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HAVE $1,384,000 ON HAND.

Expenditure For the Year Included Large Payments For Several Special Purposes, Yet Income Was Not Exceeded.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—The financial year of the Ontario Government closes to-morrow and will show a cash balance in the banks of about $1,384,000. Although the expenditure for the year included the payment of large sums of money for special purposes, such as for railway subsidies and annuities $160,628, University of Toronto $40,444, special vote for colonization roads $25,000 and an expenditure of $80,000 for the general election, as well as $40,000 for taking the vote on the liquor act, the income for the year was not exceeded.

DISTRICT DOINGS.

LOUISVILLE.

The people of Louisville are all enjoying a Merry Christmas with lots of good sleighing.

Miss Lily Merritt has returned to her home after spending a few days with her friends at Dawn Mills.

Mrs. James Simons and daughter Laura are spending their vacation with her mother, of this place.

Miss Myrtle Smith has returned to her home after spending a few days with friends in Thamesville.

We all enjoyed the Baptist concert last Christmas Eve, as there was a good program, and lots of valuable presents on the tree.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Floyd are spending their Christmas vacation with friends and relatives of this place.

Miss Minnie Winter is spending a few weeks with her cousins and friends in Chatham.

Mrs. Alex. Crow is able to be out again after her sickness.

Mrs. Alfred Winter, who has been in poor health for the past few weeks, is improving.

Byron Winter has come home after his summer's work.

Mrs. West Williston is spending a spending a few days with her friends in Louisville.

Fred. Tobey, our school teacher, intends to give us a grand Christmas tree in the near future.

RALEIGH PLAINS.

Dec. 23—The concert given in the school house here last night by the Sunday school was a very pleasant affair. The roads were in a terrible state and the night was very dark. But a good audience turned out. The committee had the building beautifully decorated. The walls were artistically draped in the colors of our national flag, and evergreens, flags, bunting, mottoes and Chinese lanterns which made a beautiful appearance. Mr. John Bell called the meeting to order and introduced J. M. Garel as Chairman, who came to the platform midst loud applause, and thanked the committee and audience for their courtesy and conducted a pleasing program in a very acceptable manner. The Fletcher orchestra, Mr. Phipp's gramophone, and J. M. Garel's accordion furnished the music for the evening and the children did their part well. Good humor and order prevailed. Santa Clause was the feature of the evening, and a pleasant evening's entertainment that reflected much credit on the S. S. workers and the people in general, was brought to a close with the usual votes of thanks and god save the King.

Mr. John Bell is the superintendent and Bible Class teacher.

Mrs. E. Shreeve of Windsor, who has been the guest of Mrs. A. S. Shreeve, has returned home.

Jos. Cromwell, of Lansing, is the guest of his brother, George, at Fletcher.

J. G. Brown, and Mrs. Jas. Naul, of Amherstburg, are the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Shrreve.

Mr. Walter Cromwell, who has spent the summer in Uncle Sam's domains, is back at his home in Fletcher.

The oil fever has reached here and farmers are besieged with solicitations of oil men, and a number of wells are to be put down in the course of a few weeks.

Not Even Crazy People

would scour their faces with brickbats, but thousands of persons do things infinitely more foolish.

The skin of the face, though delicate, is rhinoceros hide compared with the mucous membrane of the stomach and bowels.

Yet these sensitive organs are constantly scoured with drastic medicines, to their incalculable injury.

The Cure for Constipation

is not a violent cathartic, but a mild and tonic laxative—which is another way of saying

IRON-OX TABLETS

MEATS.

We carry a stock of Fresh and Salt Meats of the best quality
Pork and Beans 6c. a can.
A. B. SELVEY

No Danger.

Prof. W. Hodgson Ellis, Official Analyst to the Dominion Government, has proved by analysis that "Sunlight Soap is a pure and well-made soap, and has a thorough cleansing power, without danger to the clothing or skin."

Clothing is worn more in the wash than in use where common soaps are used, and the hands are liable to eczema. Try Sunlight Soap—Octagon Bar—next wash day, and you will see Prof. Ellis is right. No one should know better than he. 222

The person who has tact in abundance and a certain softness of tongue can work his way to torture with little effort.

