

HUNGARIAN HOUSE SCENE OF UPROAR

All Previous Violent Gatherings Overshadowed.

DESKS AND TABLES WRECKED

Guards Driven Out of the Chamber—Sittings of the House Had To Be Postponed.

Budapest, Hungary, Dec. 12.—Violence has been the scenes at past sessions of the Hungarian Parliament, they have been entirely overshadowed by the wreckage effected by members of the Opposition party this morning at their successful efforts to prevent the opening of Parliament. A quarter of an hour before the time appointed for the commencement of business the Opposition mustered in full strength. Not one of the Government's supporters had arrived, and the Opposition had the House to themselves with the exception of the personal guard of 40 men provided for the protection of the president of the House.

The presence of these guards, who occupied the approaches to the parliamentary platform, seemed to inflame the Opposition deputies, who shouted opprobrious terms at the "Hungarian" who could perform such shameful service.

The deputies then approached the platform and a scuffle with the guards ensued. The deputies fought their way to the platform, tore it to pieces, scattered the debris over the House, tore to atoms the codes of law occupying the president's tables, smashed the tables and chairs, and destroyed the platform and distributed the broken pieces among the deputies who, thus armed, attacked the guards, and after a brief fight drove them from the House.

The desks were then torn down and the interior of the House was practically completely wrecked. None of the Liberal members ventured inside the House, and the Opposition members after completing the ruin, established themselves on the site which was occupied by the presidential rostrum.

The Liberals have been summoned to a conference to decide on their course of action.

At the Liberal meeting Premier Tisza announced that he intended to ask the public protection of the House, and that he intended to initiate proceedings against the leaders of the Opposition, and added that in the event of further riotous proceedings of such a nature as those of today he would dissolve Parliament.

Later it was announced that the sittings of both Houses of Parliament arranged for today had been postponed until tomorrow.

The members of the Opposition party then left the House under the escort of the Count Apponyi, the leader of the Opposition, and Francis Kossuth.

A Mine Disaster. Salt Lake, Utah, Dec. 12.—Two men have been killed and three injured as the result of a cave-in at the Highland Boy mine near Bingham, a mining camp.

Bad Storm at Cape Cod. Woodshole, Mass., Dec. 12.—The snowstorm which began yesterday, seriously impeding trolley traffic and steam railroad business during the night, raged this morning with apparently unabated strength. Up to 3 o'clock eleven inches of snow had fallen in this city.

On all the lines of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, in the southern part of Connecticut, the morning trains were all behind schedule, in some instances 24 hours late. In all parts of the state, traffic conditions were similarly affected by the storm.

Church Income Drops \$20,000. New York, Dec. 12.—The income of St. Bartholomew's parish, Forty-fourth street and Madison avenue, was \$204,612 last year, or about \$20,000 under the usual sum, but the church is still financially the strongest in America. The pew rents amount to \$55,883, the largest sum paid for the rentals of the pews of any church in this country. Of the \$204,612 there was spent last year within the parish, chiefly at the parish house in Forty-second street, \$176,737, and \$25,000 was given to outside not tone ago, numbered more than 54,000 last year. There are in the parish 1,732 communicants, making St. Bartholomew's the largest Episcopal parish in New York, except Trinity and St. George's.

FATAL EXPLOSION AT NIAGARA FALLS

One Man Blown to Pieces and Eight Injured—Worked for Toronto Power Co.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 12.—At 1 p.m. a serious explosion of dynamite occurred at the Toronto Power Company's construction on the Douglass contract, near Parker's river power-house, blowing one man to pieces, and more or less injuring eight others, some seriously. One of the injured men is Patrick Mullin, of this town. Several of the others are colored men and Polish laborers. The man blown to pieces was the one handling the dynamite. A full box of dynamite exploded. The cause is unknown.

SCARCITY OF MEN AT PORT ARTHUR

Evidenced by the Delay in Burying Their Dead.

THE WAR BUDGET OF JAPAN

Heavier War Tax, But a Lighter Tax Levied on Land—Abuse of the Red Cross.

London, Dec. 12.—A dispatch from Tokio to the Daily Mail says: "An officer who has returned from the army before Port Arthur says the delay observed in Russian preparations for gathering the dead during the armistice showed a scarcity of available men in the garrison."

Lisbon, Dec. 12.—Twenty-one vessels of the Russian second Pacific squadron have arrived at Mossamedes, Portuguese West Africa, bound eastward.

Jap War Budget. London, Dec. 12.—The Times' correspondent in Tokio says: The political parties endorse the Government's scheme to increase war taxes, but to reduce the land tax by 14,500,000 yen (about \$7,250,000), making additions of 4,500,000 (\$2,250,000) in other districts. The net diminution is only 10,000,000 yen (\$5,000,000), which doubtless will be obtained by loans.

Russian Vessels. A dispatch from Port Arthur says that the Sevastopol, which is lying outside the harbor, is apparently adopting defensive measures, and, therefore, a naval attack is impossible, pending the discovery of the nature of the Russian precautions and the condition covering the forts.

The Times' correspondent at Tokio says: "The naval staff report that it is needless to continue firing on the four battleships, two cruisers, one gunboat, one torpedo boat, and the depot ship lying in the harbor, as all of them are completely incapacitated."

MUST REMAIN IN JAIL

Mrs. Chadwick's Lawyer Gives Up Effort to Secure Bail.

New York, Dec. 12.—Lawyer Edmund Powers announced today that all intention of securing bail for Mrs. Chadwick had been abandoned in view of yesterday's indictments in Ohio.

ANNOUNCEMENT WAS A SURPRISE

How News of Dissolution Was Received—Effect on the North Grey Petition.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, Ont., Dec. 12.—The announcement of the dissolution of the Ontario House came as a positive surprise to those who were supposed to be well posted as to what was going on. One unavoidable result of the dissolution doubtless will be the termination of the trial of the North Grey petition against Hon. A. G. MacKay, the law officer of the province, which was to take place tomorrow or the writs for the bye-election issued on Thursday.

There will be much news in the Legislature when it next meets. Already twelve Liberals who were members of the last Legislature have withdrawn from the fight, and in at least two-thirds of the Tory constituencies the Liberals have put new candidates in the field.

It is said on good authority that the candidates as a whole are much stronger men than those who previously ran in the Liberal interests.

A meeting of the executive of the Ontario Alliance has been called for Friday and it may have an important political significance.

OXFORD VS. CAMBRIDGE

Cams. Defeated Oxoniens at Rugby—Score, 3 Goals to 2.

London, Dec. 12.—The thirty-second football match between Oxford and Cambridge, under Rugby rules, took place at the Queen's Club, Cambridge, won by 3 goals to 2.

PROSPERITY EVERYWHERE

Elder Evans Saw Evidence of It on a Recent Trip

Elder R. C. Evans, of the Latter Day Saints Church, has returned from a recent tour through Manitoba and Assiniboia. Elder Evans had a most successful tour in the interests of the church, and reports that every day his followers are being taken into the membership. He saw on all sides indications of prosperity. Although the crop this year was a fair one, the farmers are not disgruntled, nor financially embarrassed. Men in the Northwest have as a rule prospered greatly, and Mr. Evans had had many cases in view of where neighbors, by dint of hard work, had made great profits from incredibly small beginnings.

Many men were living in sod houses in the Northwest, and had very few luxuries. Happiness and prosperity were striking features of the country everywhere.

Elder Evans will be in the city until after Christmas.

The Date Has Been Fixed For Provincial Elections

Nominations to Take Place on January 18—Polling on the 25th.

Toronto, Dec. 12.—An announcement has been made of the date for holding the Ontario general elections. Nominations will be held on the 18th of January and polling a week later—Jan. 25.

Toronto, Dec. 12.—His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor yesterday assented to dissolution of the Legislature, and signed the necessary papers. The election for the new House will take place on Jan. 25.

Owing to the legislation at the last session, writs for bye-elections were to issue within three months from the date at which any seat was vacated for any cause. North Perth was vacated on Sept. 6, and the time for the issue of the writ expired Dec. 6, although the notice to the clerk of the Legislative Assembly was not received until Sept. 15. On the vacation of a seat the writ provides that the writ should, after the specified limitations, issue forthwith. There was some difference of opinion as to whether the writ should

Ideal Day for Reception of Lord Grey at Capital

The Governor-General Given a Hearty Welcome—A Great Crowd Present.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 12.—Earl Grey, Canada's new Governor-General, General, Countess Grey and party got a hearty welcome upon arriving at the capital today. It was ideal weather, in fact, a typical Canadian winter day. The special train from Halifax reached here precisely at 11 o'clock. Some five hours before from Coteau Junction and Ottawa, a distance of 75 miles, so as not to arrive before the appointed hour.

On the special train were Hon. William Patterson, Hon. L. H. Brodeur, Justices Sedgewick and Killam and several others.

A large crowd assembled at the depot here to receive their excellencies. Among these present were Sir Richard Cartwright, Hon. R. W. Scott, the mayor and aldermen of Ottawa, and the headmaster of the militia staff, as well as the leading citizens.

Earl Grey was received by Sir Richard Cartwright and Hon. R. W. Scott. They were met by a detachment of the Governor-General's Foot Guards, and as soon as his excellency stepped from the car, the band of the regiment played the "God Save the King," and a detachment of the Ottawa Field Battery fired a salute of 19 guns. The Princess Louise Dragoon Guards furnished a mounted escort, which accompanied the vice-regal party to Rideau Hall.

Lady Evelyn and Lady Sybil occupied the first carriage, with Captain Newton. Then followed Earl and Lady Grey and Col. Hanbury Williams. They were cheered as they drove along the street to the Government House, the railway station was decorated with flags. In the afternoon the mayor and city council will go to Rideau Hall and present Earl Grey with an address of welcome.

Mr. Cartwright, the Liberal whip, is here today, and is expected to resign his seat in the House of Commons. A large and noisy Conservative whip, with a view to arranging the seats for the new members in the House of Commons.

MADE WEALTH OUT OF WATER

History of Amalgamated Copper as Told by Mr. Thomas Lawson.

New York, Dec. 12.—The history of amalgamated copper as detailed by T. M. Lawson is another repetition of the marvelous method of manufacturing exchangeable wealth out of water. The original outlay for the copper properties controlled by the Amalgamated Company as stated by Lawson was \$28,000,000. The company was formed by what is known as a branch of the Standard Oil crowd, consisting of Henry H. Rogers, William Rockefeller, and James Stillman, of the National City Bank, and was capitalized at \$75,000,000.

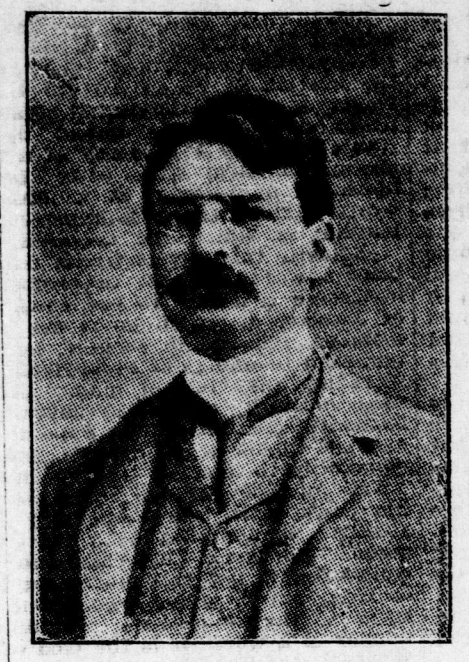
The stock was first offered for public subscription at par on May 4, 1899, and the total applications were stated to have amounted to \$412,000,000. After the flotation it is charged by Mr. Lawson that the market was rigged by the original promoters, and most of the issue received in 1901, which had been paid off on the public at 100. In June, 1901, the authorized stock was increased to \$125,000,000 to acquire the Boleo and the Copper Mines of Butte and Boston companies. The record of the stock exchange shows the price of the stock to have been as high as 100 in 1901, and as low as 60 in 1902. No report or statement of the company's earnings has ever been made public, and the only evidence of prosperity or depression has come in the form of increased or decreased dividends.

In 1900 the company paid 8 per cent, and this rate was continued till October, 1901, when this rate was reduced to 1 1/2 per cent for the quarter. In January, 1902, the rate was further cut to 1 per cent per quarter, while again in May the return was dropped to 1/2 of one per cent a quarter. During the long slump in Wall street stocks in 1902-3 Amalgamated gradually dropped until it reached 37. From this point the price has gradually recovered until a week ago it had reached 82 1/2.

