WOMEN ON SCHOOL BOARD

Trustee Booker Opposes Former Chairman Hoodless' Ideas.

More Pay For Caretakers of the Enlarged Schools.

December Attendance at Schools Was Very Large.

"I hope the time will never come when we will have to sit here with any woman," said Trustee Booker at the meeting of the Internal Management Committee of the Board of Education, last night, in resenting the statements made recently by a prominent man, who declared in favor of lady trustees, and expressed a hope that it would not be long before some of them were on the Hamilton Board of Education.

"Thank God for the common sense of Hamilton ladies," added Mr. Booker, "when this woman suffragette came here from Toronto only six women were out to hear her. The proper place for woman is the home sphere. If some of these suffragettes could see the women in India, China and other places they would spend the rest of their lives thanking God that they live in such a country as Canada."

It was the last meeting of the committee of 1908, and Mr. Booker expressed these opinions while seconding a vote of thanks to the retiring chairman, Trustee Hobson.

Replying to the nice things said about him, the chairman referred to the additions and improvements made to the schools last year, and said he hoped the work would be continued this year. Comment had been made about the lack of proper playgrounds for children, and he expressed himself in favor of the board taking the matter up.

The committee expressed itself in favor of the fence around the rink on the Collegiate lawn remaining where it is, and the students being allowed to use the rink for their pleasure. It was stated that W. J. Grant, the retiring trustee for ward one, and a number of others were opposed to it. Trustee Booker is a champion of it. "Trustee Callaghan says the fence must come down. I say it must stay up. We will fight the matter out, and I hope the committee will back me up," said Mr. Booker.

It was explained that the fence was a portable one, and did no harm. The rink will be conducted under the direction of the Collegiate Athletic Association. Discretion will be used as to who shall be permitted to use it. The Bankers' hockey team is anxious to have the use of it two or three nights a week. Any money collected will go to pay for a caretaker and the balance will go into the athletic association's funds. The city will supply free the water for flooding the rink, and it will not cost the board a cent.

The trustees were quite pleased with the report made by J. A. Houston, High School Inspector, on the Collegiate. Mr. Houston spoke appreciatively of the management of that institution.

Caretaker Garritty, of the Sophia Street School, had his salary increased from $525 to $1,000, and Caretaker McMullen, of the Picton Street School, from $450 to $800. Both these schools had eight room additions made to them during the year.

Henry Voelker was appointed caretaker of the King Edward School.

Misses L. J. Coke and Nellie Stewart were appointed to the Public School teaching staff, on the inspector's recommendation, and Miss E. L. Kraft was granted leave of absence from February 12th until the end of the school term, on account of poor health. She will be replaced temporarily by Miss Hill.

The attendance at the Public Schools for the month of December, as shown in Inspector Ballard's report, was as follows: Central 741; Ryerson 786; Hess 1,353; Cannon, 1,308; Victoria, 2,051; Queen 933; Homes 114. The total attendance was 7,286, as compared with 7,022 for the corresponding month a year ago. Fees collected amounted to $756.

Principal Thompson's report of attendance at the Collegiate was as follows:

	1908.	1907.
Boys on roll	395	328
Girls on roll	386	325
Total	781	653
Boys in Latin	348	295
Girls in Latin	331	279
Total	689	573

Non-resident pupils numbered 107, as compared with 88 last year.

BUILDING COMMITTEE.

Chairman George R. Allan, came in for well-merited words of praise at the concluding meeting of the Building Committee. Trustee Geo. C. Holden was voted into the chair, and Trustee J. Orr Callaghan moved a vote of thanks to Chairman Allan for his able, corteous and shrewd services during the year. He said it had been a record year in school building in this city. Trustee Callaghan moved that Trustee Allan's photo be hung in the Sophia Street School as a token of appreciation of what he had done for his own ward school. Chairman Ward, of the board, in seconding the motion, also spoke in complimentary terms of Trustee Allan's services.

