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Reception Day - A Fine Programme of

Pastimes-Handsome Gifts. Just one year ago today the formal opening of the Young Men's Christian Association's handsome quarters on Wellington street took place. Today lie Church on Christmas morning. will be reception day from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., and during these hours a string band will discourse music and the Ladies' Auxiliary provide refreshment to the members and their friends. During the year 817 members have loined the association which is becoming more and more popular. The Ladies' Auxiliary have been the recipients of a handsome gift from the Minis-terial Association. That organization today gave the ladles several beautiful pieces of furniture together with a handsome Smyrna rug for their room on the second story. One of these pieces is a cain-backed and seated green colored "McKinley" chair. The ladies have improved the reception room down stairs by a donation to the institution in the shape of an upholstered permanent seat near the grate. mencing at 9:30 this morning, the young people's societies of the city will hold an illustrated sacred song service, when Mr. Fred Barron will preside at the piano. Mr. Chas. Sayer will have charge of the meeting.

This morning the final contests in the junior series of sports will take place, commencing at 9:30. There will be a game of basket ball between 11 and 12, between teams captained by Leonard Parker and Andrew Williams. A game of volley ball will be played between teams composed of players from the business men's and clergymen's classes. This is expected to be the funniest feature of the day. Another game of basket ball will be played be-tween 3:30 and 4:30 p.m. The public are extended a learty invitation to

A DINNER PILL.-Many persons suffer excruciating agony after par-taking of a hearty dinner. The fool partaken of is like a ball of lead upon the stymach, and instead of being a healthy nutriment, it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Parmeles a vegetable Pills are wonderful correctives of such troubles. They correct addity, open the secretions, and convey the food partaken of into healthy nutriment. They are just the mell-cipe to take if troubled with indeges—

The free library will be closed again today, owing to the small attendance on holidays. During the year donations to the institution on the whole have been small. The circulation of books is ever increasing, and last night the library was well attended. Since the advent of free libraries, the number of volumes of literature read in the Province of Ontario is amazing.

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London Advertiser. 107..... Business Offices

184..... Editorial Rooms 175...... Job Department Wolseley Barracks gave an "At Home"

News About Town this morning till 1 p.m. They pleased to see all their friends.

-Were you too sleepy to watch? -Gentle reader, how did you spend your Hogmanay? -Rev. Dr. Potts will preach in this city twice on Jan. 9. with friends in London. -Grand ice is promised for the Prin-

cess rink today. A band will be in at--Mr.Guy Magee, of Chicago, is visiting his mother and other city relatives last year he was ahead hundreds.

-Mr. and Mrs. Robert Middleton, of

Toledo, Ohio, are visiting friends and relaitves in the city. -Miss Agnes McCarthy and Miss relatives in the city.

-Rev. Walter Rigsby, of Blyth, who has been visiting old friends here, leaves for home this morning. -Mr. J. B. Smallman, of Smallman & Ingram, has left on a purchasing tour through Great Britain and Europe.

-Miss Annie Cannell, of this city, returned home yesterday after a week's visit with relatives in Hamil--Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin E. Noble, of this city, have returned, after

spending Christmas vacation with relattives in Toronto. -Mr. W. M. Gray, Langarth street, South London, is spending the holidays with his father, Mr. George Gray, at Cass City, Mich.

-Mr. and Mrs. Charles Geldart and family, of Stratford, and Mrs. Belyea, of Boston, Mass., are visiting Mr. H. Geldart, 262 Colborne street. -Mr. John O'Neill is in the city, vis-

iting his Nome. Mr. O'Neill sang the solo "O Holy Night," in Simcoe Catho--It was Alderman Parnell who insisted on restricting the working day of street railway employes and on having city workmen paid standard

-The report that the Marquis Hertford would succeed the Earl of Aberdeen as governor-general of Canada is not credited in official circles in -Mrs. John B. Laidlaw, of 718

Queen's avenue, on Wednesday last fell and broke her left arm. She had opened the door to go out, and slipped -Mrs. (Major) Wadmore gave a children's party in the officers' quarters at Wolseley Barracks last night, which

was largely attended. A thoroughly good time was enjoyed. -A Binbrook correspondent writes: Mrs. Langford, of London, is visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity. Ernest Munroe, of London, is visiting his sister, Mrs. (Dr.) Murdock.

-Messrs. Harry Palmer and Alf Denner, of this city, are visiting Mr. Wesley Wood, of Amadore, Mich., and on their return will spend a few days with friends in Fort Huron.

-The following New Year's greeting rily and end prosperously. The World." -Rev. J. W. Pedley, the popular pasdeclined it. Mr. Pedley prefers the

-Wm. H. Hamilton, of A. M. Hamilton & Son, wishes it understood that THE FREE LIBRARY. he is not the candidate for school trustee in No. 2 ward. The candidate is



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Respectfully requests the support and votes of the electors of WARD NO. 3.

