

Dutton, Ont., Dec. 27.—Nominations for the village of Dutton:

Reeve—A. J. Leitch and Dr. Ling.

Councillors—C. McGregor, J. C. Panter, W. H. Cape, J. H. McIntyre, G. W. Burnett, W. Scoyne, D. McLean, A. B. McCallum.

Nominations for the Township of Dunwich:

Reeve—Alex. McLachlan, J. Dromgole.

Deputy Reeve—Alex. D. McKillop, D. C. Turner.

Councillors—Alex. Kerr, George B. O'Malley, Neil Love, Leslie Kendall and Angus Murray.

INGERSOLL NOMINATIONS.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ingersoll, Dec. 27.—Statutory nominations to fill the offices of mayor, light and power commissioners, reeve, deputy reeve, councillors, and school trustees were held in the town hall last night. W. R. Smith, town clerk, presided as returning officer, and during the hour, from 7:30 till 8:30, a long list of candidates was handed in by instalments. As the nominees have till 9 p.m. today to file their qualifications and intimate their intentions, there will undoubtedly be a large shrinkage in the list. The names of bona fide eligible candidates will be published as soon as it is decided who are to go on the ballots.

When the nominations were closed a public meeting was organized, and Dr. Coleridge was elected chairman. A number of the nominees spoke, and considerable heckling was indulged in. The dominant theme was the need for more efficient administration and more consistent economy in order to reduce the tax rate to a more satisfactory figure.

J. F. Morrey was the only nominee in Ward 2 for school trustee, so he was declared re-elected by acclamation.

At present the indications point to a lively contest for all the other positions, with the probable exception of the mayoralty. According to the unwritten law of precedent it is customary to give the mayor a second term by acclamation, therefore, Dr. McKay is likely to be unopposed in this election.

AT PETROLEA.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Petrolea, Dec. 27.—At the nomination meeting held in the council chambers last night, the following gentlemen were elected by acclamation: Mayor Ed. Poltard, Deputy Reeve Dr. C. O. Fairbank, Water Commissioner B. P. Cory. For the reeveship, Messrs. Robert Stirrett and Thomas Johnston announced themselves as candidates, and a hot contest will insure. For hospital trustees, Messrs. Wm. English, Dr. C. O. Fairbank and G. S. Pitckin were nominated, but one of these gentlemen will have to withdraw, leaving the others elected by acclamation. For councillors the following names were proposed, but a large number will withdraw before 9 o'clock tonight: Messrs. W. J. Clarke, James Whitehead, W. Downer, P. F.Reilley, M. Stonehouse, Charles Barrett, P. Brogan, J. Stewart, Wm. Dunlop, J. C. Waddell, E. Preston and R. C. Marwick. There are six seats to be filled, and the first five gentlemen have accepted their candidatures. As public school trustees Messrs. R. S. Macalpine and W. McDonald were elected by acclamation in wards one and four. In ward two Messrs. Frank Spurr and C. Polley were nominated, and in ward three Messrs. D. McPherson and F. J. Wood.

The canning factory bylaw is favored by all parties and a united effort will be made from now until election day to induce a sufficient number of ratepayers going to the polls to insure the necessary three-fifths votes.

BIG LISTOWEL MEETING.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Listowel, Dec. 26.—The following were the candidates nominated at a well-attended meeting held here today:

Mayor—James Nelson Hay and Jos. Walker.

Reeve—John A. Haskings, A. W. Featherstone and John Watson.

Councillors—A. W. Featherstone, John McKeever, H. B. Morphy, N. Buschard, Wm. Climoe, John A. Kelly, Jos. A. Inley, Thos. Blackmore, R. Woods, Fred Kibler, Samuel A. Dolph, J. H. Gunther, Jahn Gabel, David L. Scott, Harvey Ellis, A. H. Nichols and John Watson.

FIGHT AT BERLIN.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Berlin, Dec. 26.—From present indications there will be a great fight here for the mayoralty. The candidates nominated today were:

Mayor—C. C. Hahn, W. H. Schmalz, J. F. McKay, D. Gross, jun., H. J. Bowman, Allan Huber, D. Hibner, A. L. Breithaupt, R. Smith, H. Martin and C. H. Doerr.

AT RIDGETOWN.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ridgetown, Dec. 26.—Following was the result of the nomination meeting for Ridgetown, held today:

Mayor—A. Long, E. A. Taylor.

Reeve—R. W. Stoke (acclamation).

