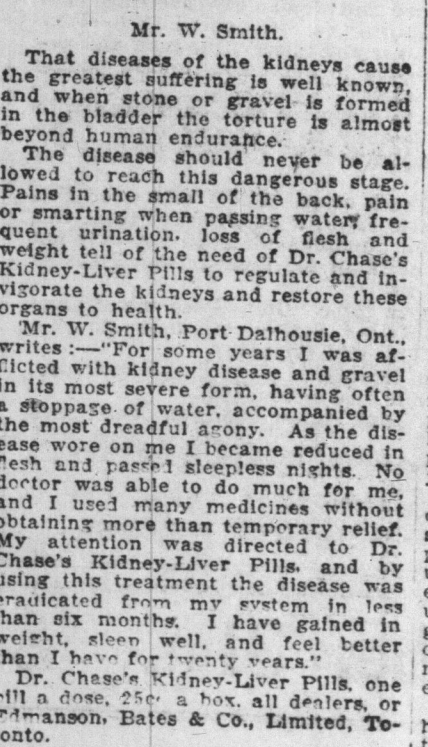


**All Ontario Interested in Con-  
certs by National Chorus  
Next Month—Pupils  
Give Recital.**

**Ticket Sale Open.**  
The subscription lists for the two series to be given next month by the Buffalo Chorus in connection with the New York Symphony Orchestra, are now open at Massey Hall and the National Choral Hall, 1000 Bannockburn. Love's of fine vocal numbers would do well to make their bookings early, as a date as possible, as the chorus is not likely to be able to hold out for both performances before the opening of the public sale. The chorus is a fine one, and the conductor and the reputation of the National Chorus as a singing body has evidence in the fact that many of the best applications for seat reservations are coming in from outside Buffalo. The chorus will give two series of the season, and the programs now being arranged will set a new standard for choral work. The chorus is now open to obtain.  
There is also a concert to be given at Buffalo, N. Y., on the 10th of next month, and the people of that city and vicinity are already looking forward to it with much pleasurable anticipation.  
Messrs. Ham and the chairman of the Buffalo Chorus, are now making the record of the subscription, and were assured of a most hearty welcome. Already reservations have been made for a large number of seats, and the chorus is confident that a large number of requests are being received from the people of the Niagara peninsula, some of them coming from as far east as the Atlantic coast, and that disinterested people are making suggestions for Buffalo than for Toronto.

**PLYMOUTH, Dec. 8.—(Can. Press.)** The American line steamship St. Louis, which sailed from New York November 30, met with a serious accident last Thursday, when a piston broke and was hurled from the cylinder to the top of the engine-room, did much damage, but no one was hurt. Repairs are expected to occupy two months.

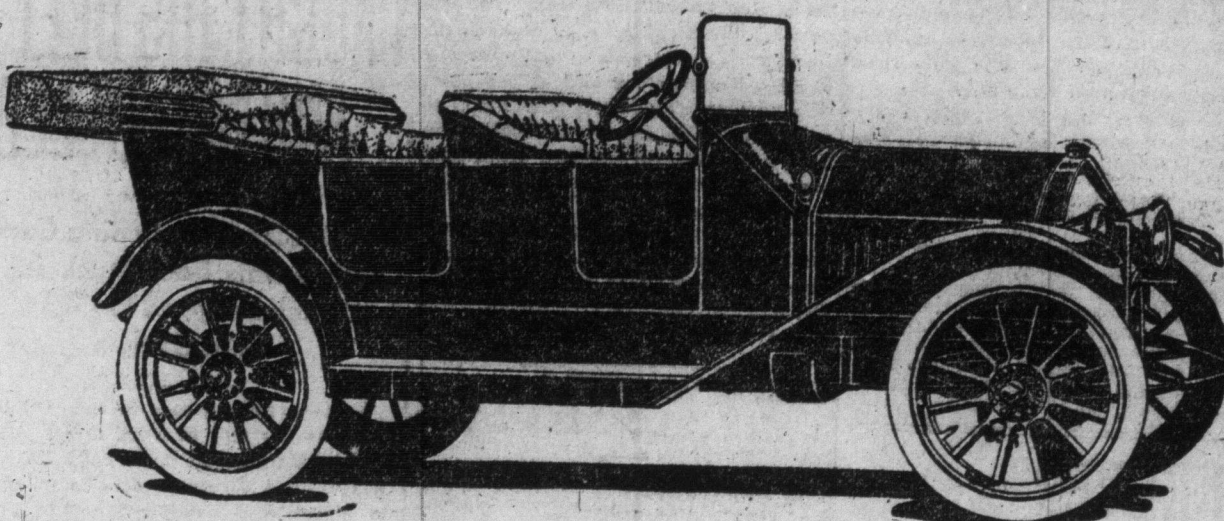
**Kidney Disease and Gravel Caused  
Keenest Suffering—Cured by  
Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver  
Pills.**



THE Toronto World's Proverb Contest is rapidly drawing to a close. Only seven more Proverb Problems are to be published, and then it will be time to send in answers. If you have not as yet entered this interesting competition, you should not wait any longer, but begin now by securing all of the back Proverbs.

