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ott, the carol "When
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Mr. V. P. Hunt
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Presbyterian choir
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D'ANNUNZIO LOSES OUT

Foot Gives Over Command of Flume to Local Communal Council.

FIRING HAS CEASED

Duke of Nostra Takes Hand in Game of "War" Being Play- ed There.

(By Canadian Press)
FIUME, Dec. 29.—Gabriel
D'Annunzio early today sur-
rendered all his powers to the
Flume Communal Council, a
conference for the purpose of
arranging the final cessation of
hostilities between the regular
Italian forces of General Cavig-
lia and the D'Annunzio legion-
aries was set for this morning.
Meanwhile all military opera-
tions have been suspended. The
Mayor of Fiume and D'Annun-
zio's military officers will be
the Fluman spokesmen. The
soldier poet apparently is being
ignored.

Rome, Dec. 29.—Firing on Flume
by the Italian blockading force will
be suspended, it was decided at a
conference in Abbazia according to
advises received here.

The suspension was requested by
the Director of National Defence at
Flume and the Mayor of the City,
who met General Ferrario, Com-
mander of the blockading force, to
discuss the possibility of ending hostil-
ities.

At a conference in the morning
the General informed the delegates
that four barriers were impossible
without prior recognition of the
Treaty of Rapallo. Such recogni-
tion having not been given, the de-
legates decided to return to Flume to
discuss the matter, and asked for
another meeting in the afternoon.
They also requested a suspension of
the firing, which was granted.

Make Four Conditions.

London, Dec. 29.—A despatch to
The London Times from Rome says
the Mayor of Fiume requested an
interview Tuesday with General Car-
ryllia and an immediate armistice
on the following conditions:

First.—Withdrawal of the Govern-
ment troops to their former posi-
tions.

Second.—The Regency to evacuate
Veglia and Arbe and hand back the
Government vessels unarmcd, or
with the promise that they will not
be used against Fiume.

Third.—Control of the legionaries
from Fiume, independently of the
Italian Government.

Fourth.—The admission of a Fi-
ume delegate to the commission
which is to settle the fate of Port
Barros.

These conditions are virtually
those proposed by the Government
recently and scornfully reflected by
D'Annunzio.

The statement by Premier Giolitti
in the Senate concerning the situa-
tion in Fiume is awaited in Rome
with the greatest anxiety, the cor-
respondent says.

The Duke of Aosta has arrived at
Trieste, and is proceeding to Abbazia
to take part in the meeting be-
tween General Ferrario, the Italian
Commander, and the Fiume dele-
gates, says a Milan despatch to The
London Times.

The Fiume situation is very grave,
and civilians cannot obtain food. It
is believed that the Mayor's request
for the suspension of hostilities was
made with a view to facilitating the
evacuation of civilians.

NEW OIL BOOM

Vancouver, Dec. 29.—Announce-
ment by Sidney Miller, oil drilling ex-
pert, of the striking of oil early to-
day by the Sparten Oil Well, started
a boom in oil-drilling in all fields
in the Vancouver-Fraser Valley area.
The Sparten Well struck oil at 1,500
feet. Contracts were let out and work
started on the building of storage
tanks to hold huge quantities of the
crude oil as it comes from the gush-
er until it is shipped away to the
refinery.

IS IT, OR ISN'T IT?

MONTREAL, Dec. 29.—The epi-
demic of liceugias, reported in New
York, has broken out in Montreal,
and is attributed by doctors to busi-
ness worries.

REPRISALS DEPLORED; BRITISH LABOR PARTY DEMANDS PUNISHMENT

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A special conference of the labor party today on the Irish situation unanimously carried a resolution deploring the lamentable condition of affairs in Ireland, as revealed in the report of the Labor Commission which investigated the situation there, and approving of the demand of parliamentary labor party for an immediate judicial inquiry into the question of reprisals.

The resolution concludes:
"This conference now challenges the government to disprove the statement of the Labor Commission by such judicial inquiry and to deal with those proved guilty of such serious charges as their offences deserve."

A movement calculated by its organizers to place the full weight of British organized labor in support of Irish self-determination claims on Jan. 1 with a specially convened conference of the parliamentary labor party in London today, after which several members of the party's commission which investigated the Irish situation held what they had observed and heard there.

Another resolution adopted by a large majority at this afternoon's session suggests the following ground at a possible basis for nego-

tiation and settlement of the Irish difficulties.

Withdrawal of all armed forces; the placing of responsibility for maintaining order in each locality in Ireland on the local authorities; and thirdly provision for immediate election by proportional representation of a constituent assembly charged to work out whatever constitution for Ireland the Irish people desire subject only to two conditions: namely: Protection of minorities and guarantees that constitution should prevent Ireland becoming a military or naval base for Great Britain.

POLISHED FELLOW THRILLS; THEN VICTORIA IS SORRY

This Person Said He Was Working for French Government— Collected a Lot of Cash and Vanished—Turns up in Shanghai.

VICTORIA, Dec. 29.—Captain R. V. Argon, polished gentleman and non-suspect, who thrilled Victoria when he came here early this year saying that he was the representative of the French government with millions of dollars behind him, but disappeared after a couple of months of business and social connexions in this town, has been traced to Shanghai, China, and by a couple of persons prominent in official life across the Pacific, according to Chinese advisers.

The genial captain appeared in Shanghai a few months ago "to de-

velop some works for the French government." He was welcomed with open arms and lavishly entertained.

He became a close friend of one of the sons of Sir John Dray, a British official in China, among others. One day Argon disappeared and with him it is alleged, \$7,000 which Dray was carrying in his pocket, also disappeared. Investiga-

tion further revealed, it is alleged, that the captain had taken advantage of guarantees by Dray and others of his debts on the French govern-

ment to the extent of large sums of money.

"THAT MAN O'CONNOR" NOT WANTED BY LABOR

West Peterboro Bye-Election Causes Some Stir in Electric City—Local Labor Leader is Probable Choice for Contest.

(By Canadian Press.)
PETERBORO, Dec. 29.—Reports originating in Ottawa which inferred that W. P. O'Connor, K. C., would enter the Federal contest in West Peterboro, probably under the wing of the Labor party, were characterized as "All Bunk" by one principal in the bye-election.

"There is a decided stir in the Labor camp, but not in the direction of the Ottawa prospect," he said.

Thomas Lane, president of the local trades and labor council, is looking upon as the probable choice of

the Labor party here.

The West Peterboro bye-election on Feb. 7 is a most difficult problem for the government. J. H. Burnham, member since 1911 and who retired, claiming his mandate had expired, will be a candidate. The govern-

ment candidate will be chosen at a convention in Peterboro during the first week of the New Year. It is evident that with these two in the field the government support will be split and will afford an excellent opportunity for the Liberal or Farmer-Labor candidate.

RECTOR USES AN AIRPLANE

(By Canadian Press)
BARRE, Ont., Dec. 29.—Rev. Mr. Taylor, Anglican administrator of Camp Barren this morning and took morning church here, travelling the short way in an aeroplane piloted by Capt. Tudhope.

ARREST TRIO IN ASYLUM MYSTERY

TORONTO, Dec. 29.—Following the murder of the body of John Gorell, 432 Ontario street, in a room at the Ontario hospital for the insane on Monday morning, one official and two employees of the staff at the asylum were arrested on the instructions of Chief of Detectives George O'Rourke.

The men were: John Morgan, night superintendent; Wm. J. Kee and Charles Grant, attendants.

One person who viewed the body of Gorell as it lay in the morgue during the night, could not have been much worse had it been struck by a train. He stated that these men were finger marks on the throat and a number of bruises about the body.

NO SWISS PAPERS

Bern, Dec. 29.—Owing to the general strike of the printers throughout Switzerland no papers appeared this morning except the Socialist organs. The compositors demand an increase of pay amounting on an average to fifteen francs a week. At the present rate of pay compositors are better paid, absolutely and relatively, than many members of the editorial staffs.

HER SERVICE RECOGNIZED

Colborne, Dec. 29.—At the close of the Sunday school Christmas tree entertainment in Wicklow Methodist Church on Christmas Eve, Miss Florence Hall was presented with a handsome club bag, fitted with an engraved French ivory tassel and manure set. Rev. J. N. Lovelace, pastor, made the presentation on behalf of the Epworth League, Sunday school, and other departments of the church.

BACK TO ERIN

New York, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Terence MacSwiney will sail for England on Saturday next.

TO "ONTARIO" CORRESPONDENTS

Will those who send in correspondence to "The Ontario" please sign their names. This is imperative. Names are not for publication, but as a guarantee of the genuineness of the copy submitted. Nothing will be used in future unless the name and address of the sender is attached.

BELLEVILLE MAN HEADS U. S. TRADE COMMISSION

John McHugh, Born Here, Con-
ceives Hundred Million Dol-
lar Scheme to Finance Amer-
ican Foreign Trade.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—It is not generally known even in Canada that John McHugh, vice-president of the Mechanics and Metals National Bank of this city, the man who conceived the new \$100,000,000 foreign trade financing corporation, which is receiving much attention both here and in Canada, was born in Belleville, Ont. Both American bankers and business men are counting upon this new corporation, which has the

FOURTEEN REMAIN IN FIELD AS ALDERMANIC CANDIDATES

Five of the 1920 Council Try-
ing for Re-election for
1921.

FOUR RAILROAD MEN TRY.

Mayor Higgins Gets an Acclama-
tion as Trustee in Sanson
Ward.

MAYORALTY CANDIDATES

CHARLES EDWARD HANNA,
hardware merchant.
WILLIAM CHARLES MIKEL,
barrier.

ALDERMANIC CANDIDATES

ROBERT DAVID ADAMS, chief
clerk.
JOHN BALLINGER, boiler-maker.
GEORGE ALBERT BENNETT,
contractor.

HANDEL V. DOTLE, contractor.
S. J. FISHER, insurance broker.
GEO. F. OSTROM, produce mer-
chant.
JOHN E. PARKS, insurance brok-
er.

ALBERT ROBINSON, merchant.
BENJAMIN A. SANFORD, mer-
chant.
RUFUS WILLIAM T. WENSLEY,
secretary.
WILLIAM ALBERT WOODLEY,
gentleman.

THOMAS YERROW, railroad fore-
man.
GILBERT HALL FRENCH, com-
mission merchant.
SAMUEL H. TREVERTON, gentle-
man.

CANDIDATES FOR TRUSTEES

FRANCIS WARD.
P. SHARPE, F. H. CHESTER,
Blocker Ward.

THOS. MARSHALL, F. POTTER.
The municipal council has sim-
ply given to a straight majority
High between Ald. Adams and Mr.
Mikel and the aldermanic council
to select in which fourteen are taking
part. There are two contests for

trustee in the Sanson ward. The Board of Edu-
cation, says City clerk, will still have
to the benefit of his public experience.

The other acclamations are: Ketch-
cock Ward, Harry Pringle; Coleman Ward,
M. D. MacFadyen and Murray Ward,
G. T. Woodley.

Mrs. Francis Leavelle and Mrs.
Gertrude MacLellan withdrew from
the contest.

SELL SUGAR AT NINE CENTS AND STILL MAKE GOOD PROFIT

Montreal Wholesaler Makes Statement—Flurry in Price of Sugar Stirs Big Town on St. Lawrence—Refinery is Still Closed Down.

MONTREAL, Dec. 29.—Another
flurry in the price of sugar has
occurred in the past day or so, re-
sulting in a further drop in the price
from a nominal 11 cents to a nomi-
nal 10 cents from the refiners. One
of the large wholesalers stated today
that he could sell sugar at nine cents
a pound and still make a profit.

"The 10 cents refiners' price is
with the allowance of five per cent.
discount to wholesalers. Following
a further break in the New York
market today for raw sugar, it is be-
lieved possible that there may be
still more pronounced drops in the
price of sugar here.

"The situation is not very promis-
ing," said the president of one of the
largest sugar refineries in Montreal
today. "I have been asked to help in
the work of the unemployment com-
mittee here. What is really worrying
me is that our refinery has been
closed for months and that I am un-
able to find employment for my
hands who are in dire straits for
lack of employment."

ELECT TRUSTEES BY ACCLAMATION

Separate School Board nomi-
nations held at noon today at St. Mi-
chael's Academy, resulted in the ac-
clamations to fill the seven vacancies
on the board. Messrs. T. J. Hurley,
W. A. Dolan, E. J. Butler and Joseph
Foltz were re-elected, the three new
trustees being Dr. G. J. Forster, Dr.
J. Daly and James Lynch. The latter
take the place of Messrs. F. Dolan,
Sr., F. Donovan and B. J. Black.

The other members of the Board
are Father Killen, J. M. Trautsch,
M. R. Doyle, W. N. Belair, L. P.
Hughes, Dr. O'Callaghan and W. J.
Hogan.

TWO SANTAS IN ONE NIGHT FOR BELLEVILLE YOUNGSTERS

HOLLOWAY ST. METHODIST S. S. ENTERTAINMENT

A large crowd gathered in the S. S.
rooms of Holloway St. church last
evening for the annual Christmas
entertainment. The program, though
long, was excellent, and each num-
ber was roundly applauded. Mr. A.
E. Bailey, the superintendent, oc-
cupied the chair. Candy was given
to the children. The program fol-
lows: Selection by Orchestra,
Chorus by School, Chairman's Re-
marks, Recitation, Velma Campbell,
Recitation, Allan Logan, Song, Mal-
lene Perry, Chinese Dialogue, Mrs.
Horn and girls of the Marchmont,
Recitation, Joe Anderson, Recitation,
Leonard Gorham, Chorus, Primary,
Recitation, Florence Laker, Piano
duet, Kathleen Woodley and Lu-
lian Baldwin, Recitation, Fredina
Bailey, Recitation, Garnet Burnett,
Sketch, "The Month of the Year,"
Mr. Houlton's Class, Recitation, Grace
Donely, Recitation, Ralph Shaw,
Song, Betty Dabran, Recitation, El-
ton McMurray, Recitation, Harold
Shaw, Song, Mr. Pears' class,
Chorus, Primary, Selection by or-
chestra, Chorus, Sunbeam Choir,
Reading, Isabel Morris, Exercise,
Miss Jones' Class, Solo, Mrs. Dobbs,
Exercise, Mr. Pears' Class, Trio, Mrs.
Leuty, Misses Woodley and Pears;
Reading, Arlene Andrews, Doll, Miss
Blakley's Class, Reading, Mrs. Dig-
by, Solo, Mrs. Leuty.

JOHN ST. PRESBYTERIAN

The Xmas tree at John St. Sunday
School last night was attended by a
large number of people besides the
scholars. The Rev. D. C. Ramsay
presided over the program which
was excellent and at the distribution
of candies and oranges to the chil-
dren. The program follows:
Welcome song, Primary Class,
recitation, Fred Fisher, song, Joe
Mackenzie, recitation, Willie Cook,
song, Olive Ryan, recitation, Allan
McCree, vocal duet, Marjorie and
Frances Hills, recitation; Catherine
Mackenzie, recitation, Clifford Bar-
rage, violin and piano duet, Ida
Parker and Carol McArthur, dia-
logue, 12 little girls, folk dance,
Helen and Olive Ryan, chorus, Miss
Telfer's class, recitation, Grace Cook,
song, Bobby Chadwick, chorus,
primary class, piano duet, Lena and
Grace Jackson, song, Sylvia Tett, re-
citation, Annie Bell, vocal duet,
Miss Rita McGowan and Gussie
Hill, violin and piano duet, Ida Par-
ker and Carol McArthur.

COMING EVENTS

THE BELLEVILLE CLUB LTD. IS
holding a reception for the mem-
bers on New Year's afternoon
from 4 to 6.
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REDS HALT 100 BRITONS

They With Several Americans Turned Back at Border of Russia.

PARIS ON ANXIOUS SEAT

Secret Service Forecasts New Attack in Force by Troops.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The
State Department announced today
that it had received information
from Battle sources that a small num-
ber of American citizens and a hun-
dred or more persons of British and
other nationalities arrived a few
days ago at the Soviet Russia border
on their way out of Soviet Russia,
when they suddenly were refused per-
mission to cross the border and were
taken back to Petrograd.

A Threat.

Paris, Dec. 29.—Soviet Russia is
threatening to sweep westward
again, according to secret informa-
tion received by the French Foreign
Office from the Baltic States, Po-
land, Armenia and the Caucasus.
The Foreign Office is alarmed by the
heavy concentration of Red troops at
the Pivotal Minsk sector menacing
Lithuania, Latvia and Poland, and
in the Kamenetz Podulsk area, which
threatens Warsaw from the south
and Roumania.

The whole Caucasus region en-
circled by the Bolsheviks, cut off
from outside communications and
abandoned by the allies, is turning
Red and establishing a Soviet Gov-
ernment. The complete Sovietiza-
tion of Armenia, Georgia and Azer-
baijan is regarded as imminent.
Persia may go Red.

A conference is now in progress at
Alexandropol between Pasha Ki-
samin Karahelie, representing Ar-
menia and Commissar Legrand, for
the Bolsheviks, which is expected to
result in the Red doctrine being car-
ried to Persia.

Approximately 50,000 Red troops
have already crossed the Latvian
frontier and advance guards have
already occupied several towns. The
breaking off of diplomatic relations
between the Latvians and the Bolshe-
vists is expected, because Commissar
Ganetski was held up for 48 hours at
the frontier by Lettish officers. Mos-
cow sent a bitter protest, but the
Latvian Government disavowed the
act.

Reinforcements Arriving.

Bethonia reports heavy masses of
Red cavalry encamped along its
frontier, and the Minsk concentra-
tion is being increased by daily
drifts of reinforcements from the
Crimea.

NOMINATIONS IN NEARBY PLACES

Those Who Are Nominated in Towns, Villages and Townships.

FEW BY ACCLAMATION. Trenton, Deseronto and Other Live Towns in This District See Fight.

Reports from nearby towns, villages and townships show generally a keen interest in local municipal politics. There were acclamations in some places, while in others the contests will be keen.

Frankford village will be represented in Hastings County Council this year by Reeve Walter E. Windover.

TRENTON.

Mayor—W. A. Fraser, Col. A. E. Bywater, J. Funnell, Mark Tripp, N. J. McNair, Hugh O'Rourke.

Councillors—W. Hyde, W. W. White, Dr. McQuade, L. M. Parks, Hugh O'Rourke, Chas. Richardson, C. W. Lott, Henry Desjardins, J. H. Sills, T. McAuley, N. J. McNair, A. E. Cuff, H. S. Langdon, George Collins, F. L. Vallesau, Mark Tripp, John Simpson, E. Ellis, T. Jarrett, E. T. Mayhew, Geo. Sprentall, M. Datoe, L. Roenik, T. F. Rixon, R. Robertson, R. L. Haines, Chas. Goodwin, W. R. Bontor, B. W. Powers, B. Lowery, C. Vanalstine, G. H. Muroff, J. H. Kinney, W. H. Ireland, W. E. Milne, W. B. Powers.

Public School Trustees, (3 to elect)—H. Kemp, Chas. Foster, E. E. Mayhew, Gordon Meyers, E. Allison.

Public Utility Commissioners—H. F. Whittier, F. C. Adset, Mark Tripp.

THURLOW.

Thurlow electors' confidence in the 1920 regime led to the return by acclamation of the old Council for the new year, as follows:

Reeve—Nathaniel Vermilyea.

Dep. Reeve—J. G. Sills.

Councillors—W. B. Tufts, Robert Garbutt and Dan McDonnell.

No opposition developed, no one being nominated against Reeve Vermilyea and his associates. After the nomination the members of the Council all spoke.

SIDNEY.

Sidney township will be represented in the Hastings County Council in 1921 by Mr. W. A. Reid as Reeve, and Mr. Clem. H. Ketcheson as Deputy Reeve. Reeve Charles Vandewater retired from the nomination yesterday and allowed Mr. Reid to have the reeve ship by acclamation. Mr. Ketcheson also received the office of deputy by acclamation.

The Council also goes in by acclamation, the Councillors being E. Fyser, F. R. Mallory and Arthur L. Barke.

DESERONTO.

Mayor—W. J. Malley, E. A. Rixen.

Reeve—T. J. Naylor, R. J. S. Dewar.

Councillors—Joseph R. Stainton, Thos. Fox, J. A. Dunn, Chas. Brennan, R. J. S. Dewar, A. G. Bogart, R. Miller, J. C. Burns, Milton Hunt, W. H. Harvey, E. C. Metcalfe, Alfred McCullough, John Dalton, M. J. Meagher, Isaac Allen, Reuben Clement.

School Trustees—East Ward, William Wilson, (accl.); Centre Ward, B. L. Dettlor, (accl.); West Ward, James Fairburn, L. G. Spencer.

MADOC VILLAGE.

Nominations in Madoc Village for 1921 council were:

Reeve—Joseph Barnes, Walter Whytock.

Council—John Armstrong, R. C. Fair, Walter Whytock, T. G. Burnside, John Robertson, Percy Naylor, E. C. Tufts, Chas. Reid, Chas. Whytock, George West.

School Trustees—John Smith, Leonard King, T. E. Burnside, Chas. Henderson, Mrs. William Cross, Mrs. W. J. Hill, (three to be elected).

FRANKFORD.

For the first time Frankford had nominations yesterday, the village now being incorporated. Mr. Walter E. Windover was elected reeve by acclamation. Dr. J. U. Simmons, Chas. F. Rose and A. J. Hendricks were also nominated but withdrew. There are thirteen nominations for council.

STIRLING.

Reeve—Lindsay Melkielehn, R. T. Conlter, Thomas Montgomery, Chas. Maguire.

Councillors, (three to be elected)—B. Bolshaw, C. Vanallen, L. Melkielehn, Thomas Montgomery.

TWIND.

At Twind Samuel Rollins and Dr.

HUNTINGDON.

Huntingdon township nominations for the reeve ship are:—W. G. Jeffrey, Jas. Haggerty, D. Farney, W. E. Tummon.

AMELIASBURG.

There were many nominations at Ameliasburg yesterday. Owing to stormy conditions, the attendance of ratepayers was not large. The nominations stand today as follows:

Reeve—D. W. Robinson, R. H. Fox, John A. Weese, James Robinson.

Deputy Reeve—R. H. Fox, James Robinson, W. J. Reddick, E. C. Hubbs, E. E. Bontor, W. J. Reddick, R. C. Hubbs, B. R. Chase, E. E. Bontor.

RAWDON.

Reeve—Chas. Thompson, T. A. Bailey.

Deputy Reeve—James Cranston, (accl.).

There is a possibility of no election.

ELZEVIR.

Reeve—James Moore.

Councillors—E. A. Groves, W. Greatrix, Jeffrey Laftan, Wm. Speck, (accl.).

TYENDINAGA.

Tyendinaga is to have a contest for councillors but the reeve and deputy are:

Reeve—J. V. Walsh, (accl.).

Deputy—Chas. R. Osborne, (accl.).

Councillors—Dennis Callaghan, Fred Kimerly, R. McCullough, Francis F. Kinnear and Joseph Brickley.

MAYO.

Reeve—Frank White, (accl.).

FARADAY.

Reeve—Walter Wiggins, (accl.).

Reeve—Dr. Embury, (accl.).

MONTEAGLE & HERSCHEL.

In Montague and Herschel, Mr. C. E. Ballard will likely receive an acclamation as reeve.

MADOC TOWNSHIP.

Madoc township council was re-elected by acclamation, as follows:

Reeve—W. H. Kells.

Deputy Reeve—R. A. Woods.

Council—(Accl.).

HUNGERFORD.

Hungerford township council was returned by acclamation.

Reeve—James H. Clare.

Deputy Reeve—J. L. Newton.

TUDOR AND CASHEL.

Reeve—E. Ray.

BANGOR.

Reeve—John Green, (accl.).

MARMORA VILLAGE.

Reeve—George Bruce Airhart, Baldwin C. Hubbell.

Councillors, (4 to elect)—Ben Shannon, John B. Nattie, William A. Sanderson, Frank Merritt, Donald Chisholm, Stanis Bertrand, B. C. Hubbell, A. H. Conners.

MARMORA TOWNSHIP.

Reeve—John Richardson, (accl.).

Councillors, (accl.)—W. D. Nickle, J. E. Maloney, R. E. Bontor, L. E. Neal.

Marchmont Home Says "Thank You"

Editor Ontario.—Will you be kind enough to insert the following notice.—The manager of the Marchmont Home desires to thank the friends who so kindly provided Christmas cheer for the little ones spending their first Christmas in Canada, G.W.V.A., a pair of flannelette sheets and warm quilt; A Friend of Marchmont, apples; Mr. Johns, apples; Mr. Lover, apples; Miss Hat, oranges, candy, nuts; Mrs. Green, joint of beef; Mrs. McFee, candy; Mr. Bishop, pop corn and pepper; Sr. IV, girls of Queen Mary School, dolls and bags of candy; Miss Forman's class of Baptist Church, \$2.71 for Christmas cheer; The Epworth League of W. Belleville Church, toys, candy and entertainment.

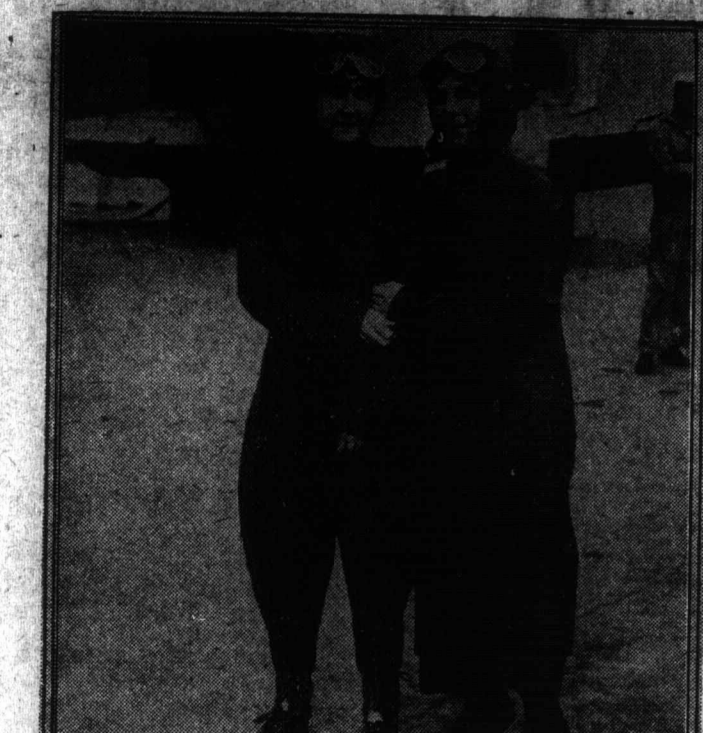
Yours truly,
W. H. MERRY.

SLEEPING SICKNESS.

Detroit, Dec. 28.—Sleeping sickness has taken another Detroit man, the manager of the city gas company, ill for six weeks, was the fourth victim.

Ex-Mayor D. E. O. Platt and Mrs. Platt, who have been in the United States for some time are renewing acquaintances in the city.

MRS. HARDING IN FLYING CLOTHES



Mrs. Warren G. Harding, wife of the President-elect (right) and Mrs. R. B. Creager, who acted as hostess to the Hardings during their visit at Point Pleasant, donned flying togs for an air trip at Cosa Sola Air Station, Canal Zone. It was Mrs. Harding's first air flight, and she pronounced it "perfectly wonderful."

CANADIAN ARTIST FIRST TO PAINT JAPAN'S RULERS

J. W. L. Forster Has Unique Experience in the Flowery Kingdom—Had no Sittings—But Was Forced to Depend on Occasional Glimpses of Their Majesties.

J. W. L. Forster, the Toronto portrait artist who recently painted portraits of their Majesties the Emperor and Empress of Japan, while in Tokio as a delegate to the World's Sunday School Convention, has returned to Toronto and, in an interview with The Star, tells of the circumstances under which the portraits—which were the first ever painted of any of the reigning heads of Japan in the long history of that country—came to be undertaken.

The delegates had received so many indications of good will and hospitality that they were anxious to show their appreciation, with some act of a national character. It was suggested to the directors of the convention that their Majesties be painted, which had created a precedent. In addition, he had the assistance of members of the royal household, of ladies in waiting on her Majesty, of Imperial councillors, and other attendants, who visited his studio from time to time watching the development of the portraits and giving counsel as to detail. There was also placed in his hands reproductions of the royal uniform of a field marshal with the various orders, Imperial and foreign and the military and other decorations worn by his Majesty.

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LOCAL PUCK-CHASERS HAVE FIRST WORK-OUT OF SEASON

Manager Eddie Thomas frothed out his junior and intermediate prospects or suspects—Eddie refused to say yet which is which—last night. For a solid hour they dashed about and it must be admitted right here that for a first night performance they showed a good deal of class.

Some of the boys who played rugby or otherwise kept pretty lively like Armstrong, Vernon Weir, Hagerman and Whelan, stood the pace but others were a bit fagged; some of 'em as a matter of fact being inclined to droop.

