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**Table Cloths and Napkins**  
Pure Linen Damask in splendid assortment of patterns that make a most desirable gift. Per set of 2 x 2 1/2 cloth, with one dozen 22 x 22 napkins, \$20.00 per set. Others at \$27.50, \$30.00, \$35.00 and \$40.00. Full stock of all sizes and qualities in stock.

**Fancy Linen Pieces**  
Tray Cloths, Tea Cloths, Doyles, Centre Pieces, Lunch Cloths, Sideboard Covers, Bureau, Chiffonier and Dressing-Table Covers, Cozy Covers, Boudoir and Baby Pillow Cases, Guest Towels, Bedspreads, in linen and lawn, Pillow Cases, Supper Napkins, in plain H. S. Linen or Damask. H. S. Tea Cloths, Tray and Carving Cloths, and a host of other articles that make useful and practical gifts.

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Hemstitched Linen Towels, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00 per pair.  
Guest Linen Towels, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00 per pair.

**Embroidered Lawn Bedspreads**  
In beautiful hand-embroidered designs at \$12.50, \$15.00, \$20.00 and up. Embroidered Lawn Cushions, very special, \$1.00 each.

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Very fine quality linen, well worth today \$7.50. Special, \$5.00 per pair. Madras Linen Pillow Cases, extra choice designs, reduced to \$3.00 per pair.

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**Ladies' and Gentlemen's HATS**  
All kinds cleaned, dyed and remodeled. Very excellent. Prices reasonable. NEW YORK HAT WORKS. 666 Yonge St. Phone N. 5185.

### REJECTS MOTION AIMED AT CANADA

U. S. Senate Will Not Act on Alleged Discrimination by Railways.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The senate overturned its previous action today and rejected by a vote of 52 to 11 an amendment by Senator Jones, Republican (Washington), designed to prevent alleged discrimination by Canadian railroads against American carriers by cutting rates on freight between points in the United States but carried thru Canada. The amendment would have punished American carriers for making freight connections with such roads. The amendment was introduced by Senator Jones, Republican, of New England, who said the amendment, if placed in the bill, would upset differential rates for New York and New England that have been in effect for years, was joined by Senator Lodge, Massachusetts; Messrs. New Hampshire, and McLean, Connecticut, Republicans. Senators Nelson and Rogers, Republicans, also supported it, saying that the inter-state commerce commission now has authority to do what the Jones amendment seeks to do. "All this amendment seeks to do," replied Senator Jones, "is to prevent the secret and unfair methods of Canadian railroads, and it will not affect the industries of New England."

The senate also adopted an amendment by Senator Thomas, Democrat, Colorado, making railroad tickets valid until finally used by the purchaser.

### CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

What more definitely solves the gift problem than the cut of flowers? Roses in profusion, cut flowers in dainty baskets and vases, effect, fragrant and fancy baskets filled with flowering plants and assorted ferns.

Simmons Flowers at prices no more than at ordinary stores.

**Simmons & Son**  
Floral Shop  
Yonge and Elm Streets, TORONTO  
Simmons Phone 5159 and 1704.

### RATES FOR NOTICES

Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths, not over 10 words, \$1.00. Additional words each 25c. No Lodge Notices to be included in Funeral Announcements. In Memoriam Notices, \$1.00. Poetry and quotations up to 4 lines, \$1.00. For each additional line or fraction of 4 lines, 25c. Cards of Thanks (Bereavement), \$1.00.

**BIRTHS.**  
McCONVEY—To Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. McConvey, 414 Palmerston boulevard, on Dec. 19, 1919, a son.

**DEATHS.**  
AIMERS—On Friday, Dec. 19, at Grace Hospital, Toronto, Gordon Aimers, in his 19th year, beloved son of Elizabeth Meline Aimers and the late John Aimers.  
Service on Monday, Dec. 22, at 2 p.m., at A. W. Miles' funeral chapel, 256 College street. Interment in Prospect Cemetery.

**MOSSMAN—On Dec. 19th, at her late residence, 251 Bathurst St., Isabelle Carmichael, dearly beloved wife of Robert Mossman.  
Funeral Monday, Dec. 22nd, at 3:30, to St. John's Cemetery, Norway.**

### FRED W. MATTHEWS CO.

Funeral Directors  
665 SPADINA AVE.  
TELEPHONE COLLEGE 791  
No connection with any other firm using the Matthews name.

### THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Dec. 19.—(3 p.m.)—The weather which was over the Mississippi Valley last night is now over the virginian coast. The weather has been fair throughout Canada and in the western provinces very mild. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Prince Rupert, 34, 36; Victoria, 44, 48; Vancouver, 44, 50; Kamloops, 4, 35; Calgary, 28, 48; Edmonton, 32, 44; Medicine Hat, 38, 48; Battleford, 16, 46; Prince Albert, 16, 44; Moose Jaw, 25, 41; Regina, 13, 39; Winnipeg, 6, 24; Port Arthur, 2 below, 24; London, 1 below, 19; Toronto, 7, 22; Montreal, 2, 14; Quebec, 13 below, 4; Halifax, 4 below, 13.

**Probabilities.**  
Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Fair and becoming milder.  
Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Fair, with rising temperature.  
Lower St. Lawrence, Gulf and North Shore—Fair; stationary or a little higher temperature today; higher temperature on Sunday.  
Maritime Provinces—Winds mostly northeasterly and fresh to strong on the coast; some local snow in southern portion.  
Lake Superior—Fresh southerly to southwesterly winds; fair and milder.  
Manitoba—Fair and mild.  
Saskatchewan and Alberta—Fair; stationary or a little lower temperature.

**THE BAROMETER.**

Time.	Ther.	Bar.	Wind.
8 a.m.	22	29.83	19 E.
Noon	22	29.83	19 E.
2 p.m.	21	29.80	15 E.
4 p.m.	19	29.85	9 N.
8 p.m.	14	29.85	9 N.

Mean of day, 15; difference from average, 9 below; highest, 22; lowest, 7; snowfall, 0.2.

**STEAMER ARRIVALS.**

Steamer.	At.	From.
Grampan	London	Halifax
Vasari	New York	Liverpool
Columbia	Morville	New York

**BRITISH AND FOREIGN MAIL.**  
The next British and foreign mail, via England, will close at the general postoffice as follows:  
First supplementary mail will close at 6 p.m., Saturday Dec. 20. First supplementary registered mail will close at 5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 20. Parcel post mail will close at 4 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 20. Second supplementary letter mail will close at 11 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 20.

### STREET CAR DELAYS

Friday, Dec. 19, 1919.  
College cars, eastbound, delayed 8 minutes at 11:43 a.m. at University and College, by two autos on track.

Harper, customs broker, 39 West Wellington street, corner Bay Adelaide 4622.

### BABY'S CRYING SAVES EIGHT OTHER LIVES

Kingston, Dec. 19.—The crying of a little baby in the night saved the life of the infant and that of eight other people at Napanee, when the bursting of a gas main caused the escaping gas to get in homes nearby. Mr. Towling, butcher, was aroused from his sleep early this morning by the crying of his baby. He got up to attend the child and detected the smell of gas all thru the house. On making an investigation he found his wife and another child overcome, and running across to his neighbor, Dr. T. M. Galt, found the doctor, his wife, child and another child overcome, the latter being in a most critical condition. Another neighbor, Mrs. James Daley, wife of the ex-police magistrate, was also found overcome on inhaling the gas. All the patients were given medical attention and are reported to be out of danger. It is stated that the breaking of the gas main was due to the severe cold weather of the past few days.

### SEND "EXPERIENCES" OF SETTLERS' LIVES

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—"Experiences" of all kinds are reaching the department of immigration and colonization by every mail as a result of the interest being shown in the settlers' letters competition, which the publicity branch of that department has inaugurated. Thus far residents of Saskatchewan lead in the number of contestants, with the other province of Ontario running a close second and Alberta third.

Every province has representation in the competition and as about a hundred entries are already in hand, it is expected that the judges, who have not yet been named, will have many hundreds of letters to pass upon before the competition finally closes on February 14, 1920.

### Appoint Col. Godson-Godson Commissioner of Police

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—The appointments are gazetted of Col. G. Godson-Godson of Ottawa, provost-marshal, as commissioner of police within Canada; Philippe Roy, commissioner-general of Canada, to be a commissioner to administer oaths and take and receive affidavits in the republic of France for use in the supreme and exchequer courts in Canada and to administer oaths and receive affidavits, declarations and affirmations authorized or required to be taken under any act of parliament of Canada, and of His Honor William Roland Winter, junior judge of the district court of Calgary, Alberta, to be judge of that court.