For his election as School Trustee for 1898. play a friendly match at the Simcoe Street Rink this morning. The curling season will open early next week,

with the president's and vice-president's matches. -If Dr. Wilson were to swear off running as mayor till he had served a number of years as alderman, it would be a resolve that would meet with the approbation of the majority of the citizens of London.

-It is well for the electors to remember that there is a danger if the hospital bylaw is defeated in London's being saddled with the much more expensive hospital in the northern part of the city which Dr. Wilson has been advocating. -The non-commissioned officers of

©+©+©+©+©+©+©+©+©+©+©+©+©+©+© Mrs. Eliza McMillan, at her residence, ACCUSATIONS WITHOUT FOUNDA-438 Ontario street. Deceased succumbed to bronchitis. She was in her 85th

> to Kintore, near the old homestead, on con. 8. Nissouri. -The Advertiser is not an advocate wagering men were putting up their money that Dr. Wilson would be defeated in the mayoralty contest. Ald. interference."
> Parnell is a winner. For years he has This is a content of the content of

-Mr. Andrew Scott, of Chatham, is exactly the same as Toronto and Ham-quiet them. Mayor Little politely told on a visit to his uncle, Mr. Robert ilton bread bylaws. The slander that -Now, London West, let us see you! Parnell in his business is an insult to give a good rousing majority for Ald. the intelligence of the electors of London the intelligence of the electors of Lon- Wilson as "Doctor"—not "Wilson"—as don, who know that it has been made everyone within earshot knows. The simply with the view of advancing Dr. Wilson's candidature, and that it is absolutely without foundation.

-The board of arbitrators, consist-May Screenan, St. Thomas, are visit- ing of Mr. E. Meredith, for the city; Mr. J. M. Cousins, for Mr. Wm. Ful-ton, and Judge Edward Elliott as referee, have placed the amount to be paid to Wm. Fulton for the 41/2 acres of land expropriated by the water commissioners at \$500. There is a dispute between Mr. Cummings and Mr. Fulton as to the ownership of the land, but the matter will in all probability be amicably arranged. -A special to The Advertiser says:

The Imperial Bank of Canada, the headquarters of which are at Toronto, will open a branch in Montreal. The officers who will conduct the bank's bus iness have not yet been definitely fixed upon. It is learned that in all probability, Mr. Richardson, manager for some years of the bank's branch at Ingersoll Ont., will be moved to Montreal. His place at Ingersoll will be filled by Mr. Newcombe, of Welland, Ont. The position of accountant at the Montreal branch will be in charge of Mr. G. D. Boulton, of St. Thomas. Ont. -Six hundred circulars were sent out

by Dr. Wilson's agents to electors in all parts of the city believed to be favorable to his candidature for the mayoralty, asking them to attend the meeting in No. 3 ward. Much disappointment was expressed when, despite this herculean effort, a good majority of the voters present were seen to be favorable to Ald. Parnell. Unlike their opponents, the supporters of Ald. Parnell have sent round to the meetings no paid enthusiasm fomenters. That of popularity manufacturing is of little value in any contest, and it certainly is of no value in this campaign, where it has been demonstrated that the Wilson noise-makers have been marched, under a paid head, from ward to ward, simulating an enthusiasm for that gentleman which does not exist, but which was bought at 50 cents a head per night. On the eve of a municipal election.

the Free Press assails Inspector Bell for not enforcing the bread bylaw. The inspector dares the Free Press to make a straight charge against him so that he can meet it in a court of justice. He works problems require skillful hand-ling. Vote for Mayor Little for Water anyone else has interfered with him in the performance of his duty, and that he is ready and willing at all times ders of Ald. Parnell.

The free library will be closed again

I /E thank all our customers for the patronage they have extended to us in the past year, and wish you all

A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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inaugurated, the circulation was 183, 000 volumes. During the past year the ofrculation of books from the London library alone totaled nearly 90,000 volur s, or about one-half of the entire circulation of the province in 1883. SUCCESSFUL CANADIAN INVENT-

The following list of patents, recently granted to inventors residing in Canada reported for The London Advertiser by P. J. Edmunds, international patent solicitor, London, Ont.: Canada patents -J. Leash, et al., Gore Bay, Ont., sashholder; W. W. Boughner, Hamilton, lawn mower grinder; Walter Cole, Toronto, process of obtaining by-products from milk; A. Wagner, St. Catharines, stocking; I. M. House and C. Tingey, Gravenhurst, reciprocating engine; Wm. Cars, Orillia, nap wool fabric (trade mark); L. H. Smith, Strathroy,