But on the initial workout that is to be expected and is neither here nor there.

All the regulars were not on hand. Away on holidays you know. Tonight more are expected to show up for the manager will put on nightly work-outs.

Those who were on hand were:—Intermediates—Boland in goal who stopped 'em all but one or two; Lionel Arnott, Whalen, Weir, Sam Symons, Frank Goyer, Green and Goulin, a new comer.

Juniors—Hunter, between the posts; Holway, Armstrong, L. Goyer, Coon and Hagerman. Garfield Arnott has been sounded with regard to turning out but he thinks not. The Junior outfit are to be polished into trim against their opening encounter with Trenton on Jan. 7th.

Last night they were all mixed working under orders of Manager Thomas who put on the skates himself.

There was a good turn out of "the faithful," leaning against the boards giving every last man of them the once over.

The boys watched Goulin, a likely youngster, with a good deal of care. He has lots of speed and handles the wood pretty well. It was his first time on the runners for the season. He dodged his way up to where he could shoot several times. Manager Thomas tried him out on the defence but it is a question just where he will be placed later on.

Holway got a nasty poke and opened the season with game leg. Both Boland and Hunter were given lots of chances to show what they could do in the nets.

Mr. Thomas said later to The Ontario that he was pleased with the workout.

Jimmy Barry has been chosen trainer for the intermediate team while Oscar Simpson will look after the physical needs of the juniors.

Mr. Thomas invites all and sundry local hockeyists to turn out. If they can make the grade they will be doubly welcome.

FRANKFORD SPORTS TO HAVE REAL RACE

A matched horse race of considerable importance to the sports in Frankford is being arranged for Saturday, January 9th. It originated from one of those many races that are trotted in the minds of certain folks more than on terra firma. However, a nice-sized purse is being put up by the two interested parties, the winner to take all. The contesting horses are "Daisy Ridlon," driven by Mr. John G. Rose and owned by his son George, and "Major Larkin," owned and driven by Mr. Henry Rose, sr. One of the conditions is that these gentlemen shall drive, and the course to be but one-half mile.

MRS. E. B. McLEAN.

Mr. E. B. McLean passed away at her home, 51 Hillcrest Avenue today.

Personal Mention

Miss Sabra Bonisteel is visiting in Toronto for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Meagher, Napanea, spent the week-end with their sons in this city.

Westerly winds, local flurries, but mostly fair and rather cold tonight and Wednesday.

Mr. D. A. Montgomery, manager of McIntosh Bros. store at Campbellford, was a visitor in the city on Monday.

Mrs. James Dyer, of Toronto, is expected in the city today to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bonisteel, W. Bridge St.

Mr. A. E. Donohue of Stratford and T. C. Donohue of Cornwall spent Xmas. with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Donohue.

Major McManus, of Kingston, is in the city. He was a well-known figure in the 15th A.L.I. bugle band circles many years ago.

Sergeant Shaw, of Toronto, who has been in the city for some time looking after the interests of the 15th Reg. A.L.I. is spending ten days leave in Toronto.

Dr. A. L. D. Campbell, of James-town, N.Y., returned to his home on Monday after spending Xmas. with his mother, Mrs. (Rev.) Amos Campbell, 92 Victoria Ave.

Mrs. E. Hansford with her son, Fred, of Sulphide, are spending the Christmas week with her daughter, Mrs. H. E. Lockwood, 149 Charles St.

Mr. W. E. Scrymgeour, son of W. A. Scrymgeour, North Front Street, Belleville, spent Christmas here with his parents. He is leaving today for Camp Borden where he will resume his duties as corporal in the C.A.F.

Mrs. Matilda M. Crawford, who taught school in Michigan and France Edward County before her marriage to John Crawford of Durham County died as a result of a paralytic stroke at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Maud Weiss, Toronto. She had been in poor health for some months. Mrs. Crawford was born in Syracuse, N.Y. A frequent contributor to the newspapers, she was fame as the authoress of the "Woman of the Country." Surviving her are Mrs. Weiss and one son, Blake Crawford.

Talk of the Town and of the Country

PARADE NEXT MONDAY.

All members of the 15th Regiment, A.L.I., are requested to attend parade on Monday, the 3rd of Jan. 1921.

FINES \$5,725 IN YEAR.

Total fines imposed by Police Magistrate Sparham, Smith's Falls, for the past year amounted to \$5,725. There were 240 sittings of the Police Court, and 230 persons tried. The great majority were O.T.A. offenders.

CHILD DIED OF BURNS.

A sad accident befell the three-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Harper Hinds, Centre street, Campbellford. While Mrs. Hinds was out getting a pail of water the little girl's dress caught on fire from the stove and on the mother's return she was enveloped in flames. Mrs. Hinds at once extinguished the blaze and called medical aid, but the little child was so badly burned that she died a few hours later.

A WONDERFUL SINGER.

George MacFarlane is at the Orpheum, Winnipeg. He was born at Kingston, Ont., and is regarded as possessing one of the best baritone voices on the concert stage. Mr. MacFarlane sings as his principal number "The Wreck of the Jullie Plante," one of the late Dr. Drummond's Habitant poems, set to music by Geoffrey O'Hara. He has just concluded a long season's engagement with "Miss Springtime" and acted the principal role. He was one of the successes of New York seasons, as well as in "The Laird" and "The Heart of the Heather." In vaudeville Mr. MacFarlane is displaying his fine voice and personality in a new repertoire, of which as is stated above, the principal is the late Dr. Drummond's well known French-Canadian song.

WEDDING BELLS

JONES—GRANT.

A quiet wedding took place at the Methodist parsonage Marmora, when Miss Emma Joy Grant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Grant, was united in marriage to Charles Stewart Jones, son of Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Jones. Rev. W. P. Woodger officiated. The happy couple left on a few days' visit to Toronto and on their return will visit in Marmora until after the New Year, when they will leave for their new home in the Maritime provinces. Their many friends will join in wishing them a long and happy wedded life.

KISER—PENNY.

Last evening at 7 p.m. the wedding of Winifred Marion, daughter of Mr. William Penny, to Carl D. Kiser, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Kiser, both of this city, was solemnized at the Presbytery by Rev. Father Killeen.

The bride looked lovely dressed in a white georgette over-blowse, over white satin. Miss Mae Burns, dressed in navy blue silk and georgette, acted as bridesmaid, while Mr. Michael Naphin was groomsmen.

After the ceremony the bridal party repaired to the home of the bride's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. Penny, Coleman street, where a sumptuous wedding supper was partaken of.

The groom's gift to the bride was a lovely chest of silver, to the bridesmaid a pearl earring and to the groomsmen a pearl tie pin.

The bride and groom, after a musical evening had been spent, left for their new home on Charlotte St.

MODELAND—CUNNINGHAM.

A quiet but pretty wedding took place in Knox Presbyterian church, Peterborough, on Christmas morning, when Miss Jean Cunningham, daughter of Robert Cunningham, 488 Sherbrooke street, was united in marriage to Edward Modeland, of Belleville. Rev. J. A. McKenzie performed the ceremony. The bride and groom were unattended. Only the immediate relatives and friends were present. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a

HOTEL SOLD.

At Alexandria Bay, N.Y., the St. Lawrence Hotel property has been sold to Capt. Samuel Messey, who will take possession Feb. 1st, and who has plans for remodeling it. The property was owned by Mrs. Roy Rappole and Mrs. Frank Wagner. The consideration is understood to be in the neighborhood of \$17,000.

DIED WHILE CLEANING WALK.

Joseph Moorehouse, of Smith's Falls, aged eighty-one, fell while cleaning ice from his walk and died in a few minutes.

TWO CARS OFF.

Two cars of wheat left the rails at Foxboro station on Monday blocking the Madoc and Peterboro trains. The special was sent out to transfer the one hundred and ten passengers from both trains to this city. The line was cleared by the Belleville Auxiliary by two-thirty in the afternoon.

NINE SLAIN ON CHRISTMAS.

London, Dec. 28.—There was a death toll of nine in Ireland on Christmas Day.

GIFTS THAT LAST

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ANGUS McFEE

316 Front Street

Vermilyea Reeve By Acclamation Forty-One Times

A Municipal career perhaps without equal is that of Reeve Nathaniel Vermilyea of Thurlow.

Yesterday he was returned to the township council for the forty-sixth time. Forty-two times he has come up as reeve. So absolute is the confidence of Thurlow taxpayers in their reeve that he has received in his long public life no less than forty-one acclamations. It is county council record is well-known.

Farmer Loses All in Midnight Fire

Fire at midnight destroyed the frame dwelling occupied by Mr. Peever, on the fourth concession of Thurlow, west of the Foxboro road and caused the loss of all the contents. The family had to flee from the burning building without saving any of their belongings, the children having to run out in their bare feet. The family retired about eleven o'clock last night, after the fires in the range and Quebec heater had been fixed for the night. The blaze is supposed to have started in the chimney.

The house was owned by Mr. N. Vermilyea, reeve of Thurlow. Mr. Peever has been working for Mr. Arthur Vermilyea and carried no insurance on his contents.

M'GUIGAN NAMED IN HANNA PROBE

Appointed by Minister of Labor Under Lemieux Act—Regina Man Also.

OTTAWA, Dec. 27.—The management of the Canadian National Railway having failed to nominate anyone to represent them on the Board of Conciliation in response to the request of the employees of that company in the dispute over the famous "Hanna order," Hon. G. D. Robertson, Minister of Labor, has named F. H. McGuigan, of Toronto, to represent the company on that board, and M. McGuigan and the employees' representative, David Campbell, of Regina, have been requested to meet and select a chairman. Should they fail to agree on a choice of the third member of the board, the Minister of Labor has power, under the Industrial Disputes Act, to nominate a third member who shall act as chairman.

The employees' representative was named some time ago, but the company failed to name anyone within the time allowed under the Act, and though the time for doing so was considerably extended, still failed to submit a name. The Minister, in naming Mr. McGuigan, therefore exercised the authority given him under the Lemieux Act.

Mr. McGuigan is a large contractor and was formerly identified with the Grand Trunk Railway and the construction of the Ontario Hydro-Electric system.

EXPRESSMAN HURT.

Wesley Merritt, driver for the Dominion Express had his nose injured when a piece of furniture fell from a load of express goods, striking him on the face.

THEY SMOKED.

Lt.-Col. Vanderwater, D. S. O., and officers of the Argyll Light Infantry last evening held a smoker at the headquarters in the armories. An enjoyable time was spent by the officers and their guests.

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PROTECTING

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PROTECTING THE PUBLIC

The action of the chief of police in Toronto in rounding up the gunmen of the city, and also the "dope artists," is one which, if followed in all the larger centres of population, may save a good deal of trouble later. Just at this time, when all kinds of tough characters are being chased out of the large American cities, in clean ups resulting from crime waves, it is reasonably certain that a number of undesirables will make their way across the border. There have been evidences already that daring and absolutely unscrupulous criminals are at work in this district. In the larger cities the situation is naturally expected to be more acute.

The carrying of firearms is one of the things that seems to be increasing despite the efforts of the authorities to check it. Figures show that approximately six thousand revolvers were imported into the country this year. What were they for? The records show that only a very small percentage were bought for police officers, bank officials and others who require protection of this kind. The majority of the weapons brought in were not such as are used for military target practice. There are police officials who believe, in view of the facts available regarding revolver imports and the increase in crimes of various kinds, that the time has arrived not only for more stringent enforcement of the regulations in reference to the unauthorized carrying of weapons, but also for the passage of more stringent laws. There is nothing particularly new in this. As a result of occurrences in England it was found necessary to very materially restrict the carrying of weapons. The police there were given the fullest powers under the amendments to existing laws, and, what is even more important, were held responsible for carrying out the new legislation. The results were rather surprising, but they were also very satisfactory, as there was an immediate and very noticeable decrease in crimes of violence. There are certain people who, working under certain conditions, find it absolutely necessary to carry a gun. This is provided for by law. But there are hundreds, perhaps thousands, of others who are carrying weapons when they have no business to, and for no good purpose. A general clean-up of "gunmen" of this type would do no harm, and would very likely, as far as the general public is concerned, do a great deal of good.

SPARGO VS. WELLS

The article by H. G. Wells on Russia after his recent visit there of a few weeks' duration, have been severely criticized both in England and on this side of the water for the alleged obviously superficial quality of the knowledge he gained of actual conditions there, but no one so completely riddles his conclusions and so-called facts as John Spargo.

Mr. Spargo is a Socialist, as everybody knows, though no longer a member of that party which he left because of its un-American attitude. He wished to believe in Sovietism, and even in Bolshevism, thinking it possible that they were an expression of true democracy. He wrote favorably of the possibilities of the new government in the beginning, but when he investigated the operations under Lenin and Trotsky, he realized his mistake and declared their government to be the greatest failure of the age. He takes up Mr. Wells' articles and shows that the latter has accepted Lenin's word without further inquiry, and that the Russian has deceived him.

Mr. Wells recognizes the fact that the greatest need of Russia now is the class of men who can organize and direct industries, and not the least of Mr. Spargo's quarrels with Wells is that the latter suppressed the notorious fact which he ought to have known if he did not and which he had no right to suppress if he knew it, that the Bolshevists dispersed this element of the population and set its members to digging ditches and cleaning streets. Ignorance of the fact and the suppression of it by a distinguished and responsible writer like Mr. Wells are equal-

ly criminal, Spargo asserts. In his first book on the subject of Bolshevism, Mr. Spargo pointed out that with all Lenin's professions in favor of the proletariat, the workingmen, he did not trust the peasantry and it was Spargo's contention then that Bolshevism could not rule with the consent of the people except through violence. Wells quotes Lenin as saying to him confidentially that while the Russian peasants may not be defeated en masse, yet step by step they are to be subjugated. This supports Spargo's prediction, but Wells does not appear to understand the bearing of Lenin's assertion.

Mr. Spargo thinks the most amazing feature of Wells' articles is the fact that he ignores the biggest fact in the economic life of Russia, the one of greatest political importance, namely, the destruction by the Bolshevists of the great network of local co-operative societies, more than 35,000 in number and embracing over 12,000,000 members. As most of these members were undoubtedly heads of families these societies must have represented 60,000,000 persons—more than one-third of the total population. This network formed a basis upon which a communistic government, such as the Bolshevists profess to want, could have been built up with ease. In breaking up this organization it is Spargo's opinion that the Bolshevists have committed their greatest crime against the Russian people.

Mr. Spargo is no respecter of literary prominence and declares his astonishment that Mr. Wells allowed himself to become a mere human phonograph for the repetition of Bolshevist arguments and excuses. The American at this stage seems to have the better of his opponent.

WHAT IS WRONG?

It is depressing enough to learn that there is a material increase in the prison population of Eastern Canada, but the facts become even more discouraging when we are told that the increase is largely due to the spread of crime among young men and boys. Where does the responsibility belong? It has been the custom of late to blame the war for almost everything that goes wrong, and no doubt the war has much to answer for in its after-effects; but there is a growing feeling that the war is not all to blame. If we are to believe some of those who profess to speak with authority, a good deal of the trouble may be traced right back to the home. Some Ontario magistrates do not hesitate to say that lack of parental control is one of the chief causes of the evils complained of.

Is there less parental control today than formerly, and if so, why? Those who trace the trouble to the home emphasize two or three factors. There is a growing spirit of freedom. There is less desire on the part of parents to impose restraint and less disposition on the part of children to submit. Then, both fathers and mothers have so many attractions outside of the home these days, whether in the way of work or amusement, that they have less time to devote to the children. Finally, modern machinery and the factory system made it possible for young people to become self-supporting early in life, and so encourage the development of a spirit of independence.

The problem is a complicated one; but it ought to be frankly faced. Perhaps there may be something in the wave theory of crime. Present conditions all over this continent would seem to give support to the theory.

EDUCATION PAW

Johnny's strapped his books and slate and started off to school. He's enjoined to study well and mind the teacher's rule. He's advised to con his books and every lesson learn. So that he may thrill the land when it comes his turn.

That is why his father has a most important task— He must find the answers to the questions John will ask.

"Why don't water run up hill? Why don't scarecrows fly? When was Julius Caesar born? How did he come to die? Give a list of Presidents? Where is Reik javik? How is it that seven days only make a week? How do you spell Pthisis, paw? Who was in the ark? Where does all the daylight stay while we're in the dark?"

"Why do pickles make boys sick? When was Moses born? Paw, how many kernels is in a grain of corn? Paw, what does the oysters eat? Do they live in beds? Does the little oyster ma's have to comb their heads...? Then his Paw will drop his book and in accents deep, Say: "It's quite time that little boys were in bed asleep."

COUNCIL OF 1920 SAYS FAREWELL

Words of Commendation Fall From Lips of Retiring Members.

MAYOR NEVER LATE

Mr. Riggs Would "Like to be There Again" But Lets Some One Else Rule.

With the best good fellowship and words of commendation for one another, Mayor Riggs and the Aldermen of 1920 Council bade farewell to office on Monday afternoon. Ald. Bone moved the resolution of thanks to Mayor Riggs for his courtesy to the aldermen and his faithful, tireless, efforts in the interest of the city.

"We like to think of you," said Ald. Ostrom, addressing the Mayor, "as not only Mayor but a citizen, whom we all respect and admire." The Aldermen carried the resolution by a standing vote, the basses, baritone and tenors of the 1920, nine being heard in the musical number—"He's a jolly good fellow." As if their singing were not sufficient, the aldermen cheered the Mayor to the echo. City Clerk Holmes tendered the vote to Mayor Riggs.

The retiring Chief Magistrate thanked the Aldermen for their confidence and expression of thanks. He has, he said, missed only one committee meeting, and was never known to be late. The council had been kind enough to overlook his faults.

"I would not have missed the experience for anything. I would like it again but I believe I should drop out and give some one else a chance." Mayor Riggs thanked the city officials for their faithfulness to their tasks and also the press. A vote of thanks, to the city officials who have performed the biggest year's work, was moved by Ald. Bone, seconded by Ald. DeMarsh and carried with a standing vote, musical honors and cheers. City Clerk Holmes and Fire Chief Brown made reply. This was followed by a vote of thanks to the scribes of the local press.

In bidding the Council a temporary farewell, Ald. Ponton said he had found it an educational experience to serve with such men as composed the 1920 Council. "We have made mistakes but when our work is put opposite that of other Councils it will compare very favorably. I am sorry the Council is losing men of the calibre of Mayor Riggs, Ald. Bone and Ald. DeMarsh. Ald. Ponton referred to the executive chairman's ability in finance. The finance chairmanship will be more important next year than the public works chairmanship.

Ald. DeMarsh lauded Ald. Ponton's work in the industrial chairmanship. "Each has served to the best of his ability," was the way Ald. Ostrom put it. "We have got along well."

Ald. Woodley and others paid a few parting tributes and the curtain ran down on the activities of 1920, to rise for the next session, the municipal battlefield for 1921 honors. Public Meeting for Orators. Very little new business was transacted yesterday afternoon. The reports of the Committees were adopted.

Ald. Hanna's resolution to have a public meeting on Friday evening carried. At this meeting the Aldermen and aspirants will have an opportunity to face one another in the presence of the electorate. Ald. Ostrom asked—"Where have we got astray on our one thousand dollars overdraft in the fire department?" The City Clerk said that the estimates had been made as closely as possible.

PUBLIC WORKS COST \$38,600

Statement Issued by Treasurer Frederick Gives Figures in Detail

ESTIMATE WAS \$30,000

Revenue From Police Up to Dec 20th was \$4,500-\$3000 Last Year.

Public works expenditures to Dec. 20, according to an approximate statement issued by Treasurer Frederick, total \$38,611.31, made up as follows:— Public works (property), \$34,026.33; ice-cutting, \$380.50; snow-shovelling, \$426.75; city auto, \$872.60; Engineer's auto, \$406.75; Chatham street sewer, \$2,289.20; West Bridge street hill, \$386.74; Great St. James street drain, \$3,045.37;—a total of \$42,204.74, with the following cash refunds—\$2,354.26 for public works and \$1,339.17 for walks, leaving \$38,611.31. The estimate was \$30,000.

Table with columns: Estimate Expenditure, Printing & City, Property, Fire, Parks, Salaries, Police, Charity, Hospital Social, Worker, Indigent, Hospital, Lighting, Public and High School, Separate Schl., General Inter-est, Scavenger, Garbage, Election Expenses, Insurance, Accident & Fire, Industries, Board Health, Contingent, Administration, Justice, Clean Front St., Street Sprinkling, Street Oiling.

The gas department's withdrawals total \$65,400.29, and receipts \$50,325.78. Capital expenditures were made up as follows:— Sewers 1919-1920...\$ 70861.21 Pavements 1919-1920... 164973.08 Sidewalks 1919-1920... 18769.71 Murney Hill Pavement... 4446.00 Total...\$256829.00

There were three paving accounts as follows:— W. Bridge St. Paving...\$4440.00 W. Bridge St. Water Main 2902.20 E. Bridge St. Water Main 3699.60 Total...\$10141.80

Among the items of revenue are the police department, fines and fees. The revenue to Dec. 20th was \$4,538.17, as against \$3,000.00 estimated. Ald. Woodley endorsed the remarks of Ald. Ponton, regarding proper representation at important out-of-town gatherings. City Engineer Mills presented an inventory of materials belonging to the bay bridge.

More Special Accounts. Ald. Ponton said there were several accounts in regard to which the city treasurer did not know where they should go. These related to West Bridge Street paving account, \$4,440.00, West Bridge Street water main, \$2,002.00 and East Bridge St. water main, \$3,699.60. Ald. Ostrom did not think all the cutting on Murney's Hill should be charged to the pavement. Ald. Woodley said the water main covering could be charged to the pavement. Ald. Adams believed the cost of cutting down of trees would have to be charged to public works. The matter was referred to the solicitor.

APPLICATION TO PARLIAMENT

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made by the Corporation of the City of Belleville, to the Legislature of the Province of Ontario at its next session for an Act to amend the Municipal Act, and to confirm By-law Number 2384 of the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Belleville passed on the 15th day of November, 1920, without obtaining the assent of the electors thereto. The said By-law being entitled "A by-law to authorize the issue of Debentures of the Corporation of the City of Belleville to the amount of \$50,000, for the purpose of paying the Corporation's share of the purchase price of the Bridge of the Belleville and Prince Edward Counties, which crosses the Bay of Quinte connecting the said City of Belleville and the Township of Ammanburg, in the County of Prince Edward, and the approaches and other property belonging and appurtenant to the said Bridge."

The existing debenture debt of the said City of Belleville is as follows:— Consolidated...\$408,000.00 Public School... 147,784.90 Water Works... 25,300.00 Gas Works... 69,246.70 Overdraft and County Line... 33,500.00 Wood Chemical... 5,000.00 Fairchild... 50,000.00 Marsh & Henthorn (Guar-anted by city)... 25,000.00 New Albert Lodge... 16,100.00 Local Improvements... 4,100.00 Pavement (city's share)... 24,100.00 Sewers (city's share)... 27,454.31 Sidewalks (city's share)... 97,098.41 Total...\$1,181,506.36

The reason for requiring the issue of the said Debentures is that the said City of Belleville, the County of Prince Edward and the Honorable Mr. Riggs, Minister of Public Works and Highways, on behalf of the Province of Ontario, have agreed to purchase the said Bridge for the sum of \$500,000, to be contributed as follows:— Province of Ontario...\$35,000.00 City of Belleville... 15,000.00 County of Prince Edward... 20,000.00 Total...\$70,000.00

and said Debentures are required to be issued for the purpose of raising the money to pay the city's share of the purchase of the said Bridge, this 20th day of November, A.D. 1920. J. WILFRID HOLMES, City Clerk, N26-51w

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN WESLEY HAIGHT, late of the village of Foxboro in the County of Hastings, Gentleman, deceased. NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to Section 56, of Chapter 121, R. S. O., 1914, that all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the said John Wesley Haight, deceased, who died on or about the 22nd day of July, 1920, are required to send by post, prepaid, or deliver to the undersigned solicitors for the Executors, on or before the 4th day of January, 1921, their claims and surnames and addresses, with full particulars in writing of their claims, and statement of their accounts, and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them, duly verified by Statutory Declaration.

AND TAKE NOTICE that after the said 4th day of January, 1921, the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they then have notice, and the said executors will not be liable for said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claim notice shall not have been received by them or their solicitors at the time of such distribution. DATED this 30th day of November, 1920. Eleazer Thompson Williams, Gideon S. Way, Executors. Messrs Porter, Butler & Payne, 219 Front St., Belleville, Ontario, Solrs for the Executors D2,9,16,23

SALT MINE NEAR REGINA.

Senlac District Has Commenced Promising New Industry. REGINA, Sask., Dec. 28.—Salt mining in the saline deposits at Senlac, Sask., has been commenced by the Senlac Salt company and the company is now hauling a low grade rock salt a distance of ten miles to the nearest railway by motor trucks. The company has built a shed at the site of the deposits and has installed a number of evaporating pans. They expect shortly to be evaporating salt at the rate of about ten tons a day. A contract has been made by the company to supply the United Grain Growers of Alberta next year with its entire requirements of salt for cattle purposes.

THIRTEEN A WEEK

EDMONTON, Alta., Dec. 28.—Thirteen dollars a week is the minimum wage that is being recommended to the provincial government to apply by order-in-council to all female workers (and to others under eighteen years of age. For apprentices of less than one year's experience the wage is to be \$5.50 per week.

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IN MEMORIAM

MILLIGAN—In loving remembrance of our dear father, Mr. Alfred Milligan, who passed away Dec. 27, 1918. FAMILY, 427 1/2-17w F. Adams, a bookkeeper, died suddenly on an Ottawa street car.

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GETTING READY FOR NEXT WAR

Vast Experiments in Mesopotamia With Airplanes and Chemical Weapons

DISTRICT SEALED AREA

Correspondent Tells of the Mystery of British Operations on Euphrates

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The activities of the British War Office in Mesopotamia are to-day giving rise to serious reports in diplomatic circles in both London and Paris. It is stated as a fact, although it cannot be substantiated or denied officially, that the British War Office is using Mesopotamia as a secret base for intensive experiments with airplanes, aerial torpedoes and poison gas bombs in preparation for the next great war.

Not Allowed Outside Bagdad.

I heard this report first about two weeks ago and began to make inquiries. My informant was a responsible official of a foreign Government, temporarily in London. While in Geneva attending the first meetings of the League of Nations Assembly I heard reports about military experiments in Mesopotamia, but they were not in a form to be reported, because everything surrounding the activities of the British in Mesopotamia was vague. No foreigners were allowed outside Bagdad, and no official observers of foreign Governments were permitted to enter Mesopotamia, so that it was impossible to obtain the information from any travellers or officials.

American Interests.

I shall report the story to-day with all the facts which have come into my possession for two reasons; one is that if the report is authentic, then this may be one of the reasons why the American Government, particularly the Navy Department, is following the policy of building a larger navy and making extensive preparations for another world conflict; the other reason is that if the report is not true, then the question arises, why the British Government has refused the request of the American Government to send observers into Mesopotamia, and why the British authorities in Mesopotamia have refused permission to representatives of American oil interests to visit the oil fields of that country.

Sealed to Observation.

Whatever the outcome of the publication of these alleged military experiments of the British in Mesopotamia may be, this fact remains, that the mystery of Mesopotamia is to-day engaging the serious attention of more than one foreign Government, for, as far as is known, Mesopotamia is the only spot in the British Empire which is sealed to all foreign observation.

The mystery of Mesopotamia first engaged the attention of the diplomatic world during the summer when the Rolls Royce Automobile Company announced that it would be unable to deliver cars as ordered.

Then explanation given a few days later was that the British War Department had commandeered all of the output of that company for the use of the British army in Mesopotamia. The assumption of the public was that the automobiles were being sent to "Mesopot," as Mesopotamia is called by the public.

Expedition Coastly.

But it now develops that instead of cars being sent there, airplanes were shipped. A further assumption was that all the war material sent to Mesopotamia was not used in subduing the Arabs. Still the public, and particularly the British Press, could not understand why it cost the British Government nearly £100,000,000 (normally about \$500,000,000) annually to pacify Mesopotamia. Although there were frequent debates in both Houses of Parliament, the War Department never explained why the Mesopotamian expedition was so costly.

When the American State Department, however, questioned the secret oil agreement between France and England, made in San Remo, there were other reasons which actuated the Government, and it is not unlikely that the British military experiments were as much in the mind of Secretary Colby as the oil agreement.

Experiments on Vest Scale.

Although no reference was made publicly to war preparations there, the charges which have arisen and

which the British have not denied, are that the War Office has been concentrating a large number of staff officers—air experts and experts in chemical warfare in Mesopotamia, and that these officers, with a vast amount of equipment, have been experimenting on a large scale with gas bombs and manoeuvring with airplanes.

For such experiments Mesopotamia is an excellent location because it is one spot in the world where such experiments could be conducted with absolute secrecy, so long as the Government prohibited foreigners from visiting that country during the British occupation.