Nature "makes all things beautiful in their time." Every one of life's seasons, when life moves on Nature's lines, has its own charm and beauty. Many women dread that period when they must experience change of life. They fear that face and form must suffer by the change, and that they may fail to please those whom they love. The value of Doctor Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" in this trying woman's life lies in the fact that it assists Nature. Its use preserves the balance and buoyancy of the mind and sustains the physical powers. Many women have expressed their gratitude for the help and comfort given by Favorite Prescription in this crisis of period. Its benefits are not passing but permanent and conduce to mental happiness as well as physical strength.

Age without cheerfulness is like a Lapland winter without the sun.

Valuable Advice to Mothers

If your child comes in from play coughing evidences of an approaching attack of Grippe, Sore Throat, or sickness of any kind, first thing get out your bottle of Nerviline. Rub the chest and neck with Nerviline, and give internal doses of ten drops of Nerviline in sweetened water every two hours. This will prevent any serious trouble. No liniment or pain reliever equals Polson's Nerviline, which is a necessity in every household. Large bottles cost only 25c.

A man cannot live a broad life if he runs only in one groove.

They Father Consumption

Bad coughs, colds and catarrh are responsible for more consumption than is traceable even to heredity. Catarrhozone cures more quickly than ordinary remedies, because it is the only antiseptic yet discovered that is volatile enough to reach the root of the trouble in remote parts of the lungs and bronchial tubes, and impregnate every particle of the air breathed with its healing, germ-killing vapor. Colds can't last ten minutes, or coughs more than thirty minutes when Catarrhozone is inhaled. It clears nose, throat and air passages at once, stops dropping, headache, and eradicates catarrh from any part of the system. Two months' treatment, $1.00; trial size 25c. Druggists, or N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

Dr. Hamilton's Pills are Mild.

Candor looks with equal fairness on both sides of a subject.

The Critical Time of Life

Is between the years of fifty-seven and sixty-two. Nature's power slows down, Vitality becomes less, and the progress of decay sets in. A means of extending old age and renewing decreasing vigor is to take Ferrozone after meals. Ferrozone keeps up the appetite, and in the formation of red, vitalizing blood, imparts clearness to the tiring brain, force, energy and spirits just when they are needed most. To take Ferrozone regularly means adding from ten to twenty years to life. Large boxes 50c., or 6 boxes for $2.50, at Druggists, or Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

Dr. Hamilton's Pills are Certain.

The best way of recognizing a benefit is never to forget it.

For Christmas and New Year's Holidays W. E. Rispin, City Passenger and Ticket Agent, 115 King St., will issue special return tickets to all points in Canada, Dec. 22nd to 25th, also Dec. 29th and Jan. 1st, all good to return until Jan. 5th, 1903, at fare and one-third; and on Dec. 24th and 25th, good to return Dec. 26th, and on Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st, good to return Jan. 2nd, at single fare for return trip; also special excursion tickets to students and teachers on presentation of certificates at fare and one-third, good going from Dec. 6th to 13th inclusive, and returning from destination not later than Jan. 19th, 1903. tf

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We publish simple, straight testimonials, not press agent's interviews, from well known people.

From all over America they testify to the merits of MINARD'S LINIMENT, the best of Household Remedies.

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The education of the will is the object of our existence.

Coughs, colds, hoarseness, and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Vapo-Cresolene tablets, ten cents per box. All druggists.

Sometimes a woman's hair is golden—and sometimes it is only plaited.

Wash greasy dishes, pots or pans with Lever's Dry Soap a powder. It will remove the grease with the greatest ease. 36

The good deeds that men do live after them—on tombstones.

—Poisons accumulate in the system when the kidneys are sluggish—blotches and bad complexion result—take Hood's Sarsaparilla.

OFFICIAL STORY

The Crown Princess' Elopement Threatens—A Convent or mad House.

Berlin, Dec. 30.—King George of Saxony has ordered the preparation of a full official account of the elopement of the Crown Princess Louise and the circumstances leading up to it for the Saxony people, among whom the most fantastic stories are in circulation, to the detriment of the royal house, and especially with reference to the future King. The scandal is undermining, according to some opinions, the people's loyalty and respect for the throne. The dynasty being Catholic and the people Protestant, the affair is being utilized for sectarian controversy.

