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CITY WINS THE CASE,

But the Arbitrator Orders it to Pay the Stenographers and His Own Fees in the Claim of E. P. Roden.

Corporation Counsel Fullerton yesterday made known the contents of the award of the official arbitrator in the claim of E. P. Roden against the city for damages to land owned by him on the west side of Broadview-avenue. The claim was based upon alleged injury by the diversion of the Don River and by the negligent piling of earth upon and adjacent to the land in the filling up of the Don Flats by the city, and for interest on the price at which the land could have been sold, but for having been so injuriously affected.

The arbitrator finds and determines that a roadway and any lands which there might be between that road and the river intervened between the claimant's land and the river, consequently Mr. Roden had no riparian rights or frontage on the river, and only a right of way to pass over a 30-foot roadway to the river.

The claim was based upon the value of the land for brickyard and factory purposes, and upon possession of a frontage on the river. The arbitrator finds that he had no such frontage and no right to a use of the river, and that the land was insufficient in quantity and entirely unfitted for the purpose of a brickyard or factory, therefore the claim entirely fails; the land being fit for residential purposes only. On the point that the right of access to the river had been prejudiced by the removal of the river 560 feet to the west, and although counsel for claimant did not offer any evidence, and counsel for city objected to the consideration of this point, the arbitrator awarded claimant $500, inclusive of interest, for these damages. Upon the main claim, in which the claimant entirely fails, he is ordered to bear his own costs. As the necessity for the arbitration would not, the arbitrator considers, have arisen had not the survey by the City Engineer and fencing off the land by the City Commissioner misled the claimant into claiming more land than he really owned, the city is ordered to pay its own costs and also the stenographer's and arbitrator's fees.

Furthermore, the arbitrator suggests that if the city does not open up the continuation of Riverdale-avenue, as contemplated when Mr. Roden dedicated a strip of land 50 feet wide for a street, that the city should restore to the claimant the land so dedicated by him, he restoring to the city the land, if any there be, which he has acquired from the city by possession.

A legal gentleman who read the award remarked: "The arbitrator finds that the claimant failed to establish a single portion of his claim, but the city is ordered to pay the arbitrator and stenographer for ascertaining that fact, and also to pay $500 for a claim which counsel for claimant did not make, and in support of which no evidence was offered.

Corporation Counsel Fullerton strongly recommends the city to appeal, and has obtained the approval of two of the Controllers to his proposition.

THE RIFLES FOR BISLEY.

Lee-Metford or Lee-Enfield Will be Used for Nearly All the Principal Matches.

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—A communication has been received from Col. Macdonald, secretary of the National Rifle Association, stating that all competitions at Bisley this year are to be fired with the .303 magazine rifle of service pattern, that is the Lee-Metford or Lee-Enfield rifle. This rule will apply to all competitions which count for the grand aggregate. The only exceptions will be those matches which are specially mentioned for sporting and match rifles, carbine and revolver. Volunteer and militia corps in England have been supplied with Lee-Metford rifles to the extent of 12 per cent. of the enrolled strength of battalions, to enable them to practice, and similarly our own corps are to be supplied with the Lee-Enfield.

His Right Arm Torn Off.

Clarksburg, Ont., Feb. 25.—To-day while attending to some of the machinery, Mr. Alex Mitchell, proprietor of the Redwing Mills, had his right hand caught in the rolls and completely torn off.

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WILL HAVE MARBLE HALLS

And Tile Flooring at the New Civic Buildings.

A DEPARTMENT ATTACKED.

Crank Charges That the Commissioner's Office Was Overloaded.

The Good Alderman Carlyle Questions Whether the Department Should Not be Abolished — Proposal to Light the New Buildings From the Main Pumping Station — Ald. Sheppard's Stolen Powder Societies Want Free Quarters in the City Hall—Civic Notes.

The Property Committee met yesterday afternoon and granted the free use of St. Paul's Hall to the Boys' Brigade for the purpose of holding a concert to raise funds for their annual trip to the summer camp at Niagara.

The whole question of the method of disposing of the vacant lots on the Island by lease and the sale of the houses on the city's lands, was fought over again. The report of the committee recommending the acceptance of offers from H. H. Williams and Chas. Heber, which had been referred back by council, was read.