Experiments Ended.

That there have been military activities with airplanes and poison gas is substantiated by the fact that until very recently the War Department has been sending only officers experienced in these forms of warfare to Mesopotamia.

Last week was the first week in which the War Office is known to have cancelled orders already issued to certain officers in London to proceed to that country.

This latest action of the War Office has given rise to the rumor that the experiments have ended, and that, at a future date, Mesopotamia may again be opened to the outside world; but meanwhile Mesopotamia is blocked.

RED IN U.S. DEPORTED

Ludwig C. A. K. Martens, Ordered From Moscow, to Return to Russia

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Ludwig C. A. K. Martens, Russian Soviet "Ambassador" to the United States, to-day notified the Department of Labor that upon instruction from the Moscow Government just received by cable he will surrender himself for deportation Jan. 3.

The Moscow advices directed Martens not to appeal from the order for his deportation, signed by Secretary of Labor Wilson recently, but to return to Russia as soon as possible with his entire Russian staff.

Cancellation of all contracts negotiated for the Russian Government with United States firms, said by Martens to amount to some \$50,000,000, was ordered.

The cable from Moscow was a reply to Martens' report of his deportation order, and was sent by George Tchitcherin, Soviet Minister of Foreign Affairs, who denounced the present United States Administration for its "hostility."

"We must resign ourselves to the fact that Russia, for the time being, due to the hostile attitude of the present American Administration, will have to get along without its co-operation," the message said.

"You are instructed to return to Russia without delay, together with the Russian citizens who are members of your staff, and to cancel and liquidate, in accordance with instructions you will receive from the Commissariat of Foreign Trade, all orders placed with American firms."

WAITED TWO DAYS FOR LAND OFFICE TO OPEN; LOSES OUT

EDMONTON, Alta., Dec. 29.—For two days and three nights there sat in front of the Dominion land office front door here a man who wanted to be on hand when the time came. It was cold work some of the time, but he hung to it with occasional relief, and the old boom days of the Edmonton land rush were lived over again by at least one faithful watcher. And then at the last moment, after a hard night and a cold one, he left his place to get warmed up, and somebody else got ahead of him for first turn at the land office.

It was all because a block of land in the Rocky Mountain forest reserve was to be thrown open. A lease on the land had expired and it was to be available for oil lease. The man who watched and waited so long, only to lose out at the last, wouldn't say whom he represented, but it was understood that he was acting for some of the interests already connected with the oil industry developments in central and northern Alberta.

BARRISTER IS INJURED.

While shovelling snow from the steps of his house in Morrisburg last week, E. F. Lyle, barrister, was struck on the shoulder and face by several large cakes of ice which fell from the roof without warning. Fortunately no bones were fractured although Mr. Lyle is still undergoing medical treatment.

POSTMISTRESS RESIGNS.

Owing to the state of her health, Mrs. Leacy has been obliged to resign as postmistress of Cardinal. She has accepted that position for many years.

Belleville's Christmas Decorations

During the last and most busy week of Christmas, Front Street shops have had on their festive clothes and have looked exceptionally attractive.

Many a tempting article has been sighted amidst frothing and snow. Amongst the many quaint designs was one where King Doll sat in state in all his glittering gowns and crimson robes welcoming the Cupid, Queen in the Palace of Gift Suggestions, displayed by the McIntosh Bros. Another design was Queen Dolly greeting three new-born cupid dolls with fairies flying over their heads. Teddy bears and life size baby dolls formed the audience.

Vermilyea's Shoe Store showed that the window had been studied in view of the forthcoming season and exhibited some very dainty Christmas presents in the way of cosy slippers, etc.

The Belleville Pharmacy showed nice taste in their selected gift suggestions and the stock was soon reduced. Belleville merchants do not hesitate over their windows, they have been known to be the best and neatest show windows in the province and they intend to uphold their reputation.

Mr. D. C. Sinclair of the Belleville Show Card Company says he has been kept on the move this season and many of the gaily decorated windows of Belleville have been due to him.

Windows should always pay their way and that is what they have been fitted for. Never neglect displays. The public want to see some of the goods without having to come in and ask. Study your windows and change often, says Mr. Sinclair, and then the business comes. Remember the verse that was published a short while ago:—

"The man who tries to advertise in short and sudden jerks is the man who's always kicking because it never works." Advertise, display and then sell.

JAPAN IS READY NOW TO LIMIT ARMAMENTS

Naval Program Explained By Japanese Ambassador in London.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Supplementing the statement issued through a press agency that the Japanese policy had always been directed to maintaining friendly relations with China and the United States, Baron Hiyashi, the Japanese ambassador in London, who attended the League of Nations conference at Geneva, says in an interview with the Evening Standard:

"The value of the work done at Geneva is not doubted. Just think of the international court that has been established. I do not believe we should ever have been able to bring that court into existence without the League of Nations. There are so many international questions that can be considered by such a body with beneficial results that otherwise would be absent. The more expressions of views on disarmament will be of great value. This question of disarmament is, of course, one of the most important questions of the world. There is no fear of course, for any immediate war. I don't think that in the near future any power on earth will be prepared to go to war, if one excepts the Soviet government."

"Under these circumstances there are people who regard merely as foolish any increase at the present time in war vessels. As to Japan, it should be remembered that our naval programme was produced even before the war, but from the time of its inception it has been checked again and again on account of internal conditions. I am quite sure Japan, in common with all other nations who see the advantage from the extremely important financial point of view of limiting armaments would be ready to do anything that lies in its power with that object in view."

CHANGED HANDS.

The Thomas Cowan farm, west side of Orono, has changed ownership. Mr. William Sherwin, of Rossenath, near Cobourg, being the purchaser. Mr. Sherwin gets the 700 acres north of the C.N.R. tracks, and the fine residence (built about 25 years ago by Mr. Andy Pollard, then owner) one of the finest in the township of Clarke, also other buildings.

TWELVE GEESE STOLEN.

Mr. James Dickson, Orono, had twelve fine geese stolen from his farm during the past week. After the first raid the door was padlocked but this was easily burst open with a bar.

OBITUARY

MRS. MCLEAN

Emilie Bedford, widow of the late Neil McLean, of this city, passed away on December 28th, 1920 at eight o'clock in the morning. She had been ill for some time and her death was not unexpected, though it came suddenly at the end. The late Mrs. McLean was a daughter of William Rutherford, of Millstream, Bedford, Eng., who was born in Dublin, Ireland, but settled at Perth, Ont., and of Susan, his wife, daughter of James Hamilton Powell, late Colonel of the 103rd Regiment and High Sheriff of the Bathurst District.

In 1869 Miss Bedford, as she then was, married Neil McLean of the service of the Bank of Montreal and fourth son of the Honorable Archibald McLean, Chief Justice of Upper Canada. After his retirement from the bank, Mr. McLean settled in Belleville where he lived until his death about ten years ago.

The late Mrs. McLean is survived by three children, Miss Violet McLean at the family residence, 51 Hillcrest Avenue, Norman Bedford McLean, late Major 124th Bt. C.E.F., now Resident Engineer of the St. Lawrence Ship Channel and Evan Hamilton McLean, late Capt. and Paymaster 286th Bt., C.E.F., now County Judge Prince Edward County.

MRS. LUCY SANDERS

The remains of Mrs. Lucy Sanders, widow of the late Rev. Dr. W. J. Sanders, a former resident of Belleville, will arrive here at noon on Friday from Vancouver. Burial will be made at Belleville cemetery.

Letters to the Editor

Editor Ontario.

Having been requested by a large number of taxpayers to become a candidate for the City Council of Belleville for 1921, and having accepted the nomination it has come to my notice that statements are being made that by reason of my residence being at the City Limits I am not qualified for the office of Councillor. I wish to state that I am fully qualified under the Act as regards residence, and also am a property owner to a considerable extent in the City of Belleville as well as an employer of labor dispensing a large payroll during the year. I am also financially interested in industrial enterprises in Belleville and therefore have a deep interest in the business of the city being conducted in a business-like way, progressive, but economical. For a number of years I served as a member of the Board of Education and the best interests of the City of Belleville have always been my first thought.

That I am fully qualified for the position of City Councillor can not be disputed and if elected will give my best endeavor to promote the best interests of the city of Belleville at the Council board.

Yours for a Better Belleville.
G. A. BENNETT.
Belleville, Dec. 29, 1920.

MARRIED.

WOODS—STONE—On Dec. 14, 1920, at the Tabernacle parsonage, 246 Church St., by Rev. W. Elliott, Mr. Harold Woods, of Belleville, to Miss Viola Stone, of Bloomfield.

MITCHELL—DESHANE—On Dec. 28, 1920, at the Tabernacle parsonage, 246 Church St., by Rev. W. Elliott, Mr. Lloyd Frederick Mitchell, of Trenton, to Miss Evelyn W. Deshane, of Belleville.

Home Brew Has Kick

But Is Not Mellow

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Those who brew their own liquor have not improved the product in their eighteen months of practice. Herdman, C. Lythgoe, Chief of the division of food and drugs of the State Department of Health, said in his annual report to-day, "It's all raw stuff."

The home brewers, however, developed more kick for their makes in the year, samples reaching the State health authorities showing an increase in alcohol content from 13.54 last year to 23.40 in the past 12 months.

Expert Lythgoe had a word of advice for the legion of home brewers. 1,429 samples of whose work were received by the department. The only way the liquor now being put out can be improved, he said, is to let it ripen for four or five years.

CURLING BEGINS IN BELLEVILLE; THREE RINKS OPEN THE SEASON

Devotees of the roarin' game opened the season locally last night with three "friendly" games. President Wray and a score or so of enthusiastic curlers were there.

The ice was in fair shape; good enough as a matter of fact to permit of no complaints on that score. Everything points to a most successful season. It will in reality be opened with more pomp and circumstance next Saturday (New Year's Day) when the President-Vice-President match will be played.

Dr. M. A. Day, the vice-president like the president lost his initial game of the season.

President Wray expects to take three or four rinks to Kingston next week, where the centenary of the Kingston Curling Club will be "celebrated" on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Next Saturday's event here—an annual one—between President and Vice-President will be awaited with great interest. It will be run off as a charity event. Each player will be asked for two shillings or so, the takings to be given to a local institution.

AMBITIOUS ATHLETIC PLAN FORMED IN ENGLAND TO TRAIN HER SOLDIERS

Sir W. Beach Thomas, ex-president of the Oxford University Athletic Club, cabling from London says: "Every British soldier is to have his club—his country club, with all athletic and some social advantages. Two thousand such clubs are to come into being and over 600 are already in preparation. In short, the most grandiose athletic scheme ever designed by a nation is now being pushed forward with extreme energy from Aberdeen to Land's End, and from Galway to Ipswich."

The root idea is that every battalion say 900 to 1,000 men, shall have provided for it a club of the following nature:

The boundary is a running track. Within its circle are two football grounds, one cricket ground, and a pavilion. Tennis grounds are fitted in where possible. A groundsman is in charge. Such, roughly, is to be the standard country club for the soldier.

Some of the ground now being levelled for big engineering schemes and will take three years or so to finish.

Regulars and Volunteers.

CHASED THE DISC FOR AN HOUR; BOTH TEAMS HAD GOOD WORK-OUT

Local intermediate hockey aspirants put in an hour again last evening chasing the disc. Some improvement in passing and shooting and a little less stiffness all round were to be seen. The boys need a lot of practise yet, however, and will be kept at it hammer and tongs.

The Juniors also mixed it pretty well and some of them will do nicely.

Gavin, the new man, who will likely make a defence position on the intermediate outfit showed up to bet advantage last night. He checks well and is not too selfish with the puck, but he is not yet in the best of condition.

Boland, towards the close of the workout, was the target for everybody and his eye seems to be as good as ever. He stopped one or two sliders from close in that would have made some people dodge. Of the old-timers Hagerman is perhaps in the best shape, but all are working hard and all are out to do their best.

Finkle, who has been approached with regard to turning out, says he finds himself too busy. He will be missed.

Canning, a star junior defence man of last year, turned out for the first time.

Ice-maker Rath has done well for the short time he has had freezing weather. The sheet is very good except in one place at the far end. It ought to improve rapidly.

IN THE WAKE OF SPORT NEWS

Wilbur Ray, the only athlete who has won a letter in four different sports—at the Oklahoma A. and K. College here, has signed a contract with the Philadelphia Americans as a "pitcher."

Joe Stecher, who lost his crown as heavyweight wrestling champion to Ed. "Strangler" Lewis in New York last week, is in a hospital in Omaha suffering with neuritis. The specialist attending him said that the attack was caused by straining his left arm in the Lewis match. He probably will be out of the game for the rest of the winter, it was said.

Results of last night's matches are given herewith. Only about twelve ends were attempted. Scores: On No. 2 ice: Adams Elliott, Borbridge W. Harden, A. Symons R. Backus, Dr. M. A. Day C. J. Symons.

On No. 3 ice: Gartley Leadley, C. Vermilyea J. Q. Galloway, F. Quick W. Belair.

On No. 4 ice: Dean E. Dickens, W. H. Bottam T. F. Ketheson, R. J. Wray A. Moore.

On No. 5 ice: Skip 5 Skip 10

On No. 6 ice: Skip 6 Skip 10 (Only three in each rink.)

On No. 7 ice: Skip 8 Skip 11

Colonel Campbell, near Boulogne, during the war so revolutionized training that Harellet became a place of pilgrimage from many nations, and yet more remarkable—from our own Board of Education.

Extraordinary success has been achieved in the purchase of grounds almost within the circle of many towns. It is not unlikely that a civilian scheme on a grand scale will presently be launched, and in any event the country club, somewhat on the American model, is certain of a new vogue in England.

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COUNCIL

BAYSIDE

Mr. and Mrs. Will Blair Xmas at Mrs. Blair's mother Jas. Forges, Front of Side Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Blair, Mrs. Will Blair and daughter, attended the Xmas Aikens Church, and reported good ones.

The Ladies' Aid of White met at Mrs. Will Blair's, Thursday in December. They were well attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Megginson Xmas with his sister, at St. Mr. Geo. Prosser, of spent the week end with Mrs. Joe Megginson, Front of Mrs. Loveless spent Xmas at Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gardner.

WALLBRIDGE

The Sidney Council were ed by acclamation, W. Reeve; Clem Ketcheson, D. Coun. R. F. Malloy, Tyeard Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. are spending the Xmas holidays the latter's mother in Sarnia Mr. and Mrs. C. Spence Xmas holidays with Mr. Jno. Spencer, of the 7th Con Mr. R. Caverley and sister of Bowmanville, are visiting Mrs. T. A. Hinchliffe and friends in Sidney.

Mrs. T. Tummson, of Iva visiting her daughter, Mrs. Miss G. Hinchliffe, of spent over the week end with Jno. Hinchliffe.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Wilson, of Valley; Mr. and Mrs. B. F. H. of Plainfield, also Mr. Jas. H. of Gilmour, and other friends Xmas dinner with Mrs. Paul of Belleville.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Bartlett, boro, visited Mr. and Mrs. over Sunday.

Mr. Ira Scannel, of Trenton over Sunday at the home of Nobes.

Mr. Jno. Phillips is spending Xmas holidays with his daughter, Mrs. H. Kerr, Toronto.

5TH LINE OF SIDNEY

Mr. Tom Bartlett spent over the week-end with his daughter, Mrs. Beckstead from Ottawa been spending the past two weeks visiting her daughter, Mrs. Christie.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb. Hamblin, of Peterboro, spent Xmas and Sunday at Mr. J. Cullough.

Mr. and Mrs. J. and C. V. and son, spent last Sunday at the home of the farmers' Mrs. J. P. Prest, of Turner Settlement. The High School Pupils of line are holidaying under the tent roofs.

CARRYING PLACE

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Joyce family spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Ed. Rowe.

Mrs. Morrison from St. Cines, spent Christmas with her son, Mr. Wm. Corrigan.

Miss Lillian Leveridge is spending the Christmas holidays at the parental roof.

Mrs. Wm. Vangeason spent Christmas in Wooler.</

COUNTY AND SUBURBAN NEWS

BAYSIDE

Mr. and Mrs. Will Blair spent Xmas at Mrs. Blair's mother's, Mrs. Jas. Forges, Front of Sidney.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Birks, and Mrs. Will Blair and daughter Mildred, attended the Xmas tree at Alkens Church, and reported it a good one.

The Ladies' Aid of White's Church met at Mrs. Will Blair's the third Thursday in December. The meeting was well attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Megginson spent Xmas with his sister, at Stirling.

Mr. Geo. Prosser, of Toronto, spent the week end with his sister, Mrs. Joe Megginson, Front of Sidney.

Mrs. Loveless spent Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gardener.

WALLBRIDGE

The Sidney Council were all elected by acclamation. W. A. Reid, Reeve; Clem Ketcheson, Dep-Reeve; Coun. R. F. Mallory, Tye and Burk.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ketcheson are spending the Xmas holidays with the latter's mother in Sarnia.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Spencer spent Xmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Spencer, of the 7th Con. Sidney.

Mr. R. Caverley and sister Grace, of Bowmanville, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hinchliffe and other friends in Sidney.

Mrs. T. Timmon, of Ivanhoe, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. Sine.

Miss G. Hinchliffe, of Gilmour, spent over the week end with Mrs. Jno. Hinchliffe.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Wilson, of River Valley, Mr. and Mrs. F. Hazard, of Plainfield, also Mr. Jas. Haggerty, of Gilmour, and other friends had Xmas dinner with Mrs. Paul Twiddy, of Belleville.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Bartlett, of Foxboro, visited Mr. and Mrs. T. Mills on Sunday.

Mr. Ira Scannel, of Trenton, spent over Sunday at the home of W. H. Nobes.

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Mr. Tom Bartlett spent over Xmas with his parents here.

Mrs. Beckstead from Ottawa, has been spending the past two weeks visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Christie.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb. Hamblin and Melville, of Peterboro, spent over Xmas and Sunday at Mr. Jim McCullough.

Mr. and Mrs. J. and C. Wilson, and son, spent last Sunday visiting at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. J. Frest, of Turner Settlement.

The High School Pupils of this line are holidaying under their parental roofs.

CARRYING PLACE

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Mrs. Morrison from St. Catharines, spent Christmas with her brother, Mr. Wm. Corrigan.

Miss Lillian Leveridge is spending the Christmas holidays under the parental roof.

Mr. Wm. Vangesson spent Christmas in Woolf.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Garbutt entertained about twenty of their relatives on Christmas Day.

Mrs. Moorman, of Belleville, is spending the winter with her brother, Mr. Wm. Garbutt.

Mrs. Wm. Garbutt and Mrs. Wm. Dauphine spent Thursday evening in Trenton.

Mr. and Mrs. Blake Young entertained a number of their relatives on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith Rowe and Mrs. Wm. Dauphine spent Friday evening at Mr. Garbutt's.

Mrs. Hoff and daughter Marie, spent the week-end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Garbutt.

Miss Claribel Nelson, of Toronto, is spending her holidays under the parental roof.

Mr. Russell Young has gone to Hornepayne to work.

Mrs. Kay Tait and children are spending two weeks with her parents Mr. and Mrs. S. Young.

HALLOWAY

The Christmas Tree on Monday night was well rendered, also the one at the Baptist church on Thursday night.

Mrs. M. Timmon, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. A. Townsend for the past few weeks, spent Christmas Day with her daughter, Mrs. Sine at Wallbridge.

The factory meeting held on Tuesday last was adjourned till February.

Mr. H. Garrison has sold his farm Mr. N. Reid and expects to locate

on a farm near the front of Sidney.

Mr. Roger Rose, of Stirling High School is spending the Christmas holiday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Rose.

SCHOOL REPORT

The December school report for S.S. No. 7, Sidney, reads:

Sr. IV.—Helen Cummings, Charlie Hinchliffe, Pearl Nicolson.

Jr. IV.—Clarabel Rutter, (Hon.), Jean Adams, (Hon.), Kenneth Ray, Everette Cook, Maud Wellman, Lorna Sutherland.

Jr. III.—Laura Shortt, (Hon.)

II. Class—Norma Glover, (Hon.), Lawrence Hubble, (Hon.), Nellie Wellman, (Hon.), Kenneth Jones, (Hon.), Everette Ray, (Hon.), Helen Roblin, (absent), Dorothy Cook, (absent).

I. Class—Ruth Nicolson, Myrtle Cummings, Morris Roblin, Anna Glover, Evelyn Sutherland.

Sr. Primer—Donald Nelson, Caleb Calvert, Lawrence Nelson, Phillip Ray, Billie Sargent.

Jr. Primer—Annabel Adams, Wilmo Shortt, Clarence Jones, Helen Hart.

FRANKFORD

Messrs. Jas. Johnston, S. Myers and S. Thrasher attended the sale of Sidney last Wednesday afternoon.

The S. S. Christmas Tree held in the Windover Hall on Wednesday evening was a decided success the programme being finely given by the members of the schools, consisting of songs readings, recitations, drills and dialogues. The Frankford orchestra was present and gave several fine selections which was much appreciated by all who were present.

Miss Fern Ford returned home from school near Hamilton on Wednesday to spend her holidays with her parents and friends.

Miss Luffman of the Canada Box Board Co. office, left for her home in Wellington on Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wager spent a few days with Mr. Charles Smith and daughter, Miss Jessie.

Mr. Willard Reid loaded a car at the C. N. on Thursday for his home near Whitby.

Miss Regina Turley of Loretta Abbey, Toronto, is home spending her holidays with her father and brothers in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brownell and little son of Galt, spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Pettet and other friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Foster and little sons spent their Christmas holidays with their parents, near Castleton.

Mrs. and Miss Bowen left on the afternoon train on Friday to spend Christmas with Mr. Ketcheson and sisters in Seymour.

Miss Edith Fraser, of Toronto, arrived in town on Friday afternoon to spend Christmas with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Major Fraser.

Grant Simmons, of Niagara, also Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rogers spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Simmons.

Mrs. Gora Vandervoort and Elmer Southard, of Trenton; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Johnson of Murray, also Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Johnston had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Myers.

We are sorry to report the illness of Eleanor McCrostie, who is suffering with whooping cough and pneumonia.

Miss Cecil Welbourne spent Christmas with her mother in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bowerman of Trenton, spent Christmas with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. N. Maybee in town.

Mr. M. O'Malley is home to spend the winter with his wife and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Herrington spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stillman Herrington.

Misses Myrtle Weese and Viola Hadley of Toronto, are holidaying with their parents in town.

Messrs. Percy Hough, of Toronto, and Will Rose, of Montreal, spent Christmas with their parents in town.

There was a family gathering on Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Badgley, when their children and grandchildren spent the day with them. Mr. and Mrs. M. Sine and son, Reginald, of Sine, Mr. and Mrs. Hoagie, of Hords; Mr. and Mrs. M. Seward and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Badgley, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Badgley and daughter, all of the 5th con. of Sidney.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Sine spent Christmas with her brother and wife Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Welbourne in the 4th of Sidney.

6TH CON. OF SIDNEY

Miss Eva Sine is spending her holidays in Detroit with her aunt, Mrs. Carrie Sine.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Scott spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Ezra Anderson at Greenpoint.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lott are spending a few weeks in Sarnia, Flint, Detroit and St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Reid spent Christmas at the latter's brother, Halloway.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wallace and daughter, Wane, visited Mr. Ernest Lott's recently.

BIG ISLAND

The Christmas concert given by the school children on the South side of Big Island, was largely attended on Thursday evening.

Sorry to report Mr. Ray Peck on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Badgley spent Xmas at Mr. S. Sprague's.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Peck were guests on Christmas of Capt. and Mrs. F. Black, Solemsville.

Mrs. L. Williams and Miss Eliza are spending the holidays in Montreal.

WEST HUNTINGDON.

The Christmas tree entertainment in the Methodist Church was a great success. The drama entitled, "Aunt Susan" was well worth while going to hear. The solos given by Rev. Archer were very much appreciated and added much to the evening's entertainment.

Mrs. Jas. Haggerty had a full house on Christmas day and entertained her friends.

Mr. E. T. Saries and family took Xmas dinner at their daughter's at Halloway.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Vice and Mildred, spent the week-end visiting friends here.

Mrs. Sills and family spent a few days at her daughter's at Selby.

Miss Z. Doyle spent Christmas week with her aunt, Mrs. E. Pittman.

Mrs. Geo. Post had a family reunion on Xmas day.

Miss Jean Gime has secured a position in Peterborough and expects to go back to work in a few days.

Mr. Emerson Hough spent Sunday with Mr. L. Wilson.

Miss A. Sills spent a few days with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Rupert spent Christmas with the former's brother, Mr. Bray and family spent Christmas at Mr. W. H. Wilson's.

Mr. R. Kingston and Libbie of Stirling spent a few days at Mr. F. Kingston's.

Mr. A. Kingston and family spent Christmas in Belleville.

Two Inches of Snow Ties Up New York; Pity the Poor City

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—New York is struggling to recover from the effects of its first touch this year of real winter.

A belated Christmas snow flurry hit town last night and this morning the streets were covered with about two inches of snow which rain was converting into sticky slush.

Judging by the effect of this slight snowfall, New York has learned nothing from the lesson of last winter when a series of storms tied up traffic for weeks in many parts of the city. This first snow storm would hardly be considered a flurry in Canada, yet this morning long lines of stalled surface cars stood in lower Broadway, while the "L" and subway traffic was disorganized and irregular, thousands of New Yorkers experiencing long delays in getting downtown to work.

Obituary

JAMES WRIGHT GAY
James Wright Gay, a well known retired farmer of Foxboro, died this morning at an early hour after an illness of some duration. Mr. Gay was born in Sidney township seventy years ago and was a son of the late James Gay. Mourning his loss are his widow, one son, Stillman C. Gay, of Foxboro, and one daughter, Mrs. Merritt Finkle, of Belleville, two brothers, George of Madoc Junction and Isaac of Foxboro, and two sisters, Mrs. Thomas Leslie of Thurlow, and Mrs. Charles Jose of Kirkton, Ont. Deceased was a member of the Methodist church.

Not one conviction was registered out of the twelve cases tried at the county court, Welland.

SAYS BAD DAYS MAY BE PASSED

R. G. Dun & Co. Official Thinks Worst Depression Is Now Over

TORONTO ADVANCES

Secures 30 New Industries During Year—Trade Conditions Reviewed

"It is comforting to remember that in all likelihood the present depression has already passed the critical point," writes M. C. Lamburn of R. G. Dun & Co., in the December issue of The Toronto Board of Trade News. "It may be possible," he says, "some disturbing events, will yet transpire to demoralize further the business world before tranquility again reigns, but they should not be looked upon as other than necessary for the development of a brighter future."

Mr. Lamburn says that Toronto is making rapid strides as regards industrial growth. Over 30 new industries are operating there compared with a year ago, and much capital has been attracted to the city. Other cities and towns in Ontario also attract business firms from across the sea, says the writer.

Attractive to U.S. Business.

Mr. Lamburn says: "American manufacturers are devoting much attention to Canada as a favorable place from which they may exploit various markets of the Empire, and derive tariff favors granted only to those within the charmed circle. With United States funds at a premium of nearly 15 per cent. on this side it has been good business for our neighbors to invest here, and were building costs lower a still larger proportion of American plants would have opened factories."

Wholesale trade, said the writer, slackened prior to the Christmas vacation, and stock-taking interfered with ordinary routine. He reports country business as not really bad, but merchants are undecided as to requirements for later on, and are anxious to get stocks down. "Some of the reports received from all sections there is every reason to believe good business may be expected later on, although orders for moderate quantities are more likely than heretofore."

Mr. Lamburn reports the wool and leather trades as quiet at present. Men's clothing manufacturers, he says, find poor demand for goods, and operations, where continued, are on a small scale.

Ranks in Good Shape.

Mr. Lamburn holds the position of Canadian banks is such as to call for congratulations for those responsible, especially when reports from United States cities tell of frequent disasters to banking institutions there.

"Money is not yet plentiful for commercial purposes," he says, "but there is reason to believe that soon after the New Year funds for legitimate undertakings may more readily be obtained. The rushing of grain shipments to the United States, prior to the closing of navigation, was a feat in transportation and enterprise worthy of admiration. This wheat was undoubtedly sold for American money, and 56,000,000 bushels at current prices, plus exchange, means a big purchasing power out West and the Westerner is not inclined to hoard his earnings."

Mr. Lamburn does not look for a great drop in packers' products, and thinks that a drop in hog prices to lower than pre-war prices in Canada, as has occurred in the United States, is not likely. He reports the fur trade as quiet.

Reviews Trade Centres.

He then discusses business conditions in various centres in Canada, where he quotes conditions as follows:

Montreal: Large supply and jobbing houses are stock-taking and most travellers off the road for the balance of the year. Road men are convinced that with the opening of next season a very fair volume of trade will develop, but it will be a case of overcoming excessive caution on the part of retailers in establishing their minds the fact prices are near stabilization. The clothing trade senses an early return of improved conditions, and cotton mills are fairly busy as a general thing, although some anxiety has been expressed regarding future business. Collections continue to be a source of anxiety, although there are instances where returns are classed as satisfactory.