"The Turkey Hunter" (photo copyright). United States patents—F. L. Decarie, Montreal, crematory; W. Graham, Toronto, tire; J. Opsahl, Toronto, automatic cut-off valve; R. Wales, et al., Westover, bottle, tankard, glass-ware or the like; H. L. Guilline, et al., Granby, horse-collar

THE DYING YEAR. A unique service, bequeathed to the Methodist Church by its founder, John Wesley, is known as the "Watch Night Service." It combines features esthetic, devotional and practical, just as might be expected from a man of John Wesley's high culture, great piety and eminent common sense. In Dundas Street Center Methodist Church last night a requiem was played for the dying year, and excellent music was rendered by the choir. Addresses of a suitable character were delivered by Rev. Walter Rigsby, of Blyth; Rev. Mr. Lanceley, the pastor, and Mr. Wm. Bowman. Watch night services were also held in St. Paul's Cathedral, where an eloquent sermon was preached by the Bishop of Huron, Wolseley Barracks gave an "At Home" and appropriate music was rendered to their civilian friends from 10 o'clock by the choir. St. John's (Anglican) other churches also watched the old

The Free Press throws mud at Mayor year, and a much esteemed woman.

The fuer Press throws mud at Mayor Little. It accuses him of discourtesy towards Dr. Wilson—a fault of which towards Dr. Wilson-a fault of which the mayor cannot be truthfully charged. The Free Press says that at the Mr. Norton, of Bolton, is visiting of betting, but merely as a news note it chronicles the fact that last night give Mayor Little a fair hearing, whereupon the mayor retorted: "Sit down, Wilson. No one asked for your

headed the poll in his own ward, and those who were at the meeting can This is a coarse bit of fiction, as testify. When a few persons made a -The local bread inspection bylaw is din as he rose, Dr. Wilson rushed to him that it was not necessary to appeal to the crowd on his (the mayor's) behalf. His worship addressed Dr. story that Mayor Little was discourteous to Dr. Wilson is no more true than the yarn in the Free Press that Ald. Parnell insulted Dr. Wilson. The reporters of the city press unanimously disprove the story of our contemporary their statement of the proceedings. The untruth now told was an afterthought of the Free Press, apparently intended to be an offset to Dr. Wilson's break in which he called the colored people "niggers," while, according to the Free Press, really intending to call them "rowdies,"

Not the Only Wiggler

There is Another Besides Dr. Wilson -It Is Ald. Winnett.

A Third Ward Elector Shows Up His Inconsistency on the Hospital Question-Ald. Winnett Opposed the Present Site.

London, Dec. 31, 1897. To the Editor of The Advertiser: What is the use in Ald. Winnett trying to draw the wool over the eyes of the electors of No. 3 ward on the hospital question? The minutes of the meeting of the city council on Dec. 6 show that he voted against submitting to the people the present hospital by-law in favor of the old site; and the report of his remarks in the daily papers gives as his reasons for opposing it that the bylaw made provision onl for hospital accommodation on the old site. Here we have Ald. Winnett the very last time that the council dealt with the question of site, voting flatly against the old site. And now, three weeks later, he has the hardihood to claim that he never opposed the old site. It is plain that Dr. Wilson has not yet an entire monopoly of the art wiggling. Yours sincerely,
A. LAIDLAW, George street.

The meter question and other water-

LIFE SAVED.-Mr. James Bryson Cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the lungs, from the Vancouver, B. C., World to The Advertiser was received early this and was given up by physicians. A neighbor advised me to try Dr. known. If there were any ground for Thomas' Eclectric Oil, stating that his its charge, why did it not make it a wife had used it for a throat trouble tor of the First Congregational Church, week ago, so that it could be investi-received a call yesterday from his for-gated? Only as a last desperate expedi-less than half a bottle cured me; I certainly believed it saved my life. It was with reluctance that I consented attack Inspector Bell, over the shoul- to a trial, as I was reduced to such a state that I doubted the power of any remedy to do me any good."

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New American Braces, 371/2c, 50c and 75c pair. Braces, silk web, 25c pair. All-linen 4-ply Collars, all Shapes, 2 for

Cuffs, links or straight, 22c and 25c

Black or Colored Cashmere Socks, rib-

Heavy Wool Socks, at 121/2c, 15c, 17c,

bed or plain, at 25c, 30c, 35c and 37½c pair. Cial at 68c. Few of those Quitts left, were cial at 68c. now 84c. board Scarfs, worth 75c, for 50c.

DUNDAS AND CARLING STREETS.

Brings Work to London London Would Lose

A Candidate Who Finds a Market for the Products of London Labor.

