

YORK COUNTY AND SUBURBS

TORONTO JUNCTION. Toronto Junction, Dec. 20.—Councillor Ryding contradicts the rumors that he is being circulated that he will not be a candidate for the mayoralty. Mr. Ryding wants it to be distinctly understood that he is in the field until the last vote is polled.

Chief of Police McIntosh and his four assistants paid a visit to the Occidental Hotel recently in search of liquor, but did not find any. Trustee Kipping, who has been laid up for several days past with a severe cold, is again convalescing and was approached by a deputation of the labor party requesting him to run in the labor interests in Ward 2 for the council. Mr. Kipping is considering.

Court Toronto Junction, C.O.F., No. 16, met last night in Thompson's Hall and elected the following officers: Chief ranger, J. Clark; vice-chief ranger, H. Blake; recording secretary, W. Speers; financial secretary, R. Harper; chaplain, George Black; S.W., L. Teeple; J.W., John Archer; S.B., Joseph Stonehouse; J.B., Wm. Snodgrass; physician, Dr. Glendon; trustees, A. Black, Dr. Mason, T. Garland.

L.O.L. 900 held its regular meeting last night in their new lodgeroom in St. James' Hall and the following officers were elected: L.F.M., J. G. Wright; W.M., F. Sheppard; D.M., Dr. Hopkins; chaplain, R. G. Agnew; recording secretary, L. Johnston; financial secretary, W. J. Fullerton; treasurer, Wm. Hinde; committee, P. Moon, J. Moffatt, R. Black, J. Steenman. After the officers were elected refreshments were served, and a program of speeches and songs was rendered.

The following officers were elected of No. Council 38, Home Circle: Leader, T. Wyles; P.L., H. Ralph; V.L., Mrs. Digby; warden, Mrs. Atton; treasurer, Mrs. Rosevear; financial secretary, M. Rosevear; secretary, Mrs. Pritchard; chaplain, Mrs. Williams; marshal, Mrs. Bennett; inside guard, Mrs. Rothe; outside guard, Mrs. Mould; physician, Dr. Mavety.

Both the skating rinks were well patronized last night. The band of the 4th Highlanders was in attendance at the Annette-street rink, and there was also a band at the Orient in the old town park.

These officers have been elected by Court Davenport, No. 82, I.O.F.: C.R., Bro. L. Gophaus; V.C.R., Bro. J. Sutherland; recording secretary, D. W. Jones; financial secretary, I. F. Beattie; treasurer, Bro. D. Mason; orator, Bro. J. Devins; senior woodward, Bro. Brooker; junior woodward, Bro. Curtis; senior beadle, Bro. F. Hinton; junior beadle, Bro. A. LeRoy; court physician, Bro. Dr. Mavety; court deputy, Bro. Armstrong.

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Willowdale. Anniversary services took place in the Willowdale M. E. Church last Sunday afternoon and evening. Mr. Fullman addressed the children in the afternoon. The solo "Sunbeam," sung by little Hazel and Flossie Barton, was much appreciated. The Christmas tree and entertainment will be held to-night.

Agincourt. The bluerock competition for the trophy presented to the Scarborough Gun Club by Archibald Cameron M. P. was completed during the week, brought out some excellent scores. The event is an annual one, and must be held three times the individual competitor before the trophy becomes his property. The tournament for 1907 will be held in June. The following are the scores: Robert Ormerod 23, George Beatty 22, Thomas Shadlock 21, Chas. Cross 19, F. Hobbs 18, F. Farmell 18, W. G. Johnston 17, George Annis 17, W. H. Paterson 17, John Elliott 16, T. Crawford 9, A. Steers 8.

Hagerman's Corners. The annual Christmas tree and entertainment of the Hagerman's Corners Methodist Sabbath School, held in the church this evening. Refreshments will be served.

York Mills. The services at St. John's Church on Christmas Day will be at 8 a.m. and 10.30 a.m., with celebrations of the holy communion. There will be special music at the 10.30 service, as also on Sunday, Dec. 30, at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. The annual Christmas tree and entertainment in connection with the Sunday school will be held on Thursday next, Dec. 27, at 8 p.m., when a cantata entitled "A Christmas Gift," will be given by the children in the public school hall.

Deer Park. Edith Wilmet, the 15-year-old daughter of Manuel Wilmet of Heath-street, met with a peculiar and thought to be fatal accident on Wednesday afternoon. Miss Wilmet was engaged in making home decorations for Christmas when she slipped from a table and fell on the chair. In the fall, her interior artery was ruptured, and medical aid failed to arrest the bleeding. She was removed to St. Michael's Hospital, where it is hoped that expert assistance may be able to prevent a gradual bleeding to death. The attending physician reported last night that she was getting on as well as could be expected.

East Toronto. A pleasant event occurred last evening at the residence of J. S. Zieman, when his staff, with their friends, waited on him and presented him with an exceedingly handsome Morris reading chair. The occasion for the presentation was the fact that it was the tenth anniversary of Mr. Zieman's locating in the town.

York Township. It has been inadvertently stated that Reeve Syme is averse to the construction of the Bloor-street viaduct, but in fact, he states that if he is re-elected, he will render his assistance to the city to have this connection consummated at an early day.