### FIVE SEEK DIVORCE

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Five applications for divorce are gazetted in this week's Canada Gazette. Catharine Burfoot seeks a divorce from Wm. J. Burfoot, soldier, of Toronto; Emily Cruikshanks from William Cruikshanks, laborer, of Toronto; Lily Meroe Crook from Frederick Hambley Crook, superintendent, Toronto; Charles Henry Foster from Mary Foster, Toronto; and John James Garrison from Gertrude Frances Garrison of Belleville.

### Oil Tank Steamer Ashore; No Signs of the Crew

Marshfield, Ore., Dec. 19.—Reports were received here tonight that the oil tank steamer J. A. Chamber was aground off Cape Blanco, apparently broken in two and waterlogged. There was no sign of the crew. The government life-saving crew from Bandon left for the scene tonight.

### HIGH WATER MARK OF MONTREAL DEBT

Amount for 1920 Totals \$121,901,622, Due Greatly to Annexations.

Montreal, Dec. 19.—The high water mark of the city's debt seems to have been reached in the estimates of 1920, which, for the first time in years, show there has been only a comparatively small increase as compared with the estimates of a year ago. The amount of the debt in 1919 estimates was stated to be \$121,277,622, and in the 1920 estimates the amount of the debt is \$121,901,622.

Of the total debt of \$121,901,622, the sum of \$27,000,000 is due to recent annexations of adjoining municipalities. In 1910, when a number of municipalities were annexed to Montreal, which provided new city wards, the debt was increased by \$6,500,000.

In the year last of the annexations produced about \$2,000,000 more debt, but the big event in the way of debts was realized in 1913, when Maisonneuve was annexed to Montreal, with another debt heritage of \$18,000,000.

### ASK ENABLING ACT TO RECLAIM LE PAS

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 19.—An enabling act is to be submitted to the next session of the Manitoba legislature for the reclamation of 700,000 acres of land in the Pas district. Hon. Edward Brown, provincial treasurer, and representative of the Pas district, announced today. The land is valued at approximately \$12,000,000. The cost of reclamation will be approximately \$2,000,000. The land is the property of the Dominion government, and about one dollar per acre must be paid by the Dominion government. The land will be worth about \$20 per acre when reclaimed.

The major portion of the land lies in the province of Saskatchewan, but the province has taken no interest in the reclamation of the land up to the present time. The province of Manitoba will likely take over the whole section if the Saskatchewan government is willing.

### TEACHERS RECEIVE UNEXPECTED BONUS

Find \$400 for Christmas Jollity, Not Due Till New Year.

Kitchener, Dec. 19.—The county council, at their concluding session here today, presented Warden Hana-baker with a gold-headed cane, in recognition of his services as warden of the county during the past year. Before adjournment, the council went on record as favoring immediate action on the part of the incoming council in connection with remodeling the present house of refuge, which is inadequate.

The council also passed a resolution memorializing the new government, asking that the policy in connection with provincial county roads be continued and encouraged.

It was announced today that Marcel Pequegnat, C.E., has been appointed superintendent of the local water-works commission, to succeed Henry Hymmen, who resigned. The new appointee was formerly assistant city engineer, and was formerly warden of the school of practical science, Toronto.

### Chair Bill Debated

The question of whether the county council of Waterloo would pay a bill of \$38 for a chair ordered for the bench by Mr. Justice Laskin, was debated at the special session here today by the council today. The issue was brought up by the county property committee. It was explained that the judge ordered Sheriff Lackner to provide a more comfortable chair for the bench, and the sheriff promptly ordered the chair without consulting the property committee. The chairman of the committee declared he thought the sheriff should be presented with the bill and given a chance to pay it. Some of the members of the council expressed the opinion that the lordship to order furniture without consulting the county authorities. It was decided that in future all furniture ordered without the consent of the committee must be paid for by the person ordering it without authority.

Local school teachers, upon receiving their monthly cheques today, were surprised to find \$100 extra in their envelopes. The extra money was the bonus granted by the board last spring, but which was not expected to be paid until after the new year.

The board paid the bonus early so as to swell the Christmas funds of the teachers.

### Adjusting of Wheat Prices Rests With Wheat Board

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Questioned today as to the report from Toronto, to the effect that an advance of from 12c to 15c per bushel in the domestic price of wheat to the millers of Canada was likely to be brought into effect, Sir George Foster stated that it was entirely a matter for the wheat board to deal with. Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the wheat board, had been in Ottawa, but not to consult the government on the subject. Mr. Stewart is a present on his way back to Winnipeg.

