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Harriman "Watched" Insurance Matters

After Bargaining With Ryan For Equitable

But Did Not Use Any Political Influence

Magnate Wanted to See if Attempts Were Made to Improperly Influence the Legislature and That's All--He Didn't Believe in Ryan's Sincerity and the Deal Fell Thru.

New York, Dec. 15.—Another chapter was added to the chronicles of a series of what Thomas F. Ryan called "strenuous" interviews between himself and E. H. Harriman. Ryan gave his version of the conversations to the Armstrong insurance investigating committee a few days ago, when he said that Harriman, at the time of the acquisition of the Hyde stock, demanded an equal share of the Hyde stock of the Equitable Life, and threatened to use his political influence against him if he did not surrender it. To-day Harriman recited to the committee his version of the affair, and added some interesting statements affecting his relations with former Governor B. B. Odell, jr., chairman of the Republican state committee, and as to a request to watch legislation affecting the Equitable, which he had made upon Governor Francis W. Higgins and the late S. Fred Nixon, speaker of the assembly.

Senator Armstrong stated to-night that just before finishing the investigation, about Dec. 30, the committee may go to Albany to examine the state insurance department, holding sittings at the capitol.

In substance, Harriman stated to-day that when Ryan bought the Hyde stock, carrying control of the Equitable, he asked Harriman to co-operate with him in saving the property so that Harriman agreed to do so if he was satisfied that Ryan was acting from pure and unselfish motives; that Ryan did not satisfy him as to the purity of his motives, and that Harriman notified him that he would use his influence against him.

The test which Harriman said he applied to determine Ryan's purity of motive was an offer to take one-half of the Hyde stock and to name two trustees of the society. Ryan refused to agree to that. Harriman testified that Ryan should have assumed that he (Harriman) would use his political influence against him. He was not certain that he said anything about legislative action as a warning to Ryan, but declared that he had nothing to do with starting the present insurance investigation.

Chas. Hughes, counsel for committee, informed Harriman that it has been charged that he got his political influence thru his relations with former Governor B. B. Odell, jr.

Mr. Harriman said: "Well, I should think Mr. Odell had political influence because of his relation with me."

Later Mr. Farriman said to the Associated Press that the remark was meant in a jocular sense.

Not Fighting Ryan.

Mr. Harriman declared to the committee that he did not confer with Mr. Odell about the advisability of the legislative action, and that he has not yet taken any action to thwart Ryan's plans.

Last spring, Harriman said, when the management of the Equitable Life was divided into two factions, the one headed by President W. Alexander and the other by James Hyde, an attempt was made by the Alexander faction to induce the legislature to mutualize the society. Harriman said he asked

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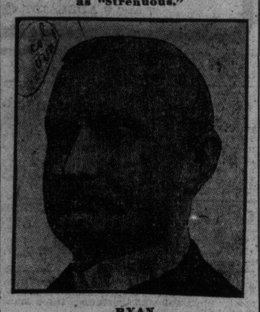
THE BATTLE OF FINANCIAL LEVIATHANS

Capitalists Whose Interviews Looking to Control of the Equitable Life Are Described as "Strenuous."



RYAN.

HARRIMAN.

$1000 IN TWEEDS MISSING
WAGON LOAD OF GOODS GO DURING SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Puzzling Robbery From Wholesale Firm—Two More Lads Are Arrested for Thefts From Their Employers.

Dignum & Manypenny woolen merchants, 70 Bay-street, are trying to find out where about $1000 worth of their tweeds have gone to and how they went.

That a large amount of the stock had been stolen was discovered last Monday, but how so much could be taken without the thieves being seen is the mystery that is puzzling the firm.

The warehouse is closed at 1 o'clock Saturdays. It is thought the robbery occurred on Saturday afternoon, as it would require an express wagon to move the goods.

No one would be suspicious, even if they did see the goods being removed in daylight.

The entrance into the Dignum flat may have been made from the elevator shaft.

Employed in Morn, Jailed at Even.

