

WESTERN FAIR SURPLUS \$12,844

Directors Are Pleased With the Results of 1915 Exhibition.

WILL REPAY CITY'S LOAN \$5,000 of Government Grant Has Not Yet Been Received.

The submission of the financial statement up to October 31 at the meeting of the directors of the Western Fair yesterday afternoon was accepted by the board as an indication beyond dispute of the most successful year yet, in spite of unusual difficulties.

This the directors considered a very satisfactory result with which to commence the new year, especially in view of the fact that a fine new grandstand and a dog building and a sheep building have been added and paid for.

Skating rink for soldiers. A communication was received from City Clerk Baker requesting a conference between representatives of the board and the board of control with reference to a suggestion for the construction of a skating rink on part of the ring for the use of the soldiers in quarters at the fair grounds.

Mr. Gilchrist, who is in charge of the work of the local Y. M. C. A. among the soldiers, wrote asking that some arrangement be made for the construction of an extra building on the grounds to be used as a canteen and for picture shows, concerts, etc.

Several letters were received complaining that exhibitors were lax in bringing their prizes into the ring for the parade following the judging. After some discussion the question was left to the new board, with a recommendation that exhibitors who failed to comply with the regulations be made to forfeit their prize money.

Will repay loan from city. Several of the directors have on any delay in the repayment of the \$2,200 loan obtained from the city, as it was pointed out that this had been made on the responsibility of the treasurer, and that unless the money were forthcoming before the end of the year he would be in difficulties with his accounts.

French Punish German Private Who Insulted Canadian Sergeant. [Canadian Press.] Paris, Nov. 18.—A dispatch from Tours to the Havre News Agency says: "The Friedrich Schultze, of the 4th Prussian Infantry, a prisoner of war at the Issoudun depot, was sent out with a working party under the supervision of Field Sergeant Georges Wolff, of the Queen Elizabeth's Regiment of the Imperial Guard.

WILL CITY FAVOR CHURCH UNION?

Rev. W. R. McIntosh Believes Presbyterians of London Will.

OPPOSITION ELSEWHERE Anti-Union Propaganda in Presbyterian Churches Apparently Wins Converts.

A revival of interest in the subject of church union has taken place in the last few weeks in London, owing to the fact that the vote thereon is being taken this month, ballots being returnable any Sunday.

The returns are awaited with greatest interest, owing to the fact that in some places, such as Woodstock, St. Catharines, Hamilton and Fergus, the consensus of Presbyterian opinion, as evidenced by recent votes, is decidedly against union.

In King Street Presbyterian Church the question of union and of voting is being given serious consideration. On Wednesday evening a congregational meeting was held, when the elders presented the case in all its phases, and on Sunday the pastor, Rev. W. R. McIntosh, will preach on the subject, the vote to be taken the succeeding week or the month.

Mr. McIntosh, who is deeply in sympathy with the union movement, is optimistic in regard to the result of the vote in this city. "As far as I know," he says, "the ministers of the city are practically all in favor, and whatever may be said about the matter to the contrary, I believe it is true that the attitude of the minister influences the congregation. While there has been no concerted action among the Presbyterian ministers in regard to presenting the subject at this time, though some discussion took place on this point at our Presbyterian Convention, recognizing the significance of the decision to be made.

Organic Union Secondary. "The question whether church union shall be organic union with other churches at the present is secondary to the great principle involved, that of co-operation with other social units for the good of the community at large."

Given Wrist Watch. Bell Telephone Employee Now in Khaki Remembered by Fellow Workers. A very pleasant event took place on Wednesday evening at the office of the Bell Telephone Company, when W. J. Anderson, of the telephone exchange department was presented with a military wrist watch. Mr. Anderson has left of Join A Company of the 7th Battalion for overseas service.

Big Orange Meeting. Many Coming to London District Gathering This Evening. Oranagement from all over the district will gather here this evening to hear ex-Mayor Hookin of Toronto and Dr. Williams of Woodstock, at the London district meeting. It was said today that reports had been received that nearly all the county masters will be in attendance. A large number from the London lodges will also be there.

