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Handkerchiefs.

Ladies' Fine White Linen Handkerchiefs, hem-stitched. On sale, special.

10 for 25c

Men's Fine Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, neatly hem-stitched. Regular 12½ each, on sale, special.

3 for 25c

Do You Realize?

Only a Few Days Left for Your Holiday Shopping. We are ready to serve you now; we will be equally ready the day before Christmas, but, for your own convenience, SHOP EARLY.

Friday Bargains.

Our List for This Week is all in the way of Holiday Goods. Look it over carefully.

Lace Collars.	Pillow Tops.	Bed Spreads.	Bath Towels.
Ladies' Round Lace Cape Collars, 7 in. deep, heavy thread, cream only. On sale, special.	Pillow Tops with backs complete, made of art damask, printed in very pretty colored floral design. Regular price up to 75c each, on sale.	Fine White Honeycomb Bed Spreads, soft finish, full double bed size. Regular value \$1.35 each, on sale for	Extra heavy Turkish Bath Towels, sizes 19 in. x 31 in., red stripes, fringed. Regular value 20c each, on sale for
50c	44c.	\$1.13.	12 1-2c.
Silk Skirts.	Curtain Muslin.	Net Curtains.	Prints.
Ladies' Silk Underskirts, made of excellent quality Taffeta Silk, deep accordion-pleated flounces with frill, in shades Navy, Brown, and Black. On sale, very special.	42 in. wide White Curtains, made of fine white muslin, neatly applied with white braid and trimmed with muslin frill. Regular value 38c yard. On sale, special.	White Bobbinette Curtains, 3 yards long, made of fine quality wash net, and trimmed with fine tulle lace and insertion. Regular value \$3.50 a pair, on sale, very special.	20 Pieces Prints and Delainettes, dark and light, good colors and patterns. Regular value 12½c and 15c yard, on sale for
\$5.00.	22c.	\$2.12.	8c.
Doylies.	Dress Goods Specials.	Art Satens.	
Battenburg Braid Doylies, 6 in. in size, round and square. On sale, special, at	Fine Lustrous Dress Goods, 42 in. wide, in Navy, Black, and Green, nice bright finish. Regular 25c value, on sale at	Dainty designs and colorings in Art Satens, suitable for fancy work. On sale, special.	
8c.	25c.	14c.	
Sweepers.	Ladies' Coats.		
Broom Toy Sweepers that do the work well, in variety of woods. On sale at	Your choice of 100 Coats, worth up to \$10.00 each, for		
25c.	\$2.00.		

Thos. Stone & Son

Carpets and Wall Paper



MEN'S SLIPPERS

—FOR—
Christmas

Of course, real solid comfort may be possible without a pair of slippers—but it's surely more like the real Simon-pure article when the slippers are there.

That opens the way toward making somebody a present that will

- gladden him for a whole year or more.
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| Low or Opera Slippers | 75c to \$2 |
| n variety of leathers. | |
| High-Top or Roman Slippers | \$1.50 to \$2 |
| A dainty article for winter. | |
| Felt and Warm Lined Slippers | 65c to \$1 |
| Carpet and Rep Slippers from | 40c |

GEO. W. COWAN

FURS At Less Than Wholesale Prices

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| \$28.00 Genuine Alaska Sable Scarfs, our price, \$22.00 | |
| 20.00 " " " " " " " " | 16.00 |
| 18.00 " " " " " " " " | 13.00 |
| 16.00 " " " " " " " " | 12.00 |
| 35.00 Mink Scarfs. | 25.00 |
| 35.00 Empire Mink Muffs. | 29.50 |
| 10.00 German Mink Scarfs (new design). | 6.00 |
| 12.00 Columbia Sable Scarfs, 65 in. long. | 8.00 |
| Squirrel Lined German Otter Scarfs. | 3.00 |
| Squirrel Empire Muffs. | 10.00 |
| Squirrel Four-in-Hand Tie | \$8.00, 10.00 |

AGAR & NEFF, Manufacturing Furriers, Scane Block, Upstairs, Furs Remodeled, Phone 472
OPEN EVENINGS.

PRAISE FOR MAYOR COWAN

Provincial Press Bestowing Many Encomiums on Our Chief Magistrate

The Fighting Reformer of the West—What the Toronto Press Says

The Provincial press these days is full of laudatory notices of Chatham's retiring Mayor George W. Cowan. The Toronto, Ottawa, Hamilton, London, Kingston and Windsor papers all contain flattering references to his worth and his work. The Ottawa Citizen styles him "The Fighting Reformer of the West." The following is taken from the Toronto World:

The man most prominent in the local public eye at present and during the past year, and who has been conceded the most active Mayor who for some time has held down the big armchair in Harrison Hall, is George W. Cowan, Chatham's "fighting first magistrate."

Despite the fact that he has made many enemies in his official capacity, there are few who will not admit that the aggressive and fearless spirit with which he has conducted the duties of his high office, is worthy of more than ordinary admiration. During his regime he has been given credit for righting many wrongs, and in the face of the most strenuous opposition. He has openly criticized the doings of some of the most prominent public officials, and defied some of the highest social and business standing to prove that he was not right in his assertions.

His recent arraignment of the Board of Public School Trustees and his manœuvre with regard to their alleged unparliamentary conduct, his fearless attacks on the railways and his sensational re-capture of the Aberdeen bridge from the hands of the Medical Bureau Company, when he ordered the firemen to drive the Italian workmen from the bridge at the point of the nozzle, have all been deeds which have made the public sit up and take notice.

The Mayor's latest move, and one in which he is receiving the unstinted support of the clergy and press, has been to drive from Chatham the joint and disorderly houses with which it has for some time been infected. This was a move that had for long been talked of, but no one before recently dared take definite action.

George W. Cowan is a man in the prime of life and a native of this city. He is of Scottish-Irish extraction and he has amply proved that he has in his make-up all the fire and enthusiasm of the Hibernian combined with the vigor and tenacity of the Scot.

Mayor Cowan is a self-made man, having worked himself up from a clerk at a salary of \$1.50 per week to the position of proprietor of the largest retail business in Chatham, between London and Detroit. His appearance and actions are characteristic of the man. Broad-shouldered, of medium stature, with flashing black eyes and quick and impulsive of action, he has been known to settle differences in a many way, when there was no other alternative. He rules with an iron hand, and will stand for no opposition, when once he has decided to carry a measure to a finish.

Mayor Cowan, it is rumored, will leave for Washington at the coming elections in January, and should he do so, the contest between himself and Al. Marshall, chairman of Finance, will be interesting.

REV. MR. HAMMOND

Rev. Mr. Hammond, one of Chatham's old friends, has been invited by about twenty ministers to hold union meetings in Denver this winter. Here is a notice of his meetings in Wilkesburg:

A year or two ago this evangelist held a series of union meetings in Wilkesburg, a part of Pittsburg, in the church of Dr. Thomas Parry, which has the largest membership of any church in Pennsylvania, except John Wesley's.

