

CONTROLLER SPENCE LAUNCHES CAMPAIGN

At Riverdale Meeting Praises Danforth Car Line, But is Silent on Bloor Viaduct.

We have again come around to that season of the year when aspirants for civic honors hold forth to the populace at large, telling them of things that are past and the future that is yet to come to this great city of ours.

The first meeting of this kind took place last evening, when Controller Spence, assisted by lantern views of civic improvements, spoke of anything from city statistics to a home for lunatics.

After the chair had been taken by Ald. Chisholm, J. G. O'Donoghue, a labor candidate for the board of control, said a few words. He dwelt largely on the fact that he had not come out to make a speech, but to listen to the words of wisdom that fell from the lips of Brother Spence.

The genial controller was then called upon. His topics were many and varied. He had a list of city statistics with him that would make a mathematician turn green with envy, but still they were of the kind that were easily

The city was up to its neck in debt, according to the controller, and it was up to the citizens at large to consider the bylaws that were to be voted on at the next election very carefully, and only support those that were to be of any material good to them.

The Danforth car line, in his estimation, was a worthy project, and would receive his support. His great aim, tho, was to see the hydro bylaw passed. He pointed out very carefully the fact that all the hydro system was costing a lot of money at present, and would cost still more, it would cost the city nothing in future, its revenue was paid for in a short time. He was mum on the Bloor-street viaduct.

The home for the perpetual drunk was then dealt with. He thought it was a shame and a disgrace that a man should have to come before his worship, Magistrate Denison, and hear the old familiar "dollar and costs or 30 days." A man of that kind should be sent to a workhouse, where he would have a chance to get medical treatment and also lots of hard work and ozone. The controller advocated the establishment of a city farm for such cases.

After dwelling on the tube project for a few moments, for which he did not seem to care a great deal, lantern views of various civic improvements were shown. These were very instructive and were much appreciated by the large audience present (57).

But as the lantern views did not show the leaks in the filtration plant, they will not be used as evidence at the civic enquiry now going on.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS

"The Chocolate Soldier" at the Royal Alexandra.

The sale of seats for "The Chocolate Soldier" which created such a profound impression upon its presentation here last year, begins to-day at the box office of the Royal Alexandra, where the superb Strauss opera will play an engagement of one week from next Monday with the usual matinee on Thursday and Saturday. The large number of mail orders which have been received indicates the eagerness with which the music lovers of Toronto anticipate the return engagement of this delightful opera, the first real opera bouffe in a generation.

Practically the entire original cast which made a record run of 300 nights in New York will be here, including Alice York, Vivian Weadon, Juanita Fletcher, Mildred Rogers, Charles H. Bowers, George Tallman, Francis J. Boyle and George O'Donnell, and Mr. Whitney has provided a special orchestra of 40 musicians under the direction of John Lund in order to afford audiences a perfect conception of the full beauties of the score. For the first time and in spite of the brilliant cast, the highest prices for seats will be \$1.50 at nights, and \$1 at the Thursday matinee.

AT THE PRINCESS.

May Robson in Two Plays.

May Robson's new comedy, "A Night Out," illustrates the quaint characteristics and unchangeable good nature of an elderly woman, who believes in hereditary influence from grandfather to the third generation. Miss Robson will appear at the Princess Theatre next week, presenting "A Night Out" on Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights, and Wednesday matinee. "The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary" will be presented Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday nights and Saturday matinee. Seat sale opens this morning at 9 o'clock at the box office.

AT THE GAYETY.

"The Love Kiss."

What Louis Robie's big show, the Knickerbocker Burlesques, intend to dish out to the audiences who attend the Gayety Theatre next week, is described in Robie's advance reports as a goodly and plentiful supply of what is

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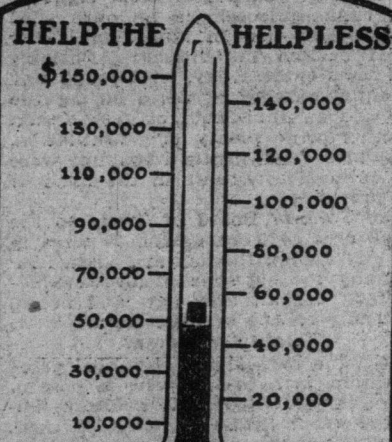
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known as burlesque. In the first place, the announcement of the presentation of a burlesque called "The Love Kiss," which is said to fairly sizzle with that kind of osculatory diversion, ought to be enough in itself to make the burlesque enthusiast sit up and take notice. The beauty chorus is said to be another attraction worth while.