**First Prize—A \$2250 Jackson Touring Car**  
**Second Prize—A \$750 Blundall Player Piano**  
**Third Prize—A \$350 R. F. Wilks Piano**  
**Fourth Prize—A \$300 Burnett Piano**  
**Eight Other Grand Prizes—Thirty Other Prizes**

The Jackson is one of the finest machines in the world—has a record of speed, endurance, etc.



This gives everyone ample time to secure extra pictures and coupons and complete their sets of answers. However, beginners and contestants should lose no time in securing the pictures and coupons that they desire, as there will be no more Special Offers or reduction in price. Extra pictures and coupons will remain on sale at The World Office until 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, at the regular rate of 1c for the Daily and 5c for the Sunday.

All of the back Proverbs from the beginning of the contest to date may be had at the office of The World, or will be sent by return mail to any address in Canada upon receipt of \$1.14.

Many Are Those Who Are  
Thankful That It Does  
Not Come Any  
Oftener.

Sombody has said that good judgment is of more value than money in the selection of books, and "money" is the money earned," as goes the old saying.

The World is offering a chance to save money. Wise readers should have known that. But they didn't. It was thru their repeated requests that the Bible distribution was resumed. Now we find the announcement. This is a new deal. It is the largest of supplies long, so clip your certificate and don't print them at once, and your good luck will be very for you.

It is the best thing ever for you. The question always comes up at this season: "What can I do for Christmas presents?" Notwithstanding the urgent requests to do for your shopping, the World is offering a tremendous "last-minute" buyers who need a last-minute gift or how to get it. They are the ones who would like to have Christmas come on November 15th. The question is, do you want to have Christmas come at the present time.

There is a real deal. The World needs to have any money. It is a chance to get or how to get it. There's just

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the fact that many outside-of-Toronto contestants are unable to secure current issues of The World containing the proverbs without from three to four days' delay from date of publication.

Inasmuch as time does not cut any figure in this contest, with the exception that all answers must be deposited on or before, or bears postmark of mailing of not later than midnight, December 31, it is the desire of The World's contest department.

DO NOT SEND IN ANSWERS UNTIL AFTER LAST PICTURE IS

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**T**HE Toronto World's Book of English Proverbs will prove of great assistance to contestants in the Proverb Contest. It contains several thousand commonly used and well-known English Proverbs, including all of the correct ones to be selected to the series of proverb illustrations. The book is well printed and neatly bound, the Proverbs being alphabetically arranged and classified for quick reference. Its use to contestants in arriving at the correct Proverb answers, together with the proper spelling, wording and punctuation, will prove indispensable. The price of the book is Fifty Cents, at the office of The World. By mail, two cents extra.

**Have Your Newsdealer Begin to Serve You With a Copy of  
The Daily and Sunday World Every Day From Now On.**

Back numbers of the Proverb Pictures and their Coupon Blanks may be had at the office of The World, or by mail. The price is 1 cent for the mail 1 cent additional for every ten numbers are ordered by All of the back numbers from October 3rd to date will be mailed prepaid to any address in Canada upon receipt of \$1.14.

# RENOUNCES CLAIM TO RUSSIAN THRONE

Grand Duke Michel's Decision  
to Retire Permanently to  
Private Life Disturb-  
ing to Czar.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 7.—(Can. Press).—Emperor Nicholas and the members of the imperial family are greatly upset by the determination of the emperor's only brother, Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch, definitely to renounce his rights of succession to the throne. Hismorganatic marriage contracted in 1917 with the grand duke with the divorced wife of a brother officer, was recently blessed by the birth of a son. The event prompted Grand Duke Michel's decision. He wishes to retire to the private life of a country gentleman, assuming the title of count. In order to enjoy domestic bliss far

For information that will lead to the discovery or whereabouts of the person or persons suffering from Nervous Debility, Fits, Skin Disease, Blood Poison, Genito Urinary Troubles, and Chronic or Specific Complaints that cannot be cured at The Ontario Medical Institute, 233 265 Yonge Street, Toronto.

The emperor, however, has only one predilection. He will be the emperor because of this and not for any other reason. He has no other aims or desires, only his own, Crown Prince Nicholas, which has revived fears for the success of the revolution.

The sons of the late Grand Duke Vladimir, who would become the new candidates for the throne, unhappily share their father's intense unpopularity. They are the sons of well informed Russians, indeed, and the possibility of their ascending the throne as despots is a danger for the dynasty.

Dowager Empress Marie, who is accused of the execution of Grand Duke Michel, that she had been the cause of his death, will not return to Russia unless she can convince his mind. Such a change of heart will involve dissolution of the monarch.