Within ten horus of the time he was engaged, Clarence Kervin, 17 years old, was under arrest, charged with stealing a pair of gloves and a collar. Yesterday morning, at 8 o'clock, Kervin was employed for the first time by the Morris Barbruck Company, 216 Yonge-street. He worked in the store during the day and as night drew on helped to put matters straight after closing time. He was seen to put the goods in his pocket by another employe. Detective Kennedy placed him under arrest. Kervin lives at 106 East Gerrard-street.

Stole From Employer.

William Simpson of 5 Home-place was an employe of the Joseph Simpson Manufacturing Company. Not satisfied with the amount of his salary he tried to add to it by theft. Yesterday he was caught stealing a half dozen pairs of underdrawers. He was arrested by Detective Guthrie.

FALLING PLANK KILLS LABORER.

Phillip Riley of 174 Centre Avenue Struck at Traders' Bank Building

Within a quarter of an hour after being struck by a falling plank while working on the Trader's Bank building, Phillip Riley, an Italian, died in the Emergency Hospital yesterday.

Riley was a builders' laborer and was working on the second flat using the masons. A heavy timber sixteen feet long became dislodged from the floor above him and fell. He was struck immediately over the heart. He was hardly conscious when reached by his companions a few seconds later.

It is thought the valves of his heart were broken.

He was 24 years old and has lived for five months at 174 Centre-avenue. He and his younger brother, also a laborer, have at different times sent large sums of money across to their parents in Italy.

Coroner J. E. Elliott will decide to-day whether an inquest is necessary.

CARNEGIE TO VISIT OTTAWA.

To Be Guest of Earl Grey in April Next.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Andrew Carnegie, philanthropist, billionaire and donor of public libraries, is coming to Ottawa in April.

He will be the guest of hisexcellency the governor-general, and it is not improbable that the opening of the public library will be delayed till then.

In the meantime the staff will move in and arrange the books, and, perhaps, to all intents and purposes, the institution will be open save for the formal ceremony, which takes place in April.

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FAMOUS BUFFALO SALOON BECOMES A MISSION HALL

And Former Toronto Minister Will Be in Charge of Evangelistic Campaign.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Mate Fenton, bookmaker and at one time manager of Norman Selby the pugilist, better known as "Kid McCoy," has just leased his famous music hall located in the heart of the tenderloin here, to a committee of Buffalo evangelists, whose leader is the Rev. W.A. V.E. Pattyson, former pastor of the Davenport Methodist Church, Toronto.

Improvements will be made about the notorious place immediately and shortly after January 1, the cheap vaudeville shows and beer drinking that have been a feature of the place for years will give way to religious services.

The evangelists have secured an option to hold the lease for a year or more. The drinking booths will be torn down and the fixtures sold.

The former Toronto pastor is especially interested in the tenderloin evangelistic work because his church is located in that district.

It is about 15 years since Rev. W.A. V.E. Pattyson was pastor of Davenport Methodist Church. He removed to Buffalo about that time. While in Toronto he was much given to vigorous evangelistic work.

NEW YORK TYPOTHETAE ARE ALL READY FOR FIGHT

Preparations Made to Resist the Demands for the 8 Hour Day.

New York, Dec. 15.—Announcement that preparations to handle a big printers' strike have been completed by the employing printers of New York was made to-day by the Typothetae of this city. The eight-hour work day, which the International Typographical Union has decreed shall go into effect on Jan. 1, 1906, is declared to be the cause for issuing this statement, which in part is as follows:

"The closed shop and the eight hour day demand by Typographical Union No. 6, cannot and will not be granted. The members of the Typothetae are prepared to install competent non-union machine operators and other printers in their various composing rooms.

"These printers have been obtained by a canvass of the various parts of the United States and also by graduates of the schools for machine operators in New York City, Philadelphia, Boston, Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha and elsewhere.

"The publishers of the leading magazines of the country have completed most of their magazines for two or three months ahead in anticipation of the strike and will therefore be subjected to little or no inconvenience. Not only are the publishers supporting us in our stand, but the manufacturers thruout the country are actively co-operating with us.

"There will be no lockout in the printing trades. Competent men entering our employ after Jan. 1 next, will be paid full wages according to the union scale, whether they are union men or not."