Councillors—Wm. Thorold, W. R. Stirling, G. R. Brien, W. E. Morrison, Thomas Craig, A. Ritchie, P. G. Buckberrough, S. Coll, Robert Tape, C. H. Eastlake, A. W. Orendorf, W. H. Goodhue, H. B. Harrison, John Bawden, L. J. Reycraft, O. K. Watson, A. F. McKinley, W. C. Newman, R. R. Lowthian, Hugh Cameron and P. J. Henry.

WEST LORNE.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

West Lorne, Dec. 26.—Nominations here today were as follows:

Reeve—D. McKillop, D. McPherson, Dr. Brock.

Councillors—W. A. Becker, J. A. Fuller, J. Hardaker, J. Haviland, W. H. Bole, M. McKillop, J. Jamison, F. J. Lindenman. D. Turner, P. E. Skinner, G. McIntyre, S. Robinson, C. C. Keele, M. D. Mehring, J. Lempleton, J. McDonald, S. Cole and J. D. Bolsby.

CHATHAM.

Chatham, Dec. 26.—Civic nominations passed off very quietly. There are contests for all the offices except water commissioner. Mayor—Robert L. Brackin and John McCorvie. Water commissioner—Stewart Lamont (re-elected by acclamation).

Board of Education—Wm. N. Morley, John A. Walker, Alfred A. Hicks, James H. Duncan, Wm. E. McKeough, Noah Pritchard, Herbert D. Smith, John M. Currell, Alexander MacFarlane, John W. Draper, W. C. McArthur, Wm. E. Gundy.

Aldermen—Arthur J. Dunn, James Pritchard, Frank E. Baxter, Thomas T. McRitchie, Wm. Anderson, Ward Stanworth, Charles E. Lister, Peter Blonde, Raymond, J. Winter, Saxon B. Arnold, Wylie W. Snider, Wm. G. Burrows, J. W. Wilson.

WIARTON.

Mayor—S. J. Cameron, H. D. Rhue, D. M. Jermyn, A. D. Hurlburt, Wm. McEwen, Jas. Hunter, H. Wigle, S. E. Foster.

Reeve—G. Kastner and Wm. McEwan.

Councillors — Wm. McEwan, Thos. Lyne, J. E. Johnston, A. G. H. Steacy, L. M. Ely, T. C. Allan, R. E. Trout, Jas. Seymon, D. J. Byers, J. H. Parker, A. E. Crane, S. A. Perry, Thos. Gilpin, J. H. Davies, S. J. Cameron, Wm. Becket.

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—Four men were nominated for the mayoralty of Ottawa. They were Mayor Hopewell, A. E. Caron, Thomas Roberts and ex-Controller W. G. Black. For the four controllerships six men were nominated. These were the four present controllers, Messrs. Napoleon Champaign, Jamer Davidson, Robert Hastings and E. H. Hinchey. The other two candidates are Charles G. Pepper and P. M. Draper. There will be aldermanic contests in seven of Ottawa's nine wards.

BLENHEIM.

Blenheim, Dec. 26. — Mayor—W. R. Greenwood, Geo. Morgan, Dr. McTavish, L. S. Edmonds. Reeve—A. Denholm. Councillors—W. R. Fellows, Jun., Wm. Stratton, Robert Wright, D. Eagles, Geo. Morgan, A. G. Shillington, T. L. Rose, S. Blakesly, J. B. Little, A. E. Young, J. W. Fleming.

CLINTON.

Clinton, Dec. 26.—Mayor—Jacob Taylor. Reeve—W. G. Smyth, A. T. Cooper. Councillors—G. McLellan, Thomas Beacom, W. J. Paisley, A. T. Cooper, H. Wiltse, Thos. Jackson, Jun., B. J. Gibbings, R. J. Miller, H. Cook, D. Cantelon, J. H. Ford, W. T. O'Neil, Thos. Mason.

COLLINGWOOD.

Collingwood, Dec. 26.—Mayor—D. C. Barr, M. H. Clark, H. A. Currie, Fred W. Churchill, Robert Gilpin. Reeve—J. A. Brown, J. H. Finlay. Deputy reeve—W. A. Tom, N. A. Campbell. Councillors—W. R. Patterson, W. B. Patton, H. Poehlman, J. H. Pentney, D. A. Bell, W. G. Smart, J. Shipley, W. Simpson, W. A. Clark, A. oFreman, W. A. Tom, T. C. Brown, W. B. Fryer, J. McNabb, F. Miden, F. Wright, J. Chalmers, F. Brock, H. Trott, A. Campbell, F. Bryan, G. Henderson, G. Leach, W. Herrington, J. A. Patterson, H. Allberry, J. A. Castake, J. H. Finley, W. Williams, R. Gilpin, J. W. Archer, S. R. Clemis, J. G. Peterman. Water and light commissioner—W. H. Bryan.

