

Day's Doings in YORK COUNTY

EAST TORONTO CONS HAVE ROUSING RALLY

Local and City Men Fraternize in Great Shape—County News.

EAST TORONTO, Dec. 30.—(Special).—Nothing could exceed in heartiness and enthusiasm the annual smoker of the East Toronto Conservative Association held in Society Hall here to-night.

WEST TORONTO. Mayor Baird and Other Citizens Speak on Annexation. WEST TORONTO, Dec. 30.—Let Mayor Baird finish his work in a meeting held in connection with the procedure necessary to secure special legislation for annexation, should the voters of West Toronto declare for it at the polls, can be satisfactorily done by Dr. Hackett, who, of course, would have the legal assistance of City Solicitor Anderson.

New Year's Gifts for The Smoker

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oldest residents, was married yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Lydia Smith, 21 Pacific-avenue.

Upwards of 300 people assembled in the College of Music Hall to-night to witness the facts of annexation set forth. R. L. McCormack occupied the chair. The speakers were Mayor Baird, Senator Campbell, ex-Mayors Smith and Ferguson, James Armstrong and others.

NORWAY

Horticultural Society Have Surplus After First Year. NORWAY, Dec. 30.—(Special).—The financial statement of the Norway Horticultural Society just issued shows a very gratifying condition of affairs.

WOODBRIDGE

George Elliston Retires and Council Is in Acclamation. WOODBRIDGE, Dec. 30.—Owing to the retirement of George Elliston, who thinks he has had his share of municipal honors, having served the village for about ten years as councillor, there will be no election.

WHITCHURCH TOWNSHIP

In Whitchurch one of the hottest fights in the history of the municipality in progress. Reeve Seneca Baker is opposed by Sam Poole, who last year occupied the position of deputy reeve.

STOUFFVILLE

Reeve Coulson by Acclamation—All the Others Opposed. STOUFFVILLE, Dec. 30.—(Special).—By the withdrawal of Dr. W. A. Sangster, Reeve R. P. Coulson is again elected to the chief magistracy of the village by acclamation.

NEWMARKET

NEWMARKET, Dec. 30.—All the municipal honors for this town for 1909 go by acclamation. Mayor P. N. Pearson, reeve Wm. Keith and councillors N. J. Roadhouse, E. S. Cane, R. Schmidt, N. L. Rogers, Geo. Vale and T. F. Doyle being returned.

DEER PARK

Odds and Ends of Interest in Northern Counties. DEER PARK, Dec. 30.—The annual Christmas entertainment was held in the Christ Church schoolroom, where a choice program was presented.

NORTH TORONTO

NORTH TORONTO, Dec. 30.—The town council held their final meeting to-night, when tenders were received for the issue of debentures for \$12,000 for enlarging the Milligan School. The debentures carry 5 per cent. spread over thirty years.

Anti-Reduction Facts.

Views of Citizens Expressed and Major Murray's Position Vindicated.

Number of Hotel Licenses Not Excessive.

Col. Sir Henry M. Pellatt.—"Toronto is growing very rapidly in its territorial area, and in its population, and from comparison with other large cities I am convinced that the present number of hotel licenses is not excessive."

"I have been told by License Commissioners in the past few years that holders of licenses were required to put their places in order, and to comply strictly with the requirements of the law with regard to the removal of all objectionable features, cleanliness and suitable accommodation for travelers and guests, and that, in order to retain their licenses, they were obliged to spend, and did spend, sums of money far more than they could recoup themselves within a few years, and I think it would be a source of injury and serious loss to those people to cut off their licenses now. It would amount to confiscation."

Overlooking Toronto's Growth.

Mr. Walter J. Boland, ex-License Commissioner, remarks that "People must be losing sight of the tremendous growth of Toronto, and should seriously consider before reducing the present number of licensed hotels."

"License-holders must conduct hotels, not simply 'bar-rooms,' or their licenses can and should be revoked."

"Toronto has a population of approximately 338,000. It will pass the half million mark within the next few years. Can it fairly or wisely decrease the present public accommodation?"

"There are at present 144 licenses issued out of 150 made possible by city by-law."