Recently much rumor has taken place of a possible increase in the dividend rate owing to the appreciation in the value of the output, copper metal having advanced from around 11c a pound last year to the current price of 15c a pound. The company was recently stated to have gone behind on its finances to the extent of \$3,000,000, which was loaned by the directors. On Saturday it was announced that a dividend of \$50 a share had been declared by the Boston and Montana Mining Company (one of the subsidiary concerns) of the amalgamated copper company, and as this amounted to over \$7,000,000 it was surmised that this payment would be utilized to pay off the floating debt to the directors.

Lord Curzon on Duty. Calcutta, Dec. 12.—Lord Curzon resumed office this morning as Viceroy of India. There was a brilliant gathering in the council chamber to witness the ceremony.

LIBERAL CANDIDATE IN WEST LAMBTON



Mr. F. F. Pardee, of Sarnia, a former member who has been renominated for the Legislature.

BATTLE AT A CATHEDRAL

Procession of 6,000 Women in Conflict With a Political Turnout.

Madrid, Dec. 12.—During the feast of the Virgin at Valencia, a procession of 6,000 women bearing lighted tapers to the cathedral came in conflict with a Republican demonstration, and a general fight ensued. Gendarmes fired several rounds from their carbines in to the mob. Many persons, including women, were wounded.

A SERIOUS FIRE IN WINNIPEG

Large Hardware Establishment in Flames—Fire in Wyoming.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 12.—MacDonald & Fleming's hardware establishment on Main street, is burning. The fire, which started in the basement, spread rapidly, and apparently has the flames confined to the one establishment, which is badly gutted. The loss will amount to fully \$100,000 dollars. Insurance, J. H. MacLean's music store, next door to the burning building, also suffered to some extent from smoke and water.

FIRE AT WYOMING. Wyoming, Ont., Dec. 12.—The barn of the Commercial Hotel, owned by Duggan & Dempsey, was totally destroyed by fire last night. Loss about \$1,000, partly covered by insurance.

TOOK HIS SEAT IN DEATH CHAIR

Italian Charged With Murder Electrocuted at the Auburn Prison.

Auburn, N. Y., Dec. 13.—Nelson Boggiano, an Italian, who came here from Buffalo, walked to the chair of death in Auburn Prison at 6:20 this morning and met his fate unflinchingly.

Boggiano was 23 years of age when he committed the crime that cost him his life. It was on the afternoon of June 29, 1903, in Buffalo. He had become infatuated with the wife of a neighbor, Henry Bender, and was determined to get rid of the husband. While his victim slept he crept into his room, threw a lighted candle into him, then dragging him from the bed to a sink in the kitchen, over which he held his head, while he slashed the throat with a razor, and he had nearly decapitated his victim.

Bender fled to death, and as his wife came upon the scene from the yard, where she had been hanging out clothes, gave the alarm and Boggiano was arrested red-handed. He did not make any resistance, was convicted and was sentenced Oct. 5, 1903, to die the following month. An appeal to the court of appeals failed of a new trial, but delayed death for a year.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Fair and Cold. London, Tuesday, Dec. 12. Sun rises, 7:42 a.m. Moon rises, 12:00 m. Sun sets, 4:41 p.m. Moon sets, 11:23 p.m. Toronto, Dec. 12-8 p.m. Light snowfalls have occurred today in Western Ontario, while elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fair. The temperatures continue low from Manitoba to the Maritime Provinces, and are unseasonably high in the Territories. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 44-48; Kamloops, 32-36; Calgary, 26-36; Winnipeg, 24 below-2 below; Port Arthur, zero-8; Parry Sound, 2-14; Quebec, 16-24; Montreal, 2-8; St. John, 2-16; Yarmouth, 14-24.

FORECASTS. Tuesday, Dec. 13-8 a.m. Today—Fresh northwesterly winds; Wednesday—Continued fair and cold. TEMPERATURES. Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather. Winnipeg..... 12..... 35..... Clear. Parry Sound..... 4..... 6..... Clear. Port Arthur..... 0..... 8..... Fair. Toronto..... 2..... 10..... Fair. Montreal..... 0..... 6..... Clear. Quebec..... 2..... 8..... Clear. Yarmouth..... 8..... 22..... Cloudy. Father Point..... 2..... 10..... Cloudy.

The sign indicates below zero. The weather continues very cold from Manitoba to the Maritime Provinces, and comparatively mild in the far west. Zero temperatures were prevalent this morning in Northern Ontario and in Quebec. LOCAL TEMPERATURES. The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Monday were: Highest, 24°; lowest, 15.5°.

WRECKED IN A GALE

Steamer Driven Ashore on Scottish Coast—Two Lives Lost.

Glasgow, Scotland, Dec. 12.—A small steamer was driven ashore in a gale this morning near the mouth of the Spey. The whole crew, numbering ten, were drowned.

Vineyard Haven, Mass., Dec. 12.—A three-masted schooner, lumber laden, went ashore during the night on Squash Meadow shoal off this port, and is believed to be in a dangerous condition. A high wind and a tremendous sea prevented tugs from venturing out.

ALL A MISTAKE

Story of Displacing the Dology at Chicago University Denied.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—The statement that the Dology had been displaced at the University of Chicago and that instead of "Old Hundred," "Alma Mater" would be sung at the close of the junior college chapel service was a mistake.

The Dology was never sung at the close of the service, but at the beginning, where it continues to be sung.

The "Alma Mater," which has been substituted for a concluding hymn, has itself the characteristics of a hymn, dignity and elevation of sentiment. But it does not displace the Dology or impair the religious tone of the exercise.

WANTS RECIPROCAL TARIFF

San Francisco, Dec. 12.—J. H. Wilberford, a member of the New Zealand Parliament, has arrived here. He is on his way to Washington, where he hopes to interest the officials of the state in a plan for a reciprocal tariff between the United States and the Australian colonies.

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH THE MOON?

Berkeley, California, Dec. 12.—The discovery of a great crack or rift in the face of the moon, which extends lengthwise through the Valley of the Alps for a distance of 80 miles, is one of the facts announced in the latest bulletin issued from the Lick Observatory. The rift on the moon was discovered by Assistant Astronomer J. D. Perrine with the 36-inch telescope. The rift is in the nature of a crack in the moon's crust, or of a dry river bed, only a few hundred feet in width, and some 80 miles in length, extending through the center of the valley. It can be seen only under good atmospheric conditions when the sun is shining upon it at the proper angle.

His Wife's Swindling Was All News to Dr. Chadwick

Revelations Came as a Horrible Shock to Himself and His Daughter.

Paris, Dec. 12.—Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick, of Cleveland, O., Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick's husband, was interviewed by the New York World correspondent at his hotel here.

Dr. Chadwick, who seemed to be under great nervous tension, said positively that he knew and has known nothing of his wife's "alleged business transactions" and that the revelations concerning them and her having "all come as a horrible shock to him."

Dr. Chadwick declared that, so far as he knew, Mrs. Chadwick does not know Andrew Carnegie, the ironmaster, and has never even met him.

Nevertheless the doctor resented the comparison of his wife's transactions with those of Mrs. Humbert, and said he believed Mrs. Chadwick simply negotiated paper she thought was good. The World's correspondent declared the hotel where Dr. Chadwick and his child, by his first wife, are stopping. He called up the doctor on the telephone and asked him to grant an interview.

"Come to see me," Dr. Chadwick answered over the wire. "But how will I know you?" Then he added, in a weak, nervous voice, "I will carry a white handkerchief in my right hand, and you do likewise."

Dr. Chadwick said he would seal himself outside the door of the billiard-room of his hotel as a certain hour.

The correspondent found a round-looking man, seemingly not more than 35 years old, sitting in the place appointed. So youthful was his appearance that his visitor would not have suspected he was Dr. Chadwick, had not he held a white handkerchief in his right hand. Mutual self-introductions followed.

"Whatever you do," the doctor began, "do not mention the name of this hotel in your dispatches, for I shall be sure to see all other newspaper correspondents."

Dr. Chadwick's voice trembled, and as he continued he regretted nothing of his composure.

"Do you leave America because you knew the transactions charged against your wife were about to be ventilated?"

"No, I had no slightest intuition that my wife had any such business connections," replied Dr. Chadwick. "All these accusations, such as a horrible shock. But after all, I knew only what I read in the newspapers."

THE BEARS RULE IN WALL STREET

Amalgamated Copper Received Some Support.

OTHERS ARE ON THE TOBOGGAN

Suspension of a Consolidated Stock Exchange Member—Boston Feels the Pressure.

New York, Dec. 12.—It is no exaggeration to say that Wall street began the day with more anxiety than it has shown since the May panic of 1901. Reasons for this feeling were plenty, chief among them being the absolute collapse of market at yesterday's close, revealing weak spots in unlooked for places. A great majority of the brokerage houses had their clerical forces at work till late last evening examining accounts, issuing imperative calls to customers for more margin.

Many stock exchange members arrived at their offices much earlier than usual to prepare for the day and to get a line on the London market. That center offered but slight encouragement. No Americans showed general recovery from the opening demoralization there. Almost every conceivable sort of rumor was in the air this morning, and the names of individuals and firms who are commonly supposed to have suffered by the break were freely or privately mentioned.

The gallery of the stock exchange held many onlookers this morning. On the floor the greatest crowds were again around the Amalgamated Copper and United States Steel trading posts, where brokers fairly mauled one another in their efforts to execute orders.

Before the end of the first half hour the tape was at least ten minutes behind the market. The delayed quotations on the tape recorded some further disastrous losses. Amalgamated Copper three points over last night. Southern Pacific, Colorado Fuel and International Paper, all advanced a point over last night, and fractional gains were established in United States Steel, B. and O., Union Pacific, Pennsylvania, Northern, Western, Ontario and Western, Atchafon, R. I. and Kansas and Texas Preferred. Recoveries were complete, or practically so, in Illinois Central, Southern Railway and People's Gas.

Elsewhere there were violent rallies from the low point. The break extended to 3 points in Allis-Chalmers Preferred, 7 in Pullman, 3 1/2 in Delaware and Hudson, 3 1/4 in Tennessee Coal, 4 in Great Northern Preferred, 2 and 2 1/2 in Rock Island Central or New Jersey, Erie second preferred, Louisville and Nashville, and Minneapolis, St. Paul and Northern Pacific. The trading was extremely feverish for a time on the rally, but the market settled down into a quieter tone before 11 o'clock.

The suspension of S. J. Callahan, of the Consolidated Stock Exchange, is announced. Mr. Callahan is reported to be a small trader in the New York and Boston markets.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 12.—The Boston stock market at the opening today showed weakness, copper running off immediately from 2 to 3 points from last night's closing. Trading was very active and feverish, but a determined attempt on the part of the bulls to check the bearishness quickly became manifest, and the market steadied perceptibly all around.

NEWFOUNDLAND'S TREATY A BOON

The Governor's Message to King Edward—A Gold Medal for Prize Fruit.

London, Dec. 12.—The Governor of Newfoundland cabled Colonial Secretary Lyttelton expressing acknowledgment to the King for the great boon conferred by the Anglo-French treaty, and Mr. Lyttelton suitably replied.

Miss Brooke Hunt, who has just returned from Canada, speaking of "Canada and Tariff Reform," said tariff reform did not come into the recent elections, but was only mentioned in terms expressing the readiness of the country to receive it. Canada deprecated this dragging over dead reform going on in Great Britain as not representing Canada's feeling, which was a sentimental one. Canada is now waiting an answer to her proposal and could not press the matter till a reply from Great Britain was received.

Prize Fruit. A gold medal was awarded to the British Columbia exhibit of apples and pears at the Royal Horticultural Society. This is the second time for similar distinction this year won by the Dominion of Canada. No Scotch exhibitor has won a gold medal.

C. T. R. Meeting. A special meeting of the G. T. R. is to be held Dec. 21 for the purpose of sanctioning and confirming a resolution passed by the directors, agreeing to a guarantee of principal and interest of an issue not exceeding \$7,500,000 50-year 4 per cent gold bonds proposed to be created by the G. T. R. in charge upon the Lake Superior branch.

