

OPENING OF LONG COURT.

Law Reform Measure Adds to County Business.

Accident Insurance Case Was Tried Yesterday Afternoon.

Two Criminal Cases Referred of by the Judge.

The General Session of the County Court, which opened yesterday afternoon before Judge Snider at 1:30, promise to be the longest in years, for, notwithstanding that three cases were settled out of court, twenty-nine still remained on the list, of which sixteen are jury.

The cases which have been settled are: Mathews vs. Mathews, for \$223.50 for money lent, in which the defendant admitted responsibility and costs; Bell & Pringle for plaintiff; Lazier & Lazier for defendant. Smith vs. Stewart, \$129.35 for work done; A. C. Beasley for plaintiff; Nesbitt, Gaud & Gausby for defendant. Smith vs. Bennett, \$150 for goods sold; Lazier & Lazier for plaintiff and Donald Ross (Barrie) for defendant.

The grand jurors and petit jurors' rolls were called and all were present. The grand jury was then instructed to select their foreman. This jury is composed of T. F. Best, foreman, D. Allen, J. B. Amos, James Anderson, W. M. Armstrong, G. B. Boulter, R. A. Campbell, G. W. Cummings, John Connell, Edward Hall, R. H. Lewis, John Melroy and James Atchison.

His Honor in giving his charge to the jury said the most important of the criminal cases which had to be considered was John Taglierino, charged with sending threatening letters of a Black Hand nature, the intention being robbery by fear. If they found there was enough evidence to show that he had written the letter then an offense had been committed, but if they could not find evidence to show that he had done as the charge said, it was their duty to bring in no bill.

The other case was against Delby J. Smith, charged with obtaining goods from the Star Manufacturing Company, Toronto, on false pretenses. The charge was that he represented that he owned a house on Henning street, but which was in his wife's name. In their examination of the different institutions, if any recommendations could be made they would be carefully considered. The civil cases, he said, were more numerous this year, because of the law reform act, which raised the maximum to \$800. Of the list nine were because of the increased jurisdiction. If the act was left in force it would be desirable and necessary to change the date so as to allow more time. The present session would continue until Christmas, anyway.

The case of Foyster vs. Dominion Trusts Company took up most of the afternoon. It was for the purpose of discerning whether the plaintiff was entitled to \$90 claimed by him because of an accident he met with which he considered came under the terms of his accident insurance policy. The reason for which the company refused to pay the money was that they were informed that the plaintiff was under the influence of drink when injured, and the policy distinctly provided that if such was the case the company was relieved of all liability.

David Walsh, the first witness called, said he knew Foyster, who had been hurt. When he went home Foyster was there with a badly crushed foot. He took Foyster's boots off and bound up the wounds as best he could until other assistance was rendered. Foyster was not drunk at that time. He had seen him drink the year before at Christmas time. When Foyster was drunk at Christmas time he had spoken of feeling like a millionaire.

"Probably you helped him to feel like a millionaire," suggested Mr. Staunton, counsel for the defendants.

"No, I never took a drink in my life." When asked if the reason Foyster was not living with his wife was not because of his intemperate habits, witness said he did not know, but didn't think that was the reason, although he had never heard him speak of it.

R. B. Brough said he had met Foyster on the day he was injured, and had strolled around by the house, but during that time he had not been drinking.

S. Thompson explained how the accident occurred. (Continued on Page 9.)

FLYNN-NOLAN.

Hamilton Young Man Takes Wife in New Jersey.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at St. John's Church, Jersey City, N. J., on Thursday last, the contracting parties being Miss Helen Margaret Nolan, of Van Winkle avenue, and Leo S. Flynn, of this city. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Kane. Snapper was served at the home of the bride, only the immediate family being present. Miss May Nolan, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Frank Reed was best man.

Mr. and Mrs. Flynn will spend their honeymoon at Mr. Flynn's home, Hamilton, returning after the holidays. The parents of Mr. Flynn reside on John street north. The groom is a popular young man, and his many friends will congratulate him on his choice.

A Smoker's Christmas Box.

A genuine meerschaum pipe, with a long amber mouthpiece, in a handsome case, would make a nice present for a smoker. They are offered with curved or straight stems, at peace's pipe store, 107 King street east.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES.

To rent at \$2 a year and upwards, for the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills, silver and other valuables.

TRADERS BANK OF CANADA.

HYDRO CLIQUE IS MAKING TROUBLE.

Will Meet To-night to Try to Straighten Things Out—Voters' List Appeals.

The Hydro-Electric slate for the municipal election will be framed up at a general meeting of the supporters of the Niagara power scheme to be held to-night in Kennedy Hall. It is expected that the session will be a warm one. Reporters will likely be barred. The efforts to get some of the Hydro candidates for Controllers to retire in favor of W. G. Bailey, Ald. Cooper, Frank Quinn and Ald. Wright, who are proposed as the slate of the clique, have provoked bad feeling, and the views of some of the disappointed ones will likely be aired to-night. The idea of to-night's meeting is to get a general expression of opinion from the Hydro supporters as to who the candidates shall be. Someone will propose T. J. Stewart's name for Mayor. It is expected that Mr. Stewart will be endorsed, and the committee

hopes on the strength of this to induce him to run. It is expected he will give his consent when he returns from Ottawa. Not only is difficulty being experienced fixing the Controller slate, but obstacles are being met with in getting aldermanic candidates. In several of the wards the committee has been unable yet to get any candidates who will pledge themselves to enter into the Niagara power scheme without restriction. An effort will be made to-night to get new men out to run as Hydro aldermanic candidates in the different wards. One of the men who has taken a prominent part in the campaign to oppose Mayor McLaren said to-day, "There will undoubtedly be a fight." The committee has been approached by no less than three prominent business men who are willing to stand as Mayorality candidates. The feeling of the Hydro supporters, however, is that ex-Mayor Stewart (Continued on Page 9)

WHITNEY AND GOUIN MEET.

Premiers of Ontario and Quebec Have Conference.

Hon. Mr. Gouin Interviewed by Times Correspondent.

He Talks of Power, Pulp, Forestry and Education.

(Special Wire to the Times.)

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 15.—Sir Lomer Gouin, Premier of Quebec, who is in Toronto to-day, is the guest of honor of Sir James Whitney at a gala lunch at the Parliament buildings, and was interviewed by the Times correspondent at the Queen's Hotel this morning. He said that while his visit to Toronto was largely of a social character, he expected that a number of questions of inter-provincial importance would be discussed by Sir James Whitney and himself. Ontario and Quebec were really at one in the matter of the pulp and forestry policy and of the conservation of their natural resources. The question of the Dominion subsidy to each of the Provinces would likely be taken up. Quebec was not in the same position as Ontario in the matter of a power policy.

There was not one great source of supply in that Province to correspond with Niagara, and the big centres there were already well supplied with power at a reasonable rate. The formation of the Public Utilities Commission at the last session of the Quebec Legislature would

he thought, be productive of much good, as it would regulate the prices of all public utilities and prevent excessive charges being made. It would regulate the Provincial rural railways as the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board does here. With regard to education the endeavor of his Government was to increase the subsidies to rural schools. These had been doubled and would be still further increased. He thought Quebec was ahead of Ontario in technical education, as there were already three big technical schools in Montreal and Quebec.

Much interest centres around the conference between the two Premiers, but it is considered probable that a conference of all the Provincial Premiers of Canada may result from it.

SONS OF SCOTLAND.

At the regular meeting of Gillen Camp, Sons of Scotland, the following officers were elected for 1910: Chief, James Sheddin; Chitain, William Meikle; Past Chief, James McNaught; Chaplain, James Milton; Recording Secretary, William Sheddin; Financial Secretary, Alex. Stuart; Treasurer, John Stuart; Marshall, George Ferguson; Standard Bearer, Robert Tennant; Senior Guard, James Hunter; Junior Guard, Thomas Chalmers; Physician, Dr. Jas. Dickson.

Rabbit, Pie.

As the good boy would remark "that looks good to me." 100 pairs wild rabbit just received, and judging from our past experience in selling rabbits we would advise you to kindly telephone your order early if you wish any.

Store open until ten o'clock every evening until Christmas for convenience of shoppers. Peebles, Hobson Co., Ltd.

Fatal Fall

Pasadena, Cal., Dec. 15.—Miss Agnes Claypool, 15 years old, daughter of a wealthy resident of Pasadena, was killed, and Harvey Bissell, 24 years old, son of a Grand Rapids millionaire manufacturer, was perhaps fatally injured last night in an automobile accident. Mr. Bissell and Miss Claypool were riding in a racing automobile, which went over the edge of the narrow Eagle Rock Valley road and fell 100 feet down the steep incline.

