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Allow the opportunity to get a BELL Piano before Christmas pass, and you may thereby put off the matter for years. Merely needs decision to purchase—to purchase NOW.

A party who bought a piano from us last week, to be delivered the day before Christmas, told us he was on the point of buying one just five years ago, but through a triviality the purchase was delayed, and time has crept along without a piano being secured.

BELL Pianos are safe pianos but little tuning, that they were specially selected and exclusively used in Moulton Ladies' College, Toronto; Hamilton Conservatory of Music, Hamilton, and are to be found in all the leading educational institutions throughout the Dominion.

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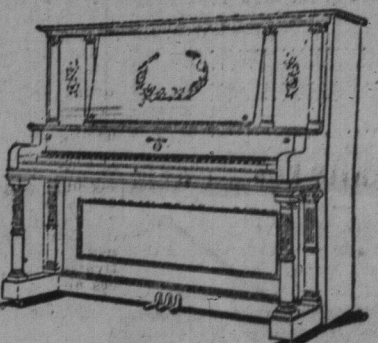
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STRATTON TELLS REINFRW HIS VERSION OF CHARGES

Says They Constituted One of Foulest Conservative Conspiracies Ever Attempted.

Eganville, Dec. 16.—Hon. J. R. Stratton addressed a large audience in the interest of Mr. Hale in this place last night, and gave his version of the Gamey charges at length.

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Gamey's charges, he said, constituted one of the foulest conservative conspiracies ever attempted against a public man.

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BERLIN'S BEET SUGAR OUTPUT.

In Taxing Storage Facilities—100 Carloads in Toronto.

The immense output of the Berlin Beet Sugar Works, amounting to six or seven million pounds, consequent on the three months' campaign of manufacture following the ingathering of the beet crop, has so exhausted the storage capacity of Berlin that Toronto, Hamilton and other places have been called upon to take care of the surplus.

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YORK COUNTY AND SUBURBS

Golden Star L.O.L. Elect Officers, Present Jewel and Accept Portrait of Late N. Clarke Wallace.

THE CONSERVATIVE DELEGATES

Will Be Appointed To-Night—East Toronto News-Norway Conservatives—County Happenings. Toronto, Junction, Dec. 16.—Golden Star L. O. L. No. 900 held an enthusiastic meeting in Campbell Hall, Dundas-street last night.

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Chief George Elliott and the members of No. 2 Fire Brigade held a business meeting in the Main-street hall tonight.

A meeting of the Ratepayers' Association will be held in the school house on Friday evening.

The local Conservative Association will have a meeting on the evening of the 20th inst., to elect officers for next year.

William Moss, Kingston-road, is seriously ill. Mr. Moss was 68 years of age.

Many happy returns to Public School Trustees S. Wilson, born in Toronto, Dec. 16, 1867.

Dennis O'Connor, Kingston-road, is suffering from a bad attack of asthma.

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WAR ON MOSQUITOES. Methods of Attacking the Insects Discussed by Investigators.

New York, Dec. 16.—Scientific investigators of national reputation assembled here today to consider methods of exterminating mosquitoes.

Washington.—The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations voted to report the American-Chinese commercial treaty without amendment.

New York.—Detectives arrested Rabinowitz, a waiter, who is wanted in Germany for stealing bonds valued at \$7,000 marks.

El Paso, Tex.—Burt Alvord, the noted Arizona desperado, under sentence for train robbery, and his partner, Billy Butler, broke jail at Tombstone, Ariz., last night.

Roanoke, Va.—Robert Burchett, who has been murdered with an ax in his home at Max Meadows, Va. His body was dragged some distance from the house.

Constantinople.—An epidemic of cholera is raging in Kertelsouth of Baghdad. From Dec. 12, 176 deaths were recorded.

Johnstown, Pa.—James Crasby's wife and daughter were burned to death in their home early today, while a son is missing.

New Haven, Conn.—An additional shortage of \$2000, making a total thus far known of \$17,000, has been discovered in the accounts of Am C. Bushnell, the cashier of the Yale National Bank.

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John Richardson, M.L.A. for East York, was called upon for a few words and spoke encouragingly upon the new constituency of Centre York and the harmony which had prevailed at this the first convention.

The chairman then tendered the nomination to Mr. Campbell, who, in thanking the convention, said this was one of the greatest honors that could be conferred upon him, coming as it did from such a large and intelligent assembly, representing one of the most enlightened, progressive and prosperous counties in the Dominion.

There never was a time when the government could go to the country with greater confidence than there is at the present time. It was almost incredible. Had anyone predicted that the progress made in the last seven years would have been made he would have been put down as a lunatic.

He knew some Conservatives who were quite satisfied. The government took charge at a difficult time. There was the school question to be settled. Our young people were going to the United States. Our factories were idle. Losses at the trade fairs.

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I certify that the foregoing authentication is under the official seal of J. U. Dr. Johann Slamenik, Imperial and Royal Notary, and is entitled to full faith and credit.

Arnold Weissberger, U. S. V. & D. Consul. third day of November, 1903.

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EXCHANGE'S HIGHER STOCK MARKETS WEAK

New York Said to Be in the Hands of Traders—Canadians Extremely Dull.

World Office, Wednesday Evening, Dec. 16. Business divided to very narrow proportions on the local stock exchange today.

At Boston today, Dominion Steel closed at 100, and Dominion Coal bid 75 1/2 and 75 3/4.

At Toronto, the tone was firm, and fractional advances were noted in the speculative issues of yesterday's prices.

At Montreal, the market was equally as dull as that at Toronto, with the tone firm, and fractional advances were noted in the speculative issues of yesterday's prices.

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GRAIN PRICES STEADY

Fluctuations Small. British Quotations Lower for Wheat—Argentine News Bullish—Market Quotations.

Table of grain prices including Wheat, Flour, and other commodities with their respective prices and market status.

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