### BANK FORBIDS PAYMENT

Winnipeg, Dec. 19.—That the Bank of Montreal had virtually refused to allow the Winnipeg Electric Railway Company to pay a portion of the \$632,170 owing to the city in taxes, and that the city would, if the bank does not change its attitude within a week, issue a writ against the company, was the subject of a sharp discussion at the weekly meeting of the city's finance committee this afternoon.

### American and Mexican Killed In Battle on the Frontier

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 19.—An American provost guard and a Mexican civilian were killed during a pitched battle tonight between American soldiers and police and Mexican smugglers at the international boundary line near here tonight.

The Victorian (N.S.W.) government has adopted a new scheme for branding stock which, by preventing damage to hides, is expected to effect a saving of \$2,500,000 a year.

### THE STERLING BANK OF CANADA

SAVE, Because—  
The spender enriches others.

### CHRISTMAS WEEK

NOON TO 11 P.M.

### CONSTANCE TALMADGE

IN "THE VEILED ADVENTURE"  
In Which the Whimsical Star Tells a Story of LOVE ROMANCE ADVENTURE THRILLS

"YE OLDE TYME CHRISTMAS"

Presented By The FAMOUS REGENT ORCHESTRA  
EVELYN O'DONOGHUE AND THE REGENT TRIO  
Paramount-Artcraft  
Comedy.  
"ARE YOU A MASON"  
12.10, 2.00, 4.05, 5.50, 7.30, 9.40.  
Today Only—May Allison, in "Fair and Warmer."

### SHEA'S THEATRE

NEXT WEEK:  
AILEEN STANLEY NINA PAYNE  
OLIVE BRISCOE and AL RAUH EDDIE KANE and JAY HERMAN

SPECIAL FEATURE:  
JACK WYATT AND HIS SCOTCH LADS AND LASSIES  
ED. E. FORD REYNOLDS AND WHITE Pathe Pellard Comedy  
SPECIAL EXTRA ATTRACTION:  
IMHOF, CONN and COREENE

### SHEA'S HIPPODROME

NEXT WEEK:  
"THE LEADING LADY"—MILDRED VALMORSE—McLAE & LAPORT  
SPECIAL FEATURE PICTURE:  
DOLORES CASINELLI  
The Enticing Star  
In The Sensational Story "THE VIRTUOUS MODEL"  
Shown at 1.30, 4.15, 7.45 p.m.  
MORGAN AND KLOTZ—HUYLER AND BAN—THE GRAYLEIGH  
SUNSHINE COMEDY PATHE POLLARD COMEDY

### ALLEN NOW PLAYING

OLIVE THOMAS  
IN "UPSTAIRS AND DOWN"  
NEXT BIG HOLIDAY BILL  
WEEK MABEL NORMAND  
"THE JINX"  
and WILL ROGERS  
In "JUBILO"

### STRAND

TO-DAY  
Rex Beach's Powerful Parisian Drama  
"THE VENGEANCE OF DURAND"  
Starring Alice Joyce.  
ALL NEXT WEEK  
BRYANT WASHBURN  
In "IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE"

### VOTE FOR John W. Huggins

(Cartage Agent)  
AS ALDERMAN FOR WARD 5

### WARD 4 Re-Elect John A. Cowan As ALDERMAN

COL. FOSTER REFUSES OFFER.

Victoria, B.C., Dec. 19.—Col. W. W. Foster, D.S.O., today stated that he had definitely decided not to accept the offer to reorganize the Royal Canadian Dragoons, of which he had been offered the command. Instead, he announced his intention to engage in a private enterprise in the province after the new year.

### LOEW'S

Next Week—Popular Prices.  
CHARLES RAY IN "THE EGG-CRATE WALL"  
THE GREAT TROVATO  
TOBEL'S ANIMAL CIRCUS  
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hill & Co.—Royal Comedy Four—Mildred Rogers—The Arnolds  
Trinity Picture—"Mutt & Jeff"  
Winter Garden Show Same as Loew's.

### Alhambra

DIGOR AT BATHURST  
TODAY ONLY  
BERT LYTELL  
In "LOMBARD LIMITED"  
COMING—MAY ALLISON  
In "FAIR AND WARMER"

### MADISON

BLOOR AT BATHURST  
CORINNE GRILLIN  
In "THE TOWER OF JEWELS."  
Religious Services.  
"THE NECESSITY OF PROPHECY"  
Will be the subject of the Rev. J. C. Hodgins' sermon at the Unitarian Church (Jarvis near Dundas), Sunday, 11 a.m. Spend a pleasant hour. Come.