Ireland and the Navy. The Freeman's Journal thus comments on imperial defense: "Ireland proportionately contributes more to the army and navy, though it has no sympathy or interest in the policy which keeps these forces up to their bloated cost. The colonies, on the other hand, are more plucky, apparently, than the most blatant class of home-grown jingoes."

Owed Thousands in Brussels. Brussels, Belgium, Dec. 12.—In a futile search in this city for Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick, the Etolie Beige asserts that it has discovered that his wife left a debt in Brussels, notably \$18,000 due to a jeweler, and \$12,000 owing to a lace merchant. Mrs. Chadwick while in Brussels lived expensively, her hotel bill alone amounting to \$30 per day.

STRONGEST FLEET FOR HOME WATERS

Significant Changes Being Introduced Into the British Naval Organization.

London, Dec. 11.—Naval changes are being quickly introduced under the new rule of Sir John Fisher, the first sea lord. Hitherto every new battleship, on hoisting a pennant for the first time, has been hurried to the Mediterranean and older ships have been recalled. For more than a decade the Mediterranean has been Britain's newest as well as largest fleet. Now the policy is to be changed, the center of tactical control is to be brought nearer to English shores. The home fleet will hold the premier position, and it is anticipated that the channel fleet shall be the most formidable force afloat. A sign of this development, and that when Rear Admiral May takes over the command of the channel fleet from Lord Charles Hareford at the new year, the magnificent new battleship King Edward VII. will be his flagship. Until a few weeks ago it was understood that the King Edward VII. was to go to the Mediterranean. This ship and the successors of her class which are to be constructed will constitute the channel fleet of the future.

The remarkable efficiency of the King Edward is not generally known. All that has been divulged about the recent horse-power trials was that they were satisfactory, which was understood to mean that the contract speed of 18.5 knots had been fulfilled. As a matter of fact, the battleship achieved a more notable performance. For more than five hours she maintained 19.9 knots an hour, while at one period of the run the log registered 25 knots. The mean average of 8 hours was 19.5 knots. The King Edward VII. is therefore a full knot faster than contract speed. The admiralty considers they now possess probably the fastest battleship in the world.

The admiralty has issued a circular to all naval commanders explaining Lord Selbourne's scheme, which is to be effective on Jan. 1, and detailing the organization of warships of the reserve. Each ship on the war line not in commission at sea will be kept commissioned in the reserve, and have a nucleus crew comprising all the important officers and two-fifths of the crew, including all experts in torpedo and gunnery ratings. The reserve ships will be distributed between three home ports, and each will be held for surplus crews in barracks to enable six battleships of first-class cruisers to be fully commissioned on emergency without dislocating the general mobilization arrangement.

THIRTEEN HOURS PRAYER

Strange Manifestations at Religious Revival in Wales.

London, Dec. 12.—The religious revival in Wales is producing strange manifestations. Finding that prolonged prayer meetings do not agree with their business, men are giving up their occupations and women are neglecting their household duties.

One of the leaders in the district of Rhos, near Ruabon, got so exuberant at a meeting that it took six strong men to pacify him. He insisted that a spirit had him crown Christ.

Prayer meetings have lasted as long as thirteen hours without intervals for meals or refreshments, and frequently three men commence praying simultaneously. To the utter bewilderment of a congregation once deacon proceeding to read a certain portion of the Scripture forgot the place, and was so carried away by his feelings that he started singing a Welsh congregational hymn, all joining heartily.

At Penrhos, South Wales, people are so stirred by the Evan Roberts' crusade that they stay in the streets singing hymns till 5 in the morning. Converts number scores daily.

Deadlock in Austrian House

Vienna, Dec. 10.—Another parliamentary deadlock has arisen through the German Radicals joining the Czechs and Southern Slavs in opposing the Government's scheme to obtain parliamentary consent to a loan of \$14,000,000 for treasury purposes. The budget committee has rejected the scheme and the Premier has to promulgate the Reichsrath.

The cabinet may resign. Premier von Koerber is expected to do so in any event.

TO LOOSEN THE COUGH

And Bring About a Thorough Cure of Colds, Use

**DR. CHASE'S
SYRUP of LINSEED
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It is sometimes dangerous to stop a cough.

The aim should be to loosen the cough, relieve the tightness and pain in the chest, and aid expectation, so that the obstructing and irritating mucus may be passed out of the air passages. This is exactly what is accomplished by the use of Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine.

It is not a mere cough mixture, and not intended to stop the cough, but rather to cure the cold.

If you have tickling in the throat, pains and tightness in the chest, sensations of irritation and hoarseness, or that the obstructing and irritating mucus may be passed out of the air passages. This is exactly what is accomplished by the use of Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine.

Not only is Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine a positive cure for cough, croup, bronchitis, whooping cough, asthma and severe chest colds, but is also a preventive of all diseases of the lungs.

It has time and again proven its right to a place in every home, and is the standby in thousands of families.

Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine, 25 cents a bottle, at all dealers, or Edmondson, Bates & Company, Toronto. To protect you against imitations, the portrait and signature of Dr. A.W. Chase, the famous recipe book author, are on every bottle.

IMPERIAL DEFENSE AND THE COLONIES

Neither Bluster Nor Coaxing Likely to Have Any Good Effect.

London, Dec. 12.—The Liverpool Daily Post and Mercury says: Mr. Balfour rendered the Colonies reputation that the colonies were "our children." While Chamberlain is pursuing the fiscal campaign we are not likely to be allowed to forget that relationship. We have also to remember that the colonies have very strong objections to being treated as children, and that they are claiming all the rights of mature states. Why should South Africa or Australia be expected to give a voluntary contribution if Canada is free? And why should Canada contribute to a defense fund in the expenditure of which she has no voice?

The Manchester Guardian says the colonies may give sums from time to time as an eleemosynary grant, but a demand for right is in their opinion an infractio of colonies independence, and a withdrawal of rights we have given them in the past. From this position no amount of coaxing or bluster is likely to induce the colonies to depart.

The London Globe says the solution of the imperial defense can only be found in that of imperial federation. The Westminster Gazette, on imperial defense, says the contribution of Canada in proportion to population would be £3,500,000, the contribution of Australia and New Zealand, £3,150,000. There is, of course, no prospect that these sums or anything like them will be forthcoming. We must be grateful for what we can get, remembering that any gift to the empire must be voluntary and unconditional.

The Pall Mall Gazette says: In the colonies there is still much room for a broader knowledge of the principles of imperial defense and naval protection of the empire which concern the whole empire and every constituent thereof.

REGARDING RAILWAY RATES

Commission at Ottawa Gives Out Its Official Statement.

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—The railway commission has issued the following statement regarding rates.

The railway commission has not approved or authorized any increase in the passenger tolls of any of the railways, and has no power to authorize the continuance by the railways of their present maximum tolls and the publication in the Canada Gazette, as required by the new railway act. These maximum tolls were ordered by the board to be published by Dec. 31 inst., failing which publication the railways, under the act, could not legally collect any tolls whatever. The maximum tolls are referred to in the act as the standard passenger tariffs, and these were approved by the Governor-in-Council when they were first promulgated. The working tariff referred to in the act as the special passenger tariff has not been changed. This tariff represents the reduced rates, brought about by competition, or other causes, which are usually charged by railways. The act does not require the publication of these rates in the Canada Gazette, but they cannot be advanced without notice to the commission, which has the power to disallow any such advance. Should investigation show that the maximum or any tolls approved by the board are excessive, the board has the power to rescind, change or vary its approval at any time or on application.

DOWIE'S DUPES

Paid the Last Installment of Zion City's Big Debt.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—Zion City has paid the final installment on its big debt. Checks were sent out yesterday in payment of the final 40 per cent, approximately \$140,000, of the original indebtedness of more than \$400,000.

One year ago a number of creditors of Zion City petitioned Judge Kohlsaat for the appointment of receivers for Zion, whose affairs then were gloomy. Mrs. Dowie was in Europe, and reports had it that she had carried away with her the sums of money John Alexander Dowie was preparing for departure on Jan. 1 for Australia and the Pacific.

The creditors numbered 1,100, and the aggregate amount of their claims footed up \$435,000. Judge Kohlsaat appointed receivers, who took charge of Zion's affairs, and he could pay the debt in a year if the receivers were removed. Then came the appointment of a committee of creditors, who concluded that Dowie was better fitted to conduct Zion than any other person. It was arranged that he was to pay 10 per cent in three months, 25 per cent in six months, and 25 per cent in nine months, and the balance of 40 per cent in a year. The receivers were discharged. Dowie has paid 100 cents on the dollar on every claim involved.

Ferryboat Crushed by Ice.

Bellaire, Ohio, Dec. 12.—The ferryboat "Aunt A. Dowie" crossing to Wood with 40 passengers was crushed by floating ice and sank in the middle of the Ohio River. The passengers crawled out on the ice and were nearly dead from exposure when rescued.

Foundry Dynamited.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 12.—For the fifth time within two months the New Iron Foundry and Machine Company's building, Newport, Ky., was dynamited Sunday night. No one was injured. Two men were seen running east in Twelfth street immediately after the explosion, but they eluded their pursuers. A great hole was torn in the roof of the coal room where the dynamite was stored, and the walls of the pattern room are so twisted and bulged that it is feared they will collapse. Members of the company declare it is the work of strikers.

Cross-Petition in North Wentworth.

Toronto, Dec. 12.—A cross-petition was filed yesterday morning on behalf of E. D. Smith, the Conservative candidate in Wentworth at the Dominion elections, against W. C. Sealey, who has protested the return of Smith on a scrutiny. Besides the usual charges of bribery, treating, etc., against the candidate and his agents, it is claimed that a number of ballots were marked so that they could be identified, and that there were ballot papers marked strong and rugged and ready to get to work.

Alfred H. Marshall, of Hudson,

has received 100 honey bees and a queen bee from Italy by mail. Just 18 out of the 100 were dead when they arrived, in Hudson, and the others are apparently strong and rugged and ready to get to work.

CREED CRITICISM BY REV. CARTER

Claims He Should Not Be Tried for Heresy—Action of Presbytery.

New York, Dec. 12.—Rev. Dr. Samuel L. Carter, one of the three Presbyterian abeymen who started the movement which led to the revision of the Presbyterian creed in America, today was upheld by the Nassau County Presbytery at a meeting in Jamaica, L. I., after he had appeared in defense of a letter he wrote against the Westminster confession, in which he declared that "scholastic theology is wrong from its base upwards." Last September he addressed a letter to the Presbytery of Nassau, of which he is the oldest member, renouncing certain long established teachings of Presbyterianism, including the "fall of man." At the next meeting of the Presbytery of Nassau a committee was appointed to ask Dr. Carter if he did not know of some way to avoid a trial for heresy. The minister insisted upon pleading his cause with the Presbytery personally. In doing so today Dr. Carter said: "The great objection to the confession is not this statement in it or that, but it is the whole tone and style of the confession. To put the matter in a word—it is a trial for heresy. Westminster Confession that is wrong. One Presbyter unfortunately suggested that the love of God should be put in a footnote to the confession. It is better to have the love of God in a footnote than not to have it at all. Every minister and elder upon entering his office must accept the Westminster Confession as being the system of doctrine taught in the Scriptures, and every acolyte can still value this system against the Presbyterian Church. I am convinced there can be no rest nor peace till this system is fully abandoned by the church as it is by the brief statement, 'If Calvin were living today he would be chairman of the revision committee.' I think the Presbytery of Nassau is quite as much on trial as I am before the people and the same thing can be said of the church in general. There is no such God as the God of the Westminster Confession. It is all rash, exaggerated and bitterly untrue. If one else is ready to say it, I say it. The hard, cold, severe God of the Westminster Confession, with the love left out, is not our God."

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MRS. CHADWICK'S TROUBLES GROW

Twice Indicted on Charges of Forgery—Implicit Trust of Her Friend Reynolds.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick was twice indicted yesterday by the grand jury of Cuyahoga county. Her friend, Mr. Reynolds, treasurer and secretary of the Western Park Bank, gave evidence that she believed his trust was justified. Only one other witness was called to the stand. Mrs. Chadwick was released on bail.

