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NEW YEAR OF MILITARY MEN.

A Merry Holiday Spent at the New Armories.

That the military man is a jolly good fellow cannot be doubted for a moment, and such scenes as took place yesterday afternoon in the new officers' quarters of the 91st regiment and throughout the whole garrison only go to show the strong feeling of friendship that has cemented itself among the officers, sergeants and men of all the units. The mess rooms of all the corps were filled during the entire afternoon. Owing to the fact that the 12th officers' mess was not yet formed, the 13th, 14th and 15th officers' messes were the only ones in the new quarters. The officers' quarters of the 91st regiment, made the time pass all too rapidly. The officers visited the sergeants' quarters of both the 91st and 12th, and the sergeants returned the compliment, and this day wore on. The sergeants were kept busy entertaining their many friends. The Fourth Field Battery mess rooms was another busy spot. Col. Rennie and the officers and men of the Army Medical Corps received calls from the officers and men of the other corps, as did the Army Service Corps. Taken together the day will long remain a bright one in the history of the military life of this city.

LORD STRATHCONA'S RULES FOR SUCCESS.

What is the secret of success? Two of the most successful men of the day--Lord Strathcona and Sir John Barker--recently expressed their views on the subject. Giving evidence in the Federal Court at New York in the United States Government's suit for the dissolution of the Standard Oil Company, which organization has made him the richest man in the world, Mr. John D. Rockefeller, on being asked the question, "What was the secret of your success?" replied: "We always had credit, we kept out of covanents, and we paid on our paper." "I think Mr. Rockefeller is right," said Lord Strathcona, who crossed to Canada over seventy years ago to become a clerk to a fur trader, speaking to the London Daily Mail. "Mr. Rockefeller, by credit, does not mean only money trust--he means the readiness to oblige, which is aroused in all men by strong and reliable characters. I think he is right, decidedly. "What your New York correspondent's message does not mention is Mr. Rockefeller's perseverance and his ability to see what not to undertake. The successful man never undertakes more than he can do. There are many admirable qualities to cultivate, but perseverance is certainly among the first. "Tell your young men and young women readers to keep perseverance before them every moment of their lives and to proceed slowly and surely. Opportunity comes to some more frequently than to others. There are very few whom it does not visit at all. You have got to be ready for it. If you are not pre-

NEW PLANET. DISCOVERED IN SOLAR SYSTEM BEYOND NEPTUNE.

Prof. Pickering Has Photographic Evidence of Its Existence--Its Diameter is Four Times That of the Earth. London, Jan. 1.--News of the existence of a new major planet situated beyond Neptune, announced on the authority of photographic evidence by Prof. Pickering, of Harvard Observatory, has been received by the Solar Physics Observatory at South Kensington. The last two major planets, Uranus and Neptune, were discovered in 1781 and 1846, respectively. Neptune, the outermost planet of the solar system, and its diameter about four times that of the earth. British astronomers have not been prepared for the discovery of a great planet even beyond Neptune. For many years past various phenomena have been observed which could not be explained by known facts, and many workers have been making calculations for determining the disturbing factor, which was surmised to be a planet of considerable size beyond Neptune. Prof. George F. R. S. at various times calculated that the movements of a certain group of comets which visited the solar system in 1843, 1880 and 1882 were influenced by some body about one hundred times more distant from the sun than the earth is, and with a year equal to one thousand of our years. It is hoped that within a few days the results obtained by Prof. Pickering can be compared with the positions calculated by Prof. Forbes. The new planet is said to be at present in the constellation of Gemini, which, curiously enough, is the same constellation in which William Herschel discovered the planet Uranus.

SANG CAROLS.

Workers For Children's Hospital Were Out Again.

Of all the New Year eve attractions there were none in which more interest was shown than in the carol singers who paraded the streets till the bells tolled the death of the old year. The singers, forty-eight strong, assembled in the Christian Science Church on Jackson street at 7.45 and marched to the Y. M. C. A. where a couple of carols were sung; they then proceeded to the Grand, and after singing a few selections they toured the main thoroughfares until the stroke of midnight. They met again at 8 o'clock yesterday morning and continued singing until 6 o'clock at night, with an intermission of two hours at noon. Mr. Charles Camp, who had charge of the collectors, said that he expected the amount collected would be much larger than that on Christmas eve. The boxes were all taken to the Laidlaw Banking & Loan Company offices, where they will be opened this afternoon.

Help From Canada

Ottawa, Dec. 31.--At a meeting of the Cabinet this afternoon it was decided that Canada should evince its sympathy for the sufferers in the appalling disaster in Italy and Sicily in the tangible form of a national subscription of \$100,000. Parliament will be asked to ratify the Government's action, but no objection is anticipated from any source to this generous and prompt step on the part of the Dominion to help alleviate the terrible disaster which has befallen a sister nation. The money will be forwarded through the British Ambassador at Rome with as little delay as possible.

GREAT JANUARY SALES

At the Right House Attract Thousands of People To-day--Most Remarkable Value-Giving. The great January white sales of household linens, embroideries and kindred lines which started this morning at the Thomas C. Watkins store drew thousands of people from far and near to share in the wonderful money-saving sale. The Right House has prepared for January. Judging by the success of this first day with the public and by the immense varieties and splendid values The Right House will do a bumper business this month. The throngs that crowded the store this morning were certainly enthusiastic with the showings and the great values. Every person should visit the Thomas C. Watkins store Monday and see the bargains for themselves. Details in this paper to-night.

A Warrant for Bunyan.

London, Jan. 1.--One of the two warrants issued in 1904 for the arrest of John Bunyan was submitted to sale by auction yesterday afternoon and evoked a bid of only \$22. The first amount offered was \$5. The other warrant is owned by Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan, who is said to have paid \$2,000 for it.

ALABAMA A DRY STATE.

Prohibition is Now Become Effective There. Mobile, Ala., Jan. 1.--With the passing of the midnight hour last night prohibition became effective throughout Alabama. A number of social clubs have been opened and chartered for these places will now be in great demand. In these clubs drinks will be dispensed to "members only." Before the doors of the saloons were closed last night whiskey and beer were given away in large quantities, and during the day drinks of all kinds were sold at nominal prices.

AMUSEMENTS

(Continued from page 11.) plays a return engagement of a week at the Princess Theatre, in Toronto. The fact that "The Gray Musician" will play return engagements throughout Canada within four months of its first visit, is proof of its popularity with the public. The holiday attraction at the Grand was the comedy "The Road to Yesterday," and it was enjoyed by two very large audiences. The play is very much out of the ordinary and there are a number of picture figures of the Elizabethan period in it. The story begins in an artist's studio in London, 1903, and the characters are then suddenly whisked back to 1603, where they are supposed to be leading different lives from those of the present day. (An admirable feat has been selected by the Shuberts for the first time in Hamilton, in which Miss Catherine Robertson, a niece of Mr. H. H. Robertson, of this city, has an important role. "The Road to Yesterday" will be presented again this afternoon and evening and should draw large houses.

SUMMIT

Miss Nettie Richards is visiting her sister in the field. Miss Brecken is spending the holidays at her home in Waterdown. Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong, of Hamilton, spent Christmas at the latter's home here. Albert Garland, of Troy, spent Sunday with Lauchlin Howell. A. E. Walkley was the guest of P. H. Stepebaugh on Sunday evening. Wm. Potter and Miss Vernon, of Trosside, have been visiting friends here. Mr. and Mrs. Haas, of Galt, and Mr. and Mrs. Sturdy, of Hamilton, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wilson on Christmas day. Service on Sunday afternoon conducted by the pastor. Epworth League service on Sunday evening at the usual hour. The topic will be taken by C. L. Howell, "The Duty of Making Good Resolutions." Everybody welcome.

OLD-AGE PENSIONS.

First Paid by Postmasters Through-out United Kingdom. London, Jan. 1.--Postmasters throughout the United Kingdom have commenced the payment of old-age pensions, under the last act of the last session of Parliament, to persons over seventy years of age. Seven hundred thousand applications for pensions have been received, of which 290,000 were disallowed, chief because the applicants have been in receipt of poor relief. The act provides that every man or woman of seventy or over who has been a British subject and has resided in the United Kingdom for twenty years, and whose means do not exceed £31 10s per annum, shall be entitled to receive a pension of from one to five shillings a week, according to the means of the pensioner. Where the yearly means of the pensioner has exceeded £20 5s but do not exceed £21, the rate of pension per week is five shillings. Where the income is between £21 and £23 10s the pension is four shillings, where the income exceeds £23 10s but does not exceed £26 10s the pension is three shillings, where the income exceeds £26 10s but does not exceed £28 10s the pension is two shillings, where the income is over £28 10s 6d but not over £31 10s the pension is one shilling a week. Persons with an annual income of over £31 10s are not entitled to pensions. Any person who has received poor relief during 1908, other than medical or surgical assistance, forfeits thereby the right to a pension.

DEATHS BY VIOLENCE

Montreal's 'Sorrowful Record For Last Year--Murders and Suicides. Montreal, Jan. 1.--Montreal's morgue statistics for 1908 form rather a gruesome record. In all, 850 violent deaths or deaths under suspicious circumstances occurred. Of these, twenty-three died from foul play and led by Italian stilettoes. There were twenty-nine suicides, nineteen from gas inhalation; seventy-nine were drowned in the St. Lawrence, fifty were killed on the railways, twenty-two by the street railway; fifteen by explosions, ten of which were due to the Ile Perrot accident. There were 218 sudden deaths recorded, fifty-seven were burned and six sealed to death. One fireman was killed on duty.

FELL OFF GANGWAY.

Man and Horses Drop Twenty-Five Feet at Hull. Ottawa, Jan. 1.--Albert Desormeau, a laborer of Hull, died to-day as a result of injuries received on Thursday. He was working on a new power house for Mr. J. R. Booth, and while removing a stone one horse stumbled. The whole outfit fell over a gangway some 25 feet high. The team was killed, but Desormeau lingered with internal injuries till to-day.

BEACH ROAD JOTTINGS.

Mrs. Norval Waterbury gave a progressive supper party New Year's eve to a few of her friends. Mr. E. Williams spared an eleven-and-a-half pound pie yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Sheldrick and their daughter Irene, of Hagersville, spent New Year's the guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. Waterbury. Miss Lewis is visiting Mrs. Armstrong. The Seamounts' indoor baseball team held a New Year's eve party at Dymal's. A large number attended, and spent a very enjoyable evening.

ATTACKED BY WILD CAT.

New York, Jan. 1.--A despatch to The Herald from Winsted, Conn., says: Edward Gillette, a farmer of Bakersville, was attacked by a large wildcat or extant, which had been caught in a trap set for foxes. He started to drag the trap and animal to his home, when the cat jumped at his head. When the animal sprang at him a second time he killed it with an axe. The animal weighed 30 pounds. Rev. E. E. Braithwaite, Ph. D., the new pastor of the North Congregational Church, enters upon his ministry on Sunday.

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Stanley Mills & Co. LIMITED Good Time to Think About Buying

New White Petticoats

A WOMAN'S SUCCESS as the financier of the home lies in her capacity for buying--not only in supplying immediate wants but in laying in supplies for the coming seasons. The provident woman who buys Whitewear in January--the woman who fills her linen closet with fresh, snowy sheets and other bedding, during the dull winter months, has found a way to sure and safe economy.

It's a good time to be thinking of White Petticoats, because this store has proved its capacity for good buying in an unusually large and comprehensive showing of the best and prettiest Petticoats that were to be had. The Petticoats were bought months ago, and reflect not only in the finishing and the daintiness of the trimmings, but in the very low prices, the unequalled strength of this store's buying capacity.

Ten important lines, ranging from 75c to \$2.50, will be on special display on Monday

They run the gamut of styles from the plain cotton Petticoat with a pretty deep lawn tucked flounce at 75c, up to the dainty, dressy, embroidered and ruffled flounce at \$2.50. All have the indispensable dust frills, which add so materially to the wearing quality of a petticoat. Even the least expensive ones are finished with the dainty French seams and they are all so delightfully fresh and crisp that it's a pleasure to look them over. We ask you to come personally to our special Petticoat display on Monday--feeling confident that you will agree with us that in each and every case our Petticoats are unquestionably the best values ever offered in this city. Prices 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50 up.