"On December 13th East Toronto was taken in, with five licenses, and Deer Park with one."

"Early next month a part of the Township of York will be admitted to the city, with six licenses, making a total of 156 licenses."

"Thus, in any event, to comply with the existing by-law, six licenses will have to be discontinued on the first of May next."

In respect to the report of the Board of License Commissioners, of 1905, which was as follows:—

The Commissioners were of the opinion that one of the reasons why so many of the existing houses were simply saloons was that they were still held as 'tied' houses, or had commenced as such, and that the keepers therefore were only interested in conducting a saloon business."

It is pointed out by the advocates of the by-law that Major J. A. Murray was a member of that commission. Subsequently the edict went forth from the Provincial Secretary's Department to "keep hotel," and after the hotelkeepers of Toronto had embarked upon an expenditure approximating \$2,000,000 comes the agitation for the cutting off of 40 licenses and the subsequent resignation of three Boards of Commissioners. The query is: "Should the City of Toronto keep faith and play fair with its citizens?"

The same Major J. A. Murray expresses the opinion that "any such proceeding would be little short of an outrage."

FOUND DEAD IN BARN SMOTHERED IN STRAW

Norway Men Meets Death in Peculiar Manner—No Inquest Ordered.

About 5 o'clock on Wednesday morning, Crauswick Craven, whose home was on Woodbine-avenue, was found dead in a barn in Norway in connection with McCann's Hotel. Craven, instead of going home late in the evening, asked and obtained permission to sleep in the barn, and this was the last seen of him until yesterday morning, when found by a workman. Life was extinct, and the indications pointed to smothering in the straw.

A WINNING CANDIDATE.

Young East End Barber Develops Great Strength. The close of the campaign in Ward One has brought out in a striking manner the fact that T. N. Phelan, the well-known young east end barber, is one of the strong personalities in the contest. Mr. Phelan, a good candidate in the outset, has won hosts of friends by his clear-cut, well defined views on all matters affecting the east end and the city at large.

CAMPBELL AND CLARK CANADA'S DELEGATES

Premier Laurier Accepts President Roosevelt's Invitation to Conservation Chat.

OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—(Special).—Mr. Gifford Pinchof, chief forester of the United States, met his excellency and Sir Wilfrid Laurier to-day and formally conveyed to them President Roosevelt's invitation to Canada to send delegates to attend the conference to be held in Washington on Feb. 15 to discuss the boundaries of the national forests of North America.

Both his excellency and Sir Wilfrid expressed their pleasure at the receipt of the invitation, and Mr. Pinchof received an assurance that Canada would be represented at the conference. The Canadian delegates, it is said, will probably include: Mr. H. Campbell, chief of forestry board of the interior department; Dr. Judson and F. Clarke of Vancouver (formerly chief forester of Ontario); Mr. Pinchof will address the Ottawa Canadian Club Wednesday afternoon. His excellency will be present.

Col. Swayne, Governor of British Honduras, has returned to Ottawa from his trip to British Columbia. Mr. Pinchof will address the Ottawa Canadian Club Wednesday afternoon. His excellency will be present.

SMALL DAVIES MEETING.

Candidate Asks Globe to Get After Ottawa Gentlemen. There was a rather slim attendance at Davies' mayoralty meeting in Broadway Hall. Mr. Davies attacked the Globe, calling it a yellow sheet, and said that it would be better for that paper to look after the grafters at Ottawa than throwing shams at him.

GRAFT IN GUELPH.

Alleged Bribery to Carry Bylaw Permitting Pool Rooms to Open Late. GUELPH, Dec. 30.—(Special).—The civic section of the Laymen's Missionary Movement has taken dramatic action in connection with a story of graft in the city council. It is alleged that Harry Norrish gave it out that it cost him \$33 to secure the passing of a bylaw by the council to lengthen the hours of the pool-rooms of the city until 11 o'clock Saturday night.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Samuel Burnett, a resident of Toronto for fifty-five years, and a long time of Queen-street Methodist Church, died Tuesday. She was 82 years old and a Mason and Oddfellow. Only his widow survives.