Hobberlin's are selling winter overcoats to-day for $17.50. See their windows. 153 Yonge.

Smokers' Presents.

Best gift to a smoker is a pipe or cigars. Cigars, ten in a box, 50 cents and upwards. Briars and meerschaums in cases, large assortment, prices right. Cigars, 25 in a box, from $1.25 upwards. Cigar cases, fine quality, names in gold letters free. Turkish hookahs, fine present, also smokers' pipe racks. Customers supplied out-of-town. Alive Bollard, 128 Yonge-street, Toronto. ed

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Now that Christmas is at hand many of those who are naturally hospitable may feel that they cannot afford champagne, although they would like to have it for Christmas dinner. To those the advice is given to place some bottles of radnor water in a very cool place and to serve radnor with good Scotch or rye whisky. The resulting beverage is quite equal to champagne.

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Fur-lined coats $50, $60, $70, $75. Hobberlin's, 153 Yonge.

SANCTIONS CHANGE IN ROUTE.

G. T. P. Can Parallel C. P. R. Between Head of Lake Towns.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—The minister of railways has sanctioned an amended route in the Grand Trunk Pacific thru Port Arthur and Fort William. By the change Mr. Hays' road will run along side the C.P.R. tracks from Port Arthur to Fort William and touch the lake front, also on the Indian reservation south of the Kaministiquia River.

The Canadian section of the waterways commission was in session here to-day. They waited on Mr. Hyman and had a conference on various questions affecting the commission's work.

The Niagara and Sault Ste. Marie water powers and navigation privileges were among the chief questions in the discussion.

DEAD MAN FOUND GUILTY.

Coroner's Jury Places Blame for Murder of Editor.

New York, Dec. 15.—A coroner's jury to-day inquired into the death of J. H. Thompson, an editor on The New York Times, who was found dead in his room at the St. James' Hotel here Sept. 8 last.

After hearing the testimony of several witnesses, the jury returned a verdict that Mr. Thompson had been murdered by R. H. Hamilton, a negro who was an elevator operator at the hotel, and who committed suicide some weeks ago. The principal witness at the inquest to-day was a negress who, when arrested some time ago in a petty case which involved Hamilton, told the police the negro had confessed to her.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE.

Coal Miners' Important Demands Not Made Public.

Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 15.—The tri-district convention of the United Mine Workers' indorsed several resolutions to-day, many of which were referred to the special committee appointed to present demands to the coal operators. Delegates are reticent to-night relating to the power of their special committee. They said the committee would take care of their interests and that the 8-hour day would be strongly fought for as well as recognition of the union.

The demands to be laid before the companies will be kept secret until after the coal operators have been seen.

RESERVISTS MAY STAY.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable)

London, Dec. 15.—The army council has decided that until the imperial garrison is entirely withdrawn from Canada permission may be granted reservists to reside there.

BADLY IN NEED OF REPAIRS.

AUNTY MONK: You didn't calculate you'd git anything in them stockings; did you, young man.

SIR WILFRID AND GOUIN SPLIT THAT BETTER-TERM DEMAND IS NOT IN FAVOR AT OTTAWA

In Spite of Promises, Indications Are That Relief Will Not Be Forthcoming—Senate Stands Ready to Knife It.

Montreal, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The very indifferent, if not absolutely chilly, reception given to Hon. Mr. Gouin's betters terms plea by Sir Wilfrid Laurier at the Quebec leader's banquet is still the talk of political circles, and it now looks as if the champions of more money for the provinces will have a much harder row to hoe than their enemies have dreamed of. A close friend of Sir Wilfrid, and a strong Liberal too, declared in the most positive manner to-day that Quebec would certainly get very little relief from the central government. "But did not Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux declare somewhere that Hon. Mr. Fielding would yield?"

"Yes," he said, "and Laurier promised as well, but you will see they will not get a cent."

It is also said that the Canadian premier was considerably annoyed at the almost threatening manner in which Premier Gouin discussed the question. Turning to Sir Wilfrid, the Quebec leader said: "If we do not succeed in one year we will in two, or five, or ten, but we will succeed in the end."

