

THE HAMILTON TIMES.

MONDAY, DEC. 31, 1906.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

This is the last day of 1906, and tomorrow we shall celebrate the advent of a new year. A good deal of sentimentality is being expressed...

As with the people in their individual and family capacities, so with the nation. Canada has prospered exceedingly...

The Canadians have a proud heritage. No other people enter on the new year with such a possession and such prospects...

Stewart, that they have made a most unfortunate mistake, and that in the interest of good and wise government for the city...

The case is a bad one when the candidate of the machine cannot count on the support of the party organ...

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Happy New Year! End machine rule in the School Board. A few of us are not running for office.

You are a year older. Are you a year better? Pay off the debts of 1906. Begin the New Year right.

Don't make too many New Year pledges, but keep those you make. The County Council has an overdraft of \$800.

Well, there are enough altruistic aspirants to prevent any lonely feeling among the "also rans." If there weren't anything in it, do you think there would be such a scramble for every admissible job?

Looking at the entries one might be excused for suspecting that a good many people must think that there is something in public office. If the ratepayers exercise good judgment and are not swayed by political and other prejudices...

We are still awaiting the Galt Report's promise to prove its assertions that every one of the Ross Ministers sold his name to company promoters for a price, and played the part of "grine pigs" for gain.

By the time our neighbor the Times asks a few hundred more questions about the power-law, its readers may begin to suspect that it really wants to learn something about it.

The death of Baroness Burdett-Coutts at the age of 94 removes from the scene of life's activities a very remarkable woman. She was one of the richest women of her time...

"City Employees' Wages—Ald. Findlay had nothing to do with getting increases." That is a display heading in the Herald of Saturday...

The Herald does not think that the Times is justified in saying that the power-law will involve a liability of \$450,879 on the city.

It is not feasible to put up copper for the amount of business in sight only, with the expectation of adding to it from time to time...

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The Free Church in Barton was a frame building, and was erected in 1811. It was used by Presbyterians and the Anglican congregation...

In 1824 a church was erected in Ancaster, the site being donated by Joan Baptiste Roussseau. The cornerstone was laid by the Masonic Union Lodge on 7th July, 1824.

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NINETY YEARS' CHURCH HISTORY.

St. John's, Ancaster, Had Unique Celebration Yesterday.

Historical Sketch Given by the Venerable Archdeacon.

Large Crowds at the Anniversary Services Yesterday.

St. John's Church congregation, Ancaster, celebrated the ninetieth anniversary of the founding of their church yesterday. The services in the morning were conducted by Rural Dean Belt...

The parish records previous to 1830, held by very defective, but a clergyman was in charge in 1816. There were no newspapers in the parish previous to 1837.

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was opened, May 31, 1860. The debt on the church was discharged 5 years later, and on May 1st, 1873, Lord Bishop Beane, of Toronto, consecrated the church.

In 1870, Rev. F. L. Oser withdrew from active service at Ancaster, and continued his work to Dundas. Mr. Oser died in 1895. His widow, Mrs. F. L. Oser, recently celebrated her 100th birthday.

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A Record Business Year

The year just closing has been by far the most successful since our inception, and we desire to thank our many customers and friends for the prominent part they took in helping us to attain the grand results.

We will still be on the alert and will endeavor to supply your demands in every detail throughout the coming year in a most satisfactory and business-like manner.

Wishing You All A Bright and Prosperous New Year

THE T. H. PRATT, CO. LIMITED

CITY'S HEALTH; YEAR'S RECORD

As Shown by the Annual Report of the Department. Many Improvements Made for the Public's Benefit. Nearly a Thousand Deaths, But Less Than Last Year.

The annual report of Dr. Roberts, Medical Health Officer, which has just been issued, shows a year of activity and progress in that department, and contains such interesting information. From it the following extracts are taken:

Vital statistics.—There have been registered during the year 1,354 births, compared with 1,317 for 1905, an increase of 37. This represents a birth rate of 22 per 1,000 population, a certain not an alarming one. Evidently we are looking to the influx of an industrial population, and not to the fecundity of our own for the realization of the 100,000 mark.

The number of deaths 926, is less by 15 than the number last year reported, or 941. The mortality rate, as against 1905, is 68.7, in comparison with 83.0 for the previous year, and a death rate of 12.57, as against 13.82 for 1905. Of the total deaths 121 were attributable to infectious and contagious diseases, a diminution of 3 in the number last year reported. Cancer carried off 39 this year, as against 31 for last year and 50 for 1904.

Sanitary conditions around the Coal Oil Hill are still about as unsatisfactory as they were formerly. The appointment of a new Provincial Health Board has led to some delay in the appointment of a qualified inspector. In the meantime, the necessary measures which are necessary here to apply.

A summary of infectious and contagious diseases reported from November 1st to 31st, 1906, shows: Diphtheria, 80; mumps, 1; smallpox, 1; chickenpox, 36; consumption, 109; whooping cough, 73; typhoid fever, 125.

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MONDAY EVE., DEC. 31st, 1906. SHEA'S NEW YEAR'S EVE OPEN TILL 10 O'CLOCK. Some New Year's Eye Bargains. Goods for New Year's Gifts on Sale After 7 p. m. at Extra Cut Prices.

MUSIC AND THE DRAMA

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ON IMMORTALITY.

SPLendid SERMON BY REV. CANON ABBOTT LAST EVENING.

Christ Church Cathedral was filled last evening with a congregation that listened with intense interest to a most impressive and thoughtful discourse by the rector, Rev. Canon Abbott, on "The Divinity of Jesus Christ." Canon Abbott has already made a most marked impression here. Favored with a great gift of speech Mr. Abbott possesses a commanding voice and has a vigorous and aggressive style. He delivers his remarks with a directness that is most effective.

His theme was based on words from St. Matthew's gospel, "That think ye of Christ; whose son is he? The text, he said, was a challenge to mankind which the world had accepted. After dwelling on the length on the different theories advanced the speaker emphasized the christian analysis of Christ, "Thou art Christ, the son of the living God." This was the analysis endorsed by Christian sentiment and history. "Thou art Christ, the son of the living God." This was the analysis endorsed by Christian sentiment and history.

Before concluding our remarks under this heading, I feel strongly impelled to make a parting reference to what might perhaps be aptly termed the "contagiousness of typoid." The experience of September and October has convinced me that undoubtedly some cases of this disease have been contracted by reason of carelessness on the part of those in attendance on the patient.

Consumption—Consumption has been reported in 12 cases during the year, with 50 for 1905. In these words this disease has been responsible for 8.45 per cent of the total death rate, as against 7.1 per cent for the previous year. Already we are in advance of most cities in having compulsory notification. We have an anti-spitting by-law, which the Board of Health has enforced with a view to the prevention of such a pestilence. In the future, it is hoped, the Board will be able to enforce a similar by-law, which is necessary here to apply.

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