# WOMEN'S AND MISSES? COATS P

Twenty-five only, Women's and Misses' Long Winter Coats in mixed tweed effects; colors of gray, green and brown, large and coat collar styles. Values up to \$12.00, on sale Tuesday for.....

75c EMBROIDERED COR-SET COVERS FOR 39c.

Covers, with lace trimming, sizes 34, 36 and 38 bust. Regular 75c value. Tuesday spe-

500 YARDS OF CAMBRIC CORSET COVER FLOUNC-Five dozen fine Muslin ING, assorted patterns. Regu-Allover Embroidered Corset lar 25c value, Tuesday special with embroidery, sizes 23 to

Women's Cambric Drawers, 

WOMEN'S WHITE CAM-BRIC DRAWERS, trimmed

...... 19¢ 27, both styles. Regular 50c

Fifteen dozen White Lawn Handkerchiefs, with hemstitched and embroidered edges. Regular 12½c value, Tuesday special...... 4 for 25¢

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Twenty dozen Heavy Wool Tuesday at, pair.....25¢

BLACK DRESS GOODS SPECIALS.

value, sale price ......49¢ Black Bedford Cord Suit-

All Fancy Linen Towels, Doilies and Scarfs, slightly All-Wool French Panama, mussed, on sale Tuesday 54 inches wide. Regular 75c morning at ......20% OFF

Black Resilda, beautiful der Crash Towelling, all-250 yards of Colored Bor-Stockings, sizes 8½ to 10 inch. rich weave, 42 inches wide: linen, 17½ inches wide. Tues-Regular 35c value, on sale 85c value, sale price.... 59c day special, yard ..... 10c

ing, 54 inches wide. Regular Women's Wrapperette Boys' Hockey Caps, in navy, \$1.00 value, sale price. . 69¢ Wrappers, all dark colors,

Colored Tweed Suitings, 42 value, sale price.....\$3.50 Ten dozen Knitted Muf-Black Astrachan Coating, flers; colors: cardinal, garnet to 50 inches wide. Values up 50 inches wide. \$4.00 value, and sky. Tuesday special, to 75c, sale price...... 39¢ sale price ....... \$2.98 each ................. 19¢

# Agents for Butterick Patterns.

Pictorial

## NUMBER '40' MUST HAVE A MEANING

Number Should Occur So Many Times.

Have you ever noticed anything pe culiar about the number forty? These figures seem to have had an unusual bearing on events, both past and pres-

We all know the story of the "forty" thieves and the old verse of the "forty" flags. Then, there are the members of the French Academy known as the "forty" immortals; and the old slang for "going some" was "going like forty." But the most interesting list of occurrences in which this mysterious "forty" is to be found is in the Bible, as shown in the following:

"The rain that produced the flood fell for 'forty' days and 'forty' nights, and after it had ceased it was 'forty' days before Noah opened the ark. Moses was 'forty' days on the mountain fasting, and the spies spent 'forty' days investigating matters in Canaan before making their report. Elijah fasted 'forty' days in the wilderness, and Jonah gave the people of Nineveh 'forty' days in which to repent. 'The 'forty' days' fast of Jesus is known to all readers of the

The Bible is always interesting, but the one distributed by The Advertiser has an added feature of interest in its magnificent illustrations. Besides these which are printed with the text matter and which were prepared at an expense of \$50,000, there are numerous full-page color plates from the worldfamous Tissot collection. All of these 'eye-teaching" pictures have a direct reference to the verses which they accompany, which cannot be said of any

Read the educational certificate on another page of this issue and clip it before somebody else gets ahead of

You.

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this issue and every day during

GERMAN DIPLOMAT DEAD. Stuttgart, Germany, Dec. 30.—Alfred Von Kinderlen-Waechter, secretary of 'oreign affairs of the German Empire, lied suddenly at his home here today ifter a brief illness.

## MUST NOT HAND OUT CARDS TO VOTERS ELECTION DAY

Strange Coincidence That This Important Amendment to Law Which Must Be Heeded By All.