The examination of Mr. Reynolds failed to disclose any asset that might be recovered by Mrs. Chadwick. He said she was the illegitimate daughter of Andrew Carnegie. "Later, Mr. Reynolds, in detailing his transactions with Mrs. Chadwick, in all of which she was the principal, he said: 'I believed her from what she told me that Andrew Carnegie was backing her. He then added: "And I have not had anything yet to make me doubt it."

Regarding the \$5,000,000 note bearing the name of Andrew Carnegie he said: "Mrs. Chadwick called me to her house. I think it was March 5, 1902, and said she wished to intrust to me some securities. She said she had been advised to place them in the possession of a third party, and she wanted me to take care of them."

Continuing the witness said: "She then handed me a paper to sign, as near as I can remember, it read: 'I certify that I hold in trust for Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick securities and a note for \$5,000,000, which she has indorsed, but he had no doubt that the alleged maker of the note was back of the woman.'"

James and Celia Wade appeared to make a big hit with the audience. Though the turn is as loud as a minstrel parade, it takes well.

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INTERESTING ITEMS FROM PETROLEA

Good Progress Made with the New Rink—Farewell and Presentation to Pastor.

[Advertiser Special Correspondence.]

Petrolia, Dec. 10.—Substantial progress is being made with the open-air rink. The enterprise has set the hockey enthusiasts at work, and the prospects look favorable for a first-class town league.

Mrs. Arthur Rutter, of Toronto, visited friends in town last week. Mr. A. W. Ellis, editor of the Wyoming Enterprise, paid Petrolia a flying visit last week.

The Rev. A. A. Graham severs his connection with the Petrolia congregation and is called to St. John, New Brunswick. He will preach his last sermon on Christmas evening.

On Tuesday evening, Dec. 6, the ladies of the congregation gave a social evening in the lecture room of the church. A large number turned out to bid good-bye and wish good speed to Mrs. Graham, who leaves to visit friends at Glenora and Ottawa, prior to going to her new home down by the sea. An excellent programme was rendered, the clergymen of the various denominations were present and expressed the high esteem which they felt for Mr. and Mrs. Graham. There was a general expression of regret at the Rev. Mr. Graham's removal, and the whole community felt that a distinct loss has been sustained by the town.

At the close of the programme, Mrs. Graham, on behalf of the ladies of the congregation, presented Mrs. Graham with an address and a gold chain as a slight token of their esteem, and to serve as a reminder of her happy relationship with the church here. After Mrs. Graham had made a graceful acknowledgment of the kindness of her friends, this part of the proceedings was brought to a close, and all the hard, cold, severe God of the Westminster Confession, with the love left out, is not our God."

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VAUDEVILLE BILL

SURE TO PLEASE

Majority of the Turns on This Week's Programme Are First Class.

If the size of an audience and continuous applause count for anything, then vaudeville is very popular in London, because at the London Vaudeville Theatre last night a very large crowd was present and the majority of the turns were rewarded with loud and continued applause.

What is probably the most interesting and entertaining turn on the bill is that of Spaulding, the acrobatic comedian. As a usual thing the efforts of the acrobat to make fun are something painful to observe, but Spaulding, "the man with the cuff," is genuinely funny in every move he makes. And further, his feats of strength are marvelous, and between funny stunts he goes through acrobatic tricks which are another masterpiece.

Another splendid turn is that of Ernest Tenney and Edythe Murray. These people go direct from London to the Theatre, Detroit, next week, and they certainly are the real thing. Miss Murray is known as "The Dixie Gal," and as a black-face comedienne she is the most successful of her kind. Her impersonation of the famous singer, Miss Murray, which is very cleverly executed.

Next in line are Morton, Temple and Morton, who present a very original and amusing sketch. These people get off some good jokes, dance very well, and perform a number of acrobatic tricks which are excellent.

The Lou Lee Long trio of acrobats are also wonderful, but their comedy would appeal to the audience in all parts of the house more largely if it were not for the fact that they are a little man dispensed with his bread-chewing. It's a bad feature of an other wise very good act.

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THE JONAS RECITAL.

The following is the programme for the Jonas recital, which will be given in the Auditorium Wednesday evening:

(a) Sonata in B Flat Minor—Allegro molto, Scherzo, Marche Funebre, Poutou, and in Frederic Chopin (b) Mazurkas in A Minor, B Flat Major, C Sharp Minor—Chopin (c) Etude in G Flat, op. 24, no. 15—Chopin (d) Romance in F Major—Xavier Carlier (e) Campanella—Paganini-Liszt (f) Capriccio on the Change of Key—Chopin (g) Nocturne in E Flat Major—Chopin (h) Marche Militaire—Schubert-Tausig

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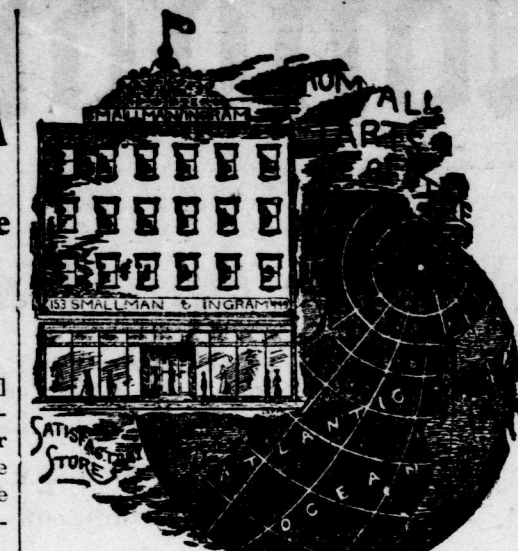
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WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Moderate-priced Christmas presents are in demand.

A Skirt makes a useful gift. Wednesday morning we are going to do an unusual thing—we are going to clear a lot of Walking Skirts suitable for rough weather at prices that will please those who would like to give a Skirt to someone or for personal use. The majority of those Skirts are made by our own skilled workers, and a bargain awaits everyone coming on Wednesday.

The first group is made up of 29, composed of Tweeds, Homespins and Smooth Cloths, trimmings of fancy cording, stitching and good flare. Excellent values at \$2.50 to \$4.00—regular prices. Wednesday your choice of the lot at only.....\$1.95

The second group is made up of 31 Splendid Skirts, in Tweeds, Cheviots, Box Cloths and Venetians, nicely finished with fancy straps, folds and piping, all lengths. Worth regularly from \$3.75 to \$5.00. Your choice of this lot on Wednesday for only.....\$2.95

The third group comprises 20 only of our best value, in pretty Mottled Goods, All-Wool Cheviot, Fin' Ladies' Cloth and good winter materials, made in all the newest styles, pleated, strapped and finished with buttons. Regularly sold at from \$6.75 to \$8.50. Your choice Wednesday at only.....\$4.75

At the same time we will dispose of a number of good values in odd lines at rare bargains. Make an early choice and secure the best.

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The moving pictures this week are excellent, and include a varied programme of interesting subjects. As a whole, the bill for the week is an excellent one, and is well worthy of patronage.

Mr. Alex McQuinn, we are pleased to say, will soon be out again. He has been suffering from an attack of typhoid fever.

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LONDON, TUESDAY, DEC. 13.

The Provincial Elections.

The dissolution of the Legislature was authorized yesterday by the Lieutenant-Governor, and the elections will be held on Jan. 25. A winter campaign could have been avoided only by bringing on the bye-elections. These would have held out little prospect of increasing the Government's majority, as the seats vacated, excepting North Renfrew and Dufferin, were held by Liberals in the last Legislature. The Premier frankly told the Liberal convention that he had no desire to cling to office by a majority of three. The last session, when pairs were refused, and the Opposition carried on a guerrilla warfare, was a test of endurance which members on both sides of the House would not care to experience again. Whatever the result of the ensuing election, it is to be hoped the majority will be sufficient to insure stability for at least four years.

If the Opposition had competent leadership and an attractive programme in 1902 it would probably have snatched a victory out of the difficulties in the Liberal party on the temperance question. Since then the Conservative party has not improved its leadership or its policy. The series of resolutions adopted at the recent Conservative convention cannot be dignified by the name of a platform. Several of these resolutions trifled with important questions, such as temperance reform, electoral purity and public ownership, upon which the Liberal convention pronounced in clear-cut language. The temperance planks of the Liberal convention are such that Conservative so-called temperance advocates will have no pretext for scheming and plotting to lure Liberal temperance people from their party allegiance. The discussions in the Liberal ranks which existed in 1902 have been healed, or almost healed, and Mr. Ross will go to the country with considerably more confidence than thirty-two months ago.

There is no comparison between the leaders or the policies of the two parties, but the Opposition has been urging that there is a vast difference between their moral characters. On that point Liberals are not afraid of any challenge, but invite it.

The Municipal Elections.

The municipal elections will be held on Monday, Jan. 2, and the nominations a week earlier. There is some convenience in holding the election on a public holiday, and the vote should be above the normal.

A bylaw, authorizing a debenture issue of \$15,000 to provide an effective breakwater, will be submitted to the ratepayers and should be adopted. Some years ago the council initiated a plan for the continuous improvement of the breakwater, which if carried out would have given the city by this time a fine driveway on the top of the embankment, at comparatively little cost, as the expenditure would have been spread over a number of years. Succeeding councils neglected the work, and the city must now pay the penalty.

Ratepayers are asked to approve another bylaw to raise \$15,000 to establish a system of garbage collection. The reform is desirable on sanitary grounds and has been agitated for years, but the council has not chosen the best method or time to recommend it to the public. The assessment upon which next year's tax rate will fall will be a million dollars higher than this year's. The aldermen are revelling in the prospect of a plethoric revenue, and one of them announces that next year the city "will have money to burn." The ratepayers will be warranted in asking whether it would not be possible to spare some of this surplus cash for the already oppressive debenture debt. The financial position of this city is such that it is high time for a policy of rigid economy. Interest and sinking fund consume nearly eleven mills on the dollar—or almost half the taxation of the present year. Another large debenture issue in connection with the water supply stares the city in the face. Its average tax rate is higher than in other cities of the Province with one exception, because so much of its revenue is eaten up by interest. There is no likelihood that the rate of taxation can be permanently reduced if the debt continues to increase as rapidly as during the past three or four years.

Ratepayers should be on their guard against attempts on the part of the council to resort to the convenient expedient of a debenture issue for purposes which might be met out of current revenue, especially when the council "has money to burn." The breakwater is a case in point. Had the city spent a small sum yearly in a systematic way, as originally outlined, there would have been no flood this year in West London, and no necessity for another municipal mortgage.

An increase of a million dollars in the assessment means that 23 mills on the dollar—the present rate of taxation—will yield next year \$23,000 more than this year. Why add \$15,000 to the debenture debt for a garbage removal plant which can be provided out of ordinary revenue without raising the tax rate?

Party Lines in Municipal Affairs.

The Conservative mayor of Hamilton gave a banquet the other night to mark his retirement from office. One of his guests, Rev. Dr. Rose, the well-known Methodist clergyman, improved the opportunity by making a vigorous attack upon the introduction of party politics into municipal affairs, to the great discomfiture of the mayor and the machine aldermen in the company.

This system was inaugurated in Hamilton, as in London, by the Conservative party. There is no pretense that party lines were never drawn in the city council in London before the Beck regime. In the appointment of chairmen of committee and municipal employees the aldermen frequently showed their party bias, but they were under the pressure of no political organization. If one of them chose to differ with his friends, he was in no danger of being knifed by the party machine, because it did not exist for municipal purposes. Conservatives and Liberals got along fairly well in double harness at the city hall, which neither party then regarded as a political preserve or a patronage crib. All this was changed when Mr. Beck became mayor. The executive of the Conservative association took charge of municipal affairs. It names its candidate for the council, the school board, the board of water commissioners and the hospital trust. If any municipal offices are to be filled the executive chooses the men and the machine aldermen, school trustees and other municipalities contain the degrees like so many rubber stamps.

In Hamilton this system has been carried to such an extreme that a citizens' league, to place non-partisan candidates in the field, is seriously proposed. In this city the Liberal party has never organized for any municipal campaign, whatever its opponents may say to the contrary. But a good many Liberals, who do not favor partisanship in municipal business on principle, resent the order of things which has existed for three years. It is sufficient to warrant Liberals in voting exclusively for candidates who are known to be Liberals or who are at least opposed to the present state of affairs at the city hall.

The Foolish Who Fall.