Miss Claypool's body was found in the machine. A broken rib had punctured her lungs. Bissell was lying near by, still conscious. His collarbone and right leg were broken and his spine was injured. It is said that Bissell and Miss Claypool were to be married this winter.

UNION MAN WAS SET UPON.

Martin Flynn Badly Used by Three Others Last Night.

Martin Flynn, 224 Hughson street north, one of the union moulders who has been out of work since the trouble began in the early part of the year, is lying at his home pretty badly used up as the result of a beating he received last night. He was on his way home and was passing in rear of the drill hall on Hughson street when three men jumped out from behind the high fence and set upon him. He was struck on the back of the head and felled. Then he was kicked about the head and body and finally left lying by the roadside. He managed to make his way to his home, not far from the scene of the assault. About midnight he was so bad that Dr. Hopkins was sent for. He found Flynn in an unconscious condition. This morning he had recovered from his illness but was unable to tell anything more about the affair than the outline given above. He is very severely injured and is suffering a good deal, but the doctor does not think his injuries are dangerous.

BRANDON CASE.

Will of Mrs. Brandon Annulled by Her Marriage.

Chief Justice Meredith yesterday dismissed a motion by the children of the late Mrs. Mary Brandon, of Ancaster, and others, for the removal of a case arising out of the disposal of Mrs. Brandon's estate from the Surrogate Court of the County of Wentworth, to the High Court. His Lordship ruled that Judge Snider, the Surrogate judge, is competent to deal with questions at issue. Mrs. Brandon married Dr. John Brandon, M. D., of Ancaster, only two months before her death. She had previously executed a will, but it was annulled by the marriage. This gave Dr. Brandon a legal claim to one-third of the estate, which, in this case, would mean over \$110,000 for Dr. Brandon, who applied for letters of administration.

The children by a former marriage and the executors of the annulled testament have lodged a caveat, testifying that Dr. Brandon induced his wife not to execute a will, by undertaking not to take any part of her estate.

TWO CALLS.

Rev. H. H. Bingham, pastor of the Baptist Church in Paris, has received a call from Centre Street Baptist Church, St. Thomas, and also one from Moose Jaw, Sask. The reverend gentleman expects to give his answer to his congregation some time next week.

Rev. Mr. Bingham is a son-in-law of Rev. J. S. Williamson, D. D., of Emerald Street Methodist Church, this city.

Perhaps the best cure for the tobacco habit is a box of Christmas cigars.

The Man In Overalls

The Christmas Times will be out on Saturday. Advertise in it.

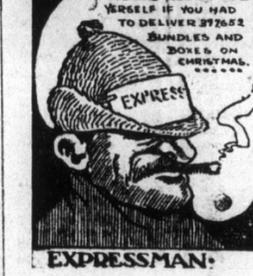
Surely we are not going back to T. J. Stewart and overdrafts again.

Mr. Hendrie's sparring permit this season may cause trouble.

Oh, yes, lots of people ride on Sunday street cars who fought desperately

8 More Shopping Days Before Christmas

YES AND YOU'VE GOT TO DELIVER THESE BUNDLES AND BOXES ON CHRISTMAS.



EXPRESSMAN.

against having them. But familiarity breeds contempt as well as other things.

Electrical invention must, as is generally believed, be in its infancy, when crossed wires put us all in darkness.

We are still cleaning the snow off the sidewalks after the manner of the 17th century.

In a few days now you will have to grab the first thing you see and pay whatever is asked for it.

I would sooner have a steam railway than a transmission line running past my door.

I shouldn't be the least surprised to hear that the Herald has been misrepresenting Ex-Ald. Allen. You remember how it insisted it knew better than the Mayor what the Mayor said.

But what has the Servants' Union got to say about the proposed importation of girls to flood the labor market?

While getting electric lamps for the new annex the Board of Works should not forget that a few lamps are still needed on Mount Hamilton.

This touch of winter is getting us in trim for what is coming later.

The talk of an electric road from here to Port Dover begets the question as to what has become of the Caledonia line. There should be a line from Hamilton to Port Dover via the Jolley Cut.

When I hear the Christmas wails singing for the Sick Children's Hospital it reminds me of 'ome. Encore.

I don't see much of Buster Brown in Canadian newspapers nowadays. A good ride.

Mr. Stewart was terribly incensed when he was here last week over Sir Wilfrid holding two seats. That may lead some to think that Mr. S. may be content with the seat he has got, without fishing for more.

The aldermen whose battle cry is more playgrounds for the children will get lots of votes.

The Montreal judge blames the graft and corruption in this city to ward representation. He has another think coming.

Geo. R. Allan must be indignant at the idea of anyone presuming to compare him in No. 4 Ward. It looks like lese maiesty.

Have you answered with Santa Claus to visit your house?

FINED \$25,

But More Serious Charge Against Hamilton Man Dismissed.

Charles Fingers, the Hamilton Greek who was arrested in Brantford at the instigation of his brothers, who feared that he intended to shoot, was arraigned for trial yesterday. The charge of threatening to shoot with intent to kill was dismissed, as the complainant, Chris. Fingers, did not answer when called, and the police said they suspected he had been spirited away to prevent him giving testimony.

The defendant, however, pleaded guilty to carrying an unlawful weapon, and was fined \$25, which he paid. Mr. H. S. Hewitt appeared for the defendant, and stated that the brother of the Greek had merely laid a charge in the heat of passion, and did not wish to press it. Crown Attorney Wilkes was not so sure that the law could be set in motion and then summarily stopped. The police laid a charge against L. Laondarian and Peter Constantin, the latter being court interpreter, of interfering with a crown witness.

Very Busy.

Saturday was, indeed, a very busy day with us. To-day everything rearranged. The store never looked better. The assortment now so complete; the quality never better. We would ask that you favor us with your orders as early as possible each day. If you can't find it convenient to shop during the day, call evenings. Store will be open every evening until 10 o'clock. Another shipment of Lamp Point ducks arrived to-day.—Bain & Adams.

CRUSADE KEPT UP AGAINST THE VAGS.

Man Who Had Sunday Morning Drinking in His Boathouse Fined \$30.

"Credit department on the roof; take the elevator" was the sign in William Dean's boathouse at the foot of Simcoe street, which was raided by License Inspector Sturdy and a posse of police on Sunday morning. In that place were a number of young men with Dean, all enjoying convivial glasses. The sequel of that raid was that William Dean faced a charge of a breach of the Liquor Act this morning in Police Court, and was fined \$30.00.

He pleaded not guilty, but the Magistrate found that he was guilty.

J. L. Connell submitted many points for the defence, while W. L. Ross acted for the prosecution.

Faberigo Ballaggio, 178 Barton street west, had a charge of a breach of the Liquor Act entered against his name, also.

Mr. Ross for the prosecution wanted to have the case withdrawn, but the Magistrate said it would be better ventilated in court, and Inspector Sturdy said he wanted it gone on with.

So it will be heard to-morrow.

Daniel Collins, 46 Jackson street east, evidently thinks that there are no clowns like those in the hotels, for P.C.s. Cameron and Barrett have frequently, when in search of vags, found him sleeping the happy hours away in such places. He was sleeping so yesterday when the two limbs of the law encircled him. The officers told a brief story of Daniel's life. Result, \$30 or two months; two hours to pay the \$30.

"Thank you, sir; much obliged," were the words he shouted as he left the court room. He did not have time to return to the stall for his hat, but shouted to one of the inmates to throw it to him.

William Gald, Main street east, was also. (Continued on Page 4)

LEOPOLD HAS A RELAPSE.

His Majesty Was Not So Well This Afternoon.

"I Am Going to Make a Long Journey," He Said.

Kissed His Favorite Daughter Several Times.

Brussels, Dec. 15.—King Leopold's physicians this forenoon issued the following bulletin:

"The King's condition is stationary. Temperature, 97.7-10, and pulse 72." His majesty's private secretary, Baron Goffinet, in spite of the official bulletin, declared that the condition of the royal patient was not very satisfactory this forenoon.

The condition of King Leopold, who was operated upon yesterday for the removal of an obstruction in the intestines, took a turn for the worse this afternoon.

The morning bulletin was hopeful in tone, describing the patient's state as "stationary." During the night he had held his own apparently. In the middle of the afternoon word came from the sick chamber that his majesty had suffered a relapse.

Yesterday he greeted his physicians with perfect serenity, and to one of them said:

"I fear I am going on a long journey soon."

Later to a member of his family who stood by his bedside he remarked:

"I fear my end is near."

In the afternoon he bade farewell to a number of court officials, notably the court marshal, Comte Doultrémont, to whom he said:

"You have served me well for more than twenty years, and I want to give you my thanks before I die. I am very grateful to you."

The count was greatly agitated and left the room weeping bitterly.

The most affecting interview of the day was that between the King and his favorite daughter, Clementine. He kissed her a number of times and tried to console her. She was terribly distressed, and was led away half fainting.

