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TAKES IN ST. MALO.

Quebec, Dec. 31.—The annexation of the municipality of St. Malo to the City of Quebec is now practically decided upon.

A vote of the proprietors taken yesterday resulted in a majority of 12 in favor of the scheme, which is also supported by 5 out of the 7 councillors of the municipality.

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To my many customers:

I wish to thank them for their kindly patronage given me during the year 1907. I sincerely hope that this year, 1908, will bring them much happiness and pleasure.

To my many friends and others:

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City and District

—Write it 1908 today.

—Miss Annie Galbraith, of Ingersoll, is visiting her sisters, at 852 Queen's avenue.

—Miss Sadie Caswell, of Toronto, is the guest of the Misses Selkirk, Simcoe street.

—Miss Anna Selkirk, of Toronto, formerly of this city, is spending the holiday in London with her parents.

—Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Meek, and baby Stuart, of Detroit, Mich., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Meek, 318 Hyman street, for the holiday season.

Elder Evans in Toronto.

Elder R. C. Evans, of this city, is conducting meetings in the Majestic Theatre, Toronto, each Sunday, and is addressing audiences which frequently number 2,500.

Has Returned Home.

Mr. Allister Allan, of Winnipeg, formerly of this city, has returned home, after a few days spent in London, the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allan, William street. Mr. Allan's health is much improved since taking up his residence in the west.

Carnival Prizes.

Court Middlesex, C. O. F., held a carnival Monday night in the Jubilee Rink. The prizes were awarded as follows: Best dressed couple, Bertha Hens, R. McClaran; best dressed gentleman, J. Naven; best dressed lady, A. Swegles; best character costume, C. Murano; best comic costume, E. Blisset; best dressed boy, H. Reed; best dressed girl, J. Insell.

"His Last Dollar."

"His Last Dollar," styled on the programme, "The Romance of a Kentucky Gentleman," attracted but a fair audience to the Grand last night, despite the fact that David Higgins, the author of the piece, was in the stellar

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role, and the fact, too, that the play had been seen in London before and had made good. As in the past, the production was a worthy one, and those present enjoyed it immensely.

A Detroit Filmflammer.

Hamilton Spectator: A handsome girl of 22 years or thereabouts blew in from Detroit about three weeks ago to visit some friends in Hamilton. Finding nothing special to do she took a clerkship in a large department store during the holidays, and, being an expert saleswoman, she made quick work of the stock in her department. Her checks seemed small for the amount of goods disappearing, but as the managers were busy not much thought was given to the matter. But the cat jumped out of the bag and the secret was out. A man bought an article for which he paid \$2. When the clerk turned in her check it was one for \$90. The article did not suit the buyer's wife, and he asked to exchange it for something else. He took the check with him, and when it was compared with the check that was turned in by the clerk there was a discrepancy of \$1.50. This led to an investigation, and the Detroit clerk finally owned up to having taken about \$100, and in addition she stole the pay envelope of a fellow-clerk. Rather than make the thing public, the proprietor of the store discharged the clerk and charged her thefts to profit and loss. The girl invested her money in some handsome clothes which she bought during her clerkship.

SANCTION ISSUED.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—The C. A. A. U. has issued a sanction to the Central Y. M. C. A. for a field and track meet on Saturday, June 6. This is the first local sanction issued for next summer.

A NEW HOSPITAL

Belleville, Dec. 31.—The city council has closed a contract with Frank Dolan of this city, to build an isolation hospital at a cost of \$5,000. The work will not be started till spring. There will be contests for mayor, aldermen and school trustees in this city.

Comfortable rubber-tired carriages for theater. Hueston's Livery.

REV. MR. GRAHAM ON THE NEW YEAR

Pastor Called To Wellington
Street Methodist Church
Sends Greeting.

Rev. Humphrey A. Graham, of St. Marys, and who has been called to the pastorate of the Wellington Street Methodist Church, sent the following New Year's message to the St. Marys journal:

"The Old Year."
"Of its words of comfort spoken, Of its joys give we no token To the swiftly dying year? While we sorrow o'er its sadness, Shall we pass by all its gladness, All remembrance of its cheer? Nay, the sorrow we have known, And the winds that chill have blown, Only make it the more dear, And we, weeping, say adieu, As we welcome in the new."

"Another Christmas is gone; another year is here. On every hand is heard the exclamation, 'How quickly the years fly!' and surely our days are consumed away like smoke. As one is afresh impressed with this fact he is constrained to feel that no prayer is more suitable at this season, and none ought to be more earnestly offered by every true Canadian, than the petition of Moses, the seer, the patriot, the humble servant of God: 'So teach us to number our days that we may get us a heart of wisdom.'"

"We need wise hearts, for thus shall we be able to perceive what is best and do it. Looking backward we see the specter of misspent time and broken vows, because we heeded not the voice of wisdom as she cried in the street."

