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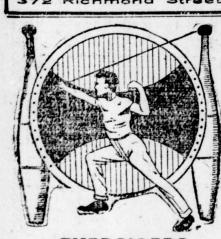
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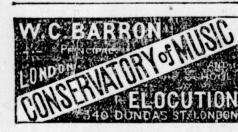
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Judgment was given at Osgoode Hall in the case of Walsh vs. Walper, an appeal from the decision of the county judge at Stratford. The point was whether it was possible to seize the license of an hotel on an execution judgment. The county judge decided In the affirmative, and the divisional

court reversed the decision. THE MATERIALS USED IN "THE D. & L." EMULSION are the finest the market affords, regardless of expense. Taken in cases of wasting diseases, loss of weight, or loss of appetite, with great benefit. Davis & Lawrence Company, Limited, manufacturers.

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METEOROLOGICAL

snowstorm has prevailed today in the Maritime Provinces, while in Ontario and Quebec the weather has been cloudy, with light local snowfalls. There are indications that a snowstorm will now develop in the Missis-

sippi Valley. Minimum and maximum tempera-Minimum and maximum tempera-tures: Kamloops, 22—34; Calgary, 8— 36; Edmonton, 20—30; Prince Albert, 12—14; Qu'Appelle, 10—18; Winnipeg, 20—28; Parry Sound, 20—36; Toronto, 32—40; Ottawa, 28—36; Montreal, 28—32; Quebec, 20-28; Halifax, 28-32. Local temperatures-The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at

the observatory on Friday, Dec. 27, were 36 and 31. Today (Saturday) the sun rose at 7:50 a.m. and sets at 4:48 p.m. The moon rises at 8:57 p.m. and sets at 9:50 a.m.

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TRIPLETS IN WEST YORK. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 27.-Mrs. Robert Clarke, wife of a farmer at Summer-ville, West York, this morning presented her husband with triplets-two boys and a girl-in addition to the children already in the family. Mother and children are all doing well. NORMAL SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

NUMEROUS. Toronto, Dec. 28.-The number of applications for entrance to the three Normal Schools of the province already far exceed those of any former year in the history of the province, and the time for filing applications has not yet expired. The problem of accommodation is engaging the serious attention

of the government. FORTUNE FALLS TO A DESERTED

HUSBAND. Port Huron, Mich., Dec. 27 .- Maggie Madwick, who is in jail here awaiting trial on a serious charge, received a letter today from her aged husband, Elias Madwick, of Watford, Ont., whom she deserted some time ago, stating that he had just received a letter from his brother in England, stating that he had fallen heir to \$50,-000. He begs her to return to him and go to England with him to claim the amount. He did not know of her arrest, and wrote a letter to Chief of Police Petit asking him to find his wife, and telling of the fortune which had come to him. The police will probably release the woman, providing she goes direct to her husband,

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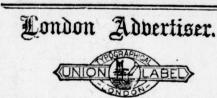
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AN IDLE DAY. This day will I cast off the coil Of aging worry and of toil, And seek the soothing soul-caress Of Idleness!

For sometimes it is well to be Both body-free and spirit-free, To own no gyve, no cincturing Wall, No thrall at all.

The harper wind strides o'er the hill; His truant will I make my will; Two jovial comrades, forth we his Beneath the sky.

We loiter; who shall cry us "nay"?
We hasten; who shall bid us "stay"?
By stream or woodland side we brood,
As suits our mood.

And, ah, the golden grain I reap From this one long, from this one deep, Day-dwelling in the dream-duress Of Idleness!

I slough the husk of discontent, And feel no longer hedged and pent; I look on all that round me lies With saner eyes. gather from the bounteous earth

A quiet joy, an inner mirth;
And life, where'er I pass along,
Seems set to song.
—Clinton Scollard.

-Mr. H. W. Blinn, of this city, was married last Tuesday to Miss Nellie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Teall,

—Miss Addie Lillywhite, a promising pupil of Miss Eva N. Roblyn, has been appointed soprano soloist in the First Presbyterian Church choir.

-The firemen at the central station desire to acknowledge the receipt of a number of magazines from Mr. Simon Mason, the veteran engineer. -The regular monthly meeting of the London Board of Trade was to have taken place yesterday, but was postponed owing to lac kof a quorum. -Mr. Alex. Ferrior, manager of the Lion Spice Company, had a handsome umbrella presented to him the other evening by his fellow-boarders at the Bernard House.