Chairman Allan thanked the members for the pleasant things they had said about him. The Building Committee had done considerable business during the year without much noise. As a matter of fact, it had been a record year by reason of the enlargement of the Sophia and Picton Street Schools and the building of the Technical School, all of which would cost approximately $175,000. On behalf of the trustees in Ward 4 Chairman Allan thanked the members for enlarging the Sophia Street School, which he now considered the largest and best public school in Hamilton. He also thanked Secretary Foster, of the board, for his able assistance.

The statement of the repair account, as presented, showed that on Jan. 1, 1908, the committee had $6,000 cash on hand. The cost of repairs during the year was $5,882, leaving a balance of $117.88. The repairs to the Collegiate Institute during the year cost $570.83.

The Lucky 13.

To-morrow the price for your choice of the big lot of suits and overcoats at Oak Hall will be $13. On Thursday it started at $15, and to-day is $14, and the price will continue to drop one dollar each day until it reaches $3 for what are left. It is a plan adopted to make a sure decrease of over 400 suits and coats that the firm does not wish to carry over another season.

C. M. B. A.

Officers of Branch 37 Installed by Father Coty.

At the regular meeting of Branch No. 37, C. M. B. A., the following officers were installed:

Spiritual Adviser, Rev. J. H. Coty.
President, Thomas Murphy.
First Vice-President, George Smith.
Second Vice-President, Chas. Hawkins.
Recording Secretary, Chas. Robertson.
Financial Secretary, Thos. P. Ryan.
Treasurer, John J. Lawlor.
Marshal, John Mooney.
Guard, Daniel Garvin.
Trustees, James A. Cox, James J. Dowling, John J. Lawlor, P. S. Bateman.

The installation was conducted by the Rev. J. H. Coty, and Grand Deputy Marshal John P. Dougherty, assisted by Past Chancellor John M. Brown.

MILITARY BASE.

MORNING POST DISCUSSES BRITAIN'S DELAY IN CHOOSING.

Direction Which Development in Pacific Will Take at Present Uncertain—The Army Council Waiting—Hong King May be Chosen.

London, Jan. 7.—Lord Stratheona has written the Mornng Post respecting its allegations regarding the meagre garrison and neglected state of Esquimalt, and has called attention to the answers to Mr. Ralph Smith's questions in the Dominion House of Commons on Jan. 15, 1908. The Post declares Sir Frederick Borden's replies practically endorse all its statements, and notes from these answers the significant feature that the responsibility for under-garrisoning Esquimalt has been shifted from the Canadian Militia Department to the British War Office, which, however, is in close communication with Sir Frederick Borden. The crux of the situation, the Post says, is, in effect, the complete uncertainty which still characterizes the whole direction likely to be taken by the development of the Pacific. At present the authorities are engaged in watching these developments and the utmost deliberation is being exercised prior to a definite choice of a permanent British military base in the Pacific. Latterly the garrison at Hong Kong has been increased, and it has appeared to careful observers as though the Army Council had definitely decided to make this Pacific base its choice. It may, doubtless, be criticised on strategic grounds, but such arguments do not affect the present issue. Should the Army Council in conference with the Defence Committee decide on development farther afield in the Pacific doubtless this decision will be arrived at in view of the interests of the defence of the empire as a whole. The Morning Post adds that the present distribution of the permanent Canadian forces does an injustice to Canadian citizens on the Pacific coast.

C. P. R. LINES.

THIRTY MILLION DOLLARS REQUIRED THIS YEAR.

Large Amount of Work Which Has Been in Progress During the Summer to be Completed—New Country to be Tapped—Mr. Whyte Coming East.

Winnipeg, Jan. 7.—Thirty million dollars was mentioned to-day at the local offices of the C. P. R. as the sum which Second Vice-President Whyte will ask from the treasury of the company to be expended on western lines during the season of 1909. Mr. Whyte will leave for the east on Friday night and will spend the following week in Montreal. He will be accompanied by the chief engineer for western lines, Mr. J. E. Schwitzer.

The work which has been in progress the past summer and which will be continued this year, includes the extension of the Moose Jaw line running to Outlook and on towards Lacombe; the line from Sheho to Lanigan, which will probably be completed next year; the line from Wilkie to Battle River, completing the direct line from Winnipeg to Edmonton; the Lethbridge and MacLeod division in connection therewith; the great Lethbridge bridge; the Mowbray extension and a number of smaller lines.