OPINIONS DIVERGE AS TO MARRIAGES

Ministers Say License Issuers Should Be More Careful With Soldiers.

ALLIANCE IS INTERESTED Ministerial Body Will Probably Discuss Situation at Next Meeting.

"These hasty marriages between soldiers and young girls, of which so many cases have been reported lately, are becoming a real evil which the community should be awakened to realize," declared Rev. Canon Tucker. "It is the business of the community as well as the individual," he declared, "because in many cases the community will be called upon to support these people. In my opinion, those who issue marriage licenses have a serious responsibility. When I publish marriage banns in the church, I assume all responsibility for conditions being all that they should be. The man who is vested with authority to issue a license for marriage should be one who could be trusted to make conscientious investigation, considering the seriousness of the results. When a man comes to me with a license which has been made out by a duly qualified agent of the Government, it is a difficult matter for me to take issue with this declaration that everything is as it should be. As I understand it, according to the law, a man who goes to secure a marriage license is obliged to be accompanied by someone to go bond for him.

Both Should Appear. "I believe it should be compulsory for both of the contracting parties to appear. A man, in taking out a license, may tell a falsehood about the age of the girl he wishes to marry. How is the issuer of licenses to judge unless she is there for him to see for himself? But even when a couple comes to me with a proper license, I won't marry them until I am perfectly convinced that both are of age, perfectly respectable, and contracting the marriage with the consent of parents or guardians. As I said before, I think there should be an awakening to the present danger in our city from hasty marriages, both for the girls and the soldiers. It is frequently the result of sudden infatuation which will not stand the test of time. Again, in many girls, there is a glamor about marrying a man in uniform. In other cases, I am sorry to say, the girl looks upon the allowance she expects to get as a means of escape from the drudgery of her present life. No account is taken of the cost. I would be in favor of bringing up the matter before the ministerial body, so that they may have knowledge of them, every minister in the city would be glad to co-operate in refusing to perform the marriage ceremony in cases where they cannot do so with an entirely free conscience."

Says It's Up to Government. "My position in the matter," said Rev. J. B. Dixon, of the first Congregational Church, "is that where the Government, through its duly qualified agents, tells me a certain couple has a right to get married, I have no right to put my judgment against that of the Government. The responsibility lies with the laws of the land, and if the Government agents aren't doing their duty they should be dismissed. If the Government gives licenses to marry in such cases as have come to the patriotic association and has been reported in your paper, the Government should be willing to support the dependents. I may be a free trader, but Canada being a protectionist country, I have to respect protection laws in bringing goods into the country, much as I might like to do otherwise. That is my position on the question of performing marriage ceremonies."

Return Soldiers' Fees. "It is absolutely unfair to ministers, some of whom I know, to make it a rule to return the fee to the soldier's bride, or refuse to accept a fee. The minister, moreover, might be in possession of facts which he cannot make public which induce him to perform a ceremony in a case where the general public might be tempted to criticize. I believe, however, as full an investigation as possible should be made before marrying a couple. I have on occasion refused to perform a marriage ceremony because I was not satisfied. I have urged reconsideration in the part of one or both, and in other cases have deferred the service until I could make investigation."

All Perfectly Correct. Rev. H. A. Graham, of the Centennial Methodist Church, had perhaps three marriages of soldiers and their sweethearts to perform in the past year. They have always had an entirely correct civil license, and in cases where a soldier was attached to a fully organized unit, the consent of the commanding officer or that of a junior officer, who would make it all right with the senior officer. "Where I have officiated," he stated, "I have been particularly about the consent, also of the parents or guardians of the girl. In one case the girl had no home in the city, but was accompanied by a friend."