Ald. Lamb urged that the committee should endeavor to obtain customers who would be permanent residents, and asserted that the better offer of which the Mayor spoke in council was from an absentee landlord, who wanted to obtain the property for speculative purposes. He moved that the report be again sent on to council.

Ald. Carlyle took strong grounds against the lease to Mr. Heber, but was unsuccessful, and the motion of Ald. Lamb was adopted.

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NOTES.

An enquiry has been received by the Mayor from Walter Webb of Baltimore, Md., as to the whereabouts of his brother and sister, who were brought out to the Barnardo Home in 1880.

There is a large increase in the number of cases of scarlet fever this month. Three cases from the Children's Shelter were reported yesterday.

An appointment has been made for ex Mayor Kennedy, Revs. John Gillespie, Arthur Baldwin and John Potts, representing the House of Industry, to wait upon the Board of Control at the next meeting in reference to the grant to that institution.

The special committee to investigate the affairs of the Mimico Industrial School is composed of Ald. Preston, Rutter, Scott, Lamb, Leslie and Crane.

Owing to the foreclosure by Toronto University of mortgages the arrears of taxes due upon the property affected will be lost to the city, as University property is exempt.

THEY'RE COMING TO TORONTO.

Mrs. Kirk Will Come From Australia to the World's W.C.T.U. Convention Here.

Boston, Feb. 25.—News received here from Miss Agnes T. Stack of Ripley, England, Honorary Secretary of the World's W. C. T. U. branch, states that Mrs. Kirk, the secretary of the Australian W. C. T. U. branch, will be a delegate to the world's convention in Toronto, Canada, which will open on Oct. 23, and that other Australian colonies will be well represented. Special round trip rates have been secured from the various steamship lines between Liverpool, Southampton and New York, and between Liverpool and Montreal. Mrs. and Miss Sile will represent in part the British Women's Temperance Association. Mrs. Sile is the wife of one of the leading municipal buildings, and for half an hour the members fairly revelled in the beauty and durability of marble as compared with wood. After hearing the statement of Mr. Lennox that the money voted by the people to finish the buildings was quite sufficient to pay for the marble and tiles, the committee decided to again recommend council to sanction the change, Ald. Carlyle voting alone in support of the proposal to adhere to wood fittings.

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THE CANADIAN MUTUAL
Loan and Investment Co.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The seventh annual general meeting of the shareholders of this company was held on Tuesday, the 23rd inst., in the company's offices, 51 Yonge-street, Toronto, the President, John J. Withrow, Esq., in the chair. Upwards of $3,800,000 worth of stock was represented in person or by proxy. The Secretary read the report of the directors for the year, which was to the following effect:

The directors in presenting the seventh annual report of the Canadian Mutual Loan and Investment Company are pleased to state that the year's business has been very satisfactory, the assets having increased from $852,868.94 to $1,058,031.34, and the profits for the year having reached the satisfactory amount of $105,607.81.

The directors point with much satisfaction to the fact that the reserve fund has been increased during the year to the substantial sum of $10,058.75, in addition to which the sum of $2099.88 has been carried to the credit of the contingent account.

The number of members who have joined the company during the year is 1379, bringing up the total number of members and depositors to 6699, which is a satisfactory increase.

The mortgages in force, exclusive of loans upon shareholders' stock, aggregate $843,123.40, made to 1392 members, or an average of $600.75 each. Loans on the security of stock only amount to $58,335. During the year covered by this report loans have been made to the amount of $236,127.68, and loans have been repaid to the amount of $93,334.20.

The profits of the business for the year ending the 31st December, 1896, amount to $105,607.81. From this amount a dividend of 12 per cent. per annum upon the amount paid into the loan fund has been apportioned to the ordinary and reduced payment shares, and dividends of 10 per cent. on the eight-year series and 8 per cent. on the 14-year series per annum upon the amount paid into the loan fund have been apportioned to the prepaid and prepaid interest-bearing stock, the dividend in all amounting to the sum of $97,782.91, leaving a balance of $5320.58, of which the sum of $2901.99 has been placed to the credit of reserve account, and $2099.88 to contingent account: the balance, $318.71, is carried forward to the credit of profit and loss account.