White Waists--All New

The keynote of this season's styles in Shirtwaists lies in the sleeve, undoubtedly. Our buyer delayed purposely in the choosing of Waists until the new styles were definitely set. The result is a comprehensive showing of strictly up-to-date, carefully selected Waists, at this store's notably low prices. Two popular sellers at \$1.50 are described below--one tailored, the other in dress style.

The Tailored Waists are of crisp, white lawn, made with a wide panel pleat collar and cuffs, finished with either side with one broad tuck and a cluster of fine tucks. Long graceful sleeves, pointed at the hand, tucked at the elbow and trimmed with such excellent value on Monday for lace, stylish shaped tucked collar to match. Only \$1.50 each.

A Great January White Lawns-- Save Money

A January sale in the Wash Goods Section means a saving of dollars. We start it off with these great offerings in plain and fancy Muslins. 18c Victoria Lawn 12 1/2c Fine White Victoria Lawn, fine, even quality for blouses, aprons, etc., 40 and 45 inch widths, regular 18c and 20c January sale 12 1/2c 20c India Lawn 15c Fine White India Lawn for ladies' shadow embroidery blouses, dresses, etc., 32-inch width. Regular value 20c. January sale 15c 40c Persian Lawn 32c Fine White Persian Lawn for ladies' undermuslins and children's wear, fine, superior quality and 40-inch widths, regular 25c, sale 18c, 35 and 40c, sale 32c 55c Madras Vesting 25c A special purchase, from a manufacturer. White Merized Madras Vestings, in fine, even quality for ladies' blouses, dresses, 36-inch width, value 55c, January sale 25c

Reduced Price for Making Separate Dress Skirts

During January Separate Dress Skirts will be made at reduced prices. Choose any new style from the latest American fashion plates. Only a limited number of orders will be taken, so place yours at once. Of course style, fit and satisfaction is guaranteed. Prices range at \$2.00 to \$3.00, according to style chosen. Enquire for Miss Tyson, second floor. Saving News from Staple Section 15c Apron Gingham 12 1/2c Fancy Check Apron Gingham, in plain and bordered edge, pure indigo dye, 40 inches wide, splendid wearing quality, regularly 15c, January sale 12 1/2c 51.50 Sofa Rugs \$1.19 Fancy Flannelette Lounging or Sofa Rugs, in large sizes, assorted colorings, in fancy figured and check patterns, heavy quality, on sale at 51.50 12 1/2c Linen Toweling 9c A special purchase, Plain, Pure Irish Linen Tea Toweling, 25 inches wide, absorbent, heavy make, regularly 12 1/2c, on sale 9c yard 15c Cream Flannelette 10c Another lot of that heavy Cream English Flannelette goes on sale; heavy Saxony fleeced finish, for warm winter wear, on sale at 10c yard 18.50 Crochet Quilts \$1.19 White English Crochet Quilts, in large double bed sizes, hemmed ready for use; heavy, good wearing quality, value \$1.85, on sale 1.19 each 15c and 18c Fancy Quilts 10c A great clearing sale of odd Doilies, in hemstitched figured damask, crocheted and Battenburg, regular prices 16 and 18c, January sale 10c

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SIMCOE CHIEF.

Evidence That He Took Stolen Furs Across Border. Niagara Falls, Ont., Jan. 1.--What may be considered corroborative evidence of the accusation made by Constable Wilkins, of Simcoe, against Chief of Police Malone, committed for trial on the charge of shooting his subordinate, that Malone was the instigator and principal in a number of robberies committed in Simcoe, is furnished by an alleged statement of One Joe Frontino-Officer McHattie, and in that Malone succeeded in removing the stolen property across the border. According to the statement of Frontino, Malone was arrested on Jan. 28, and went to the jail at Simcoe, and told McHattie that he was going to Buffalo, where he had the balance. He saw Malone in Buffalo, and the furs, and he asked Malone to arrange the trouble in taking the furs across for identification. McHattie knows Malone, and he is sure that Malone was the instigator and principal in a number of robberies committed in Simcoe, and that Malone succeeded in removing the stolen property across the border. According to the statement of Frontino, Malone was arrested on Jan. 28, and went to the jail at Simcoe, and told McHattie that he was going to Buffalo, where he had the balance. He saw Malone in Buffalo, and the furs, and he asked Malone to arrange the trouble in taking the furs across for identification. McHattie knows Malone, and he is sure that Malone was the instigator and principal in a number of robberies committed in Simcoe, and that Malone succeeded in removing the stolen property across the border.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Put in Interesting Form by Correspondents of the Times Hereabouts.

RENFORTH

Mrs. John Daniels is at present visiting friends in Hamilton. The Misses Draper, of Southcoote, are spending their holidays in York, County of Hamilton.

CAISTORVILLE

The Literary Society of Caistorville held its regular meeting on Monday night, December 22nd. The president, A. W. Edwards, was in the chair. The programme was: Duet, by Messrs. Shuter and Price; reading, Miss Eberington; recitation, Nettie Shuter; reading, Mrs. W. J. Grant; reading, Miss Mary Galt; solo, Mrs. T. Price. The debate was, "Resolved, That the Pen is Mightier than the Sword."

VANESSA

Happy New Year to all the readers of the Times. Christmas visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Baker and family, of St. Thomas; Mr. Jas. Bannister, of St. David's; Miss Lida Bannister, London; and Mr. W. S. Bannister, Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Macleod, Regentville; Mr. Geo. Lutes and Mr. W. Jacques, Hamilton; Mrs. J. Henry Waterford; Mr. and Mrs. E. Hillborn, Buffalo; Mr. and Mrs. John Hill and son Archie, Waterford; Mr. J. Mulligan and daughter Jennie, and Mr. and Mrs. R. Mulligan, Brantford; Mr. D. Welsh, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Story, Simcoe; Mr. Wm. McCombs, Detroit.

STONEY CREEK

The Pine Crest Literary Society will have an open meeting on Tuesday, January 5. There will be a challenge debate with the Stoney Creek League. The subject will be, "Resolved, That the environment has a greater influence on a man's life than heredity."

BETHESDA

Last Thursday evening the church was beautifully decorated and was filled with people, there being scarcely standing room. The occasion was the entertainment and Christmas tree. The tree was loaded with presents. Rev. Dr. Scanlon opened with prayer. The programme included recitations by Miss Daisy Westbrook, Miss Muriel Cummings and Miss Annie Brown; club singing by Miss Marie Moffat, Miss Gladys and Annie Brown; dialogue by Willie Kern, Mrs. G. W. Vaughan; Medical Examiner, Dr. Charles Shupe; night of meetings, second and last Thursdays, in Tisdale's Hall.

visited as her father's, Mr. Charles Shaver's, last week. Mr. Isaac Deekstader, who visited his son Burnie and wife, has returned to his home in Dunnville. Miss White, the school teacher, has quit teaching small children, and taken one big scholar, Mr. Roy House, to whom she was quietly married last week. Many friends wish them health and happiness.

BAPTIST SETTLEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. H. Herriman and children, of Michigan, are visiting the latter's parents here, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Vansickle. Mr. and Mrs. G. Brooks spent Sunday at Mr. F. H. Brooks' apartment. Some of those spending the holidays here were: Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. D. Kemp, Mr. and Mrs. P. Drake, and Mr. M. Drake, of Brantford; Mr. G. Daniels, and Bertha, of Ancaster; Mr. and Mrs. D. Barlow and children, of Wyndham; Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Brooks, of Brantford; Mr. and Mrs. R. Kelly, of Brantford; Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Brooks, of Brantford; Mr. and Mrs. A. Swift, of Paris, and Miss Lena Sager, of Brantford.

CAISTORVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. J. Molins visited friends at Rainham Centre, on Sunday last. Nominations for the Caistor Township were held Monday, Dec. 28. William Paul and J. M. Lymburner were nominated for reeve, and Messrs. A. Killis, J. Packman, J. D. Park, C. Lymburner and A. Silverthorn, for councilors. Miss Lulu Feilman, of Rainham Centre, is visiting her sister, Mrs. I. Collins, of this place. Mr. Ernest Pettigrew and wife, of Hamilton, are visiting their parents, J. D. Pettigrew. Mr. John Fairchild gave a large Christmas dinner.

FORGAVE HIM.

Father Blessed the Son Who Slew Him.

Windsor, Dec. 31.—After half a dozen witnesses, all near relatives of the prisoner, had testified as to his violent temper and frequent threats of murder, William Thompson, aged 16 years, was today committed for trial at the next Assizes on the charge of having wilfully shot his father, Elijah Thompson, with intent to kill.

The most important testimony was that of Mrs. Elsie Thompson, the boy's mother, and widow of the victim of the tragedy. She swore that her son, William, who is one of a family of ten, all living, was possessed of an unmanageable temper, and when aroused, he had frequently threatened the lives of various members of the family. On the morning of the shooting, William and two young brothers, Andrew and Engel, were ordered by their father to cut up some wood. Their failure to do this had been punished by a whipping, which the witness described as "just a common whipping." Elijah Thompson had a small switch and was not in the habit of creating any of his family, William, however, resented the whipping, and, retreating into the house, he procured a rifle in an upstairs room, at the same time announcing his intention of leaving home.

The father went upstairs to remonstrate with him, and a moment later the fatal shot rang out, and the father fell with a bullet through his abdomen. The witness then graphically described her husband's dying moments, how the prisoner had come to his father's side to beg his forgiveness, and how with his life-blood gushing forth in a great stream, the dying man had bestowed upon his murderer son his blessing and his forgiveness.

TIMES PATTERNS.

An event of unusual interest took place on Tuesday evening last at the home of Mrs. John Vales, when about one hundred and twenty guests gathered, principally residents of the section and the neighboring community, to bid Mr. Melville Taylor, the popular school teacher, farewell. An address was read, expressing the deep regret at his departure, and he was also presented with a beautiful watch chain, writing desk and fountain pen, showing the high esteem in which he is held by his many friends. Mr. Taylor will be greatly missed in the school and neighborhood. All join in wishing him a successful future.

YORK

A large and enthusiastic nomination meeting was held on Monday, December 29th, at the home of Mrs. J. M. Lymburner, when nominations for reeve, and Messrs. Young, Shipway, Hall, Lee, Stoneham and Turnbull for councilors. Visitors for over Christmas in the village: Miss Edith and Harold Croole, of Hamilton; at the parsonage; Miss Hazel Hill and sister, Buffalo; at Mr. R. H. Hinton's, Buffalo; at Mr. E. Bradt, Guelph; at Mr. E. Bradt, Guelph; at Mr. E. Bradt, Guelph; at Mr. E. Bradt, Guelph.

The Misses Fearman, of Hamilton, spent Christmas holidays with their brother, Mr. F. Fearman. Miss Jessie Mellon, Caledonia, and Miss Jessie Taggart, Otondago, are spending the holiday week at their old homes here. Miss H. Atchison returned on Thursday from Hamilton hospital greatly improved in health. Her many friends are pleased to see her home again. The Christmas entertainment held in the Sunday school of the Church of England was all that could be desired. Mr. N. H. Wickett acted as chairman in his usual happy style. The play given by members would do credit to a city company. The hall was crowded to the doors.

Local option is the topic all over now. Skating is fine on the river, and the young people are taking advantage of it. Mrs. Wm. and Pearl Bradt in Hamilton; Mr. E. and Mrs. Moore in Cayuga.

Important Change in Canadian Pacific Transcontinental Service. During the months of January and February the C. P. R. "Imperial Limited" will not run between Montreal and Winnipeg, or between Calgary and Vancouver. This change is not, however, an inconvenience to this district to any considerable extent. The departure time of the northwest express from Toronto is unchanged from 10:15 p. m. daily; there is no change in the fast time made to Winnipeg, and for passengers to Calgary and points east, no wait in this city. Passengers for points west of Calgary and the Coast will enjoy a welcome break in their long journey, arriving in Winnipeg at 12:40 p. m. and after an afternoon and evening in which to rest, leave for their destinations at 1:15 p. m. This opportunity to explore Winnipeg, the gateway to the Northwest, and famous for its rapid growth and prosperity, will undoubtedly be welcomed by cross-country travellers. The change takes effect Jan. 1.

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AMONG THE JEWS

News Notes About Them From All Over the World.

M. Sasson, a member of the Jewish community of Baghdad, has been elected as Deputy to the Turkish Parliament. M. Sasson is the sixth Jewish member that has been elected to the Turkish Parliament.

The death is announced of Matthias Borsala, a well-known Warsaw philanthropist and author. The deceased was the founder of several charitable institutions for children. Over 20,000 people were present at the funeral.