Rev. J. H. Boyd would advocate greater strictness in the issuing of marriage licenses. Like Canon Tucker, he would insist upon the girl as well as the man appearing before the Government agent when application is made for a marriage license. "A minister cannot always forecast the results, but he cannot be too careful when it comes to tying two people together for life," is Mr. Boyd's opinion, as expressed to The Advertiser.

THIS PAGE The Most Important News Today

Economy Assured to All Who Heed Its Message

We are prepared for just such another busy day tomorrow as last Saturday. Thousands have yet to buy some portion of their winter outfit, and we believe this space contains news which will lead to an actual saving of money on merchandise of correct style and of guaranteed excellence and quality. Our guarantee of satisfaction is your safeguard, and the great sales for Saturday cover many winter needs for men, women and children. CAN YOU SHOP EARLY?

Balance of Velvet Shapes Up to \$6 Saturday \$1.98

Saturday will be clearance day in the Millinery Section, when a general clearance will be laid out on the sale tables. ONE TABLE of Velvet Shapes, worth up to \$6.00. Your choice \$1.98. ONE TABLE of Trimmed Hats, prices up to \$7.50. Your choice \$2.39. CHILDREN'S HATS, 50c—One table of Children's Hats, including all corduroy and felt shapes, worth up to \$1.75. To clear \$1.25. MOUNTS, WINGS AND FLOWERS, 25c—One table of Colored Mounts, Wings and Flowers worth up to \$1.50. To clear Saturday \$29c each. SECOND FLOOR.

Sale of Aluminum Ware Saturday "Wear-Ever" Make. \$1.80 KETTLE, \$1.19.

50 only best "Wear-Ever" Aluminum, eight-quart size regular \$1.80 kettles. Saturday \$1.19. 90c FRYING PANS, 69c. 25 only best "Wear-Ever" Frying Pans; regular 90c size. Saturday \$69c each. BASEMENT.

Kimonos 98c

10 dozen only Kimonos of flowered flannelette, made Empire style back and front, and piped with satin to harmonize; neat stitched collar and cuffs, also piped; colors Copenhagen, heliotrope, tan, navy, grey, also black ground with light flower; sizes 34 to 46. Special 98c.

Sale of Flannelette Gowns 98c, \$1.25

4 dozen only, a neat slipover style, made of good quality flannelette, round yoke with pretty embroidered design in front, three-quarter length sleeves; neck and sleeves trimmed with lace; lengths 56, 58 and 60; regular price, \$1.50. Special \$1.25. 4 dozen only splendid Gowns of heavy flannelette, double yoke in back and front, high neck and long sleeves, collar and cuffs trimmed with small scallops; lengths 56, 58 and 60. Special 98c. Also one table of Cambrie Gowns, soiled lines, mostly slipover styles; prices up to \$1.50. Clearing at 79c and 98c each.

Blouses Up to \$1.25 Saturday 49c

Clearing sale of Ladies' Voile Blouses, broken lines and sizes, low neck, three-quarter sleeves prettily trimmed with hemstitching; very dainty and attractive house blouses; all sizes from 34 to 42 in the lot; values up to \$1.25. Special 49c each.

Ladies' Underwear

Cream Wool Vests, low neck, no sleeves or short sleeves. Price 75c each. Cotton Vests, natural or white, high neck, long sleeves. (Drawers ankle length to match.) Outside 35c, or three for \$1.00. White Cotton Corset Covers, high neck, long or short sleeves, 25c and 40c each. Cream Silk and Wool Vests, low neck, short and elbow sleeves. Price, 75c each. Cream Spun Silk Vests, low neck, no sleeves or short sleeves. Price \$1.00. Same quality, high neck, long sleeves. Price \$1.25. Same quality, high neck, short sleeves. Price \$1.15. Ribbed Cotton and Lisle Vests, no straps, for the crochet yokes. Price 25c, 35c.

Bleached Sheets \$1.29 Pair

Heavy Twilled Bleached Sheets, large bed size, made from good stout English sheeting, finished neatly with 2 1/2-inch hem at top and 3/4-inch at bottom. Special \$1.29 pair. Bleached Longcloth, 36 inches wide, superior underwear cotton. Special 10c yard, or 11 yards for \$1.00.