To give employment to London labor, Ald. Parnell sells bread wholesale in outside towns and villages. The Free Press argues that this is an offense against good morals. It does seem a trifle unfair for our contemorder to help its candidate, Dr. Wilson. Surely it is no more a crime for a London maker of bread to sell his bread wholesale to outside dealers than ties to sell his products wholesale.

union wages? Did the Free Press

market for London's products? The foolish charge which Dr. Wilas a progressive citizen, and ought to secure him the vote of every elector who is anxious to build up the city. We trust that Ald. Parnell will add to his out-of-town trade 100 per cent in the year on which we are now entered.

WHO IS WM. LIGHTFOOT?

Confined in a New York Asylum-Said to Have Relatives in This City.

Chief Williams is in receipt of a communication from the provincial secretary's department, Toronto, stating that a letter has been received by the lieutenant-governor from the British consul-general at New York on the subject of the detention in the Matteawan Hospital, of one William Lightfoot. The latter was arrested on the charge of intoxication and wandering around from house to house telling fortunes and for abusing people who did not take kindly to him. He was sent to the county jail at Bath, N. Y., and transferred to the asylum on Nov. 8, The British consul points out that if arrangements were made for his return to Canada, the charge against him would be dismissed provided assurance is given that Lightfoot

would remain in Canada. Lightfoot's children, the British consul says, reside in London, Ont., but he has no way of confirming the statement. Mr. Lightfoot's sister, Alancelot Tasker, resides in Lounsbury, in Huron county, Ont. The provincial secretary is in quest of information concerning Lightfoot, and any facts concerning him will be gladly received.

A vote for Mayor Little is a vote for A vote for Mayor Lattle as Water Communication of the city wa-

Handkerchiefs. Our assortment embraces over 1,000 dozen of all kinds, from 5c to \$5. Every one has been reduced. Our buyer took a whole day at the job of cutting the prices-some lots one-quarter off. Glove Department is the best assorted others one-third off, and some one-half off. They are here for your inspection in this district for the productions of and choice. Ask for our special lines at 25c and 39c.

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64-inch Bleached Table Linens, worth 64-inch Bleached Table Linens, wort) 90c. for 60c. Manufacturer's Stock of Napkins below cost. Fancy Doilies, 5c, 6c, 8c and 10c. Tray Cloths, worth 25c, for 19c. Tray Cloths, worth 30c, for 25c.

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What the City Has Saved by Careful Board of Works

Why Public Meetings Have Been Disturbed by a Few Men Opposed to Ald. Parnell. A vote for Ald. Parnell is a vote for porary to misrepresent Ald. Parnell's low taxes and honest expenditure of upright and fair business methods, in public funds. Ald. Parnell has been in the city council for six years, and he

has a record so clean that his opponent cannot find a flaw in it. Formerly the for a manufacturer of other commodi- Board of Works spent on the streets \$50,000 a year; while Ald. Parnell has Is it not commendable to increase been chairman of that council committhe number of men working in London | tee the expenditures on streets have by looking for trade outside the city, been reduced to \$32,000, and more and and having the work done here at better work has been done. The men who have been following ever hear of Dr. Wilson employing any Ald. Parnell from meeting to meeting, of London's workingmen in gainful oc- interrupting him, and endeavoring to

cupations, or did it ever hear of him make-believe that the citizens do not looking around to outside places for a want him as mayor, formerly profited much by the loose and often dishonest expenditure of public money. They hope son's advocates thus make against to defeat Ald. Parnell, and with an Ald. Parnell but emphasizes his worth inexperienced mayor, who says that aff a mayor has to do is to act as chairman of the council, they are hopeful to have the old days of extravagance, of squandering, of stealing, re-established.

Ald. Parnell has proved a watch-dog of the civic treasury. He has kept all fishy contractors and scaly manipulators at bay while he has been chairman of the Board of Works. The citizens cannot do wrong to elect him mayor. and let Dr. Wilson wast till he has some experience as an alderman; then he will not take the ground that all a mayor has to do is to look pretty, and let the city hall and ward officials run the city. Those of us who have been longer in London than Dr. Wilson have bitter recollections of the losses that the taxpayers sustained by pursuing just such a lax system of supervision

as he advocates. LONDONS TRADE.

Big Increase in the Foreign Business of the City-Duties for 1897-\$48,-156 77 Over the Previous

Year. The customs returns for 1897 show . big increase in the amount of duties collected at the port of London over the previous year. In 1896 the total customs duty was \$469,308 65, while in 1897 the total was \$512,465 42-an increase of

that month in 1896 being \$31,805, and in 1897, \$44,506 10-increase, \$12,700 59. Your vote and influence for Mayor

One of the largest gains in any one month was in December, the duties for