Then a French Canadian senator is responsible for the statement that he has heard many of his Liberal colleagues declare that if the government carry thru the measure in the house of commons they will do all they can to defeat the measure in the upper house.

But there is trouble ahead from another direction. It is no secret that F. D. Monk, M.P., and J. G. H. Bergeron, M.P., are quite opposed to the better terms movement. The member for Beauharnois is most open in his opposition, contending that Quebec Province does not properly collect her revenues, and while Hon. Mr. Chapais and the local Conservatives endorsed the better terms movement at the recent convention, the federal member for Jacques Cartier declared that he had in no way changed his mind on the question.

For the while, the outlook is dark just now for "better terms" as they are understood in Quebec government circles.

A box of cigars as a Christmas present is much appreciated by all smokers. We have them, 10 in a box, from 50c upwards. Temple Cigar Store. Phone M 4689.

Some Happy Reminders.

What changes a year does see! How many young men who smoked with you and exchanged jokes with you a year ago have gone to other towns and other countries! Send them some happy reminder of this joyous season. A box of Havana cigars has been suggested. G. W. Muller has some rare Havanas in boxes of 25, 50 and 100. They are not expensive—they are good.

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Mr. Muller's Christmas importations of cigars, tobaccos, pipes and cigarettes have been made on a grand scale. Amongst the arrivals this week were some of the famous "Cabanas," an exquisite smoke at $75 per hundred cigars. But you can get really good Havanas in boxes of 25, for $2.25, $2.75, $3.25 to $6.00.

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East's Christmas Specials.

If you are looking for a chance to save money on gift-things, be sure and read East & Co.'s Christmas advertisement on another page. Low prices have been made still lower out of compliment to the recent reorganization of the entire East business.

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PREMIER GOUIN.

PACIFIED NOW.

Lord Edmond Fitzmaurice Gets Appointment After All.

London, Dec. 15.—Lord Edmond Fitzmaurice was to-day appointed under secretary for foreign affairs. It is presumed that he will be sent to the house of lords.

A curious incident in connection with the appointment of Lord Edmond, who is a brother of Lord Lansdowne, the former foreign secretary, is that on Dec. 12 he issued a formal farewell addressed to his constituents at Witts, in which he mildly reproached Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman for overlooking him in the building of his cabinet and announced his intention to retire from politics.

RODOLPHE ALMOST POETIC.

Tells Paris "Temps" How Loyal French Canadians Are.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable)

London, Dec. 15.—Hon. Mr. Lemieux, now in Paris, in an interview in Le Temps, stated that the entente cordiale has more than ever reconciled the double loyalism, one of fact, the other of sentiment, which French-Canadians expressed for Great Britain and for the mother country.

French-Canadians had no intention of severing the "fragile silken cord" which bound them to England.

EARL BUYS PRIZE STEER WILL MAKE XMAS ROAST

Closing of the Big Show at Guelph—More Accommodation Needed.

Guelph, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The winter air for the year 1905 is now a matter of history. With the departure of his excellency for the east to-day the fair was officially closed. A feature of the winter fair and the series of institute meetings held here during the week is the well sustained interest, and the splendid array of speakers. In almost every detail the program as outlined was carried out. Not the least interesting feature of the series was the address on "Judging mutton sheep and cattle" this morning by John Gosling of Kansas City. Prof. Day continued the discussion.

A gratifying feature has been the number of American visitors in attendance, while their observations have invariably been of a eulogistic nature.

Poultry fanciers from all parts of the Dominion are delighted with the success, which has attended this department.

The week has demonstrated conclusively that if the Guelph Fat Stock Show is to continue to advance in corresponding ratio with the past five years some radical changes are necessary. Already restrictions are being placed on exhibitors limiting the entries, with space at a premium.

Nothing has given greater satisfaction than the clear cut statement of Hon. Mr. Hanna at the luncheon to-day, declaring that the Ontario government would safeguard the City of Guelph as the site of the Winter Fair.

The visit of Earl Grey to the college grounds this morning was prolonged until late this afternoon.