The editor of the Pittsburg Herald speaks as follows in regard to these meetings:

"Some well known people who have known Mr. Hammond in distant places have occasionally related their interesting experiences in towns where they reside. Among these was Hon. James R. McFarlane, who gave an account of his conversion when he was but a child in Bradford county, Pa. He spoke of the great good the evangelist accomplished in Wilkesburg, Pa., when Mr. Hammond was there some twenty years ago. To-night is Mr. Hammond's last service. He goes to New York next week to hold union meetings in Dr. J. M. Reed's church in Washington Square."

Meetings were conducted at that time in about twelve different sections of Pittsburg and vicinity, and several hundred converts were made. In the neighborhood of one hundred joined Dr. Parry's church."

EDITORIAL

CALL A CONVENTION.

For some time past the feeling has prevailed among the members of the Liberal-Conservative party in West Kent that both public and party interests would be best served by the early calling of a convention representative of the whole constituency to confer together, reorganize, and put the affairs of the party on a businesslike, creditable and representative basis.

The Conservatives of West Kent have a serious responsibility resting upon them. The people of our Province have tendered to the principles and policy of Liberal-Conservatism such a magnificent vote of confidence as few have heretofore ever been honored with, and it is the duty of the party—and every loyal individual member of it—to see that this confidence is not misplaced.

Here in West Kent the responsibility which devolves upon the rank and file of the party is doubly great. The gentlemen we chose to represent us in the governmental councils of the party, to whom was entrusted the responsibilities of advising the Government on all matters affecting our constituency, has been removed from the arena of active political service by a well-deserved appointment to the civil service. The responsibility, therefore, has been returned to the people themselves—and it devolves upon every member of our party to accept his share of it, and do his part, honestly, conscientiously and well, to bring about an administration of provincial affairs in West Kent, creditable alike to the constituency and to the Government—such as will rightly recognize the confidence conferred by the people of our Province and bring honor to Liberal-Conservatism.

Such being the case, The Planet believes that the request for the early calling of a convention is not alone justifiable, but is, in fact, the only proper course under the circumstances. Let the people assemble together and undertake the serious duties that confront them; let the party as a whole select those whom they desire to entrust with the custody of their sentiment and charge them to keep it creditable and clean.

QUEER LETTER

Chief Holmes Receives one Much Mixed and Would Like to Find an Interpreter

Chief Holmes has received the following letter from Tilbury, unsigned, and he offers a reward to the man who will figure out what the writer really wants:

Dec. 11, 1905.

Please Sir, I received word from 1,000 miles with telegraph asking if I was going to stay in Kent County this winter and if I had work yet.

Please Sir, if I am gone to B let work here I want no at worst, to answer back to them 1,000 miles and save trouble. Please Sir, it is Scotch who wants to stay till the weather gets warm. Scotch is owed for work \$50 in Kent County.

Mr. Liddy owes some Romney some more; if he can't stay please settle up at at worst and oblige me. Scotch has been in the Dominion institution this summer and he lives nite and all of Toronto is in his Balf and Scotch lives nite and they are throwing insinuations again about cleanliness and he is clean and decent and wants to stay in nites till work is found.

Yours truly Scotch.
Ontario.

WAS INJURED

Jenkin Richards, a respected farmer residing on the 3rd concession, Raleigh, met with a very painful accident yesterday morning about nine o'clock.

Mr. Richards, who is about 83 years old, was driving into town when his horse became frightened and shied off the road. The aged man was thrown out and three of his ribs were broken. He was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital, where Dr. J. E. Rutherford attended him. He is doing quite well this morning. The injured man is the father of J. N. Richards, who is employed by Westman Bros.

PROTECTING FARMERS

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 13.—Mr. H. S. Clements, M. P., was in the city today and had an interview with some of the Ministers. He is very much opposed to the doors being thrown open to admit United States bacon hogs into Canada.

HAULTAIN LEADS BY ONE

Provincial Rights Triumphant in Saskatchewan.

Premier Depends on the Foreign Vote That Does Not Know the Issues Involved—Returns Show Overthrow of Provincial Liberal Government—Standing is Haultain 13, Scott 11. One Place to Hear From.

Regina, Sask., Dec. 14.—Returns at midnight indicate that Haultain and his provincial rights party have defeated Premier Walter Scott and his provincial Liberal Government.

The only definite result known is that nine provincial rights and seven co-ordinator candidates are generally conceded, the remaining nine seats being



HON. F. W. G. HAULTAIN.

In doubt. Extravagant claims are put forward by the machine, but these may be safely disregarded.

Scott concedes that all the old territorial vote, the vote along the railways, the vote of Canadian born, has gone against him and that he relies for victory on the "back townships," which contain the foreign vote, those who are ill acquainted with the real issue of this campaign.

In face of these influences the result promises to be magnificent tribute to Haultain and the party of provincial rights.

THE RESULTS.

Provincial Rights.
Batoche—Bouchier.
Greenfield—Dr. Argue, 100 majority.
Kinistino—Dr. Shadd, 170 majority.
Maple Creek—D. J. Wiley, 50 majority.
Moose Jaw (City)—J. H. Wellington, 52 majority.
Moosemin—Dr. D. Ellis, 141 majority.
Prince Albert (District)—S. Donaldson.
Qu'Appelle (South)—Hon. F. W. G. Haultain, 70 majority.
Regina (City)—H. W. Laird, 16 majority.
Saskatoon—Munro.
Souris—J. T. Brown, 300 majority.
Whitewood—A. B. Gillis, 130 majority.
Wolseley—Dr. W. Elliott, 140 majority.
Liberal Party.
Cannington—J. D. Stewart.
Battleford—A. Champagne.
Humboldt—D. Neely (acclamation).
Lumden—Hon. Walter Scott, 140 majority.
Moose Jaw (District)—John Sheppard, 100 majority.
Prince Albert (City)—Hon. J. H. Laird, 8 majority.
Qu'Appelle (North)—Hon. W. R. Motherwell.
Regina (South)—Hon. J. A. Calder.
Rosthern—George Ennis, 135 majority.
Saltcoats—Thomas McNutt, 50 majority.
Yorkton—A. Garry, 100 majority.
This leaves Redberry not heard from.

SUNDAY LEGISLATION.

Deputation Waits On Premier—Will Be Considered.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—Dr. Potts, president; Rev. J. E. Shearer, field secretary, and R. W. McPherson, counsel, of the Lord's Day Alliance, waited on the Premier and Minister of Justice yesterday in the Premier's office and asked for a Sunday observance bill next session of Parliament. Dr. Potts said that the Alliance were advised by counsel that the supreme court and judicial committee held that the Dominion must legislate, which is contrary to the view held by the Government when an application of this kind was made two years ago.

Mr. Fitzpatrick was personally of the opinion that the provinces had power to legislate at least to a considerable extent. At the same time he held the draft bill of two years ago was a broad and liberal one, and thought it could be dealt with without serious difficulty by the Dominion.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said it was an important matter and would have to be referred to the Cabinet. He would invite them to an interview later on. As there was not likely to be an early session of Parliament they would have time to fully consider the whole question.

Sheriff's Hand Burned.

Belleville, Dec. 14.—Fire broke out yesterday morning in the residence of Sheriff Hope, Bridge street, and did about \$1,000 worth of damage before it was extinguished. The sheriff had his hand severely burned in trying to save some articles.

\$1,000 REWARD

Sensational Chase After Three Desperate Convicts Escaped From Sing Sing

A thrilling, pathetic drama, in seven scenes, will be shown at the Vitaphone Concert on Friday evening, Dec. 15, at the Grand.