CONSERVATORY ORGAN RECITAL.

The third of a series of organ recitals by Mr. Richard Tattersall of the Conservatory of Music, will take place Saturday afternoon, at 4 o'clock. In the music hall of the Conservatory. A most interesting program has been prepared. Invitations may be obtained on application at the office of the Conservatory.

Christmas Opportunities in Pianos—

75c a Week Will Buy a Piano. The old firm of Heintzman & Co., 193-195-197 Yonge-street, Toronto, have put out for sale for the Christmas holidays some twenty-five square pianos that have come to them in exchange on returned or rental account. These bear such names as Chickering, Steinway, Miller & Sons, Heintzman & Co., and others. Every piano has been thoroughly overhauled by the firm's own workmen and is guaranteed in good condition. They are ticketed at from \$55 to \$150 each and will be sold in payments of 75 cents a week—an exceptional opportunity to secure a good piano for Christmas.

Mrs. Herbert Street Cowan, 23 Cliff-road, this afternoon. Her daughter, Mrs. McAvity, Montreal, will receive with her.

SOCIETY

Among those noticed in the large audience at the Toronto Symphony Orchestra Concert in Massey Hall last night were: Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Cox, Dr. and Mrs. Vogt, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Cox, Dr. and Mrs. McKinnon, Miss Chipman, Miss Louise Watt, Major and Mrs. Deacon, Mr. Gerald Larkin, Miss Larkin, Prof. Ramsay Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Guest, Mrs. H. D. Warren and her two daughters, Mr. Cochran, Mrs. and Miss Wignmore, Mr. Young, Mr. Murray Alexander, Mr. Marvin Rathbun, Mrs. E. Y. Eaton and her daughter, Mrs. Burden, Prof. and Mrs. Michael Hambourg, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Barrett, Mrs. Jones, Mr. Jones, Mrs. and Mrs. W. Goulding, Misses Goulnok, Miss Mary Hanna, M. de Champ, Mr. Benedict, Mr. Albert Nordheimer, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Harman, Prof. and Mrs. McLennan, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Lash, Miss Brock, Mrs. B. Morton Jones, Miss Clara Hagarty, Mrs. Gerhard Heintzman, Miss Heintzman, Mr. W. Langton, Mrs. Warrmouth, Miss Frances Harman, Mr. Russell, G. MacLean, Dr. Philip, Mr. Beverley Robins, Mr. and Mrs. Blackford, Mrs. Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. Mary Campbell, Misses Boulton, Mrs. and Miss Nevitt, Mrs. J. Bruce MacDonald, Mrs. Barton, Miss Grace Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Forsyth were accompanied by Miss Friedman and gave a supper in honor of the soloist after the concert.

Mrs. Frederick Turner is giving a girls' tea on Dec. 21.

Mrs. W. B. Maclean has sent out invitations to a house dance on the 27th of December for young people.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cavthra have sailed for Southern France.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Warren have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Jessie Adeline, to Mr. Carroll, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Carroll, on Wednesday, January 18, at 2:30 o'clock in St. Thomas' Church and afterwards at the Prince George Hotel.

Dr. and Mrs. Walter E. Willmott have issued invitations for an at-home on Friday evening, December 22, at 8:30 o'clock at 74 Cremona-road, to celebrate their crystal wedding.

Mrs. Prince gave a small bridge party last night.

Miss Helen and Miss Charlotte Coutlee, Ottawa, who have been spending a month in St. Catharines and were Mrs. Walter Fleming in Toronto, have returned home.

Mrs. Fred Denison gave a bridge party yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Fripp are leaving Ottawa to-day for Montreal to attend the St. Andrew's ball in Montreal and will spend the week end at Calédonia Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Chase Casgrain give a dinner in Montreal to-night for the Night Hon. R. L. and Mrs. Borden.

The Right Hon. the Premier and Mrs. Borden entertained at a delightful dinner party on Monday evening. When the guests included Hon. Robert and Mrs. Rogers, Hon. Nesbitt and Mrs. Kirchhoffer, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Northrup, Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Ross, Mrs. Charles Road, Commander Roper.

Miss Ethel Aldous of Winnipeg who

has been staying with friends in Toronto, has arrived in Ottawa and is visiting her grandfather, Sir Henry Bute.