NEW BISHOP OF LONDON.

Buffalo Will be Sorry to Lose Distinguished Canadian.

Referring to the appointment of Rev. Father Fallon, formerly of Ottawa, as Bishop of London, a Buffalo despatch says:

Rev. Michael Francis Fallon, O. M. I., D. D., rector of Holy Angels' Church, Buffalo, N. Y., and provincial of the Order of Oblates and Mary Immaculate, is one of the most widely known clergymen in the United States. He is, perhaps, even better known in Canada. He is an alumnus of the University of Ottawa, and has gained a wide reputation as an orator of no mean ability.

Father Fallon came to Buffalo from Ottawa ten years ago to take up the duties of pastor of Holy Angels' Church, one of the largest and most prominent Roman Catholic parishes in Buffalo. During his tenure of this position he has become known as one of the most distinguished clergymen in this section of the country.

His work along educational lines will long stand in the memory of Buffalonians, especially in the visible tribute of the magnificent Holy Angels' school building, completed by him, which is not only the best equipped parochial school in the country, but is also architecturally one of the handsomest structures of its nature in the city of Buffalo.

Father Fallon's rank in the Order of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate was recognized about two years ago, when he was appointed provincial of the order in the United States. Buffalonians will be sorry to lose him, as he was not only a man of wide achievements and culture, but had made many friends in all walks of life, and in all denominations in this city.

When seen at Holy Angels' rectory to-day Father Fallon had received no notification of his appointment to the London bishopric, and stated that he would wait until he had received official notice of the appointment before commenting on it.

Father Fallon was born in Kingston, Ont., and is 55 years of age.

SUMMONED TO OTTAWA.

Buffalo, Dec. 15.—Very Rev. M. F. Fallon to-day received a telegram from Archbishop Sbarretti, summoning him to Ottawa, presumably to receive the notification of his elevation to the Bishopric of London, Ont.

TRAMP STARTED FIRE.

A G. T. R. box car, which was standing on a switch near the Barton street bridge caught fire last night. The interior of the car was badly scorched, and the sparks set fire to the roof of the Smart-Turner factory. The fire department put the blaze out before much damage was done. It is believed a tramp, who had been smoking in the car, started the fire.

Oh! Just What I Wanted

Will be the expression that will greet your Christmas present, if you present him with one of our handsome silver shaving mugs and brushes. Nothing is more appreciated. Complete line of rubber-stem, badger hair shaving brushes to select from. Parke & Parke.

—Though a warrant has been issued for the arrest of Elmer "Curly" Thompson, who it is alleged assaulted James Mackay, son of the manager of the Canadian Transfer Company, he has not been arrested yet. It is said he has left the city.

WHERE FOREIGNERS GET THE LIQUOR.

Here's Some Facts to Make Good Citizens Sit Up and Do Some Thinking.

There are doings in the liquor traffic in Hamilton which Sam Small apparently knows nothing about.

It is safe to say that the Hamilton temperance workers know nothing of them, either, and never dream of the amount of liquor which is sold entirely outside the licensed places, which are controlled by the Board of License Commissioners.

On Saturday night Inspector Sturdy and a number of police visited the house of an Italian named Faberigo Ballaggio, 178 Barton street, and seized a lot of liquor.

This morning, acting for the Crown, at Police Court, W. L. Ross, barrister (also Secretary of the Conservative Association), suggested that the charge be withdrawn.

Inspector Sturdy looked very much surprised.

Mr. Ross stepped up to the Magistrate's desk and spoke to his Worship.

The Magistrate remarked that he thought the case should go on.

Inspector Sturdy said he did not want the charge withdrawn.

The Magistrate said it would go on to-morrow.

Now, what's behind all P. Scaroni obtained a license to sell liquor in Hamilton—a "warehouse" license, under which he can sell wine and beer, etc. He did not get the license through the Hamilton Commissioners. They have no control over him. He is not on Inspector Sturdy's list.

The Government of Ontario, through the license departments of Toronto, gave Mr. Scaroni a well-known Italian interpreter.

"Where do the Italians and other foreigners get all their liquor?" is very frequently asked.

The story of that license would make good reading for the people who try to make themselves believe that Whitney and his crowd have been trying to "promote sobriety."

Looking For Victims

Erie, Pa., Dec. 15.—With the further abatement to-day of the storm that has menaced traffic on Lake Erie during the past week or so, renewed efforts were made to recover, if possible, the bodies of the victims of the car ferry Marquette and Bessemer No. 2, which are believed to be still adrift somewhere on Lake Erie.

The car ferry, which is supposed to have foundered in the middle of the lake a week ago yesterday during a heavy storm, carried 38 persons on board, and nothing has been heard from more than a score of these.

The Commodore Perry, which has led in the search for the persons who left here on board the ill-fated vessel, and which found nine of the victims frozen to death in a yawl on Sunday, has again taken up the search, and is scouring the lake for the remaining victims.

REST IN PEACE

Remains of Senator Turner's Son Buried in Family Plot.

After lying for some years in a remote grave in a Southern state the remains of William Turner, a son of the late Senator James Turner, were brought to this city a few days ago and re-interred in Hamilton cemetery this afternoon. About fifteen or twenty years ago the deceased left here for the South where he resided until the time of his death. He had travelled extensively through the Southern States and had passed through many exciting experiences. He was one of those who suffered by the great flood some years ago at Galveston, Texas, during which he wrote a graphic description of the flood on a piece of wall paper, which was found after he had been rescued. He died some time after and the place of burial was unknown to his relatives until recently. It was ascertained by Mr. J. L. A. Hunt, London, a brother-in-law, who left some time ago for the South in search of information, and the remains were sent here and were interred to-day. Rev. Dr. Fletcher officiated.

W. Sanford Evans, formerly of this city, was yesterday re-elected Mayor of Winnipeg. The opposition against him was looked upon as a joke. He received practically the entire vote.

CAMERA CLUB.

Amateur Photographers Addressed by John S. Gordon.

The members of the Camera Section of the Hamilton Association met last evening in the museum to hear a criticism from the artists' point of view by John S. Gordon of some of the photographs recently exhibited for annual competition.

Mr. Gordon demonstrated from a few prints taken from the collection how it was possible to improve by certain conditions the gradation of light and the choice of subject essential to the most pleasing effect.

He suggested that the classes should be separated and medals awarded for each class. This would obviate the inconvenience of comparison and would place each exhibit in its own classification.

Mr. Gordon's address was instructive and its advice value was appreciated by the amateur photographers present.

Following the address some lantern slides made by the members and entered in competition for the A. H. Baker medals were projected on the Gadsby and Walter screen for artistic treatment and technical effect. There were five entries in this competition and the two prize winners were: Gold medal, E. G. Overholt; silver medal, B. Longbottom.

The contest was held for the purpose of choosing the lantern slides which are to be sent to the American Lantern Slides Interchange, of New York.

WAS IN WRECK.

St. Catharines, Dec. 15.—Martin J. Cahill, who arrived in the city last night from Cleveland, Ohio, to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives here, was a passenger on the Lake Shore train No. 10, when the N. Y. C. Limited ran into it. He was in the smoker in which three men were killed, but escaped with a cut or bruise, although he says seats, glass and people flew about him when the accident occurred, about a dozen being injured as well as those killed.

ELECTED OFFICERS.

Canadian Home Circle, 121, elected officers for the year last night, and spent a pleasant social hour. The election resulted as follows: East Leader, Bro. Robt. Paisley; Leader, Bro. W. Bailey; Vice Leader, Sis. Barlow; Rec. Sec., Bro. L. E. Ellsworth; Treasurer, Bro. Ira Green; Fla. Sec., Bro. C. D. Jones; Chaplain, Sis. Martin; Marshal, Bro. J. Morton; Warden, Sis. E. Morton; Guard, Bro. Robt. Law; Sentinel, Bro. C. Ferguson; Med. Ex., Drs. Henderson and Griffin; Trustees, Bros. Harte, Miniman and Paradise.

—Emmett Burke and his mother left on the midnight train for California.

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WANTED—TWO GIRLS, BETWEEN ages of eighteen and twenty-four, to play in a high class comedy drama company, now ready for the road. Only those with some experience need apply. References required. Salary according to ability. Apply Box 6, Times.

WANTED—AN EXPERIENCED TEACHER. S. S. No. 6, East Flamboro, second class certificate. Salary \$200. Apply Thomas Wingo, Secy.-Treas., Mountbatten, P. O.

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DR. J. L. KAPPELE, DENTIST, ROOM 207, Federal Life Building.

DR. H. M. MORROW, DENTIST, 574 King street west. Successor to Dr. Brant, Phone 1647.

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Winslow

The attendance at church here was fairly large last Sunday morning.