The first scene shows an interior view of the famous old prison at Sing Sing, New York. A guard is serving supper to a prisoner in his cell. As he turns to go out he is felled to the floor by the prisoner, who at once seizes the keys, rushes down the corridor and liberates several other desperate criminals, who, climbing to the top of the prison, climb down over the outer wall, and having shot down the outer guards, seize their rifles and fly to the nearby woods.

In the meantime, the guard, coming to, drags himself to the tower, and, just as he dies, pulls the bell, giving the alarm. Armed officers at once give chase, and, finding the trail, pursue the criminals over hill and dale. The escaping convicts, finding themselves overtaken, stop an automobile, and after shooting the owner, compel the driver to aid them to escape.

The officers immediately secure another auto, and again give chase, and rapidly overtake them. A hot rifle fire is kept up, and several officers are killed. Finally the convicts are rounded up in an old house, where the wife and children of one of them live. Shots are exchanged through the windows, and finally all the convicts are killed except the father, who keeps firing, his wife re-loading, when a stray shot hits and kills the little girl. The agonized parents are bending over her body, when the officers enter, seize him and drag him off to prison again.

New York Times says: "Positively the most wonderful, vivid piece of sensation ever produced. This company play at the Grand tomorrow and Saturday, with Saturday matinee. The company carry over 100 new and up-to-date pictures. More laughs guaranteed in one minute than you will get any place else in a month. Prices 15, 25 and 35 cents. Saturday matinee 10 and 25 cents.

COURT COSTS

County Treasurer Fleming has paid the following sums for the cost of the recent County Court sessions:—
Grand Jury fees, \$75.90.
Petit Jury fees, \$246.
Witnesses in case of Rex vs. Miller, \$62.90.
Constables' fees, \$24.60.

HANDSOME CALENDAR

Messrs. Thornton & Douglas, the enterprising clothiers of this city, have just sent out a particularly handsome calendar that is a reproduction in the original colors from a painting by the famous artist, W. Verplank Birney, entitled "At Mine Ease." The firm has the exclusive right to use this calendar in this city.

The secrets of a secret society are not half so wonderful after you know them.

THE ARK

Only Nine More

CLEAR] SELLING DAYS UNTIL

Christmas

But that's enough to sell thousands of dollars worth of Christmas Goods, as we have everything so convenient at THE ARK.

Would now ask our many friends as a convenience to yourselves and as a favor to us to come early and make your selections.

Our Stocks are now Complete

With willing help to wait on you.

The indications are a great rush from outside places during the last few days before Christmas.

Our past years' display of Fine China was good, this year's is even better.

Goods Promptly Delivered

H. MACAULAY. PHONE 150

We Are

All Ready

FOR YOU TO COME AND

Select Your Christmas Toys and Presents.

Our Stock is now Complete. Everything for the Human Family from Babe to Old Age. The Most Complete and Up-to-date Stock in Canada.

"The Store With the Stock."

FOLLOW THE WISE ONES TO

SULMAN'S BEEHIVE, King and 6th St.

ALD. DUNN APPOINTED

The London Free Press this morning publishes the following despatch, which is corroborated by a brief announcement in to-day's Mail and Empire:

Toronto, Dec. 13.—Mr. Arthur Dunn, of Chatham, has been appointed clerk of the first Division Court of Kent County, the most important office of its kind in Western Ontario. Mr. A. A. Wilson, of Tilbury, has been appointed clerk of the seventh Division Court of the same county.

You can't buy success at the bargain counter.

It is generally easier to discharge a duty than a euphemism.

Special Christmas Station'ry

We have the best and most up-to-date line of Christmas Stationery in the city.

Give us a call and you will agree with us that it can't be beaten.

No trouble to show goods. Prices ranging from

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Corner Sixth and King St.
Over the Bee Hive.
Phone—Office 317, Residence 442

PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.

Toronto, Dec. 14.—11 a. m.—North-east winds, fair and cold. Friday, easterly winds, cloudy and colder.

The following figures were registered to-day at 7 a. m. at Turner's weather bureau:

THERMOMETER.

Highest yesterday, 34.
Lowest during night, 30.
This morning, 32.
Barometer, 29.53.
Direction of wind, west.

Local News

Be sure and attend Tschirhart's big music sale between now and Christmas only.

All 10, 25 and 50 cent music ten-copies for 20 cents from now until Christmas at Tschirhart's.

The young son of Jerry O'Brien underwent a successful operation in St. Joseph's Hospital this morning for appendicitis.

Robert J. Lunn has returned from the Northwest, where he has been spending the summer months. He intends to go West again next spring.

E. J. MacIntyre had a practical demonstration last night of the value of advertising by the number of enquiries he had for pearl handled knives and forks. By a typographical error in his advertisement the price read from one dollar upwards instead of seven dollars and upwards.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Bell, who passed away at the residence of her son, Joseph street, took place this afternoon at three o'clock. Rev. F. E. Malott conducted the obsequies.

SANTA CLAUS SPECIAL.

In connection with the cheap excursion to New York on Dec. 15th, the Lackawanna will run a special extra train, leaving Buffalo at 9.00 a. m., making principal stops only on Buffalo division, arriving in New York at 6.55 p. m. in time for dinner and the theatre. Choice of six other fast trains. One fare plus one dollar for the round trip, tickets good ten days. For full particulars of this and all other trains, see nearest Lackawanna agent or write Fred. P. Fox, D. E. A., Buffalo, N. Y.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the position of alderman for the coming year and will appreciate your vote and influence.

As I am unable to make any extensive personal canvass I take this opportunity of respectfully soliciting your support.

L. E. HILLSON.

Pearl Rings, Pearl Rings

In Great Variety. Single, Two Stone, Three Stone, or Five Stone. Pearl Opera Glasses, from \$5.00 a Pair to \$15.00. Pearl Knives and Forks from \$7.00 Per Dozen Upwards.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

MacINTYRE, Leading Jeweler
... and Optician

SWEET CIDER.

We have some very fine Home made Cider. It is made from good apples, and has a lovely flavor. We also have some Bottled Cider for Mince Meat.

If you need any more Seeded Raisins come in and see ours before buying. We have the very finest to be had. They won't cost you any more than others that are not nearly so good that most of the stores are selling.

SWEET ORANGES

20c to 50c Per Dozen.

KING EDWARD GROCERY

PHONE 51

COME ON EVERY TRAIN.

Farmers Appreciative of Guelph Winter Fair—Features That Attracted Attention on Wednesday.

Guelph, Dec. 14.—The winter fair grows in interest and attendance. Every in-coming train yesterday brought crowds of farmers and their wives. As an educational factor the show is a great success.

The presence of Premier Whitney and Mrs. Whitney on the grounds yesterday afternoon, together with that of Hon. Sydney Fisher, J. P. Downey, M. P. P. Hugh Guthrie, M. P., and other notables was the signal for hearty applause.

Hon. Nelson Monteth presided at a meeting of the Canadian Seed Growers' Association. "Plant Breeding" formed the basis of an address by C. A. Zavitz of the O. A. C. Experiments conducted at the college had served to prove conclusively that in order to maintain a high standard of seed grain it was not necessary for farmers to exchange seed with each other.