-Rev. George Gilmore gave his popular illustrated lecture on "Ireland and the Irish, in Song, Story and Picture,' to a large and much-pleased audience in Rodney, on Christmas evening. -Mr. John Pringle, manager of the London branch of the Bank of Toronto, was in Galt this week visiting his mother, Mrs. Pringle, of Ayr, who is ill at the home of Mr. Thomas

Young, Sprague's road. -Miss E. Livesley arrived in the city on Christmas day from Vancouver. B. C., on a visit to her brother, John Livesley, of the Telephone Company, and her sister, Mrs. J. M. Shaw

62 Craig street, South London. -The services at Dundas Center Methodist Church tomorrow will have special reference to Christmastide. The

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totototocototot Ella Ronan, contralto soloist of Bloor Street Presbyterian Church, Toronto,

will also assist the choir. -Miss Maud Moffat, of Varna, who is leaving that place to reside in this cluding R. W. Bros. MacWhinney, city, was presented with a beautiful diamond brooch by the members of the Ellis, Paull, Essery and Dawson, and

-Essex Free Press: Chas. Sutton No. 42; Kilwinning, No. 64; The Tus left on Wednesday for a three weeks' can, No. 195; St. John's, No. 209a, and visit to London, St. Thomas and other King Solomon, 378. With the exception visit to London, St. Thomas and other places east. On Tuesday next, Dec. 31, Mr. Sutton will be married to Miss Jennie Nichol, of Thamesford, the ceremony being performed at the bride's home in Thamesford.

-The music to be sung tomorrow at the Memorial Church will be of a specially impressive nature. Mr. Vivian Reeves will give the same carols and anthems as on Christmas day, together with several beautiful pieces which the choir have been working on

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT. of the Knox Church Sunday school was held last night and was successful from every point of view. Supper Corinthian Lodge, No. 330, held their was served to the large number of installation ceremony, assisted by past children present from 6 to 7:30 o'clock. masters of the lodge. Bro. J. R. Machildren present from 6 to 7:30 o'clock. The programme following was also much enjoyed, but the crowning success of the evening, from a child's respective offices for the year 1902: S. cess of the evening, from a child's respective offices for the year 1902: S. view, was the presence of old "St. D., Bro. Ed. Hayden; J. D., Bro. R.

LONDON DEFEATS INGERSOLL. James Herriett. A pleasant hour was subsequently spent in song and sentison at Jubilee Rink last night result- ment. ed in an easy victory for the Tecumsehs, by a score of 9 to 2. Their opponents, the Iroquois team of Ingersoll, were not taken seriously after the preliminary canter; they were clearly outclassed at all points, but despite this fact and the softness of the ice, the 300 spectators who were present at no stage found the game dull. In team work the Tecumsehs far surpassed their rivals, who handled them-selves on the ice in anything but a

graceful manner. The teams lined up as follows: Tecumsehs. Troquois. Bishop......Goal..... Wilkinson West......Point...... Taylor Stinson....Cover....Myers
Dowell...Forward...Grant McMahen Forward. Sippi.........Forward....Davis Underhill.....Forward......White Referee-W. Hawshaw, of Seaforth. London goal judge, N. Tune; Ingersoll goal judge, R. H. Wilkinson; time-

keepers, P. Barnes and W. Buchanan, Ingersoll. GOLDEN WEDDING. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Thorne, of Mitchell, had 60 of their descendants as guests at their home on Christmas Day. The occasion was the 50th anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Thorne, and it brought together

four generations, one of the fourth be-

ing the child of Mr. and Mrs. Frank



Gured-32 Years of Awful Pile Agony.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Feb. 18, 1901. "For 32 years I suffered constantly from protruding piles and finally had to abandon my trade of stonemason. Four months ago I began using Pyra-mid Pile Cure, and before I had used up one 50-cent box the disease had entirely disappeared and there is no sign of its ever returning. I am completely pastor, Rev. C. T. Scott, B.A., will preach appropriate sermons at both services, and the choir, under the direction of Mr. W. H. Hewlett, will render special selections of music. Miss

those present at the celebration are:
Messrs. Harry Thorne, of London;
Richard, of Mitchell; Fred, of Detroit;
Charles, of Mitchell; Bert and J. E., of
London; Mrs. Levy and Mrs. Burgess,
of Mitchell, and Mrs. Chown, of Clinton. A pleasing event that transpired
during the evening was the presentation of a purse of gold to Mr. and
Mrs. Thorne.

DIED DAY BEFORE HIS WEDDING DAY

Nephew of London Lady Buried With Military Honors.