[S. E. Kiser.]
Some men whom we envy today
By tomorrow may fall, through some blunder.
And we in our wisdom will wonder
Why he threw his fair chances away;
We will wax old and wisely and say
The things that are always repeated.
When they that tempt fate are defeated
And brought to disgrace and dismay.
Each day some new tragedy brings,
The frailties of men are unending;
The dupes and the rogues keep descending.
And we have our sneers and our flings;
Ever ready with stones in our slings.
To hurl at the ones who are cheering;
We turn from applauding to jering.
When the honored one's honor takes wings.

We, being unnoticed and small,
Sit back in our corners and wonder;
We hear of the people who blunder,
Who, having soared proudly, must crawl,
And we can't understand them at all.
We scoff and have no inclination
To ask if beneath their temptation
Even we might not foolishly fall.

Why She Threw Up Her Job.

[New York Sun.]
Hebe had just thrown up her place as cup bearer to the gods.
"Would you believe it?" cried the Celestial waitress, "these stinky old men didn't tip a cent."
Herewith she departed to find a job in a dairy lunch.

Same in London.

[Hamilton Times.]
The Hamilton Tories got some "inspiration" a few days before last election. It did not come in oak or glass, and it wasn't distributed in tin growlers. Wonder if the Montreal syndicate could tell what figures it bore?

A Neighborly View.

[New York Tribune.]
We should not say Americans regard Canadians themselves with indifference. On the contrary, they regard them with much esteem, as uncommonly progressive and enterprising folk, whose acquaintance is worth cultivating, whose friendship is to be prized, whose rivalry in industry and commerce is not to be ignored, and whose material development presents many object lessons which Americans might well take to heart. We have ourselves frequently pointed out Canada's superiority to the United States in the matter of developing systems of inland waterways, and have shown, through such means, the Dominion has made serious inroads upon our foreign commerce. Nor is that the only respect in which our northern neighbors have given "Yankee enterprise" cause to blush with shame at its own backwardness. What Americans do regard with indifference is not Canada or the Canadian, but Canadian annexation. With that amendment, which is probably what he meant, Mr. Goldwin Smith's statement is to be cordially approved. Also to be approved is his statement that if annexation ever comes it will be through the work of Canadian statesmen.

In Father's Pew.

[Khan Kenighan.]
I didn't know she loved me till
A minute ere the church went in;
I almost made my heart stand still.
I heard her through the bell's loud din:
How 'dye do?
There's room for you,
In father's pew.
The chants were fine, the hymns were great,
The curate read the lessons well,
But there I sat with heart afloat,
And heard one single anthem swell:
How 'dye do?
There's room for you,
In father's pew.
The chants were fine, the hymns were great,
The curate read the lessons well,
But there I sat with heart afloat,
And heard one single anthem swell:
How 'dye do?
There's room for you,
In father's pew.

I felt her dress against my hand,
I felt her breath against my cheek,
Last night the little she sang
Hath saved my future and my soul:
How 'dye do?
There's room for you,
In father's pew.

Engaged.

[New York Tribune.]
This comes from Minnesota: A Swedish girl, just arrived from the old country, attended evening service at a Duluth church. The minister, seeing she was a stranger, shook hands with her at the close of the meeting and said he would find pleasure in calling

upon her soon. Whereupon the girl, blushing, hung her head and bashfully murmured, "Thank you, but ay have a fella."

Life in the Desert.

[New York Sun.]
Mrs. Giraffe—You promised me you wouldn't touch another drop.
Mr. Giraffe—Yesh, m' dear; thish th' effect whot I swallowed last week 't jush got down.

Pitied Her Youth, Perhaps.

[Smith's Weekly.]
Office boy (to editor)—There's a lady outside, sir, with some poetry.
Editor—How old is she?
"Eout 17."
"Show her in."

Not as Sweet as Its Name.

[Pittsburg Gazette.]
Cologne is the foulest-smelling town in Europe. This is because the best perfumes are made there. They are mostly concocted from rotten cheese, which is purchased in various parts of France and Switzerland and shipped down the Rhine to the bridge of boats. For Jerusalem gives Tencier, Morocco and Cologne, Germany, a start of a thousand years in smells and win to half a second.

Beware.

[Chicago Chronicle.]
When Cassie Chadwick comes to town Let all the rich men fly.
Lock up the ink and hide the pens,< And lay the check-books under the door.
Close up the banks and lock the doors,< And throw away the keys,
Or she will sweep the town of wealth,< And do the job with ease.

When Cassie Chadwick comes to town, Let all the bankers flee.
And hide themselves away from her, Go out the vaults and hide the gold.
And to the time she comes around, Or she may clap her eyes on you,
And take away your cash.
When Cassie Chadwick comes to town Let all the men beware,<
And never linger where she is, To see her fetching stare;
But take the trains and go away, And leave her in the company,<
And that must be the only way A man may keep his hide.

When Cassie Chadwick comes to town Let business stop all around,
Go send detectives all around, And call out all the police.
Build walls of iron around the banks, And guard the millionaires,
Or she won't do a single thing To stocks and bonds and shares.

Progress in Optics.

[Baltimore Herald.]
One night, soon after the opening of the fall term, a little boy came home and gave his father the following note, duly signed by the principal:
"Mr. — Dear Sir—It becomes my duty to inform you that your son shows decided indications of astigmatism, and his case is one that should be attended to without delay."
The next day the father sent the following answer:
"Dear Sir: Whip it out of him, Yours truly."

The Reason.

[St. Paul Pioneer Press.]
Mrs. Jones—Your cousin didn't stay long.
Mrs. Smith—No; she asked us to treat her like one of the family, and when we did she got angry and left.

Rat Attacks Girl's Fur Wrap.

[London Express.]
While out walking with some friends near St. Agnes, Cornwall, a young lady recently went through an unpleasant experience.
The girl was wearing a fur boa, on which was an imitation head of a small animal.
Suddenly she felt something pulling at the wrap, and discovered that her assailant was a rat, which had evidently mistaken the imitation animal for one of its enemies.
So furious was the ferocious creature's attack that it was with difficulty shaken off. It had bitten a large piece out of the fur.

GIRL USED HER HATPIN AS DAGGER

Amateur Actress Attacked Near Her Home—Defeated Her Assailant.

New York, Dec. 13.—"I don't know whether it was in a novel or in the newspapers that I read it, but it flashed across my mind that I had heard of girls defending themselves with their hatpins, so I managed to get hold of one of mine, and used it as well as I could. Of course, I called for help at the top of my voice, and I guess that did me really more good than the hatpin, for it bent almost double as it jabbed at the man." This was the statement of pretty Ella Anderson, who was attacked by a man and left intoxicated within a shadow of her Paterson home.
Miss Ella Anderson, pretty, young and vivacious, prominent in society and theatrical circles, goes to Paterson, N. J., was brutally attacked within half a block of her home, No. 565 Park avenue. The man was frightened away by the cries of the girl, and by her rare presence of mind in using a long hatpin as a weapon of defense.
Three men, attracted by the outcry, chased the culprit across Eastside Park to the banks of the Passaic River. Brought to bay, the fellow plunged into the icy water. He was numbed by the cold and easily captured.
When hauled to the shore he gave his name as Francis Spear. His friends said he had been on a protracted spree, and that when under the influence of liquor was wholly irresponsible. He was lodged in the county jail to await the action of the grand jury on charges preferred by Miss Anderson.

TO SPLIT SOLID SOUTH

Scheme Discussed by Visitors to the White House.

Washington, Dec. 13.—President Roosevelt is to be urged to put a solid man distinctly from the solid south, in his cabinet. He will be told that the south is broken and that he can accomplish a general splitting up of that section by appointing a southern man as one of his advisers and by following a liberal policy in his handling of the south.
James S. Browning, one of the Republican leaders of the ninth Virginia district, has been at the White House to urge the measure. He says that Representative Sleep obtained only 200 majority two years ago in the ninth Virginia district, and that his majority of nearly 5,000 the year, shows which way the wind is blowing.
"We ought to have a southern man



Miss Agnes Miller, of Chicago, speaks to young women about dangers of the Menstrual Period.

"To Young Women:—I suffered for six years with dysmenorrhea (painful periods), so much so that I dreaded every month, as I knew it meant three or four days of intense pain. The doctor said this was due to an inflamed condition of the uterine appendages caused by repeated and neglected colds."

"If young girls only realized how dangerous it is to talk cold at this critical time, much suffering would be spared them. Thank God for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, that was the only medicine which helped me any. Within three weeks after I started to take it, I noticed a marked improvement in my general health, and at the time of my next monthly period the pain had diminished considerably. In fact, I was cured in a month later. I am like another person since. I am in perfect health, my eyes are brighter, I have added 12 pounds to my weight, my color is good, and I feel light and happy."

Miss Agnes Miller, 25 Potomac Ave., Chicago, Ill. — \$5000 Forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

The monthly sickness reflects the condition of a woman's health. Anything unusual at that time should have prompt and proper attention.

"in the cabinet," declared Browning, "and he ought to be a Virginian, too. That state is to become a fighting ground in the future, and we are going right after the Democrats hereafter and defeat them in state affairs. There are many of us fellows who have been working for the Republican party in Virginia for years, and we believe the President ought to show that he recognizes what we are doing. The suggestion of a cabinet place, himself, in Virginia an attempt is to be made to reorganize the Republican party and to rid it of the party who have so long dominated it. How far the President will give his aid to this plan cannot now be foretold."

The hope of splitting the solid south has been revived in Republican minds by the recent election in Missouri and Maryland, and Republicans will be found who will advise the President that he ought to recognize the work of southern Republicans in a southern manner. The suggestion of a Virginian man would be better received than of a man from any other state, unless it should be from Kentucky.

It is not probable that the states in the heart of the south, unless it should be Tennessee, will be seriously fought for by the Republicans for awhile, but if the experiment in Virginia proves successful the other states will be looked after.

Swarms With Bacilli.

New York, Dec. 13.—The air in New York's \$25,000,000 subway is undergoing official investigation. Grave charges are brought against it, the gravest perhaps being that the only fresh air the subway can get is drawn almost entirely from the level of the streets. Tests show that the air at the pavement level fairly rooks with bacilli, and in some districts 9,000 colonies of them were found on a plate of a few inches area at the end of fifteen minutes exposure. The reason New Yorkers can live in such an atmosphere is because sunlight kills these swarming bacilli. According to the bacteriologist of the Health Department bacteria will thrive especially well in the subway because of the lack of sunlight. The absolute necessity of adequate ventilation and sanitation is shown by an examination made of the cocoa mats on the floors of the elevated cars. One fibre only 1½ inches long placed from such a mat showed 4,000,000 bacilli of different sorts, which would breed, besides many more diseases. These mats get plenty of sunlight.

WHAT TO DO FOR AN UNHEALTHY COMPLEXION.

There is Only One Way to Get a Good, Healthy Complexion. You Can Have Red Cheeks, Rosy Lips and Bright Eyes All Your Life Without Using Poisonous Lotions, Washes or Powders.

It has come to be a habit with many women to make use of powders, cosmetics and other beautifiers, to cover up defects and to conceal the fact that their skin is rough, mottled or pimply. It is foolishness, however, to attempt to correct a bad complexion by the use of beautifiers. The only way to secure a lasting result and that is to remove the cause. If you have an unhealthy complexion you may depend upon it that your blood is also unhealthy. It must be purified and enriched and this can only be accomplished by keeping the liver active and establishing regularity of the bowels. Smith's Pineapple and Butternut Pills act directly on the liver, regulate the bowels, cleanse and enrich the blood, and in this way purify the complexion. Never use cosmetics, many of which are poisonous, containing lead, arsenic and other mineral poisons, and all of which eventually are sure to give a bad complexion even worse, but use a remedy which is known to cure all stomach and bowel troubles, cleanse the blood of all impurities and regulate and strengthen the functions of digestion and assimilation. If you would have red cheeks, rosy lips and bright clear eyes, keep your bowels regular by the use of Smith's Pineapple and Butternut Pills. Their daily use will establish conditions of perfect health. Remember these little pills are purely vegetable, and not only quickly restore the complexion, but are a positive cure for sick headache, constipation and biliousness in one night. All dealers 25 cents each. Write for free literature. All genuine signed W. F. Smith.

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IRISH LINENS FOR XMAS

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Our great sale of Fine Irish Linens, special for the Christmas trade, has commenced. All Linens are the very finest that money can buy. We can only mention a few of the values.