> The following amendment to the election law should be read by electors, and especially by those who will be employed

clling, use or deliver to any other peron any card, ticket, leaflet, book, cirrular or other device soliciting votes for r against any candidate or candidates, or for or against any question or bylaw, or having upon it the name of any such candidate, question or bylaw; and any person violating the provisions of this section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding \$20, or, in default of payment, imprisonment for a term not exceeding about the polling booths on New Year's 10 days, on conviction before any justice

# LISTENING TO MR. BECK SPEAK

For London Monopolized the Platform.

Saturday night.

With Mayor Graham, and a chairman, who was not averse to plainly showing his partiality, he was able to speak as long as he willed, where municipal candidates went without a hearing at all.

pirant, who formed the background for Mr. Beck, together with the mayor and the chairman, went to sleep, while Mr. Beck proceeded with the long and disconnected speech. Mr. Wallace, along with Ald, Coles, Ald. Ashplant, Ald. Bennett and others, waited for a chance

terested in what Mr. Beck had to say was apparent. A Vicious Attack. Mr. Beck made his usual dramatic

absolutely convinced, tired, or not con-

vinced. That they were not much in-

entrance, waiting until "the great crowd" was fully assembled. He first made a vicious attack upon Ald. Richter, who had stated that in any matter where debentures were to be issued, the electors must be consulted. Mr. Beck made it appear that Mr. Richter the time at the municipal meeting on to the people. Mr. Beck said that the road could be leased without consulting the people.

Mr. Beck led a chorus of hoots when Mr. Richter endeavored to explain. Mr. Beck was manifestly unfair in this incident, and he did not curb his tongue n any regard during the evening. He did not dare openly to admit that the London Free Press was a non-user of hydro-electric. For the purpose of the hour he praised that journal. He hurried over the thin ice of his own patriotism, to his own scheme in his

own factory. Just His Say-So. He did not say a single word in regard to the maintenance of steam connections with London in case the L. and P. S. R. was electrified, the protests of shippers and businessmen, or the lack of terminal facilities for the line. He did not show anything he said to be a fact. He simply said that it was a fact. He did not tell why he did not welcome further investigation into the scheme. He was in poor form oratorically, and lost many minutes fussing

Final Meeting for 1912 Held by the Board

directors of the London and Port Stanley Railway, held at noon tocay in Mayor Graham's office, the annual report of the president was presented by his worship. He reviewed the work done for the year.

The board held 17 meetings, attended as follows: Mayor Graham 17, Ald. Coles 14, Ald. Moore 16, Ald. Murphy 14, Ald. Spittal 13, Ald. Blandford 9. Ald. Wright 15, Ald. Ashplant 13, and Ald. Rose 5.

The report was filed. A meeting of the shareholders was held subsequently, but as there was no business to be transacted it adjourned.

Those present at the meeting were:

## MR. GERRY MAKES HIS STAND PLAIN

Well-Known Former Alderman Spoke on Electrification of the L. and P. S. R.

SOUTH LONDON MEETING to the establishment of such in this city," said Mr. Gunn. "The first is that PREVENTED BIG

Candidates For Civic Honors Addressed the Electors in the Foresters'

of South

ward of educa-



tion. Ex-Ald, William Gerry, who is a candidate for aldermanic honors, stated that if elected to the council he would take the stand that more information should be obtained before the electrification proposition was presented to the people for their opinion.

"I do not wish to criticise the present council," said the speaker," and do not wish to commit myself to any particular policy in case I am elected. have had fifteen years' experience as an alderman, and I make my stand on the work that I have accomplished during that time. One-man power is not the thing, and we will not get good government until we get government

As to Electrification.