Mrs. Elizabeth Mitchell, of 340 Dundas street, returned on Friday, from Port Huron, Mich., where on the previous day she attended the funeral of her nephew, the late George Grigg. The young man, who was only 30 years of age, was a veteran of the Cuban war, being a member of F Company, 33rd Regiment, U. S., and was buried with full mili-tary honors. His death, which was due to pneumonia, was a great shock to his friends, as he was ill for only three days. A particularly sad fea-ture of his death, which occurred on Tuesday, was that it occurred the day before the date set for his marriage. His flancee was notified of his illness, but could not reach the house till two hours after he died.

HELD ANNUAL

INSTALLATION

Officers of Local Masonic Lodges Formally Established in Office.

Last evening was an interesting one to the Masonic brethren of this city, the occasion being the annual installation of the officers-elect of the various lodges throughout town. The ceremony for the city proper took place in the Blue Room of the Temple, and the attendance of craftsmen was very

large. The impressive proceedings were conducted by R. W. Bro. A. B. Munson, P.D.D.G.M., of London district, assisted by a number of past grand officers and past masters, in-Varna Presbyterian Church, in which P. M.'s Ellwood, Sutherland, Buskard place Miss Moffat has efficiently filled and others. The lodges represented the position of organist.

were St. John's, No. 20; St. George's, of those of Tuscan Lodge, completed lists of the officers installed have been published before. Those of Tuscan Lodge, as named by the new master, W. Bro. H. C. McBride, are S. D., Bro. J. Mattinson; J. D., Bro. W. M. English, M.D.; I. G., Bro. J. B. McKillop; D. of C., H. R. Abbott; S. S., Bro. F. Macfie; J. S., Bro. G. H. Ziegler; organist, W. Bro. W. A. Bleuthner. The new worshipful masters are: St John's, 20, Bro. J. A. Tancock; St. George's, 42, Bro. Chas. H. Ward; Kilwinning, 64, Bro. Chas. F. Neu; The Tuscan, 195, Bro. H. C. McBride; St. John's, 209a, Bro. E. W. B. Eardley; The annual Christmas entertainment King Solomon, 378, Bro. Thos. G. Davis.

V. W. Bro. O. J. Bridle, P.G.S., conducted the proceedings at the East End Hall, where the officers-elect of lone is the new master, and he has Nick," who appeared in person and distributed presents to the children.

Johnston; I. G., Brò. James Ferguson; D. of C., W. Bro. J. W. Metherall; S. S., Bro. John Raymond; J. S., Bro.

MUSIC AND DRAMA

'HOTTEST COON IN DIXIE" TO-

DAY. There is something in "The Hottest Coon in Dixie" to please everybody. There are pretty dancers, charming pictures, beautiful solos, up-to-date costumes, clever comedians and a flock of the prettiest girls Mr. Miller could gather. "The Hottest Coon" comes from the American Theater, New York, and is under the same direction as "A Trip to Coontown," seen here last sea-son. Tonight's prices will be on a popular scale-50c, 35c and 25c.

"MAM'SELLE 'AWKINS." Miss Delia Stacey, who plays the leading part in "Mam'selle 'Awkins," at the New Grand next Monday evening, is surprisingly good in the part originally created by Miss Josephine Hall. Her portrayal of the cockney lady is said to be a clever piece of character work, and her ditties throughout the piece are so well ren-

dered as to win repeated encores. She

is not only pretty, but carries out her part in a commendable manner. "THE FLAMING ARROW." The company supporting Go-Won-Go-Mohawk in the new romantic drama "The Faming Arrow," which vill appear at the New Grand next Tuesday evening, gained a reputation during the run of the play in Chicago that has seldom been accorded any organization playing the popular priced houses. All special scenery was paint-ed by W. D. Mann and H. J. Buhler

"THE CHRISTIAN." One of the most important theatrical events of the season will be the forth-coming production of Hall Caine's great play, "The Christian," which is announced for New Year's day at the New Grand. The company is one of Liebler & Co.'s best traveling organizations, and includes many names of prominence in the dramatic world. Two car loads of special scenery are carried by the company, and the pro-duction in every detail will be equal to that given in the metropolitan cities.

HUNGARIAN GYPSY BAND. The Hungarian Gypsy Band, which furnishes the next number of the Popular Concert Course at the Auditorium on Wednesday next, Jap. 1, is an attraction sure to delight lovers of orchestral music. The members of the organization have played together for over four years, and render with marvelous skill an extended repertoire, playing over 50 of the most difficult compositions from merhory. They will prove a good holiday attraction.

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