Mr. Eli B. Cosby visited at Mr. Harry Wadde's on Sunday.

Mr. George McCready, the popular fur buyer of Smithville, was in this section on business last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cooper entertained friends from Smithville on Sunday last.

The Grace Church people are preparing for a good entertainment before Christmas.

Mr. William Griffin is rushing the cordwood business at present.

Mr. Lewis Belter will be reeve of Gainsborough Township for 1910.

After spending a week at Niagara Falls Mrs. Wm. Griffin returned home on Thursday last.

Mr. John H. Crick made a business trip to Hamilton on Saturday.

CHIEF MALCOLM DEAD.

Rochester, Dec. 14.—James Malcolm, former chief of the Rochester fire department, and for 51 years a fireman, died here this morning after a long illness, 74 years old.

He was one of the best-known firemen in the state.

Christmas Time Mean, Lighting Time

For the storeman, and if he's out for new business he'll adopt our Inverted Gas Arcs to-day and be on an equal footing with, or ahead of his competitors to-morrow.

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GOOD SHORT STORIES

Synopsis of Canadian Northwest Land Regulations.

ANY person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta.

The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or sub-agency of the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency on certain conditions, by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

Duties—Six months residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 30 acres, solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister.

In certain conditions a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter-section alongside his homestead. Price \$100 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent) and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted the homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$200 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$300.00.

Deputy of the Minister of the Interior. N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

OVERSTOCKED. Madge, as the eldest of a family of girls, has evidently heard and taken to heart the disappointment of her parents over the excessive femininity allotted by the fates of the family quiver.

When recently the fifth little daughter was born, Madge was playing in the garden with one of her sisters, and as a neighbor considered was decidedly rough with the child.

"Madge, don't treat your little sister so," remonstrated the neighbor. "You might kill her."

"Well, if I did," was the cool response, "there's plenty more in the house."

WHAT A YACHT IS. Cornelius Vanderbilt, at a dinner at Bar Harbor, in honor of his sloop Aurora's victory in the squadron run from Portland to Rockland, said aptly:

"Yachts like these, then, don't come under the cynical definition I once heard a Camden lobsterman give."

"What, exactly, is a yacht?" a lady said to this old lobsterman.

"He plugged a lobster's claws and answered mockingly: "What's a yacht? Oh, ye just take an old tub or craft, an' fill her up with whiskey an' chicken an' eegs, an' git yer frien' on board an' have a high old time—an' that's a yacht."

ALMOST TOO CRUEL. De Laney Nicoll, the New York lawyer, said at a dinner, apropos of a certain legal decision:

"It was a cruel blow—as cruel as that which a Bayside crook served on a tramp."

"This filthy tramp, knocking at the kitchen door, whined: "I'm terribly hungry, lady. Could ye gimme a small wedge of 'fresh pie?"

"We're just out of pie," said the cook, "but here's a cake for you."

"And she handed the tramp a cake of soap."

SURIOUS QUOTATION. In concluding a disquisition on plagiarisms in English verse mentions a saying thing worse the fabrication of spurious quotations. He quotes in illustration a story of Samuel Warren, who once took part in a debate during which Roebuck boasted that he was not a party man.

"Warren rose and said that 'my learned friend's boast reminds me painfully of the words of Cicero. He who belongs to no party is—presumably too vile for any.'" At the conclusion of the debate Roebuck came over to compliment his adversary on having made a successful hit, adding: "I am fairly well up in Cicero, but I have no idea where I can find the passage you quoted." "Neither have I," said Warren. "Good night."

New Publications. Again the big feature in the Outlook Magazine for January is Harry Whitney's "Hunting in the Arctic."

This issue is also a special automobile number containing bright, breezy articles which get right home to the owner of a car: "Automobiles for Average Incomes," "Equipping Your Automobile," "Hazards of the Vanderbilt Cup Race," and two very interesting stories, "How I Made My Car Pay for Itself," Walter Camp gets away from the hackneyed All-American Team and gives us an "Honor List of 1909 Football."

Other articles of importance are "Conquest of the Northern Heron," illustrated with rare photographs of bird life by the author, Herbert K. Job; "A Port of Missing Dreams," by Albert Bigelow Paine; "The Anti Climax," by L. Frank Tooker; "Game and Game Fish in Winter," by Samuel G. Camp.

Taking it all in all, the New Year greeting to our readers is just check-full of interest from cover to cover.

Typewriters' supplies sometimes mean bunches of violets and boxes of bonbons.

ROW OVER HOUSE PARTY.

Letter of Brokaw Contains Threat of Divorce Proceedings.

Complains That Wife Entertained Mixed Company of Friends.

Wired Him She Was Disgusted With His Unreasonableness.

New York, Dec. 14.—In the further ventilation of the domestic difficulties of Mr. and Mrs. W. Gould Brokaw, it was brought out to-day, although Mrs. Brokaw is now suing in Mineola, L. I., for separation with alimony of \$60,000 a year, it was her husband who first threatened to sue. A telegram from him to his mother-in-law ran:

"I have closed my house and am sorry to say I must sue Mary for a separation. Her acts culminating in a house party last Sunday night force me to this step. She entertained three ladies and three men that day. Two of the ladies I don't approve of and the third I don't know at all. I do not know the men. She allowed one man to occupy my bedroom over night, after putting my nurse and one lady in bachelors' quarters. She refused to give me the names of the men in spite of my request."

John F. McIntyre, Mr. Brokaw's lawyer, began to ask questions of the circumstances of this "culminating house party." Mrs. Brokaw parried his questions, but showed some agitation over the insistence laid on the personality of Bunnie Wells, one of the guests.

Mrs. Brokaw testified that she had first met Mr. Wells in Baltimore, five years before his visit to her husband's house, in company with Miss Nan Denison, of Syracuse, Mrs. Frank Gould, and another man whom Mrs. Brokaw only remembered as "a Mr. Thompson."

Mr. Wells is the man who occupied the room next to that of Mrs. Brokaw in December, 1908, when Mr. Brokaw was in the South, but nothing of a

THE HAMILTON TIMES

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 15, 1909.

THE BUDGET SPEECH.

Hon. Mr. Fielding had a pleasant duty to perform yesterday in the presentation of the budget for the year. The net result of the operations of the fiscal year, 1908-09, is a surplus over ordinary expenditure of \$1,029,171. In view of the fact that the revenue of last year was \$11,000,000 below that of the preceding year, this showing is a good one.

For the year 1909-10, eight months of which is past, there has been an increase of over nine and a half millions in the revenue, and it is expected that by the end of the year receipts will amount to \$97,500,000. A surplus of \$16,500,000 is looked for. This, with the great reduction in capital expenditure, will leave probably \$17,750,000 to be added to the public debt for the investment in the National Transcontinental Railway. Mr. Fielding's estimates have heretofore been well within the mark, and it is possible that the revenue for the year may reach \$100,000,000. For the next year, Mr. Fielding figures on an income in excess of that sum.

An important announcement made by Mr. Fielding affects the matter of bounties on iron and steel. They expire next year, and will, from this time forward, be charged against current income, instead of capital account. Canada's naval expenditure is also to be met out of revenue. It will thus constitute no addition to the national debt, and will be spread over the period of naval construction. This arrangement will tend to keep the people thoroughly informed on the finances of the defence question.

Looking back over the record of the Liberals in the last 13 years, it is found that of the \$212,500,000 which they have spent upon capital account, \$147,000,000, or 69 per cent., was provided out of current revenue. In 13 years the late Conservative Government spent \$167,166,252 on capital account, only \$49,000,000 or 29 per cent. of which was provided out of current revenues. Practically all the addition to the debt under the Liberal regime is accounted for by the investment in the National Transcontinental Railway, which, besides contributing greatly to the development of the country, will return a rental to the revenue.

Canada's financial position has wonderfully improved in the last 13 years. Notwithstanding the vast works carried on for the benefit of the country, the debt burden has been greatly decreased. In 1896 this burden was \$50.82 a head of the population, at present it is \$45.85. In 1896 Canada's total imports and exports amounted to \$239,000,000; in 1907-08 they had increased to \$650,000,000, nearly three times that amount. Canada is doing business nowadays on a greater scale than its rulers of 13 years ago ever thought of. It is a different Canada, with higher aims and larger ambitions. Her Government has not been afraid to grapple with great questions affecting the national development. Expenditure has been largely increased, just as the enterprising business man increases his expenditure to handle larger ambitions. Her Government has profited by this policy. Not only do we do an enormously increased business, and gain thereby, but the burdens of the people are lightened. Instead of being a country cursed by an exodus of people who lack confidence in its future, we find ourselves obliged to strain out the unfit and undesirable from the great stream of immigration which pours into the country. The world's capitalists seek investments among us, and new railways gridiron vast stretches of country where, a short time ago, the wild beasts roamed. We are spoken of in the markets of the world with respect, and we figure as an important factor in the supply of food stuffs, while our neighbors exhibit alarm at the loss of capital and manufacturing industries which seek places among us. The policy of the Liberal Government has been amply justified. It is one of hope and confidence, of pride in our country. It has won for Canada a high place in the world's estimation. It sets a high mark for Canadian ambition. It is a policy that appeals to every Canadian of spirit.