Deep regret has been caused in South Australia by the death of the Hon. Valen Louis Solomon, a prominent politician who nine years ago was for a brief period Premier and Treasurer of the Colony. Mr. Solomon, who was fifty-two years of age, was the son of the late Hon. Judah Moss Solomon, who was at one time Mayor of Adelaide.

The Temple Emanuel, of San Francisco, has voted a pension of \$3,000 a year to the widow of the late Rabbi Jacob Voorsanger.

Theophilus Marc, who died in East Orange, N. J., on Sept. 20 last, has willed nearly the whole of his estate to the United Hebrew Charities of New York. The estate is valued at nearly \$500,000. There are some small bequests to relatives and friends. Mr. Marc was a bachelor and a member of the New York Stock Exchange.

The Hebrew Infant Asylum of New York is going to erect a four-story building for its own use at Kingsbridge road and Tee Law avenue, at a cost of \$200,000.

M. Henri Bamberger died in Paris on Nov. 22, at the age of 82. He was a distinguished banker, and his wife was a sister of Baron de Hirsch. He established classes in Paris for the study of commercial and financial matters, led by some of the finest teachers of the University of Paris.

Imperial Councillor Philipp Falkowitz, a prominent Jew in Prague, died there recently, at the age of 69.

A new annex to the Home of the Daughters of Jacob, at 302 East Broadway, New York, has been opened. With the annex, the home now provides ample and comfortable quarters for 140 old people.

The faculty of Brown University includes two Jewish instructors, Rabbi Henry Englander, who conducts classes in Hebrew, and Mr. M. J. Beeber, who is an instructor in chemistry.

M. M. de Rothschild Brothers have made their annual gift of 100,000 francs to the Jewish community of Paris among the twenty Arrondissements of Paris.

An important conference of the Russian Zionists was held recently at Moscow. It was resolved to establish Jewish organs in Turkey, to encourage Jewish capitalists to invest large sums of money in Palestine, and to enter into friendly relations with the Young Turks. The Russian Zionists have already persuaded many non-Zionist Jews to buy land in Palestine.

There are 1,716,064 Jews in Poland, of a total population of 11,987,14. Meir Freidman, one of the last survivors of the older generation of Jewish scholars, passed away in Vienna at the age of 77. Born in Hungary, he spent the last fifty years in the Austrian capital, teaching Bible and Mishnah, writing books on Biblical exegesis and editing Mishnah.

The Reform Act of 1832 gave the Jews of England the right to vote. The act of 1858 gave them the right to sit in Parliament. A home for Jewish orphans was established about five months ago in Providence, R. I. It was recently incorporated, and now shelters seventeen children. It is supported entirely by voluntary contributions.

In view of the fact that the various higher educational establishments in Russia are practically closed to Jews, a number of commercial schools have been opened by them, notably in St. Petersburg, Odessa, Minsk, and Kovno, to which Jewish youths have unlimited admission. A large commercial school has now been opened by the Jews of Warsaw, which promises to meet to some appreciable extent the pressing want of the Jewish population in the Polish capital.

The first strictly orthodox Jewish home in New York, where Hebrews may dine according to the strict interpretation of the dietary laws, has been opened at Lexington avenue and Seventy-second street. It is called the Hotel Premier.

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# True Detective Stories

## THE MAN WITH A LION'S HEART.

BY A. L. DRUMMOND,

Formerly Chief U. S. Secret Service.

A BIG, square jawed, keen eyed man entered the office of Elmer Washburne, chief of the United States Secret Service, in Washington late in the year 1874 and introduced himself as George Albert Mason. He declined to tell his business to anybody but the chief, and said he would speak to Mr. Washburne only behind closed doors. He was shown into an inner office.

"Chief," said he, "what would you give to get hold of Peter McCartney?" Mr. Washburne smiled. Peter McCartney was perhaps the most wanted man of his kind in America. A few years later a Missouri sheriff might as well have been asked what he would give to get hold of Jesse James. McCartney, sought as he was on every hand, was not only hard to catch, but when trapped he had a habit of refusing to stay caught. So expert a jail breaker was he that, out of sheer humor, he once stood behind the bars in a St. Louis prison and told a chief of the Secret Service that he would call upon him at his hotel at ten o'clock that night. More than that, he kept the engagement, to the great astonishment of the chief.

"I would pay a good big reward to get Peter McCartney," replied Mr. Washburne. "But I would want to see my man first and be sure there was no mistake. Why? Can you get him?"

"Yes, I can. Appoint me a special officer and give me a man to help me and I will bring McCartney in."

The appointment was made and an operative named Duckworth was sent out with Mason to make the arrest, which was to take place in St. Louis.

Now, a word or two about McCartney. If ever there was a jack-of-all-trades in crime he was one—and he was master of all. He was a wonderfully expert counterfeiter. He had just put out an imitation of a \$5 note issued by the Traders' National Bank of Chicago that baffled everybody but experts. Nor did he, like so many counterfeiters, know only part of his trade. He was a fine chemist, a good engraver of plates and a good printer.

When business became bad in the counterfeiting line Pete could turn a hand to burglary and do a job of safe blowing or house breaking in a manner that stamped him no amateur. Once he set up shop as a dentist, but at this he failed. The only peaceful pursuit at which he was ever known to prosper was as a public lecturer. There may be still living in the West some persons who will recall a shaggy bearded speaker who gave minute directions with regard to how to detect counterfeit money. Pete was the man, though on such occasions he never went under the name of McCartney. At the conclusion of each lecture it was his custom to go about town and pass counterfeit right and left. Why he did these things, unless from a spirit of dare-devilry and humor, I have never been able to figure out. All I know is that he did them. It is true that in this way he distributed a good deal of counterfeit money, but that is no explanation. There are safer and better ways of putting bad bills into circulation.

It was to trap this man that Mason and Duckworth set out from Washington on the long journey to St. Louis. Mason knew McCartney and believed he had his confidence. The plan was for Mason to discover the room in which McCartney did his work, lead Duckworth to it and make the arrest.

Several days after the pair reached St. Louis Mason reported to Duckworth that he had obtained the desired information and everything was ready to make the capture. Shortly after midnight they set out. On the way Mason suggested that they stop in a saloon that McCartney was known to frequent. Having entered the place, Mason made an excuse to go into a back room. After waiting for him a little while Duckworth went to look him up. Mason was nowhere to be found. The door through which he passed led to a back yard that opened into an alley.

Duckworth went back to the local headquarters of the Secret Service and reported what he regarded as Mason's breach of faith. While he was talking a report came from Police Headquarters that three men, one of whom claimed to be a Secret Service official, were in a hospital, badly slashed up. Duckworth hastened to the hospital and found Mason on an operating table. Surgeons were trying to sew up a gash across his abdomen that extended almost from one side to the other.

The other two patients were Peter McCartney and a well known counterfeiter named Joe Rogers. They had been clubbed and cut until they were weak from their wounds, but the condition of neither was as serious as that of Mason.

When the trio had revived enough to talk they told their stories. McCartney declared that Mason tried to extort money from him by threatening to arrest him. He said he had a large amount of currency in his possession—which was true—and that Mason, claiming to be a Secret Service official, said he would arrest him if he did not give it up. McCartney said he did not purpose to be blackmailed and therefore drew his knife and used it. Rogers corroborated McCartney's story.

Mason told a simple story of cornered criminals who tried to murder him when he descended upon them, and he turned over \$5,000 in counterfeit money that he found in their room.

There was nothing to be gained by taking the word of McCartney and Rogers, as against that of Mason, so his story was accepted as true. And, as the hospital physicians reported that McCartney and Rogers could be fit on their backs for some time, Duckworth was ordered back to Washington. He had not been there more than ten days, however, before news was received from St. Louis that McCartney and Rogers had escaped from the hospital. Mason recovered and was given \$1,000 for bringing about McCartney's arrest. He gave a plausible explanation of his disappearance from the saloon the night he left Duckworth, and the fact that McCartney escaped from the police was not to be charged up against him.

To end the case, but it didn't. The former chief of the Secret Service would obtain a set of rolls used to make the plates provided he were given a sum of money to buy them from an informer who was to put his hands upon them. For this it is not necessary to enlarge upon here I will shadow him. I did so, and quite by accident a transaction that convinced Chief Duckworth that the former chief was not acting as an informer.

The man was brought before the chief, and after trying to sell rolls that he himself



Peter McCartney

Photo by Fowles



George Albert Mason

Photo by Lewis



Mrs. Kate Wells, Alias Mrs. Charles Bullard, Alias Mrs. Juan Terry

Photo by Hannay

"YOU'LL NOT BLOW ANYTHING OFF! GET OUT OF HERE!"

had captured when he was a government official years before, and told that it was idle to try to deny the charge.

"The question now is," said the chief, "what are you willing to do to buy your liberty? What criminal do you know that you can squeal on?"

"Well," he said, "I know George Albert Mason. He has been handling some of those counterfeit Chicago fives. He will be in New York next week. If you have a man who knows Mason and whom Mason doesn't know I can show him how to make the arrest."

Mr. Washburne had heard other things about Mason since the occurrence of the stabbing affair in St. Louis and was eager to capture him. So I was ordered to accompany the former chief to New York, and David H. Crowley and William W. Kennoch were instructed to accompany me. We found the former chief living at the Park Hotel, on lower Broadway—now the Broadway Central. He had a room on the third floor and we took one on the second. Mason upon his arrival in the city was to call at the former chief's room, and we were to capture him.

When the day came to make the catch Chief Washburne came up from Washington, and with the rest of us went to the room in the Park Hotel. As I was not known to Mason, I wandered around the corridors, occasionally going down to the office, waiting for him to appear. A little after noon he came to the front door, walked up the stairs and went to the former chief's room. I went to our room and told the chief and the two others of his arrival. Mason remained in the room perhaps ten minutes. When he went down stairs I followed him, with the other three a few steps behind.

After reaching the ground floor Mason started to go down stairs to the barber shop. He had descended perhaps three steps when I reached over the banister, grabbed him by the right arm and threw my weight on him. With his left hand he tried to reach a revolver that was in his right hand coat pocket, but before he could do so Chief Washburne had his own revolver in Mason's face and the other two detectives were swinging on his left arm.

"Surrender or I'll blow your head off!" shouted the chief, as he pressed the muzzle of his gun a little closer to Mason's face.

"You'll not blow anything off! Get out of here!" shouted Mason.

The chief did not shoot nor did he get out, and the fight went on. Mason was a powerful man and it was all the four of us could do to overpower him and put the handcuffs on him. All the while we were fighting he was hurling at us a volume of profanity the like of which I have never heard from that day to this. Nothing that he could lay his tongue to seemed bad enough to call us.

As soon as we had the handcuffs on him we began to search him. One of the first things we found was an envelope. On one side was an address, but before we could read it Mason, manacled as he was, grabbed the piece of paper and bit out that part which bore a name. We had to choke him until he was black in the face before he would give it up.

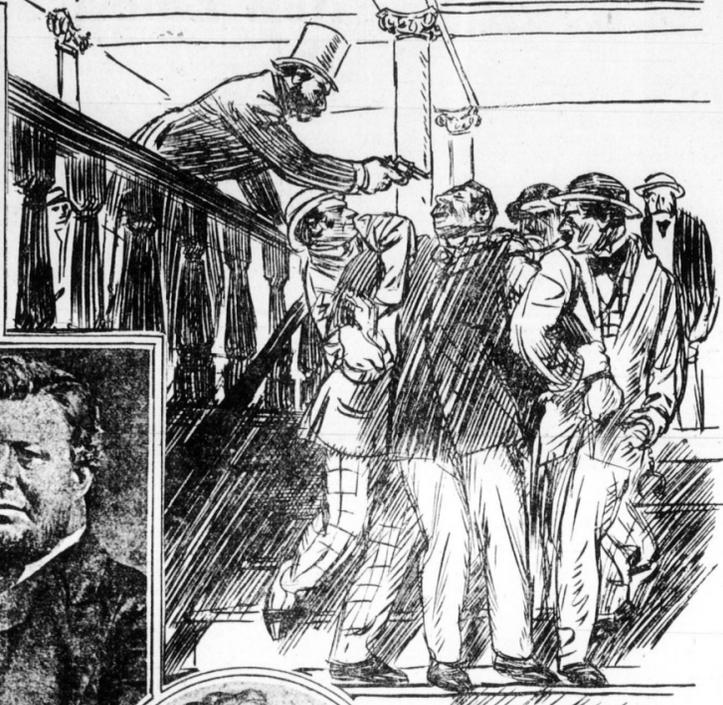
The half chewed paper bore the name and New York address of Kitty Wells. Kitty is dead now and the present generation does not know her even by reputation, so it may be of interest to give some facts pertaining to her.