The splendid white short horn steer, bred and exhibited by James Rennie & Sons of Blackwater, and which carried off the sweepstakes prize, was to-night shipped to London, Ont., having been purchased by John Armitt for his Christmas trade. The animal was barely three years old, weighed 1880 lbs., and was sold for 10c per lb. live weight. The handsome roan steer, bred by Jimmy Leask of Greenbank, Ontario County, and which was a warm favorite for the coveted red ticket, was sold to B. Slattery of Ottawa for his excellency's table. The animal weighed 1840 lbs., and sold for 9c per lb.

VISIT TO NEW YORK BROKERS NEARLY ENDED BANWELL'S RUN

Notification That His Arrest Was Sought Reached Detective Agency Just in Time to be Too Late.

Young Banwell is still a fugitive, his whereabouts unknown, but it turns out that he escaped capture in New York City on Monday afternoon by good luck only.

Superintendent Noble of the Dominion Detective Agency received word yesterday from the agency in New York which acts in co-operation with the Dominion, that had the intimation that Banwell was "wanted" here reached them an hour earlier they would have had their hands on the missing paying teller that afternoon. It is certain now that, after leaving Toronto on Sunday, Banwell and his bride (supposedly) went to Black Rock, then came back to the Falls, then went on to Buffalo and thru to New York. He visited a broker's office to exchange some of his money, and his actions seeming suspicious the brokers notified the detective agency. But no word had been then received. This was owing to the fact that the Noble Agency was not called in until noon Monday. Scores of telegrams were immediately sent out.

There is apparently friction between the local police department and the private detectives. The city police were not notified until Tuesday, and apparently feel that they were slighted.

"As a matter of fact," said Superintendent Noble last night, "it was on my desire and approval that the bank did formally acquaint the local authorities and secure their co-operation."

As to reflections circulated that the police in other cities would disregard the circulars issued by the private agency, Supt. Noble said that every mail was bringing in acknowledgments from the police departments thruout the country that have been notified.

"We got our circulars into the offices, in the stations and in the wharves of all the railway and steamship lines."

Detective Noble said he did think that perhaps Banwell had secured passage on a steamer leaving for Argentina on Tuesday, but our inquiries show that he was not a passenger. He has probably gone south or west."

Detective Noble said that they had not provided the Pinkertons with the particulars as to the money that they report is stolen. "They must have dreamt it," he said.

AN AUDITOR WILL EXAMINE

TO PROTECT YORK LOAN SHAREHOLDERS

ON GOVERNMENT'S BEHALF

To Clear Away "Charges, Insinuations and Suspicions" Attorney-General Will Select Independent Official Who Will Afford Positive Information.

The government decided yesterday that the affairs of the York County Loan should come under the searchlight. The scope of the investigation and the persons who will conduct it have not been finally decided upon yet, but the information is expected to-day.

Hon. J. J. Foy has issued a statement to the public, in which he says the exercise of the statute, allowing investigation, should only be under extraordinary circumstances. Owing to the very large number of people affected in this case, it was advisable and right, he hopes, check much of the litigation now in view. He points out that the litigants may well afford to stay their hand.

The investigation will scarcely be finished before the shareholders' meeting called for January, at which the agreement between the two companies was to have been ratified. What effect it may have upon the proposal for the meeting will depend upon the Dominion Permanent, who have practically withdrawn, according to Hon. J. R. Stratton's statement to The World yesterday, in which case the meeting would be called off.

The government selected an auditor yesterday, but when communicated with the party refused to accept the post because of pressure of business. Hon. Mr. Foy was mum as to who was selected, but it is understood that it was the firm of Clarkson & Cross. They were willing enough to accept the responsibility, but could not do the work at once.

Time is Essential.

The attorney-general said yesterday that whoever is engaged will have to do the work without delay. "I have several persons in my mind," said Mr. Foy. "It is a very important matter, and we are very careful whom we select."

"Do you expect to announce the auditor Saturday?" he was asked.

"I hope so."

The government's disappointment yesterday may be the indication of some difficulty that may be had in getting a good, competent auditor at this time of year when most companies are auditing, and the more prominent auditors are very much in demand and have made their engagements already.

How Government is Empowered.