"In regard to the electrification of the Port Stanley Railroad, I haven't the least doubt that all would be in favor of the scheme if they could see where the revenue would come from. At present the London and Port Stanley Railway is \$600,000 in debt, and is going behind every year. This is serious problem, and now the city is asked to add near \$1,000,000 to debt. This will result in the city being The citizens are not asking too much when they ask for information. quires more information than has been made public as yet. I am not opposed to the electrification if we can get a guarantee that it will pay. Don't think or a moment that I am opposed to it f it can be made to pay. I am only opposed to schemes that will retard the progress of the city. I cannot see my way clear to advocate electrification

Mr. S. F. Glass. Mr. S. Frank Glass, who is in the

aldermanic field, stated that he was in to his auditors his idea of the future of to his auditors his idea of the future of London if electrification was adopted. The compared the electrification of the running privileges to the other roads and TIDVE TO MAKE TELEBRICATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY

At the time that the C. P. R. was interests of our city. ing built there were many scoffers rom to pay the running expenses of the railway, but the railway paid," said the road, whether by steam or electricity asking where will the trade come from for eight hundred and ninety thousand to make the electrification of the L. dollars (\$890,000), but we are not told in A large part of the audience could not see the connection between the two comparisons.

Ald. Spittal. Ald. William Spittal referred to his work on the finance committee, manufacturer's committee, of which he was chairman, and the London and Port Stanley Board. He said that he had taken a very keen interest in the possibilities of London, and finally the districts to the east of the city had been annexed. He recommended that all the bylaws loaning money to industries be carried, as each firm was giving ample security to the city. He said that the candidates this year were compelled to make known their stand on electrification rather than an acount of their work during the year. "I wish to say that I am for electrification," he declared.

Bad Roads.

E. H. Russell, another aldermanic candidate, drew the attention of those present to the conditions of the roads in the city, and stated that there hould be a capable person given sole harge of the work.

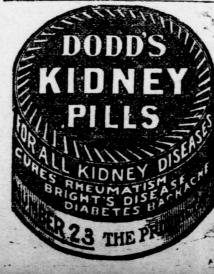
"At present the roads are in a disgraceful condition," said the speaker. "The waterworks department, City las Company, sewer people and Bell Telephone Company have all been digging up the roadbeds and do not restore them to a proper condition when they are through."

"You have been reading The Adveriser," was the comment of one of the audience.

Mr. Russell also attacked the proposed Greene-Swift bylaw, and stated that it would be a big mistake if it were ratified by the ratepayers.

One-Man Rule. A. R. Calcott, who is a candidate for the water commission, made a brief address, in which he denounced the present policy of the commission. "I cannot commence to enumerate

the ills and wrongs that are prevalent in this part of the city government at present," he said. "One of the previous speakers has referred to one-man rule. If there is one department of the city government with one-man rule, it is the waterworks department. What Mr. with papers in order to collect his wits. Glaubitz says, goes. I am a great admirer of hydro, and think that if it were properly managed it would be of great assistance in the growth of the than a white elephant. In asking for it a success. And let us not forget that your support I might say that my we have been told that the last court of nicipal government, and I have also



### made a close study of the electrical SUDDEN DEATH OF business. In addition to those two qualifications, I think I have as much usiness ability as any of the other candidates." Mr. John M. Gunn, NOTED DIPLOMAT Chairman J. M. Gunn of the board of education stated that much interest

was being taken in the stands of the different candidates in regard to single and double sessions in the kindergar-"The single sessions, according to experts, are the best, but there are several practical differences in regard Disease.

WAR

Skillful Steering of Moroccan Muddle One of His Greatest Achievements.

[Canadian Press.]

duced without additional expense and A well-attended equal rating of salaries I am in favor C. H. Merrifield, Dr. Shaw, Trustees London was held Gammage and Irwin, all candidates for the board of education, also made addresses. The first two, who are seekers' Hall, Craig ing election in this city for the first street, which was time stated that they had had experia ence in educational matters in other ed in feared that his illness might result fatally as his heart action was very if elected. Neither would commit themselves on the kindergarten questate on the kindergarten questaten metal ten met

majority of tion, as they had not received specific data as to which was the best system. heart failure while he was practically Against Single Sessions. Mr. Gammage said that he was Mr. Gammage said that he was eeking re-election, as he considered a great injustice was being done by teturning to the single sessions.