Kitty Wells was originally a London barmaid. Charles Bullard, a noted bank burglar, took a fancy to her and married her. She obtained a divorce and was next heard of when she started the world by marrying Juan Terry, the Cuban sugar king. Terry saw her in London, fell a quick victim to her wiles and led her to the altar. About a year later he died, leaving in his will \$5,000,000 to their child, born after his death, and \$1,000,000 to her. She died in 1894.

It was after Kitty's divorce from Bullard and prior to her marriage to Terry that we found an envelope bearing her name and New York address in George Albert Mason's pocket. We went to her house and asked what it meant.

"You insult me," she replied, "by asking such a question."

"We are not here to insult you," I said, "but to find out what you know about George Albert Mason."



in the penitentiary at Albany.

His life in prison surpassed anything of the kind of which I have ever read. Almost the first thing he did was to knock down all the guards within reach. A huge man, with broad, powerful shoulders, even the other prisoners suffered at his hands, and he was chained hand and foot to the stone floor of a dark cell, like an ugly animal. He had suffered this punishment for a week when the Warden, a kindly old man, ordered that he be unchained and brought upstairs to his office.

The shackles were taken from Mason's arms and legs. So stiff were his joints that he could hardly walk, but with difficulty he hobbled to the room in which sat the Warden.

"Mason, you have had a pretty hard time," began the kindly official. "Aren't you ready to behave like a man and receive the treatment that men get?" Mason split in the Warden's face without saying a word. He was taken back to the dark cell and chained to the floor.

A month passed by and again the Warden sent for him. Asked if he was not ready to be good Mason cursed the Warden to the extent of his vocabulary and swore that if he were let loose he would kill everybody about the place.

To make a long story short, Mason spent the entire twelve years in Albany Prison chained to the floor. He was given a mattress to lie on, and a number of times was asked if he was not ready to obey the rules and come up into the daylight. But he refused to surrender and left the dark cell permanently only at the expiration of his term.

When he was released from prison the first thing he did was to visit me at my office in the Post Office building.

"Do you remember me?" he asked.

"Yes," said I, "you are George Albert Mason. What do you want?"

"I want to know where Washburne is. I haven't anything against you, but I am going to kill Washburne the first time I see him."

Mr. Washburne at that time had the contract for building a large reservoir in Westchester county, New York, but I told Mason I thought his old enemy was dead.

"Well," he replied, "if he isn't dead I'll kill him."

Without saying another word Mason left the office and I never heard of him again. He never molested Mr. Washburne, who is still alive.

I always thought Peter McCartney sized Miles up about right. Old Pete, who as the years crept over him came to look more and more like a German professor or a Russian admiral, finally fell into the hands of the police and served a term in prison. While in jail he heard how the man who betrayed him in St. Louis had chosen to remain chained to the floor of a dark cell rather than to promise to be good and remain in the daylight.

"That's just like Mason," said he. "He's got the courage of a lion, but the judgment of a jackass. He doesn't know enough to eat good food."

### THE WEAR OF RAILROAD IRON.

MORE than one hundred thousand tons of steel is actually worn away from the surface of rails in the United States yearly. The tonnage of rails discarded as "worn out" every year is about one million, and at least ten per cent of the metal has disappeared in each case, while there has also been a change in the shape of the head, due to displacement of the steel by "flow." This loss is due to the rolling friction of the wheel on the rail. As to the wheels themselves, these lose from 17,000 to 18,000 tons of metal annually, of which the great bulk is rubbed off by the friction of the brake. The old cast iron wheels are being rapidly replaced by steel, and this will doubtless affect the wear on both wheel and rail, although the result is somewhat uncertain. It may be expected that the loss from steel wheels will be greater than that from the harder, though more brittle, cast iron. In spite of this loss, however, they may last longer, as the steel wheels will wear more than the iron ones before becoming unfit for use. Tests made by one of the largest railroads in the country indicate that the "life" of a steel wheel is likely to be three times as long as that of an iron one. The importance of a careful study of the conditions of wear appears from the fact that the thousands of tons of valuable metal thus dissipated by wear are not recoverable, and might as well be annihilated so far as their future use to the world is concerned.

### "Ask Your Father"

Jack and Janet Go to a Restaurant for Luncheon.

BY TUDOR JENKS.

NOW," asked Mrs. Townsend, when they were settled in their places at the restaurant table, "what shall I order for luncheon?"

"Let me see the bill of fare," Janet said, reaching for it.

"In a minute," Jack answered; "I just want to see what kinds of soup there are."

"I don't want soup," said Janet.

"Neither do I," her mother added.

"But I'd like some," Jack insisted. "Now, here's some of the mulligatawny. What's that like?"

"If you take soup we'll have to sit doing nothing while you eat yours," Janet objected. "And, besides, one portion is more than you can eat, and it will be wasted."

"It won't save it to eat it, any more than to leave it after it is paid for," was Jack's answer.

"You don't have soup usually at home," his mother remarked.

"That's why I want it. What's the use of going to a restaurant if you just eat what you get at home?"

"You're not here for amusement, but to get some food," Janet observed.

"All right," Jack agreed; "then you can just eat oatmeal with bread and butter. That'll be cheap and filling."

Janet began to look cross.

"Here," Mrs. Townsend said, "let me take the bill of fare. I will order the luncheon." After a moment she looked up. "Suppose, Janet, you and I have some tea and fancy cakes, and for Jack I will order—some baked chicken pie."

"I don't like chicken pie. I'd rather have mock-turtle soup and chicken salad and ice cream."

"That's too much," his mother replied, "and it's too expensive."

"Well, then," Jack grumbled, "if I can't have what I want I won't take anything."

"That's just like you!" Janet exclaimed. "You just go and spoil everything!"

"Well," Jack muttered, "I'm not going to guzzle tea and crumble dried up cake. I'd sooner take chewing gum!"

Mrs. Townsend put down the bill of fare in despair.

"I do wish you wouldn't be so troublesome! I'm sure I can't suit you all without ordering a lot of things we don't want. And it is wasting money, too. All we need is a light luncheon so that you will not get too hungry before your dinner." She picked up the bill once more. "Let me see. What do you say to a nice salad with French dressing, and some rolls?"

"Don't like leaves," Jack muttered, while Janet looked equally unhappy, and asked, "Can't we have some dessert?"

"Dessert!" echoed Mrs. Townsend. "Yes, we could. Suppose we say rice pudding?"

This was the last straw. Jack went down to the depths of despair, and Janet's lower lip began to tremble.

"Well, children," their mother said, "shall I give the order?"

"I'd rather go without anything," was Jack's reply, and he turned indifferently from the table.

"So would I," Janet agreed.

"Have you ordered?" inquired a waiter, approaching briskly.

"Not yet," said Mrs. Townsend. "I'll let you know in just a moment. Come, children, what will you have?"

"You won't let us have what we want," Jack answered, coldly.

"I'm sure I don't know what to do. You suggest ridiculous things and won't say yes to anything else."

"Women don't know what men like for lunch," Jack observed grandly.

"Oh, very well," Mrs. Townsend replied. "We can't wait much longer. Your father wished us to be prompt so as to be in time for the matinee. Now he will be here. Here he comes. I'm glad. If you don't like me to order, you can just ask your father."

Mr. Townsend came in briskly, smiling and gay. He made his way to the table, and greeted them affectionately. Then he noted the frost in the air.

"What's the matter?" he inquired. "Luncheon not served? Where's your waiter?"

"We couldn't decide what to have," said Mrs. Townsend. "Janet wanted some ice cream"—

"I didn't say so," Janet interrupted.

"And Jack chooses mulligatawny soup!"

"Mock turtle," Jack corrected. "I only asked what mulligatawny was."

"That's neither here nor there," his father remarked, hastily consulting his watch. "And what did you want, my dear?"

"Only a cup of tea," Mrs. Townsend answered, "and some cake."

"That'll never do," her husband said, frowning and shaking his head. Then, rapping sharply on the table, he brought the waiter on the run. "Here, waiter," he said, "bring two portions roast beef, rare, with gravy, mashed potatoes, and have them served quick as you can. We're in a hurry!"

"Yes, sah," replied the waiter, and disappeared with a napkin trailing in the breeze.

"The longer you wait the less you can tell what you want. Roast beef is always in season, makes good red blood, everybody likes it, and, after all, there's nothing better. We've got just twenty minutes. Let's talk of something else."

And so they did.

### SOME RUSSIAN MEDICINES.

NOW comes from Russia of a remarkable series of frauds in the drug trade that has just been exposed in that country. The swindlers had a large factory in Odessa, with offices and a completely organized system of distribution, and probably others, as yet undiscovered, are in existence. The bottles used had labels in imitation of those employed by an eminent German firm. Bottles labelled "Xerofom" (a disinfecting compound) contained a mixture made chiefly of bricks; "strolin" was sweetened and colored water, and other drugs were imitated with soap, lime and dyes. Quinine, phenacetin and numerous similar medicaments were all represented by common table salt. Inquiry showed that 58 per cent of all Russian drug stores that were examined sold more or less of these falsified products, although in many cases the adulterations were not so gross as those described above. The business of the Odessa factory alone is said to amount to a million dollars, and the end is not yet.



MARKETS and FINANCE

Saturday, January 2.—As usual, after a holiday the market was very small, and this morning the supply was practically all.

Standard prices at 8 a. m. were: Dairy Produce.

Table with columns for Dairy Produce items like Butter, Cheese, Eggs, etc., and their prices.

Table with columns for Poultry items like Chickens, Geese, Turkeys, etc., and their prices.

Table with columns for Fruits items like Apples, Peaches, etc., and their prices.

Table with columns for Vegetables items like Carrots, Potatoes, etc., and their prices.

Table with columns for Smead Meats items like Bacon, Ham, etc., and their prices.

Table with columns for Fish items like Pickled, Salmon, etc., and their prices.

Table with columns for Hide Market items like Sheep skins, etc., and their prices.

Table with columns for Grain Market items like Barley, Wheat, etc., and their prices.

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BRADSTREET'S TRADE REVIEW. Montreal—Trade during the past week has been very much a holiday nature.

AN OFFER FOR BANK. Oshawa, Dec. 31.—A prominent Toronto lawyer was here on Thursday representing Mr. Amelius Jarvis and a group of international capitalists with an offer to buy out the Western Bank and continue it under the same name.

Winnipeg—Business men generally are resting up after a strenuous holiday season. Vancouver and Victoria—General business has been quiet during the past week, but excellent reports are coming to hand regarding the turn-over of goods during the week or two before Christmas.

Hamilton—Business here is now very quiet, but the holiday trade was satisfactory, both at retail and at wholesale trade. Orders for spring business in nearly all lines of trade there is considerable satisfaction expressed with the way in which the holiday trade ended up. It is generally stated that the volume of trade is ahead of that of a year ago, and in some lines, such as jewelry and fancy goods, it is reported the demand was for a better class of goods. This is taken as an excellent indication for future business.

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CANADIAN CHEESE.

Following are the exports of cheese from Montreal, with approximate values, during the season of navigation compared with previous years.

Table with columns for Cheese exports: 1908, 1907, 1906, 1905, 1904, 1903, 1902, 1901, 1900.

Canadian cheese continues to hold its supremacy in the British market, however, although the exports of other colonies are increasing.

New Zealand is now Canada's chief competitor in that market, the output from that colony having increased enormously the past year. A very great advance in the price of colonial cheese in the United Kingdom has taken place, and has been maintained for the past three years.

In the case of Canadian cheese it is attributed largely to the smaller amount that has been on the British markets the last few years.

MILK PRODUCTS. The following estimate of the value of the entire production of milk and milk products in Canada is made by the Dominion Dairy Commissioner for the present year:

Table with columns for Milk products: Creamery butter, Dairy butter, Condensed milk, Milk for direct consumption.

THE BUTTER MAKE. The season's make of butter did not fulfil the promises of a marked degree by the drought. Nevertheless, it was larger than in 1907, as is shown by the increased exports.

C. P. R. WEST AND EAST. The Canadian Pacific Railway will have over five hundred miles, at least, of road under construction during the coming year.