Hon. John Dryden, presided at the afternoon session, when the topic "Beef Cattle" was introduced by D. Anderson of Rugby.

Jesse W. Dunn of Toronto and J. T. Gibson of Denfield concluded the judging of shorthorn and grade cattle yesterday afternoon.

The annual convention of the Women's Institute was opened in Macdonald Hall with the largest attendance in history. The secretary's report showed a membership of 4,000, as compared with 5,435 last year. There were 68 district institutes, with 280 branch societies, as compared with 149 districts and branch societies last year.

Miss Laura Rose gave an address on "The Womanly Sphere of Woman." Hon. Nelson Monteth spoke briefly.

The Winter Fair had, he believed, found a permanent home in Guelph. As to the bacon industry, Mr. Dryden declared that the action of the hog packers was so manifestly unfair as to demand some redress. Cheap, safe transportation was what the farmers required.

Premier Whitney said the Ontario Government would aid the fair in every possible way. Mr. Dryden he characterized as a true friend of agriculture.

It is from Guelph, and Hon. Sydney Fisher, that the most advanced and progressive methods of agriculture in Canada have emanated. The scarcity of hogs, he said was brought to the attention of the Government on Tuesday by a deputation of packers. The situation was a critical one and demanded attention.

Hon. Mr. St. John eulogized the fair as the greatest educational factor in the province.

His Excellency the Governor-General will arrive this evening. He will also attend the live stock show in Chicago.

The woman who is sure she is beautiful likes to be told of it as often as her friends feel so inclined.

Some people waste a vast amount of time in the effort to do things in a hurry when there is no need of it.

AFTERNOON IN SUNNY ITALY

A Very Creditable Function Held in St. Joseph's Hall Yesterday

Pupils of Fourth Class Contribute Excellent Essays—Credit Due Able Teachers

"The bee, though it finds every rose has a thorn, comes back loaded with honey from its rambles, and why should not other tourists do the same?"

One of the most delightful and meritorious events ever held in connection with the Maple City schools was an imaginary trip to Italy, made yesterday afternoon by the pupils of the Separate School.

This entertainment, which was of a very interesting and educational character, was given in St. Joseph's Hall, by the members of the Fourth class for the other classes in the school, and their parents. There was a large number of the latter present, and all were surprised to find such educational development in the children who took part. This class has been studying Italy for the past few weeks, and a number of essays upon this subject were prepared and read by the scholars. All of the essays were excellently written and reflected much credit upon the able and talented teaching staff.

Special credit is due the worthy principal, who conceived the idea of the entertainment and carried it through so successfully. Results have shown that this school is one of the best managed in the province and special development is shown in the scholars along the lines of art and literature.

The halls were appropriately decorated for the occasion with pictures of different scenes in Italy, exhibits of products and photos of many artists. Each one present was privileged to a tastefully painted souvenir program.

The following children contributed essays:—
Off for a Journey—Nettie Foy.
The Mar Stella—The Crew.
Naples Home and Street Life—P. O'Rourke.
A Visit to the Blue Grotto—F. Daniel.
A Visit to Pompeii—F. Prud'homme.
Off for the Eternal City—J. Downey.

Roman Fountains—N. Kelly.
Historic Palaces—E. O'Flynn.
Celebrated Palazzos—A. Blomde.
Poem, "In Rome"—C. O'Gorman.
Basilica of St. Peter's—H. Baby.
The Vatican—J. Doyle.
Vatican Library—A. Downey.
Coliseum and Forum—W. Britton.
The Catacombs—J. Livingston.
National Hymn of Italy.
Industries of Italy—U. Thibodeau.
How Italians Keep off Hail—E. Blomde.

Florence the Beautiful—P. Brady.
Italian Art—A. Daniel.
Vatican Library—A. Downey.
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Holy God, We Praise Thy Name.

LOCAL BRIEFS

P. T. Barry, of Wallaceburg, was a Chatham visitor.

James W. Campbell, of Stewart, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

J. L. Wilson has returned from a business trip to Tilbury and Leamington.

Mrs. Jacklin, of Blenheim, is spending the day with Chatham friends.

Blake Goulet, of Blenheim, is a Chatham visitor to-day.

NEW YORK HOLIDAY EXCURSION.

On Dec. 15th the Lackawanna will run a popular priced excursion from all stations in New York to New York City. The week before Christmas is the best week in the metropolis; it is the climax of the season's glory; everything is at perfection.

For rates, time of special and regular trains, reservations, etc., call on nearest Lackawanna agent or write Fred. P. Fox, D. E. A., Buffalo, N. Y.

Boys! Something for Nothing

That's exactly what we mean by our offer to enterprising boys.

We will send free of all charge, ten copies of the current issue of Success Magazine. You can sell these for one dollar, and this will furnish you capital to buy more at the wholesale price.

You can work up a list of permanent customers who will buy a copy every month, and this will give you plenty of spending money all the time—money that you will enjoy more because you made it in business yourself.

In addition to a liberal profit on each copy sold, we give cash prizes and premiums, such as watches, cameras, boxing gloves and dozens of other things dear to the heart of a boy.

Send your request for the ten free copies to The Success Boy Department, Washington Square, New York. A postal card will do.

BOOK BINDING.

Orders for bookbinding should be left at this office. It is surprising how nice a volume can be made of those magazines, even though they are somewhat soiled from much handling. Books, magazines, or periodicals bound or rebound in any style at very reasonable prices. Blank books such as journals, ledgers, day books, with any kind of ruling, made to order. All work warranted first class.

LADIES' CHRISTMAS AND FANCY GOODS.

Children's Christmas Presents, Ladies' Holiday Gifts, Japanese Boxes, Trays, and Lamp Shades, Suitable for Christmas Presents.

DOLLS AND TOYS FOR CHILDREN.

Make your Purchases before the Holiday and Goods will be Put Away for You until Christmas.

MRS. WELDON, FANCY GOODS STORE.
Nex. Malcolmson's Grocery

CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

Some Prominent Educationists Deal With This Important Question

General Opinion Seems to be that Children Should Not be Whipped Nor Detained After School

During the course of a lecture recently given by Dr. A. W. Horton before the Chatham Model class, the speaker spoke strongly against corporal punishment and detention after four o'clock.

That he was talking on a live subject and that his remarks were timely and along the right line is borne out by the Toronto News of yesterday, which contains the statement of two prominent educationists who vigorously voice the same sentiments as previously expressed by Dr. Horton.

One of these men, a physician, in letters to the News says: "If corporal punishment is right for the child of nine years of age, it is also right for the boy of fifteen or the young man of twenty for similar transgressions in either school or college, for the former is just as amenable to reasoning, and more susceptible, than the latter. Why, then, does the teacher not administer corporal punishment to the adult? Because he is afraid. He knows that it would be resented, and if insisted on it would result in the survival of the fittest. The innocent, helpless little child is led like a lamb to the slaughter, physically helpless to defend himself."

In another part of the News appears the following: "When you get a really bad boy, study him and find why he is bad. Sometimes heredity is the cause, or it may be nervous trouble, or his liver, or bad digestion, or catarrh, or the result of awful training at home or at school."