Quebec: Considerable amount of business being done in the woods

and paper mills are busy with future prospects.

Winnipeg: Wholesalers look for the turn of the year to bring a change. The retail trade improved when the winter set in and a better feeling exists in consequence.

LARGE EXPORTS FOOD

But Value of Cotton Sent From U.S. Last Week Decreased

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Exports of food products from the United States during November amounted to \$138,988,081, as compared with \$133,457,166 in November, 1919. For the eleven months of 1920 the total was \$1,473,960,176, while for the same period last year they amounted to \$1,961,937,724.

Breadstuffs exported during November were valued at \$99,777,051, as compared with \$72,711,565 in the corresponding month a year ago. During the eleven-months' period this year breadstuffs exported totalled \$92,853,257. Exports of meat products last month amounted to \$99,211,997, while in November, 1919, they were valued at \$61,748,198.

Cottonseed oil sent abroad last November was valued at \$3,928,425, nearly \$1,000,000 more than in November a year ago, while for the eleven-months' period this year the total value was \$29,771,398. Mineral oils exported last month were valued at \$47,332,735, of about \$1,500,000 more than in November, 1919. The total value during the eleven-months' period this year was \$486,937,682.

Cotton valued at only \$91,128,372 was exported last month, as compared with \$181,309,273 in November, 1919. The total exported during the eleven-months' period this year amounted to \$1,044,033,523.

CHILDREN'S AID

The Children's Aid annual appeal is meeting with success. The fund now is well over \$300. Acknowledgments follow:

Previously acknowledged \$296 30

Mrs. J. C. Foster 3 00

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Deacon 10 00

W. M. Society, Frankford 4 00

H. B. Hunt 5 00

Gracch Bros. 2 00

Chas. N. Sulman 5 00

I.O.O.P. No. 81, Belleville 5 00

R. L. Zufelt 5 00

Mr. J. Roy 2 00

Ald. G. Ostrom 2 00

Mrs. F. Lee 1 00

A. Friend 1 00

Miss Pearl Campbell 2 00

W. E. R. 2 00

Mrs. F. T. Ward 2 00

Mr. B. A. Wilson 5 00

Wm. Harden 1 00

Mr. F. Chesher 2 00

Mrs. W. Denmark, per Miss G. Foxton 3 00

Total \$358 30

Mr. T. D. Ruston says: "We gratefully acknowledge the above donations, but we sincerely trust that others will come to our assistance; we are in urgent need of financial help."

Guard Every Road To Old New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Placing of every railroad, street car, ferry and highway entrance into the city under special police guard and the calling out of 650 embryonic policemen for final training was announced by Police Commissioner, Earleight tonight as the latest measures to check New York's tide of outlaws.

Police previously had been ordered to halt, question and search, if necessary, all suspicious characters, and to seek explanations from all thoroughfares between the hours of midnight and dawn.

Instructors of the police "rookie" organization were directed to "speed up" the training of the new 650 men so that the force might be augmented as soon as possible.

PEARLS AND SWINE

A pure white hog on the muddy foot of a hog attracted the attention of Morris Johnson, a farmer living near Rockford, Ill. Upon closer examination he found that the white object was not a hog, but a perfect pearl and that it was lodged between two toes. He paid the pearl for \$309.

Johnson had been feeding his hogs with mussel meat secured from mussel seekers, who were collecting the bivalves in the Rock River to sell the shells to button manufacturers.

FREIGHT TRAFFIC IMPROVED.

The Grand Trunk officers report a considerable improvement in the volume of freight traffic, particularly in westbound freight. The grain movement has commenced from the lake ports and is giving employment to a larger number of train crews than during the last few weeks.

THE DAILY MISERY OF ILL-HEALTH

Three Years of Suffering Quickly Relieved by "FRUIT-A-TIVES"



MR. GASPARD DUBORD

189 Avenue Pius IX, Montreal.

"For three years, I was a terrible sufferer from Dyspepsia and my general health was very bad. I consulted a physician and took his medicine and faithfully carried out his instructions; but I did not improve and finally the doctor told me I could not be cured.

At this time, a friend advised me to try 'Fruit-a-tives' and I did so. After taking two boxes of 'Fruit-a-tives', I was greatly relieved; and gradually this marvelous fruit medicine made me completely well. My digestion and general health are splendid—all of which I owe to 'Fruit-a-tives'."

GASPARD DUBORD.

50c a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size, 25c. At all dealers or sent postpaid by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa, Ont.

Sixteen criminals wanted in other places have been arrested during the year in Sudbury.

CELEBRATE THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING

Holloway, Dec. 28, 1920.

On Monday Dec. 27, a number of children, and grandchildren, gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Ostrom, at their residence, Holloway, to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding day.

After having partaken of a bountiful repast, the grandsons gave some music, which the old people enjoyed fully as much as the youngsters.

Then all retired to the drawing-room, where an address was read by Miss Ethel Eggleston, and the grandsons presented the elderly couple with a number of beautiful presents, appropriate to the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Ostrom made suitable replies, after which they sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

Mr. and Mrs. Ostrom are still quite hale and hearty, and all left wishing them many more years of happiness.

Following is the address:—
Dear Father and Mother:—
We, your children, and grandchil-

dren, have gathered here today, to celebrate with you the fiftieth anniversary of your wedding day, and to extend to you our greetings, and best wishes for your future happiness.

Few couples are spared to enjoy each other's companionship so long and your happy trust in each other has been an inspiration and joy to all of us.

During your life-time you have re- sided here, and by your uprighteness and straight forward manner have won the esteem and respect of all men, a good name, and many friends.

We ask you to accept these gifts, as a slight token of our love for you, and we sincerely pray that He who has sustained you through life, will continue to be your guide and support unto death.

Signed on behalf of your Children and Grandchildren.

Ethel Eggleston.

This Week

We will offer BIG BARGAINS in OVER-COATS.

Any man who needs a New Coat do not delay—our prices have been cut to the limit.

New Year's Day

Our Store will be closed all day New Year's Day (Saturday).

On Friday Evening we will remain open the same as on a Saturday Night.

OAK HALL

COUNTY AND SUBURBAN NEWS

WELLINGTON
A terrific gale swept over the village on Thursday morning last, bringing down a few trees and doing damage to the telephone wires.

There has been a number of parties and Christmas Trees here. The St. Andrew's Sunday School entertainment under the direction of the superintendent, Mr. Hartop, was held at the Masonic Hall on Thursday night.

After the close of the Sunday School at Salem church Mrs. Frank Flinnell, was called to the front and presented with a silver tea pot after which an address was read by the superintendent.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Spencer and two children are spending a couple of weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Spencer.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Fritz and Myrtle spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. Kieffly.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Boyle, of Wellington, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. C. Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Ellis spent Christmas Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas McPaul.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Leavens entertained company on Christmas Day. Mr. and Mrs. King Terry and son, and Mr. and Mrs. Coray McPaul spent Christmas at Mr. W. Foster's.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Loomis, of Eldorado, are visiting at Mr. and Mrs. C. Wright's.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Moore left on Monday for Brownburg, Que., to visit his sister. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Barney Moore, of Rochester, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Bishop, of Brockville, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Blanchard, and her sister, Mrs. H. B. Smith, left for home on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Judson were in Kingston on Monday attending the twentieth anniversary of the wedding of Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Nash.

Miss Lera McIntosh, of O.A.C. Guild, is home for the vacation.

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Peterboro Normal for the holidays. Miss Dorothy Alger is home from Haverhill College, Toronto, for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Wright and two children, of Windthorst, Sask., are renewing acquaintances in town and vicinity.

Miss Laura Holden arrived home from Semans, Sask., last evening and will spend her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Holden, of Carmel.

Mr. Geo. Whittier, of Bronson, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Rose, Frankford.

Mr. S. C. Card and son Garfield, of Hamilton, are spending the Christmas holidays here the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Card.

Miss Georgia Edwards is holidaying with her sister, Mrs. D. Bronson, of Drayton, and Mrs. H. Lloyd, of Brantford.

Mr. James McCaw sustained a painful accident last week while operating a sausage machine in his meat shop. His leg became tangled in the endless chain, spraining it badly.

Miss Lillian M. Genyon, of Kalamazoo, is visiting at Mrs. Ralph Bowler's.

Mr. Redvers Brown, of Albert College, Belleville, is home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Wright and Mr. and Mrs. E. Good motored to Belleville on Tuesday.

Miss Pauline Huyck, of Toronto, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Huyck.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Good, of Dunnville, are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Wright.

Miss Marion Rush, of Notre Dame, Kingston, is spending the holidays with her parents in Stoo.

Misses Violet Wagar and Maud Houston spent Saturday at Belleville visiting Miss Ruth Grant.

Mrs. E. D. Smith, of Peoripont, Mich., left town on Monday to visit friends at Deseronto and Milltown after spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Smith, of Tweed.

Mr. Donald Maloney, Secretary of Cordova U.F.O., is in Toronto last week attending the Provincial Convention.

Mr. Harold Naylor who has been in Niagara Falls some time, has returned to his home here.

Dr. G. Fraser Madoc, has just completed a post-graduate course in nerve blocking and dental surgery conducted by Dr. Hancock, of St. Louis.

Dr. W. G. Mackenzie, who has been in town for some time, is gradually recovering and has left on a trip to the West Indies. His friends in this vicinity will unite in hoping that he may soon completely recover his health so as to resume his regular practice.

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LINDSAY'S
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Reductions ON Pianos & Player-Piano VARYING FROM \$25 to \$150
If you have been putting off buying a piano or player-piano on account of the necessity of paying the tax, you need not delay any longer. Get it for New Year's. Our usual easy terms will be granted, your old piano (if you have one) being accepted at a fair valuation as part payment on the new.
Forty-three years in business stand back of our slogan—
"IF LINDSAY'S SELL IT—IT'S ALL RIGHT."
LINDSAY'S C.W. LINDSAY LIMITED
249 Front Street Belleville

Pioneers in Peace River District
Grande Prairie Alta.
One August morning ten years ago, a Dominion Cabinet Minister at Ottawa interrupted for best part of a day the normal course of business to unfold to me, a sympathetic, travelling Englishman, his vision of the New North West.
He had just returned from a long tour right through the Peace River district up the Mackenzie Basin to Fort McPherson.
"Have no wish," said he with emphasis, "to induce settlers to enter as yet the new Promised Land,—this, remember, was in 1910,—I speak of the future only. But I am satisfied that when the present prairie lands are all disposed of, then this back country will be taken up, because it will pay people better to secure land there than to pay the price that will be asked for the other."
"Much work has to be done first, however. Rivers have to be made navigable and the land has to be surveyed. My journey was made to ascertain if these undertakings would be justified. And my verdict is yes. Though this land lies north, it is not appreciably colder than the southern portions of the province. At Edmonton the climate is as favorable as at the international boundary, owing to the lower altitude; and for the same reason, together with other contributory conditions, a couple of hundred miles further up country makes little difference."
In 1914 came the railway gang, and in 1916, when its work was done, in pressed the pioneers. This year I have followed in their tracks and, reflecting on what I have seen, I endorse this view.
First, the country is of uncommon charm—great tracts of prairie with patches of light bush, set among low purple hills, and intersected by belts of timber and fine rivers and streams. Park-like in the descriptive term that springs to one's pen. These flourish everywhere by millions and meet the eye. Lilies challenge them for grace and glow. A thousand tines grasses add soft undertones, as the ripple in the breeze. Rarely have I seen so moved with visions of a country's future as when our automobile rounded along the ninety-mile trail from Peace River crossing to Spirit River. The marked prices of the south have their charm—at least under summer skies; but here is a country where the eye is rested and the soul inspired, while still the pocket fills.
And the pocket does fill, even in winter. It would seem a little

OTHER EDITORS' OPINIONS
"NEWSPAPER TALK"
Some days ago the Whig referred, editorially, to the inclination on the part of some business men to place the blame for falling prices on the newspapers of the country. It endeavored to show that the movement toward lower prices was worldwide; that it was a result of post-war conditions; that the public press was not responsible for it, but was merely the chronicler of the fact. That view is upheld by Marketing, a monthly publication of Toronto, which quotes a financial authority in support of its claim. The idea that "newspaper talk" has been largely responsible for the slump in prices, it states, is not supported by Sir Vincent Meredith, president of the Bank of Montreal.

Chicago Janitors Play Wrong Horse
Serve Ultimatum on Landlords and Tenants—Loss out With Santa.
CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—(By Canadian Press)—The "Merry Christmas" of many Chicago janitors tomorrow morning will fall to bring the customary Christmas tip, for thousands of tenants in this city are not feeling very "Christmas" toward their janitors. Christmas gifts to janitors from landlords are still less probable.

Music and Drama
OVERSEAS REVUE HERE THURSDAY.
Captain M. W. Plunkett will present the famous fourth division "Maple Leafs" in their original overseas revue, "Camouflage," at Griffin's Opera House next Thursday night.

FAMOUS NOVEL PICTURED WITH JACK PICKFORD.
With "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come" now being shown at Griffin's till Wednesday night, the millions of readers of John Fox, Jr.'s books will have a chance to see Jack Pickford in the role of one of the best liked boy characters in fiction. Chad, the hero of the photoplay version of Mr. Fox's novel, is a perfect role for Jack Pickford. The book itself sold more than 1,000,000 copies and is well known to two generations. The author's interest in the life of the mountaineers of Eastern Kentucky led him to picture it in several novels, as "The Kentuckian," "Knight of the Cumberland," "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine" and "The Heart of the Hills." This will prove the sweetest pledge of Peace River prosperity, for the unalloyed profit of this great transportation company, challenged as it now is by powerful rivals, will not allow of inefficiency.

ANYTHING GOOD IN IT?
WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 28.—Walter F. Payne, present news editor of the Manitoba Free Press and associated with that newspaper for the past 29 years, before sailing for the Old Country as a member of the Canadian curling team was present with a valuable wardrobe trunk full of his associates on the staff. All departments participated in the gift

MOTHER TONGUE.
(Minneapolis Daily News.)
Movies are coming to the rescue of the English language. On the silver screen of the theatre in many American cities the daily crimes against Mother Tongue will be expiated, and those who are guilty urged to mend their ways. Over the heads of the audience the rays of the stereopticon will flash such admonitions as this throughout the land: Don't say "I ain't rot"; say "I haven't." Don't say "This is him"; say "This is he." Don't murder English. It's your Mother Tongue. It ought to be a happy week for Mother Tongue, than whom no mother is more abused, day in and day out, by her erring children.

CHERRY VALLEY.
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bryant spent Xmas at Mr. Nelson Palmater's home.
Miss Vera Balance is spending her holidays at her home, Selby.
Mrs. Carman Metcalfe is still on the sick list but improving slowly.
Mr. and Mrs. John Williams and Marion spent Christmas with their son, Mr. Alex Williams, Bloomfield.
Mrs. Thomas Cottop, who has been in poor health for some time, was found dead in bed Wednesday morning. The funeral took place Thursday afternoon from her late residence.
Miss Vina Francis, Belleville, is spending her holidays at her home here.
Miss M. Denbury spent Christmas week with her niece, Mrs. Philip Ostrander.
Miss Amanda Whattam who has been on the sick list is improving and will soon be out again.
A number of young people attended the Christmas entertainment held in Bloomfield Christmas night. All report a jolly good time, the proceeds amounting to one hundred and sixteen dollars.
The heavy snow fall which came Sunday and Monday every one thinks has come to stay.

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Los Angeles, Dec. Sir Gilbert Parker recently guest of Sid Granau owner famous million dollar theatre the production of "Behold my This play is adopted from bert's book, "A Translation of age. While Sir Gilbert had in the work he expressed him very much pleased with the drew large crowds for two pances each day for a week an was sent east. Working ea Sir Gilbert says his new play ready for the photographers in Canada and California. On our author does not believe a play taken from a book do author justice or the public. He believes that a photo play be original and intended as and not as a novel. It is safe that the coming play will be thing different than the rest plays we see so much of. Th lie is getting fed up on the drama. We are getting tired dry country of seeing Bill Ha Tom Mir leaning up again Gold Nugget bar drinking w that we know is cold tea. Th clean wide open spaces of th is a tiny cluster of shacks wh clude the dance hall and bar. where the hero after escaping the wicked city rides to and stir on the west and on the legence of the patron. Som different has to be introduced and the writer who does so is to have no trouble selling his s to.

Actors Hard Up!
Here in Los Angeles there great many companies pro plays and the hard times ha them. Over 500 actors are le for something else to do. plays are not made entirely a company's studio. The rest scenes are shot among the p homes in Pasadena which are for a day by the owners for su \$500.00 and up. For instanc

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BELLEVILLE FREEMASONRY EN FETE; THREE LODGES INSTALL THEIR OFFICERS

St. John's Night Celebrated by Banquet at Which Three Hundred or so Good Fellows Got Together—Names of Those Selected for Positions—Bennett's Academy Scene of Festive Gathering.

Belleville Freemasonry was en fete last night, the occasion being the installation of officers of the three lodges and the St. John's Night banquet. Local Masons and visiting brethren were present in good numbers at both functions.

R. W. Bro. Col. S. S. Lazler conducted the installation at the City Hall and was assisted by R. W. Bro. John Newton as senior warden, R. W. C. J. Symons as junior warden, Deputy Grand Master R. W. Bro. L. Col. W. N. Ponton, R. W. Bro. F. E. O'Flynn, R. W. Bro. H. F. Ketcheson and W. Bro. D. Barragar as Director of ceremonies.

R. W. Bro. Col. Lazler was complimented on the excellent manner in which he installed the officers. The new officers of the lodges are:

MOIRA LODGE NO. 11

I. P. M.—W. Bro. J. W. Kinnear.
W. M.—W. Bro. F. W. Frost.
Sr. Warden—Bro. W. G. Swayne.
Jr. Warden—Bro. A. J. Boyas.
Sr. Deacon—Bro. H. J. Hall.
Jr. Deacon—Bro. A. E. Barlow.
Secretary—R. W. Bro. J. Newton.
Treasurer—W. Bro. J. W. Barlow.
D. of C.—W. Bro. H. A. Morgan.
Chaplain—Rev. Bro. A. S. Kerr.
Sr. Steward—Bro. W. H. F. Ketcheson.
Jr. Steward—Bro. R. E. Cooper.
Inner Guard—Bro. F. C. Chamberlain.

Outer Guard—Bro. C. F. Cochrane.
Auditors—Bro. R. B. Cooper, Bro. B. Gribble.
THE BELLEVILLE LODGE, 123
W. M. W. Bro. W. J. Hume.

I. P. M.—W. Bro. J. O. R. McCurdy.
Sr. Warden—Bro. A. R. Schryver.
Jr. Warden—Bro. F. H. Chesher.
Chaplain—Bro. T. D. Ruston.
Treasurer—W. Bro. A. McGie.
Secretary—W. Bro. D. Barragar.
Sr. Deacon—J. Stevenson.
Jr. Deacon—J. E. Boyce.
Inner Guard—Bro. H. R. Wilson.
Tyler—W. D. Embury.
D. of C.—R. W. Bro. W. O. Adams.
Organist—Bro. W. E. Whentley.
Sr. Steward—S. Robbins.
Jr. Steward—F. M. Bird.

EUREKA LODGE NO. 293

W. M.—W. Bro. L. E. Walmstey.
I. P. M.—V. W. Bro. J. O. Herly.
Sr. Warden—Bro. E. D. O'Flynn.
Jr. Warden—Bro. S. F. McGuire.
Chaplain—Rev. Dr. E. N. Baker.
Treasurer—W. Bro. H. W. Ackerman.
Secretary—Bro. W. J. Diamond.
Sr. Deacon—Bro. H. A. Thompson.
Jr. Deacon—Bro. W. E. Doolittle.
Inner Guard—Bro. R. S. Lewis.
Tyler—Bro. H. G. Thompson.
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Organist—W. Bro. M. A. Day.
Sr. Steward—Bro. H. C. McKay.
Jr. Steward—Bro. R. D. Adams.

AT THE BANQUET

About three hundred and fifty Masons attended the banquet in Bennett's Academy. R. W. Bro. F. E. O'Flynn acted as toastmaster in his usual entertaining style. The tables were laden with tempting viands. During the feast the large Masonic orchestra provided music. The brethren drank in silence a

toast to "The Blessed Fraternal Dead" who had passed away within recent years.

The toast to "The King" was honored in royal fashion, the assembly joining in the singing of the National Anthem.

V. W. Bro. McIntosh sang "The March of the Cameron Men." After a selection by the orchestra R. W. Bro. Col. S. S. Lazler proposed the toast to "The Grand Lodge and Grand Lodge Officers," paying reference to the honor which is coming to Belleville next year when R. W. Bro. Col. W. N. Ponton will become Grand Master. The response was made by the Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. Ponton, who referred to his visits to various Masonic jurisdictions in Canada and the United States and pointed out the need of a Masonic Temple in Belleville.

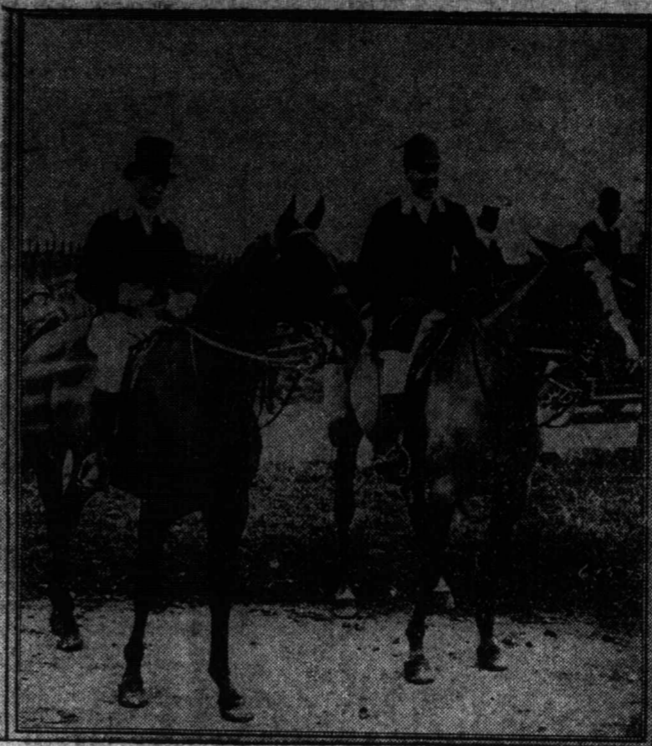
The toast—"Canada—A Canadian Retrospect" was proposed by R. W. Bro. H. F. Ketcheson, and responded to by R. W. Bro. W. S. Herrington, K. C. of Nanapan, who made a brilliant address.

R. W. Bro. C. J. Symons, Immediate Past District Deputy, proposed the health of the newly installed masters, W. Bro. F. W. Frost, of Moira Lodge, W. Bro. W. J. Hume, of the Belleville Lodge, and W. Bro. L. E. Walmstey of Eureka Lodge.

W. Bro. W. C. Mikel proposed the toast to "The Visiting Brethren" which was replied to by a number of visitors.

The programme was enlivened by songs sung by Bros. Fred Sprague, Harry McKay, James Booth, Stewart Rathman, H. Aylesworth, Percy Cook and Herb. Wrightmyer. The brethren joined hands and sang "Auld Lang Syne," the Junior Warden's toast bringing a most enjoyable event to a close.

THE PRINCE WELL MOUNTED



"The most popular young man in the world," as Capt. H. R. H. The Prince of Wales, M. C., has been called, recently attended a meeting of the Pitychly Hounds at North Kelworth, Eng., and the photograph shows him with some friends.

WHAT MAYORALTY CANDIDATES SAY REGARDING ASSESSMENT

"Citizen" Writes This Paper Regarding Live Municipal Questions.

PUBLICITY IS FAVORED

Both Mr. Mikel and Mr. Hanna Would Like More Reports on this Matter.

Assessment problems appear to be looming large on the horizon of municipal politics. The matter of equalization assumed serious proportions last spring owing to a heavy increase in assessment on the ground of increase in property values. Many appeals poured in. The court of revision generally reduced the assessments to an increase of about ten per cent on last year, and finally attended the time of appealing. The assessment had meanwhile been published in response to public feeling.

The following communication was received this morning by The Ontario in reference to the matter:

Dear Sir—I have been requested by a number of ratepayers to ask (through the medium of your paper) the candidates for mayor and aldermen the stand that they take as to the method of assessing the city, also as to the publication of the assessment. I am of the opinion that it would be a great benefit to the city if the property owners had confidence in the proper equalization of the assessment.

Last spring I wrote your paper requesting the publication of the as-

essment, it was published and the court of appeal found that a very great number of the workingmen's houses were very much over assessed.

Would the candidates kindly make public their views on the matter. Thanking you for the space,

Yours,
CITIZEN.

Ald. Charles Hanna, mayoralty candidate when interviewed this morning regarding the assessment, said "I would certainly favor the equalization of the assessment, not made by one man only but by three competent men, such as the assessor, a builder and real estate man." Ald. Hanna also favored the publication of the assessment as soon as possible. He was the first to suggest the publication three years ago, being the mover of the resolution that secured the publication and seconded the motion last spring to have the 1920 assessment published.

Mr. W. C. Mikel, who also is a candidate for Mayor stated, "I would certainly favor the publication of the assessment and I favor the greatest possible publicity concerning the city's affairs. We have no auditor's report published for 1919 and no official statements for even the eleven months of 1920, although we are on the verge of an election. The treasurer's books show three items running over ten thousand dollars, a large portion of which was dispersed through the Public Works Department, and the treasurer informs me is not chargeable to frontage." Mr. Mikel made no statement as to the method of assessment.

GERMAN TOYS AGAIN COMING TO DOMINION

TORONTO, Dec. 29.—How many dollars worth of German toys were sold in Toronto during the present Christmas season?

Speaking of German importations Mr. B. Bernstein, manager of the Dominion Toy Manufacturing Company, Limited, said to-day: "I know that every jobber who imported German toys had little difficulty in selling them here. We were not hit hard, however, because we booked all our orders for this Christmas before May 1st last."

"Nevertheless," he continued, "if the purchasing of German made toys continue throughout the year we will certainly feel it next year. In the United States there has been more buying of German toys than here and the result is apparent already. About one half of the American toy factories have closed down recently and some others have announced that they will close after January 1st. The reason is two fold. In some lines the importers of German toys can undersell us and in some other lines they have the same market to themselves because of the novelty of their stuff."

While Mr. Bernstein had no particular suggestion to make he thought it worth while to point out that every high class article of German make had the old trade mark, "Made in Germany," on it. He noted also, that the invasion of German goods into Canada was made up in the main of their better class of goods. He estimated that approximately one-half of the retail dealers in the city has so far not handled any of these goods.

WOMAN SINN FEINER TO JAIL; TWO YEARS AT HARD LABOR

Notorious Countess Markievicz Organized Sinn Fein Boy Scouts—Drilled Them—Charged that they Conspired to Murder Soldiers and Police.

(By Canadian Press.)
DUBLIN, Dec. 29.—Countess Georgina Markievicz, who was tried by court martial on a charge of conspiracy to organize a seditious society, was today sentenced to two years at hard labor in prison.

The specific allegation against her was that she had some time during the past two years plotted to organize a Sinn Fein Boy Scout Society. This organization has been charged with conspiring to murder soldiers and policemen, and with unlawful drilling.

fall flat in the movies.

Regarding Critics.
We used to have a regular bunch of cut ups that held down the church pews in the Griffin Opera house and they were as able a bunch of critics that ever sat in judgments on a play. They were not sore heads and attended regular. They paid their money like a good bunch of sports and never kicked when they were stung which was often. To get in that crowd was as good an entertainment as the show itself for they would point out the weak spots and show where it could be improved and give it new life. Between the acts, the Quinte would be visited and the famous brand Farmer's Joy would give the critics more authority. At the end of the fifth act everybody was happy.

If the movies are here to stay what is to become of Harry Lindley, The Marks Brothers, and those wonderful men and women who used to give us comic opera, tragedy and high class vaudeville at popular prices. Are we never to see them like again. Of course we can never hope to see another real life like Harry Lindley who used to raise Saint Bernard dogs when he was not producing some new play. Then there was Tom Marks who used to come on in the ragged make up of a tramp wearing a million dollars worth of diamonds. He said he was afraid to leave them in the dressing room as the stage hands knew they were real. The Marks Brothers will not be sent to the poor house by the movies, as they had fortunes twenty years ago. The movies, however, will not encourage talent and it will be no use to memorize "Curtain Shall Not Ring Tonight" and "The Face on the Bar Room Floor" is out of date.