QUIET AT GODERICH.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Dec. 26.—There will be no contest for mayor, reeve or deputy reeve, as Mayor Cameron, Reeve Reid and Deputy Reeve Munnings were all returned by acclamation. Other nominations were: For the council—J. C. Martin, J. W. Vanatter, William Wallace, H. J. Morris, W. E. Kelly, Robt. Elliott, W. B. Graham, A. J. Cooper, W. H. Robertson, W. J. Clark, George Graham, J. Moser, D. F. Hamlink, C. A. Nairn, F. W. Bingham.

AT WOODSTOCK.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Woodstock, Dec. 26.—The following were nominated at a well-attended meeting of the citizens today:

Mayor—Clifford Kemp, barrister; J. G. McBeath, superintendent; Jas. S. Scarff, John Butler (lumber merchant), A. B. Welford, physician.

Board of education—Geo. Parker, Bertram Blair, Geo. H. King, James Steele, Geo. T. Mann, Angus Campbell, R. H. Bogard, C. C. Hodgins (four to be elected).

Water and light board—John White, Chas. E. Rapson, J. R. Shaw.

Aldermen—C. E. Rapson, T. D. Brown, A. J. Gahagan, C. Kemp, L. E. Edwards, Morris Drewes, R. L. Revell, E. C. Thornton, R. D. Montgomery, W. D. Hobson, A. B. Welford, J. G. McBeath, S Dunlop, R. G. Bickerton, R. Johnson, E. D. Terryberry and Geo. H. King.

PORT STANLEY.

Port Stanley, Dec. 26.—Reeve, Wm. Jackson, N. S. Cornell, Harley Taylor. Councillors—A. R. Going, Rudolph Long, G. M. Grimmond, Thomas E. Hough, John Downing, Matt. Loney, Harley Taylor.

FOREST.

Forest, Dec. 26.—Mayor.—E. Rumford (acclamation). Reeve.—C. McLean (acclamation). Councillors.—J. W. Bell, John Meylor, Geo. E. McIntosh, W. J. Skinner, A. S. Anderson, Chas. Anderson, Reg. Scott, L. P. McKindsey, John Coutts, D. R. McCahill, John Fraser, Wilford Byrns, Robt. G. Bailey, Robert McGilp, Malcolm Brodie, Jas. Lochead, R. E. Scott, J. C. Pollock, Lorne Prout, A. O. Smith, Dr. J. P. Hubbard, Geo. Walker, Wm. Scott.

WALKERVILLE.

Mayor—Walter Chater, R. A. Holland.

Councillors—A. Miers, R. P. Hall, J. P. Smith, Chas. Cook, A. Sinesac, Harry Grouchman, Andrew Leishman, Joseph Winterburn, Charles Cyllvers, Andrew Horne.

KINCARDINE.

Mayor—Andrew Malcolm, Robt. Patterson.

Reeve—W. Hunter, W. A. Quinn, E. B. Wood.

Councillors—John McGaw, John Macklem, Thomas R. Reed, James Farrell, John B. Russell, W. J. Henry, J. W. Drake, W. Mitchel, W. G. Temple, John Young, J. H. Kaake, William Henry, Walter Kellum, James Malcolm, J. D. Miller.

Water and Light Commissioners—John McCrimmon, M. D., James Armitage, V. S., Peter hiells and J. B. Watson.

LEAMINGTON.

Mayor—N. Peterson, Louis Smith, F. S. Moss, Ed Winter, P. H. Hughes, B. Curtis. The mayoralty contest will in all probability be fought out between the first two on the list.

Reeve—D. Nebbit, M. H. Swatman,

Councillors—Scott Pulford, L. A. Willoughby, J. Vankleek, G. R. Fox, F. Kennedy, John Cross, L. J. Wright, W. McClennon, Fred Scherer, W. Stars, D. J. Bastien, Wm. Wilkinson, H. Lendon. Darius Prosser, Colin Cullen, J. M. Henry and Walter Snider.

PETERBORO.

Peterboro, Dec. 27.—Mayor Morrow was yesterday elected by acclamation.

USBORNE TOWNSHIP.

Exeter, Dec. 27.—Nomnations today for the Township of Usborne were: Councillors—Fred Ellerington, S. Routley, S. Skner and Thomas Brock by acclamation.