This passage formed part of the last of a series of lectures to Public school teachers by Inspector Hughes, on "The Training of Children."

He made a strong appeal for the abolition of corporal punishment. Some teachers in the city, he said, still cling to this method, but called it a "last resort." The trouble was that it was adopted in the home, and before the numerous other possible and better methods of reforming had been earnestly tried.

ERRONEOUS AND DISASTROUS.

"It is a most erroneous and disastrous belief," he said, "that you must break a bad boy's will. That is the worst thing that could happen him. What should be done is to develop that faculty which will eventually become his strongest support and protection. Talking to a boy was not usually a good method. There are plenty of teachers in Toronto who, if it were a boy, would irritate me by talking to me."

Charles Meighen, of the Perth Teachers Association, has an article also in the Perth Expositor strongly condemning the practice of detaining children after four o'clock.

All of which goes to show that public opinion is against this kind of punishment in more places than Chatham.

WELL DONE SHADD

Dr. Shadd, formerly of Kent County, is one of the successful Provincial Rights victors in Saskatchewan. To-day's Globe says of his victory:

"One of the surprises of the campaign is the election of Dr. Shadd in Kinistino, where Sanderson was believed to be invincible. Shadd is probably the first negro to obtain a seat in a Canadian Legislature."

Seven Years For Cattle Thief. Chatham, Dec. 14.—Herbert Miller, charged with stealing cattle in this vicinity, came up before Judge Dowlin yesterday and on the jury bringing in a verdict of guilty, was sentenced to seven years at Kingston Penitentiary.

Four Children Drown. Amsterdam, N. Y., Dec. 14.—Four school children were drowned yesterday while skating on Kellogg's Pond in this city.

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Unemployed See New Premier. London, Dec. 14.—Another demonstration of the unemployed occurred yesterday but the diminished number of the participants and the absence of speakers indicated waning interest in these operations of the Social Democratic League. The Premier, replying to the deputation, said he greatly sympathized with the men who were out of work, and he would give the fullest consideration to the question.

British Consul Drowns. San Jose, Costa Rica, Dec. 14.—The schooner Florencia, while on her voyage from Bluefields, Nicaragua, to Port Limon, Costa Rica, was wrecked. Among those lost were Frederick M. H. Wood, British Consul at Port Limon; two Americans, John Tibant and W. M. Rather, the latter from Texas, and three sailors.

Kingston Marine Notes. Kingston, Dec. 14.—Capt. Thomas Donnelly will be the principal of the Marine School to be opened here by the Dominion Marine Department. Fifty will be in the class.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—A good girl for general housework, and washing or ironing. Apply to Mrs. W. S. Marshall, Lacroix St.

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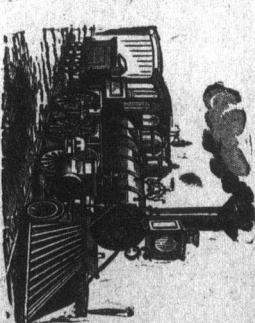
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All Letters Addressed to Santa Claus, care of Briseos, will be Answered on one of his Pretty Christmas Cards.

Santa Claus will be at home at Briseos' every day from now till Dec. 24th, after 4 p.m. Bring the Little Ones to see Him.



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Going! Going! Gone!

That's the story about a good many of our FUR prices these days. Our Special Discount Sale has induced many to hurry up on their Christmas gift selection. A big stock of Furs here yet, but come soon in order to get a good choice.

All Furs are reduced from 10 to 20 per cent.

Ladies' Jackets!

Reduced to \$6.98

20 Jackets, all this season's models, 36 and 42 inches long, light, medium and dark shades in fine mixtures, also heavy black chevrons, Empire and other styles. We haven't a range of sizes in any one style, but grouped the assortment of colors. Models are very fair and every size is represented.

There are just 20 of the Jackets and until to-day the prices were from \$7.50 to \$9.00.

Clearing Price, \$6.98

Rocker Sale!

Friday and Saturday we place on sale one and one half dozen Hardwood Rockers, golden gloss finish, turned posts, spindles and legs, deep embossed rail. Special at only

89c.

Little Red Rockers for the little folks. 50 only of these handsome little chairs sold in most stores at fifty cents each. Our special price

25c.

Silk Waist Gifts

Just received—an advance showing of the new spring styles—selected from the Spring samples, and manufactured specially for our Christmas trade.

A very pretty model in Cream Jap. Silk, trimmed with alternate rows of silk embroidery and French Valenciennes insertion. Christmas Sale Price—\$4.25

Of Louise Silk, nicely tucked, fancy yoke, finished with small silk buttons, deep cuffs and collar tucked. Christmas Sale Price—\$4.50

Of Ivory Jap Silk, prettily trimmed with very fine tucking and French Valenciennes insertion. Christmas Sale Price—\$4.50

A new and handsome design, in Nile and Old Rose shot silk, pleated and fastened down the side. \$6.00

Of dark green Chiffon Taffeta, prettily made with yoke effect, pleated and tucked fine. Excellent value—\$5.00

Of Navy and Green Shot Silk, with finely tucked Duchess yoke, pleated and finished with stitching. Very special—\$6.75

Neckwear and Gloves for Christmas Shoppers.

Something New for the Holidays in Lace Collars and Cuff Sets and Chemise Sets. Special 50c to \$1.00 set.

New Fancy Stock Collars, trimmed with chiffon and applique, in individual boxes for Christmas Gifts. 50c to 75c each.

Fancy Collars in all shades and new styles, chiffon trimmings. Special 25c each.

New Embroidery Collar and Cuff Sets in the eyelet and solid embroidery. Special 25c set. Embroidery Collar Tops, 5c, 10c, 15c, and 25c each.

Holiday Gloves for Women.

Superb in style, perfect in fit and finish, gloves that meet every idea of correctness and good taste.

Ladies' Kid Gloves, Paris made, latest styles in stitching, in all the new shades, including Purple, Royal, Green, and all shades of tan, every pair guaranteed, \$1.00 pair.

Sterling Silver and Other Novelties for Christmas.

Gold-plated Collar Pins, 25c to 50c a pair.
Gold-plated Waist Sets, 25c to 75c set.
Enamelled Shirt Waist Sets, 35c set.
Cut Steel Belt Buckles, 50c to 75c each.<



Look at the calendar—only nine shopping days to Christmas. Very little more than a week to do your shopping in. You KNOW better than anybody else just what you have to do; you KNOW that forehand buyers shop in comfort, and are more sure of getting what they want. You KNOW how difficult it is to pick and choose when the Christmas rush is on. You'll find us ready every day from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. and anxious to serve you well. Our delivery service was never as good and we can assure you of prompt and careful delivery.

- SWEET ORANGES, 25c to 40c a dozen.
TABLE RAISINS, 25c a pound.
ENGLISH WALNUTS, 25c a pound.
BEST MIXED NUTS, 18c a pound.
FINE GREEN GRAPES, 20c a pound.
SEEDLESS ORANGES, 30c and 40c a dozen.
TABLE FIGS, 15c and 20c a pound.
HOLLY WREATHS, 25c each.
HOLLY WREATH AND RIBBON, 40c.
EVERGREEN WREATHING, 5c a yard.
Our Special Box of Fine Chocolates, —25c a pound.