Of the new lines which will be built this year, the one most certain to secure the approval of the eastern officials of the company is that running west from Weyburn, continuing the line from Stoughton to Weyburn. This line will without doubt be eventually built through to Lethbridge, as there is a long stretch of good farming country to be served. This year it is expected that from eighty to one hundred miles of track will be built.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The officers of Concord Lodge, A. O. U. W., were installed at the regular meeting held last inght. W. Gatenby, Past District Deputy, assisted by a team from the city lodges, conducted the ceremony. Following are the officers: Past Master, F. A. Leighton; M. W., Geo. W. Smith; Foreman, J. M. Ross; Overseer, Geo. Nash; Recorder, A. W. Charlesworth; Treasurer, Jos. Ross; Finance Secretary, John Sherring; Guide, Frank Smith.; I. W., John H. Hall; O. W., W. Ross; Pianist, F. J. Domville; Trustees, D. Fraser, J. Pountney, W. C. Toye.

Very Special Value Day at McKay's

To-morrow will be the first Saturday sale day of their great January clearing sale, and the patrons of this grand store can expect bargains of an extraordinary nature in the right sort of goods for present and future use. Possibly one of the greatest white goods sales ever carried on in Hamilton offers to you some of the best buying chances in years. Every department throughout the store will be ready to serve you sharp at 8.30 with some of the most notable buying chances of the season. Read our splendid ad. in this issue.—R. McKay & Co.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

It is announced that Lieut.-Col. Frank Reid, of London, will retire from the command of the 7th Regiment on Feb. 23, and that his likely successor will be Capt. A. A. Campbell.

MR. GNAGG.

HE MAKES GOOD RESOLUTIONS FOR THE NEW YEAR.

Good Resolutions for His Wife, Not Himself—She Rejects His Plan for Making Home Happier in 1909 — Discouragement of Mr. Gnagg in Consequence.

Mr. Gnagg, mellowed by holiday influences, makes guarded resolutions for the approaching New Year in the following somewhat qualified terms:

Well, little woman, here we are with another Christmas and New Year's upon us, eh? 'S a great season all right.

Season when a chap sort o' feels like thinking things over; like standing off and taking an impartial look at himself and his actions and—and all like that; and a fellow that surveys his doings for a whole year and then pats himself on the back and says that he's been everything that he ought to be—oh, well there's something twisted about a fellow like that of course. Bound to be.

Now you'll have observed of course during all these years that I never tried to shake out any claim to being perfect. If there's any one little thing that I've a right to brag about, why, it's the fact that I'm always perfectly fair. I don't see myself in any false or glamorous light, as you know.

It may be—I don't say outright that it is, but it may be—there are times, my dear, when I'm just a teenchy-weenchy bit irritable; but I guess you understand all about that. You make allowance, I guess, for the business worries that beset a chap.

Nothing is further from my nature, as you well know, than irritability or peevishness or anything remotely resembling those things; and you know perfectly well what my opinion is of a man that picks on a woman. I think that drawing and quartering is too blamed good for him, that's what I think.

That's why I am sort of making up my mind that, during the coming year, I'm going to cut out even such minor little manifestations of petulance as perhaps I am sometimes led into giving expression to through business annoyances and setbacks. Going too, sure.

Now, when a fellow makes up his mind in a matter of this kind, why, the essential things is that he should have, above all things, the sympathy and the co-operation of his wife. But the great trouble with women, as I have discovered after a good deal of careful observation, is that they possess a sort of fundamental unfairness which seems absolutely to prevent them from making the slightest acknowledgment of their own faults. They simply cannot own up to it that they possess any faults. Sometimes I am disposed to believe that even when they do perceive that they're in the wrong they refuse to own up to it out of pure stubbornness.

Now, take yourself for example, my dear. I'll bet that if tabulated statistics had been kept on all of the various little arguments that we've had during the last year any impartial referee would decide that you had been completely and irremediably in the wrong as to at least 90 per cent. of those arguments. Yet your femininity never permitted you to come right across and own up that you were wrong in any of these little domestic conflicts.