A JUST MEASURE.

The land value taxes against which the House of Lords has set itself are very far from revolutionary—are, perhaps, much less radical than most people have assumed them to be. These taxes are of three kinds: A tax on undeveloped land; a reversion tax on ground leases, and a tax on the unearned increment, that increased value produced by the community without any expenditure of money or effort on the part of the land owner. In addition, there is a 5 per cent. tax on income derived from mineral royalties. The unearned increment tax and the charge on mineral royalties are the two items fairly to be described as a concession to the Single Tax principle.

There are many qualifying concessions. Agricultural land will not be subject to the increment tax, "while that land has no higher value than its value for agricultural purposes only," and all increments due to the owner's expenditure or improvements is exempt. This exemption is in harmony with Henry George's theory. The value produced by the owner is his; the community has a right to deal with the value which it produces. Care has been taken to make the conditions of the tax on undeveloped lands liberal and to direct it so as to make it

a stimulus to development. It is provided that:

Land occupied by greenhouses and glasshouses is exempt. Every sum of £100 spent by the owner during the last ten years on roads, sewers, etc., frees one acre of adjacent land from the tax.

No tax is levied unless the value of the land exceeds £50 an acre. Duty is only charged on that part of the value of agricultural land which exceeds its value for agricultural purposes.

Public parks, gardens and open spaces are exempt, also private woodlands, parks and gardens where there is reasonable access to the public, including use by the naval and military forces.

Garden cities, laid out on a plan, are exempt.

Also private gardens up to one acre in extent.

For larger gardens there is exemption where the site value of the whole property does not exceed 20 times its annual value (for example, house and garden of 10 acres, rented at £2,000 a year. No duty would be paid unless the value rose beyond £40,000 or £400 an acre for the site as cleared).

Agricultural tenancies are exempt until they expire, save where the landlord has the option of ending them at any moment.

Small holding of less value than £500 are exempt if occupied by the owner.

The Lloyd-George budget is on close examination very far from revolutionary. But it aims at taxing a class that has long enjoyed, and abused, their privileges; hence the rally of the Lords and landlord classes to resist. They seem to fear that once the masses of the people appreciate the results of the budget it will be too late to prevent such a reform as will compel the long exempt and privileged rich to bear their equitable share of all national expenditure.

FROM THE CELLS.

Canada's penitentiary population for the year which ended on March 30, 1909, was 14.6 greater than in the preceding year. The result is obtained by comparing the average daily population of the two years.

The average daily cost per capita of the convict population to the country was 76 cents, or \$277.35 a year. This is a decrease from 92 cents per capita, or \$336.74 in 1908. The cost is lowest in Kingston, \$221; and highest in Alberta, \$531.

Of our penitentiary population of 1,765, the number Canadian-born was 1,046. The others are thus given, English, 190; Scotch, 34; Irish, 54; other British countries 23. Of the 409 foreign-born convicts 181 were from the United States and 71 from Italy.

It is interesting to note that 40 per cent. of the convicts register as intemperate, and 17 per cent. as abstainers. The illiterate number 15 per cent.; and 10 per cent. of all the convicts are under 20 years of age.

The Inspector approves the parole system, and official-like, recommends the odious "indefinite sentence." It is to be hoped Canada will never adopt it. If the parole system is in force, such a system has no excuse in any country, save to exact small officials.

OUT OF TIME.

The Toronto News contains a large type editorial in praise of Attorney-General Foy's defence of Whitney's power acts, and glorifying the Provincial Government's course in that matter. Evidently Mr. Willison is not at home. Mr. Willison, when himself dealing editorially with Whitney's course in this power matter, declared: "The course of the Government is immoral and dishonest, and such as the courts would not tolerate in a private individual. The words are strong, but no milder words meet the case. . . . We look for such examples of public irresponsibility to the raw Western States and the anarchical South American Republics, not to the chief province of the chief colony of Great Britain. . . . It [the Whitney Government] is guilty of a direct breach of the honor of the Crown, and deliberate violation of a public engagement." Isn't it rather crass on the part of the sub who fills Mr. Willison's chair during his absence to give his chief such a back-hander?

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Was the sending of those Cooked-pole records to Copenhagen a case of playing Capt. Loose to hold fast the discoverer's title?

Germany, in spite of a highly protective tariff, imports nearly \$500,000,000 worth of manufactured goods, a large slice of which comes from Great Britain.

The London Daily Mail is trying to revitalize the German terror by making the Kaiser hold "war councils" in Berlin to prepare for an Anglo-German struggle!

Guggenheim is organizing a great copper merger with a capital of \$150,000,000. It is expected that with copper at 15 cents the company will be able to earn \$10,000,000 a year.

The local option fight in Saskatchewan municipalities is very keen. In three places local option was carried, and in three it was defeated, the majorities in each case being narrow.

It is pretty mean of British Tories to try to present the British adoption of food taxes to bonus Canadians as the only way to keep us in the Empire. The statement is as false as it is insulting.

The City Hall reporters will not forget the thoughtful act of Chairman Gardner, of the Markets Committee, in securing them a room for their own use. Some day they will erect a tablet to mark their appreciation of the courtesy.

If "Ratepayer of 30 Years" will enclose his name and address, not necessary

ly for publication, his letter will be given space in the Times. It must be understood that anonymous letters will be given no attention. People waste their time in sending such communications to the editor.

Rev. Dr. Washington Gladden declares that Dr. Cook's disappearance is a confession that he is a brazen impostor. Well, some of the news vendors were easy victims, and contributed a good many thousand dollars for Cook's yarn.

The returns from forty-five United States railway companies show that the total earnings for the eleven months of the year have been over \$618,000,000. The year 1906 was the record in earnings (eleven months), \$900,000,000.

The efforts of the Hydro crowd to prevent the residents of the annex from getting street lamps until a municipally owned distribution system should be secured and Hydro-Electric power obtained has failed, as it should. Orders have been given by the Board of Works for the immediate installation of the lamps.

The promptness with which Manager Coleman agreed to meet Mayor McLaren's request for increased car service on Sundays and to use every effort to relieve congestion at rush hours on week days is gratifying. The spirit of co-operation and helpfulness is much better than the old one of hostility and distrust.

The Times has pleasure in noting Hydro-Electric Expert Sothman's vindication of its course in urging that the 13,200-volt current for the Beach pumps be stepped down to a slower voltage instead of being used direct, as the Herald and Hydro aldermen insisted upon. Time will justify the Times' course in many more matters connected with the Hydro scheme; never fear.

A Tory contemporary remarking on British Liberals quoting Sir Wilfrid, asks, "What sort of a campaign can the British Liberals be conducting anyway?" It appears to be a pretty lively one, surely, when the Unionist organs seek to make it appear that if Britain do not adopt protection and tax her people's bread in order to give Canada and the other colonies a tariff preference, Canadians will not remain loyal to the Empire!

Mr. Butler, Deputy Minister of Railways, finds that the Port Nelson route will be the shorter and better one for the Hudson Bay Railway. The building and equipment is estimated at about twenty-five and a half millions. One of the difficulties which confronts the scheme is the shortness of the season during which the road can be made available. Mr. Butler appears to favor its operation by one of the large railway corporations.

There is this year a new addition to the declaration required of a candidate for municipal office, of which would be controllers and aldermen should take notice. It is in these words, added to the declaration: "And that he is not liable for any arrears of taxes to the municipality, and that there are no arrears of taxes against the lands in respect of which he seeks to qualify." Now get around to the tax collector's office and pay up!

In Toronto Police Court yesterday, one "Dr." Henderson, who professes to cure disease by osteopathic treatment, was fined \$40 and costs, or 30 days for a violation of the Medical Act. He proposes to enter an appeal and this will probably bring before the court the question of persons without the medical qualifications required by the act, diagnosing and treating human ailments under cover of a variety of names of "paths" and "isms."

It seems very odd that in many other places electric current can be directly used with safety in motors at as high a voltage as 13,000, while in Hamilton it is deemed unsafe to so use it.—Hamilton Herald (Hydro-maniac organ).

There is nothing odd about it. All electricians know that current at such a voltage can be used; all practical electricians recommend stepping down the current to a lower voltage wherever it can be done. That is a measure of safety and true economy. It is possible to use steam at 300 pounds pressure to the square inch; but in practice it is found that it is far better not to attempt to use more than half that pressure. The only reason for suggesting the direct use of the dangerously high voltage was to make the Hydro scheme appear to cost less by the amount of the price of transformation, leaving the greater risk to be borne by the city. Even Hydro-Electric Engineer Sothman now admits the advantage of stepping down the current.