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- Ladies' Hand Purses - 25c to \$6.00.
Ladies' Bags - 50c to \$8.50.
Music Rolls - \$1.00 to \$4.00.
Card Cases - 50c to \$3.00.
Travelling Companions - \$1.50 to \$10.00.
Portfolios - \$1.00 to \$9.00.

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TO-NIGHT

City Council, Harrison Hall at 8 o'clock.
Dangers of Rehexan, in their hall at 8 o'clock.
Court McGregor, No. 8, I. O. F., in their room at 8.
Local Branch No. 21, Association of Steam Engineers, Eberts' Block, at 8 o'clock.
Regular meeting of Wellington Chapter, No. 47, R. A. M., Masonic Temple, King St., at 8.

The Local Budget

Skates sharpened at Brisco's.
Dr. Turner, of Wallaceburg, was a city visitor yesterday.
J. Wright, of Dresden, spent yesterday in the city.
A bicycle rider contributed \$2 to the city treasury for riding on the sidewalk.
The social on Thursday evening in First Presbyterian Church is for all the congregation.
\$1,000. "Escaped from Sing Sing," go with the crowds to the Grand to-morrow night. Prices 15, 25 and 35 cents.
Nice Berried Holly Wreaths, 10c, with American Beauty Ribbon 25c, at the Victoria Ave. Green Houses. Order early, as supply is limited.
Faust and Marguerite, complete opera, as produced at Metropolitan Opera House, New York, in (12 scenes) at the Grand to-morrow night. Prices 15, 25 and 35 cents.
Want advertising will "turn into money" such things as you can part with—carriage, silver service, watch, fur, diamond, automobile, real estate equity, bond, lace, or glass or rug.
The Willing Workers of Holy Trinity Church will hold their Annual Sale in the School House to-morrow evening, instead of in the afternoon, as announced on Sunday last.
The jury selectors for the coming year will meet to-morrow. The gentlemen who compose the Board are the two Judges, Sheriff Gemmill, Warden Vester, Mayor Cowan and County Treasurer Fleming.
Ex-Ald. Geo. G. Taylor has returned from his trip to Albuquerque, New Mexico, whither he accompanied his daughter and sister-in-law, who will spend the winter in the south. Mr. Taylor speaks most enthusiastically of New Mexico.

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A. E. Orr Succeeds Him as First V. P. of New York Life.

Charles A. Peabody Elected President to Succeed R. A. McCurdy of the Mutual Life—His Salary One-Third of McCurdy's—Issues Statement Pledging the New Administration to Economy and Lawful Methods.

New York, Dec. 14.—Two incidents affecting the life insurance situation in New York yesterday overshadowed the Legislative Committee investigation. While the committee was inquiring into the conduct of the Prudential Life Co. and the Metropolitan Life Co., George W. Perkins resigned as first vice-president and chairman of the finance committee of the New York Life. He was succeeded as first vice-president by Alexander E. Orr, president of the New York City Rapid Transit Commission and as chairman of the finance committee by John C. Claffin Co. Mr. Perkins is a member of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co.

The board of trustees also announced the appointment of this committee of investigation: Thomas P. Fowler, Norman B. Ream, Clarence H. Mackay, Hiram R. Steele and Augustus C. Falne.

A statement was issued which declared that the executive officers had exercised too broad a discretion in expending money. The committee is instructed to inquire especially into payments made to Andrew Hamilton and to use every effort to secure a proper accounting from him. It is instructed to engage expert accountants to examine the system of bookkeeping now in use by the New York Life.

Peabody is President. Another important move was the election by the trustees of the Mutual Life of Charles A. Peabody to succeed Richard A. McCurdy as president at \$50,000 a year. McCurdy's salary was \$150,000. Peabody is a representative of William Waldorf Astor and a director in several banks and other corporations, of which one is the Illinois Central Railroad Co. Peabody also was nominated as trustee of the Mutual Life Co. to succeed Justice Rufus W. Peckham, and Emory McClintock was nominated to succeed Ellihu Root.

He issued a statement to policyholders saying: "The new administration stands pledged to economy, to lawful methods, and to reform of existing abuses. Much has already been accomplished to carry out these pledges and all will be done that is necessary to fully redeem them. The board of trustees is harmonious and united upon these matters. The company possesses financial resources far beyond its liabilities. Lapse and surrender of policies mean abandonment of accumulated assets and the savings of years of thrift. Policyholders are urged to continue their policies in the company and not to withdraw from it."

Just before adjournment yesterday Healy Elske, vice-president of the Metropolitan, told of an incident in which that company commended railroad stock for the company. Elske said that he had sold the stock to a company of brokers at \$10 a share less, than the broker sold to the Metropolitan. Elske said he had tried to get the money back, but Read refused to surrender it.

John K. Gore, actuary of the Prudential, said the advance paid into the Prudential Co. in premiums since its organization is about \$287,000,000. In the same time its earnings, apart from wear for Christmas trade, in watch policyholders in that time about \$92,000,000.

BOTH LEGS TORN OFF.

Youth Meets An Awful Death In Machinery Shafting.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Dec. 14.—Horace Calkins, 20 years old, was killed in a terrible manner at the plant of the Carter Crane Co. at noon yesterday. The young man was engaged in lacing a belt caught on the shafting and winding about young Calkins pulled him up and whirled him about in a shocking manner. Both of his legs were torn from his body and he was almost decapitated.

The young man resided with his parents at Michigan avenue and Tenth street.

Aberdeen Not Represented.

London, Dec. 14.—(C.A.P.)—At the Aberdeen harbor board a strong objection was taken to the constitution of the executive committee of the Canadian Cattle Association of Great Britain, in respect that no representative of Aberdeen had been appointed. Daniel Mearns said Aberdeen held the fourth place in the kingdom in importation of cattle; he was amazed Aberdeen had been overlooked. Lord Forster Lyon thought it would be very advisable that they should use threats.

The Pursuit of Banwell.

Toronto, Dec. 14.—(C.A.P.)—S. George Banwell, the runaway teller of the Crown Bank, has not been located, nor have the police ascertained anything reliable regarding his movements. Clipping giving descriptions of both Banwell and Miss Hector were sent out yesterday, offering a reward of \$250, and stating that a warrant had been issued for his arrest.

Death of Mrs. Lucas. St. Catharines, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Lucas, wife of Rev. Dr. Lucas, an active W. C. T. U. worker, is dead after a long illness. In 1857-58 she accompanied her husband on his temperance tour around the world, and was instrumental in founding many branches of the W. C. T. U. in Australia and also in Victoria.

Halifax Church In Flames. Halifax, N. S., Dec. 14.—Fire broke out at 1:30 this morning in St. Luke's Cathedral, situated at the corner of Morris and Church streets, and is now burning fiercely. The edifice will likely be entirely destroyed. The church is one of the finest in the city.

THE MARKETS.

Liverpool Wheat Futures Close Higher Chicago Lower—Live Stock Markets—The Latest Quotations.

Wednesday Evening, Dec. 13.—Liverpool wheat futures closed today 3/4d to 3/8d higher, and corn futures unchanged to 1/4d lower.

At Chicago, May wheat closed 3/8c lower than yesterday. May corn 1/4c lower, and May oats 1/2c lower.