That's why, my dear, I take it upon myself to offer you a few little suggestions which, if you listen to them in the proper spirit and endeavor to follow them out, will make things a whole heap better around here during the coming year.

Now, in the first place, little girl, you've got a great habit of forever answering a fellow back. Bad habit, that. Vicious bad habit. One of the worst habits I know anything about. You seem to feel that you've just got to rap in an answer to every little word that I say in a tone of good natured criticism or raillery or that you'll just explode.

That's what starts everything in the way of fusses and arguments and so on around here—that answering back habit of yours; and I am bound to say that there is never any meat whatever in these answers that you get out of your system solely for the sake of prolonging the argument. They're pure piffle always, and nothing else.

If I feel called upon to comment occasionally on the way things are managed around here, why, it's up to you to understand that such comment is meant all in good part and it's your business to give ear to what I'm saying and not to chop back replies at me just for the sake of saving your face or something like that.

Take, for example, your extravagance. Your extravagance in a whole lot of respects. Running this apartment, for example.

You ought to know very well—and sometimes I am firmly of the opinion that you do know, although you persist in denying it—that you spend at the very smallest computation about twice as much money in running this apartment as you ought to spend. Yet when I take an occasional survey of the wild extravagances in which you constantly indulge around here, and submit a carefully worded and entirely amiable criticism in the premises, why, you infallibly flare up and talk back and act in general as if you considered that you were a badly abused woman.

Why sometimes, in such circumstances, you even resort to that cowardly feminine expedient of crying. Blubbering. Dabbing at your eyes and all that sort of thing. You only do that like all other women, of course, when you are firmly cornered; but it's cowardly.

It's taking the meanest kind of an advantage of a husband. It's a deliberate attempt to put your husband in an unworthy and contemptible light. It's a crafty attempt, always, on your part to switch the thing around and to put it up to me absolutely.

I begin by telling you, nearly always in a tone that is meant to be bantering, about some peculiarly raw bit of household extravagance, every word of it intended for your own good; and then, hoity toity! up you flare, and then you begin to reel off the answers and to send in catty little dabs and jabs and such like, and the first thing you know, why, you've started something, and then the air of peace and repose, what might be called the tone, that should lover around a home is dispersed or shattered, and as often as not you go sniffing and snivelling around the place, and sulk and gloom on me and act as sullen as the dickens, as you know, my dear.

Well, every bit of this sort of thing could be saved if you'd only make up your mind, once and forever, here upon the threshold of the new year, that you'd overcome that deeply imbedded habit of yours of always answering back.

As to the extravagance itself—oh, well, I've talked about that until, as they say, I'm pretty nearly black in the face, and never, it seems, to the slightest purpose. That's one thing that I've almost given up—the ability to get away with any sort of a contention around here, I mean.

Still, extravagance is curable like any other sort of a disease or vice or bad or careless habit or whatever you elect to call it. You don't have to throw your husband's hard earned money away as if it were so much chalk, you know. And if you have any intention or desire to co-operate with me in sort of switching the cut around here during the coming year, perhaps you might devote two or three minutes every day from now on to saying to yourself that you're at least going to make an effort during the year 1909 to give your husband a chance for his taw agate in money matters and not blow the coin in as if the man whose name you're wearing had a little private mint working day and night down at his place of business.

How's that? Oh, you think I ought to begin the New Year by increasng your allowance for household expenses, do you? Huh! Sure you do!

I might have expected that you'd shoot in some kind of a crack like that, even at so inopportune a time as this, when I am endeavoring in a spirit befitting the season to show you how you might help to make things a heap better around here than they have been.

Increase the budget for household expenses, hey?. Well, I hate to say it, madam, but there's a good deal more brass in that proposition than anything I've heard you give utterance to for quite some time. Just plain brass of the sordid commercial or grafting variety.