CHURCH UNION

Many Differences of Opinion Expressed on Question in Hamilton.

Hamilton, Dec. 26.—There has been a good deal of dissatisfaction among the congregations of Presbyterian churches in the Presbytery of Hamilton over the manner in which church union has been handled. The general assembly decided to leave the matter in the hands of the presbyteries, and asked that they come to a decision one way or another on it. Many felt that the general assembly should have left the matter in the hands of the sessions, as the presbyteries, made up as they are of the minister and one elder from each congregation, could not adequately express the opinions of the congregations, and the Hamilton presbytery recently exercised its right of submitting the matter to the sessions, though it evidently was not the intention of the general assembly that the sessions should first pass upon it.

Up till this time St. Paul's Church, of this city, is the only one in the Hamilton presbytery that has used the privilege granted by the presbytery, and it has decided against church union.

The Hamilton presbytery will discuss the question at its January meeting, and, owing to the differences as opinion among the congregations at to whether, in view of the action of the general assembly, they ought to discuss the matter before the presbytery deals with it, and to the dissatisfaction existing because of the assembly's action, it seems doubtful if a resolution in favor of union will be passed by the presbytery.

HOLIDAY TRAGEDIES

Young Man and Wife Asphyxiated While Visiting With Friend.

[Associated Press.]

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 26.—James Tienry, 23 years of age, and his wife, Margaret, 19 years old, to whom he had been married but a year, were found dead in bed from gas asphyxiation today at the home of a friend, with whom they spent the night. It is supposed that after the gas was turned out it was accidentally turned on again.

A Suicide.

Charlton Depot, Mass., Dec. 26.—The Christmas spirit did not lessen the melancholia which had possessesd Henry Ryan for some time and today surrounded by Christmas evergreens and the gifts of the day at his home, he stretched himself on a sofa and, placing a shotgun muzzle in his mouth discharged the weapon, His wife and three children, who were at church, found his body with the head terribly disfigured when they returned.

Babies Burned.

Seattle, Dec. 26.—Preparations for Christmas at the home of Daniel O'Conner, a mail carrier, ended in a fire which cost the lives of his two babies, seriously injured four other persons and destroyed the O'Connor home today. The injured are Mr. and Mrs. O'Connor, Owen Peterson and Patrolman Schott, all burned while trying to save the children. A lamp used to light the fireplace exploded, setting fire to the house.

Lamp Exploded.

Winton, W. Va., Dec. 26.—During breakfast this morning a lamp exploded, in the bedroom at the home of Eldo Bech at Byron and burned to death two boy babies, six months old, and the house and its contents.

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Lord Kitchener was to arrive in Egypt on the 14th of November, and will stay with General Sir John Maxwell.

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[Associated Press.]

Aviation Field, Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 26.—Seventy-five thousand persons saw Arch Hoxsey, of the Wright team of aviators, break the world's record for altitude here today. He soared more than two miles up into the sky, his barograph registering 11,474 feet, or almost a thousand feet above the altitude of 10,499 feet recently attained by LeGagneux at Pau, France.

This is the second time the existing world's altitude record has been broken in Los Angeles, the first time being last January, when Louis Paulhan rose a little more than 4,000 feet.

Mr. Hoxsey accomplished his feat in a 40-mile gale that wrecked Hubert Latham's Antoinette monoplane and kept more cautious aviators on the ground.

Glides to Earth.

Mr. Hoxsey sailed into the sky at 1 o'clock. At 2:45 his barograph showed the greatest height, while he soared over Venice, a seashore resort, more than 20 miles from the aviation field. Coming down, he made a series of thrilling spiral glides while thousands of feet in the air. Before he came lightly to earth, the crowd was on its feet cheering. He was lifted from his biplane by fellow aviators, who paraded up and down before the grandstand bearing the intrepid flier on their shoulders.

The crowds insisted on making a hero of Mr. Hoxsey. They did not give him time to doff his furs, but marched him back and forth before the grandstand.

"Was it windy up there?" he was asked.

Wind Holds Craft.

"It blew so hard," replied Mr. Hoxsey, "that my machine hardly moved and barely held its own. It was so cold that more than once I thought my carburetor was about to freeze.

"I made the record because I determined to keep on going up until I passed LeGagneux's record, or until the carburetor froze."

The gale which Mr. Hoxsey and his brethren of the Wright camp, Parmalee and Brookins, braved successfully, wrecked M. Latham's beautiful Antoinette machine completely. The Frenchman was among the aviators who answered the starting gun at 1 o'clock. For two hours and fifteen minutes he fought the wind, which blew directly off the ocean, six miles from the aviation field. Then an adverse current slapped his areoplane downward, hurled it into a fence under the brow of a hill, and threw the aviator into a gully.