Mr. Richard Doyle is appointed master of transportation, with office at Durand, Mich. vice Mr. H. Cornell, resigned, to become manager of the Michigan car service bureau.

Mr. J. Ehrke is appointed assistant superintendent of the 25th and 26th districts, main line; office at Battle Creek, Mich.

Mr. O. F. Clark is appointed trainmaster of the 25th district, C. S. & M., 27th, 28th and 29th districts; vice Mr. J. Ehrke, promoted; office at Durand, Mich.

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THE JEALOUS. (Toronto Telegram.) Wonderful if American experts didn't like Canadian Rugby, seeing that the beauties thereof were exemplified by two teams that couldn't catch a street car or tackle anything more elusive than a square meal.

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COURT HAMILTON, I. O. F. The regular meeting of the above court was held in the Foresters' Hall, over the Traders Bank, last evening, and was large and enthusiastic. The principal business was the election of officers, which resulted as follows:

J. P. C. R.—D. Hawkins. C. R.—W. E. Loys. V. P.—R. E. Young. R. S.—Jas. Mellwraith. F. S.—M. J. Pirie. Treasurer—J. C. Schrader. Physician—Dr. Langs. Orator—W. E. Hills. Organist—J. Bigelow. S. W.—W. Phillips. J. W.—H. McVittie. S. B.—Lloyd Young. J. B.—H. Mellwraith. C. D. H. C. R.—Geo. McVittie. Hall Board—Bros. Peebles, Mellwraith, McVittie.

Andrés—Bros. Donaghy and Peebles. Three applications for membership were received, and one candidate was initiated. Pleading remarks were made by Bro. Wood, of the Wood Milling Co., who had just been initiated, and others. This court has had a prosperous year, and will no doubt continue to show a good record in the future.

G. T. R. APPOINTMENTS. An official circular from the office of Superintendent F. W. Egan, of the Grand Trunk Railway system, western division, makes the following appointments:

Mr. Richard Doyle is appointed master of transportation, with office at Durand, Mich. vice Mr. H. Cornell, resigned, to become manager of the Michigan car service bureau.

Mr. J. Ehrke is appointed assistant superintendent of the 25th and 26th districts, main line; office at Battle Creek, Mich.

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THAT COMET.

G. Parry Jenkins Gave Interesting Talk About It.

The Guild of St. Giles' Church held its regular bi-weekly meeting last evening. President J. B. Turner was in the chair and there was an excellent turnout of the members and their friends, who listened with deep interest to a lecture on Halley's comet, by G. Parry Jenkins, F. R. S., President of the Hamilton Centre of the Royal Astronomical Society. The lecture was illustrated by stereopticon, operated by A. M. Mackenzie.

After speaking of comets in general, describing the more important of them, the lecturer briefly traced the history of Halley's comet and told of various features. He stated that the comet is the only man in Hamilton who has seen this comet is Postmaster Brown, who saw it in Montreal in 1835, the year of its most recent appearance.

The comet is now discernible through the larger telescopes, explained Mr. Jenkins, and will be visible to the naked eye in the early spring of 1910, remaining so for some weeks. This will be its twenty-ninth reappearance. When visible in 1066 it was observed by Matilda, wife of William the Conqueror, who wove a tapestry illustrating the scene. This famous piece of needlework is still in existence in France, being known as the Bayeux tapestry.

Halley's comet is so called because it was Edmund Halley who in England, in the year 1682, first made accurate scientific observations of the star, computing the time taken in completing its orbit. He is famous as the founder of the Royal Society, as well as the discoverer of the fact that the comet which bears his name reappears every seventy-five and one-half years.

"The last large comet to appear was in 1882, but Halley's will be a much more wonderful phenomenon, as its tail will stretch about one-third across the sky. "Should the comet strike the earth," said the lecturer, "the result undoubtedly would be extraordinary. The effects could not fail to be startling, to say the least, and the comet itself would be destroyed. But accurate computations disclose the comforting fact that the chances of this are very slight, being only about one in two million. It is predicted, however, that the earth will pass through the tail of the comet, but the tail is of a substance so extremely light and filmy that the comet will be at the most only a glow in the sky."

At the close of the lecture a hearty vote of thanks was given Mr. Jenkins, on motion of H. S. Lees. The meeting then partook of a simple lunch.

It was announced that the next meeting night falls in Christmas week, that meeting will be dispensed with, and the Guild will not come together again until after New Year's, definite notice to be given in due time.

The officers for this season are as follows: Honorary President, Rev. J. B. Paulin; President, J. B. Turner, B. A.; First Vice-President, B. O. Hooper; Second Vice-President, Norman Ellis; Treasurer, Alex. Wilson; Secretary, J. A. Ogilvie; the foregoing with H. S. Lees, E. J. Wilson and A. M. Cunningham forming the Executive Committee.

CENTRAL CHURCH LADIES. Central Presbyterian Ladies' Aid Society held its annual meeting yesterday, in the church. All the reports were most satisfactory, \$1,025.93 having been raised during the year. The officers for the coming year are:

President, Mrs. John Crerar; First Vice-President, Mrs. Pennington; Second Vice-President, Mrs. W. C. Hawkins; Third Vice-President, Mrs. Furnival; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. Geo. Ruth-erford; Treasurer, Mrs. J. E. Lewis.

Afternoon tea was served and a social hour enjoyed.

ASK DR. COOK. To the Editor of the Times: Dear Sir,—To settle a dispute, kindly inform us how many miles it is by water route from Hamilton to the North Pole. Subscriber.

When the cap fits, let him wear it.—Latin.

CURE BY CUTICURA AT CITY MISSION. Young Woman Found in Awful Condition with Scabies—Body a Mass of Sores from Scratching—Tried Many Remedies for Seven Weeks—Result Was Discouraging, But

ITCHING TORTURES YIELDED TO CUTICURA

"While I was doing missionary work in the lower portion of several cities I found it necessary to know a little of the efficacy of a few medicines and Cuticura was about all I needed. One of the very bad cases I had to deal with was that of a young woman who had contracted the disease on a broken in hand coming to the City Mission. She was physically in a most awful condition. Our doctor examined her and told us that she had scabies (the itching, papular, rheumatic, etc., brought on from exposure and the effects of her ragged-edges life. Her poor body was a mass of sores from scratching and she was not able to retain solid food. We tried many things, a good tonic was prescribed and bathes with a rubbing of lard and sulphur. We worked hard for seven weeks and we can imagine how discouraged we were when, after all that time, we could see so little improvement. One day I happened to see a Cuticura advertisement telling how a little baby had been cured of a bad skin eruption, and although I had but 97 cents (four shillings) with me, I bought a cake of Cuticura Soap and a bottle of Cuticura Resolvent. When I reached home I was like a child with a new toy, and we bathed our patient well and gave her a full dose of the Resolvent. She slept that night better than she had since she had been with us and the next day I located the price of a box of Cuticura Ointment. I am not exaggerating when I say that in exactly five weeks this young woman was able to look for a position, being strong enough to work and full of ambition. One day a month she left the home, and now Laura Jane Bates, 85 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y., U. S. A., Mar. 14, 07."

Send to nearest depot for free Cuticura Book on Treatment of Skin Diseases.

Complete External and Internal Treatment for Every Form of Itching, Children, and Adults. Cuticura Ointment to Kill the Itch, and Cuticura Resolvent to Purify the Blood. A Single Box Often Cures. Write for Free Book on Treatment of Skin Diseases. Cuticura Book on Treatment of Skin Diseases. Cuticura Corp., 200 Free Press.

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CRUSADE KEPT UP AGAINST THE VAGS.

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arraigned on a charge of ill-treating his horse. Inspector Berlinghoff swore there was nothing for the horse to eat, and the place was in a disgraceful condition. P. C. Burch corroborated the Inspector's evidence.

The case was dismissed, as His Worship contended there was nothing to prove the horse was suffering.

Thomas McEwan sat alone in a public institution where such as he are forbidden to enter, singing just like a lark last night. He was filled with liquid joy. He was yesterday for vagrancy, but last night he was in a disgraceful condition he had the consummate audacity to walk into the institution in question much to the disgust of the ladies there assembled and behaved in a manner men in such a condition usually do. P. C. Station was called and arrested him. This morning Mr. McEwan had changed his name to Scott. He had his education account with him and said it was a "strange fatality" how he was still in the city. He said he bought a ticket to Brantford yesterday, got on a Radial car and about four miles out it was found he had the wrong ticket, and he was put off.

"There'll be no fear about you getting to your next destination, for you'll go for goodness' sake, your Honor, cut that in two," whined defendant.

