

LEGENDARY T. HAMILTON DOOR OPEN; FOUR BLAZES

Fire at Laundry Has Suspicious Features—Ministers After Aldermanic Scalps.

Hamilton, Dec. 17.—(Special)—Chief Ten Eyck, who has been at the head of the fire department for only a few months, says that many suspicious fires have come under his notice during the past year. The department was called to time the fire at the laundry on Saturday evening. For the occasion time within a few weeks he broke out in the City Steam Laundry building, near Main and Bay-streets. Alderman Dickson, one of the members of the company, left the office at 6 o'clock and locked the door. About an hour later one of the neighbors noticed a reflection of fire, and ran to the building, to find the office door standing wide open. No violence had been used. When the chief and his men arrived they found that four distinct places on the second floor of the building were on fire. There was no fire on that story when the employees left at 5 o'clock. A male carpenter, the name of whom was given to the chief, was seen near the main and Bay-streets. He was in a serious hurry, and the chief says that he saw him stand up on a sign above the roadway that they are accustomed to dig out. He had a narrow escape himself when driving over them.

ANOTHER SHIPMENT

to hand of those well \$18.00 Sovereign Brand Black Beaver Top Coats. To say that they are selling like hot cakes is putting it mild. They are beautiful in every sense of the word and a gentleman who came in with a friend said that they were much superior in fit to one he paid a King St. tailor \$40.00 for and had to 'take it' back for alterations. That's not the way with Sovereign Brand Coats. They fit without any alterations and stay fitted. We have other lines at from \$10.00 to \$25.00, but the \$18.00 line we mention is a hummer—

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OAK HALL CLOTHIERS 115 KING-STREET EAST Right Opp the "Chimes." J. COOMBS, Manager.

BOYS DISTURB A HOLD-UP POLICEMAN DOES THE REST

Francis Wilson is Run Down and Charge of Assault and Highway Robbery Registered.

About 6:30 p.m. Sunday, W. E. McGrath, 18 Hastings-street, was pounced upon by two thugs in a lane off Adelaide-street, just west of Front-street. He was badly beaten and choked, and robbed of \$2.

Four lads who heard McGrath's shouts for help ran towards the lane and saw two men run in different directions. They chased one, shouting, "Stop thief!" Acting Patrol Sergeant Teeves, who was on York-street, heard their cries and saw a man cross York-street on the run. He followed and ran the fugitive down in front of Bond-street. One of the men was recognized as Francis Wilson, 18 West Richmond-street. Assault and highway robbery was the charge entered against him.

It is only two weeks since Wilson was before Judge Morgan on a theft charge. He was remanded for sentence and allowed to go after receiving a lecture which should have done him good.

When brought to the station his hands were covered with blood. McGrath could not positively identify Wilson, but the "sweater" turned out to be only the collar, which could easily be slipped over the head and thrown away. In this case Wilson had not time to discard this means of identification.

At 1:30 this morning Constables Archibald and Lannan visited 106 West Richmond-street, found William Adams in bed and arrested him. He is supposed to be Wilson's partner, who escaped earlier in the evening.

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By purchasing early there is the advantage of larger assortment, and the chance of our being able to wait upon you as we like to wait upon all our customers—which is, unfortunately, not always possible when several parties are being waited upon at the same time.

Whatever may be your idea in regard to price, style, size, make, color, etc., we can scarcely fail to suit you in every respect. We have a stock that amazes everybody that sees it, for it is beyond doubt the largest and most varied in this country.

There is a fine collection of slightly used pianos on the Second Floor Parlors today. These are some great bargains among them.

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Bell Piano WAREHOUSES 146 YONGE ST.

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and all other documents and papers belonging to the York Loan and Trust Co. should be handed over to the receiver, which, as old employees, they will doubtless be glad to do. Agents are further advised that the provisional liquidator is to appoint a receiver to take possession of the assets of the company, which, as old employees, they will doubtless be glad to do.

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OPEN EVENINGS

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