15c WRAPPERETTE SATURDAY 8 1/2c YARD. About 600 yards Wrapperettes and Kimono Cloths in light and dark colors, good patterns for house dresses, children's wear or covering for comforters; regular 10c to 15c yard. Special 8 1/2c yard.

GREAT CLEARING OF MEN'S OVERCOATS SATURDAY

We have just one word to say about these coats, and this will apply to the sale of Boys' Overcoats and Suits at \$1.49, as well as the men's, and that is, come early, at the opening hour, if possible, to avoid disappointment, as these are the most important clearing reductions we have made yet this season. All should clear in the forenoon, and the 20 Overcoats at \$5.00 should go the first half-hour's selling. The Boys' Suits and Overcoats will go with a rush.

Men's \$15 Tweed Overcoats Saturday \$5

20 only English Tweed Overcoats, in single and double breasted styles, in light mixtures only, suitable for men or young men; sizes 33 to 40. Come early for these. Rush sale price \$5.00 each.

Men's Fur Collar Overcoats \$10.50

60 Men's Overcoats at about half-price Saturday; black beaver cloth, in double-breasted styles, plush or quilted linings, with frogs and barrel buttons, giving every appearance of a fur-lined coat; windproof coats, with rubber interlining and wind muff in sleeves. Also English Tweeds, Vicunas and Chinchilla Overcoats in Chesterfield and ulster styles in this \$10.50 collection; all at about half regular value. See these early; sizes 36 to 44. All one price Saturday \$10.50.

Boys' Overcoats and Suits \$1.49 Saturday Clearance

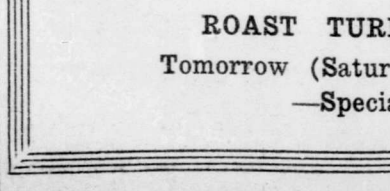
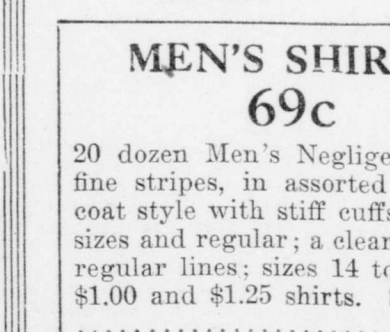
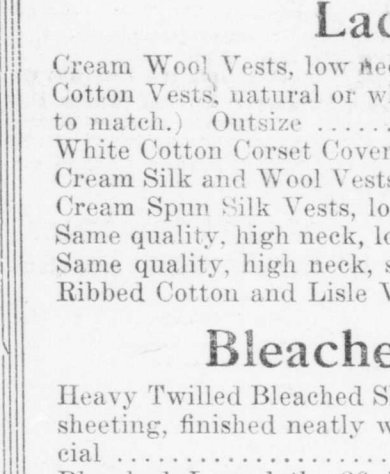
20 Boys' Overcoats for the little chaps (2 to 5 years only), to be cleared at only a fraction of their value. Don't miss this sale; bring the little boys Saturday; come at 8:30, and you won't be disappointed. Price \$1.49. Also 25 Boys' Oliver Twist and Buster Suits, fancy styles, for ages 2 to 6 years, also clearing at fractional price while they last. Saturday \$1.49. 50 Boys' Overcoats in chinchilla, tweed and beavers, double-breasted styles, for ages 3 to 8 years. Price \$4.95. Also Shawl and Convertible Collar Overcoats for boys 8 to 16 years, best colors. Special \$8.75.

Boys' Combination Underwear \$1.50 Suit

Boys' natural wool, also heavy ribbed wool and cotton mixture perfect fitting, unshrinkable and durable; sizes for ages 6 to 15 years. Price \$1.50 suit.

ROAST TURKEY DINNER. Tomorrow (Saturday), Full Course. Special, 50c.

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