During the year the General Manager of the company made a tour of inspection through the Provinces of Manitoba, British Columbia and the Northwest Territories, visiting all the important agencies of the company and examining into the company's securities. These were found, with very few exceptions, to be in a most satisfactory condition, and it is evident that a very large increase in the loaning branch of the company's business may be confidently looked for from these districts. As a result of the General Manager's visit, several new agencies will be established in the Province of British Columbia, and it is anticipated this will add materially to the volume of the company's business from that quarter. Satisfactory arrangements have been made whereby approved loans in the western districts are now paid out immediately the completed papers are received by the company's solicitors in Winnipeg. By this arrangement near two weeks' time is saved to the borrowers in the collection of their loans, a point very much appreciated. The new arrangement has already shown satisfactory results in the largely increased number of applications which have been received.

The greatest care and attention is exercised by the management in the selection of loans, and applications aggregating over $78,000 in amount have been declined during the year, the securities not having been deemed satisfactory.

The directors congratulate the members on the steady expansion of the company's business in all its branches and on the high position which it continues to hold in the public confidence and esteem.

ABSTRACT FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Profit and Loss Account, December 31, 1896.

	Cr.
By interest	$ 49,150 56
" premium	38,398 05
" fines	3,855 03
" transfer fees	225 00
" withdrawal fees	525 00
" profits from withdrawals	4,620 08
" forfeitures	4,237 08
" property sales account	154 19
" interest on insurance premium, net account	903 52
" rentals, real estate	1,515 06
" interest account current, Trusts Corporation of Ontario	2,039 25
	$ 105,607 81

	Dr.
To discount allowed on advanced payments	$ 1,783 48
" interest allowed on deposits	96 47
" profit and loss real estate	122 00
" interest on permanent stock	12 50
" profit and loss, income tax, etc	489 22
" dividend apportioned to ordinary instalment stock	74,450 76
" dividend apportioned to reduced payment stock	2,228 19
" dividend apportioned to $50 prepaid stock	68 05
" dividend apportioned to $50 prepaid stock, 8 years' series	14,826 84
" dividend apportioned to $50 prepaid stock, 14 years' series	6,208 02
" amount credited to borrowers' guarantee fund	1 05
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" balance credited to contingent fund	2,099 88
" balance carried forward to credit of profit and loss account	318 71
	$ 105,607 81

Loan Fund Statement, December 31, 1896.

ASSETS.

Loans on first mortgage security, with accrued dues, interest and premium, etc.	$ 872,540 88
Loans on shares	58,335 00
Accrued dues on ordinary and reduced payment stock	1,321 62
Real estate and accrued charges	40,515 40
Agents' balances	2,183 35
Bills receivable	350 00
Mortgage tax, chargeable to borrowers	1,576 27
Balance cash on hand	3,004 24
Balance on deposit with the Bank of Ottawa	5,000 00
*Balance on deposit with Trusts Corporation	67,164 60
	$1,058,031 34

LIABILITIES.

Instalment stock, ordinary and reduced payment	$ 700,463 68
$50 prepaid stock, interest bearing	239,105 28
$40 prepaid stock	680 48
Permanent stock	1,200 00
Depositors' account	2,606.33
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*Building loans in course of completion	$ 11,743 42
Loans, papers for which are being prepared	41,625 00
Total due on loans in course of completion	$ 53,368 42

AUDITORS' REPORT.

We certify that we have examined the books of account, vouchers and securities of the Canadian Mutual Loan & Investment Company, and that the foregoing statements are a correct showing of the affairs of the company as on the 31st December, 1896, and that the mortgages and stock loan securities, on which the sum of $901,458.40 is owing, are in the possession of the Trusts Corporation of Ontario, and can be withdrawn only on the requisition of the Secretary and General Manager, countersigned by two of the trustees. (Signed)

W. & E. A. BADENACH.

Toronto, Feb. 22, 1897.