The progress made by the Transcontinental and Grand Trunk Pacific, however, has been recently very fully described by President Hays. There is actually completed of the latter road 900 miles west from Winnipeg into Alberta.

Contractors' equipment necessary for the construction of Laramie and Prince Rupert, and for the first hundred miles from that point eastward has already been landed at the new Pacific yard. Tenders for the second hundred miles of track east of Prince Rupert are to be called an early date, and grading is finished for 120 miles west of Edmonton. Trains will be in operation from Port Arthur to Edmonton within a few months.

AN OFFER FOR BANK. Oshawa, Dec. 31.—A prominent Toronto lawyer was here on Thursday representing Mr. Amelius Jarvis and a group of international capitalists with an offer to buy out the Western Bank and continue it under the same name.

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MEN SHE CAN'T REASON WITH.

Maud Malone's Street Canvass For Suffrage.

New York.—"They hurt the Bible at me," said Maud Malone, "if you think the Bible isn't read to-day you would be astonished to see how it is quoted to prove that women shouldn't vote."

Maud Malone held her first outdoor meeting for woman suffrage in New York one year ago on New Year's day. It was before she had learned English and she had reached the city and before the American Suffragists were organized.

Steadily throughout the year Miss Malone and her Harlem Equal Rights League, of which she has been President for several years, have continued their street meetings. Last winter she held them in Madison Square. All summer they were held on the lower East Side, in Grand, Clinton, Rutgers, Jefferson and the neighboring streets. All this fall she has held them in Harlem at or near the corner of 125th street and seventh avenue.

These meetings have been held on four or five nights a week, and sometimes two meetings have been held in an evening. Miss Malone has spoken at every one of them. Thus she has scamped the Manhattan streets pretty well, and has come into contact with the raw anti-suffragist of the man in the street.

"A man who goes to a suffragist meeting in a hall," said she, "is either a suffragist already or he goes to please some woman who is a suffragist. It is in the street meetings that the opinions of uneducated masculinity are given."

"I was appalled when they began to quote the Bible at me, for I didn't suppose there was anybody who took those things literally any more. The Jews of the lower East side are adepts at Bible quotation. I'm not much of a Jew, so I just try to turn it off some way."

"The first time a man ever tried to floor me with the Bible, I didn't know what he was after. Said he: 'Don't you know it's ordained that woman should be in subjection to man?'"

"No," said she, "I really couldn't think what he meant."

"Don't you know that Eve was made out of one of Adam's ribs?" said he.

"I was staggered. It had never occurred to me that anybody believed that rib story any more. Now of course you can't argue with a man who really believes women ought not to vote because Eve was made out of Adam's rib. So I just said: 'Well, perhaps they were made that way then, but I know they aren't made that way now.'"

"Of course I had them going," said Miss Malone, reflectively, "and they were all with me."

"The man was terribly hurt and grieved because I wouldn't accept the Bible authority, and he went off and got him a box and got on it and began to make a speech like this: 'That's one of the best things about our street meetings. They start little street meetings all around the rim of the crowd.'"

"Sometimes I've left half a dozen orators talking woman suffrage, for or against. That's six meetings a night without any hall rent."

"I took a leaf from the Salvation Army's lesson book when I began," she continued, "I noticed they'd built up a great organization with nothing but street meetings at first."

The Socialists, too, have carried on their propaganda largely by means of street work. I noticed that few people would come to suffrage meetings held in halls, and those who did were almost all suffragists already. I decided that if we wanted the vote we had to go to the people and ask for it."

"The crowd in the different parts of the city are quite different. At Madison Square I think the meetings did the least good of any. We always had plenty to listen, employees and employers too from their look, from the big buildings."

"They listened in perfect silence. But I have heard them say in a resentful way: 'Humph, we don't need this English business. Our women are all right. They don't need the vote.' Some other method is better suited to those people."

"The lower East Side is used to street meetings and thinks nothing of them. The crowd there is solidly foreign and made up of people who feel the pressure of industrial conditions. I have found that there is only one plea that has any effect with them, but that plea has its effect every time."

"It is the need of the working girls for the ballot. One must never mention the older women to them. They think of the older women always as in the homes. But all the younger daughters and sisters of that locality are at work if they can get the work to do, and the fathers and brothers will stop and think when you speak of their right to the ballot."

"If you speak of the women in the homes as working longer hours than anybody who works for wages and getting no wages at all they simply laugh at you. I do not think that that crowd ever thinks for one moment that any woman works in her own home. I don't think it ever occurs to them that she earns her keep and more. They regard themselves as giving her a living."

"There is not a crowd in the city, not even the lower East Side crowd, that doesn't hurl 'The woman's place is at home' at me. When I speak of the low wages and hard conditions of the working girls they call out: 'If they don't like it why don't they go home?'"

"This is the sort of crowd that must know that the girls have to work to eat just like themselves."

"On the wages question the Socialist always bobs up. I have never held a meeting yet at which a Socialist didn't open a discussion and ask me to join the Socialist party. In fact both the Socialists and the single taxers want us

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Respectfully Solicits Your Vote and Influence for His Election as School Trustee for NO. 1 Ward WALDER PARKE

Requests Your Vote and Influence for Re-election as COUNCILLOR For Township of Barton 1909. BARTON ELECTIONS D. A. GALLAGHER

# IN THE WORLD OF A MUSEMENT

## General Gossip

The dramatic life of Japan, like everything else in that land, is being fast reformed after the European model. Until quite lately it was illegal for male and female actors to appear upon the stage at the same moment. As love is the great subject of plays in Japan, as elsewhere, this separation of the sexes in historic love-making produced the most ridiculous effects, to the uncontrolled amusement of the chance European spectator. A confession of love (notes a writer in the Travel Magazine) had to be made somewhat after the following manner. The Romeo of Japan comes along upon the stage. "Ah, my beloved, you have come to see me. I will discover that 'tis you who are the sweet cause of all my pain!" He goes off to the right. The Juliet of Japan enters from the left. "And I, my dear Tien To-Perri, I love you, I love you!" She disappears. Romeo, reappearing on the stage: "Oh, my joy, I offer to you the sacrifice of a thousand thanks! But will you, sweet one, grant me the great favor which I now beg of you?" He retires. Juliet, after re-assuring herself that the stage is empty: "Certainly—I promise it before I ask what it is." She withdraws. Romeo, entering again: "Will you, my beloved, as a proof that you love me, bestow on me one little kiss?" He flies off rapidly. Juliet coming forward: "There—now you have it!" She runs away at full speed. Romeo, rushing wildly upon the stage: "Oh, my beloved!" Hereupon he opens his arms and passionately embraces the air. The excitement of the audience reaches the highest pitch, and everybody in the theatre is smiling or weeping.

In a recent issue of a New York newspaper Marie Cahill, the charming comedienne of "The Love and Betty," bid this to say of laughter: "Laughter depends on the digestion of rather indigestion."

"One cannot laugh heartily unless, in

## Negligent Historians of the Elizabethan Age.

The true province of history has long been neglected by historians, who for ages have enlarged upon matters of no great moment to living humanity, and failed to chronicle matters in which the world always should be concerned. No more convincing proof of this fact than that furnished by the Elizabethan age need be cited. Historians of that age, like their predecessors and their followers, were prone to magnify merely physical matters and leave out of consideration and account those achievements of the intellect that have been of consequence to latter generations. Thus the doings of soldiers, even of politicians, whose policies were ephemeral, figure at large in history which tells little of nothing of men of greater mind. Even the military leaders of Shakespeare's time occupy a greater space in history than Shakespeare himself.

So if Signor Guglielmo Ferrero, whose lectures recently at Columbia University may, in the minds of some, fix him as a pessimist with reference to history, inspires a spirit for a true record of men and events for the future, his studies will not have been in vain and his logical mind will have worked to some purpose. He matters

think are born and not made. Please, don't make me laugh.

It is too great a subject for brief consideration, this laughter. It is a wonderful thing. Its ramifications are as numerous as the rippling notes in a young girl's merriment. Some day a great philosopher will come among us and will write a book and call it "Laughter." Its frontispiece will be the beautiful face of a gurgling baby, and its first picture the soft, sweet smiling visage of a four-old lady.

To a comedienne laughter is a tragedy

ing all preconceived notions as to the romantic acts and ambitions of some of the ancients, while drawing new portraits of many worthies to amend those handed down by imagination and tradition, basing his conclusions on a cold and careful analysis of historic material which he is the first to assemble and digest.

Yet it need not be, while history itself is corrected and reformed, that romance as to the great and remote times. Signor Ferrero may be right in his assumption that Cleopatra was not the physical charmer that dramatists have written and poets have sung, and that Anthony did not woo for love, but for policy related to his military ambitions. Anthony may have been cold and calculating, and Cleopatra may simply have had a desire for a few Roman legions in her backyard, while she presented in her own aspect a face which this lionheart declares was fleshly—buffish—with a powerful aquiline nose. Yet there is a dramatic there, and a poetic license that will shadow forth these and others great in the future, as in the past—in stirring and romantic circumstances that belong to the play and the poem. History is an actor's matter.

"Has, indeed, bit used to come here, but it don't no!" was the sad reply.

"The last time dat show played wash, de boss he give me a return ticket, 'an' ampt dat show never did come back."

At one place where the company played, Harrison described the "town hall" as a joke, being no more than a large room, with an "apology" for a gallery.

When laughing some scenery, Harrison facetiously asked the worthy local manager why they did not get real bust and build a "big gallery."

"Build one," exclaimed that individual, "we have 'em already." Then pointing to the above in the front portion of the place, he added, "You see wait till tonight, an' you'll see the finest gallery bench you've ever looked at."

"The night performances proved the assertion," said Harrison afterwards.

A Parisian journalist recently wrote a rather unfavorable criticism of the performance of well-known actress. The writer was kindly known and welcomed for a chance to average herself. She was one evening at the Varieties with a young critic, for an escort when she read the article. She had a package with her which she requested her friend to deliver in person. The package was opened and the package, which was a to where the journalist was sitting with a party, and presented it to him, saying:

"Madame, I can't address your tale with my mouth, one to present treat with this to air from her?"

The critic took it and opened it because his friends, who had heard the article, had been about to give him a good scolding and smiles and suppressed laughter went around.

"But the critic was equal to the occasion."

"Ah, my dear sir," he said to the manager, "please give my best thanks to the young lady for these pretty presents. I was aware of the fact that she had packed for admirers, but I really did not imagine she did so on my account."

The Pittsburgh Orchestra, which will be associated with Egar Choir in their second concert event, Feb. 18, is a vastly improved body over that which last appeared in Hamilton. Emil Pauer, who has been out among the greatest of present day conductors, delivered an address to the financiers of his orchestra, which called for a much greater expenditure. Rather than lose so great a master, a considerable addition was made to the quantity and quality of his performers. Since then he has devoted himself to the orchestra with renewed enthusiasm. Never before in this city has an orchestra had such immense scope to show their powers in choral and orchestral combination as will be given the Pittsburgh people in the great "Requiem" of Verdi's later days. The work is colossal and will tax even the orchestra's ability to the full.

Lissant Beardmore, who for many years has followed his poetic career in Canada and abroad under the most famous masters of his time, is one of the few fortunate ones who has not had to fight his way through pecuniary difficulties, to his present position of efficiency in the knowledge of his art which he is studiously developing, and if present indications are taken into consideration there is no doubt that some day Canada will number him amongst her greatest master artists, and be proud to claim him as her offspring. He derives his musical taste from early school days in Dresden, Germany, where he studied the violin; there, with his master and school mates, in that land of great composers, he was obliged to attend the opera as regularly as the classes, it being regarded by well educated Germans as a matter of course that children early become familiar with classical works. Mr.

## Difficulties in Connection With Talking Pictures.

Close observers of talking picture entertainments have noted a fact in connection with them that appears to be an obstacle to their complete success. The voices that come from behind the curtains cannot be made to sound entirely as though they were coming from the lips of the figures in the pictures. This point is observed both when a phonograph is employed and when human voices speak the lines. In the case of the phonograph it is explained to some extent by the circumstance that the phonograph must be stationary on the stage behind the picture curtain, and that the voice of the phonograph has a metallic sound that destroys illusion. It is also frequently the case that the phonograph voice sounds out of proportion to the size of the picture figure. In the use also of human voices, the spoken words do not always appear to follow the picture people about the stage, although where a speaking company is thoroughly rehearsed and moves about the stage to correspond with the movement of the picture, this objection is overcome to some extent and a distinct novelty is added to the interest of the pictures.