In Golden Apartments.
Sir Gilbert Parker showed me a letter he had received from Mr. Hunt at the Mecca apartments on Figueroa street. I called to see my friend of Police Court days and was told he had moved just the day before to the Golden apartments in Seventh Street. Now the Golden apartments in sunny California sounds fine and if that is not a fine combination and as near heaven as any reasonable person should expect while on this earth anyway he would be hard to please. Last night it rained all through, but today the sun is shining and a few clouds dragged their silver fleeces by the ghost ships in a sea of blue. There was not an earth tremor this week and the people are getting careless and wicked again. I hope you are not.

FEAR TWO ARE LOST
Detroit, Dec. 28.—It is feared that two men were drowned in Lake St. Clair. They had left Tecumseh, Ont. for the United States in a frail boat.

PARKER'S PLAY ON THE SCREEN FILMS CANADA

Mediamid Tells of Visit to Los Angeles of Well-Known Canadian

FED UP ON BILL HART

West Is Annoyed at Long-Continued Libels on Its Character and People

BY W. S. MACDIARMID.

(Special Correspondence of The Daily Ontario.)

Los Angeles, Dec. 21.

Sir Gilbert Parker recently was a guest of Sid Gramana owner of the famous million dollar theatre to see the production of "Behold my Wife." This play is adapted from Sir Gilbert's book, A Translation of a Savage. While Sir Gilbert had no hand in the work he expressed himself as very much pleased with the play. It drew large crowds for two performances each day for a week and then was sent east. Working each day Sir Gilbert says his new play will be ready for the photographers early in the New Year. The scenes are laid in Canada and California. Our famous author does not believe a photo play taken from a book does the author justice or the public either. He believes that a photo play should be original and intended as a play and not as a novel. It is safe to say that the coming play will be something different than the rest of the plays we see so much of. The public is getting fed up on the western drama. We are getting tired in a dry country of seeing Bill Hart and Tom Mix leaping up against the Gold Nugget bar drinking whiskey that we know is cold tea. The great clean wide open spaces of the west is a tiny cluster of shacks which include the dance hall and bar. That's where the hero after escaping from the wicked city rides to and it's a stir on the west and on the intelligence of the patron. Something different has to be introduced soon and the writer who does so is going to have no trouble selling his scenery.

Actors Hard Up!
Here in Los Angeles there are a great many companies producing plays and the hard times has hit them. Over 500 actors are looking for something else to do. Movie plays are not made entirely at the company's studio. The residence scenes are shot among the palatial homes in Pasadena which are leased for a day by the owners for sums of \$500.00 and up. For instance when

you see Miss Clara Kimball Young coming down some grand stairway in her splendid gown that is not her home. That belongs to some millionaire in Pasadena. The business houses and even the banks allow companies to use their property to make part of a picture. The parks are used mostly by Fatty Arbuckle and the comic companies. There is great fun for the tourists, they can see the picture in the making while enjoying a seat in the park. No other city in the world furnishes more for its visitors than the city of Los Angeles.

Fatty was Unwise.

Fatty Arbuckle made all preparations for a long dry spell, before prohibition and he was foolish enough to tell his friends about it. He was known to have the best stocked cellar of all the movie stars and Doug Fairbanks and Mary Pickford are said to be the only ones of the silver sheet colony that are total abstainers. The Volstead Act says that you may have your cellar full but you can't move it with the rest of the furniture. Fatty's landlord was a wise bird, and he told Fatty that he was going to sell the house, as he had a purchaser. Fatty asked him what the price was. The owner said he would give him \$22,000. Fatty said he would give him \$23,000 cash and the owner reached out his hand. Fatty said I simply had to have my cellar. Of course the house is worth \$5,000 and could not have been sold for any more but the landlord was a wise bird and show me one that is not.

May Not Last!

Different ideas prevail as to the movie picture plays. Some believe they have a great future ahead of them. There are millions of dollars invested in Los Angeles alone and thousands are employed. But there are those who believe that they will not last and that the people will go back to the first love the speaking drama. Out here I saw Griffith's remarkable production of "Away down East." I saw it at the Carman Opera house. My wife said I laughed so much at the constable in Belleville that she was ashamed of me. There is the difference in a photo play. It is like the niggers description of beer. It lacks the authority. You miss the Hollers jokes and you miss the song, "All bound round with a woolen string." There is a difference, a great difference and in my humble opinion the speaking stage is far ahead of the movie.

Belleville has seen some great plays very good ones, and some very bad ones. Thoma Kean was the greatest Richard III. that ever lived, and he played there, so did Sol Smith Russell, Doby Bell, Madame Janenaek, Lewis Morrison, the Younger Salvini. Take these great stars, add David Warfield in the Music Master or Sir Forbes Robertson in the "Light that Failed." They would

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Next Parliament Middle of February

OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—Though it was originally intended to have the next session of Parliament open on February 3, Ministers mainly favored February 17th at the two Cabinet Councils held today. No decision as to the exact date was reached, but it will be around the middle of February.

Parliament will meet in either the light or the shadow of the result of the West Peterboro by-election, now fixed for February 7.

If decisions now reached are adhered to, prairie members will come from the only totally dry area in

Canada, as it is expected that Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta will go dry on February 1, following a Federal proclamation to be issued shortly in consequence of the referendum held on October 25th last.

ALBERTA LADY GETS FRENCH MEDAL

CALGARY, Alta., Dec. 28.—Mrs. W. D. Spence, of this city, has been decorated by the French government with the Medaille Reconnaissance Française of the Troisième Classe and presented with an illuminated diploma. This is in recognition of her services rendered the French government through relief work done by Alberta. Mrs. Spence is the only woman in this province to receive a decoration from France.

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Belleville

and has been called similar troubles. But the false contention is responsible for conflict it quite as much other lines of business thinking will Whig and Sir Vincent fight.—Kingston Whig

TONGUE.

(His Daily News.) coming to the rescue language. On the of the theatre in many of the daily crimes Tongue will be expose who are guilty their ways. Over the diance the rays of the flash such admnibrought the land: ain't got"; say "I say "This is him"; he." Don't murder your Mother Tongue. a happy week for than whom no mothes, day in and day ing children.

VALLEY.

Harry Bryant spent Nelson Palmatier's

lance is spending her home, Selby.

Metcalf is still on improving slowly.

John Williams and Christmas with their Williams, Bloomfield.

Cotton, who has health for some time, in bed Wednesday.

funeral took place noon from her late

Francis, Belleville, on holidays at her home

bury spent Christmas notice, Mrs. Philip

Whattam who has list is improving out again.

young people attend entertainment held Christmas night. All good time, and to one hundred and

now fall which came Monday every one to stay.

ber cut for 1918 was \$5,137.

of electric railway in Canada in June

Six Nominated For Mayor; Two Stand Contest Develops Into Race Between Ald. Hanna and Mr. W. C. Mikel

BIG FIELD OF ALDERMANIC CANDIDATES; TWO ACCLAMATIONS FOR SCHOOL BOARD

One Of Them Will Be Mayor

Nominations at City Hall Well Attended But Devoid of Anything Sensational—Speeches of Two Chief Mayoralty Nominees the Main Feature—Names of Those in Contest and Those Who Proposed and Seconded.

With six nominations for Mayor of whom two will stay in the race, Ald. Hanna and Mr. W. C. Mikel, thirty-five nominations for aldermen and prospects of contests in several wards for school trustees, everything passed off quietly at the City Hall today.

A little more interest than usual was manifested in the nominations, the council chamber being filled.

A few questions were asked of the mayor and city council as to their year record but there was no wholesale criticism of

their deeds, as some of the comment heard on the street would indicate. Absolutely no sensation was sprung.

The Mayoralty race is a straight fight between the present chairman of public works Ald. Hanna, and Mr. W. C. Mikel, who has been in several previous contests.

A feature was the addresses by the Mayoralty candidates after City Clerk Holmes had announced the nominations for Mayor.

In the aldermanic field there should be some good material for a new council, if they put it to a fight.

Two of the wards see acclamations for public school trustees.

Ald. Bone made a statement of the financial conditions of the various departments to Dec. 20th.

MR. MIKEL OUTLINED OWN PROGRAMME; "PROGRESS AND ECONOMY" HIS SLOGAN.

"It is too bad that there is no more interest in nominations. This is the beginning of a year's council. From those who are not here we shall hear a great deal of criticism during the year," said Mr. Mikel, who was called to the chair.

"Probably the reason why there is such a small attendance of ratepayers is that there is unbounded confidence in the 1920 council." He hoped that the greater number of the nominees would stay in the field.

Ald. Pantor thereupon called on mayoralty nominees.

The first nominee, Mr. Mikel, addressed the assembly and urged to all who attended nomination meetings. He thought they should be held in the evening for the sake of labor and to secure the attendance of the woman voters. Mr. Mikel suggested a change of the time of nomination to another season of the year.

"Progress and Economy,"

Mr. Mikel said he had been urged by a large number of citizens from all sections of the city and from all walks in life, to run for Mayor. He was only 57 years behind last year, and many had come to him and told him they voted against him last year but would vote for him this year.

He said he proposed to make progress and economy his motto.

Economy.

While every year a certain amount of work had to be done he did not think it was economy to undertake so large an amount of temporary public works as was done this year, when the cost of construction was at its highest point, especially when both labor and material were scarce. It was better business at such a time to limit construction and when prices fall, when men are out of employment, increase construction work.

"The city contracted for a considerable amount of work more than could be completed, though we had a particularly favorable fall. Will the citizens or the contractors get the benefit of a fall in prices when these works are completed next year?"

Large sums were appropriated for public works which helped to make the largest tax rate on the highest assessment we ever had, and after these large sums were expended the Department of Public Works overran its appropriation thousands of dollars. If public money had to be spent so lavishly this year why should not the \$5000 given by the late Senator for Public Baths be expended? This would not have burdened the general tax payer.

No School for Coleman Ward.

We were told we could not get money to build a school in Coleman Ward to educate the children there, yet we got money to tear up the rest of the town and contract for more work than could be completed.

Bleeker Ward.

Station street was diked at considerable expense shortly before it was torn up for a sewer. Next season it may have to be again torn up for a storm sewer. We will surely have

to do more for Bleeker Ward where the Grand Trunk is situated because the Grand Trunk alone pays over \$90,000 taxes a year and that ward is entitled to more consideration," he declared.

Prater Ward.

"In Prater Ward we find open drains and the kept streets. Yet that is the oldest ward in the city; the ward which contains most of our industries, where the city gas plant, the harbor, the union depot, the hospital, the children's shelter and Victoria park are situated."

Mr. Mikel said he proposed to urge the Government Railways and the Department of Railways to complete at their expense the gap from Madoc to Eldorado, thus making Belleville the railway hub of this district and also complete the Central Ontario to the town of Whitney so that among other advantages Belleville shipping would have a shorter route to the northwest than any other city in Central Ontario. This would also give Belleville the benefit of the short Hudson Bay route to England when the Hudson Bay route was completed.

It is through the influence of the St. Lawrence Waterways Association we should be able to get the Bay Navigation improved so that the bay will afford us a good harbor as Toronto. If the Government spent half the money on improving the bay navigation it had spent on Toronto Harbor we could have a harbor second to none on the lakes, and with the high cost of steam railway freights, water navigation will be more in demand.

Molra River.

An effort will be made to have the Hydro Electric harness the Molra for the double purpose of flood prevention and power. This will help to neutralize the pollution of the Molra if the pollution cannot otherwise be prevented.

These undertakings will give Belleville wide advertising and make it an industrial point unequalled and will be little or no burden to the tax payer.

He was in favor of improving labor conditions. A chain was so stronger than its weakest link. It is the duty of every one to take hold with labor and assist in improving the conditions of labor, not wait till labor is compelled to demand its right in a hostile manner.

We are enjoined by the highest authority to divide the day into four parts and directed to apportion them to their proper objects, Prayer, Labor, Refreshment and Sleep. If a worker sleeps eight or nine hours and works nine or ten hours, he has little time left to the other important objects. A person can engage in sports or work effectively for a reasonable length of time. After that his efforts result in inefficiency.

Belleville Spirit.

Toronto is sometimes called "Hog Town" by jealous rivals. It simply means that Toronto people have their

eyes and ears open for every advantage and go after every opportunity. They have a strong aggressive Toronto spirit. That spirit created Toronto out of "Muddy York." It en-

abled "Muddy York" to surpass big cities with equal or great advantages. Let us get that spirit here even if our rivals call Belleville "Hog Town," concluded Mr. Mikel.

ALD. HANNA ASKS CITY'S SUPPORT AS "WORKING MAYOR"; ALD. BONE SPEAKS.

Mayor Riggs thanked the electors for their confidence in electing him a year ago. He had been asked to stand for re-election, but had decided not to run.

The chief magistrate said Belleville had no overdraft at all, as far as he knew. The council had launched out this year but the city could not stand idle. "Belleville has the progressive spirit. As one of our aldermen has said: 'I would rather be criticized for doing something than for doing nothing.'"

Mayor Riggs thereupon withdrew from the contest.

A Working Mayor Wanted.

Mr. Mikel, said Ald. Hanna, had built up a year ago a great scheme of connecting Belleville with Trenton, and now of Belleville with Whitney. "I think you want a working mayor, not a talking mayor. That's what I am going in for."

Mr. Mikel had attacked the Public Works Department. The expenditure for Dec. 30th was \$38,811.51. There was an appropriation of \$39,000, so that there is no overdraft.

"My campaign is going to be clean from start to finish. I will not throw mud, which I could."

"I am here as the people's candidate. I am not backed by any lodge or club. If elected, I promise you I will be a working mayor and not a talking mayor."

Ald. Ponton said that the city should be proud of having had such a finance chairman as Ald. Bone.

Ex-Ald. Charles Whelan, Ex-Mayor H. F. Ketcheson and Ex-Ald. Hunter were not present when called upon to speak.

Finance Chairman Explains.

In answer to Mr. Mikel, Ald. Bone said that there had been an extra appropriation of \$7,000 to public works. One of the main causes of this was the work on Murney's Hill.

Ald. Bone declared his belief that the Ontario Government should be sued for certain advice regarding the paving of the hill and the most of this could be recovered.

Ald. Bone thought Belleville was in a very favorable condition financially. No council in the past has faced such conditions. For instance, the gas department had to buy coal at \$22. per ton. Public works found it difficult to secure men for work. Conditions will be better next year.

Ald. Bone disclaimed any responsibility for building of Bridge street east pavement this year. The fire department was overdrawn one thousand dollars. Industries have spent \$400,000 less than was appropriated. The Board of Health expenditures exceeded estimates by \$700,000.

HUSBAND SLAIN; WIFE IN PRISON

Toronto Man, Intoxicated, Pierced to Heart on Christmas Night.

CHILDREN LOOK ON

Tiny Daughters of Dead Father Taken in by Kind Neighbor.

TORONTO, Dec. 27—George Adams, aged 40, of 55 Osear avenue, has died. His wife, Isabella Adams, aged 28, is under arrest, charged with murder. Such are the results of a Christmas Day tragedy caused by liquor in the house on Osear avenue at 8.30 on Saturday night when Mrs. Adams turned an army knife in her husband's hand against him. The blade entered Adams' heart, killing him instantly.

Seeing that her husband was dead, the woman ran, screaming hysterically, into the streets. Mr. Herbert Groves, at 59 Osear avenue, telephoned to Keefe Street Station.

Inspector Duncan and Detective

Adams were quickly on the scene and arrested the woman. In her statement after arrest she claimed self-defence as the reason for the killing.

"Daddy's Dead."

In the little kitchen where the tragedy occurred were the two tiny daughters of the slain father—Clara, aged 6, and Elizabeth, aged 3.

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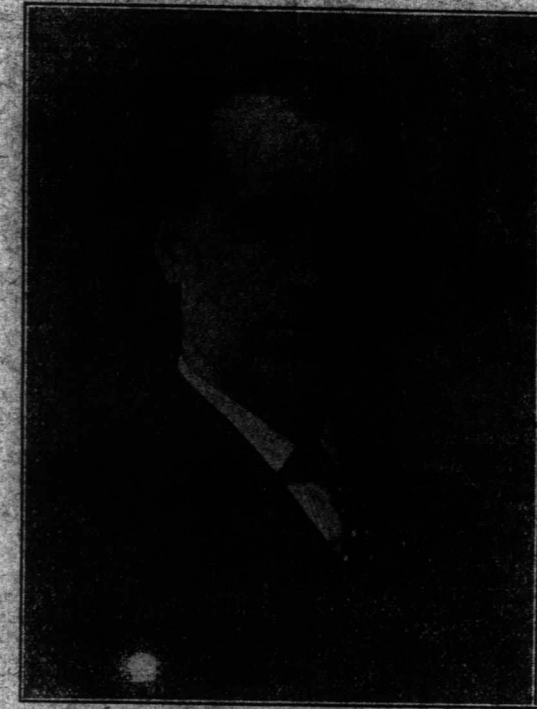
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Herewith are Ald. Hanna, (on left) and Mr. W. C. Mikel, (on right) candidates for the Mayor's chair for 1921.

"THOSE NOMINATED WERE"

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W. C. MIKEL, proposed by W. H. Pantor, seconded by T. H. Marshall.

CHAS. WHELAN, proposed by S. H. Treverton, seconded by Geo. N. Simmons.

H. F. KETCHESON, proposed by W. H. Riggs, seconded by W. J. Carter.

W. B. RIGGS, proposed by W. A. Woodley, seconded by Chas. Hanna.

CHAS. HANNA, proposed by E. J. Adams, seconded by Ald. H. D. Ponton.

ALFRED HUNTER, proposed by H. F. Ketcheson, seconded by S. H. Treverton.

For Aldermen:

C. M. REID, proposed by Geo. H. Simmons, seconded by Alfred Hunter.

THOS. YARROW, proposed by A. Hunter, seconded by G. N. Simmons.

D. V. SINCLAIR, proposed by A. Hunter, seconded by G. N. Simmons.

CHAS. WHELAN, proposed by Ald. J. Bone, seconded by W. J. Carter.

B. L. HYMAN, proposed by H. F. Ketcheson, seconded by George Dulmage.

ALD. J. BONE, proposed by Mayor Riggs, seconded by W. J. Carter.

ALD. R. D. ADAMS, proposed by T. H. Marshall, seconded by W. J. Hall.

ALD. R. WENSLLEY, proposed by Ald. R. D. Adams, seconded by T. H. Marshall.

SAM TREVERTON, proposed by H. F. Ketcheson, seconded by Ald. J. Bone.

ALD. G. F. OSTROM, proposed by Ald. Wensley, seconded by Geo. Dulmage.

ALD. W. A. WOODLEY, proposed by Geo. Dulmage, seconded by Joshua Lang.

JOHN E. PARKS, proposed by F. White, seconded by J. Lang.

JOHN CANNING, proposed by J. E. Parks, seconded by S. A. Lockwood.

W. O. ADAMS, proposed by H. F. Ketcheson, seconded by Ald. Ponton.

ALBERT ROBINSON, proposed by J. Lang, seconded by Ald. Ostrom.

ALD. D. DOYLE, proposed by H. F. Ketcheson, seconded by B. L. Hyman.

E. D. O'FLYNN, proposed by Ald. R. D. Ponton, seconded by T. E. Ketcheson.

THOSE NOMINATED FOR ALDERMEN

E. B. FINKLE, proposed by D. V. Doyle, seconded by H. F. Ketcheson.

G. H. FRENCH, proposed by J. Lang, seconded by W. A. Owens.

A. GAEL, proposed by A. Hunter, seconded by G. N. Simmons.

ALD. CHAS. HANNA, proposed by Ald. W. A. Woodley, seconded by G. F. Ostrom.

G. N. SIMMONS, proposed by H. F. Ketcheson, seconded by J. E. Parks.

S. J. FISHER, proposed by J. E. Parks, seconded by F. S. Deacon.

B. A. SANFORD, proposed by Ald. D. O'Flynn, seconded by B. F. Ostrom.

P. E. WILLIS, proposed by A. C. McFee, seconded by B. L. Hyman.

C. J. WHITE, proposed by A. Hunter, seconded by G. N. Simmons.

For School Trustees:

FOSTER WARD:

F. SHARPE, proposed by B. A. Sanford, seconded by F. S. Deacon.

F. OHESHER, proposed by B. L. Hyman, seconded by G. Dulmage.

F. B. SMITH, proposed by T. E. Ketcheson, seconded by A. C. McFee.

SAMSON WARD:

W. B. RIGGS, proposed by T. E. Ketcheson, seconded by W. S. Clark.

MRS. FRANCES LEAVENS, proposed by A. Hunter, seconded by G. N. Simmons.

W. J. COOK, proposed by D. Doyle, seconded by H. F. Ketcheson.

S. J. FISHER, proposed by S. H. Treverton, seconded by W. H. Luftman.

KETCHESON WARD:

A. McFee (accl.) proposed by F. S. Deacon, seconded by T. E. Ketcheson.

BALDWIN WARD:

A. J. BOYES, proposed by C. Hanna, seconded by W. B. Wensley.

H. PRINGLE, proposed by L. Soule, seconded by T. H. Marshall.

TOMMY CHURCH ASKS 7TH TERM

Famous "Boy Bachelor" Mayor of Toronto Offering Himself Again.

MBRIDE HIS OPPONENT

Both Are Men Well-Known in Ontario—Expected Close Race.

TORONTO, Dec. 27.—(By Canadian Press)—"Dick" Whittington, who was three Lord Mayor of London, had nothing in length of Mayoralty service, on "Tom" Church, better known as "Tommy" Church, but more dignifiedly described as Thomas Langton Church, K. C., who has been for six consecutive years "the boy bachelor" Mayor of Toronto

Canada, and is offering himself for election on New Year's Day for the seventh term. There are many in addition to Mr. Church himself, who are confident that he will be Mayor of Toronto for the seventh year. Why shouldn't "Toronto the Good" continue on the list of Canadian Mayors as "that city of Churches" is the question propounded by the present Mayor's enthusiastic supporters.

Apparently the only serious opposition that Mayor Church will encounter in his appeal for re-election will be Samuel McBride, former member of the Board of Control, and for many years a City Councillor. McBride is putting up a vigorous campaign and is enlisting considerable support among business, professional and other interests who declare that "it is time for a change."

On the other hand Church has undoubtedly made many friends during his long incumbency of office, and is prepared to make a stiff fight to retain what his municipal opponents have for some time been describing as "Tommy's life job." There is no other issue of any outstanding importance, between the two candidates.

McBride ran against Church last New Year's Day, and was beaten by a plurality of about 5,000 votes. There was a third candidate at that election—ones A. H. H. Ballantyne, who received 1,589 votes, and Church was elected by plurality vote on a minority of 855 under the combined totals of the two other candidates.

Mayor Church's doubtful opponent is a lumber merchant. Politics does not count for much in the contest—both Church and McBride are "Torontoes" and both are members of the Orange Order, as becometh a candidate for municipal honors in the city of Toronto.

Another thing that "Tommy" and "Sammy" have in common is the sporting instinct. Church was recently elected a member of the International Baseball League, and McBride is President of the Hillcrest Racing Association. They have both been connected with athletic and sporting activities for many years,

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Red Sow, due to farrow
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2 sets single Harness,
2 sets heavy double
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cap, iron hog trough,
iron cooler, 2 good
man, about 75 sap
spikes, 3 milk cans,
barley forks, shovels,
rakes, chains, whiffle-
saws, crowbars, axes,
blades, good collie
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bar, about 400 bushel
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appointed paymaster to
ments in the regi-
rank and full pay of
Sir George Arthur's
returned no answer to
but he did not forget
that Moodie might
be very doubtful
it advisable not to
nd the family until he
some permanent situa-
ing, he would have a
family of saving the
his income to pay of
of 1839 was one of
me. Hitherto I had
blessing of health; but
ren and myself were
to suffer from dan-
illness. All the mi-
malignant scarlet fev-
veral days, I thought
ase the Almighty to
my two girls. This
to children to be
one of my neighbours
the house. For
any and I were never
while time was taken
the five little help-
ugh the successive
alarming disease, I
aylor; but he did not
obliged to trust to
ed, and my mother
nursing. Through a
wer, mental anxiety
ught on other illness,
ten weeks, render-
y helpless. When I
to creep from my
y baby was seized with
ich Dr. B.—pro-
Against all hope,
nt these several days
ered me weak and
ore anxious than ever
to my husband. To
oubles, my sister and
d their farm, and re-
our neighbourhood
returned to England,
ed a situation in the
his wife, my friend
ping a school in the
I felt more and more
deprived of so many
friends.
TER XXIII.
lk to Dummer
y path, through
eads, unbroken by a
ark. The melancholy
is careering o'er the
waves, the green pine
lent forest groan and
nocking voice, awoke
oes of the place.
you ever heard of
in the forest, depen-
rn wilderness, called
years ago, it might
was termed "The
the world." Nor to
now of any in that
e extends beyond it
was situated on the
neighbouring town-
degree less wild, less
id, or nearer to the
ivilization than the
ish Line," the boat
is terra incognita.
named by the emi-
pitched their tents
wilderness, was a
red land, extending
de for some miles
rest and most inter-
The English Line
chiefly by the com-
ed of burrowing like
and, had determined
Canada, where they
the fresh air of Hea-
the necessities of
son of their mother
as it may appear,
good farmers, and
sons colonists, work-
ground as they had
arly days beneath it
servants came from
though they spoke a
it to be understood,
in their manners,
they were faithful
performing the tasks
with patient per-
food and kind treat-
ment always cheer-
d. Jenny, that most
on next page.

Roughing It In the Bush

(Continued from Preceding Page)

faithful and attached of all humble
domestic friends, came from Dum-
mer, and I was wont to regard it
with complacency for her sake. But
Jenny was not unblissful, she often
generous, warm-hearted daughter of
the Green Isle—the Emerald Gem
set in the silver of ocean. Yes,
Jenny was one of the poorest child-
ren of that impoverished but glorious
country where wit and talent
seem indigenous, springing up spon-
taneously in the rudest and most un-
cultivated minds; showing that the
land could bring forth in its own
strength, unaided by education and
unfettered by the conventional rules
of society. Jenny was a striking
instance of the worth, noble self-
denial, and devotedness, which are
met with—and, alas! but too often
disregarded—in the poor and igno-
rant natives of that deeply-injured
and much-abused land. A few words
about my old favourite may not prove
uninteresting to my readers.
Jenny Buchanan, or as she called
it, Bohannon, was the daughter of a
petty exciseman of Scotch extraction
who, at the time of her birth, resided
near the town of Hamilton.
Her mother died a few months after
she was born, and her father, within
the twelve months, married again.
In the meanwhile the poor orphan
baby had been adopted by a kind
neighbour, the wife of a small farm-
er in the vicinity.

In return for colour food and
scanty clothing, the little Jenny be-
came a servant-of-all-work. She fed
the pigs, gardened the cattle, assisted
in planting potatoes, and digging
peat from the bog, and was undis-
puted mistress of the poultry-yard.
As she grew up to womanhood, the
importance of her labours increased.
A better reaper in the harvest-field,
or footer of turf in the bog, could
not be found in the district, or a
woman more thoroughly acquainted
with the management of cows and
the rearing of young cattle, but here
poor Jenny's accomplishments termi-
nated.
Her usefulness was all abroad.
Within the house she made more dirt
than she had the inclination or the
ability to clear away. She could
neither read, nor knit, nor sew; and
although she called herself a Protest-
ant, and a Church of England wor-
shipper, she knew no more of religion
as revealed to man through the Word
of God, than the savage who sinks
to the grave in ignorance of a Re-
deemer. Hence she stoutly resisted
all idea of being a simon, or of
standing the least chance of being
herself, hereafter the condemnation of
one.

"Och, shure this," she would say
with ample earnestness of look and
manner, "almost every body, and
will never trouble himself about it,
poor, hard-working creatur like me,
who never did any harm to the man-
ner of his makin'."

One thing was certain, that a bene-
volent Providence had "throubled
Himself," about poor Jenny in times
past, for the warm heart of this
neglected child, of nature contained
a stream of the richest benevolence,
which, situated as she had been,
could not have been derived from
any other source. Honest, faithful,
and industrious, Jenny became a law
unto herself, and practically illus-
trated the golden rule of her blessed
Lord, "to do unto others as we
would they should do unto us." She
thought it was impossible that her
poor services could repay the debt
of gratitude that she owed to the
family who had brought her up; al-
though the obligation must have
been entirely on their side. To them
she was greatly attached—for them
she toiled uncomplainingly, and when
evil days came, and they were not
able to meet the rent-day, or to oc-
cupy the farm, she determined to
accompany them in their emigration
to Canada, and formed one of the
stout-hearted band that fixed its
location in the lonely and unexplored
wilds now known as the township of
Dummer.