WINNIPEG OPTIONS. Following were the closing quotations yesterday at this market: Dec. 70c, Jan. 70c, May 80c.

LEADING WHEAT MARKETS. 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APPROACHES CIVIL WAR

Baltic is Now the Danger Spot in Russian Empire.

Governor-General Has Been Appointed With Sweeping Administrative Powers to Try to Restore Order—General Strike Probability Is Lessened—Catholic Clergy of Russian Poland Demand Autonomy and Other Reforms.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 12.—(Morning) via Eydtkuhnen, East Prussia, Dec. 13.—The restoration of cable communication with points abroad yesterday lasted only a few hours. Before midnight it was reported that the cable was cut and that despatches must again be forwarded by courier via the German frontier. Nevertheless the outlook is clearing. The Government is breathing free with a fighting chance that Premier Witte will yet be able to steer his way through the rocks which beset his path. The situation in the Baltic provinces is now the most grave of the Empire's conditions. It approaches civil war, and the Government has been forced to appoint a Governor-General with sweeping administrative powers to try to restore order. All the troops in the provinces have been placed under his command. The importation of arms, which have been entering the country in large quantities, and the sale of weapons have been prohibited, and the authorities are even empowered to arrest for three months under an administrative order persons having arms in their possession.

At the same time the Government recognizes that the growing rebellion by force will not suffice, and some sort of local self-government will alone quiet the population. Therefore it has ordered the convocation of representatives of the various classes of the provinces, including the peasants, to work out a scheme for the creation of a samvoit to control local affairs.

There'll Be No Strike. The threat of a general strike in the immediate future has disappeared, and the telegraph strike not being supported is going to places in spite of the wild appeals of the union to stand firm. At Moscow the tie-up remains complete, but at many other places communication has been re-opened, although in a precarious fashion. The real leaders of the workers and other proletarian organizations realizing fully their weakness and lack of preparation for a deliverance struggle have carried the day over the hot-headed strikers. They have, however, placed themselves on record to continue the organization, and equipment of the fighting legions which the old president, Krustaleff, began, thus virtually furnishing the Government with evidence confirming its charges that the criminal code, prohibiting participation in associations, the object of which is armed revolt, and the punishment for which is death, have been violated by the strikers' best organization. It is likely, however, that the Government in order to discount attempts to save M. Krustaleff, will simply charge him with the misappropriation of the funds of the workers in using them in founding a Socialist paper, which the Government claims can be substantiated.

Catholic Clergy's Protest. Warsaw, Dec. 14.—A meeting of 417 Catholic clergymen of Russian Poland, after ten hours' session during Tuesday night, resolved yesterday morning to demand autonomy for Poland, with its own Parliament, general secret ballot, the reinstatement of the Polish language in Government offices, the abolition of capital punishment, full amnesty for political prisoners. Two prominent men of Odessa have declared their readiness to take a formal oath that Gen. Kaubars, Governor-General of Odessa, said on Oct. 13 that all the Jews in Odessa must be massacred.

The police of the first district of this city have struck, and the authorities have been ordered to arrest eleven of the leaders. They are confined to their barracks.

PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT.

Declares Separation of Lithuanian People From Russian Empire.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 13.—(Evening) via Helsingfors and Berlin, Dec. 13.—Two messengers who arrived here from Riga to-day, having walked about 130 miles to catch a train at Plock, not only confirm the report that a provisional government has been set up at Livonia, but they say that many of the troops have gone over to the insurgents.

Dwina Port, commanding Riga harbor, is in their possession, and the Governor and other Russian officials are prisoners. The messengers said that the Provisional Government exercises authority throughout Livonia and part of Courland. The new Government has declared the separation of the Lithuanian people from the Russian Empire. They have chosen new local officials, and have decreed the closing of the spirit shops and breweries and the annulment of the contracts between the peasants and landowners. There is a general uprising of the native peasants, who are traveling in armed bands, attacking the estates and driving off or killing their owners.

"Invisible Government" Program. The League of Leagues, now termed the "Invisible Government," has elaborated a project for a constituent assembly of 988 members elected from districts of 140,000 inhabitants, which upon its convocation, shall assume entire sovereignty, executive, legislative and judicial.

The news drifting in from the interior shows that violence is decreasing, but that the ferment is unabated.

Every class of society is organizing parties and clubs, and the police are in some places the landlords threaten that unless the Government suppresses the agrarian disorders they will refuse to pay taxes, or interest, to the nobility or banks for loans, etc., and will take the law into their own hands, organize guards to protect their property, and, if necessary, to make reprisals by burning the peasants' villages.

Soldiers Make Pledge. On the other hand, a meeting of 6,000

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workmen has been held in Moscow, at which it is stated soldiers were present, who pledged themselves to fight to the last drop of blood to secure the downfall of imperial rule, an eight-hour working day and a division of the land to the peasants.

Nor Oughlin agitators are urging the peasants to attack the estate of Count Sheremetev, a noted reactionary, cut down the forests, burn the family mansion and annex the lands.

Twelve thousand Cossacks have been despatched to the Baltic provinces.

Panic on Bourse. Moscow, Dec. 12.—A veritable panic prevails on the bourse. The complete collapse of business in the provinces has been attended by many bankruptcies.

The agrarian disturbances are extending almost to the gates of this city. The country mansions of many nobles, including that of Count Shakhovskiy, have been burned.

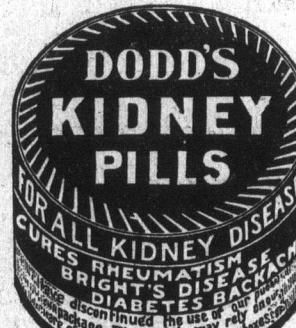
QUEBEC CONSERVATIVES.

Convention Refuses to Appoint Leaders and Adopts a Platform.

Montreal, Dec. 14.—The Province of Quebec Conservative convention was brought to a close yesterday afternoon with the adoption of a platform, the resignation of Hon. R. J. Flynn as provincial leader, and the refusal of the gathering to follow the advice of the Young Conservatives to appoint leaders at Ottawa and Quebec. A committee of leading delegates was appointed to look after the question of local leadership and supervise generally.

Quebec Game Conference.

Montreal, Dec. 14.—The Quebec fish and game conference opened yesterday morning in the Windsor Hotel. A large number of the sportsmen of the province were present, as well as many Americans. Ontario was represented by Hon. Dr. Reaume. The president, Hon. Jean Prevost, Minister of Colonization, Mines and Fisheries of the province, delivered an address outlining the scope and intention of the convention, which was to bring about a better fish and game protection system in Quebec.



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CANADIAN NAVY.

Affected by British Change of Government—Hon. Mr. Prefontaine and Hon. Mr. Lemieux Dined.

London, Dec. 14.—(C. A. P.)—Hon. Messrs. Prefontaine and Lemieux were the principal guests of a dinner given by the Canada Club last night. Mr. Prefontaine, responding to the toast of the Dominion, told of what Canada had done for the navy. It was yet in its infancy, and his Government thought



ADMIRAL DOUGLAS.

they should establish a navy reserve organization, which, little by little, should become part of the naval defence of the British Empire. He was at present in England negotiating with the Admiralty with a view of taking over the docks at Halifax and Esquimaux, which had cost the British Government millions of dollars, and which would be the nucleus for a Canadian navy. His negotiations would, he had hoped, have by now been finished, but the change in Government still kept him in London. He was pleased, however, that the new Government seemed favorably disposed towards his plans.