The King's statement doubtless will follow the line indicated in the intimations supplied to the newspapers having court leanings published today, affirm that the Crown Princess' sole reason for eloping was her criminal relations with Professor Giron, and that documentary proofs have been found showing that the elopement had long been in preparation. The stories of ill-treatment on the part of her husband, of oppressive court ceremonial, and of her fettered existence are classed as inventions.

The Crown Princess' own account of the immediate cause of her flight from Salzburg, written to an intimate friend, probably the Princess Therese of Bavaria, was telegraphed from Munich this morning. It says her father, the Grand Duke of Tuscany, intended to imprison his daughter either in a lunatic asylum or in an Italian convent. He already had consulted the court physician and several medical authorities in Vienna with the object of obtaining certificates warranting him in shutting her up. Her father, the Crown Princess adds, was giving her no time for deliberation. He demdnded, first, that she be taken under guard to Dresden, to apologize to the Crown Prince, and that she then choose between confinement in a convent or in a mad-house. The Crown Princess asks the Bavarian court to use its influence with the court at Dresden to permit her children to choose their vocation in life freely.

JEANNETTE'S CREEK.

Miss Forbes, trained nurse, is in Wallaceburg.

Miss Corbett, of Florence, was a guest of Miss Forbes on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Simmons and daughter Grace, spent Christmas with relatives in Blyth.

Rev. Mr. Down is spending the holidays with his parents at Exeter.

Misses Barr, of Toronto, are guests of their sister, Mrs. A. Garbutt.

The desks and seats of the separate school at St. Peter's arrived this week.

A handsome stained glass window has been placed in St. Peter's church.

Miss Nellie Smith, of Hamilton, is spending the holidays with her parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Colberts, and Manley Smith, of Detroit, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Smith on Christmas day.

Jos. Gibson is visiting his mother in Hamilton this week.

Frank Hawk has moved his family to Belle River. W. Brusso will occupy the house vacated by F. Hawk, and Mr. LaGree moves into the house vacated by W. Brusso.

Mr. N. Venning has purchased two acres of land from H. Forbes. The land lies east of the S. S. hall and opposite F. C. Peck's store. Mr. Venning will build in the early spring.

H. Forbes was in Wallaceburg on Sunday, attending the funeral of the late James Grant.

It is reported there is a case of diphtheria in Dover.

Mr. Myers was in Sarnia last week.

Mr. Joyce is spending a week in Hamilton.

Mrs. Cunningham, of Michigan, spent the holidays here with her daughter, Mr. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus McIntosh were Maple City visitors on Tuesday.

Some people seem to talk so that they won't have to listen to other people.

HOW'S THIS!

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm.

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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Kittie—Well, there's one thing about the auto. It has enabled a good many to make a noise in the world who never were heard before.

Kattie—But it has brought them into worse odor than before, if that were possible.

ELECTION CARDS

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I beg to announce that at the request of a number of the electors I have decided to become a candidate for School Trustee for Ward No. 2, for the year 1903. I respectfully ask your vote and influence and beg to remain,

Yours obediently,
J. W. WEBB.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD NO. 2

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am again a candidate for school trustee in Ward No. 2 and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

R. M. PAXTON.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD NO. 4.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Having been solicited by a number of ratepayers to offer myself as a candidate for School Trustee in your ward, I have consented to do so. I will sincerely appreciate the favor of your vote and influence.

Wishing you the compliments of the season.

HERBERT S. CLEMENTS.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD NO. 4.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the position of Public School Trustee for Ward No. 4, and, as such, will appreciate the favor of your vote and influence.

If elected as your representative it will be my aim to act always in the best interests of the people.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I am,

Respectfully yours,
JOHN MACKAY.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD 3.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Having been requested to offer myself for re-election as school trustee for the ensuing term, I again place myself in your hands. If elected, I shall in the future, as in the past, do my duty to the best of my ability.

Owing to pressure of business at this season it will not be possible for me to make a personal canvass.

Yours respectfully,
W. N. MORLEY.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am again a candidate for School Trustee for No. 1 Ward. If my course of action at the Board has met with your approval, I will be glad of your support and influence.