North Toronto. The liquor case against William Robinson came up again in the county police court yesterday. Several witnesses gave evidence, and Clara, the 14-year-old daughter of the defendant, said that her father had gone away at 11 p.m. on the morning in question and did not return till 9 o'clock. H. H. Dewart, for the defence, contended that the inspector was not honest when he designated his assistant as a stranger, knowing all the time that he was his assistant.

Mr. Drayton, for the crown, argued that the difference in the time given by the different witnesses should have nothing to do with the case. The magistrate reserved decision. St. Clement's Day School held a successful evening of raising money for a large number of prizes were given for proficiency, good conduct and for Scriptural knowledge. Miss Mosse, Washington received a special prize of a jewel as organizer of the school and assistant teacher. Choruses in English and French were given. At the close of the meeting Robert Beck, H. Waddington and Rev. Mr. Ashcroft gave addresses.

GUELPH FORGER ARRESTED.

Made Attempt to Repeat His Operations in Galt. Galt, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Chief John Brown, this morning arrested John Brown, wanted in Guelph on a charge of passing a forged cheque.

He called at the confectionery store of J. A. Hall and asked Mrs. Hall, who waited upon him, if she had any bank cheques, and on being informed that there were none, he departed. Mrs. Hall, who had read in the paper about the Guelph incident, concluded that this was probably the same man and telephoned Chief Gorman.

Brown admitted he was the man wanted in Guelph. He said his home was in Cainsville, near Brantford.

STRATHCONA GIVES.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.) London, Dec. 20.—Sir Robert Cranston announced at Edinburgh that Lord Strathcona had subscribed 1000 guineas to the Scottish National Exhibition of 1908, at which he anticipated a good exhibit from Canada.

Metropolitan Degree Lodge. Metropolitan Degree Lodge No. 3, I. O. O. F., met last night and exemplified the three degrees of Friendship, Love and Truth to 192 candidates, including G. H. Gooderham, Dr. H. Glendon, and Mr. Park of the Wm. Davies Co. The election of officers resulted as follows: F. Kendall, D. M.; A. C. Quinn, D.D.M.; P. H. Lamb, first assistant; J. Jolly, second assistant; A. C. Quinn, third assistant; Bro. Stewart, fourth assistant; C. W. Bacon, secretary; W. J. Graham, treasurer; J. Munro, trustee.

Lathers Elect Officers. Lathers' Union No. 87, elected officers as follows: President, George Vaughan; vice-president, William Hoekridge; recording secretary, George Coffey; secretary-treasurer, Charles Bathoun; warden, Fred Jackson; executive board, William Hoekridge, Fred Jackson, Edward Brennan, Alf Hill, Fred Vaughan; delegates to the District Trades and Labor Council, William Hoekridge, Fred Jackson and Alf Hill.



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Ontario S.S. Ass'n Proceedings. The record of the proceedings of the 21st annual convention of the Ontario Sunday School Association, recently held in Kingston, have been issued in neat booklet form. In the 200 pages are included full reports of the addresses made and papers read, together with the reports submitted. Several eminent Canadians took part in the program, but the convention was especially favored by the presence of Rev. A. F. Schaufser, D.D., New York, secretary of the International Lesson Committee. His addresses on "The Pastor in Relation to the Sunday School," "What to Teach," "How to Teach," and "Whom to Teach," will amply repay the reading. These are in addition to other very interesting and instructive addresses on teacher training in its various phases, by Rev. W. C. Merritt, Rev. W. Merritt, Rev. R. S. Laidlaw, W. E. Groves, Rev. H. V. Foley, Rev. Canon Greene, J. A. Jackson, Mrs. Bryner, Rev. Brennan, and Rev. Dr. Potts. The report can be had from the O. S. S. A. offices, Confederation Life Building, at a nominal charge of 15 cents.

Ontario Bank Report. Ottawa, Dec. 20.—The Ontario Bank returns in today's statement show assets amounting to about \$200,000 over liabilities. The loans for other banks amount to \$4,000,738, and the current loans by the Ontario Bank are \$5,618,955. The overdue debts are \$1,171,907 and the circulation of notes \$470,058.

Rev. J. H. Reddell, D.D., of Calgary, principal of Alberta Methodist College, is in the city.

LIBS. TO ORGANIZE THE CITY WANT ONE OF THE NEW SEATS

J. F. M. Stewart, Secretary of the C.M.A., Has Accepted a New Office.

Has the intimation that Toronto is to get "rep. by pop." in the legislature stirred up Liberal ambition to the hope that perhaps they can capture one of the four extra seats which are heralded as coming this way?

Anyway, a big attempt to strengthen the organization in the city is contemplated, as is evidenced by an announcement of the appointment of J. F. M. Stewart as present general secretary of the C. M. A., an organizer for the Liberal party in Toronto.

Mr. Stewart is a young man, but the committee consider that he has demonstrated his ability, executive and otherwise, as a capable, shrewd and painstaking organizer.