During the first year of their set-
tlement, the means of obtaining the
common necessities of life became so
precarious, that, in order to assist
her friends with a little ready money,
Jenny determined to hire out into
some wealthy house as a servant.
When I use the term wealth as ap-
plied to any bush-settler, it is of
course only comparatively; but Jenny
was anxious to obtain a place with
settlers who enjoyed a small income
independent of their forest means.
Her first speculation was a complete
failure. For five long, hopeless
years she served a master from
whom she never received a farthing
of her stipulated wages. Still her
attachment to the family was so
strong and had become so much the
necessity of her life, that the poor
creature could not make up her mind
to leave them. The children whom
she had received into her arms at
their birth, and whom she had nursed
with maternal tenderness, were as
dear to her as if they had been her
own; she continued to work for
them although her clothes were worn
to rags, and her own friends were
too poor to replace them.

Her master, N.—, a
handsome, dashing officer, who had
served many years in India, still
maintained the carriage and appear-
ance of a gentleman, in spite of his
mental and moral degradation aris-
ing from a constant use of intoxi-
cating liquors; he still promised to remu-
nerate at some future day her faith-
ful services; and although all his
neighbours well knew that his means
were exhausted, that that day they
would never come, yet Jenny, in the
simplicity of her faith, still tol-
led on. In the hope that the better day
she spoke of would soon arrive.
And now, I have to respect-
fully warn to others. Allured by
the bait that has been the ruin of so
many of his class, the offer of a large
grant of land, Captain N.— had
been induced to form his settlement
in this remote and untried township,

laying out much, if not all, of his
available means in building a log
house, and clearing a large extent of
barren and stony land. To this un-
inviting home he conveyed a beauti-
ful young wife, and a small and
valuable stock of household goods,
and, as he was a man of a goodly
estate, he was easily anticipated. The
wife, a dreadful want to a man of
his previous habits—the total
absence of all the comforts and
conveniences of his prodigious fortune,
specially, and at last, despondency,
which was only alleviated by a con-
stant and immoderate use of ardent
spirits. As long as Captain N.—
retained his half-pay, he contrived
to exist. In an evil hour he started
with this, and quickly trod the down-
hill path to ruin.

And here I would remark, that it
always a rash and hazardous step
for any man to part with his half-
pay, although it is almost every day
done, and generally followed by the
same disastrous results. A certain
income, however small, in a country
where money is so hard to be pro-
cured, and where labour cannot be
obtained but at a very high pecuni-
ary remuneration, is invaluable to a
gentleman unaccustomed to agri-
cultural employment, who, without
this reserve to pay his people during
the brief but expensive seasons of
seed-time and harvest, must either
work himself or starve. I have
seen no instance in which such a
sale has been attended with ultimate
advantage; but, alas! too many in
which it has terminated in the most
distressing destitution. These gov-
ernment grants of land, to half-pay
officers, have induced numbers of
this class to emigrate to the back-
woods of Canada, who are totally
unfit for pioneers; but tempted by
the offer of finding themselves land-
holders of what, on paper, appears to
be fine estates, and of a half-
starved and broken-hearted in the
depths of the pitiless wild.

If a gentleman so situated would
give up all idea of settling on a
grant, but hire a good farm in a
favourable situation—that is, not too
far from market—and with his
half-pay hire efficient labourers, of
whom plenty are now to be had, to
cultivate the land, with common
prudence and economy, he would
soon obtain a comfortable subsist-
ence for his family. And if the
miser brought up to share the
burden of what, on paper, appears to
be a large estate, he should be aware
of the expense of hired labour, as it
diminished, would add to the general
means, and well-being of the whole,
until the hired farm became the pro-
perty of the industrious tenants.
But the love of show, the vain boast
of appearing richer and better dress-
ed than our neighbours, too often
involves the emigrant's family in
debt, from which they are seldom
able to extricate themselves without
sacrificing the means which would
have secured their independence.

This, although a long dissertation,
will not, I hope, be without its use-
fulness to some of my readers. It is
a work of amusement, but one of
practical experience, written for the
benefit of others, it will not fail to
derive some useful hints to those
who have contemplated emigration
to Canada, the best country in the
world for the industrious and well-
principled man, who really comes out
to work, and to better his condition
by the labour of his hands; but the
guilt of ruin to the vain and idle,
who only set foot upon these shores
to accelerate their ruin.

**Chicago Janitors
Play Wrong Horse**

Serve Ultimatum on Landlords and
Tenants—Lose out With
Santa.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—(By Cana-
dian Press)—The "Happy Christ-
mas" of many Chicago janitors to-
morrow morning will fall to bring
the customary Christmas tip, for
thousands of tenants in this city
are not feeling very "Christmasy"
toward their janitors. Christmas gifts to
janitors from landlords are still less
probable.
The janitors make the mistake of
delivering their "Happy New Year"
message before their Christmas
greeting. They have served notices
upon landlords and apartment dwell-
ers that unless a blanket increase
of 25 per cent in wages is granted
they will go on strike on December
31. Only the union janitors partici-
pate in the "Happy New Year" ul-
timatum, but they number 4,827, and
many apartment house fires will be
deserted on the first day of the New
Year if the strike threat is made ef-
fective. Not only will the apart-
ments be homeless but deliveries of
milk and other supplies will be tied
up in many apartment houses. The
landlords say the increase of pay
demanded means an increase of \$1
a month per flat.

BAGS FOR WAISTS.

Old hat-bags or bags made of old
cotton are splendid for keeping deli-
cate, crushable materials in, as the
waists will keep clean instead of be-
ing soiled as they almost always do
if left uncared for on a hanger. Put
the waist on the hanger, slip the bag
over and the tightly at the top leav-
ing the hook of the hanger free to
slip over the clothes-pole.

MET WITH PECULIAR ACCIDENT

Mrs. Geo. N. Maynard, of Orillia,
met with a peculiar accident at noon
last Thursday. She was filling up the
range with coal when an explosion
took place, and she was badly cut
about the face and right arm. From
pieces of metal extracted from the
wounds it is believed that a shot-gun
cartridge must have been in the
coal, and exploded as soon as it
touched the fire. Both eyes were in-
jured and Mrs. Maynard narrowly
escaped losing her sight. Medical
aid was promptly summoned and
Mrs. Maynard's injuries although
painful will not prove serious.

**HOW THEY STOPPED PRO-
FITTEERING.**

BILBAO, SPAIN, Dec. 24.—
More announcement by a shoe
dealer here that he had made
a contract with an American
firm to send 35,000 pairs of
shoes to Bilbao on trial with a
view to further orders produced
a panic among store-keepers of
this city. The announcement
stated the American shoes
would be sold at half the pre-
vailing price of the home-made
articles. Immediately afterward
prices came down with a run.
Local newspapers advise
other localities to follow the
lead of the northern city and
thus put a stop to profiteering.

**NEW YORK USES
CANADIAN TREES**

Thousands of Little Spruce and
Cedars Cut in Our Forests
For Gotham

Industry Huge One
Carloads Sell for Three Times
Former Price—New Eng-
land Supplies Many.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—(By Cana-
dian Press)—Thousands of Christ-
mas trees cut in Canadian forests
will glow with candles and electric
lights in New York homes tomorrow.
The demand for Christmas trees,
decried declared today, was just as
heavy as in former years despite a
big increase in price which dealers
explained by declaring the duty on
trees from the Dominion has been
greatly increased. The rate on a
cartload of trees which was formerly
\$8.00 is now \$20.00 to \$27.00, they
assert. Another reason which they
advanced for the high prices asked
was that "thousands of trees cut in
Canada for the Christmas market
were buried under fifteen feet of
snow."
500,000 From Canada.

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—(By Cana-
dian Press)—In addition to half a
million trees brought from Canada
for tomorrow's festivities in the
homes of the eastern states, a Christ-
mas tree crop of more than a million
and a half of evergreen trees, spruce,
fir, and hemlock, was cut in the
forests and pastures of New England
this year according to estimates of
dealers here.
From the forests of Maine 600,
000 trees were taken; in Vermont it
was estimated about 300,000 were
felled, and the reports of the state
forester of New Hampshire show a
shipment of approximately 500,000.
The southern section of New Eng-
land cuts much less, the crop from
the Berkshires in Massachusetts
being probably about 75,000 and in
Rhode Island and Connecticut com-
bined about 25,000.

On the stump these trees were
sold by the farmer or woodland
owner for a few cents each, large
lots selling at from \$25 to \$30 a
thousand. Prices to the grower were
generally higher this year than last,
but these prices represent only a
fraction of what the trees cost the
house-holder. A statement on the
Christmas tree industry issued by
the New Hampshire Forestry De-
partment states that "it is not fair
to the farmer to give him only a few
cents for trees which may bring sev-
eral dollars when sold at retail in
the city."

The department regards the
Christmas tree industry as legitimate
and says it is not objectionable if the
land owners receive a fair value for
their trees and the cutting is scatter-
ed and confined to the right size of
trees.
ADD 50 TO R.C.H.A.
Lt.-Col. W. H. P. Atkins, D.S.O.,
M.C., officer commanding the R. C.
H. A., has received an order author-
izing the addition to his present
establishment of fifty men. This
number will raise his batteries up to
the full strength and provide a suf-
ficient number for the riding schools
and other supernumerary positions.
It is expected that a sufficient
number of physically fit young men
will be obtained in Kingston, and
the opportunity presented to them
to get valuable military training is
an excellent one. To be of Pont Bar-
racks has recently undergone exten-
sive repairs and the accommodation
provided by the living quarters of
the men is superior.
Mrs. George Holson, of Innetkip,
celebrated her 90th birthday on
Dec. 14th.

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The Specialty and Universal Film
Co., of Toronto, supplied the films
and the theatre management placed
the house at the service of the G.W.
V.A. grats. The youngsters enjoy-
ed the films which were especially
selected with an idea of the broad,
healthy sense of humor they exem-
plified.
Col. E. D. O'Flynn, past president
of the local G.W.V.A. branch and
president of the Provincial Command

**SUDDEN RICHES
BEYOND BELIEF**

Peasants in Parts of Old World
"Headjusted" Can't Real-
ize the Change
LOOKS BADLY IN SPOTS

ESTATES DIVIDED INTO LOTS
WHICH PROVE UNLIFABLE TO
NEW OWNERS.

LIEBAU, LATVIA, Dec. 24.—Peas-
ants are today much mystified by the
Latvian government's land policy
and are unwilling to believe they can
acquire land which formerly belong-
ed to Baltic barons without getting
a title from the old owners.
Where owners of land, whether
they were big estate holders or had
only small acreage, participated in
any of the various movements de-
signed to thwart the present govern-
ment, the government has confiscated
the estates and promises to divide
them eventually among the landless
peasants.
How Policy Falls.
But the poor peasants have had
much trouble in cultivating land al-
located to them because of the lack
of animals, machinery and seed, and
the government has been unable to
give them material help.
Where the peasant have been suc-
cessful and have acquired money
they frequently approach the former
owners of the land and want to
arrange a cash payment on the land
to insure that the old owners will
not eventually take it away from
them. The statement of old owners
that they cannot sell the land has
been no effect on the peasants, who
refuse to believe they can ever ac-
quire title without paying the old
landlords and getting a blue paper,
or deed.
Many Difficulties.
Many of the Latvian estates were
so large and were cultivated in such
a way that small holders have great
difficulty in cultivating the portion
assigned to them. This is especially
true of estates where there were
large drainage plants, and where
transportation was afforded by small
railways so arranged as to serve the
estate as a whole. Such estates pro-
vided their own fuel from woodlots
on the premises and had exception-
ally well-arranged facilities for get-
ting products to distant markets. In
many cases the peasants have asked
the old owners to return as man-
agers in the hope of restoring the old
organization.

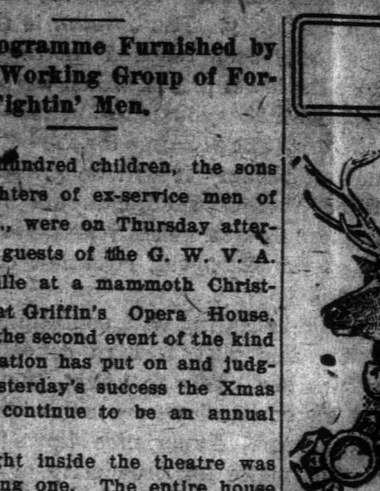
WILL RETURN LATER.

Major W. J. McManus, acting G.
S.O. Military District No. 3, who has
been in Brockville, for some weeks
in connection with the re-organiza-
tion of the Brockville Rifles, return-
ed Monday night to Kingston. He
will go back to Brockville after the
New Year, when drills will be resum-
ed.

NEARLY AN ACCIDENT.

While Wm. Barron, Cobourg, was
carrying a pall of mortar to the roof

A CLOSE-UP



**WOULD YOU SAY THIS WAS A
GOOD LIKENESS OF THE
G.W.V.A. SANTA?**

was chairman. The children sang
numbers such as "Smiles," "Mickey"
"Bubbles," the "The Maple Leaf."
Miss Jessie Tuttle recited two num-
bers. Miss Blaind presided at the
piano.
During the early part of the pro-
gram telegrams were read from Santa
Claus telling of his progress on the
way to Belleville. Finally in the
person of Mr. Sam Turner the aged
saint arrived. These a great sight

**His Lordship Santa Claus Hall-
ed With Delight by Young-
sters of Both Sexes.**

met the gaze of the children, a Christ-
mas tree decorated with lights under-
neath scores of baskets of parcels.
Mr. E. D. Finkle was the decorator of
the tree.
Each parcel contained clothing of
some kind, suited to the age of the
child for whom it was intended. Each
was valued at about one dollar nine-
ty, the entire distribution being val-
ued at from \$1100 to \$1200.
Secretary Liddle and many work-
ers assisted in the distribution. Af-
terwards the children as they left the
theatre received each a parcel of can-
dies and fruit at the door of the
theatre.
The veterans in charge of the en-
tertainment committee were:
Chair of Committee, E. H. Liddle.
Buying and Shopping Committee:
George Irvine, Thos. Hyland, W. O.
Wardhaugh, George Glover, S. May-
hew, A. W. Munings, T. G. Wells,
Garnet E. Dobbs, E. J. Folwell, Sam
Turner, G. W. Dawes, Jack Tyrrell,
G. T. Lawson.
Decorations: E. D. Finkle, W. Hol-
way, W. D. Wiggins.
Collections: L. G. Madden.
Parcels which were not claimed
yesterday may be secured on the
production of tickets at the G. W. V.
A. headquarters.

**He's Meanest
Thief Alive**

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 24.—At-
lanta's meanest thief broke into
All Saints' Episcopal Church
last night and denuded a big
Christmas tree of all gifts, even
carrying away ribbons and decora-
tions. Most of his loot was
boxes of candy or other goodies,
ready for the children's Christ-
mas celebration.
WHO'S THE OWNER?
A fur neckpiece is awaiting its
owner at the police station.
VERY LITTLE FROST
Temperature as given out at the
city pumping station this morning
was: Minimum 23; Maximum 42.
"T" PIER FINISHED.
The "T" pier, at Cobourg, which
has just been completed by the York
Construction Co., is a credit to that
company and Mr. Harry Croft, who
was overseer of the work. The pier
has been cemented from the end to
the east pier, and has also places for
docking out canoes and boats. In
all probability the north side of the
expansion, which is in a bad state
of repair, will be repaired next year.

**STAFF OF "ONTARIO"
Remember Co-Worker**

Miss Winifred Penny Leaves This
Great Family Journal For Own
Home.
Last evening "The Ontario" staff
and co-workers of Miss Winifred
Penny, who has been with the paper
for the last five years, presented
her with an electric table lamp in
view of her approaching marriage.
The members of the staff assem-
bled in the Editorial Room where
the presentation was made. Mr. Evan
Barlow read the following address:
Miss Winifred Penny—
We, your fellow workers in the
great field of journalism, known lo-
cally as The Ontario Office, having
learned that the ties that have bound
us so pleasantly the past five years
are about to be severed because of
your decision to launch out into the
uncharted sea of matrimony, have
assembled to wish you bon voyage
and to ask you to accept a little me-
mento of old times and associations.
We have learned to esteem and ad-
mire you because of your many am-
iable qualities of heart and mind.
We have always found you agree-
able and good-natured, in fact, an al-
round "good sport." We are indeed
deeply regretful because of your de-
parture from our midst but we know
your sunny disposition will not be
obscured but merely being trans-
ferred to another environment to
brighten and adorn a new home.
May you there spend many, many
happy years and reap the full mea-
sure of the joys of life.
As a reminder of the days we
have so happily spent together, we
ask you to accept this little token in
hopes that it may bring back joyous
recollections of the times that have
been to us mutually pleasant and
profitable.
(Sgd.) Members of staff,
Belleville, Dec. 23, 1920.
Miss Penny in a few words ex-
pressed her appreciation of the gift
and thanked the staff for their kind
remembrance.

**THREE MEMORIAL WINDOWS
INSTALLED.**

The three memorial windows are
now in position in the Kingston city
hall, the last one, "The British Navy
Triumphant," being finished. The
first one is called "Ypres" and is re-
presented by a Canadian soldier in
action at that famous battle as
shown in a drawing in Punch at the
time the heroism of the Canadians
became known, and their great fight-
ing qualities were recognized. The
second window placed in position is
called "Home," 1918, and is the fig-
ure of a woman sewing seeds, also
taken from Punch. "The British
Navy Triumphant" is depicted in the
third window by a sea-horse rising
from the waves of the ocean of which
he is the master.

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The Specialty and Universal Film
Co., of Toronto, supplied the films
and the theatre management placed
the house at the service of the G.W.
V.A. grats. The youngsters enjoy-
ed the films which were especially
selected with an idea of the broad,
healthy sense of humor they exem-
plified.
Col. E. D. O'Flynn, past president
of the local G.W.V.A. branch and
president of the Provincial Command

**SUDDEN RICHES
BEYOND BELIEF**

Peasants in Parts of Old World
"Headjusted" Can't Real-
ize the Change
LOOKS BADLY IN SPOTS

ESTATES DIVIDED INTO LOTS
WHICH PROVE UNLIFABLE TO
NEW OWNERS.

LIEBAU, LATVIA, Dec. 24.—Peas-
ants are today much mystified by the
Latvian government's land policy
and are unwilling to believe they can
acquire land which formerly belong-
ed to Baltic barons without getting
a title from the old owners.
Where owners of land, whether
they were big estate holders or had
only small acreage, participated in
any of the various movements de-
signed to thwart the present govern-
ment, the government has confiscated
the estates and promises to divide
them eventually among the landless
peasants.
How Policy Falls.
But the poor peasants have had
much trouble in cultivating land al-
located to them because of the lack
of animals, machinery and seed, and
the government has been unable to
give them material help.
Where the peasant have been suc-
cessful and have acquired money
they frequently approach the former
owners of the land and want to
arrange a cash payment on the land
to insure that the old owners will
not eventually take it away from
them. The statement of old owners
that they cannot sell the land has
been no effect on the peasants, who
refuse to believe they can ever ac-
quire title without paying the old
landlords and getting a blue paper,
or deed.
Many Difficulties.
Many of the Latvian estates were
so large and were cultivated in such
a way that small holders have great
difficulty in cultivating the portion
assigned to them. This is especially
true of estates where there were
large drainage plants, and where
transportation was afforded by small
railways so arranged as to serve the
estate as a whole. Such estates pro-
vided their own fuel from woodlots
on the premises and had exception-
ally well-arranged facilities for get-
ting products to distant markets. In
many cases the peasants have asked
the old owners to return as man-
agers in the hope of restoring the old
organization.

WILL RETURN LATER.

Major W. J. McManus, acting G.
S.O. Military District No. 3, who has
been in Brockville, for some weeks
in connection with the re-organiza-
tion of the Brockville Rifles, return-
ed Monday night to Kingston. He
will go back to Brockville after the
New Year, when drills will be resum-
ed.

NEARLY AN ACCIDENT.

While Wm. Barron, Cobourg, was
carrying a pall of mortar to the roof

BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO.

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THOSE LONG WINTER EVENINGS

In the old-fashioned family, old and young used to settle down under the "sitting-room" lamp during the long winter evenings, for much reading and study. Games like authors and perches and jack-straws were devised to reconcile the young people to staying at home.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS

The first meeting of the assembly of the League of Nations has demonstrated, at least, that the league is alive, that it is capable of action and that it has belied all the dismal prophecies of failure.

Much of the work done was, of necessity, preliminary work. Matters of procedure had to be disposed of. The relations of the assembly and the council had to be more clearly defined.

GOOD TIMES AHEAD

Bernard Baruch, who is recognized in the United States as a leading authority on financial and industrial matters, expresses the opinion, in an interview published in a New York paper, that the worst of the industrial crisis has been passed.

chief of the United States War Industries board during the war, and economic adviser to the American delegation at Paris. He was also, before the war, a famous and successful trader in the Wall street stock market.

Mr. Baruch is dealing with conditions in the United States, and with foreign conditions as they affect, or are likely to affect, the United States; but his conclusions are not without interest to Canadians.

The report that the Irish peace negotiations have been broken off is denied. There is still a deadlock, but there is still some hope.

Attorney-General Raney is reported to be giving up his prerogative of recommending appointments of King's Counsel and turning the responsibility for such appointments over to the chief justice of Ontario.

Friends of Irish Freedom in the United States have made a demand upon Eamonn de Valera, "president of the Irish republic," that he hand over to the people of Ireland the million dollars collected in the Irish Liberty bond drive.

FOR REMEMBRANCE

"The American Ambassador, after the ceremonies in Westminster Abbey, placed a wreath upon the grave of the unknown soldier. It bore the world: 'America Will Not Forget.'"

America has placed a wreath upon his grave. That unknown soldier laid in England's fame. That through the centuries he might remain guarded by England's love; one of the brave from out the heroic unknown hosts who gave their lives for England and for Liberty.

They knew he fell in the Great War of Wars. And asked no more; of birth the lowliest. Or if of blood as gentle as the best. Of those who perished in that sacred cause.

With lofty music and with throbbing drum They bore him to his place among the dead. That deeds have made immortal; here was laid the solemn ritual; here the King had come.

And here we placed, with England's offering, ours; A pledge—"America will not forget." Woven of blooms; and if it was not wet.

What is it, O dear Country of our pride, We pledge anew that we will not forget? To keep on Freedom's altar burning yet.

Path with the Dead kept through out living faith; In this alone the true remembrance lies. The unflinching garland for their sacrifice;

But the fixed goal of our humanity. —Basil A. Ebers

OTHER EDITORS' OPINIONS

MUCH TO CORRECT.

There is much to correct in the way of life most of us at the present time are following. We are too much absorbed in material objects, in the pursuit of wealth, in dreams of luxurious living.

TWO YEARS AFTER.

The dead and the living alike have been defrauded in the two years that have passed since the armistice was signed. The war that was fought to end war turns out to have been a war in which one kind of imperialism has been triumphant over another.

"HANG THE KAISER."

When Mr. Lloyd George said that if he ever returned to power he would "hang the kaiser," he meant nothing of the kind. That is the gist of the letter in which he endeavours to console his faithful follower, Mr. Baldwin Raper.

Internally and Externally it is Good.—The crowning property of Dr. Thomas' Eclectic Oil is that it can be used internally for many complaints as well as externally.

There is a great rush for oil leases in the 'Brazen forest' reserve near Edmonton.

W. H. Clark, ex-City Auditor of Ottawa, who is running for Mayor, is in his 83rd year.

Personal Mention

Mr. Milton Vandewater spent the holiday in Toronto.

Mr. Henry Sero is home from Cobourg for a few days.

Mr. Henry Martin is a holiday visitor from Toronto.

Mr. Albert Edge, of Toronto is in the city visiting relatives.

Miss Helen Cote, of Toronto, is here for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Frank Dolan, Jr., of Port Arthur, is home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bell, of Toronto, spent Christmas in the city.

Mrs. Thorpe, of Toronto, is spending the Christmas holidays in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Coon, of Toronto, spent Christmas in the city.

Miss Lizzie Reeves is spending the Christmas holidays at her home in Madoc.

Mr. Howard Downer of Hamilton, is spending the Christmas holidays in the city.

Mr. Edward Quinn, of Guelph, is spending the holidays at his home, South John St.

Pte. James McComb, who has been in Sydenham Military Hospital, Kingston, is in the city.

Mr. J. H. Montgomery, of Toronto, is spending the holidays with his sister, Mrs. J. W. Barlow.

Miss Isabelle J. Adams is home from the Margaret Eaton School of Expression for the vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira C. Badgley entertained their niece, Mrs. Sarah Ketchapaw on Christmas day.

Mr. Bert Alford, of Toronto, is in the city visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Alford, Church St.

Mr. W. C. Riggs, of Windsor, Ont., is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, West Bridge St.

Mr. Henry Southworth and daughter, of Port Hope, are the guests of Mr. Charles Grass, Charles St.

Miss Ida Ellis, who spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Ellis, returned to Toronto this morning.

Marshall Delong, wife and family, of Chattanooga, Tenn., are guests of his sister, Mrs. James McKnight, Murney Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Sins, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kierney and daughter, of Frankford, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Badgley.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Young and son, Raymond, of Toronto, spent the Christmas holidays with her sister, Mrs. J. W. Barlow, 11 Fern St.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ellis left today for Toronto to visit their daughter, Mrs. Arthur Keeler, 448 Crawford St. Mr. Ellis will visit St. Catharines before his return.

Miss Ada Munn, who has been visiting her parents at Frankford over the holidays returned to Belleville today.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Lake and family, Sidney St., spent Christmas with the former's parents at Deseronto.

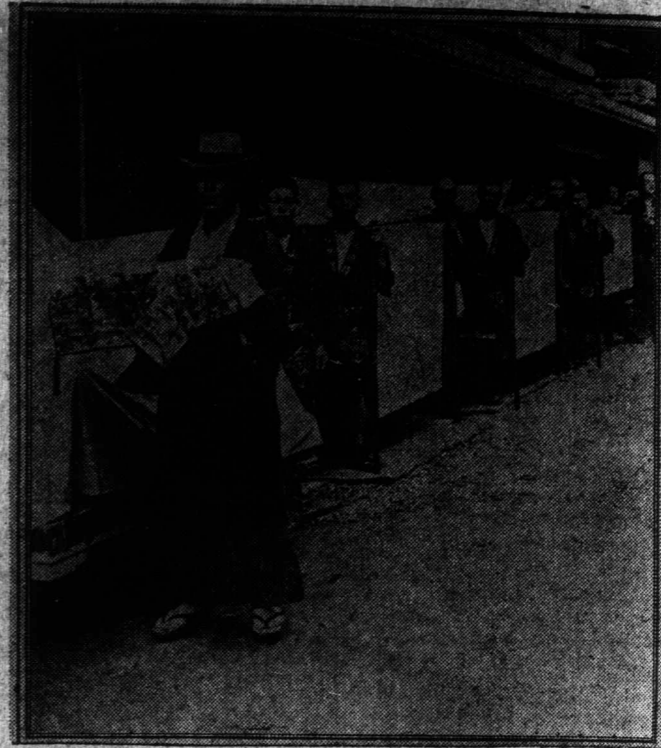
Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Henry and son Floyd visited with Deseronto friends for the holiday.

Miss S. Bowles of the O.B.C. spent Xmas, in Deseronto at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Lake.

BROKE ARM AT WRIST. A very serious and painful accident befell Russell Pierce, the fourteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Pierce, of Taunton, near Oshawa.

SMOKE AT FIREHALL. The members of the fire department were remembered with cigars for Christmas by the Union's Bank, Mr. W. F. Lynch and Mr. Sulman.

JAPANESE WEDDING CEREMONY



Shows a Japanese bride's furniture and effects carried by her servants and acquaintances on the way to the bridegroom's house. Those things are generally sent on the day previous to the wedding ceremony.

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Quick & Robertson. Are Offering Big Price Reductions in all Odd Lines of Suits and Overcoats. This is Your Opportunity to Get High-Grade Clothing at a Moderate Cost. Quick & Robertson. Explaining his opposition to reduction of military expenditures eighteen months, the emperor stated that he was thinking of the immediate requirement of troops for the Rhine per Silesia, for Morocco, and the Near East—great wars, than of the situation of the moment, when it will be to bridge the awkward France's effectiveness caused mobilization of the classes the colors eighteen months that had been expected, to a map of Central Europe. Even now the conditions there (he waved his hand) a map from Vienna to Vilna alarming enough. Do you see? Next summer, when the Red gates of Warsaw, Germany 86,000 troops well armed, massed on the Polish French strength on the Rhine French threat to Germany's districts, cowed them into it. But had we been weak the have crashed Poland from it. "Two years hence who what may happen The B menace grows greater every spirit of loyalty to my country. I would be no less a man if I failed to utter urgent and solemn warnings dangers before us."

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HOODWINKING A

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New Krupp Howitzers.

Ever since the spring re been reaching the French authorities with regard to manufacture of new Krupp and machine-guns. In Apr New York Times correspon accompanied the French to Frankfurt, received from a itative source details of a which was to be of a calib millimetres (just over 12, capable of the same rapid and accuracy as the 1914 plish gun. A new Krupp chine-gun was stated to numerous improvements am 150, and perhaps 200, cart hand.