### Southern Canada Power Co. Gives Annual Statement

Montreal, Dec. 19.—The annual meeting of the shareholders of Southern Canada Power Co., Ltd., was held here today, and the statement showing the result of the company's operations submitted to those present at the gathering. The statement showed gross earnings of the company and its subsidiaries for the twelve-month period ending September 30 last, amounting to \$566,091, compared with \$475,000 a year ago and \$422,414 in 1917.

After all deductions were made the year's surplus stood at \$58,064, as compared with \$48,157 in 1917 and \$47,947 in the previous year, representing earnings on the outstanding preferred shares of 20.4 per cent. against 15.3 per cent. last year.

The balance reflects the construction stage through which the enterprise has been passing. Investment in plant having been increased by \$1,456,656 during the year.

### ALEXANDRA PERCY HUTCHISON

TO-DAY The Luck of the Navy  
NEXT WEEK COM. MON. EVE.  
SPECIAL MATINEE "XMAS DAY"  
REGULAR MATINEE SATURDAY.  
Messrs. Lee and J. J. Shubert Present  
THE MUSICAL, FARICAL, NOVELTY SUCCESS  
RIGHT FROM BROADWAY

### "OH! WHAT A GIRL"

With the Original Cast as Presented at the Shubert and Central Theatres, New York for SIX SOLID MONTHS.  
Including:  
Frank Fay, Zella Call, Harry Kelly, Sam Ash, Elizabeth Moffat, Sam Curtis, Lester Schaff, Clay Crouch and "OH, WHAT A CHORUS" 50 OF "EM"—ALL GIRLS.

WEEK, DEC. 29. SEATS WED.  
SPECIAL NEW YEAR'S MATINEE  
Direct from 6 Months at the Playhouse and Vanderbilt Theatre, N.Y.  
William A. Brady, Ltd., Presents

### "AT 9.45"

THE MELODRAMA OF MYSTERY—MARRIAGE AND MURDER.  
BY OWEN DAVIS  
WITH THE ORIGINAL CAST.

### PRINCESS TODAY RAYMOND In "Hitchy HITCHCOCK Koo 1919"

2.20-8.20 HITCHCOCK Koo 1919

NEXT WEEK—SPECIAL MATINEE CHRISTMAS

THE BRONX LOVE TROUBLE AND CONVULSIVE CRISIS SINCE THE DEBUT OF THE PRINCESS

IN JOHN CORSE'S

### FIDDLERS THREE

WITH TAVIE BELGE AND THE ORIGINAL NEW YORK CAST  
YORK COURT THEATRE CAST '60

EVENINGS \$2.00, \$1.50, \$1.00, 50c  
MATINEES Christmas Day and Saturday \$1.50, \$1.00, 75c, 50c

### DEC. 29 NEW YEAR'S WEEK

WE BEGIN MONDAY NIGHT  
THE GREATEST OF ALL MUSICAL COMEDIES  
WITH ADA MAE WEEKS  
and an Army of Dancers, Singers, Comedians and DANCING CHORUS  
THE DAINTIEST EVER SEEN ANYWHERE.

COHAN & HARRIS WILL PRESENT  
MRS. FISKE MIS' NELLY OF N'ORLEANS  
A COMEDY OF MOONSHINE, MADNESS AND MAKE-BELIEVE.  
SEATS WED.

JAN. 5th JOHN CORSE'S  
"LISTEN LESTER"

### GRAND OPERA HOUSE THE DUMBELLS

XMAS WEEK MATS. WED., XMAS. DAY., SAT.  
TORONTO'S ANNUAL PANTOMIME

F. STUART-WHYTE'S  
RED RIDING-HOOD  
4th ANNUAL PANTOMIME

MISS ZARA CLINTON as "BOY BLUE"  
AND AN ALL ENGLISH CAST AND CHORUS.

### GAYETY

NEXT WEEK. LADIES' MAT. DAILY.  
HURTIC'S BOWERY BURLESQUERS  
FOSTER & HARGOURT.  
GRAND PRIZE CHORUS.

bringing the total investment in this respect up to \$7,961,897.

Sweden's linen industry has suffered thru lack of supplies, which are obtained from Russia and Holland. It is feared that the entire industry will disappear.

### STAR THEATRE

KEWPIE DOLLS  
WITH TOM HOWARD

### ARENA

HOCKEY TONIGHT  
KITCHENER VS. DENTALS