Discussing the government's decision yesterday, Hon. Mr. Foy said:

"The exercise by the attorney-general of the power given by the act of last session to appoint an examiner into a loan company's affairs is one which I think ought to be resorted to only under very exceptional circumstances and after the fullest consideration. Such an appointment might seriously injure the company and be detrimental to the shareholders. In the case, however, of the York Loan Company the demand is made by and on behalf of a very great number of shareholders who consider it in their interest that such an examination and an independent audit should be made. They evidently appear to have lost confidence in the conduct of the business by the directors.

"After what has appeared all over the province in the press, I think the appointment in this case cannot be deemed injurious to the shareholders' interests. On the contrary, it may be considered to improve their financial position. Such an appointment of a competent person as examiner should, and I hope, will, stop or at all events, check much of the litigation now contemplated. Litigants can well afford to stay their hand until the examiner makes his report.

To Clear the Air.

"Charges, insinuations and suspicions of all kinds have been circulated. It may turn out that many of these are without foundation. The investigation by a competent man independent of the directors, and his report will give the

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HAULTAIN PRESSES CLOSE MAY HAVE TAKEN 12 SEATS

Returns Now Would Indicate That Scott Will Not Have a Working Majority.

Regina, Sask., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Nothing definite is yet known about the final result of the elections, but the provincial righters are in better heart to-night on the announcement that Prince Albert district has gone their way by a substantial majority, Donaldson being elected by 91. This gives them eleven sure seats, and with winning of Prince Albert City, where Lamont is only 8 ahead, and 168 ballots contested, and which it is very probable would place them in a position that would necessitate a fresh election, the only result must be the sure defeat of the forces of coercion and a victory for Haultain.

At the worst, it is now abundantly clear that the overwhelming majority of the total vote cast is for Haultain, and that Scott relies only on the gerrymander and the interested efforts of back country settlers.

The final victory may be delayed a month or two, but the ultimate verdict is not at this moment in doubt.

Bribery Most Open.

Winnipeg, Dec. 15.—Lockie Wilson arrived to-day from Saskatchewan. Another week and he says Haultain would have swept the province. As it is he believes Scott, even if he has one or two majority, will not long hold the reins of power. He says bribery has been most open. In Hon. Mr. Motherwell's constituency two heelers are now under arrest at Indian Head, caught in the act of paying out cash. Mr. Haultain's intention is to probe the corruption to the bottom, and if this course is pushed many seats will be opened. Mr. Wilson says Haultain carried the English-speaking sections of the province by an overwhelming majority.

What Lost in Alberta.

Calgary, Alberta, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The Herald to-day editorially, comparing the Saskatchewan and Alberta campaigns, takes a hard stand against corporate interference in political affairs. It says:

"The Herald frankly and honestly warned the party against permitting any man too prominently identified with corporation elements in politics to assume the leadership of the provincial rights movement in Alberta. In this it was overruled by blind partisanship and selfishness. Promptly the anti-corporation cry was raised. It could not be honestly refuted. An uphill fight followed, and utter rout was the climax.

"In the light of these circumstances and the admirable contest waged by Mr. Haultain we submit that a non-partisan campaign in Alberta, led by a man not weighed down by corporation affairs, might have told a story similar to that in Saskatchewan."

WOULDN'T "DIVVY," LOSES ALL.

Wherein is Shown the Power of Gold to Part Friends.

Because his chum refused to divide about $15 they found Mike Elin of 93 Agnes-street complained to the police, and the money was confiscated.

As Abraham Secroit of 152 Centre-avenue was sauntering along King-street yesterday afternoon he found a pay envelope. Elgin was with him and claimed a share of the find.

"Give me half," he ordered.

"I'll give you nottin," answered Secroit.

"If you don't I'll squeal," said Elin.

"Squeal till the crow comes home," said Secroit and betook himself to a barber's shop. He was interrupted in the process of a nice shave and with his boots shining from a recent polish walked up to No. 2 station with P. C. Campbell.

Elin was on hand and the money, less the amount for Secroit's shine and shave, was handed over to the desk sergeant. It will be held awaiting claimant.

MERCHANTS BANK CHANGES.