FINEST TABLINGS

66-inch Bleached Damask, at 65c.
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72-inch Satin Damask, 3 patterns, at 90c.
72-inch Heavy Satin Damask, 2 patterns, at \$1.
90-inch Double Satin Finish Damask, at \$1.50 and \$1.88.
Unbleached Irish Linen Damask, 60-inch, pure flax, 50c; 66-inch, 55c; 60c; 72-inch, heavy, 62c, 75c, 83c; other qualities as low as 25c.
Table Cloths, fine Damask, finest flax, 2x2½ yards, floral design, at \$1.70, \$2.00, \$2.50.

TRAY CLOTHS.

Fine hemstitched damask drawn-work 25c, 33c, 45c, 50c, 60c.
Plain Irish Linen, embroidered, spoke stitched, 47c, 65c, 85c to \$1.45.

TEA CLOTHS.

Hand-Embroidered Tea Cloths, 36x36, \$1.10, \$1.50, \$1.95, \$2.60.
Damask Tea Cloths, 36x36, 40c, 60c, 75c; 14, 75c, 90c; 1½, \$1.00, \$1.35.

FANCY LINEN FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

JAPANESE DRAWN-WORK—Doilies, 10c to 30c; Centerpieces, 48c, 58c; Tray Cloths, 75c, 97c; Scarfs, \$1.15, \$1.50, \$1.75; Tea Cloths, \$1.25.

MEXICAN DRAWN-WORK—Centerpieces, 68c, 95c; Tray Cloths, 95c; Scarfs, \$1.32, \$1.50; Five O'Clock Tea Cloths, \$2.15 to \$8.65.

TENERIFFEWORK—Doilies (round), 15c, 30c; Centerpieces (round), 90c, \$1.25

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Lever's Y-Z (Wise Head) Disinfectant Soap Powder dusted in the bath, softens the water and disinfects.

ARE YOU A sufferer with corns? If you are, get a bottle of Holloway's Corn Cure. It has never been known to fail.

ENGINEER OVEREND INJURED WHILE RUNNING THE LIMITED

Discovered by His Mate in an Unconscious Condition - Struck on the Head.

A most peculiar accident, and one that might have had serious consequences had it not been for the presence of the fireman, happened to a G. T. H. engineer while on duty last night. The International Limited, which is due in London at 7:38 p.m., was last night in charge of Engineer Harry Overend, of Toronto, and Fireman Geo. Vollick. The latter, when the train was nearing Paris, happened to look up from his own work, in the direction of the engineer, and noticed that Overend was in an unconscious condition, with blood oozing from an injury in the side of his head. Vollick immediately took charge of the engine and ran the train in safety into Paris.

What happened to the engineer is still a mystery. It is certain, however, that he was struck on the head, and that the trouble was not caused by the rupture of a blood vessel.

The limited was about two miles east of Paris, near the bridge which spans the Grand River, and was running west at the rate of about 40 miles an hour. Vollick, being busied with his own duties, was not paying any attention to the engineer. He neither heard nor saw anything to arouse his suspicion until he happened to look up and noticed that Overend's hand was not on the throttle. Overend being one of the most careful of engineers this circumstance seemed most peculiar to the fireman. Looking more closely, Vollick saw that his mate was unconscious and bleeding from the left side of his head. No effort which the fireman made to arouse his chief seemed to do so he took charge of the engine. Under the circumstances it was not possible for any accident to occur. He had the limited been in any of the yards, or had the fireman not noticed the state of his chief as soon as he did, serious results might have happened. Overend partially regained consciousness after the train entered Paris. He insisted on continuing his run to London, and it was only by the efforts of two men that he was prevented from entering the cab again. He was taken to the home of a friend in Paris and medical assistance summoned. Engineer Robert Wilson, of Hamilton, brought the train to this city. Overend had a comparatively good night, and this morning Dr. Drake, the company's physician, went to Paris to look after him. The left side of the head, just above the ear, is badly bruised. Whether the base of the skull is fractured or not is yet to be seen. What could have struck the unfortunate man is a mystery. The most reasonable explanation is that a heavy stone fell off one of the bridges on the engineer's head, when he was leaning out of the window of his cab. None of the poles or ironwork of the bridges are near enough to have caused the wound. Another explanation is that the heavy hook of one of the hanging mailbags, which swing close to the tracks at some of the little stations struck Overend on the head. But this seems rather improbable, for a man of Overend's experience would know where such dangers lay, and be on the watch for them. A careful examination of the bridges east of Paris, in order to discover whether anything was out of order, proved that nothing about the structures could have caused the accident. The latest reports say that Engineer Overend is doing well and will recover.

THE BEST WAY IS NATURE'S OWN

Digest Your Food and it Will Turn to Flesh and Strength—How Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets Helped Mr. H. Bailey.

If you want health and strength—and who doesn't?—get it naturally. Digest your food properly. That is the secret of it all. Of course if your teeth and digestive apparatus are all right, this is easy. If not you need help, and the help you need is Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets. Mr. H. Bailey, 256 St. Patrick street, Winnipeg, Man., writes:

"It is with great pleasure I inform you of the great benefit I have received from the use of Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets, which I have been taking for the last few months, during which time I gained in weight eight pounds. Before no matter what I ate I did not seem to gain much strength or put on any flesh. But with using Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets I think my food was properly digested and turned to flesh."

Special Notice.

Cushions! Cushions! Feather and down cushions, 50 cents each. Goose feather pillows, mattresses, springs, beds, brass and iron beds, from \$3 each. Bedroom suits, sideboards, spring couches, fancy chairs, rockers, children's tables, at Hunt & Sons, Mattresses and Feather Pillow Manufacturers, 522 Richmond street north. Phone company's physician, went to Paris to look after him.

IMPORTANT CIRCULAR

Postmasters Receive It—Christmas Parcels for the Old Country.

A notice is being sent to postmasters throughout the country directing them, now that the Christmas business is on, to be careful to see that all parcels for Great Britain or for any foreign country be accompanied by a customs declaration, as to the contents and value of the parcel, and that the parcel be fully prepaid. A year or so ago, when a similar notice was issued, there was some misunderstanding on the part of certain of the press of the country, and the department was attacked for indulging in red tape. It was assumed that the regulation was a new one and was issued by the department without just reasons. Neither of these statements was correct. The regulation has been in existence for many years, is, in fact, as old as the parcel post conventions themselves, and is a regulation enforced by foreign countries and not by the Canadian department. All foreign countries insist in their parcel post convention, first, that parcels shall be fully prepaid before they are accepted by a postoffice, and second, that each parcel shall have affixed to it a customs declaration which will enable the customs authorities of the country to which it is addressed to settle the question as to whether dutiable or not, and what duty should be collected, thereby enabling them to deliver the parcel to the address without the loss of time, which inquiry must necessarily incur.

The only object that the department has in calling attention at this time to the regulation is to facilitate the forwarding of all parcels to foreign countries. The postoffice department has no power to forward parcels to foreign countries under the conventions with other countries until these two indispensable conditions have been complied with. If either requirement is neglected the postoffice department of Canada has no choice but to send such parcel to the dead-letter office, and open correspondence with the sender, if known, and if not, with the addressee. As this leads in many

What Causes Dyspeptic Pains.

Food is improperly digested. Gas forms and distends the stomach, causing heart palpitation and terrible uneasiness. The great specialist for dyspepsia is Folsom's Nervine. Never yet failed to cure the worse cases. It prevents fermentation, assists assimilation and converts what you eat into nourishment. Nervine has been successfully used for nearly fifty years. Get a 25-cent bottle from your druggist today.

Food that Builds

Some folk never think of Mooney's Crackers as food. They class them as delicacies, because they are so dainty and delicious. Wrong!

Mooney's Perfection Cream Sodas

are made of Canada's finest wheat, rich in strength and muscle-building properties. Then, too, they're so light that even frail digestions readily assimilate them.

Certainly more of a food than bread, because made more carefully of finer wheat.

cases to a delay of some weeks, it has been deemed advisable to call the attention of the public to the manner in which such parcels should be forwarded.

COLDSTREAM.

Coldstream, Dec. 9.—Mrs. John MacPherson and Miss Mabel Zavitz are in Guelph this week in attendance at the annual Women's Institute meetings at Macdonald Institute. Reports of the different sessions will be given at the next Coldstream Women's Institute, to be held at the home of Mrs. Frances Woodward, on the afternoon of Dec. 12.

BRIGDEN.

Brigden, Dec. 9.—The funeral of Mrs. Morningstar (sister of the Parr brothers, of this place) took place to Old Springs Cemetery on Sunday. Her home was at Edvill.

George L. Smith has removed to his farm in Bradshaw. John Booth, of Bradshaw, is making preparations to remove to Dresden. The noise of the hammers, saws, etc., of the workmen may be heard continually, and we will soon be able to report more finished buildings in our town.

CADDIES GIVE A CLUB TROUBLE

In a Sheltered Retreat They Shoot Craps and Steal Golf Balls for Pastime.

Short Hills, N. J., Dec. 12.—The Baltusrol Golf Club has lately been waging a peculiar warfare against several caddies, who have been displaying new phases of youthful mischievousness. The club, which is the largest of its kind near New York, had several tool carriers fined last fall in the court at Summit, but this time it has not been able to lay hands on the miscreants. Near the fifteenth hole on the links is a piece of land thickly covered with bushes and owned by a farmer named Hackle. As the temperature went lower this fall, a gang of the boys found these bushes a sheltered retreat in which to indulge in crap shooting. At the same time they were out of sight and beyond the jurisdiction of the club. The farmer found them a nuisance, but it was next to impossible to isolate the place. The boys soon found that their ambush was the objective point of hundreds of misplaced balls. At first they were content with those really lost there, but greed for profit soon led them to seize every ball that came flying over the thicket. Completely screened by the underbrush the thieves were able to get out of sight before the unsuspecting player reached the spot for fruitless searches.

So many balls were swallowed up on this piece of ground that a watch was finally set and the scheme discovered. A plan was then hatched to rent the land by the year, for a nominal amount, but it fell through, and after that Hackle was rather thought to favor the visits of the boys, with a view to making the consideration offered him larger.

Finally the names of half a dozen of the ringleaders were learned, and a notice was posted in the clubhouse warning members not to employ them as caddies. This plan seems to be bearing results, although many players have become so wise that whenever a ball goes into the now famous underbrush they lose no time in looking for it, for nothing short of heavy snow will bring the crap games there to an end.

There has been a most unusual craze lately among the Baltusrol caddies, and one of the club employees says that half a dozen of the boys, averaging 19 years old, have lately become benefactors. Possibly their increasing responsibilities may have something to do with the disappearance of the aforementioned spheres.

About every club seems to have one prize-fighter in its caddy ranks, and Baltusrol is no exception. Last week there was a mill here between the holder of that title and the tool maker of the club, near the home green, a big gallery of golfers being involuntary spectators. The bully was at last worsted after a hot battle, and the course will know him no more.

THE HERO OF MAKEKING

Baden-Powell Sleeps in a Hammock and Rises at 4:30.

London, Dec. 12.—Major-Gen. Baden-Powell, the hero of Makek, has been visiting Henry Phipps at Beaufort Castle, and from there made his way to Battley, where he spent a few days with Archibald Coats, the Cotton King, and kept the house party in a state of laughter. Lord Newlands has also been entertaining him recently.

Wherever he stays, the general insists upon rising at 4:30 a.m., to write his reports on the inspection of cavalry, and his private correspondence. He takes a hammock about with him and sleeps in it if his host will allow him to sling it in some corner. He draws with his right hand and writes with the left simultaneously, and he is an inveterate practical joker.

All the family have their pet fads. His sister's hobby is canaries, which fly about all over the house. The general trod on a couple which were roosting on the stairs of the Baden-Powell town house the other day, and discovered a third in his silk hat.

LAKE DRYING UP

Great Salt Lake in Few Years a Thing of the Past.

San Francisco, Dec. 12.—Paris and London scientists who are interested in the subject are obtaining from the Southern Pacific officials all the data they have collected since the completion of the Central Pacific Railroad, 35 years ago, about the gradual drying up of the Great Salt Lake. Collecting facts on that subject was a hobby of Senator Leland Stanford, and the mass of information gathered by him and since his death in 1893 by others in the railroad, conclusively proves that the drying-up process is rapidly going on.