Mr. Gammage said that he was Alfred Von Kiderlen-Waechter, who was only 60 years of age, had occupied office as imperial secretary of state for cturning to the single sessions. Mr. Irwin, who is the supporter of single

Irwin, who is the supporter of single sessions, Mr. foreign affairs only since June 28, 1910, when he succeeded Wilhelm Von Schoen, sessions, explained his position in regard to the question. He also explained France. The advent of Kiderlen-Waechter the meaning of the adolescence act. Mr. E. R. Dennis advised the electors to support all the bylaws giving loans to industries, and explained the reasons for his firm asking the city for assistance.

Mr. A. M. Hunt presided at the meetage.

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MR. WM. YEATES

was a very poor orator, and his speeches did not create a very good impression. He was known, however, as one of the most shrewd men in Germany's diplomatic circles, and was regarded as an expert on affairs of the Near East, owing to his having been stationed for a long time in the Balkans, and his disappearance from the German cabinet at the present time is considered to be a great misfortune. Mr. E. R. Dennis advised the electors

there is not sufficient accommodation

in some of the schools for single ses-

sions, and another important matter in

connection with the question is the ad-

justment of the salaries of the teach-

ers. If single sessions can be intro-

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Surely if the New York and New Haven in regard to the settlement of the dispu

Favors Independent Road.

Now, sir, I believe the L. and P. S. remember when in the council of 1893 with Mr. W. M. Spencer as mayor, how hard a fight we had with the G. T. R. to get back the road into the control of the city. St. Thomas did not sympathize with us, but rather sent delegrates to Ot. R. R. should be an independent road. I city. St. Thomas did not sympathize with us, but rather sent delegates to Ottawa to assist the G. T. R. until we found it necessary to have absolute control, and paid St. Thomas \$40,000 for their interest in the L. and P. S. R. R. Allow Running Rights.

| Mallow Running Rights. | Mallow Running Rights. | Mallow Running Rights | Mallow Runni

The city, while keeping it an independent line, should allow all other roads Franco-Prussian war of 1870-71 running privileges over it at a price to assist in keeping up the wear and tear, and the city would be greatly benefited.

Owing to the suddenness of the forest terms of the suddenness of the su assist in keeping up the wear and tear. and the city would be greatly benefited by so doing. If any one railroad should secretary's death, there has been no talk get a lease of the L, and P, S, R, and as to his probable successor. favor of electrification, and imparted then grant running privileges to other allway to the construction of the secure what profit there is in it for the

Then, assuming that the L. and P. S. the asked where the trade would come R. R. is an independent line, the ques Mr. Glass. The scoffers of today are We are told the road can be electrified and P. S. R. pay. It will come the same as in the case of the C. P. R." what way the money is to be spent, or what we are going to get for the money.

The Cost of Steam. Now, in regard to steam power for the oad we can arrive at some data by which we can get an approximate cost, viz.:

heavy and 1 light locomotives .. \$100,000 passenger coaches for regular traffic ..... for 18 passenger coaches for excur-50 flat cars ..... Other incidental expenses..... 84,000

Making a total of ......\$500,000 Then there would be an annual charge: nterest on this amount at 41/2 per cent ..... o provide for wear and tear, at the non-surrender of the fortress of least 5 per cent..... Expense for fuel, \$80 per day .... 24,000

Making a total of ..... \$71,500 This does not allow for sinking fund or nvestment, nor wages and salaries and other incidentals in the way of labor, etc If we take the electrification as per estimate of \$890,000, the annual charges Interest at 41/2 per cent ...... \$40,500

Wear and tear at 5 per cent..... 44,500 Cost of power for five locomotives (electric), each 500 horsepower, capable of drawing 30 loaded cars, making a total of 2,500 horsepower, and as these motors will be estimated at their peak load, and assuming that by the increased amount of power taken by the city, the price be reduced to \$20 per horsepower per an-

num, the price for power would be ..... Making a total without providing

for sinking fund, wages, salaries or incidental expenses of .....\$135,000 I am assuming that wages, salaries and incidental expenses would be the same in both cases, while the charges for sinking fund on electrification would be almost double that of the steam installment is per above figures.