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HOODWINKING ALLIES

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PARIS, Dec. 27.—Ex-War Minister Lefevre is going to appeal to the court of public opinion to decide between himself and the Cabinet, from which he resigned a few weeks ago, because it would not accept his view that the German danger was so great as to prevent a reduction of the term of French military service.

"I have communicated fact after fact," he says, "to my colleagues in the Government, but they turn a deaf ear. No, I will publish the facts broadcast, and if my late colleagues do not like it they can always impeach me before the High Court."

"I intend to speak out without fear or favor.

"I will say that I know the Krupp are steadily manufacturing in the greatest secrecy new cannon, some of which are really formidable weapons.

"I will say that I know Germany still has more than 40,000 machine-guns dating from before 1920.

"I will say that I know that since the beginning of this year the German Government has not going the construction of a new series of machine-guns in tens of thousands.

"All this I know. How I know that is my business. Doubtless, our Control Commissions have learned about part of this construction, but the secret is so well kept that they have never been able to lay hands on a single model of the new series, whereas I have plans of the new weapon before my eyes. Still more, there was offered to me, as French Minister of War, through a neutral intermediary, 5,000 of the new German machine-guns, 1920 model, to be delivered at Oberbourg, camouflaged in soap boxes.

The relatively slow rate of progress of the machine industry in Canada is the result of the fact that the looms were deliberately destroyed and it is taking some time to replace the delicate machinery.

These 4,324 establishments employed 778,315 persons in 1914; in November, 1920, they employed 355,852 or 45.7 of their 1914 personnel.

While the factories have for the most part been re-built much as they were in 1914, the houses which shelter the workers are mere wooden huts, although brick shanties are springing up in the districts where bricklaying is practicable.

Thus the proportion of resumption of activity bears no relation to the recovery of the towns and villages, which it will be impossible to rebuild as formerly.

These are two examples among many," continued the ex-Minister. "I will bring forward scores of others with chapter and verse to support them, in my speech before Parliament."

To Bridge Gap in Effectives.

Explaining his opposition to the reduction of military service to eighteen months, the ex-Minister stated that he was thinking less of the immediate requirements of the army—troops for the Rhine, for Upper Silesia, for Morocco, for Syria and the Near East—great as they were, than of the situation a year or two hence, when it will be necessary to bridge the awkward gap in France's effectives caused by demobilization of the classes now with the colors eighteen months earlier than had been expected. Pointing to a map of Central Europe, he said:

"Even now the conditions over there (he waved his hand across the map from Vienna to Vilna) are alarming enough. Do you know that last summer, when the Reds were at the gates of Warsaw, Germany had 66,000 troops well armed and ready massed on the Polish frontier? French strength on the Rhine, the French threat to Germany's richest districts, cowed them into inactivity. But had we been weak they would have crashed Poland from the rear.

"Two years hence who knows what may happen. The Bolshevik menace grows greater every day. No spirit of loyalty to my late colleagues can overcome my duty to my country. I would be neglecting that duty if I failed to utter a most urgent and solemn warning of the dangers before us."

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Norwood "Register" Going For 50 Years

The Norwood Register just now is celebrating its "golden" anniversary. This paper has a fifty-year record of continuous publication under the one name. The Norwood Register was published for the first time in 1870 by its editor, Thomas Burke.

Capt. Burke who established The Register was an Irishman, a Methodist in religion and came from Peterboro. Mr. John A. Harper of "The Peterboro Examiner" succeeded Mr. Burke. Mr. Adair succeeded Mr. Harper as editor. The paper was then sold to Mr. R. L. McCally, of Norwich, Ont. Mr. J. G. Ketter then took over the paper in 1893 and is still the owner and editor of "The Norwood Register."

The field and people served by The Register is one that any newspaper would be proud to possess.

WAR-TORN LAND IS RE-BUILDING

Manufacturing Plants Rapidly Being Refitted in Northern France.

LOOMS ARE DESTROYED.

Textile Plants Slowest to Resume Operations As Hun Broke Machinery.

PARIS, Dec. 27.—Manufacturing industries are rapidly resuming operations in the devastated district. This is shown by a report of the Office of Industrial Reconstruction, which has been investigating the restoration of factories and workshops which, before the war, employed more than 20 workmen.

Of the 4,324 establishments in which inquiries have been made, 3,392 have resumed work in whole or in part.

A Classification of the various trades concerned shows that 88.4 percent of metal works are active; 81.5 of the potteries, stone and brick works; 86.4 percent of the chemical industries and 70.8 for the textile industries.

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In last year's election there were no retail merchants elected to the directorate of the Chamber of Commerce, although the retail interest, by far the largest single class in the membership. This year the retailers have two members—Mr. Reid and Mr. D. V. Sinclair. Mr. Sinclair, like Mr. Reid, is strong and aggressive. And he has, in addition, a superabundance of enthusiasm for any cause that has an appeal to him. Not only is his own business a model of successful management and one of the largest in its class in the smaller cities of the Dominion but he, himself, though until recently the whole head and centre of his establishment, has found time for an amazing variety of activities outside his mercantile interest. In particular, he has been a tower of strength to the Y.M.C.A. movement in Belleville and this splendid local institution owes far more to Mr. Sinclair than to any other individual. He will be the directorate of the Chamber of Commerce a most welcome and forceful addition.

We are not called to do things which the world will admire; but we are all called to make use of daily opportunities of service.

"Do a kindness; never mind; What you lose the angels find. Do a kindness, small or great; 'Twill come back in double weight. Do a kindness; never fret; No good deed has been lost yet."

Dora Farncomb.

Appeal to Canada to Help Chinese

(By Canadian Press)

OTTAWA, Dec. 27.—The widespread ravages of famine now being experienced in China, and the terrible suffering that is following in its wake is reflected in an appeal made to Canada through the Governor-General in a cable just received from the heads of the Anglican and Presbyterian missions in China. The cable says: "China is helpless. Appalling famine. Entreat Canadian people's help."

Peace Talk Ends Abruptly at Riga

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 27.—Russo-Polish peace negotiations at Riga have been definitely broken off, says a despatch from Warsaw today. Adolphus Joffe, head of the soviet delegation declared Russia's international situation was so good that it was unnecessary to treat further with the Poles.

AT ST. MICHAEL'S

On Christmas Eve St. Michael's church was crowded for the midnight mass. Father Killean officiated at the mass and was assisted by Father Gorman of Prescott.

GAVE 32 PRESENTS.

Mrs. W. N. Badgley, fifth concession of Thurlow, entertained her Sunday School class on Christmas Eve. She gave a total of 32 presents. Afterwards everyone had something to eat.

FOUR POPULAR CITIZENS NAMED

Four Well-Known Belleville Men Elected to Responsible Post.

BIG YEAR IS AHEAD

All are Gentlemen Capable of Giving City Service for 1920.

The annual election on Friday resulted in the return of four of Belleville's most prominent, energetic and capable citizens for the position of director of the Chamber of Commerce for the ensuing two years. They are—W. B. Deacon, H. F. Ketcheson, C. M. Reid and D. V. Sinclair.

Mr. Deacon was re-elected, Messrs Ketcheson, Reid and Sinclair are new members of the board.

All eight candidates polled heavy votes. Two or three of those who called to be elected announced to their friends that they were not free this coming year to accept the honor, even if elected, because of the exceedingly heavy demands a directorship makes upon one's time. Otherwise their vote would have been much greater. Col. Marsh even took the precaution to publish an announcement in the press that he was not a candidate. But in spite of that precaution, Col. Marsh polled a surprisingly large vote and came near to being elected in spite of himself.

Notwithstanding the busy season of the year, there was a large total of votes cast—nearly fifty per cent greater, in fact, than in the primary elections of a week ago, thus betokening a very desirable and wholesome augmentation of interest.

All three of the new directors are too well known to require any introduction to our readers. Mr. Ketcheson has been a leading figure in Belleville's public life the past 25 years. He has been twice Mayor of Belleville and was one of the few men who passed through that fiery furnace with added lustre to his name. He has the largest fire insurance business in the city or district and has that spirit of progressiveness that means everything to the Chamber of Commerce and to our City.

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Slavery Is Charged Against Portuguese

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Charges that there has been a recrudescence of slave trading practices over wide areas in Angola, a Portuguese possession in West Africa, had been presented to the Assembly of the League of Nations, by the Anti-Slavery and Aborigines Protection Society. These charges are contained in the copy of a memorial previously sent to the British government including evidence from Portuguese and other sources concerning alleged slave trading.

The Society appealed to the League of Nations to take cognizance of these charges and, if possible, secure an exhaustive inquiry into the whole system of Portuguese labor in West Africa.

An automobile crank was picked up on the street and handed to the police.

WEDDING BELLS

JOHNSTON—MCDOWELL.

At the marriage of Eida Lucanda, youngest daughter of the late R. J. McDowell and of Mrs. McDowell, of Toronto to Keith Pruyn Johnston of the staff of the Science Department of Queen's University, which took place recently at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. W. L. McFarland, in North Rosedale, two little nieces of the bride, Miss Eida McFarland and Miss Eida Robertson, daughter of Dr. J. Robertson of Belleville, in pretty pink satin dresses, held ribbons to form an aisle, through which the bride, leaning on the arm of her brother, Dr. John Lester McDowell, past to the spot in the drawing-room where the ceremony was conducted. Two other small nieces, Miss Mary McFarland and Miss Catherine Robertson of Belleville, both frocked in blue satin and tulle, were the flower girls, Dr. Robertson, of this city, was one of the guests.

MacQUEEN—STRATTAN.

On Wednesday, Dec. 15th, at the parsonage, Shannonville, by Rev. W. W. Jones, B.D., Mr. Nell A. MacQueen, of Plaster, Minn., U.S., was united in marriage to Miss Cora Strattan, Shannonville. After a couple of weeks with friends here they will leave for their home in Detroit, Mich. The best wishes of all go with them.

FROST—MORAN.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. William Moran, of Murray, was the scene of a very happy event when their eldest daughter, Grace Claire, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to William Leslie, only son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Frost, also of Murray. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. M. Patterson, of Stockdale.

At the hour appointed for the wedding, the bride, leaning on the arm of her father, entered the beautifully decorated drawing room and took her place beside the groom beneath an alcove of evergreens. Their only attendant was little Miss Laura Moran, cousin of the bride, who was very becomingly acted the part of flower girl, while the bride's sister, Vivian, officiated at the piano and very efficiently rendered "Lohengrin's Wedding March."

The bride was very becomingly attired in white silk with swastika of Georgette trimmed with pearls, and carried in her hand a bouquet of chrysanthemums and maiden hair fern. Her popularity was eloquently attested by the many useful and costly gifts of which she was the recipient. On the Friday evening previous to her wedding about sixty of her friends surprised her and presented her with an address and beautiful rocker upholstered in leather. The trustees and friends of Zion's Church presented her with a copy of the music edition of the New Methodist Hymn book as a slight token of appreciation of her faithful and efficient services as organist in church and Sunday School. The groom's gift to the bride was a necklace of pearls; to the pianist and flower girl each a ring.

The wedding took place on the 24th anniversary of the marriage of the bride's father and mother and in the same house where they were united. After an extended honeymoon to Detroit and other western cities Mr. and Mrs. Frost will take up their residence on their in Murray.

Toronto Has Many Men Seeking Work

(By Canadian Press.)

TORONTO, Dec. 27.—The general unemployment situation appears to be as bad as ever.

Applicants for relief meal tickets crowded municipal unemployment headquarters this morning and attendants reported an increasing number of married men applying.

As heretofore no cash relief is being granted. The city, provincial and Federal governments are beginning to co-operate in the matter of relief and today a conference between civic and provincial heads resulted in plans being made for the issuance of certificates for relief, good for one week.

The heavy snow fall of last night provided work for several hundred men, but effectively stepped the proposed work, in part, which it was expected would provide employment for two hundred men for some considerable time.

THEY DANCED.

There was a big attendance on Christmas Eve at the dance at the Johnstone Academy of Dancing.

IN POLICE COURT.

In police court this morning, Mr. T. P. Aman, Iverlyman, charged with driving an automobile on Friday morning recklessly was fined by Magistrate Mason ten dollars. The case arose out of an accident at the corner of Bridge and Coleman Sts.

Mr. Daniel Gerow, of Peterboro' is spending the holidays in Belleville.

MITTEL EUROPA PRUSSIAN DREAM

German Forces Prepare to Attack Poland in Co-operation With Russia.

KAISER MAY COME BACK.

Crown Prince's Wearies of Dutch Castle and Heavy Feet.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—A special despatch from Berlin, Germany says: The pan-German movement has taken strength from the return of King Constantine to the Throne of Greece. Pan-German leaders are again planning a great central European Empire under the hegemony of Prussia. They frankly boast that preceded the Greek plebiscite. Now they are financing a campaign in Austria looking to annexation by Germany.

Will Attack Poland.

German forces in Lithuania are being prepared for an early spring offensive against Poland, which is to be attacked at the same time, possibly earlier, by Soviet armies. The latter are also expected to invade Bessarabia, and out of the confusion Germany expects to erect the Mittel Europa, which she was planning before the war. It may even be that new Germany will recall the Kaiser to leadership. The German Republic is suffering from lack of Republicans. The army and the great bulk of the civil population and the civil officials are Monarchists, and the people are inclined to blame the Government for the present poverty. Strong influences in Germany want the Kaiser. They are looking back on the Kaiser before the war. Maybe they seek to prepare the way for his return or that of one of his sons. The former German Crown Prince is openly angling for permission to come back.

The Prince is Weary.

"The best Christmas present the German people could make me," he writes, "would be the chance to get away from this country (Holland), with all its cows, and its people whose feet make a noise like a bad piano."

The letter was intercepted by the German censors at the frontier, where it was being carried by one of his large band of couriers, by whom all his correspondence is carried. None of his correspondence is entrusted to the mails. In it he says he would like to return to shoot chamois in the Bavarian highlands. This is regarded here, in view of the fact that many expect Bavaria to be the first German State to recall its exiled Royal dynasty, as an indication that the return of Prince Rupprecht to Bavaria might be the opportunity for the return of the Hohenzollerns into Germany, first as hunting guests of Rappreucht. But once in Germany the Prince would be a frebrand.

SINCLAIR'S

COATS

at HALF PRICE

and the Coldest Part of the Winter Ahead



This selling will make it possible for every woman to have a distinctive new coat, as it offers a host of desirable garments at One Half Regular Prices. All our Cloth Coats are included. The fabrics are good looking and long wearing and there is a wide range of colorings and styles to select from at the following prices:

Reg.	For
\$25.00	\$12.75
\$27.50	\$13.75
\$32.50	\$16.25
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\$42.50	\$21.25
\$45.00	\$22.50
\$47.50	\$23.75
\$50.00	\$25.00
\$62.50	\$31.25
\$67.50	\$33.75
\$75.00	\$37.50
\$98.50	\$49.25
\$125.00	\$62.50
\$135.00	\$67.50

Every Ladies' and Misses Cloth Coat is Included in this Half Price Sale.

All Wool Dress Goods \$1.25 yard

We have a counter full of these good All Wool Dress Goods which are regular \$2.00 to \$2.50 values, in every color and in a great variety of fabrics. Widths from 44 to 50 inches. Prices, yd. \$1.25

Corduroy for Dressing Gowns

Getting up on a cold winter morning will not seem a hardship to the person who has a robe made from one of these Corduroys. They are 27 inches wide and are obtainable in a full range of becoming shades. Regularly priced from \$1.25 to \$1.65 yard. Specially priced at, yard. 89c

Evening Frocks

The holidays bringing a round of gaieties make an Evening Dress a necessity for the girl who dances. Here are some stunning styles in beautiful soft colors, made fluffy with lace and tulle. Moderately priced from \$27.50 up.

Feather fans that give a distinguishing touch of personality to even the most beautiful gown are shown in rich colorings, priced. \$14.50

Pleated Skirts

—for outdoor enthusiasts, a Pleated Skirt is quite a necessity. These are of All Wool Fabrics and many have a plaid band inserted in them. Prices from \$9.00 to \$23.50

Saturday Early Closing

In accordance with our custom of the past four years this store will close Saturdays at 6.30 p.m. during the winter months. Please help us in this forward step, by shopping early Saturdays.

SINCLAIR'S

ALL COMMITTEES WIND UP BUSINESS

A. S. Large is Successful Tenderer for Market Tolls at \$2451.

TO ISSUE DEBENTURES

West Bridge Street Pavement Under Discussion by Executive Board.

Mr. A. S. Large is the successful tenderer for lease of the city market tolls for the ensuing year.

The gas committee decided that debentures for all the capital expenditure in the department during the year as may be allowable in the opinion of the city solicitor, be issued.

The Parks and Industries Committee recommended the approval of the report for the month of December of Mr. J. O. Herity, city industrial commissioner.

Two extra lights were recommended for installation and the present lights are to be moved at the intersection of Victoria Ave. and Pine St.

A recommendation was made that the School of the Deaf be supplied with water at the rate of \$1,500 per year or by meter at 10c per thousand gallons.

The executive committee recommended that debentures be issued for the West Bridge Street pavement; that the usual grant be made to the National Sanatorium for consumptives and that the agreement regarding the purchase of the Belleville-Prince Edward bridge between the city of Belleville and the Province of Ontario as returned by the city solicitor and explained in Mr. Porter's letter of December 21st, be approved and the mayor and clerk be authorized to sign the agreement and attach the corporate seal on behalf of the city.

This was the last committee meeting. The council holds its final session on Monday afternoon at four o'clock.

Cheap Fares Here Annoy Taxi-Drivers

The increase in hack and taxi fares as allowed by the police commissioners is not as great as was asked by the hackmen. They petitioned for a 50 cent rate, but the board allows the old fare of 25c per passenger to obtain to and from boat or train. There is allowance for 50c in the case of special calls. The other clauses are for the carrying of passengers from place to place within the city other than to boat or train and for night calls.

One hiveryman, speaking of the regulations, expressed dissatisfaction that a larger fare was not authorized.

Salvationists Give Joy to 200 Children

The Salvation Army held its Christmas tree last evening, the citadel being packed to the doors. Some two hundred children received sweetmeats and gifts. Adjutant Cavender occupied the chair and Mr. H. Barrager played the role of Santa Claus to perfection. The program follows:

Opening song, prayer, Bible reading, trio, three boys, part recitation, flag drill, recitation, Walter Cordes, song, by the girls, package party, by eight girls, bat drill, by the primary, recitation, Arthur Smith, solo, Stan Smith, solo, "Santa Claus," seven boys, dialogue, by the girls, recitation, Eric Naylor, dialogue, "Sick Baby," piano, solo, Jennie Ayling, recitation, Gordon Dingham, may pole drill, piano, solo, Dorothy Mitchell, solo, Vivian Cavender, dialogue, "Taking the Census," visit by Santa Claus.

IN POLICE COURT. Fifty dollars and costs was the penalty imposed in police court this morning on Stanley Caron for being found in an intoxicated condition several weeks ago on the charge of interference with a police officer in the performance of his duty. Caron was given a suspended sentence. Mr. W. C. Mikel defended and Mr. Carnew prosecuted.

WITH THE MASON. Masonic brethren will hold their annual St. John's night festivities on Monday evening, the installation of officers of the three lodges taking place at the City Hall. The banquet following will be held in the Bennett Academy.

LORD WILLINGTON AS VICE-ROY?

SIMLA, Dec. 24.—(By Mail from India Information Bureau)—Several names for the Viceroyalty of India have been proposed recently, besides Winston Churchill, War Minister of England. Many view it as increasingly probable that the appointment will go to Lord Willington, the present Governor of Madras.

BROTHER KILLS PETERBORO BOY

(By Canadian Press) PETERBORO, Dec. 24.—Eugene Dixon, aged 12, son of the Rev. S. F. Dixon, Methodist pastor at Lakefield, was shot and killed last evening when a gun, which was being examined by his brother, Clark Dixon, was accidentally discharged. The accident occurred in the parsonage. The Bulletin entered the head of the unfortunate boy, who lived for thirty minutes.

Home Rule Bill Now in Operation

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Home Rule Bill of 1920 became law at midnight. The Royal assent was attached to the measure at ten minutes before that hour.

"Widow" for Months; Joined by Husband Just at Christmas

WINNIPEG, Dec. 24.—There will be an outstandingly happy Christmas for one Winnipeg family. At the same time a romance transcending the story-book variety reached its climax here today when Major E. R. Mills, who has been missing since December, 1919, and who last February was officially reported killed, returned to his wife and two children. Six weeks ago after she had considered herself a widow for more than nine months, Mrs. Mills received a telegram from her husband in England announcing that he was alive and well.

To Keep C. E. F. Men On Duty For Winter

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—In view of the unemployment situation, the military department has decided not to discharge the last remaining members of the Canadian Expeditionary force who are still on duty at headquarters and in military districts. A small number of these men are engaged in clerical work at Ottawa and throughout the dominion, but they were to have been released at the end of the calendar year. The military council, however, has decided that their services shall be retained, at any rate for the winter.

Obituary

MARTIN MURPHY. At his home in Thurlow township, Dec. 17th, the death occurred of Martin Murphy after an illness of about two years.

BLANCHE WAX. Blanche, the nine-months-old daughter of Mr. Fraser Wax, 167 Mary St., died last evening.

AT OSGOODE. At Osgoode Hall yesterday, Mr. Justice Middleton made an order continuing to trial an injunction of the County Court of Hastings in the matter of the Trenton Land Co. vs. Trenton Cooperative Mills restraining the latter from cutting trees on land which the plaintiff claims. W. C. Mikel for plaintiff; H. J. Smith for defendant.

NEWSPAPER HELPS TO LOCATE BOYS

Inspector Ruston Finds Two Lads Who Recently Caused Much Trouble.

WENT TO SHANNONVILLE Landlady Where They Lodged Informed Institution—May Adopt One.

The two ten-year-old boys who made their escape from the Children's Shelter a few days ago, are now back in the institution. Inspector Ruston found them through the notice in the press regarding their disappearance.

The lads after leaving school went to Shannonville and sought work, likely looking member of labor unions as they were. The landlady at whose house they were called, was suspicious of them. She gave them lodging, however. At first they wanted wages of the society, when questioned as to their last place of residence, for the lady had read the story of their escape. She set to oiling the floor and one of the lads said—"I oil floors." "Where?" he was asked. "At the shelter," came the unguarded reply. The lady at once got into communication with Inspector Ruston who went down and brought them back. One of the boys will likely be adopted by the lady.

Personal Mention

Mr. Marshall Peck who has been in Ottawa is home for Christmas.

Mr. W. A. Liddle, of Thorold, is visiting his brother, Mr. E. H. Liddle.

Miss Mary Graves, of the O.R.C., is spending her holidays at her home in Picton.

Mr. R. D. Sparks left today to spend the Christmas holidays with friends in Ottawa.

Mr. Arthur Pratt, manager of McLaughlin's has gone to Woodstock to spend Christmas.

Mr. Ross Wotten, of Toronto, is visiting with his brother, Mr. F. R. Wotten, 45 Catherine St.

Mr. John Martin, of the Post Office Department, Ottawa, has arrived in the city to spend Christmas here.

Miss Winnifred Hay, B. A., of St. Agnes College, Belleville, is at her home, Campbellford, for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wotten, Peterboro', are spending Christmas at the home of Mr. F. R. Wotten, 45 Catherine St.

Mrs. Thompson, of Foster Avenue South left yesterday for London to spend Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. Aeseltine.

Miss Carrie Campbell, teacher at Oshawa Business College, is spending the holidays with her mother here in Belleville.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. L. Mason, of Niagara Falls, Ont., are spending the holidays at his mother's, Mrs. H. Mason, Pinnacola street.

Mr. and Mrs. James Worrell are enjoying the Christmas season as the guests of Mr. Worrell's mother, Mrs. George Worrell, Belleville.

Mr. W. H. Lettimer, leaves by the early train tomorrow morning to spend Christmas in Toronto with his family who are the guests of the Rev. J. Locke, Mrs. Lettimer's father.

PUBLICIST IS DEAD. London, Dec. 24.—Geo. H. Ferris, British publicist, writer and speaker on international affairs, is dead.

FOR CHINESE. The local China Famine Relief Fund today had risen to above \$940. The list as issued reads: Previously reported \$722.26 Queen Victoria School 33.30 Albert College per Dr. Baker 120.50 Mrs. T. Kelso 5.00 Miss M. Kelso 5.00 Archie and Ida Boyd 1.00 Geier Street School 12.00 Belleville High School (Teachers and pupils) 41.00 \$940.24

TWO FIREMEN KILLED. St. John, Nfld., Dec. 24.—Two firemen were killed and four injured in a fire at the Star Theatre here by the walls falling in on them.

G.W.V.A. XMAS TREE APPRECIATED

As a member of the C.E.F. I wish to thank the G.W.V.A. for their good judgment and forethought in the selection of Christmas gifts for the children of returned men and fallen comrades. The gifts were mostly of wearing apparel and useful articles which were greatly appreciated. This is the kind of Xmas cheer which is only while I am speaking not worth for myself, but for many who have voiced the same sentiments.—RETURNED SOLDIER

HALIFAX BLAZE PROVES COSTLY

(By Canadian Press) HALIFAX, Dec. 24.—A half million dollar fire in the business district of Halifax this morning, destroyed the dry goods store and stock of Wood Bros., Ltd., and seriously damaged the premises of the W. M. Gates music store and the building occupied by Alfred Denigris, furrier, and owned by the Bank of Nova Scotia.

TWO CARS LOCK ON SHARP CORNER

No Casualties to Passengers But Both Motors are "Slightly Wounded."

Two automobiles locked wheels at the corner of Bridge and Coleman streets about eleven o'clock this morning but fortunately no injuries resulting to the drivers.

Mr. Hiram Ellis, of Milford, Prince Edward County, was driving a Ford No. 127582 eastward along Bridge, while Mr. T. P. Aman, delivery man, was coming south along Coleman street in a Studebaker, No. 124287. The cars came together side by side, the heavier car shoving the Ford over the curb upon the walk in front of Hay Bros., pressing and cleaning shop.

The Ford sustained a broken front axle and a damaged radiator, the other escaping. A bicycle owned by Eric Brockhurst, which was standing in front of Hay's shop was struck by the Ford and wrecked.

The autoists were interviewed by Constable Evans and proceeded to the police station to explain the accident to Chief Kidd.

New York Thief Enters Hotel Suite; Runs Into Fight

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Hope that the New York crime wave had begun to recede, engendered by an apparent lull in serious outbursts during the last two days, was dashed by a piece of this morning when a daring hold-up was staged in the Murray Hill Hotel on Park Ave. A man believed to be a Greek, entered a suite on the fourth floor, occupied by Robert L. Ireland, who grappled with the intruder. The robber made his escape, however, and following an immediate alarm, the police formed a cordon round the hotel, believing the man to have concealed himself in the building.

TO THE SHELTER

Inspector Ruston last night brought to the Children's Shelter a fifteen-year-old girl, who was yesterday made a ward of the Children's Aid Society, because of the treatment she had received at home. Evidence was produced to show that the girl, who is bright and intelligent, had been beaten with a broomstick. Magistrate Bowby and Davis dealt with the case.

BADLY INJURED CRANKING CAR

Dr. Rich, of Lindsay, was called to North Oakwood, to attend Master Kenny Ferguson, aged 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Ferguson, of that village who while cranking a car had both of the bones in his right forearm broken, as well as suffering a severe bruising and shaking up. Cameron Leishman was injured when he jumped off a moving train at Acton.

BOMBAY RIOTERS ATTACKED POLICE

Wreck Factory Office and Stone Motor Car Holding Inspector and Aides

TWO MONTHS' UNREST

Tension Has Grown Every Day More Serious—Labor Leaders Active.

BOMBAY, Dec. 24.—(By Mail from India Information Bureau).—Three thousand strikers at one mile in the vicinity of Bombay, wrecked the office of the factory and stoned a motor car containing police, severely injuring one inspector and two soldiers. Before the strikers succeeded in dispersing, a number of arrests were made and the mill district is being picketed. Mounties Called In.

Minor disorders took place elsewhere in the city, some stoning of street cars being indulged in at various places. The situation became serious enough for the Commissioner of Police to call the mounted police, who charged the crowd in semi-circular fashion. The casualties have not been reported, but the crowd broke up and fled. Wholesale arrests were soon made, 60 men being taken in custody.

Two Months of Strikes. For more than two months now the city of Bombay has been witnessing a series of strikes in the mill industry, on the street cars, in gas works and the postal service. The tension has grown every day more serious especially on account of government refusal to arbitrate the various disputes. An All-India Trade Union Congress recently held in the foremost industrial city has given further impetus to the laboring ranks.

Ask London Aid. The Bombay strikers have sent a cable to London asking for financial support from the British Labor Movement for their cause.

