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MONTREAL, Dec. 20.—"Don't travel this Christmas—or if you must, be prepared to be crowded, and perhals uncomfortable," says the Canadian railway war board.

Canada has just so many passenger cars of all kinds. That number is based on the country's normal requirements, and includes enough to accommodate holiday travel under ordinary conditions. This year two other ary conditions. This year two other mission to accomplish. The Matin says that the toast exchanged by the presi-

### SIGNIFY CHOICE OF CIVIL OCCUPATIONS

Desires of Those On Ships Wirelessed Ahead.

The Soldiers' Aid Commission has received a chart whereby it can find what occupation the returned soldier will follow upon getting his discharge from the army. This chart is prepared before the returned man reaches this country, and choices are wirelessed so that it is now possible that positions can be secured for the men prior to their discharge. The following is a list of the different positions which the returned soldiers have expressed a wish to follow. This list includes the men who arrived on the Olympic and the Minnedosa, and those who have not yet arrived at port on the steamers Corsican and Regina:

Agriculture and stock raising, 226; building trades and construction, 32; commercial, mercantile and clerical occupations, 129; domestic and personal services, 24; fishing and hunting, 5; government, public works and public utility companies' employees, 7; laborers, general, 30; lumbering and forestry, 3.

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Manufactures—Brick, cement, pottery, china and glass, 7.

Manufactures—Chemicals, including explosives, oils, soaps, grease and rubber, 7.

Manufactures—Cloth, cotton and textile, including clothing, cloth workers, tailors, cap and glove workers, knitting, dyeing, bleaching, printing, etc., 14.

Manufactures—Food, arink and tobacco, 18. Manufactures—Food, drink and to-bacco, 18.

Manufactures—Iron, steel and other metal workers, other than railway, in-cluding electrical apparatus making and engineering, 121.

Manufactures — Leather, including boots, shoes, saddlery, etc., 12.

Manufactures—Paper, pulp, book-binding and printing, 15.

Manufactures—Ships, barges, boats, etc., 3.

Manufactures-Wood, furniture, car and carriage making, box-making, woodworkers, other than building, lum-Moodworkers, other than building, lumbering or shipbuilding, 30.

Mining and quarrying, 8.

Professional occupations, 34.

Railway, Steam and Electric—Construction workers, 26.

Railway, Steam and Electric—Operatives, 69.

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Seamen and sailors, including dock workers, 'longshoremen, etc., 10.

Employers (other than professional men and students), unclassified occupations and unoccupied persons, all persons in business on their own account in all trades, 128.

Total number of men, 1,013.

TEN PERSONS GATHER TO HEAR THE BYLAWS DISCUSSED FAVORABLY

At a meeting in Lorne avenue school last night, outside of the speakers and the reporters, no less than ten persons thought it in their interest to come and learn something about the bylaws on which, on January 1, 1919, they will vote. T. R. Wright was called upon to take the chair.

Mayor C. R. Somerville said that he had hoped that he would not have been asked to run for mayor this year, but that he was pressed by his friends, and that matters had been arranged so satisfactorily that he had decided to allow himself to be nominated again. Mayor Somerville said that a medical school for this city would be a great asset to its prosperity.

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"The medical school we have at the present time is equal to McGill or Toronto Universities; the only thing lacking is room," he said. If the new school is to be built, it will be erected on the corner of Waterloo street and Ottaway avenue. This site had already been purchased for this purpose.

Ald. C. G. Moorhead spoke on the industrial bylaw, the proposed new form of government, and of the running of Sunday cars to Springbank. All these nday cars to Springbank would be a great help to the city of London, he said.

Dam is Needed.

Ald. P. J. Watt dealt with the bylaw roviding for the rebuilding of the providing for the rebuilding of the Springbank dam. He said that London would need two medical schools if the dam was not rebuilt. The river was so filthy last year that a certain farmer had to find other ways of watering his cows, as they would not drink out of the river. cows, as they would not drink out of the river.

By taking a trip down the river in a boat one could look at finer scenery than could be seen at any summer resort. Boat owners had taken their boats to other places, because it was impossible to use them on the river.

Ald. S. R. Manness said that he had intended to refer to the medical school bylaw, but the mayor had given a full account of what was needed, so Mr. Manness touched on the bylaws in general.

ST. ANGELA'S PUPILS GIVE A DELIGHTFUL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

So successful was the entertainment iven by the pupils of St. Angela's ollege last evening in St. Peter's arish Hall, that Bishop M. F. Fallon, From the they tots to the elder girls, ich performed her part perfectly, due to the careful training given by Mother ertrude of St. Angela's. From a stage rettily decorated the pupils sang Christmas Time Will Soon Be Here"

"Christmas Time Will Soon Be Here" for an opening number,

A Pretty Scene.
One of the prettiest scenes was the "Little Winter Sprites," the tiny tots of the college taking this part, dressed in little white woolly frocks and hats, with muffs filled with snowballs, these being thrown as the little children sang. An instrumental was given on the piano by the little Misses Katherine Givens, Jean McNaughton and Mary Nolan. Three little boys, twins and an elder brother, also gave an instrumental which drew forth loud applause from the audience. Another little sketch the audience. Another little sketch carrying out the Christmas spirit, in which the costumes were all very pretty, was given Miss Mory Opicley. which the costumes were all very pretty, was given. Miss Mary Quigley was the soloist of the evening, singing Christmas numbers, the pupils joining in the characteristics. ristmas numbers. the choruses.

Tableau.

The closing scene was a tableau representing the different allied countries. Japan was represented by Miss Dympna Garceau, Canada by Miss M. Fitzmaurice, the United States by Rita Fitzpatrick, Britannia by Geraldine McCann, France by Eleanor Dwyer, Belgium by Miss G. Berry, and Italy by Miss J. Sansone. Miss J. Sansone,

A delightful program of music was
rendered throughout the evening by the
Misses Eleanor McPhillips, Marion
Sharpe and Cora Brennan. A pleased capacity audience saw the entertainment.

H. D. S. A. OFFICERS CHOSEN LAST NIGHT

At the general meeting of the H. D. S. A., held last night, officers were elected for the year. Comrade H. Doyle was elected in place of Ald. F. R. Watkinson, who had resigned. Comrade A. J. R. Ramsay was appointed secretary through the resignation of J. F. Hicks-Lyne, who has gone to reside in the country. Comrade James R. Fullarton, appointed treasurer in place of Sergt. H. Myers.

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It was decided to hold a concert in Duffield Hall on January 17, 1919, in aid of the association funds. The prize which was to be given tonight to the member who obtained the most new members by Dr. H. A. Stevenson, will be presented at a later date, owing to the filness of Dr. Stevenson.

DIES AT CHATHAM.
CHATHAM. Dec. 20.—The death
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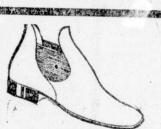
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