Now, I don't know the amount of business done on the L. and P. S. R. R., but when we are told that electrifying of the road will not cost the city anything; that everything, I think it is only fair to the elitizens of London that they should know to use to make six miles. They found primitive hill communities entirely to the found primitive hill communities entirely the found primitive hill communities and the found primitive hill communities entirely the found primitive hill communities and the foun the increased business will take care of everything, I think it is only fair to the how it is to be done. I should be pleased to see the L. and P. S. R. R. placed on a sound business basis as an independent road, and run in the interest of the city city, but at present it is nothing more and the cheapest and best way to make business fits me for this part of mu- appeal in hydro-electric matters in the city is the hydro commission. Thankin you for space, WM, YEATES. neither horses nor yaks. It is still far-ther beyond the snow line. 132 Maple street.

## WILL CONSIDER CALL

Congregational Meeting in the First Presbyterian Church on Thurs. day Evening.

German Secretary of State Succumbed to Attack of Heart

Stuttgart, Germany, Dec. 30.—Secretary of State Von Kiderlen-Waechter died this morning. He was enjoying his usual Christmas visit to his sister, the Baroness Von Gemmingen, near here. He had felt extremely unwell for several days past, The end came with great suddenness

at ten minutes to eight this morning, when the secretary of state expired from

was not greeted with great enthusiasm in the German imperial parliament. He

During his short period of office as foreign secretary, he was very successful in steering the international politics they do not, and echo answers, Why? of unusual entanglement, more especiall R. R. find a great saving in electrifying a portion of their line, how much would the railroads running into Niagara Falls save when at the very source of cheap power?

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Favorite of Kalser. Alfred Von Kiderlen-Waechter was fo

Russia Warns the Porte Against Dangerous Consequences of Delay.

[Canadian Press.] Constantinople, Dec. 30 .- The ambas-

sadors of most of the European powers have advised the Ottoman Government to make an effort to come to terms with the Balkan allies, The Russian ambassador here in particular, coupled his advice with a warning as to the dangerous conse

quences of delay in view of the situation in Asia Minor. This Russian representation has produced a disagreeable impression Turkish official circles, while the agitatin in the army in favor of a resumption of hostilities continues. Many fly sheets have been distributed among the Turkish officers and men counsel-

### Adrianople. NEW TRIBE IS FOUND ON FRONTIER OF INDIA

ling the continuance of the war and

Primitive Hill Communities Subsist On Rats, Squirrels and Scanty Crops.

London, Dec. 30.—The British expedi-tion under Gen. Bower, which last year penetrated the Abor country on the north-east frontier of India, for the purpose of punishing natives for the murder of a British political agent, has brought back some interesting information of that part of the world, and of the even less known district northward to the Chinese fron

Before the advent of the Bower expedition, little was known of "this heart breaking country," as A. Bentinck, who accompanied Gen. Bower, describes it, except that it was inhabited by awkward cribes. Few Englishmen had penetrated so far, and the right of the Abors to turn travellers back was unquestioned. After punishing the tribes for the mur-der of the political agent, for the British Government has a way of impressing natives with the fact that British lives must be respected, the explorers pushed northward across deep valley clefts and unknown to Europe, living on scanty crops, supplemented by rats and squirrels snared in the jungle, and heard from them of even remoter and more mys-terious tribes who were said to barter with the Abors in human bodies. with the Abors in human bodies. The wild men live close to the snow line, and the Abors spoke of them with disgust and contempt. The explorers heard of another nuknown country where the people live in wooden houses and have

### TOOK STRYCHNINE

TO REV. MR. INKSTER Young Indian Died in Terrible Agony

[Canadian Press.]
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Dec. 20.—After declaring that he would be in a happy home tonight, Mike Lavalle took enough The congregation of the First Presbyterian Church will meet on Thursday evening to consider the call which has been extended by a western church to the pastor, Rev. J. Gibson Inkster.

The invitation comes from the oldest Presbyterian Church in Victoria. B. C. and carries with it a salary of \$3,500 per annum, with free manse.