Messrs. W. & E. A. Badenach, Toronto:

Dears Sirs,—Re the Canadian Mutual Loan & Investment Company, we beg to certify that on the 31st of December last the cash balance in our hands belonging to the above company was $67,164.60. We also beg to state that the mortgages on land and other securities are in our possession and are in good order. Yours truly,

A. E. PLUMMER,
Manager Trusts Corporation of Ontario.

In moving the adoption of the report the President referred feelingly to the loss the company had sustained in the death of the late Mr. William Badenach, who had been associated with the company since its inception over six years ago, both as a member of the Board of Trustees and as Auditor.

The report as read was adopted, and the retiring Directors, John J. Withrow, Esq., J. H. Mitchell, Esq., and A. J. Jackson, Esq., were unanimously re-elected, as were also the retiring members of the Board of Trustees, his Honor Judge McDougall and E. F. Clarke, Esq., M.P. The vacancy caused by the death of Mr. William Badenach was filled by the appointment of Mr. E. A. Badenach. At a subsequent meeting of the Board of Directors John J. Withrow, Esq., was re-elected President, and at a subsequent meeting of the Board of Trustees His Honor Judge McDougall was re-elected Chairman.

ROUGH TIME AT SEA.

The Assyrian, of the Allan Line, Picked Up the Cambrian, but the Gale Parted Them.

Halifax, N.S., Feb. 25.—The Allan steamer Assyrian, which arrived this morning from Glasgow and Liverpool, reports that she picked up the disabled steamer Cambrian, of Cambria, for New York, but lost hold of her in a heavy gale. The Assyrian took hold of her on the morning of the 16th, in lat. 45.34, long. 40.26, and at 8 o'clock the tow line broke twice. During the storm of the 17th, after the hawser parted the second time, the Assyrian lost sight of the Cambrian, and though she searched for her three days she could not find her. When the Cambrian was lost to sight she was rolling heavily in the trough of the sea with rails under. It was night, and very dark at the time. On the 20th, in lat. 44.25, long. 42.10, the Assyrian passed the Norwegian barque Persia, abandoned and partially dismasted.

EPWORTH LEAGUERS.

Dr. J. J. Maclaren Discussed Prospects for Prohibition—Missionary Matters Occupied.

Paris, Ont., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—J. J. Maclaren, Q.C., on "Prospects for Prohibition," was the feature of to-day's convention of the Epworth Leagues of the Hamilton Conference. Three hundred earnest delegates were billeted with hospitable townspeople. At the sunrise prayer 150 put in an appearance. The three sessions to-day were of great importance. Miss Cartmel, a returned missionary from Japan, spoke at the morning meeting, a conference on Christian Endeavor work following.

The afternoon was given up to missionary topics, and some able papers were read.

Rev. T. A. Moore, of Palmerston spoke on "Junior League Work" this evening, followed by Dr. Maclaren. Galt was selected as the place of meeting next year.

HAIL INSURANCE.

Manitoba People Want the Legislature to Pass a Bill in That Line—General News From Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Hail insurance was the principal topic in the Legislature this afternoon. Two bills are before the House to empower a provincial levy and payment of damages. They will be consolidated on coming before committee, as both are identical in principle.

Fire at Qu'Appelle early this morning destroyed three business places, occasioning a loss of about $20,000. All the losers carried insurance.

The provincial contributions to the Indian relief fund now aggregate nearly ten thousand dollars, of which the school children donated twelve hundred.

James Yuill, electrician, an old resident, formerly of Montreal, died this morning.

The case against Parker, another of the Macdonald deputy returning officers, was dismissed to-day.

A deputation of the Winnipeg School Board has interviewed the Government and received a promise that in future representative trustees will be named as members of the Advisory Board.

Organized labor is working for the establishment of a labor bureau. At a meeting to-night resolutions were adopted in endorsation of the bill prepared, which will be presented to the Government with a request that it be passed.

The Council of Portage la Prairie is seeking legislation to spend one hundred thousand dollars in the construction of a dam and the creation of water power.

Liquor Dealers in Line.

At a meeting of the liquor dealers of Toronto, held on Tuesday, Feb. 2, it was agreed that the "Golden Ale" now being put out by the Eaton Bros. Brewing Co. of Owen Sound (Limited) was the best ale on the Toronto market. 135

Mr. Fisher's Promise to the Alliance.