"No, I won't," was the curt reply.

Peter Wilson, an old man, who said he was a citizen of Galt, was found yesterday on

Another Whirl in Handkerchiefs Thursday

These great Thursday sales among the Handkerchiefs have become famous. To-morrow's offerings are the best yet for morning shoppers.

35c Dozen Pure Linen Handkerchiefs On Sale 5c Each

35 dozen only for sharp 8.30 buying. Pure Irish Linen, that's the fact we want to impress upon you, fine sheer quality, neatly hemstitched borders, excellent value at 8c on sale Thursday at 5c each.

15c Women's Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs 12 1/2c

Pure Irish Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, neat hemstitched borders, fine sheer qualities, all letters, hand embroidered; value 18c, Thursday 12 1/2c each, or 6 in a gift box at 75c.

15c and 20c Fancy Embroidery Handkerchiefs at 10c

Fine Swiss Lawn and Irish Embroidery Handkerchiefs, in pretty new designs with hemstitched or scalloped edges. 15c and 20c values, Thursday 10c.



Men's Handkerchiefs, 3 in Box, 59c

50 boxes only, with former price at 75c, three in a fancy box, in plain, pure Irish hemstitched handkerchiefs, a very serviceable gift, former price here 75c, Thursday 59c.

25c Fancy Linen Handkfs., 12 1/2c.

10 dozen only that will not last after opening time, Men's Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, fancy colored hemstitched borders, former price 25c, Thursday 12 1/2c.

Children's Desks to Clear

We have priced these Children's Fancy Writing Desks or Boxes to clear Thursday at great reductions, numerous styles to choose from, at 49c, formerly 75c; 60c, formerly \$1.00, 50c, formerly 85c; 70c, formerly \$1.25.

Other Fancy Goods Reduced

These will be found at new section at the front: Post Card Albums, large sizes, 40c, now 29c; Fancy Handkerchief Boxes, 50c, reduced to 40c; New Post Card Boxes, 40c, reduced to 30c; Daily Note Books, 65c, reduced to 40c; Silver Paper Knives, 35c, reduced to 25c.

Gift Frilling 25c Box

Another gross of that Frilling, in pretty holly boxes for gifts, 5 and 6 cord and net Frills in a box, easily worth 50c a box, Thursday special 25c.

Sample Hand Bags, Special 59c

A few traveller's sample Hand Bags, medium sizes, in black only, regular 70c and \$1.00 values, clearing Thursday at 59c. Have you seen our regular stock of Christmas Hand Bags? Prices range at \$1.00, way up to \$10.00.

50c Women's Leather Belts 29c

Very acceptable as gifts, Women's Leather Belts, in black and colors, some are studded with jet trimmings, all sizes, regular 50c, Thursday 29c.

Waistband on Second Floor full of Holiday Suggestions

FINCH BROS.

Finish up your shopping Thursday and avoid the rush of the last week.

Amusements

The second of the Shakespearean lectures by Canon Sutherland, under the auspices of Caxton Chapter, of the Daughters of the Empire, on "Heroines of Shakespeare," was held last night in the parlors of the Waldorf Hotel, and was very largely attended, the subject, "Macbeth," being one of the most interesting.

Canon Sutherland ably outlined the various characters, showing how the ambition of Lady Macbeth had led to murder and a chain of circumstances ending in death. He gave a careful analysis of the motives and delighted the audience with his handling of the subject.

JUBILEE CONCERT.

That jubilee concert was very popular was proven last evening, when a large audience gathered in St. John Presbyterian Church to hear the jubilee singers of the A. M. E. Church.

Before the programme started Rev. J. Young, Rev. T. H. Henderson and Mr. G. H. Horning, the chairman, gave brief addresses.

The musical programme was rendered in a spirited and excellent manner, and brought forth great applause, nearly every number being encored. A witty solo by N. O. Patterson was greatly enjoyed. Hiram and Mabel Berry sang their duet in a most efficient manner, and, as usual, delighted the audience.

A novel treat to the audience was the solo of Hiram Berry, who kindly responded over and over again to enthusiastic encores. The programme as a whole was an excellent one, and reflects great credit on Mr. Henderson and the gifted singers of his church.

The concert was held under the auspices of the Young Men's Guild of St. John Church.

The programme was: Chorus, "Steal Away"; chorus, "Zion's Children, How Do You Do?"; solo, N. O. Patterson, baritone; instrumental selection, Kathleen Hollan; chorus, "The Light"; chorus, "Roll, Jordan, Roll"; duet, "Isn't Love a Grand Old Thing"; Hiram Berry and Mabel Berry; chorus, "What Kind of Shoes Are You Going to Wear?"; sketch, "Old Uncle Ben from Alabama"; Wesley Day and others; chorus, "I Ain't Got No Time to Waste"; Hiram Berry; chorus, "Hold the Light"; chorus, "My Lord's Writing All the Time"; chorus, "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot"; chorus, "I'm Rolling."

BENNETT'S THEATRE.

Of the several members which distribute laughter on the Bennett bill this week one of the most enjoyable, measured by the applause it receives, is the attractively staged and cleverly arranged singing and dancing skit of Ethel Whiteside and a quartette of pickaninies, who were things moving at a merry pace. No detail has been neglected in the staging of the act. The singing and dancing please immensely, and a generous dash of comedy clinches the success of the offering. An effective finish leaves the audience clamoring for more.

Models of "Tarin de Paris," Billie Burke's miniature musical comedy, is proving a capital drawing card as the headliner. Carl Henry as a "wise fish" who helps La Marche, a painter, to separate "Pop" White, a man about town, from considerable loose money, is very amusing.

The models wear pretty costumes. Florence May, one of the members of the company, who presents a trim and neat appearance, is making a big hit with her clear, sweet, strong voice, which is heard to advantage in the singing numbers. The feminine portion of the audience will find much to admire in the elaborate gowns worn by Helix Downing, who is appearing in the merry little farce, "The Intruders." Miss Downing wears a different costume at every performance.

One of the big attractions for Christmas week will be Charles Leonard Fletcher, a noted entertainer, presenting impersonations and character studies of stage and literary celebrities.

"THE ARRIVAL OF KITTY."

"The Arrival of Kitty," which was seen here last season, returns to the Grand on Friday night. The play is a farce comedy in three acts with a record of a laugh a minute. Humor of a brilliant variety interwoven into startling situations and sensational surprises are here in abundance. Comedy which at times borders on the ridiculous calls forth immeasurable mirth, and causes a wealth of laughter.

"GRAUSTARK."

The reserve seat sale for "Graustark" will be opened tomorrow morning. This delightful romance is to be presented at the Grand on Saturday by an excellent company, which is on its way to Toronto for Christmas week. For the engagement here special prices have been arranged.

"THE TIME, THE PLACE, THE GIRL."

"The Time, the Place, and the Girl," a comedy with music, which was seen here several seasons ago, is to be offered at the Grand next Monday evening. The piece is being presented in Toronto this week, where it is pleasing large audiences. The company is well spoken of, and the scenery and costuming is said to be particularly good.

The Best Gifts to Give.

Are those from Finch Bros.—gifts having a character, a guarantee of quality. One should be as careful in the selection of gifts as in the choosing of friends. The gift is regarded as an expression of the esteem in which the giver holds the recipient—measured not by the cost, but by the thought and care expended in selecting something that is in good taste, appropriate and has some definite use. Finch Bros. stamped on the inside of the gift box is the hall mark of quality and a gift so marked will be much more appreciated by the recipient. Tomorrow will be one of the best shopping days previous to Christmas, for with the passing of each day the holiday rush will grow. Besides we have planned many specials, which should be of interest to every shopper, especially those out in the morning.

Hook—Do you believe men are what women make them? Nye—the cynics are.

With the people who are satisfied to drift on the tide the tide is generally running out.

THE BEVERAGE FOR ALL WEATHERS.

"Epps's" means Excellence

EPPS'S COCOA

A delicious food and drink in one.

A cup of "Epps's" at breakfast warms and sustains. Refreshing and comforting.

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WHAT SMALL WAS TOLD.

That Liquor Men Are to Spend \$60,000 in Campaign.

Last evening, in Charlton Avenue Methodist Church, Rev. Dr. Small delivered the second of a series of addresses being given this week in the interests of the reduction of barrooms.