Reverting to the parade of the unemployed, which was held yesterday, he thought a portion of the funds subscribed for their relief should be devoted to helping able-bodied men emigrating to Canada, where employment could be found.

Mr. Lemieux, in an eloquent speech, emphasized the loyalty of the French-Canadians, and also the advantages of the entente cordiale.

Col. Sam Hughes, M. P., replying for the Imperial forces, dealt upon the advantages of scholastic training and hoped to see an Imperial Parliament with representatives from Westminster, B. C., sitting at Westminster.

MINERS' RECOMMENDATIONS.

Net Result of the Mining Conference

Toronto, Dec. 14.—When the mining conference resumed in the members' reception room of the Parliament Buildings yesterday morning, Mr. George Mackenzie, chairman of the Resolutions Committee, said that body had been unable to deal with many resolutions, having spent a good deal of time without reaching a decision on the following: "That any licensee may stake out a location without first making a discovery of mineral thereon."

Settled by Compromise. The clause on this clause continued till 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Altogether there were 50 speeches on this question. Several amendments were introduced, threshed out, and withdrawn. It was held by some of the speakers that the clause was too radical and should be qualified, while others wanted it passed, with further resolutions to qualify it later. Finally it was settled by compromise and the amended clause was as follows: "That any licensee may stake out a location without first seeking a discovery of mineral thereon, under stringent working conditions to be decided by this meeting."

This passed by a majority of 18 votes.

Time Limit. These two clauses were passed without much comment. "That all locations shall be recorded within 15 days after staking, if within ten miles from recording office, but that one day additional be allowed for each additional five miles."

"All locations shall be forty acres, except in case of fractional location. In surveyed territory the location should consist of a fractional part of a section, as mentioned in sub-section two of the regulations for mining divisions governing the Temiskaming mining division."

The Working Conditions. The working conditions will be taken up later.

The following resolution, giving the conditions relating to the previous resolution, was passed: "That the licensee may stake out a mining location, square in shape, containing 40 acres, with posts at the four corners, also a post 3 feet southwest of the northeast corner post, to be called the recording post, with 6 inches faces and to be at least four feet above the ground."

"Where there are standing trees upon a mining location the licensee shall blaze the trees and cut the underbrush along the boundary lines of the discovery."

First Come. "That during the period allowed between the date of staking and the date on which the said claim is required to be recorded in accordance with the preceding resolution, the licensee first staking the same shall be entitled to full possession of the said claim and to others who have staked their right fully preserved in respect thereof."

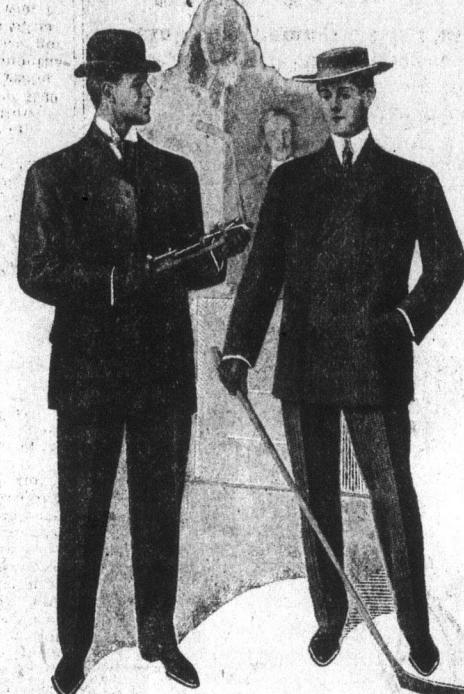
Connaught Coming to Canada.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—Prince Arthur of Connaught, who is on his way to Japan to bestow the Order of the Garter upon the Emperor, will return from that country by way of Canada. His royal highness was invited to do so by the Dominion Government, and has accepted the invitation.

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Silk Handkerchiefs, 25c to \$1	Canes, 50c to \$3.00	Fancy Vests, \$1.50 to \$5.00
Mufflers, 50c to \$5.00	Fancy Hose, 25c to 75c	Fur Gauntlets, \$1.50 to \$15
Umbrellas, \$1.00 to \$5.00	Fancy Shirts, 75c to \$2.00	Fur Collars, \$5 to \$12.00
Suspenders, 25c to \$1.00	Fur Caps, \$2.00 to \$10.00	Fur Lined Coats, \$30 to \$75

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YOUTH SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS.

Has Bad Record and Judge Gives Him a Severe Lecture.

Berlin, Dec. 14.—Lawrence Smith, the young Galt desperado, was given the longest sentence ever imposed on any prisoner by Judge Chisholm, yesterday.

The prisoner pleaded guilty to a charge of hold-up and two charges of shop-breaking and theft. On the first charge he was given ten years' imprisonment in Kingston Penitentiary, and on the other two charges two years and one month each, to run concurrently with the ten years' sentence. He was allowed suspended sentence on three charges of house-breaking and theft, to which he pleaded guilty a year ago.

Smith was given a very severe reprimand by the judge, who characterized him as an incorrigible criminal and a villain of the worst type.

Editor Sues C. P. R. Officials.

Calgary, Alta., Dec. 14.—R. C. Edwards, editor of The Eye-Opener, yesterday instructed his solicitors to issue libel writs each for \$5,000 damages against J. A. Dennis, assistant to second Vice-President Wm. Whyte, and R. B. Bennett, C. P. R. solicitor, in Calgary. The alleged libel consists of a communication signed by these men charging that Edwards attempted to blackmail the C. P. R. and Bennett.

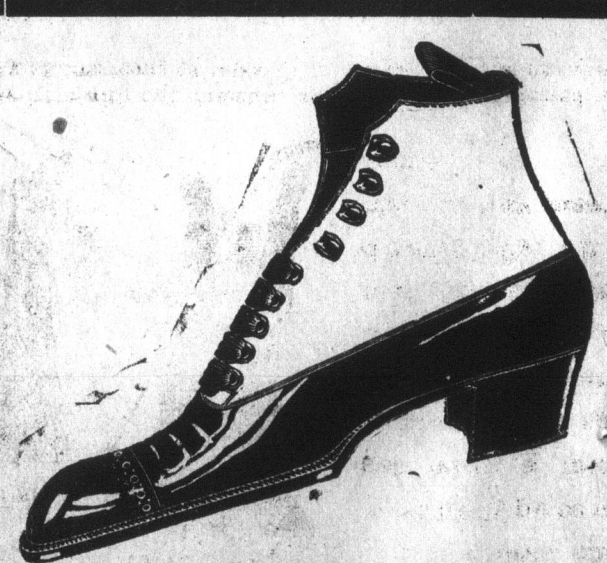
Six Months For Film Flaming.

Toronto, Dec. 14.—George F. Rowles, who film-flamed H. Nixon out of \$500, and P. W. Barnes of \$400, was yesterday sent to the Central for six months for his part in the scheme. Rowles got their money by promising them situations in his bag factory, that was to be, but never happened.

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