From the data it appears that the lake has been receding steadily since 1865. In the sixteen years between 1886 and 1892 there has been a total fall of about twelve feet. Proportionately the fall in the level of the lake during the past three years has been much greater, and at the present rate the lake will dry up within 40 years and become a dry, extensive bed of salt. The large diversion of water from streams emptying into the lake, for purposes of irrigation, together with constant evaporation, is, of course, the simple explanation of why this unique body of salt water, about 4,300 feet in altitude and 1,300 miles inland from the shores of the Pacific Ocean, will, in a few years, be a thing of the past.

What Is Anti-Pill?

A Somewhat Peculiar Name Explained—How Dr. Leonhardt Came to Call His Famous Prescription "Anti-Pill."

Dr. Leonhardt found in his practice that chronic constipation and its kindred complaints were the result of a dried-up condition of the mucous membrane lining of the stomach and bowels. He investigated further and found that this condition was invariably brought about by the use of cathartics, which all contain a certain amount of resinous matter.

After the first action of such medicines a resinous residue remains behind and this has a drying effect on the lining of the stomach and bowels. He made up his mind to produce a medicine for all stomach and bowel derangements which would be entirely free from all resinous matter.

After much experiment he succeeded, and to emphasize the difference between his treatment and the old-fashioned treatments, he gave it the name "Anti-Pill."

Anti-Pill will cure dyspepsia, biliousness, or constipation perfectly and for ever—cure to stay—cured with no pill habit left to be overcome later.

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Men of Brains.

Men of great intellect are usually great coffee drinkers, hence it is called the "intellectual beverage."

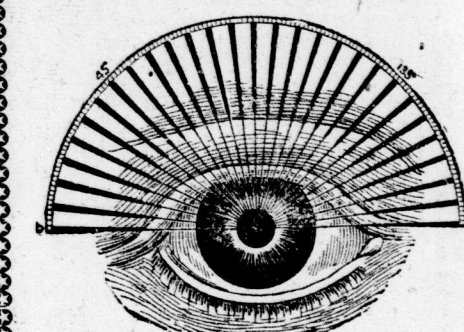
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PRIZED PAINTINGS

ABOVE HER LIFE

Starved to Death Rather Than Sell the Work of Her Late Husband.

New York, Dec. 12.—Rather than part with several oil paintings which hung about her squalid apartments, Mrs. Fredericks Goetze, of Newark, preferred to die in abject poverty. She was the widow of Gottfried Theobald Goetze, whose collection of landscapes adorned the Royal Palace of Munich, and the pictures she cherished were his creations.

The woman's lifeless body was found in her dingy flat yesterday by a policeman, who broke in a locked door. She had not been seen alive since Saturday, and is supposed to have died on that day. Mrs. Goetze was about 75 years old, and eccentric. She lived alone and allowed none to enter her house except a richly-gowned young woman, whose identity is not established.

The pictures, mostly portraits of German rulers and princes, were the only "friends" the woman appeared to have, and she was known to spend several hours daily talking to them and through them to the spirit of her dead husband.

Joseph G. Beit, a Newark artist, is the authority for the statement that the aged woman had repeatedly refused flattering offers for some of her husband's paintings, which will now have to be sacrificed to give her a decent burial. Mrs. Goetze's death resulted from heart disease, brought on by privation. She was born in Nuremberg, Germany, where she met her husband, who was then a student under the eminent Rothmann. Goetze was a graduate of the College of Art in Munich, and came to this country about twenty years ago. Few of his paintings were sold in this country, but they found a good market abroad.

Four years ago, the widow, too proud to be dependent upon her relatives, went to live in a three-room apartment at No. 242 Broadway street, Newark, where she lived in obscurity, and eked out a living gathering old clothes and selling them. She spurned all efforts of neighbors to make things comfortable for her and turned a deaf ear to all who pleaded with her to sell the paintings.

FORTUNE FOR COACHMAN

Hairs Are Fighting the Will to Secure \$150,000.

Indianapolis, Dec. 12.—The will of Mrs. Eleonora Chambers has been filed for probate. She left \$150,000 to her coachman. The will is to be contested on the ground that she was of unsound mind when she executed the instrument.

The fortunate coachman was Harry Graves, who was still in the service of Mrs. Chambers when she died in California last September.

Mrs. Chambers lived in Indianapolis most of her life and was the daughter of T. A. Morris. He left her a large fortune.

Graves applied for a position at the home of Mrs. Chambers as coachman when he was in rags. She gave him employment. She owned good horses and he drove them well. She loved him. When she later went to California to live she took her coachman with her, and when it was discovered last fall after her death that she had left all her fortune to Graves there was no end of talk in local social circles.

Thomas and Milton Morris, the next blood relatives, and heirs, had not Graves been left the fortune, will fight the provisions of the strange will. The estate consists largely of Indianapolis real estate.

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You cannot blame your jeweler for not competing with a man retiring from business. If he does so, he must sell at far below cost. The following prices are a sample of the rest of the stock. I am bound to sell out.

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1847 Rogers Bros.' Knives, A1, per dozen\$3.35

Lemaire's Opera Glasses, regular price \$5.00\$3.25

Alarm Clock. Regular price \$1.00, for60c

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Large stock of Purses and Hand Bags, Ladies' Umbrellas of the best quality, Gold-headed Canes and Manicure Sets in silver and ebony. Heavy stock Sterling Silver Goods in every line of the trade. ENTREE DISHES. Pearl-handled Dessert Knives and Forks; Ivory Handles, Celluloid Handles of the English Rodgers—the best makers of these goods in the world. DIAMOND RINGS GALORE. We have arranged for new stock of certain lines sold out, so as not to disappoint our customers.

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LATEST MARKETS

LOCAL MARKET.

London, Tuesday, Dec. 13.

The prospects were not very bright at 9:30 o'clock this forenoon when the market is supposed to be in full view for an average attendance. Later on there was a considerable number of farmers who put in an appearance. The amount of business done was nearly up to the average for this day of the week. Sales were only fairly brisk, and prices were inclined to be easier.

Grain—Nearly 30 loads of oats were offered. Sales brisk at 96c to 97c per cwt, mostly at 96c to 97c per cwt. A couple of loads of barley sold at 92c per cwt. Three loads of wheat went at \$1 to \$1.01 per bushel.

Hay and straw—Hay was very plentiful and dull of sale owing to the large deliveries of last week; prices ruled lower, at \$5 per ton, for most of the best loads. Straw was sold at \$3 to \$7 per ton. Several loads of straw sold at \$5 and \$6 per ton.

Butter and Eggs—There was not enough offered in this line to warrant a change in prices.

Poultry—A few lots of dressed turkeys sold at 13c to 14c per pound. A couple of loads of dressed chickens went at 10c per pound; one load of live chickens sold at 8c per pound.

There were not many bags of either eggs or potatoes offered; prices were as quoted.

Butchers' Meat—Sales were slow in this line except for lamb, which was in good demand at high prices, viz., 10 to 10 cents per pound.

GRAIN, PER CENTAL.

Wheat	\$1.05	@ \$1.06
Oats, new	30	@ 31
Corn	50	@ 51
Barley	90	@ 92
Peas	100	@ 101
Beans	100	@ 101

GRAIN, PER BUSHEL.

Wheat	1.02	@ 1.03
Oats, new	30	@ 31
Corn	50	@ 51
Barley	90	@ 92
Peas	100	@ 101
Beans	100	@ 101

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Butter, store lots, lb.	16	@ 17
Butter, creamery, lb.	17	@ 18
Butter, creamery, lb.	21	@ 22
Eggs, doz., whole, lb.	24	@ 25
Eggs, doz., retail, lb.	25	@ 26
Honey, strained, lb.	9	@ 10
Honey, comb, lb.	12	@ 13

POULTRY, DRESSED.

Old hens, per pair	40	@ 41
Spring chickens, pair	50	@ 51
Turkeys, per lb.	12	@ 13
Ducks, per pair	20	@ 21
Geese, each	80	@ 81
Hens, per lb.	8	@ 9
Chickens, per lb.	8	@ 9
Ducks, per lb.	9	@ 10
Geese, per lb.	8	@ 9

POULTRY, ALIVE.

Spring chickens, per pair	45	@ 46
Old hens, per pair	40	@ 41
Ducks, per pair	20	@ 21
Turkeys, per lb.	11	@ 12
Chickens, per lb.	8	@ 9
Hens, per lb.	8	@ 9
Ducks, per lb.	9	@ 10
Geese, per lb.	8	@ 9

BUTCHERS' MEATS.

Dressed hogs, cwt.	6.00	@ 6.10
Roast, per cwt.	6.00	@ 6.10
Mutton, per cwt.	6.00	@ 6.10
Lamb, per cwt.	6.00	@ 6.10
Pork, lb., hindquarters	9	@ 10
Pork, lb., forequarters	9	@ 10

LIVE STOCK.

Hogs, select, cwt.	4.00	@ 4.10
Pigs, per pair	4.00	@ 4.10
Sows, per cwt.	3.00	@ 3.10
Slugs, per cwt.	1.00	@ 1.10
Grass cattle, cwt.	5.00	@ 5.10
Export cattle, cwt.	4.00	@ 4.10

HAY AND STRAW.

Hay, per ton	8.00	@ 8.10
Straw, per ton	3.00	@ 3.10

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes, per bag	50	@ 51
Carrots, per bushel	20	@ 21
Onions, per bushel	30	@ 31
Beets, per bushel	20	@ 21
Parsnips, per bushel	20	@ 21
Cabbages, per doz.	25	@ 26
Brussels sprouts, per doz.	25	@ 26
Sage, per doz.	15	@ 16
Savory, per doz.	15	@ 16

WOOL, HIDES, TALLOW.

Wool, washed, per lb.	12	@ 13
Wool, unwashed, per lb.	12	@ 13
Hides, No. 1, per lb.	8	@ 9
Hides, No. 2, per lb.	7	@ 8
Hides, No. 3, per lb.	6	@ 7
Tallow, rough, lb.	25	@ 26
Sheepskins, each	6	@ 7

PRODUCE MARKET.

Toronto, Dec. 12.—Wheat—Easier, at 98c bid for red and white; spring, 92c; goose, 86c to 87c; Manitoba holds steady to firm; No. 1 northern, 91c to 92c; No. 2, 89c to 90c; sales at 81c to 82c, at Georgian Bay ports, and 84c more grinding in transit. Flour—Export, business dull, 50 per cent. patents, \$5 to \$5.40, in buyers' stocks, east and west, 25c to 26c for choice. Manitoba unchanged, at \$5.25 to \$5.70 for first patents, \$5.25 to \$5.40 for second patents, and \$5 to \$5.30 for bakers. Mill—Dead—Steady, at \$1.50 to \$1.55 for bran, 15c; bulk, and \$1.50 to \$1.55 for shorts, 15c; Manitoba, \$2 for shorts and \$2 for bran for export. Barley, 45c for No. 2 malting, outside, Toronto freights, 75c to 76c for No. 2 Corn—New Canadian, 43c, f.o.b. Chatham freights; new American mixed is easier, at 32c; new American mixed

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at 53c on track, Toronto; old American No. 2 yellow, 56c; No. 2, 55c, and No. 3 mixed at 52c; 50c on track, Toronto. Outright steady, at 52c to 53c for No. 1 white, low mixed; No. 2 at 52c; and 53c north and west, and 54c for No. 1 white, low mixed. Cattle—More outside. Feeder—Unchanged, at 5c to 6c for No. 2 west. Backed, 4c to 5c west. Butter—Firm in tone, at 21c to 22c for fresh and 20c for lined. Dressed hogs—Unchanged, at 59 to 60 for car lots; farmers' lots, 58 to 59.

STOCK MARKETS.

H. C. Spencer, stock broker, Bank of Commerce building, received the following by private wire from Bartlett, Fraser & Co. today:

New York, Dec. 13.—The expectation that today's opening would be weak was fully realized, but close of the day was trading during the first five minutes were convinced of the fact that although there was some liquidation, the market was not so much depressed as it had been.

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LONDON AND DISTRICT

—Mr. E. C. Pendry, of Victoria, B. C., is on a short visit to the city.

—Miss Mae Knox has gone to her home at Gormie for a few weeks' visit.