Mr. Stewart holds his B. A. degree at variety not so many years ago, and during his student days it is said he was quite energetic in his party's behalf. Appointed secretary of the Toronto branch, he succeeded R. J. Young as general secretary, and has since himself a high reputation in that office.

In his new position he will act as assistant to P. G. Inwood, secretary of the General Reform Association. Mr. Stewart last night stated that he had accepted the position. He considered it a new departure on behalf of the Liberal party, and that it would not interfere in any way with the present organization.

DEFECTS IN EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM—REMEDIAL MEASURES.

Editor World: The most radical defects in our educational system may be briefly summed up under two heads: 1. Too low a standard in teachers' qualifications.

II. Shamefully inadequate salaries for good teachers.

The minister of education is in honor and duty bound to see that the government render such aid to every municipality as need to secure a satisfactory school accommodation, including sanitary buildings and surroundings, together with the most approved equipment in the way of furniture and appliances. He and all associated with him must see to it, that the highest standard of proficiency be placed within the reach of every child.

All these are most imperative needs, but would prove of little value without the proper type of teacher.

In regard to the teacher's literary qualifications, the facilities afforded by our colleges and universities are such that it should not only be impossible for any one to get a high grade life certificate—but also that it should be looked upon as a standing disgrace for any one to remain in the teaching profession—without a literary status, at least as high as that given by a degree with honors in the arts course of any reputable university. If the present course in arts is not the most practical and profitable one that our teachers can pursue, the minister must see that the proper literary training be provided for them. Of course, an training must include special work in the art of teaching. To meet the present needs of some rural districts, and perhaps in the low forms in urban schools, a limited number of certificates might be issued to qualify for say, three or four years of holding of these time-limited certificates should have qualifications equivalent to those held by the majority of our present teachers.

II. Teachers' Salaries.—The present salaries, with a substantial increase of from 10 to 15 per cent, are an equal answer for those holding the time-limit certificates, and for the less competent of those holding some public certificate, but a complete revolution should be made in regard to all the most efficient of the present teachers, and to all who can not secure the time-limit certificates. Large salaries alone could not make good teachers, but good teachers earn large salaries, and it is the duty of the government to see that the best of the present teachers, and to all who can not secure the time-limit certificates, be given a salary commensurate with their qualifications. Large salaries alone could not make good teachers, but good teachers earn large salaries, and it is the duty of the government to see that the best of the present teachers, and to all who can not secure the time-limit certificates, be given a salary commensurate with their qualifications.

Let our trustees and boards of education, instead of demeaning themselves in public estimation, go to the head of the parade, and contribute to the education of the children. Let the members of board of education go to the great financial, business, industrial and transportation interests; and say to these shrewd, practical men, "We are going to increase your school tax, but we are going to enable you to fill every position, from caretaker to general manager, with employees who, for integrity of character, intelligence and skill, cannot be surpassed anywhere in the world. The answer promptly given would be, "Here are our cheques, deliver us goods." Let them then see to the learned professions and the churches, and say, "We are increasing the school tax, but we are retaining only the best recruits of high morals and brilliant literary attainments. The thoughtful answer would be, "We are very grateful for such help in every way. Let them go to the fathers and mothers, and say to them, "We are about to increase your school taxes, but we are going to qualify your sons and daughters with characters, and knowledge, and technical skill, that will enable them to compete successfully in life's battles, and not be burdensome to you in your old age, and they will receive from these—no census, but the parents' benediction—deducted. John Hunter, M.D., 8 O'Hara-avenue.

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THE LAW AND THE LADY.

Magistrate Remands Mrs. Kate Hyde Pierson Until Call On.

Mrs. Kate Hyde Pierson, who was brought back from Montreal by the police, was charged in court yesterday with passing some dressmakers' cheques for \$40 for which there were no funds. Magistrate Denison adjourned the case until called on, which practically means a dismissal.

In the meantime more of her debts are coming to light. Five hundred dollars will not pay them. She was evidently capable of working up a good line of credit with some merchants in Toronto, St. Catharines and other places.

She has a number of friends in Toronto, who knew her as Kate Griffith.

FOUND DEAD.

Washington Man's Death in a Local Hotel Subject for Inquest.

A man supposed to be George F. Kinnear of Washington, D.C., was found dead in his room in the English Choo House. He had been stopping there for some days. He was missed and the hotel people investigated. He was lying on the bed fully dressed. He evidently died during Tuesday night. Coroner McCallum opened an inquest at the Morgue and adjourned until the 28th.

When deceased came to the hotel first he registered as P. Doran, garnia.

MISS DANDY. By Eugene Field. The other night as in my bed I lay profoundly sleeping, An angel babe, with hairless head, Came thru the darkness creeping; And, waking at the dawn of day, Bliss percolated thru me. When, smiling in her artless way, She murmured "Papa" to me.

Strange, was it not? But stranger still What next claimed my attention— The robes, with wealth of tuck and frill, Too numerous to mention; Whence came these bibs, with lace doctored, John Hunter, M.D., 8 O'Hara-avenue.

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THE REAL SPIRIT. At a large meeting of piano and organ workers last night, each member who is working volunteered not less than \$1 a week to aid those who have been unable to get work as yet, owing to the conditions in the shops since the strike.

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