It's a wonder to me that you don't shoot over the suggestion that I hand all of the money that I earn by the sweat of my brow over to you and let you dish out lunch money and car fare to me as you see fit. 'S a matter of straightout fact, that's just about the way the game frames up around here now. As I think I've mentioned to you hitherto, all I get out of the business of living is a place to sleep and something to eat, and here you are right on deck with the suggestion that I ought to slip you every cent I make and permit you to do all the disbursing.

Huh! What, you didn't say that? Well, what did you say, then? Oh, that's all you said, eh? Well, I say different; that's all, and that ends it.

You came right out and hinted that you ought to be the holder of all the coin that winds its way into this family. If you didn't say that almost in so many words then I'm deaf, that's all.

You'll be good enough to remember that I am acquainted with a whole lot of married fellows around this town who've been hopelessly ruined by the foolish, the wanton, extravagance of their wives, and if you think you've got a million to one chance to lead me by the nose down that path of bustedness why you've got more things a-coming than could be registered on a whole carload of phonographic records, and don't you forget it.

But what's the use? Here I am mildly venturing to sugest that you make certain resolutions for the new year and the best I get is—

How's that? Oh, I started this thing off by announcing what resolutions I myself was going to make for the new year, and now I'm winding up by telling you what resolutions to make.

Well, that settles it. I might have known you'd have staked me to some such an insult as that. I'm a yap for expecting to get away with anything elevating or uplifting around here.

Well, well, what d've think o' that for a stab? By jing, if you could only see yourself in your true light for about one-eighth of a second I wonder what you'd think of yourself?—N. Y. Sun.

THE SIMPLE LIFE.

CAN'T "LIVE AS JESUS WOULD" IN MODERN BUSINESS LIFE.

Cleveland Stenographer Who Makes Start Says She Would Lose Her Position if She Continued Test—Doctor and Wife Trying It.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 8.—"You can't live as Jesus would and be an employee of a large Cleveland business house," was the conclusion of a girl stenographer in a downtown wholesale store to-day.

Sunday she attended the massmeeting of young Christians at Epworth Memorial Church. She was one of the 1,500 who stood up, promising to live as Jesus would for the next two weeks. Two days of the experiment convinced her of its impossibility in Cleveland business life.

"I can't be done by an employee," she said. "The employer himself might carry the morality of Jesus into his business if he chose. The case is not hopeless. But the employer—at least my employer—doesn't. And it is suicidal for the employee to attempt it. Christ's morality and business tact clash.

"An employee insisting upon rigid honesty would be discharged instantly. I don't mean to say my firm is dishonest. Along broad lines it isn't. But the department managers resort to many evasions of truth in order that they escape unpleasant consequences.

"For instance, a retail store is writing or wiring in for an explanation of why a certain order has not been sent. The reply is that it is the fault of the manufacturer, though such is not the case. Of course, that isn't serious lying. It's a white lie. But it is a lie just the same. No doubt it is necessary in business to tell that kind of lies, but Jesus wouldn't.

"And when I type the letter I must tell the lie, too. Jesus wouldn't be implicated in the lie. He would refuse to write it. If I did that I would lose my position."

Fifteen hundred members of the Christian Endeavor, Baptist Young People's union, and the Epworth League promised to try to live as Christ would for two weeks at least. About 10,000 others about the city made the same pledge at the same time. Many of those living the experiment said to-day it was too early for experiences yet. Most of them said the new order had made no radical changes in their private or business lives.

LIVE AS CHRIST WOULD.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 8.—Dr. T. Percival Gerson and his wife have decided to live as they believe Christ could live if He were on earth to-day. They have given up their home with all its luxuries and have established a new home with only the necessities in the way of furniture, clothing, and food.

The most radical change in Dr. Gerson's life is his adoption of the rule never to charge a fee for professional services. Payment must be voluntary on the patient's part.

Dr. Gerson and his wife believe if Christ were among men to-day in the flesh he would model his personal conduct upon the inspired rules laid down in the sermon on the mount. This is their spiritual guide and they accept it literally.

CLEVELAND MOVEMENT.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 8.—Attempts to follow in the steps of Jesus Christ, in emulation of the movement in this city, in which more than 11,000 young people have been pledged, are to be made in other cities in the United States and Canada.