Mrs. Murray McFarland gives a tea to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Irvin returned to Ottawa the end of the week.

Col. and Mrs. Vaux Chadwick are giving a dinner this evening for Mr. and Mrs. Acton Fleming.

Dr. Augusta Stowe Gullen gave a luncheon of twelve covers at the Brown Betty yesterday in honor of Mrs. Fankhurst, to whom she gave a bouquet of violets and American Beauties. In the evening the Canadian Suffrage Association gave a dinner for Mrs. Fankhurst in the palm room at McConkey's, where a large number of prominent men and women were present, and many interesting speeches were made.

St. Alban's School Old Boys' dance takes place at the Metropolitan this evening at 8:30.

Col. and Mrs. Sam Hughes, Miss Roby Hughes are returning to their home in Lindsay to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Knox, Walmer-road, was the hostess of a bridge yesterday afternoon.

Miss Forsythe, Montreal, is in Hamilton, and expects to visit friends in the city this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Miss Hazel Margaret, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ireland, and Mr. Robert T. Eaton, first vice-president of the T. Eaton Company, Toronto, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony by Rev. G. W. Findley, pastor of St. Agnes Anglican Church. The bride party entered the church to the strains of the wedding march from Lohengrin, played by L. Cope, organist of St. Agnes' Church. The bride entered the church leaning on her father's arm, preceded by her maid of honor, two bridesmaids and the ushers. The church was a perfect bower of palms and huge bunches of white double carnations. The pews for the relatives and guests were marked off by satin ribbons and clusters of pink and white carnations. The bride's gown was a creation of white liberty satin, with heavy silver leaf. The gown was cut on empire lines, with a square train of the silver embroidered nylon, edged with tiny silver balls. A tunic of nylon fell from an empire waist line having a border of chivalry lace edged with a pearl fringe, the yoke and undersleeves were of tulle over flesh pink chiffon. The veil of Brussels net had

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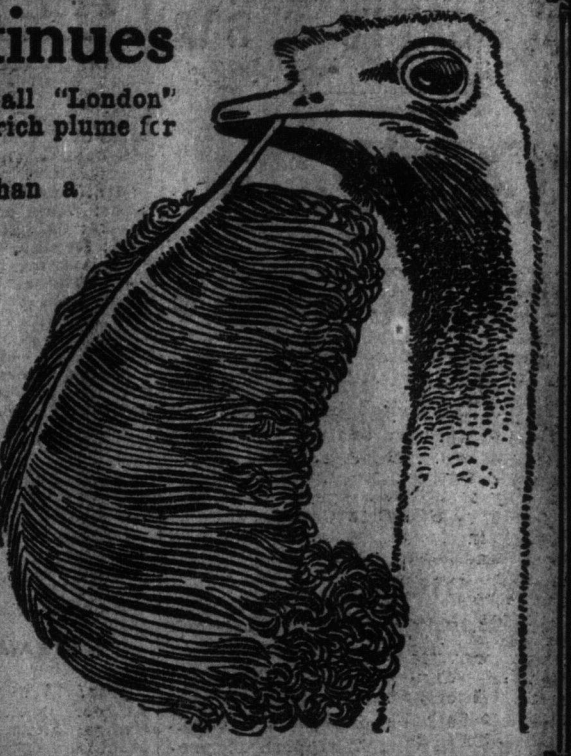
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Mrs. Herbert G. Tod is spending the holiday season at 194 North Grand-boulevard west, Detroit, and will therefore not be at home on the third Friday in December, but will receive as usual on the third Friday in January.

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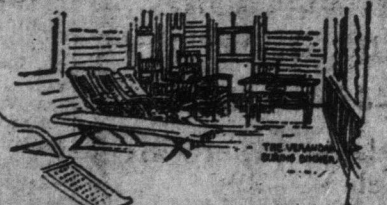
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Many appeals for admission to the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives come through the attending physician. A letter now in the hands of the Secretary is from one of the medical men of Almonte, Ont., who asks if something cannot be done for a young man of twenty years, at present residing in Smith's Falls. The doctor says: "I found him far advanced in phthisis, and he is now begging food and clothing. He is absolutely unfit for work, and needs care. Would he be a patient who could be admitted to one of the sanatoria in your charge? His people cannot do anything for him. His father is living, but has skipped out, leaving a boy of 18 years to take charge of mother and younger son. Let me have all needed particulars."



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