Montreal, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the Quebec Alliance to-day Hon. Sidney Fisher said that a plebiscite law was now in course of preparation and he believed that if temperance carried a prohibition bill would follow very shortly.

Some Women
jump at it. They're quick to see the advantages of Pearline, quick to economize and save, quick to adopt all the modern improvements that make life easier. And these quick women are the ones that are likely to use Pearline (use without soap) in the right way, and to find new uses for it, and get most out of it.
Some Women
have to be driven to it. They wait until they can't stand the old-fashioned way of washing any longer. Then they get Pearline. But ten to one they use it for only part of the work, or use it some way of their own, or use something else with it—and don't get half the help they ought to.
Send it Back
Peddlers and some unscrupulous grocers will tell you "this is as good as" or "the same as Pearline." IT'S FALSE—Pearline is never peddled, and if your grocer sends you something in place of Pearline, be honest—send it back. 514 JAMES PYLE, New York.

Western Assurance Co.

Forty-Sixth Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

The Annual Meeting of the shareholders of the above Company was held at its offices in this city on Thursday, 25th inst. The Hon. George A. Cox, President, occupied the chair, and Mr. C. C. Foster, having been appointed to act as secretary to the meeting, read the following Annual Report:

In presenting the Annual Report of the business of the Company for the year ending 31st December, 1896, the Directors have pleasure in stating that, while there has been a falling off in the Premium Receipts, the Revenue Account shows a profit on the year's transactions of $119,708.43. Out of this two half-yearly dividends, at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, have been declared; $5,752.38 has been written off for depreciation in securities, and the balance added to Reserve Fund, which now amounts to $1,086,908.21.

Owing to the reduction in the volume of business transacted, the amount necessary to provide for running off the liability on unexpired policies is $23,804.98 less than at the close of 1895. After making provision for this and all other liabilities, the net surplus has been increased to $216,252.34.

The Directors have pleasure in acknowledging the efficient services of the officers and agents of the Company during the past year.

SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Total cash income	$2,336,727 95
Total expenditure, including appropriation for losses under adjustment	2,217,019 52
Balance	$ 119,708 43

Dividends on stock	$ 100,000 00
Total assets	2,324,427 18
Reserve fund	1,086,908 21
Cash capital	1,000,000 00
Subscribed capital	1,000,000 00
Security to policyholders	3,086,936 21

The Annual Report of the Directors having been read, the President in moving its adoption, stated that he was pleased to be able to say that the year had not been marked by any serious individual losses, such as he had had to refer to at the last Annual Meeting. The business of the Company had been carried on upon the same lines as had been followed in the past, and the results, as shown in the statements submitted, were, he thought, upon the whole, as favorable as the most sanguine shareholder could have hoped for, bearing in mind the prevailing condition of general business throughout the continent during the year 1896. The comparatively small falling off in the premium income of the Company was one which might naturally have been looked for under the circumstances. An amount of $5,752.38 had been written off for depreciation in securities, which was necessary to bring them to their market value at the close of the year, and which must be regarded as a very moderate shrinkage on total assets of upwards of two and a quarter millions. Briefly speaking, he said that the figures in the report submitted showed that while the Company had done a somewhat reduced volume of business, there had been a fair margin of profit on the year's transactions—shown in the Revenue Account—and, after paying the usual dividend of ten per cent., and making allowance for depreciation in securities, there was an increase in the Reserve Fund of $14,[illegible]. The gain of close upon $38,000 was shown in the net surplus, after making full provision to cover the liability on outstanding risks. These results, he thought, those who had taken, without further comment from him, as satisfactory proof that the business was on a sound footing, and that the officers and agents of the Company were conducting its affairs with due regard to the interests of shareholders, and at the same time maintaining for the "Western" the position it has long held in the estimation of the insuring public.

The Vice-President seconded the adoption of the Report, which was carried unanimously.