—Mr. Joshua Adams, and Miss Adams, of Kingsville, have come to London for the winter months.

—The annual meeting of the Proof Road Company was held yesterday afternoon, when this year's officers were re-elected for 1905.

—Mr. A. F. Read, foreign freight agent, of Montreal, and his little daughter spent the weekend with his sister, Mrs. Callender, St. George street.

—The special junior anniversary meeting of the Salvation Army, held last night, was very successful. The Band of Love will hold its Christmas tree on Monday next, and the Sunday school on Thursday, the 22nd.

SECT. MILLIE IMPROVING.

Sergeant Harry Mills, of Wolseley Barracks, who was removed to Victoria Hospital yesterday suffering from an internal complaint, was operated upon during the afternoon by Dr. Belton and is now improving nicely.

CRUSADE DAY.

The Women's Missionary Auxiliary of the Dundas Street Methodist Church held a crusade day yesterday of a very successful nature. There was a large turnout of enthusiastic members, and many new names were added to the membership list during the afternoon.

NEW ORANGE LODGE.

A new Orange Lodge, No. 1847, has been organized at Putnam with the following officers: Bro. H. Bath, worshipful master; R. Johnston, W. D. M.; A. Banks, chaplain; James Mooney, recording secretary; W. Field, financial secretary; W. Remie, treasurer; A. Cartwright, D. C.; J. G. Spring, lecturer; V. St. Clair, first committeeman.

LUCAN MUSICAL SOCIETY.

On the evening of Dec. 8, the members of the Lucan Musical Society held their monthly recital, at which the following programme was most effectively rendered:

Duet—March des Tambours..... E. Smith

Misses Harrigan and McIlhenny.

Vocal—The Snow-Flake..... Oh, So Early.

Miss Stanley.

Piano—La Zingara..... Bohm

Miss Culbert.

Vocal—Sunset..... Dudley Buck

Piano—Nocturns, G. Flat..... Meyer-Helmund

Miss Spratt.

Duet—Overture to "The Peasant"..... Suppe

Miss M. Smith and Mr. Jardine.

Vocal—The Snow-Flake..... Ambrose

Sketch—Mendelssohn's Life..... Miss Cunningham.

Piano—Songs Without Words, No. 15..... Mendelssohn

(a) Spring Song..... Mendelssohn

Miss Harrigan.

A GOOD RECORD.

The London and Western Trusts Company has handed into the court a copy of their accounts in the liquidation of the Elgin Loan and Savings Company. The accounts comprise over a hundred pages of closely-typewritten foolscap. The creditors of this company have already been paid 87½ cents on the dollar, and the trust company hopes soon to have a sufficient balance on hand to pay the remaining 12½ cents. The liquidation is about complete, the few assets remaining being of such a nature, or so involved in litigation, as to prevent realization at the present time. It is less than eighteen months since this company passed into the hands of the trust company, and the record in the liquidation has never been paralleled.

ANNIVERSARY SOCIAL.

The 21st anniversary of the Bishop George Memorial Church was celebrated last evening by the congregation in a social way. The Sunday school, which was beautifully decorated, was crowded by the congregation and their friends. Many brief addresses were delivered and a delightful musical programme was rendered, in which the orchestra of the Sunday school, under the leader, Mr. Murray, played a large part. Rev. W. T. Hill, rector of the church, presided.

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The transfer books are closed from the 15th to the 31st inst., both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,

M. H. ROWLAND, Manager.

London, Dec. 12, 1904.

Church of St. John the Evangelist, paid a splendid tribute to the newly-ordained clergyman, Arthur Campbell, on the 11th inst. All partook of the banquet of speeches and music. The Rev. Dr. Dyson, rector, presided, and Rev. Dr. Dyson, rector, presided, and Rev. Dr. Dyson, rector, presided.

AN EXCELLENT PROGRAMME.

When Miss Laura Gertrude Shildrick, contralto, of Toronto, last appeared in connection with the Morning Music Club she was accorded a warm reception and established for herself a reputation as a vocalist. As she has been secured for the concert to be given by the pupils of the Boston School of Music in the Auditorium on Thursday, the 15th, there should be a crowded house.

WILSON'S DEATH

DUE TO ACCIDENT

Statement Made at the Inquest by the Grand Trunk's Physician.

The inquiry into the death of Wm. Wilson, the Grand Trunk yardman who was killed while at work a few days ago, was opened at the police station last evening before Dr. MacLaren and the following jury: Messrs. P. J. Watt (foreman), Alf Johnston, A. Keene, F. Omi, Henry Yeates, E. J. White, J. Ed. Platt, A. Walsh, D. David, J. W. Macquarie, H. Thorne, and Trick, James Hordman, Wm. Fysh and James Sutherland.

The first witness called was Engineer Lister, who was in charge of the locomotive which was pulling the train from which Wilson fell. He testified that at about 2:55 p.m. on the 5th inst. he was backing west out of Hunt's siding with five cars. Deceased had made two couplings and had given witness the signal to back, and had then climbed up on top of the cars from the north side. That part of the siding which was east of the doorway, over which is the veranda, could hold about three cars. Witness said the train could not have been moving faster than a walk when the accident occurred. Witness did not know that anything was wrong until he had crossed Talbot street. It had been found that the air-brake was still tight after the train stopped, so the accident must have occurred before the train had reached the veranda.

The fireman, F. Foster, said that he had seen Wilson, just before the accident, climbing up on the car near the veranda. Mr. Lister, being recalled, corroborated this statement.

Frank McKenna, Wilson's mate, was standing above the car when the accident occurred. He did not see Wilson on top of the car, but saw him falling in mid-air, and striking the ground. Witness ran to him immediately. Wilson gave two or three gasps as if for breath, and then died. Witness said that the veranda did not project over the running

board, but over a part of the car. Witness did not know whether there was any ledge on top of the car.

The car foreman, John J. Flynn, gave evidence of the various measurements which had been made. The height of the car from the ground to the top is 12 feet 5 inches. From the ground to the top of the veranda is 15 feet 3 inches. Two feet and ten inches of the veranda project over the car. The top of the car is 8 feet 6 inches wide. The brake rod is 2 feet 11 inches from the side of the car. The height of the brake rod from the ground is 1 foot 6 inches. Witness further said that the usual position in which to stand when coupling the cars was with the back to the west. Witness thought that if Wilson was standing in this position his back would have been struck by the veranda.

The next witness, Chester Ploew, had been standing inside of Hunt's building about 9 or 10 feet from the veranda when he saw the accident. He was moving past the door, and when the last one had gone by, he noticed an object falling in the rear. Rushing to the doorway, he saw a man falling with his feet towards the east and his head directly in front of the door. Witness testified that the veranda extends a few feet on either side of the doorway.

Dr. F. P. Drake, who made the post-mortem examination in company with Dr. Ploew, said that the organ of the body were perfect. The frontal bone was fractured, and also the skull at the base of the brain. The spinal column was broken. There was nothing to indicate that deceased had been taken with heart failure or the like, nor could he have swooned. Either he must have been struck by the veranda, or he must have been struck by the veranda, or he must have been struck by the veranda.

Dr. Hogg corroborated the above testimony.

Percy Ashton, who was also called, could throw no light on the affair.

The inquest was adjourned until Friday evening for the purpose of securing the evidence of the two men who notified the engineer of the accident.

MR. KIRKWOOD IS

NEW PRINCIPAL

Of Wootley Road School—Mr. Tanton, of Alvington, Didn't Think Salary Sufficient.

At a special meeting of the board of education, held yesterday afternoon, Principal Kirkwood, of the Fort Erie public school, was appointed to the principalship of Wootley road school, which he refused to come to London at the salary named by the board.

Trustee Yeates declared that it was his opinion Mr. Tanton was merely using the board to boost his salary, and he thought the best way out of the difficulty was to let Mr. Tanton go and appoint Mr. Kirkwood in his place.

The board also agreed that in wages Mr. Kirkwood should not feel inclined to come, Mr. J. H. Cunningham, principal of Palmerston public school, he was a substitute.

Those present were: Chairman MacRobert, Trustees Gammage, Yeates, Teasdale, Fitzgerald, McCormick, Ziegler and English.

DEATH OF MR. VENNING

Old Resident of Dorchester Passes Away at Mossley.

The death occurred yesterday of Mr. Richard Venning, a widely-known resident of Middlesex county, at his residence at Mossley, deceased was born in Dorchester, England, 75 years ago, and came to this country with his parents when a boy. The greater part of his life was spent in Dorchester. He was a staunch member of the Methodist Church, and was for many years president of the North Dorchester Agricultural Society. He was also a member of the Western Fair at one time. The following children survive: John Venning and Mrs. John Ross, Mossley; Richard Venning, Dorchester; and Miss Mary, at home. The following brothers and sister also survive: Thomas, of Forest; John of Mossley; Andrew, of Belmont; and Mrs. Norris, of Harrietsville.

The funeral will take place tomorrow from the family residence, to the Dorchester cemetery. Services will be held by Rev. Mr. Moorehouse, pastor of the Putnam Methodist Church.

Women used to lose their hairpins a thousand years ago much in the same way as they do today. That, at least, is the impression one gets from the antiquities found during the excavations at the Roman bath excavations.

Uganda, Africa, has a zoological garden 50 miles long.

TO HANDLE MEN

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BRO. BEN NOBLE

THE NEW MASTER

Annual Election of Officers for Union Lodge—The Brethren Have a Social Hour.

The election of officers for 1905 was held last evening at the regular communication of Union Lodge No. 380, A. F. and A. M. The following were chosen:

W. M.—Bro. Ben Noble.

S. W.—Bro. E. S. Crawford.

J. W.—Bro. J. A. Cottam.

Treasurer—Bro. S. Grant.

Secretary—Bro. J. Ward.

Chaplain—Wor. Bro. H. Stratford.

S. D.—Bro. James Dean.

J. D.—Bro. D. C. Davidson.

D. of C.—Wor. Bro. Hooper.

I. G.—Bro. F. Jones.

S. S.—Bro. J. H. Moran.

S. S.—Bro. H. Hogg.

Tiler—Wor. Bro. J. Robinson.

Auditors—Wor. Bros. J. Lawson and G. Duncan.

Representative to Board of Finance—Bros. B. Noble, E. S. Crawford and J. A. Cottam.

Representative to Board of Benevolence—Wor. Bros. H. Stratford and J. A. Cottam.

The scrutineers were V. Bros. A. B. Greer and A. G. McWhinney.

At the conclusion of the business a banquet was held, covers being laid for 100 members and guests.

Bro. Ben Noble, the master-elect, occupied the chair. He made a most timely and interesting speech, in which he congratulated the Brethren on their successful election.

Messrs. Greer, McWhinney, Nixon, Essery, Lawson, Noble, Morris, and Fitzgerald, Bro. J. A. Cottam also gave two recitations.

NEW SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Mr. J. H. W. McRoberts, Education.

Appointed by the board of education to the principalship of Grand avenue school, Mr. McRoberts is at present principal of the Mitchell public and model schools.

GOLDEN-VOICED AL. H. WILSON.

The Watch on the Rhine, the romantic comedy in which Al H. Wilson, he of the golden voice, will appear here on Friday, Dec. 16, and Saturday, Dec. 17, with a brilliant matinee on Saturday, will be a most interesting and pleasing to all classes of theater-goers, appeals with exceptional force to those who claim the fatherland as the place of their nativity. Incidental to "The Watch on the Rhine" Mr. Wilson is heard in several choice selections of ballads, descriptive verses and character songs. Seats on sale tomorrow.

"KING DODO."

The Toronto World, commenting on "King Dodo," which will be presented at the Grand tomorrow night, says: "Perhaps 'King Dodo,' as he appeared at the Grand this week, was in better form than he was when he supplied his witlessness and provided merriment at the Princess last season. Certainly he kept his audience heartily amused last night. Charles W. Meyer it is who assumes the royal role and he turned out to be a good whimsical comedian. His support, too, is good, with Rose Cecilia Shay, of grand opera renown, taking the part of the queen, and being credit, both in voice and appearance, being exceptionally pleasing. Other leading characters are in good hands and there is a large chorus."

C. O. C. F. OFFICERS.

At the meeting of London Council, No. 55, of the Canadian Order of Children Friends, held last night, the following officers were elected:

Past Chief Councilor—Mr. J. W. Thompson.

Chief Council