At Brookville—Wm. Quinsey, a prominent carriage builder, following a long illness, deceased yesterday in the vicinity of Gananoque. He was 63 years old and a Mason and Oddfellow. Only his widow survives.

At Amherstburg—Wm. H. McEvoy, ex-mayor, dropped dead during a Masonic banquet; aged 58; a native of Belleville.

At Port Colborne—J. S. Sider, collector of customs, died Tuesday.

At Windsor—Wm. H. Anderson, an expert hunter and sportsman, suddenly, after a long illness, died of acute indigestion. He was 60 years old and a native of Belleville.

WILL RATTLE PASSES.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.) LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Times Paris correspondent says there is every reason to believe that Mr. Fielding will succeed in obtaining the ratification of the Franco-Canadian treaty, and points out if Germany also obtains the advantage of the Canadian middle tariff which came upon the scene while preparing traps for the treaty.

Important Change in C.P.R. Transcontinental Service.

During the months of January and February the Canadian Pacific Railway's "Imperial Limited" will not run between Montreal and Winnipeg or between Calgary and Vancouver. This change will not, however, affect Toronto and Ontario passengers to any considerable extent. The departure time of the western express from Toronto is unchanged from 10:15 p.m. daily, no change in the fast time to Winnipeg, and there will be no wait in Winnipeg for passengers to Calgary and points east. Passengers to points west of Calgary and the coast will reach Winnipeg at 12:40 p.m., have an opportunity to see the attractions of the western metropolis, and leave for their destinations at 10:45 p.m. This small break in their long journey, with the chance it gives to explore the largest city on the route, will undoubtedly meet with a ready welcome from transcontinental travellers. The change takes effect Jan. 1.

Three Months for Stabling.

OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—(Special).—Andrew Pritchard of Kasabearua was today given three months for stabling William Stephenson at that place a day ago. Pritchard was drunk and disorderly and was being removed from the skating rink when the stabling took place.

Hip Broken in Runaway.

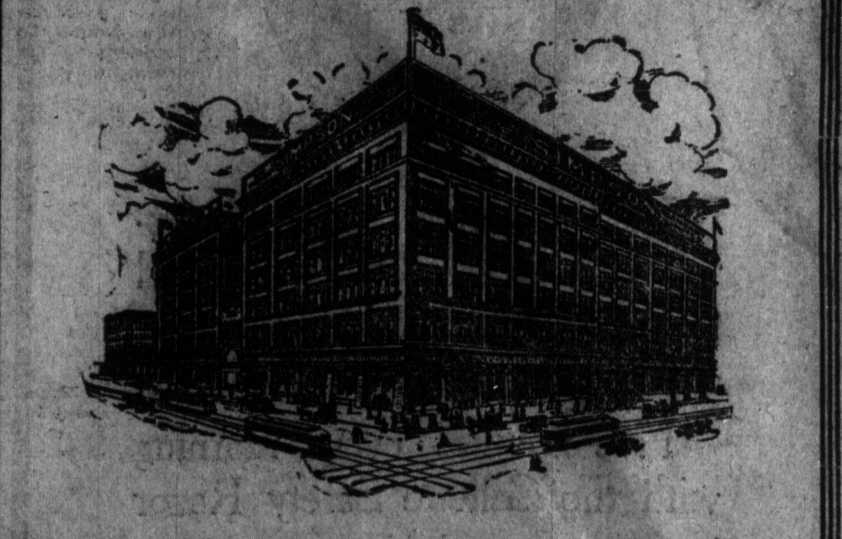
James Gallova, 14 Wynnam-street, a pedlar, was the victim of a serious accident last night, when his horse ran away in the Queen-street subway. He was thrown from his seat and his hip fractured. He was taken home in the police ambulance.

Purse for Magistrate.

WINDSOR, Dec. 30.—(Special).—Magistrate Bartlett, who will retire tomorrow after 20 years' service, was presented with a purse of \$300 by the citizens to-night. A large number of old, he proposes to take a trip to Scotland.

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THE DIAMOND CALK HORSESHOE COMPANY, LIMITED. Eastern Counties Railway. Application for the incorporation of the Eastern Counties Electric Belt Line Railway Company has been made through a bill introduced before the clerk of the legislature.

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