Mr. Mikel Writes on Railway Plan

Editor Ontario.—There may be some people in Belleville who do not fully appreciate the advantages of the proposal, recently made by His Honor Judge Willis, to link up the gap between Madoc and Eldorado. Eldorado is on the Central Ontario Branch of the Government Railway and is only about 7 miles from Madoc, also on the Government Railway. It would make Belleville the railway hub of the whole district and when the short stretch of the Central Ontario is completed to the town of Whitney, Belleville will be nearer the North West and British Columbia than any other city in Central Ontario or Quebec. Not only that, when these two small gaps are completed and the Government Railway now under construction is completed to Hudson Bay, Belleville will be 1000 miles nearer England than is Montreal.

This can be accomplished without any cost to Belleville merely as part of the General Railway policy of the country and by reason of Belleville's advantageous situation.

I had the privilege of discussing this with the Minister of Railways some time ago and he was favorably impressed with the advisability of having these two gaps completed on the Government Railways.

Some people in rival towns, call Toronto "Hog Town." This simply means that Toronto people have a strong aggressive Toronto spirit. They have their eyes and ears open for everything that is of advantage to Toronto and promptly seize the opportunity. That is the spirit that made Toronto out of "Muddy York." That is the spirit that enabled "Muddy York" to surpass other larger places with more advantages, and become Toronto.

Let us strive to possess that spirit in Belleville even though our rivals should call Belleville "Hog Town."

W. C. MIKEL.

CIVIC DECKS CLEARED FOR ACTION;

WHAT SURPRISE IN STORE FOR CITY?

Ald. Hanna Still Alone in Mayoralty Race but Mr. Mikel is Expected to be Nominated—Duties of City Father No Secure Says One Who Knows.

Will there be any big surprises in store for the electors of Belleville next week? Only Tuesday night can tell, for that is the time up to which candidates for municipal office have the privilege of qualifying. The past week has been unusually quiet and little 1920 election talk has been heard.

Ald. Hanna is still alone in the mayoralty race. But that he will have opposition is assured. The man or men who will contest with him will likely remain undecided until Tuesday night. The public has a feeling that Mr. W. C. Mikel will be a candidate. It is known that another prominent Bellevillian, has been solicited by his friends to run who are bringing pressure to bear upon him. This gentleman was in the council some years ago but does not seem anxious to reach the mayor's chair.

Not many new names are heard of for aldermen. But that is no indication as it is likely as in past years that there will be about forty nominations for the office of alderman. Last year there was a good field who "struck" and gave the city the chance of election. New men were shoved into the council over the heads of aldermen. Quite a few new

faces will be seen around the new council board as the retirement of a number of aldermen and the possibility of the defeat of some of the present council at the polls would indicate.

The decks are now clear for action and the mere offering themselves as candidates, the bigger the scrap and the more pleasure the electors will derive from it.

Those who think the aldermanic office is one merely of honor and sinecure may find that it entails a vast amount of work. The 1920 council for instance, held as many meetings and committee meetings as almost any two previous councils. The meetings are not all either. An alderman has to learn the details of the department to which he is appointed, he has to perform a certain number of public duties, and be ready at all times to receive suggestions and complaints of grievous rate payers. One retiring alderman states that he has given hours every day to his work as representative of the people. He did not regret having served but just mentioned the fact casually as showing how much is expected of a city father.

Monday is nomination day. The city council holds its last meeting next week.

WHAT SHALL I DO?

Answered by VIRGINIA PAGE.

DON'T BE CONSPICUOUS. Q.—Dear Miss Page: I have had the misfortune of losing my hair and now it is beginning to come in and looks just like a boy's. I am going to a dance soon—would it be proper to dance with my hat on?—Irene.

A.—If it is a public dance, Irene, there most of many of the women do dance with their hats on at night; otherwise don't do it. You know to be different from the majority is to be conspicuous, which is just what you want to avoid.

But I wonder why you worry about your hair being short? It is probably very becoming, and so many girls are cutting their short nowadays. Why not wear a bandeau of metal ribbon and flowers, or tulle, around your hair in the evening—if it is becoming, of course.

THOSE QUEER GIRLS. Q.—Dear Miss Page: I would like to make a bit with a girl who lives near me. She is a sort of a funny kind of a girl. It's this way—if she feels in a good humor she will talk very nice to you, but if she is a little mad she even won't look at me. Will you please tell me how to work this out. I am madly in love with her.—Herman.

A.—Most all girls are sort of funny kind of girls sometimes, Herman; that's one of the queer things about them. And the queerest part of it all is that usually when they act the funniest they are wishing the hardest that you would be nice to them! I don't wonder you are in despair over working it out.

But if you are really madly in love, you will just overlook her queerness and be nice to her when she will let you, and when she is a little mad and won't even look at you, just don't pay any attention to her—maybe it would even be wise to pay a little attention to her best friend—and first thing you know she will probably be as nice as can be again.

All inquiries addressed to Miss Page in care of the "What Shall I Do?" department of The Daily Ontario, will be answered in these columns in their turn. This requires considerable time, however, owing to the great number received. So if a personal or quicker reply is desired a stamped and self-addressed envelope must be enclosed with the question.—The Editor.

SLAIN BY HIGHWAYMAN

Hamilton, Dec. 24.—With seven bullet wounds in the abdomen, F. J. Whitworth, a well known veterinary surgeon, of the Binbrook, is dying in the city hospital today as a result of being shot by one of two highwaymen who attacked him.

CUSHION FILLING.

Ravelled yarn from worn-out stockings and underwear, cut into bits, makes a soft filler for cushions. Use only bits that cannot be used for other purposes.

WEDDING BELLS

ROGERS—CHASE. A pretty wedding was solemnized on Wednesday, Dec. 22nd, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Chase, Belleville, when their youngest daughter, Miss Edna, became the bride of Mr. Arthur Rogers, of Frankford, Ontario. Rev. D. Moutser officiating in the presence of about forty relatives and friends. The bride was charming in a gown of white satin and georgette. After congratulations and a sumptuous luncheon, Mr. and Mrs. Rogers accompanied by friends, motored to Coneseon, where they remained for Toronto and other western points, the bride travelling in a becoming suit of taupe with hat to match. On their return they will reside at the groom's home near Frankford.

HOW SHE KEEPS YOUNG. She never worries over the future or bemoans the past, but does the best she can each day and keeps herself sweet and cheerful.

She begins each day with a cold bath, followed by a glass of cold or hot water.

She sleeps eight hours and as often as possible two of them before midnight.

She takes fifteen quiet minutes in a darkened room after luncheon.

She eats three warm meals a day at regular hours.

She is careful to spend at least an hour every day in the open air.

She never rides where she can walk the distance comfortably.

She doesn't waste her vitality in superfluous and energetic talking.

She is neither self-centred nor family centred, but has a few fresh interests to keep her "alive" and thoughtful.

PICKLED APPLES. Pickled apples are as good a relish with meat as pickled peaches. Peel the apples, stick a few cloves in them and cook very gently in a syrup of sugar water and vinegar. Apples that will not break up are best.

A FAMILY EDUCATOR.

Keep a map of Canada somewhere on the wall of your home if possible. It will be found a great educator for the family. If you can also have one of the globe all the better. Sometimes very good paper maps can be bought at small expense, and, when pasted on cotton with a strip of wood at each end, will last a long time.

COUBOURG TO GET ANOTHER FACTORY.

Prospects are that in the New Year the branch factory of another United States concern will locate in Coubourg, as negotiations leading to the sale of a site in Coubourg have been in progress this week, and are expected to be concluded during the week. With an Imperial preference to goods made in Canada, a number of United States firms have located branch factories in Canada, and two of these have located in Coubourg during the past two years.

During the past year fines imposed in Sudbury Police Court amounted to \$48,048.50, and of these \$26,145.50 were paid.

LINKING BELLEVILLE WOULD BE TOTALE

Belleville Chamber of Commerce Important Question Way Man's Opinion Enlist Aid of M. Cussed.

What steps to take to direct railway connection between Belleville and Whitney absorbing problem that of attention of the directors Chamber of Commerce hour conference yesterday with a special committee of the Honour Judge Willis, Ketcheson, Engle, and Mr. J. D. MacMillan, provincial superintendent of the Canadian National Railway.

Jameson Bone, president of the Belleville Chamber of Commerce, acted as chairman.

Links Almost Completed. His Honour Judge Willis strong plea for filling in yet uncompleted. The first was between Madoc Village, a distance of 6 1/2 miles, ready graded and over which were formerly operated. A distance of 26 miles. Over the gap the steel had already laid as far as Wallace, beyond Madoc. Freight ran out that far several times. Of the 11 miles between Whitney the grading had been completed for about 9 miles. Row-gauge lumber tramway from Whitney that far to Wallace. There remained only two to grade.

Would give employment Labor. Judge Willis thought should be undertaken at once to give employment to the rock cuts and heavy work to be overcome could be this winter when there were a number of idle men who were willing to work for moderate wages.

We should secure the co-operation of the members of parliament and district and county associations.

He regarded the direct route following the existing route and running the county town. Basin be developed and stimulate the route. Train crews of Belleville and have just day's run to Whitney.

Restoration. Judge Willis reverted to restoration and urged once. Last September 17th had been burned over in Restoration was essential to provide us with timber, protect the sources of our power supply.

Mr. MacMillan Tells of Coubourg. Mr. J. D. MacMillan, an old laborer, referred to the Coubourg under in his dual citizen of Belleville and of railway corporation. He ever, present some figure the cost of the undertaking when we made application certain things done, it was that we should be in a state what the suggested ment would cost. Rail built for the people. Not the railways.

The distance from Madoc to Eldorado was approximately 26 miles. There was a great feat to be overcome. A line there were six or seven that would have to be filled overhead bridge that would be rebuilt and a number that would require to be replaced. The fences were in some places over the unbed. The fences were old grade was as much as eight in places and would be reduced. The track would be rebalanced throughout. The cost of filling track sent prices for labor, materials supplies was estimated at \$199,210.

He agreed that the only way to advocate a through Belleville to Whitney. Mr. Bone, with Eldorado never pay of itself. The railways were connected and coordinating loose, and there. Possibly these considered.

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LINKING BELLEVILLE TO WHITNEY BY RAIL WOULD FURNISH WORK TO IDLE MEN HERE; TOTAL ESTIMATED COST NEARLY \$200,000

Belleville Chamber of Commerce Directors Face Both Sides of
Important Questions in Business-like Way—Expert Rail-
way Man's Opinion as to Difficulties is Heard—Aim to
Enlist Aid of M. P.'s for this District—Other Matters Dis-
cussed.

What steps to take to establish direct railway connection between Belleville and Whitney formed the absorbing problem that occupied the attention of the directors of the Chamber of Commerce in a two-hour conference yesterday afternoon with a special committee consisting of the Hon. Judge Wills, ex-Mayor Ketcheson, Engineer Lucius MacMillan and Mr. J. D. MacMillan, divisional superintendent of the Canadian National Railways at Belleville.

Jameson Bone, president of the Belleville Chamber of Commerce, acted as chairman.

Links Almost Completed.
His Honor Judge Wills made a strong plea for filling in the links yet uncompleted. The first of these was between Madoc Village and Eldorado, a distance of 6 1/2 miles, already graded and over which trains were formerly operated. The other was between Maynooth and Whitney, a distance of 26 miles. Over this latter gap the steel had already been laid as far as Wallace, or 15 miles beyond Maynooth. Freight trains ran out that far several times a week. Of the 11 miles between Wallace and Whitney the grading had been completed for about 3 miles and a narrow-gauge lumber tramway ran out from Whitney that far to the south. There remained only two miles yet to grade.

Would give employment to Idle Labor.
Judge Wills thought this work should be undertaken at once so as to give employment to idle labor. The rock cuts and heavy grades yet to be overcome could well be done this winter when there was a great number of idle men who would be willing to work for moderate wages.

We should secure the co-operation of the members of parliament for the county and district and urge construction at once. He regarded this direct line as the natural route following the old North Hastings road and running direct to the county town. Business would be developed and stimulated all along the route. Train crews could leave Belleville and have just a proper day's run to Whitney.

Reforestation.
Judge Wills reverted to question of reforestation and urged its importance. Last September 175,000 acres had been burned over in one block. Reforestation was essential not only to provide us with timber but to protect the sources of our water and power supply.

Mr. MacMillan Tells of Costs.
Mr. J. D. MacMillan, on being called upon, referred to the difficulty he labored under in his dual position as citizen of Belleville and official of the railway corporation. He would, however, present some figures to show the cost of the undertakings proposed. When we made application to have certain things done, it was necessary that we should be in a position to state what the suggested improvement would cost. Railways were built for the people. Not people for the railways.

The distance from Madoc station to Eldorado was approximately 6 1/2 miles. There was a grade of 210 feet to be overcome. On the old line there were six or seven trestles that would have to be filled in, an overhead bridge that would have to be rebuilt and a number of culverts that would require to be renewed. Ground trees were now growing in some places over the unused roadbed. The fences were down. The old grade was as much as 1 1/2 percent in places and would have to be reduced. The track would have to be realigned throughout.

The cost of filling trestles at present prices for labor, material and supplies was estimated at \$67,210; renewing culverts \$4,500; reconstructing roadbed \$127,500—a total of \$199,210.

He agreed that the only policy was to advocate a through line from Belleville to Whitney. Merely linking up Madoc with Eldorado would never pay of itself.

The railways were connecting up and coordinating loose ends here and there. Possibly these might be considered.

enger Trains Down Pinnacle
Mr. MacMillan did not seem very

enthusiastic over the possibilities of having the Madoc and Peterborough arrive and depart from the Canadian Northern station here. It would be necessary to have these trains also call at the Grand Trunk station and then the trains would have to be shunted to the easterly limit of the yard to be diverted to the Pinnacle Street connection. The curve between the Pinnacle Street line and the Canadian Northern line was too abrupt to permit large engines and long passenger and baggage coaches to traverse it successfully. It was necessary to remove the house at the corner and reduce the curve to make interswitching feasible. The cost of this he estimated at \$7,512.

What About Electric Cars?
In response to a query by Mr. H. F. Ketcheson, Mr. MacMillan stated that to operate the Pinnacle Street line electrically was quite practical in an operative sense, but he had not considered the financial side. He hoped the time would come when trolley lines would be operated in Belleville.

Madoc Train Schedule.
The prospect for having the Madoc train arrive at an earlier hour so as to accommodate school children in route does not appear rosy. Mr. MacMillan pointed out that to have the morning train arrive 1 1/2 hours earlier would mean additional pay for their train crews. This would amount to \$3.55 a day or \$222 a month. The conductor on the Madoc train did not think there would be enough additional traffic to defray the added cost.

Reopening C. N. R. Freight Shed.
Replying to an inquiry by Mr. Deacon, Mr. MacMillan said he had hopes that after the situation had righted itself the C. N. R. freight shed that had been unused since the amalgamation of the railways would be reopened. The system would be operated for the benefit of the people.

Important for Tourist Traffic.
Mr. Lucius E. Allen expressed the opinion that this would become an important route for tourist traffic to Algonquin National park. It was most picturesque along the line and would be a favorite with American tourists. Business would also be developed along the line in the northern parts of the county.

Mr. MacMillan and Judge Wills were tendered hearty votes of thanks for their comprehensive reports and presentation of facts.

The special committee was requested to prepare a written report of its findings, and present it to the directors at as early a date as possible.

Motor Vehicles Act.
The recommendation of a number that a copy of the Motor Vehicles Act or a synopsis of motor traffic laws should be handed out to all purchasers of motor licenses, was acted upon favorably and the manager was ordered to communicate the proposal to the proper authorities.

Election Tomorrow.
The election of four directors for the next two years will take place tomorrow (Friday). The poll closes at 3 o'clock p.m. The election committee, Messrs. W. A. Parker, Geo. A. Reid and L. C. Yeomans, will at once begin the count and make their report. The eight names selected for nomination at the primary election last Friday were, in alphabetical order, W. B. Deacon, J. L. R. Gorman, H. F. Ketcheson, Col. Marsh, W. R. McCreary, Col. O'Flynn, C. M. Reid and D. V. Sinclair.

A very large number of ballots have already been received at the Chamber of Commerce Office. They may still be sent by mail or messenger at any time up to the close of the poll.

Hundreds of dollars of worthless money is believed to have been passed in Winnipeg by two men since Saturday.

Extend T. and N. O. To Aid Workless

TORONTO, Dec. 23—An announcement that the government proposed to clear 25 miles right of way for the T. & N. O. north of Cochrane in order to furnish work for the unemployed, was today followed by the further announcement that the railway itself will be extended for that distance also.

At the last session of the legislature strong representations were made that the line be continued to James Bay. While the government approved the project, it held out no promise as to when the work would be commenced on account of the high cost of labor and material. Now, however, in view of the unemployment situation, it is proposed to make a start on the extension by building 25 miles.

STAGE UPSET IN HIGH WIND

Ameliasburg Driver Had Narrow Escape on Bay Bridge—No Passengers.

Wires Frequently Down
Trees and Branches and Windows All Broken by Force of Gale.

Today's heavy gale caused considerable damage and inconvenience about the city and in the surrounding country. Trees and fences were blown down and windows shattered with the force of the wind. Near Roxboro an elm tree fell across the roadway and had to be cut up before traffic could be resumed.

Local weather sharps said it was a 50-mile wind.
Mr. Coleman, who drives the Ameliasburg stage, had the unwelcome experience of having his vehicle blow over. He was about half way across the bay bridges when the stage was set on its side against the iron work of the bridge. There were no passengers, and the horses did not attempt to run away. Mr. Coleman was pitched between the front of the stage and the ironwork but strangely escaped serious injury.

He transferred his load and the mail to a passing automobile and drove the horses on to town leaving the stage on the bridge. The vehicle is somewhat damaged.

Local telephones and power linesmen had a busy morning. Branches falling here and there broke wires and otherwise made their lot, like the policeman's in "Pirates," not a happy one.

No Higher Prices Say Coal Dealers

Peterboro's Reported Decline of One Dollar Has No Significance Here.
Eighteen dollars is the prevailing price for coal in Belleville. A reported decline of one dollar and a half in Peterboro prices has no local significance, dealers here stated. The price now general in the Electric City is from \$17.00 to \$19.00 per ton. There has been no change recently in Belleville.

DR. THOMPSON PROMOTED.
Announcement is made at McGill University, Montreal, of the promotion of Dr. Alexander M. Thompson, lecturer in the Department of Classics, Faculty of Arts, to the rank of assistant professor in the same department. Dr. Thompson, who took his M.A. at Queen's and his Ph.D. at Harvard, at one time attended the Brockville Collegiate Institute.

Fire of unknown origin destroyed the fine barn on the farm of J. Baxter, 12th line, East Zorra.

NO ONE HERE GOES HUNGRY

Belleville Institutions and Those in Hard Luck Well Looked After.

W.C.A. DOES HUGE WORK
Fifty Tons of Coal Among Many "Useful" Things Spread Over City.

Christmas is not going to be dull in the various institutions of the city and county and in the poorer homes, if efforts to bring cheer succeed.

At County Jail.
Eighteen inmates, sixteen men and two women will eat their Christmas dinner in the county jail at Belleville. A good repast of roast beef and its accompaniments will be served the prisoners who are there for more or less serious offences. Every Christmas time a special effort is made to add a touch of cheer to the lives of those unfortunate enough to have run counter to the law.

Salvationists Busy.
The Salvation Army is looking after ten or fifteen needy families for Christmas. While turkey will not be included in the Christmas hamper, good substantial food will be given those in need.

House of Refuge.
Geese, chicken, cranberry sauce and mince pie are some of the things which the inmates of the House of Refuge will relish on Christmas Day and it is likely that there will be entertainment for them.

The children at the Shelter are invited to Griffin's theatre on Christmas afternoon. Next week they will have their Christmas tree. The Rotary Club tonight are visiting the Shelter bringing Christmas cheer and a set of Books of Knowledge. Christmas Day will find the youngsters enjoying all kinds of delicacies.

Fifty Tons of Coal.
The Judgment Committee of the Women's Christian Association have almost completed their work. They have distributed among the needy fifty tons of coal, ten bags of potatoes and about twenty-five boxes. Each of these contained potatoes, carrots, parsnips, onions, turnips, cabbage, a quart of beans, apples, a small sack of flour, rolled oats, half pound tea, a pound of butter, one pound of raisins and in some instances a few oranges, some celery. All contained a chicken or a roast of beef or a piece of pork and some held plum pudding.

Melrose ladies contributed very much to the cheer distributed by the W.C.A.
The work this year was quite heavy. The temporary social worker, Miss McLean, has received the greatest praise for her tact in the investigation of cases reported for help. She is leaving for Toronto and is being succeeded by Miss Smith on Dec. 29th.

Fire Chief Escapes Glancing Axe Blow

Rebound From Floor Gives Him A Slight Wound—Small Loss in Blaze.
Early today fire was discovered in Hay Bros. Cleaning and Pressing Shop on West Bridge St., near the lower bridge. The damage was not heavy and only the extinguisher was used by the firemen. The origin is unknown, as nobody was about the place at the time. Chief Brown suffered a slight scratch on his nose from the blade of an axe which rebounded from the floor.

WEDDING BELLS

SMITH—MUNNINGS
Harry James Smith and Florence Mae Munnings were quietly married at St. Thomas Church Rectory on Tuesday, Dec. 21st by the Venerable Archbishop Beamish. They were unattended. Mr. and Mrs. Smith will reside in Belleville.

AN ERROR.
Owing to a typographical error in the large advertisement of J. T. Delaney in yesterday's paper the price of the Hudson Seal Dolman is reduced from \$390.00 to \$375.00 and not \$36.75 as was shown and the price of the George Fox set is reduced from \$275.00 to \$192.50.

Greatest Modern Avalanche is Filmed



The top of Mount Blanc fell off, and started a ten-mile avalanche, which rolled down into Italy along the gorge of the Brenva Glacier, destroying in its course the whole forest of Feurtud. The origin of the avalanche was unknown till the mountain mass in Europe had split and fallen. It looks as if several score feet had been taken from the height of the mountain, which is part of the limestone pyramid which given in books of references as 15,782 feet.

GETS 3046 ACRES COSTS \$50,000

Backus Interest Bid Twice the Size of Nearest Competitor for Limits.

E. C. OFFER WAS \$5,000
Premier Drury Expected to Say Why Americans Always Get the Prize.

TORONTO, Dec. 23—W. E. Backus, Minneapolis-Port Frances lumber man, was the successful tenderer for the English River timber limits. His bid was \$50,000. There were three others after the prize—two from the United States, who each bid \$25,000 and one from British Columbia, who bid \$5,000. The price bid, which is in the nature of a bonus, is regarded by officials of the department of lands and forests as being a fair one. The limit, which is 3406 square miles in area, they say, has been cruised several times on behalf of the department and is not as valuable as is generally thought. About 25 per cent of the area is water. The spruce also is not of first-class quality.

Will Pay Crown Dues.
In addition to the bonus, the Backus interests will be required to pay the usual crown dues of 80c for spruce, 40c for poplar and 15c for fir.

Premier Drury is expected to issue a statement explaining the circumstances regarding the transaction.

Lays War Medals On Warrior's Tomb

Mother, Whose Thrice-Decorated Son is Missing, Centre of Touching Episode.
LONDON, Dec. 5 By mail—Scores of touching instances have been witnessed at the tomb of Britain's unknown warrior in Westminster Abbey as long lines of men, women and children have passed the black marble slab covering the grave, for several days since the burial there of the unidentified soldier.

The fact that no one knows the name of the man who lies beneath the slab leads many to offer tributes in the hope perhaps that the body is that of a missing son. The mother of one of the thousands of unknown warriors, any one of whom might be resting in Westminster Abbey, laid three war medals, the Mons Star, the Victory Medal and the British War Medal on the grave as she passed in the line. They had been awarded to her only son who was wounded three times and afterwards reported missing.

A soldier's modest offering of flowers bore the inscription: "In loving memory of my two pals and all the other pals."
The epitaph placed on the slab reads: "For King and Country—Greater Love Hath No Man Than This."
Building permits to the extent of \$700,000 were issued at Sandwich during the year 1920.

CANNIFTON

The Honor Roll for Cannifton School is as follows:
Sr. IV.—Everett Clapp, John Smallhorn, Jennie Badgley, Alva Hall, Glenn Carscallen, Gladys Beesack.
Jr. IV.—Helen Lawrence, Ada Ihey, John Parm, Edgar Sleeper, Harold Bird, Elsie Smallhorn, Lola Cole, Harvard McMullen, Clarence McPherson, Aldon Boyd.

Sr. III.—George Pope, Olive Lawrence, Ralph Hey, John Horn, Harvey Beesack.
Jr. III.—Patricia Jarrell, Stella Frain, Thelma Lawrence, Helen Badgley, Mabel Pope, Aletha Bird, Edwin Lill, Violet Frain, Robby July, Ross Wilman, Edna Belch, Willis Brenton, Lorne Boyd, John Bush, Norman Wilman.

Second—George Elphic, Marguerite Mills, James Jarrell, Malcolm Bird, Maybel Emerson, Gordon Vandervoort, Wendall Kellar, David Mason.
First—Vera Ihey, Ernest Smith, Clarence Reed, Aileen White.
Sr. Primer.—Clifford Belch, Arthur Badgley.
Jr. Primer.—Emma Collett, Pearl Cole and Edith Peacock, equal, Freda Thomas, Faith Horn, Thelma Bird, Hagar Richardson, Ivy Horn, Tom Beesack, Allan Fulton, Joseph Gannon.

21 MEN AT WORK

Twenty-one men were placed at work at the Barrieffield Hutments, and every morning a number of additional men will be placed on the work, until 100 are engaged in the task of tearing down the hutments. The men are under the supervision of Sergt. Lloyd. At noon the Army and Navy Veterans serve dinner to the men employed.

NEARLY DIED FROM LIQUOR

Two Owen Sound boys nearly died being paralyzed and blind for two days as a result of drinking liquor from a bottle purchased from Frank Fallaris, a Greek, for \$4. The vile stuff was analyzed and found to contain wood alcohol and arsenic, a very poisonous mixture. Fallaris was fined \$1500 with a three months' term in jail.

RECENTLY PACKED APPLES

Something very unusual for this time of year happened on the farm of J. Henderson, Stop 34, Kingston road, on Friday, when Mr. Henderson picked two barrels of fine big russet apples. Mr. Henderson stated that it was very unusual and that the tree at this time last year was all frozen up. "It has never happened at this late time in my life before," Mr. Henderson said, "and I am well up in years." The tree is fifty years old. Mr. Henderson has been picking every day for some time.

HOT CINDER LODGES IN EYE.

Walter Boyd, G.T.R. fireman, Co-teau Jct., while at his duties on locomotive 695 a few days ago, received a hot cinder in his eye at Cornwall, making a small blister under the lid and causing the eye to be badly inflamed. Although suffering much pain he stuck to his work until the end of his run here was reached, when he was attended to by employees of the car shops.

CAR INSPECTOR LOSES LEFT LEG

Edward Bateman, Long-Service Man with G. T. R. Meets Bad Accident.

WHEELS CRUSHED BONE
Dr. Wallbridge, Railway Surgeon, Quickly at Hand—Amputation Necessary.

Edward Bateman, Grand Trunk car inspector, suffered the loss of his left leg in an accident in the local yards at five o'clock this morning. He was engaged in tapping at the time and some cars shunted against the car at which he was working, throwing him to the track.

The wheel passed over his left thigh near the hip, the result being that the thigh bone was badly crushed. Fellow workmen noticed him and rescued the unfortunate man from his dangerous position. An alarm was sent for the ambulance and Mr. Bateman was conveyed in a short time to the hospital.

Dr. F. G. Wallbridge, G. T. R. surgeon, was called on the case and amputated the leg near the hip. Mr. Bateman came through the ordeal well in spite of the shock of the accident and operation. Late today he was doing reasonably well considering the seriousness of the case.

Mr. Bateman has a long time. He is married, his home being on Lingham street.

THREE YEARS FOR MAIL ROBBERY.

Arthur Beaulieu, of Cornwall, mail carrier, charged with robbing the mail at Cornwall post office on three occasions, elected summary trial and pleaded guilty to all three charges, and was given three years in Portsmouth penitentiary, on each charge by Judge O'Reilly, the sentences to run concurrently. Beaulieu's offence was detected by his having torn up money orders and thrown the fragments on the street.

MANY DUCKS IN LAKE ONTARIO.

Many ducks, especially whistlers, are reported in Lake Ontario and the bays along the Jefferson county shore which are not closed by ice. The ducks are said to be decoying and the shooting, for hardy hunters who will brave cold, ice and other unpleasant conditions, is the best of the season. Marshy and shallow places in protected corners are closed by ice but the lake and the larger bays are entirely open.

INDOOR BASEBALL

The Grand Trunk Offices and the Grand Trunk Shops are now tied for the indoor baseball league champion ship. Last night Elliott's put the Marsh Engineering Works out of the running by the score of 13 to 5. The G. T. R. Office defeated the Hydro by 15 to 2. Had Marsh's won last night there would have been a three-cornered fight for honors. The G.T.R. teams play on Thursday night next.