The election of Directors for the ensuing year was then proceeded with, and resulted in the unanimous re-election of the following gentlemen, viz.: Hon. George A. Cox, Hon. S. C. Wood, Messrs. Robert Beaty, G. R. R. Cockburn, George McMurrich, H. N. Baird, W. R. Brock, J. K. Osborne and J. J. Kenny.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors, held subsequently, Hon. George A. Cox was re-elected President, and Mr. J. J. Kenny Vice-President for the ensuing year.

THE FORTY HOURS' DEVOTION.

Dates Appointed by the Archbishop for the Adoration in City Churches.

The Forty Hours' Devotion consists in the solemn exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for 40 hours. It is exposed during a solemn Mass of Exposition. On the following day a High Mass is celebrated for peace, and on the closing day a solemn mass is sung, at the end of which the devotion ceases and the Blessed Sacrament is replaced in the Tabernacle. After the first and last mass a procession takes place through the church, the proper hymns are sung, the Litany of the Saints is chanted, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is given after the Mass of Deposition. During the devotion the altar is ablaze with numerous tapers, and is decorated with flowers. The object of this devotion is to give public worship and adoration to Jesus Christ in this great sacrament, to stimulate devotion towards it, to quicken our faith, freshen and strengthen our hope and confidence in His adorable presence, and to inflame our charity and rekindle in our souls and fan into holy flames the sacred fire of love towards our Eucharistic God. During it we pray for our spiritual and corporal necessities, we pray for the conversion of sinners, for the preservance of the just, and the relief of the souls in Purgatory. It is also intended to offer to God solemn acts of reparation for the sins of bad Christians in general, and in particular for the cold neglect of which so many lukewarm and bad Catholics are guilty towards our Lord in this Sacrament; also to atone for the profanations and unworthy communions of which many are guilty, and for the scoffs and insults offered to the real presence of our Lord by heretics and infidels. This devotion is enriched by many indulgences, and in particular by a plenary indulgence, that may be gained by all who, besides visiting the church where the Blessed Sacrament is exposed once in each of the three days and praying there according to the intentions of the Sovereign Pontiff, also go to confession and receive Holy Communion.

The exercises of this devotion will be held during the coming Lent and Paschal time in the churches at 9 and 10 a.m., as shown in the statement subjoined, and making allowance for the dates mentioned as follows:

First Sunday in Lent, March 7, St. Michael's Cathedral.

Second Sunday in Lent, March 14, St. Paul's.

Thursday, March 18, Sacred Heart.

Third Sunday in Lent, March 21, St. Mary's.

Thursday, March 25, St. Joseph's.

Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 28, St. Basil's.

Thursday, April 1, St. Patrick's.

Fifth Sunday, April 4, St. Helen's.

Thursday, April 8, House of Providence.

Palm Sunday, vacant.

Second Sunday after Easter, May 2, Lourdes.

Thursday, May 6, Holy Rosary.

Third Sunday after Easter, May 9, St. Cecilia.

May 13, St. John's.

HAMILTON.

Restoration.

A Hamilton lady undergoes an experience and relates the history of a severe trial.

Mrs. James Graham, 280 James-street north, Hamilton, wife of the well-known grocer at that address, relates the following circumstances. Mr. and Mrs. Graham have resided in Hamilton for the past 14 years, and are very well and favorably known.

Mrs. Graham says: "During the six months prior to taking Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills I had a serious trouble arising from some action of the heart. One of the symptoms was that I could not lie on my left side, for if I did so my heart throbbed so violently as to give me great pain. The smallest noise or the slightest exertion would start my heart palpitating terribly. It was impossible for me to go up a short flight of stairs without stopping to rest and regain my breath. I was excessively nervous, and my limbs would tremble as if with ague. My hands and feet were unnaturally cold, and I suffered from sharp pains in the back of my head. The slamming of a door would nearly set me wild. Frequently I would wake up frightened, and then was unable to get to sleep again. I lost flesh and became very weak and despondent. I felt miserable in mind and body.

"For six months I have been constantly taking medicine, trusting that it would help me, and for a time was under the care of a physician, but all the efforts I made towards a cure were of no avail. My physician finally told my husband, "You know there is no cure for heart disease," which made me more despondent than ever.