Wishing you the compliments of the season.

Respectfully yours.
R. V. BRAY.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate as school trustee for Ward No. 3, and if you see fit to honor me with election, I promise to forward your interests to the best of my ability. I am a believer in and will work for abolishing the ward system and having school trustees elected by general vote.

I would give preference to our own Chatham girls on the teaching staff. Why import outside subordinate teachers?

My aim would be to reduce expenditure.

Yours respectfully,
WILLIAM ANDERSON.

FOR ALDERMAN.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I beg to announce myself a candidate for alderman for 1903.

You elected me to office for 1902, and as a member of Board of Works, Parks and Cemetery, and Industrial committees, you have had the chance to judge my conduct towards civic interests during the year, and will expect your hearty support if you believe I can continue to fill the office to our mutual benefit.

Wishing you the compliments of the season,

Yours faithfully,
JOHN WADDELL.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for alderman for 1903, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

HENRY ROBINSON.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

To the 650 good, sensible people who voted for me for alderman last election, without in a single instance being solicited, canvassed or buttonholed, I return my most sincere thanks and respect. I am again in the field for 1903, and I ask those who supported me last year to repeat the good act this year, when the former vote will be doubled by my own personal canvass. If elected, I shall have my weather-eye upon the Smart-Alecks who study their own little interests instead of the people's. "A chiel's amang ye tak'ng notes, an' faith he'll prent it." I shall advocate the gradual yearly improvement of our principal streets; the collection of garbage and its destruction by the city; the establishment of a great oil refinery in Chatham by the Raleigh oil magnates; a liberal but stringent concession to our bicyclists; fair wages and reasonable hours to our workingmen and laborers, and the thorough numbering of the city houses.

GEO. G. MARTIN

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of a number of ratepayers I am a candidate for alderman, and I respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

E. B. SNOOK,
Grocer.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the position of Alderman for 1903, and would respectfully ask your vote and influence. If elected, I shall endeavor to do my duty to the best of my ability.

Yours very truly,
SAMUEL BULLIS.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for Alderman for 1903, and if elected, I will continue to take the same active interest in the welfare of our Maple City as I have done during the past.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, soliciting your vote and influence; faithfully yours,

G. G. TAYLOR.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for alderman for 1903. If elected will do all in my power to advance the city's interests.

Wishing all a prosperous New Year.

ANDREW THOMSON, JR.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for Alderman for 1903, and if elected, I will continue to take the same active interest in the welfare of our Maple City, as I have done during the past.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, soliciting your vote and influence, faithfully yours,

E. A. MOUNTEER.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the solicitation of many citizens I have decided to offer myself as a candidate for alderman. I shall accordingly sincerely appreciate the favor of your vote and influence.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I am,

Yours respectfully,
THOMAS SCULLARD.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the position of alderman for 1903 and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

Trusting that my former actions at the Council Board will merit your support, I remain,

Faithfully yours,
WALTER T. PIGGOTT.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

During the past three years I have filled the position of Alderman of the city to the best of my judgment, and if my actions have met your approval I would again ask you for your support and influence. Trusting that I have merited a continuance of your confidence, I remain,

Yours truly,
A. B. McCOIG.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am again a candidate for Alderman for the year 1903, and, if elected, will do my utmost to serve the city to the best of my ability, and will oppose all unnecessary expenditure. Wishing you the compliments of the season,

I remain yours,
J. N. EDMONDSON.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I beg to announce myself as a candidate for alderman for the year 1903, and if elected to that important position I will do my best for the welfare of our city. We require more industries, and I am in favor of permanent improvements on many of our streets.

Soliciting your vote and influence.

Respectfully yours,
W. H. WESTMAN.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Having decided to again offer myself as a candidate for alderman for 1903, I respectfully solicit your votes and influence. If elected, I shall continue to look strictly after our city's affairs, as I always have done to the best of my ability during the four years I have already represented you.

Wishing you all a prosperous and Happy New Year.

Yours faithfully,
W. S. MARSHALL.

—Poisons accumulate in the system when the kidneys are sluggish—blotches and bad complexion result—take Hood's Sarsaparilla.