Rev. Mr. Inkster has not intimated his own wishes as yet, but he may do so at the congregational meeting.

declaring that he would be in a happy home tonight, Mike Lavalle took enough crystallized strychnine to kill twenty men late Saturday at the old wireless station, where he was cutting wood. On his person was a parcel which contained two bottles purchased in Sheldrake, Mich. He offered some to a companion, but the latter spit it out, as it burned him. So terrible was his agony and so great the effect of the poison on his spine that his heels sometimes in his convulsions would touch the back of his head. Lavalle was an Indian, aged 20, and an orphan. The body was sent to Garden River for burial on the reservation.

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## FIREMAN HAD FIGHT WITH BIG BROWN BEAR

Bruin Took Posession of the Boiler Room for Some

Time.

[Canadian Press.] Winnipeg, Dec. 30 .- A big brown bear nad taken possession of the C. P. R. oump house at Millwood, Man., on Satat noon, and was calmly thawing imself out in the boiler room harpe, the pumpman, returned from his Sharpe grabbed a spike maul and struck Sharpe graphed a spike maul and struck bruin on the head, knocking him down, but before the pumpman could get away the bear grabbed him, and in the scufficthey both tumbled downstairs into the

At that moment a push engine arrived At that moment a push engine arrived to take water. The engine crew heard the pumpman's cry for help. Brakeman Morris snatched up a red fuse and rushed through the side door of the tank, while Conductor Clarke crawled on the op of the caboose with a rifle out came Sharpe, with the bear in hot

Engineer Hunter opened the cylinder cocks as the bear passed the engine, and timed the act so well that bruin received a blinding cloud of steam that made him miss his footing, and sent him rolling down a bank, where he took to the woods. ie escaped injury, except a few scratches.

### BRITISH SHIP WRECKED

Will Be Total Loss on Pacific Coast, But Crew Are All Safe.

Aberdeen, Wash., Dec. 29. - The ur-masted British steamer Torrisdale went aground near Aberdeen today in a terrific storm which swept the Pacific Coast. Her captain and rew of 30 men were taken off by the ife-savers. The Torrisdale probably

vill be a total loss. The vessel was of steel construction d hails from Glasgow.

## ALL RE-ELECTED

Entire Council Was Returned at Lams beth Nominations.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Lambeth, Dec. 30 .- At the regular eeting for nominations here this afernoon the entire council was re-electby acclamation, as follows: Reeve d by acclamation, as follows: Reeve, J. W. Laidlaw; deputy reeve, James H. Mair; councillors, H. A. Blakle, J. F. Cousins and W. E. Grieve. Mr. A. Blakie was nominated for

eeve, but withdrew, and Alex. Johnton, who was nominated for councilor, also declined to run. In an address to the electors in the

town hall, Reeve Laidlaw outlined a progressive policy on good roads, drainage and bridges.

## The Dominion Savings and Investment Society Dividend No. 81

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend at the rate of four per cen't per annum upon the paid-up capital stock has been declared for the half year ending Dec. 31st, 1912, together with a bonus of one-half of one per cent, and that the same will be payable at the Offices of the Society, Richmond street, London, on and after January 2nd, 1913. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th day of December, 1912, to the 2nd day of January, 1913, both days inclusive. By order of the board,

NATHANIEL MILLS. London Nov. 29, 1912. Managing Director.

D, 3, 9, 13, 20, 27, 30,

## of the peace .- 6 Edw. VII., c 34, s 12." HARRY WALLACE FELL ASLEEP

# With Aid of Chairman M.P.P.

Mr. Beck monopolized practically all

Mr. Harry Wallace, aldermanic as-

to speak in vain. Not a Convincing Speech, Mr. Beck has lost his power to hold an audience. There were 15 people at he meeting, including Mr. Beck's hydro-electric solicitors, his horse trainers, Ald. Wright and a few of the job-wanters. They did the applauding, but with 75 per cent. of the audience there was a plain lack of conviction and no applause. During the speech wearied hearers got up while Mr. Beck vas trying to make telling points, and left the hall. They left by twos and threes and fours. They either were

## L. & P. S. R. BOARD

At the final meeting for 1912 of the

Mayor Graham, Ald. Murphy, Ald. Rose, Ald. Wright, Ald. Coles, Ald. Spittal, and Secretary S. Baker.