However, in the matter of timing the spoken words to the movements of the lips of the picture people, the phonograph has all the better of the comparison. Whatever illusion there is in the combination of moving picture and the phonograph, as at present produced, comes from the exact timing of words and lip motion.

The difficulty that attends the advance preparation of phonograph talking pictures makes it evident that the art cannot, at present at least, be ex-

are elegant. Compare Le Clair's varied characterizations from his poetical travesty on Ophelia, with his flashes of humor, to his impassioned descriptive recital as Mephistopheles, depicting the physical power of the demon of evil, and the subtle of the Dickens of you-deville would be more fitting to him than the Bernhardt application.

At Bennett's Theatre next week, Reich & Plunkett will present the famous "The Haven Sextette," with Sydney C. Gibson in a dainty little operetta entitled, "The Understudy." It should prove one of the most attractive features of the season, and is bound to make an impression on lovers of the artistic.

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Berone Brothers, of "Eight Bells" fame, will be seen the week after next in an offering, entitled, "A Carriage Ride and Its Mishaps." A carload of pleasure is promised. Another good act and the pictures will complete the bill.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner come in the funny farce comedy, "Pinky's Prodigal Parents," is a big attraction booked to appear in the near future.

The Eight Jostells, the acrobatic sensation of the year, will be seen weekly.

"Du Barry" has always been a fascinating character to students of history, and as a stage figure proved wonderfully interesting and entertaining. This is the play the Selman Stock Company will present to the patrons of the Savoy next week. Miss Elfrida Lasche, the popular leading woman of the organization, will of course play the title role, Du Barry, favorite to Louis XV. The play will be cast as follows: King Louis, King of France, Joseph Selman; Armade de Richelieu, Grand Marshal of France, Thaddeus Gray; Duke de Choiseul, the King's Minister, who hates Du Barry

## At the Grand

There's a little rhyme or reason to "A Knight for a Day," the attraction at the Grand next Wednesday evening, but there's the heartiest fun and bonniest chorus, the most charming stage effects and some of the catchiest music enjoyed anywhere this season. The book and lyrics of this musical farce are by R. B. Smith, the music by Raymond Hubbell. The plot tells a ringmarole of a story about some estate in Corsica awaiting claimants. An heiress, a missing locket, a gigantic Adonis from the Bonaparte country, a waiter who informally admits himself to the bar—the bar where they mix witnesses, not drinks, of course—and a maid of little or no working ability, known as Tilly Day.

The principals are handsomely supported, very handsomely indeed. Then there are visiting alumnae at the Evanson Seminary—Evanston being near Chicago, whence the show just came. Evanston is certainly a jolly place; nothing like Madcliffe, for instance, where you never see winsome girls romping around in short dresses. And there are rah-rah boys from some college or other, and Corsicans of all sorts in bandit costume and sheath gowns straight from Paris. On a vote it might be found that the best thing in the show, outside the constant fantastic amusement furnished by the Mack-Vokes combination, is a duet with chorus in the first act, called "Life is a See-Saw," which, with its see-saw of fair damsels, its sweet music and its exceedingly pretty living pictures, may well be called a spectacular masterpiece.

In Gus Sohke the show has found a highly accomplished stage artist. Nor is the orchestral music slighted. In fact, it is a remarkably smooth and delightful performance throughout. Seats go on sale Monday morning.

Kathryn Osterman, in her own comedy, "The Night of the Play," was almost due to ring up the curtain in one of the Ohio towns during the early part of the season, but there was no sign of activity on the part of the orchestra. The customary signals were stolidly disregarded and the stage manager rushed out in front to interview the local manager. "We'll have to wait here," said the fluter player, and here set, and they can't play nothing without him."

"But why don't you send for him?" protested the stage manager. "No use," replied the local manager, placidly. "You see, he's our prosecuting attorney and the jury's out in a manslaughter case." The play began without any overture, but before the first act was over the jury brought in a verdict of acquittal. The prosecuting attorney made a belated appearance, but blew wrong notes the rest of the evening. When the show was over the male members of the prosecuting company serenaded the prosecuting attorney and sang, "The Lost Chord."

The return engagement here at the Grand, of the great comic opera triumph, "The Gay Musician," will be on Saturday, Jan. 9, for a matinee and evening performance. Not for many years has a company made so great an impression as has the one of Manager Slocum's combination for Christmas and New Year's week at His Majesty's Theatre in Montreal, and also

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## At the Grand

There's a little rhyme or reason to "A Knight for a Day," the attraction at the Grand next Wednesday evening, but there's the heartiest fun and bonniest chorus, the most charming stage effects and some of the catchiest music enjoyed anywhere this season. The book and lyrics of this musical farce are by R. B. Smith, the music by Raymond Hubbell. The plot tells a ringmarole of a story about some estate in Corsica awaiting claimants. An heiress, a missing locket, a gigantic Adonis from the Bonaparte country, a waiter who informally admits himself to the bar—the bar where they mix witnesses, not drinks, of course—and a maid of little or no working ability, known as Tilly Day.

The principals are handsomely supported, very handsomely indeed. Then there are visiting alumnae at the Evanson Seminary—Evanston being near Chicago, whence the show just came. Evanston is certainly a jolly place; nothing like Madcliffe, for instance, where you never see winsome girls romping around in short dresses. And there are rah-rah boys from some college or other, and Corsicans of all sorts in bandit costume and sheath gowns straight from Paris. On a vote it might be found that the best thing in the show, outside the constant fantastic amusement furnished by the Mack-Vokes combination, is a duet with chorus in the first act, called "Life is a See-Saw," which, with its see-saw of fair damsels, its sweet music and its exceedingly pretty living pictures, may well be called a spectacular masterpiece.

In Gus Sohke the show has found a highly accomplished stage artist. Nor is the orchestral music slighted. In fact, it is a remarkably smooth and delightful performance throughout. Seats go on sale Monday morning.

Kathryn Osterman, in her own comedy, "The Night of the Play," was almost due to ring up the curtain in one of the Ohio towns during the early part of the season, but there was no sign of activity on the part of the orchestra. The customary signals were stolidly disregarded and the stage manager rushed out in front to interview the local manager. "We'll have to wait here," said the fluter player, and here set, and they can't play nothing without him."

"But why don't you send for him?" protested the stage manager. "No use," replied the local manager, placidly. "You see, he's our prosecuting attorney and the jury's out in a manslaughter case." The play began without any overture, but before the first act was over the jury brought in a verdict of acquittal. The prosecuting attorney made a belated appearance, but blew wrong notes the rest of the evening. When the show was over the male members of the prosecuting company serenaded the prosecuting attorney and sang, "The Lost Chord."

The return engagement here at the Grand, of the great comic opera triumph, "The Gay Musician," will be on Saturday, Jan. 9, for a matinee and evening performance. Not for many years has a company made so great an impression as has the one of Manager Slocum's combination for Christmas and New Year's week at His Majesty's Theatre in Montreal, and also

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## Other Dramatic Matter on Page 5

As a result of a small sized mutiny in the choir of All Saints' Church, Windsor, Dr. Charles F. Davies, formerly of Toronto, has quit as organist and choir leader.

An entertaining performance is given by the Gas Onlaw trio, foreign artists, who appear in a Parisian novelty. They are as much at home on the slack wire as on the ground, and do some wonderful work in mid air, supporting themselves with their teeth.

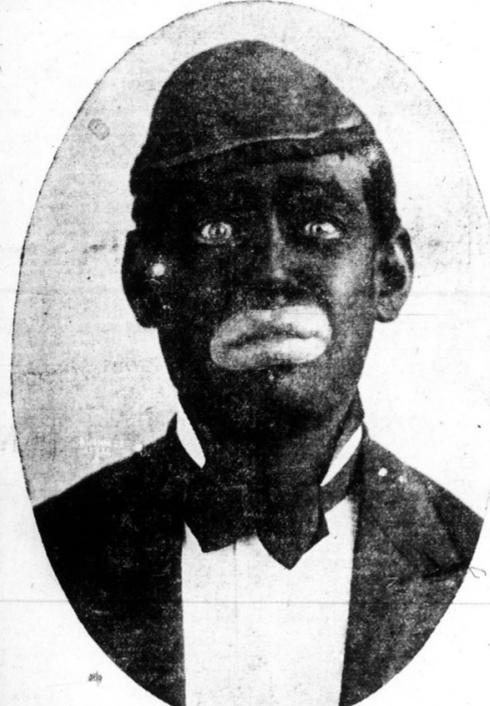
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BILL VAN, THE MINSTREL. He will be heard at Bennett's all next week.



MISS ELFRIDA LASCHE. Who will be seen in the leading role in "Du Barry" at the Savoy next week.

the words of J. M. Barrie, one's "little Mary" is in perfect order.

"On the stage, when the time for a laugh comes, and it generally does in the same spots, I can always tell if someone fails to laugh. And when I notice it, I say to myself, 'Poor man, his stomach is out of order.'"

"No, I am not leading up to an advertisement for some digestive tablet. But if you have that tight-band feeling about the head—that tingling of the temples—a sinking feeling now and then—I'll tell you what you need. You must see old Doc Merry at the Pharmacy of laughter. And, old what a hard time old Doc Merry has in keeping his bottles filled up, for it's a rare old compound, this laughter—hard to make.

"It's ingredients are not easy to mix—the thought, the expression of it in language, the speaking of it, the right emphasis, the turn of the eye, the expression of the face, the mouth. Oh! think you there is no science in the making of a laugh—laugh-makers, you



SHOW GIRLS IN A "KNIGHT FOR A DAY." The big musical show that will be presented at the Grand on Wednesday.



The great tenor, who is



# THE WORLD OF FASHION

Year in and year out, season after season, the conflict continues on the subject of the advisability of the short skirt or the long skirt for street wear. At one time all odds are in favor of the practical short skirt, in which one can go about with so much comfort at another a universal vote is obtained in favor of the long skirt, with its graceful and becoming lines, and in which it must be admitted by even the most violently opposed that a woman looks her best. But there are individuals of note, well learned in the arts and crafts of dress, who do not hesitate to say that, by little the sort skirt is gaining for itself so firm a place in the modern outfit that it will ere long be regarded as absolutely indispensable not only to comfort, but to style.

Country life has had a great deal to do with the popularity of the short skirt, for it has long since been conceded that a long skirt in the country is not only not practical, but, worse still, "bad style," and the woman who does not own a country place of her own and is merely a guest at house parties no longer finds it advisable to be inappropriately even if becomingly, governed in long, trailing skirts. Then it is fashionable to take some account of physical exercise every day. Walking is part of the fashionable routine, and women pay no end of attention to having their walking gowns smart and becoming. They have demanded of their dress-makers smart short skirts, and consequently this season even those dress-makers who have been loudest in their championship of the long skirts have found it imperative to bestow time and skill upon turning out the smartest and most original of costumes.

For the morning the simpler and more practical styles are the smartest, and while the braiding and trimming so popular this season are to be noticed - on even the plainest costumes, much more depends upon the perfection of cut and fit and the choice of material than upon any elaborate or ornate finish. Plain clothes, especially those in the lighter shades of color, are not considered nearly so smart or desirable as the rougher mixtures in the darker colorings. Serge and chevot of all kinds and design are very smart, and there is a great variety of choice in weave and patterns in both fabrics. There are many weaves of serge that are fashionable, while blue serge, generally relegated to summer wear, is in unusual demand for not only the skirt and coat costume, but the three-piece costume - coat, skirt and waist. Black braiding is considered smart with blue serge and all widths of braid are used, the narrowest soutache and also the inch wide fancy braid with glossy finish edged on either side with the narrow soutache. Many different effects are obtained by the use of these different widths of braid, and it is not at all necessary to use a lot of it in order to obtain good results. In fact, it is difficult to obtain a good effect with an elaborate design of soutache braiding on serge if the serge is of the larger weave or cord. The plain cloth of a lighter shade shows off the braiding far better, and is in consequence used on collars, cuffs, facings and waist-coat.

There would seem to be an uncertainty as to the smartest model for the short skirt. The sheath skirt is not under any circumstances possible, nor is the too scant skirt possible unless it is long. At the same time fashion has decreed that close fitting styles are to be worn, and every effort is made to follow the decree. A most serious problem it is, for to cut a scant skirt so that it will be becoming, not immodest and yet be fashionable requires skill; but the task is not an impossible one, and with the aid of a good skirt pattern it is wonderful what can be accomplished provided time and care be bestowed upon the problem. The marvellous improvement in the ready-made skirts this season is a proof of this, for in almost every place where ready-made costumes are for sale it is possible for any woman of average figure to purchase a smart, attractive and well-fitting skirt.