Motor Left Intact.

The Frenchman was unhurt, but his machine was a tangled mass of wire and silken fabric. The motor was the only part left intact, and M. Latham declared that having enough parts for three extra machines, he would build a new monoplane and be in the air again before the end of the meet.

Mr. Parmalee, driver of the "baby" Wright, also dared the wind and attained an altiude of 6,625 feet. He electrified the crowd by a series of whirling dips, and then Walter Brookins, originator of the spiral glide, went up. At this time the wind had attained a velocity of 40 miles an hour, but the Wright man went through spectacular performances apparently with as much ease as on the calmest day.

Telegraph certifications of the barograph reading of Hoxsey's record flight were sent to Clifford B. Harmon and J. K. Duffy, the president and secretary of the National Federation of Eero Clubs of America.

OTTAWA'S NOMINATIONS.

Ottawa, Dec. 25.—There is not a great deal of interest in the civic nominations here tomorrow. The mayor, Charles Hopewell, will have two papers put in as opposition, Ald. Black's and Ald. Caron's, but neither are likely to go to the polls, or, if they do, to be elected. The same candidates as last year will be renominated for the board of control, and the old board is likely to go in with or without opposition. There will be contests for aldermanic seats in all wards but one. The aldermen are trying to abolish the board of control on the question of patronage It will be put to the vote, but is hardly likely to carry.

A MERRY XMAS IN FOREST CITY

Business Is Said to Have Been the Greatest Known in London.

FEW CASES OF WANT

In Fact None Have So Far Come to the Public Gaze—A Great Home Holiday.

The merriest Christmas London has experienced in years.

That was the general verdict yesterday. It was a prosperous Christmas, too. Business was better, the majority of stores exceeding their best records of sales. Everybody seemed to have money, and all spent it. As a rule, a higher grade of presents were purchased than is usually the case.

Few, indeed, were the cases of want, owing to the splendid arrangements of the Charity Organizations Society and the Salvation Army, and through the kindness of many an anonymous good fellow, few youngsters yesterday were missed by Santa Claus.

Joys of the Young.

The holiday was fittingly celebrated. In most cases Santa did not make his appearance until Sunday night, and the morning was given up largely to the youngsters in many homes. What a day it was! God old Saint Nicholas was never kinder, and as a result, the babies had a real big time. It was certainly worth while to pay a visit to some of the homes and witness the unalloyed joy pictured there.

A Home Holiday.

Christmas is pre-eminently a home holiday. Family reunions were numerous, and the day was spent quietly and pleasantly visiting with each other. The number of visitors in the city yesterday was much larger than is usually the case.

The day passed off quietly. The police had little to do. Few there were who too much cheer, and there was no rowdyism or anything of that nature noticeable. It was a pleasant holiday, most pleasantly spent.

The weather was fine, good bracing winter weather, with the best of sleighing.

DIES AS HE LAYS WREATH ON SON-IN-LAW'S GRAVE

Tragic End of a Prominent St. Catharines Man.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

St. Catharines, Dec. 26.—While laying a wreath on the grave of his son-in-law, who died two years ago, James Hindson, 69, was stricken with heart disease, and was dead before persons in the cemetery reached him.

GOT THREE YEARS

Ingersoll Lad Who Robbed Mails Was Heavily Sentenced.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ingersoll, Dec. 27.—William E. Ackert, the youth who was arrested on Saturday on a charge of stealing Christmas presents from the mails appeared before Magistrate Paterson in the police court this morning, and was sentenced to three years in Kingston Penitentiary. The magistrate gave Ackert a very severe lecture.

A SADDENED HOME.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Goderich, Dec. 27.—Into the home of George Vanstone, saddened by the cruel death of six-year-old Freddy Vanstone at the hands of his father, there has come another little boy. The little fellow was born on Friday. Mrs. Hamilton, of Saltford, mother of Mrs. Vanstone, is taking charge of things at the home.

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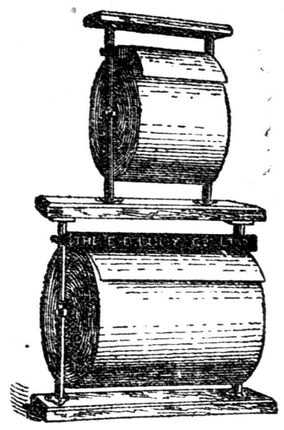

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