W. D. Price, the young law student who started the movement here, to-day announced that he was being swamped with inquiries as to the method employed here.

The Right House

"HAMILTON'S FAVORITE SHOPPING PLACE"

A great January fur clearance

You may save up to half on elegant rich furs of fashion

Our $12.50 Marmot Stoles now at $11.75
Our $8.50 Marmot Stoles now at $5.50
Our $12.50 Marmot Muffs now at $10.88
Our $10.00 Marmot Muffs now at $7.50
Our $7.50 Marmot Muffs now at $5.50
Our $7.00 Marmot Ties now at $3.50
Our $15.00 Marmot Caperines at $12.75
Our $9.00 Ermine Ties now at $7.50
Our $4.50 White Thibet Muffs now at $3.00
Our $6.00 Grey Thibet Muffs now at $4.88
Our $2.50 Brown Thibet Muffs now $1.88
Our $22.00 Mink Stoles now at $16.50
Our $27.00 Mink Throws now at $21.00
Our $50.00 Mink Throws now at $35.00
Our $40.00 Mink Throws now at $27.00
Our $45.00 Mink Throws now at $30.00
Our $28.00 Mink Muffs now at $22.50
Our $47.00 Natural Lynx Sets at $35.00
Our $27.00 Blue Lynx Muffs now at $14.00
Our $12.50 Fox Stoles now at $9.00
Our $27.50 Western Sable Caperines $23.00
Our $16.50 Grey Squirrel Stoles now $11.50

Fur-lined coats reduced: Many bargains

HANDSOME French Broadcloth Shells in black, navy, brown, green or fawn; beautiful Muskrat, Hampster and Squirrel linings; shawl collar or collar and revers of Mink, Alaska Sable, Isabella Fox and Natural Lynx. Very warm, smart styles.

$18.50, formerly $30.00 — $58.00, formerly $70.00
$49.00, formerly $65.00 — $63.00, formerly $75.00

Warm Astrakhan coats reduced

Beautiful black, glossy German dyed Astrakhans; well made and lined; warm collars; effective styles; 27 and 30 inch lengths in all sizes.

$25, formerly $32 — $35, formerly $40 — $27, formerly $35

Women's Winter coats reduced

Hundreds of smart Winter Coats for women, misses and children. Black, plain colors and novelty mixtures in every good style and all sizes. Every Coat in our immense winter stocks bears a "marked down" price. Choose at once. A fine assortment and great bargains.

$3.50, formerly $5.50 — $8.95, formerly $12.50
$4.25, formerly $6.00 — $10.00, formerly $15.00
$5.00, formerly $8.50 — $12.50, formerly $18.50
$5.95, formerly $10.00 — $15.00, formerly $22.50
$19.50, formerly $30.00 — $22.50, formerly $35.00
$30.00, formerly $45.00 — $35.00, formerly $50.00

THOMAS C. WATKINS

Separate skirts: 350 reduced

Smart-fitting Right House tailored sorts: Save up to a third

THREE hundred and fifty handsome Separate Skirts have been withdrawn from our regular stocks and absolutely reduced. These splendid Skirts must all be sold before stock taking and these underprices will send them trotting out. Nearly all are tailored in our own workrooms from our own directly imported materials.

$4.50, formerly $6.50 to $ 7.50 — **$8.50, formerly $10 to $12.50**
$6.95, formerly $8.50 to $10.50 — **$10, formerly $14 to $15.50**

Gored, pleated, Directoire and plain tailored styles—beautiful new models that hang and fit perfectly. Trimming of self folds, silk strappings or buttons; some are in bordered effects. Black and newest shades of navy, brown, green, grey and novelty mixtures. Rich Venetians, Broadcloths, Serges, Panamas and novelty Worsteds and Tweeds.

Lace and net blouses reduced

Net, Lace and Silk Blouses in scores of new style effects and beautiful dressy fashions. Simple to elaborate models; trimmings of lace, insertions, medallions, tuckings, bias silk folds, etc.