"This year may be, ought to be, and will, shall be, dear reader, the best in your life. My sincere new year wish is that such it may be for each, and when the tolling bells proclaim that you must part company with the thought that you have been permitted, though weak and sinful, to aid in some ennobling cause, to bring strength to some weak one in an hour of need. Faithfully yours, H. A. Graham, pastor of the Methodist Church, St. Marys, Ont."

Celebrate Their Golden Wedding

Today Mr. and Mrs. James Begg, of 354 Adelaide street, celebrate their golden anniversary of their wedding, which took place in Hamilton, fifty years ago.

A most remarkable feature of the celebration is that it brings together

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**MR. D. A. STEWART
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Is in the Field for Alderman and Will Make a Great Run.

Mr. D. A. Stewart, the well-known undertaker, has decided to run for the council this year, and yesterday qualified for the office.

Mr. Stewart's candidature is backed up by many well-known citizens, and he is sure to poll a very heavy vote, and in all probability will be among the first of the candidates.

Mr. Stewart is a successful business man, and is well qualified for the position. He is dependable, an honest, straightforward business man—the proper type of man for a civic office. He has had municipal experience, and can be relied upon to turn all his information and ability to the good of the city.

He is a keen business man, and he is a worker, and these qualifications are sufficient to elect him. The rate-payers will make no mistake in electing him. He is one of the best.



MR. AND MRS. JAMES BEGG.

a family circle which has never been broken by death.

Mr. and Mrs. Begg are both natives of Aberdeen, Scotland, and came to this country over half a century ago, taking up their residence in Hamilton.

When the Grand Trunk carshops were moved here from Hamilton, thirty years since, the couple came to London where they have resided ever since.

formal; and Mrs. Caldwell in Bay City, Mich.

There are seventeen grandchildren, all living.

Among the out-of-town guests who will be present to celebrate the happy event are Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie, Hamilton; and Miss Maud Riggins, of Woodstock.

The happy couple are in receipt of many handsome gifts.

Watch Night Services in Churches Attended By Large Congregations

The Last Night of the Old Year
Marked By Feeling
Serv.ces.

Notwithstanding that the last night in 1907 was a chilly one, and the sidewalks slippery and most unfavorable for walking, many hundreds of London's citizens spent the closing hours of the year in celebrating watch-night services in the churches.

The majority of those attending the churches arrived about half past eleven and spent the remaining half-hour in singing hymns and praying.

As soon as the clock struck the midnight hour, another hymn was sung to usher in the new year. After this the pastor of the church preached.

In St. Paul's Cathedral, the services were very well attended, and the decorations which had been arranged for the Christmas services being allowed to remain, the church presented a very pretty appearance.

St. Paul's Cathedral.

The services in the cathedral commenced at 11 o'clock, and were of the regular nature.

A special New Year sermon was preached by Bishop Williams, in which he spoke of the very many blessings all had enjoyed during the past year, and of the general prosperity of the country.

The close of the year reminded us how rapidly the time was flying, and it was our duty to take advantage of it and make the most of our opportunities while we could.

In concluding, his lordship voiced the wish that all might be blessed in the coming year.

Other Churches.

In Wellington Street Methodist Church the watch-night services were well attended, and the singing extended into heartily by all. Rev. James Livingston preached a short New Year's sermon.

In Colborne Street Methodist Church watch-night services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Hannan and Rev. F. E. Mallott. A special programme of appropriate hymns was selected and rendered very beautifully, added greatly to the impressiveness of the service.

Rev. Dyson Hague conducted the services at the Memorial Church, which consisted of an abbreviated form of the regular church service, supplemented by a splendid musical programme. Mr. Hague's remarks were in the nature of a retrospect of the past year, and in concluding, he urged his hearers to seek to elevate their lives in the coming year.

Well Attended.

The services in the First Methodist Church were very well attended, and were taken charge of by Rev. W. L. Routledge. The decorations which have been completed for the grand Sunday school rally on New Year's morning, made the church present a very beautiful appearance. Special New Year's music was rendered.

There was a good attendance at the services held in Christ Church, where Rev. R. S. W. Howard preached a New Year's sermon. Christmas decorations were left standing, and the church presented a very attractive appearance. The musical programme

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Happy New Year

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THE LESS HEARTY.
MAY YOU AND
YOURS ENJOY A
PROSPEROUS YEAR
IN 1908.

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was much enjoyed, and entered into very heartily.

In the Catholic churches of the city, two masses will be celebrated this morning, at 6 and 8:30.

SUDDEN DEATH IN FRENCH SENATE

M. Guyot-Dessaigne, Minister of Justice, the Victim of Apoplexy.

Paris, Dec. 31.—During this morning's session of the senate, Jean Francois Edmond Guyot-Dessaigne, the French minister of justice, dropped dead of apoplexy.