Montreal, Dec. 15—In addition to Mr. Hebden's appointment as general manager of the Merchants' Bank of Canada, Wm. Ramsay, the local manager becomes agent at New York, replacing Mr. Merritt, who becomes superintendent of branches and chief inspector. D. C. MacCarrow, assistant to the local manager, becomes manager in place of Mr. Ramsay.

BIRTHS.

PARKINSON—On Wednesday, 13th inst., to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Parkinson, 116 Wells-street, Toronto, a son.

MARRIAGES.

DARBY—SCALES—On Dec. 14th, at St. Peter's Church, Toronto, William J. Darby to Ethel Maude Scales, both of Toronto.

DEATHS.

COX—At Thornhill, on Dec. 14th, 1905, Joseph Cox, in his 78th year.
Funeral Saturday, at 2.30 p.m., to Thornhill Cemetery.

DONNELLY—At Long Branch, on Dec. 15th, 1905, Mary Donnelly, in the 30th year of her age, beloved wife of Thomas Donnelly.
Funeral Monday, Dec. 18th, at 9 a.m., to St. Patrick's Church Dixie, thence to Port Credit.

FREEMANTLE—At 426 Wellesley-street, on Friday, the 15th inst., Harriet Ethel, beloved wife of Harry Freemantle, in her 24th year.
Funeral private. Montreal papers please copy.

HUGHES—John Hughes, late of Cartwright, aged 82 years.
Service at 68 Henry street, on Sunday, at 9 p.m. Funeral on Monday, from Nestleton on arrival of morning train from Toronto.

HIND—On Dec. 15th, at 31 Coolmine-road, Kate Deacon Hind, second daughter of William and Clara Hind, aged 1 year and 9 months.

See Hobberlin's windows for suitings—$19.75, $12.50. 153 Yonge.

The Exhibition of Water Colors held by Mr. Chavignaud at the old Mathews Gallery, 95 Yonge st., will be opened until Saturday night.

Empress Hotel, Yonge and Gould-streets, R. Dissette, Prop.; $1.50 and $2 per day. Steam heated. Phone in all rooms. 136

Ask your dealers for a "Dame", good cigar, 10c., union hand-made good value. Wilbur, 448 Queen st West. 249

STRATHCONA COMING TO CANADA.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable)

London, Dec. 15.—Lord Strathcona will leave for Canada to-morrow by the Caronia.

He would not state on what business he goes, whether public or private.

He is suffering from a weak knee, due to a wrench.

Think for a Minute.

Getting away for a minute or two from the popular worry of the Christmas present idea—do you need a new hat for yourself.

Dineen's, at Yonge and Temperance-streets, remind you to think about this. They have the hats. Any kind you want and more kinds than you could get anywhere else.

Saturday is hat day. Ask the salesman to show you one of those warm English tweed fedoras.

MILDER.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Dec. 15.—(8 p.m.)—The southern disturbance will pass considerably to the south of Nova Scotia. The cold wave is passing to the eastward and milder conditions are indicated for both Ontario and Quebec. The weather to-day has been quite mild in Ontario and the northwest provinces.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 42—46; Kamloops, 22—34; Calgary, 24—42; Qu'Appelle, 20—40; Winnipeg, 10—30; Port Arthur, 8—22; Parry Sound, 6 below—18; Toronto, 7—16; Ottawa, 10 below—4; Montreal, 4 below—2; Quebec, 8 below—4; Halifax, 14—22.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Moderate winds; fine and milder.

Campbell's English Chop House, 30 King-street West. Ladies' and Gents' Grill open 7 a.m. till 11 p.m. Sundays—8 a.m. 2 p.m., 6.30 p.m., 8 p.m. ed

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

Dec. 15	At	From
Caledonia	New York	Glasgow
Victorian	New York	Liverpool
Minnetonka	Nantucket	Liverpool
Caledonian	Boston	Liverpool
Menominee	Boston	Antwerp
Fr. der Grosse	Cherbourg	New York
Cymric	Queenstown	Boston
Republic	Genoa	New York
Columbian	London	Boston
Pennsylvania	Hamburg	New York
Romanic	Naples	Boston