## Latest Paris Fashions, Practical Tailor-Made Costumes

times are for sale it is possible for any woman of average figure to purchase a smart, attractive and well-fitting skirt. The pleated skirts which attained such a high degree of popularity last summer are no longer the latest, but none the less among the best and smartest models must be counted many pleated skirts. They are easily on quite different lines from the round side pleated ones and are, indeed, in box pleats, quite large pleats there are clusters of pleats inserted at intervals, apparently to give softness below the hips and prevent the unbecoming "sinking in" that is a disagreeable and unbecoming feature of the too scant skirt.

The newest short skirts are a good length, not exaggeratedly short as was the fashion for a while last year, but short enough to clear the grid satisfactorily. It is astonishingly smart and becoming a short skirt so made if the plan, the length and width are properly carried out. But so often to clear the ground does mean so short as to show the feet, and on which many a carefully planned short skirt costume is wrecked in the model that is chosen to copy. The ideal for a long skirt is rarely, if ever possible, for a short one. The lines are quite different, and in nine cases out of ten an attempt to cut over a pair of light or short one means a dismal failure. A practical piece of economy is the two skirts for the same coat, for the costume is suitable for both morning and afternoon wear. In a clear velvet this is much more practical than in the rougher materials, such as serge and chevot, which are not smart afternoons.

Waistcoats are a great addition to the cloth costumes this winter. Wear with the elaborate reception on the embroidered or brocaded ones; most effective, while for the plain street gown the heavy ribbed silk or satin, or "crested" as it is called, is better. Single and double breasted styles are equally fashionable, although it must be admitted that there are more of the double than the single breasted type. Black is much worn, but it is popular to have a lighter shade in the lining of the gown and then to have a coat. A green and black striped waistcoat, with black satin waist and facings of collar and cuffs also satin, is a good example of this plan, while a blue serge, with heavy corded silk waistcoat of green and the coat lined with green, is an instance of color contrast that are in favor. Most fascinating contrast is seen in waistcoats of primrose color with a blue serge costume and with facings of linings of the primrose. Heavy silk cloth may be chosen.

Almost without exception the long coats are considered the smartest, in spite of there being among the smart models a few shorter ones to be noticed. The long three-quarter is for the moment the most popular and will, for some little time to come, as it is the most practical in winter, as well as best suited to the tailor made costume, under which heading are included all the sible short street gowns.

Loose backed coats are still the most fashionable, but as there are a great many women to whom the style is unbecoming there are now new lines being introduced to modify the manly effects. Oddly enough, it is this kind



A TAILORED SHIRTWAIST FOR MISSES AND SMALL WOMEN.

Not only for in cloth and silk may this design be developed, but linen, lawn or madras may also be used. The front shows the popular coat closing and is made with tab trimmed box plaits. The back has a box plait over the centre. The sleeve shows a new style with tucks from wrist to elbow and is finished with a narrow cuff.

slender figures that look the best in these apparently shapeless fashions; the woman who is at all stout may not look well in a too tight fitting and plain coat, but in a loose coat, if it be not most carefully fitted, gains the effect of many pounds in weight. The seams must have some curve at the side just below the sleeves, for if the coat hangs too full from the shoulders, or on the other hand, is too scant, the width across the hips and back is accentuated in a most trying manner. Braid and folds of satin are a godsend to the tailor who has to make for stout women for by their aid he can give the effect of long lines that the wearer of the coat certainly has not received from the hand of nature. The same thing applies to the strapped seams on coat and skirts, and it is interesting to notice how the placing of the braid, satin folds or strapped seams will give the effect of almost a slender figure when the same costume without such treatment would be most unbecoming.

-A. T. Ashmore, in New York Herald.

### HOUSEHOLD HELPS.

**How to Test the Oven for Heat Without a Thermometer.**  
Different cooks have different tests for oven heat. Here is a simple way, especially for a gas range, which usually heats quickly. Place a sheet of white paper on the bottom or rack, whichever you wish to use. If the oven is very hot, the paper becomes blackened, and it should be cooled by opening the lower door of a gas range, or by closing the draughts of a coal range. When the oven is fit for pies, the paper turns a light brown in five minutes, when it turns yellow in five minutes, it is ready for bread.

When you serve macaroni for luncheon, and if in a hurry, make a nice sauce of one-half a pound of sharp cheese, grated; one tablespoonful of flour, one-quarter of a teaspoonful of salt, one-fourth of a teaspoonful of mustard and one-half a pint of sweet milk; cook these two minutes, stirring constantly; add two cupfuls of boiled macaroni, stir and cook three minutes more, season lightly with salt and black pepper; serve in a hot dish, with buttered toast as an accompaniment.

The next time you serve cream cheese balls try rolling them in chopped black walnuts or a mixture of ground nut meats. (One may use the meat grinder.) Whole cloves make a good and handy remedy for mouscau and for travellers' headache; they are equally good for those dreaded troubles, sea sickness and indigestion. For either disturbance chew until there is absolutely nothing left of a white clove; repeat every hour until relieved.

When buying canned goods of any kind always look and see if either end is depressed. If the ends are bulged out reject the cans, as it is an indication that fermentation has set in, and the contents will be unfit for use.

If the sewing machine runs heavily, oil it with kerosene. Let it remain over night, wipe it off in the morning with a piece of old flannel; then oil it everywhere with bicycle oil. Give it a good rub with a fresh piece of old undergar and a final polish off with soft cheese-cloth.

Oven-broiled bacon is wholesome and delicious. To make it put slices on a rack in the oven, over the dripping pan. Cook under a moderate flame until a light brown; turn it frequently to prevent burning; serve as soon as possible.

Never drop greasy towels into hot soapuds; it sets the grease. Wash them in lukewarm soapy water first, then in very hot suds; rinse well, dry out of doors. Great attention should be paid to fish towels and dish cloths, but, strange to say, they receive very little usually.

Delightful and satisfying sandwiches can be made with a filling composed of equal quantities of almonds, raisins, dates or figs. Put these through the meat grinder; then reduce the mixture to a paste with unfermented grape

juice. Spread bread very lightly with butter or Neufchatel cheese, according to taste. Then with the other mixture serve the sandwiches on a pretty plate for luncheon or tea. In making sandwiches it is easier to cut the crust from a loaf of bread. Spread it, then cut the slices off as thin as possible, using a very sharp knife.

When stewing tough meat or poultry the add one tablespoonful of vinegar. It will save at least an hour's cooking.

Have a clean duster, and a place to keep it, in every room in the house; it will save you many steps.

A knuckle of veal makes a nice stew, but be sure to use boiling water to make it, and a large slice of onion, a generous amount of parsley, chopped fine and a teaspoonful of sugar to the gravy; it improves the flavor.

Should you meet with the distressing accident of shutting your finger in a door or window, plunge it quickly into the hottest water you can bear; change the water as it cools. Do this for at least half an hour; it affords great relief.

White silk discolors easily, so be sure your irons are not very hot when you iron your white silk waist. It should be ironed before becoming quite dry to have it look smooth; iron on both sides.



AN EFFECTIVE SHIRTWAIST DESIGN FOR MISSES AND SMALL WOMEN.

Stitching forms a desirable finish for this model, with it is arranged three box plaits over the shoulder and a single tuck on each side of the centre plait gives fullness to the waist and relieving the severity of the plaits. The back has a centre plait with a row of tucks at each side.

### THE BRIDE AND HER WEDDING.

Old Family Lace is Draped Without the Slightest Scissoring.

This season has been remarkable for the number of smart society weddings that have been solemnized. The wearing of heirloom lace upon the marriage robe is a prominent mode in matters sartorial, and the ingenuity of the dress-maker is exercised in order that the lace may be well displayed without suffering the sacrifice of cutting.

In one case last week a bride wore a magnificent skirt of Carrickmacross, most ingeniously draped on fichu upon the corsage with one end hanging in front and the other and longer end draping the train.

In one old English family the same wedding ring is used at the marriage of all its members, and is changed afterwards for an ordinary ring. The faithful adherence to this old custom is never allowed to lapse.

A long retinue of maids is chosen by the bride of to-day to follow her to the altar, and conspicuous among them are almost always one or two tiny girls, and very often a couple of boy train-bearers.

The bridesmaids of Lady Edith Campbell's wedding wore dresses of white cascade crepe embroidered with white floss silk. Net yokes and sleeves and pale blue sashes were added, and large lots of delicate blue satin wreathed with white chiffon roses entwining in dark autumn red leaves.

Whether to choose wreaths or hats for the bridesmaids is a matter of individual taste. The maids who followed Lady Dorothy Godolphin Osborne to the altar wore chaplets of green leaves, hunched at the sides with pink blossoms and blue ribbon, which hung in loops.

An extremely pretty effect is produced when the bridesmaids as well as the bride wear white robes, and the bridesmaids follow the example of the bride in decking their hair with chaplets of flowers or foliage. Veils are added in many cases.

With their green leaf wreaths the bridesmaids just mentioned wore white museline satin toilettes, and very picturesque capes of blue satin fastened on the shoulders with links of beaded satin, and edged with ball fringe. Their dresses were perfectly plain, and the sashes were belted with white satin sashes heavily fringed at the ends.

Very interesting as well as effective was the choice of a recent bride, whose name, Dorothea, inspired her to give her bridesmaids baskets filled with red roses and golden apples, in order to recall the legend of St. Dorothea and Theophilus, who was converted to Christianity by the appearance of a child from heaven, bearing from the married saint an offering of roses and apples. The trousseau made for Lady Dorothy Godolphin Osborne exhibited a number of embroidered with chenille to match and original and beautiful ideas. Of a truly charming grace, for instance, was the going-away dress of grey velours souple, furnished with a mousseline de soie and white mouseline de soie.

### Free Advice.

A traveller, passing through a mountain district in northern Pennsylvania last summer, came across a lad of sixteen cultivating a patch of miserable potatoes. He remarked upon their unpromising appearance, and expressed pity for any one who had to dig a living out of such soil.

"I don't need no pity," said the boy, resentfully. "The traveller hastened to soothe his wounded pride. But in an offended tone of one who had been misjudged, the boy added: 'I ain't as poor as you think. I'm only workin' here. I don't own 'this place.'—Everybody's Magazine.

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For a considerable proportion of town and country folks, says London Ladies' Field, the great winter amusement—especially in bad weather—is bridge, and bridge in the winter often starts at 3 o'clock, and among enthusiasts may end at any time between then and midnight, with, of course, intervals for the refreshment of the inner woman. Like everything else that women indulge in, it means an occasion for a distinctive frock. The fashions of the moment are particularly adaptable to unconventional social gatherings of this kind. For instance, the long, tight sleeves, with neither frills nor furbelows to interfere with the movements of the hands or objects on the table, are a distinct advantage at a bridge party. The blouse and skirt is one thing and the house or bridge frock is another. If we are distinctly fashionable we do not wear blouses and skirts unless they be of the same color, and this means, for all practical people, that our bodies must be very cool if it is to take the place of the crocheted and chiffon, delightfully comfortable, unlined creations we have been accustomed to for so long. The up-to-date gown boasts of hardly any lining, even in the sleeve; this makes for coolness and comfort under the fur coat, but it does not always serve the practical purposes of women on small dress allowances.

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"Do you believe in the literal idea of future punishment?" "Not for myself," answered Mr. Sirius Barker. "But I favor it for a lot of people I know."—Washington Star.



A PRETTY, PRACTICAL FROCK FOR MOTHER'S GIRLS.  
Of course frocks should always be neat and pretty and mothers also require that they should be practical, so if they express individuality, childishness and grace, they are sure to win favor. We have shown in the model here portrayed a pretty effect for checks, plaids or plain linen or cotton. A shallow yoke of contrast with a group of tucks at each side. The sleeves are of the bishop style.





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WARNING—Anyone voting more than once in the city for Mayor will be prosecuted and is liable to imprisonment.

LAST CALL—VOTE FOR MEN AND NOT SLATES, AND YOU WILL NOT REGRET IT.

TEA TABLE GOSSIP.

Mr. and Mrs. John Boyd, of Windsor, are visiting relatives in this city.

Fifteen skating numbers is the programme for the Alexandra roller rink to-night.