Our special $4.50 blouses for $2.98 — **Our special $10.00 blouses for $5.00**
Our special $5.00 blouses for $3.59 — **Our special $12.00 blouses for $6.88**
Our special $7.50 blouses for $4.88 — **Our special $12.50 blouses for $7.50**

Hundreds of Blouses are in the sale—Beauties which no woman will want to resist—at these absolutely reduced prices. All are dainty, fresh and new. But all must be cleared out before stock taking. All sizes—your size and style—are included.

Our January embroidery sale

A triumph of value-giving: The new 1909 styles are in the sale

BUSY fingers are fairly flying and can hardly cut these pretty new Embroideries off fast enough. Never before have we sold so many Embroideries during a January sale, but never were the values so great as in this White Sale. Thousands and thousands of yards of bright, crisp, fresh new 1909 Embroideries are here—for white robes, dresses, blouses, underwear, children's wear, etc. Many months of careful searching abroad are rewarded now with the greatest values Canada ever saw. Will you get your share? See them to-morrow.

Embroidery strips—Nearly ½ price

Hundreds of pieces of manufacturers' fresh, crisp, new sample ends of embroideries—insertions and edgings, in 4 and 4½ yard lengths, will go on sale at great price reductions.

5c, value 7c to 10c — 13c, value 20c to 22c
7c, value 10c to 13c — 15c, value 23c to 28c
9c, value 14c to 17c — 19c, value 25c to 32c
11c, value 15c to 18c — 23c, value 28c to 35c

Frilled skirtings and flouncings

Handsome new Frilled Skirtings and Flouncings for children's dresses, women's dresses and underskirts. Eyelet, blind and lace effects with frilled or scalloped bottoms; 27 inches wide. Fine, nice quality Muslins. Floral and scroll patterns.

49c, value 75c — 88c, value $1.25
59c, value 85c — $1.19, value $1.50
69c, value $1.00 — $1.39, value $1.75

Blouse frontings—Greatest of January sales

Neat to elaborately embroidered Blouse Frontings on wide Muslins and Mulls; spaces for tucking and Val. lace inserting; open front and open back designs in eyelet, shadow, blind and lace effects.

25c a front, value 50c yard — 44c a front, value 88c yard
37c a front, value 75c yard — 55c a front, value $1.25 yard

Allover embroideries—Wonderful bargains

Eyelet and blind effects on good wearing qualities of fine Swiss Muslins; suitable for entire blouses. Many pieces, all in approved 1909 styles; nice wide widths in good to wear kinds.

29c, value 50c — 59c, value 85c
49c, value 75c — 75c, value $1

New bands and insertions

Combinations of Irish Crochet, Eyelet and Blind Work, well worked on fine quality Nainsook and Muslin; very fashionable for panels and inserting.

23c, value 35c — 35c, value 60c

Corset cover embroideries

Several special purchases at much below regular value, are here for the January sale. Plain Swiss Cambrics and new woven cord overcheck effects; handsome eyelet, blind and crochet designs; fast edges with ribbon inserting.

19c, real value here 25c and 30c. 23c, real value here 32c and 35c. 32c, real value here 45c and 50c.

CORNER KING EAST AND HUGHSON STS. **THOMAS C. WATKINS** HAMILTON, ONTARIO

Mistakes Which Bridge Players Make.

Everybody who plays bridge regularly is bound to make mistakes. That is an absolute certainty. Do not run away with the idea that the faculty of making blunders, and bad blunders, is confined to indifferent players. Nobody is perfect at anything. We are told that even Homer nodded at times, and in the same way even the finest bridge-players will occasionally be caught napping. The only difference is that when the good player has made a blunder he will generally be the first to recognize the fact and to acknowledge it, whereas the indifferent player will try to defend himself and to argue that he was right.

There are certain common and rather expensive errors which inexperienced players are very apt to fall into. Perhaps the most common of them all is not returning their partner's original lead at No Trumps because they can see a winning card, or possibly a tenace, in the dummy. The trail to recognize that the winning card or that tenace is there and is bound to make in any case, whether they lead up to it or not, so instead of continuing with the original suit, they open another one at random, and the result is generally disastrous.—From "Bridge Blunders or Hands That Went Wrong," by William Dalton in the January Strand Magazine.