M. Guyot-Dessaigne was born in 1823. He entered the public service in 1863, and in 1885 was elected to the chamber of deputies. He first entered the ministry as minister of justice in 1899, in the Floquet cabinet. His present tenure of office dates from Oct. 23, 1906. He was a member of the Legion of Honour.

M. Guyot-Dessaigne was in feeble condition, and worn out with his Parliamentary labors. Parliament has been working under high-pressure throughout the holidays, sitting night and day in an effort to finish the budget before the new year. The principal point at issue has been the new plan proposed by the chamber of deputies for the valuation of incomes derived from land, which is designed to prepare the way for the early enactment of an income tax law.

On account of the death of M. Guyot-Dessaigne, the regular New Year's Day reception of President Fallieres at the Elysee Palace, and other official receptions have been cancelled.

GERMAN-AMERICAN UNITY

Strongly Advocated Before Germanic Society in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—After declaring that his ideas did not officially reflect the views of either President Roosevelt or the German Emperor, Prof. John W. Burgess, the first Roosevelt exchange professor to Germany, made a strong plea last night for a closer offensive and defensive alliance between the United States and Germany, in an address to the Germanic Society of Chicago.

He based his plea on the ethical bond between the two countries, the similarity between their political institutions and the absolute need of such a union in order that each might perform its appointed mission to the world.

The mission of the United States he concludes to be the domination of the Pacific and the civilization of Asia, and that Germany, the rejuvenation of Europe and the colonization of Africa.

BANKRUPT ACTRESSES

Henrietta Crossman in the Same Boat With Mrs. L. Carter-Payne.

New York, Dec. 21.—Ezra T. Prentice, receiver for the affairs of Mrs. Leslie Carter-Payne, the actress, recently declared bankrupt, was appointed receiver today, also, for Henrietta Crossman, the actress, and her husband, Maurice Campbell, who filed petitions in bankruptcy yesterday. The schedule of Mrs. Carter-Payne, filed today, shows liabilities of \$194,418, of which \$188,444 is unsecured, and assets of \$57,926.

CONVICTION EXPECTED

Case Against Members of First Duma in Its Last Stage.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 31.—The court which has been hearing the case against the members of the first Duma who signed the Viborg manifesto, who were brought before it on charges of treason, retired at 6 p.m. to consider the fate of the prisoners. A verdict of guilty in every case is generally expected.



MR. D. A. STEWART.
Candidate for Alderman for 1908.

PILGRIMS MISSING

Anxiety Felt for Party Returning by Yacht From Holy Land.

New York, Dec. 31.—According to a morning paper, there is some anxiety felt over the whereabouts of yacht Coronet, which is bound from the Orient to San Salvador. She is bearing Leader Sanford of the Holy Ghost and United States Society, of Maine, who is returning from a pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

The barkentine, Kingdom, which sailed from Portland, Me., to meet Sanford, has arrived at San Salvador but thus far the Coronet has not been reported.

A PUZZING PROBLEM

Curious Case Submitted to Ontario Children's Aid Department.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—A curious case involving a point of law has been submitted to the provincial children's aid department.

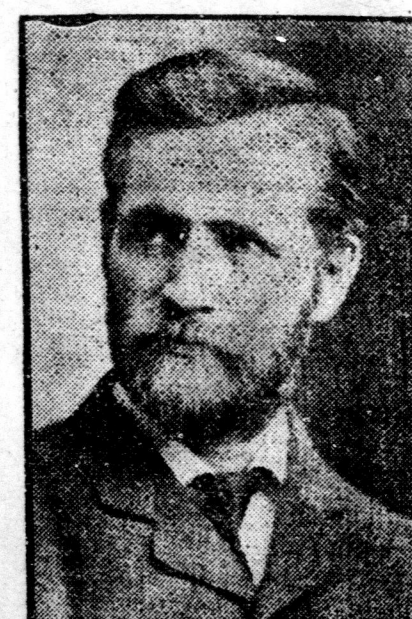
The question asked is whether or not a parent has a right to bring up a child in a state of deformity when a reputable physician has reported that the case can be cured by hospital treatment.

The problem is propounded by the Ontario Children's Aid Societies, and it is further stated that the father of the child in question is in receipt of good wages. The child is greatly deformed in appearance, but medical men contend that a cure might be effected in a very short time at a very small expense. In spite of these assurances, however, the father refuses to allow anything to be done.

Mr. J. J. Kelso, superintendent of the children's aid department, has recommended that the man be proceeded against for cruelty.

NEW BRUNSWICK'S FAILURES.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 31.—Bradstreet's figures for the year show 42 failures in New Brunswick, with liabilities of \$403,580, and assets approximately \$189,150. The number of failures were fewer than in 1905 or 1906, but the liabilities much heavier.



MR. W. E. SAUNDERS.
Retiring Water Commissioner who is Seeking Another Term.