His Lordship the Bishop of Niagara will preach in the Church of the Ascension to-morrow evening.

There is good skating at the Thistle Rink. A band will be in attendance this afternoon and evening.

Mr. Francis Nelson, of the Toronto Globe, will referee the Loughboat-Dorando race at Buffalo to-night.

The regular monthly meeting of St. Elizabeth Chapter will be held in the Y. W. C. A. rooms on Monday at 3 p.m.

Kingsthorpe will reopen Tuesday morning, January 5th. The pupils of Mr. Tripp will resume lessons on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. J. Mooney and Miss Eva Mooney are spending the holidays with Mrs. Geo. Vanderlip, of Welland.

Geo. H. Milne has served the city well in the past and can do it again.

J. M. Peregrine should be re-elected in No. 3 Ward.

Miss Gypsy Whiteside, of Montreal, is visiting Miss Bell Wallace, John street south. Miss Whiteside will leave on Sunday for her home.

Ramsay Will, Orchard Hill, reported to the police this morning that thieves stole some picks and shovels from his farm and smashed two beehives.

Rev. H. H. Bingham and wife, of Paris, and Mr. Paul Williamson, of Stockton, Cal., spent New Year's at the Methodist parsonage, Emerald street.

The officers and organizers of the David Wolfson Lodge, of this city, had their photographs taken yesterday. A new board of officers will be elected to-morrow.

The regular practice of the Harmonic Society of Hamilton will be held in the Conservatory recital hall on Wednesday evening of next week, instead of Thursday evening.

The 21st anniversary of Concord Lodge 291, A. O. U. W., will be held in the Conservatory of Music Hall on Friday, January 8. First class programme. Tickets can be procured from recorder of lodge.

The Singer Sewing Machine Company, that has just removed to better quarters at 199 King street east, has issued a very handy calendar for 1909. The figures are large and can be seen at a distance.

Mr. G. McLaren Brown, son of Postmaster Adam Brown, has been promoted to be general passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Atlantic lines, with head office in London, England.

On Tuesday evening next, January 5, the officers and a large party of members of the Toronto Lodge of Perfection, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, will visit this city, and do the work at the meeting of Merton Lodge.

One of the finest calendars that ever came into the Times office is that of the Hamilton Bridge Works Company. It is an exceptionally large one, with a reproduction of the celebrated picture, "Congenial Friends," by W. V. Birney, A. R. A.

Lorenz Fisher, 185 Emerald street north, reported to the police this morning that his house was ransacked last evening, during his absence, and \$125 worth of jewelry stolen. On the front door step a parcel was lying, and on opening it the owner found three pairs of his wife's boots.

At the annual Methodist Sunday school rally held yesterday morning in the class of young men of Barton Street Methodist Church, marched into the building one hundred and twenty-five strong. This was one of the most imposing features of the occasion.

Through the agency of the Times columns the pitiable plight of the Shea family, on Bay street north, a few days ago was made public and since that time a ton of coal has been sent them by Michael Wolfe, proprietor of the Station Hotel, and a basket heavily laden with food has been sent by the kind ladies in the north end.

Interesting For Pipe Smokers.

You can have a comfortable smoke if you get a new pipe from the large stock at peace's pipe store. Make a selection now from the assortment as the headquarters, 107 King street E.

GOOD CITIZEN PASSED AWAY.

Head of Burrow, Stewart & Milne Firm is Dead.

The grim reaper has been very busy lately in the homes of prominent people in this city and yesterday afternoon, Mr. William Burrow, the well-known and highly respected manufacturer, passed away, after a few weeks' illness. He was 70 years of age, and during the 45 years of his residence in this city, was always to be found in all matters effecting the stove industry in this city. He was born in Devonshire, England, on February 11th, 1838, the son of Richard Burrow, civil engineer. His parents came to Canada in 1845 and located in Galt. At the age of sixteen he was apprenticed to learn the trade of iron moulder, and served his four years of apprenticeship. In 1859 he started out for himself and worked at iron moulding, first in Hamilton and afterwards in the United States. In 1864 he returned to Hamilton, and in company with Messrs. Stewart and Milne, the present firm of Burrow, Stewart & Milne was established. The business grew until now it is one of the foremost stove manufacturing concerns in Canada. In politics Mr. Burrow was a Conservative, but never sought or held any office. In religion he was a Methodist. Mr. Burrow was married in 1870 to Miss Marguerite Henderson, of this city, who survives him, together with a family of four daughters, Mrs. Brennan, Misses Helen, Effie and Ruby Burrow, and three sons, William, Edward W., and Horace L. Burrow. The funeral will take place on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock from his late residence, 115 Victoria avenue south.

The death occurred yesterday morning of Elizabeth Campbell at the City Hospital. Deceased was born in Ireland fifty-two years ago, and during her residence in this city had made many friends, who will sincerely regret her death. The funeral will take place on Sunday at 3 p. m. from the residence of her brother, Robert Campbell, 222 Main street west, and will be private.

The many friends of Miss Margaret Gillespie will regret her death, which occurred Thursday evening at her home, 138 Park street north. The funeral will take place on Sunday at 2:30 p. m. to St. Mary's Cathedral, thence to Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Requiem mass will be celebrated at the cathedral on Monday morning at 8 o'clock.

Many friends will be pained to hear of the death of John Dawson, which took place yesterday afternoon at the residence of his son-in-law, R. J. Crowe, 80 Poulton street. Deceased was born in Glasgow 59 years ago, and had lived in this city for the last 27 years. He was a night watchman at the T. H. & B. Mr. Dawson was a hard working man and good citizen. Death was due to apoplexy. Deceased leaves a widow, two sons and four daughters. The sons are Joseph and Arthur, city, and the daughters are Mrs. Thos. Stowe, Mrs. R. J. Crowe, Mrs. John Harris and Ethel, all of this city. The funeral takes place Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence of his son-in-law, R. J. Crowe, 80 Poulton street, to Hamilton Cemetery.

Robert Nelson Cronkite died at his home, 628 Barton street west, yesterday, after an illness of about six weeks, aged 46 years. He is survived by a widow, three small children, three brothers, Abraham, James A., and W. H. Cronkite, of this city, and five sisters, Mrs. James Dowe, Winton; Mrs. Frank Gonen, Trenton; Mrs. John Dufoe, Mrs. H. C. Adam and Mrs. Henry Cavier, of this city, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Cronkite. The funeral will take place on Sunday at 2 p. m.

Alex. Rose, who led in the sensational jail delivery at Toronto in July last, has been recaptured. He was arrested in the State of West Virginia, in Huntington. He is awaiting trial there for burglary, and was identified by a scar left by an operation for appendicitis. Rose will be brought back here by extradition proceedings.

The Australian Parliament has passed an act imposing a fine of £100 on the owners of every ship bringing in Asiatic passengers or stowaways.

Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths which are inserted in the Daily Times also appear in the Semi-weekly Times. 50c first insertion; 25c for each subsequent insertion.

DEATHS

BURROW—At his late residence, 115 Victoria avenue south, on Friday, 1st January, 1909, William Burrow, of The Burrow, Stewart, Milne Co., aged 70 years. Funeral Monday at 3 p. m. Interment at Hamilton Cemetery.

CAMPBELL—On Friday, 1st January, 1909, Elizabeth Campbell, aged 52 years. Funeral from the residence of her brother, Robert Campbell, 222 Main street west, Sunday at 3 p. m. Private.

ATKINSON—At Coldwater, Ont., on Thursday, Dec. 31st, 1908, William James Atkinson, district agent of Singer Mfg. Co. for Barrie, aged 38 years. Funeral private from the residence of his father-in-law, Thomas Dawes, 21 Oxford street, on Sunday at 4 p. m. to Hamilton Cemetery.

CRONKITE—At his late residence, 628 Barton street west, on Friday, Jan. 1st, 1909, Robert Nelson Cronkite, in his 47th year. Funeral will leave his late residence on Sunday at 1:30 p. m. Services at the Goodwill Tabernacle at 2 o'clock, thence to Hamilton Cemetery. Friends will please accept this intimation. Crossfield, Alta., papers please copy.

GILLESPIE—In this city on Thursday, Dec. 31st, 1908, Margaret Gillespie. Funeral will leave her late residence, 138 Park street north, on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 to St. Mary's Cathedral. Interment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Private. High Mass will be celebrated Monday at 8 a. m. for repose of soul.

STAPLES—On Friday, January 1st, 1909, Jennie Cope, wife of Wm. Staples, aged 48 years. Funeral on Sunday at 1 p. m. from her late residence, at Grimby, to Queenshawn Cemetery, Grimby, for interment.

BAILEY FOR MAYOR Mass Meeting TO-NIGHT

7:30—Ward workers in their ward headquarters.

8:30—General meeting of ward workers and friends of the Conservative Mayorality and Aldermanic candidates at Conservative Club Rooms.

James street north. Speeches by the candidates and Everybody welcome.

THE WEATHER.

FORECASTS—Fresh westerly and southwesterly winds, fair, not much change in temperature. Sunday, mostly fair, but some local snow flurries.

WEATHER NOTES. Light snow falls have occurred during yesterday and last night in the Georgian Bay district, but elsewhere in Canada the weather has continued generally fair. The cold wave has now reached the Maritime Provinces.

Washington, Jan. 2. Eastern States and Northern New York—Fair to-night and Sunday except possibly snow flurries near the north portion, slowing rising temperature; moderate to fresh south winds.

Western New York—Partly cloudy to-night and Sunday with snow flurries near the lakes, slowly rising temperature; fresh south to southwest winds.

Following is the temperature as registered at Parke & Parke's drug store: 9 a. m., 25; 11 a. m., 32; lowest in 24 hours, 15; highest in 24 hours, 32.

JOSEPH TRACEY KILLED. Word has been received here of the death of Joseph Tracey, formerly of this city, in Buffalo. He was run down and killed by a switch engine in the West Seneca yards. The deceased was 48 years of age, and was an engineer on the Wash Railway. Thomas Tracey, 17 Ferrie street west, a brother of deceased, was notified by wire.

Seven cases of smallpox have been discovered at St. Thomas.

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Note These Facts. If the hundreds of men who have worked for and done business with Ald. W. G. Bailey during the past 23 years could have their way, he would be Mayor of Hamilton by acclamation on Monday. Why? Because Bailey is a "white" man with a reputation for square dealing wherever and with whoever he has done business. WHAT ALD. BAILEY STANDS FOR. The breaking of monopolies that work injury to the citizens. Competition in electric power by the introduction of Hydro-electric power into Hamilton. Strict enforcement of all corporation agreements with the city. Cheaper electric light for private users. Cheaper power for small power users. More radial electric roads. Fair distribution of roadway and other public improvements in the outlying districts of the city. Heads of civic departments to be held responsible for what happens in their departments. Better street railway service. The day labor system. Highest current wages to all employes on public works. Prompt and complete consideration of the requests of any and all citizens. The management of the city's affairs generally for and in the best interests of all the citizens all the time. For four years as an alderman W. G. Bailey has served the citizens without regard to color, creed or political leaning honestly, conscientiously and capably. He promises similar service as Mayor, and will give the business of the citizens his whole time and attention, having retired from active business. Mark your ballot for the "Square Deal" Candidate on Monday BAILEY FOR MAYOR

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Thistle Rink. SKATING TO-DAY BAND. AFTERNOON AND EVENING.

ST. ANN'S FAIR CLOSES TO-NIGHT. Cor. Barton St. and Sherman Ave. Auction Sale of articles by Auctioneer Smith. Mayorality contest between candidates Bailey and McLaren closes. Vote last night stood Bailey 80; McLaren, 0.

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LONGBOAT--DORANDO RACE. \$1.80 To BUFFALO T. H. & B. and Return. T. H. & B. special train, leaving Hamilton 4:15 p. m., Jan. 2nd, returning leaves Buffalo 11:35 p. m., and regular trains two following days.

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Hear Hon. S. C. Briggs. In Association Hall, Sunday, 4 p. m. Barton Street Methodist Church, 8 p. m.

A LECTURE. Will Be Given in the Christadelphian Hall. Over Traders Bank, King street west, on Sunday, 7 p. m., on the subject, "The Millennium, God's Plan of Redempting the World's Evils," by J. Parkin, of Hespeler.

NOTICE. The Citizens' Campaign Committee request all persons willing to volunteer carriages on Election Day to communicate with C. L. SMITH, 65 James St. S.