"Six weeks ago I was induced to try Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, and from that time my restoration to health dates. I have taken four boxes, which I bought at John A. Barr's drug store, corner James and Merrick-streets. These pills are the only medicine that has done me any good, or given me relief. I am happy to say that they proved that the doctor was mistaken in saying that heart disease could not be cured. Since I commenced taking Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills I have been daily getting better. I can now go upstairs without trouble and attend to my daily duties without the slightest distress. I have gained in flesh, in health and in strength. My blood circulates more freely. Lying on my left side causes me no inconvenience or pain, and I enjoy health and restful sleep. My nerves are strong and vigorous, and there has been such a radical change for the better in my condition that I can say these wonderful pills have practically made a complete cure.

"I recommend them without the slightest hesitation to all sufferers from similar complaints. (Signed) Mrs. Jas. Graham, Hamilton, Ont."

The Wabash Railroad

If you are contemplating a trip to the gold country, please consider the merits of the Wabash Railroad, the short and true route, via Detroit and St. Paul, to all points in the Kootenay country. Passengers leaving from principal points in Ontario by early morning trains reach St. Paul next day at noon, where direct connection is made to all points in the gold district. Tickets and time tables of this great railroad from any railroad agent, or J. A. Richardson, Canadian Passenger Agent, northeast corner King and Yonge-streets, Toronto.

There is on exhibition in the warehouses of John Macdonald & Co. an elk's head with horns, supposed to be the finest and largest on the American Continent.

SATURDAY SPECIALS.. for Men
THE ROBERT SIMPSON CO. LIMITED
ALL men's goods for Saturday, not because we are an all-men's store, but we have all that men want within the store. The prices in every Men's Department throughout the house are special for Saturday:

MEN'S CLOTHING

37 only Men's Overcoats, balance of winter goods, in wool, beaver, meltons and cheviots, blue, black, dark fawn and medium fawn, single or double-breasted, Italian or fancy wool linings, large silk velvet collar, silk stitched, in broken sizes from 36 to 46, goods marked in plain figures, to clear them out we offer them on Saturday at one-half regular price: reg. $6 for $3, reg. $7.50 for $3.75, and worth up to $12 for 6.00

Boys' 2-piece Suits, in grey twill tweed, brown, grey and fawn Halifax, in all sizes, 22 to 28, reg. $2.50, Saturday at 1.65

Boys' 3-piece Knicker Suits, in same material as above, reg. $3.50 for 2.75

MEN'S FURNISHINGS

Unlaundered White Shirts, 4-ply linen bosom, double to shoulder, reg. 65c, for ..... .50

Silk and Satin Four-in-Hand Ties, neat patterns, reg. 20c each, special, 2 for ..... .25

Fine Cambric Shirts in stripes and neat patterns, 2 separate collars and one pair of link cuffs, reg. $1, for ..... .75

Men's Gold-plated Duplex Cuff Links, warranted, reg. 50c a pair, special ..... .25

Men's Fine Cashmere Half Hose, double heel and toe, spliced ankle, reg. 40c, special, 3 pairs for ..... .99

MEN'S HATS

Men's Soft Hats, English or American fur felt, brown and black, silk bindings, leather sweat bands, reg. $1.25 and $1.50, for ..... .75

Boys' Black or Brown Fedoras, medium and large brims, good silk bindings, special ..... .50

Men's Scalette Driving Caps, Manitoba and Havelock shapes, well lined and finished, reg. $1, special ..... .50

Men's Extra Fine Fur Felt Stiff Hats, celebrated Christy's and other leading English makers, in black, brown, tan and cuba, lined with heavy satin, pure silk bindings, calf leather sweatbands, special 2.50

Men's Soft Hats, very latest style of fedora, English or American fine fur felt, best silk trimmings and sweatbands, reg. $2, for 1.50

Men's Heavy Tweed Caps, Manitoba and Driver shape, slip or turn-down bands, reg. 40c to 65c, special ..... .17

GREAT SATURDAY SPECIAL IN MEN'S SHOES
THEY WILL GO ON THE COUNTERS ON SATURDAY MORNING:
175 Pairs Men's Imperial Calf, Extension Sole, Needle Toe, Whole-Foxed Lace