Every true minister of the gospel, he said, was bound to be in enmity with the liquor traffic, and it was his duty to use all their power and influence to endeavor to put down the enemy. God's commission to a minister was clear and distinct. It was to teach the people to distinguish and understand between the clean and the unclean, the holy and the profane, and to be able to do this it was necessary to have that spiritual power and vision which could only come from above. If the people of Hamilton, said the speaker, were all gifted with this power, there would not be one saloon. Continuing, he said that the liquor traffic was the only universally acknowledged evil in the world that was licensed for money. Houses of disrepute could not be licensed, and in speaking of this

Rev. Dr. Small said the time would soon come when the white slave traffic would be stopped. No state would allow gambling, and it looked as if race track gambling would soon be prohibited. Gambling, he said, was simply a respectable form of highway robbery. These evils, he continued, were not licensed and the liquor traffic, the one that was licensed was the meanest and most cruel of them all. The saloons did not give any value in return for the money spent but gave that which was a detriment. The saloons not only robbed men of their money, but also of their time. Most of the idleness among the laboring class was due to the saloons. The labor people, he said, were beginning to realize that liquor was their enemy. Over half of the employers in the United States required men to give up drinking before they could receive a position. The bar was also the means of robbing a man of his ability and character. A man who was known to be addicted to drink was blacklisted. Even men of business who drank generally lost their reputation. The saloons not only robbed the man himself, but also the wife and children, "and yet," he continued, "these places are licensed, some of which keep open 24 hours a day and 7 days a week." In speaking of this city, he said that it was not a greater Hamilton that was wanted, but a better Hamilton, and when the city was better, nothing could keep it from being greater. When Hamilton was known as a city of sobriety, then more capital than can be used will be found. The liquor dealers, he was told, were going to spend \$60,000 during the campaign and consequently the temperance question was one which should receive the earnest consideration and support of every true citizen who held a ballot.

F. E. Elmer was the chairman for the evening.

ON THE NAVY.

Debate by Young Men of St. Paul's Church.

"That Canada Should Build and Maintain Her Own Navy" was the subject of an interesting debate last evening in St. Paul's Presbyterian Sunday School by the Young Men's Guild at their regular monthly meeting. L. Malcolm and C. Finch, the affirmative, declared that "Canada should be ready to become independent in case trouble was to occur between Great Britain and herself. Canadian money should be kept at home. They also pointed out that Britain had her hands full and it was necessary that Canada should be amply protected against United States and the yellow peril. The negative, R. McBurney and J. Leask, asserted that even with a navy Canada would be dependent on Great Britain and a coast defence fleet would be useless abroad. Great Britain was threatening, and they asserted, it would be impossible to maintain a navy as there was no facilities or men.

The judges decided that the affirmative had the advantage, both in the argument and the delivery and gave the young men some good advice, particularly as to style, articulation, etc.

The judges were Rev. D. R. Drummond, J. MacPherson and J. L. Jolley.

After the debate a piano solo was given by Frank Wright and light refreshments served. R. E. Brown was chairman for the evening.

BARTON ST. METHODIST.

The first of the concerts under the auspices of Barton Street Methodist Sunday school was held last night in the church, and a large crowd attended. So well were they pleased with the programme that a request was made to have the programme repeated. The newly organized orchestra of the church, which is a large one, rendered a number of selections. Other numbers were: Solo, Miss A. McLean; reading, Mr. A. Frazer; trio, Mr. J. C. Springstead, A. Frazer and C. Widdup; solo, Miss Merle Williams, and a special feature in the form of a solo by W. Widdup, one of the old men of the church.

The miracle of the loaves and fishes is more incomprehensible to the baker than to the fisherman.

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Wednesday, December 15th, 1909

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You will never regret a visit to this tremendous dynamo of Christmas energy—the Toy Store. Come quickly and share in the good things for Thursday.

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- AIRSHIPS, special 15c

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Can Christy Live Without the Famous "Christy Girl"?



CHRISTY, HIS WIFE AND THEIR LITTLE GIRL STANDING IN THE DOORWAY OF THEIR ROMANTIC ARTIST HOME IN OHIO.

Can Howard Chandler Christy, famous artist, continue his success now that he and his wife, the original Christy girl, have separated? It was Mrs. Christy who posed for him and developed the type of picture woman that made her husband's pastels bring high figures. It was Mrs. Christy, too, who called Christian Science to his aid and cured her husband of approaching blindness.

Now Christy is hurrying to Cuba, where he fought under Col. Roosevelt in the Spanish-American war, and where he will paint several battle scenes, showing the ex-president in action. Meanwhile Mrs. Christy and two of her relatives are seeking possession of her 10-year-old daughter, Natalie, which she charges her husband has kidnapped.

No more romantic marriage than Christy's ever thrived. New York, Christy was in a Gotham restaurant at luncheon one day when he first saw his wife, then Mabelle Thompson. He was charmed by her beauty, and though she and her mother were in deep mourning, he sought out and introduced himself to the girl. They were soon married.

At his Ohio studio, on the banks of the Muskingum River, and in New York, she posed for him again and again. Why the break has come no one knows, though Christy says his wife's social ambitions interfered with his artistic temperament.

loyalty to the Bible class, as almost every one attends. It is the largest class out of eleven in the department.

LAKE FLEET Leaves Amherstburg on Way to Buffalo To-day.

Amherstburg, Ont., Dec. 15.—With the tug Hackett to show the way, quite a fleet will go down the river and out into Lake Erie on the way to Buffalo. The Hackett will convey the vessels as far as clear water in the lake. The fleet will include the steamer Fleetwood and two whaleback barges, the steamer Curtis and a whaleback barge, all loaded with ore, the steamer Winnipeg with ore, the steamer Buell with lumber and probably the steamer Astec and barge Miztec, with lumber.

When a fellow stops drinking don't try to make his mouth water. The most law-abiding people in the world are in jail. They have to be.

When life is a joke it is usually at some other fellow's expense.

CUPS FOR NEWSBOYS. The boys' department of the Y. M. C. A. is glad to announce to the newsboys' club that two beautiful silver cups have again been donated to be played for in connection with the Bible class basket ball leagues. A junior and senior league have been formed, and the schedule will be started at once.

There are about fifty boys in this club and they are to be commended on their

TEMPLE 324.

Annual Meeting and Banquet of Masonic Lodge.

The annual meeting and election of officers of Temple Lodge, No. 324, A. F. and A. M., was held in the Masonic Hall last evening. The following were elected as officers for 1910: T. M. Wright, W. M.; F. H. Nairn, S. W.; Geo. Pendlington, J. W.; Rev. A. E. Miller, Chaplain; V. W. Bro. Chas. Lemon, Treasurer; W. Bro. Thos. Pedlar, Secretary; Wm. Tocher, Tyler; R. W. Bro. W. M. Logan, D. D. G. M.; paid his official visit to the lodge and condoned the election. At the conclusion of the election the meeting adjourned to the banquet room, which has recently been entirely remodelled, and a pleasant social hour was spent. Among those who spoke were R. W. Bro. W. M. Logan, R. W. Bro. R. L. Gunn, R. W. Bro. A. M. Cunningham, W. Bro. A. Zimmerman, E. F. Lazier, C. E. Burkholder, W. Bro. Griffith Lloyd and others. Those who contributed to the musical part of the programme were Dr. J. H. Mullin, the Oyster brothers, W. J. Smyth, C. E. Kelly, H. J. Allen, and A. H. Mawson.

WANTS CARRIE.

Carrie Nation Declines Two Offers of Marriage in One Day.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Carrie Nation, of Kansas, has received two genuine offers of marriage since she charged the bar at the Union Station last week and bathed the expensive terminal in red rum. The first proposal reached Carrie when she was in the workhouse following her Union Station activities and was from a boatswain in the navy. She declined, one of the reasons being that her suitor told her he was tired of work and wanted somebody to support him. Her second offer came to-day from John Slatter, a Virginia farmer.

"I will marry you if you'll have me," said John. "I like your gift up and get. You could help me handle the place all right."

Again Mrs. Nation declined, saying that she would rather let loose the poisoned devilment of bottled in bond with her faithful hater than get up of morning to tease the lactae fluid from a reluctant cow.

As a result of her Union Station smashing expedition Mrs. Nation was fined \$100 in the police court to-day. The alternative was sixty days in the workhouse. Through her attorney she announced an appeal to the court of appeals in the District of Columbia, where the case will hinge on whether whiskey as a property and the Union Station bar has been licensed properly.

READY FOR ZELAYA.

The Cruiser Prairie With Marines Going to Colon.

Philadelphia, Dec. 15.—Laden with rapid-firing field pieces, 500,000 rounds of ammunition and clothing and provisions enough to last the men two months, the auxiliary cruiser Prairie to-day is prepared to make a second attempt to convey two battalions of Marines to Colon, Panama. The vessel is expected to weigh anchor about 3.30 this afternoon. All day yesterday detachments of marines were arriving at the navy yard from all the stations along the coast.

LOVE LETTERS.

Red Hot Ones Read in Court From Young Dr. Zelaya.

Not Doctor's Son But Said to be Wealthy.

New York, Dec. 15.—Seventeen letters full of the picturesque expressions of a tropical love constituted part of the evidence obtained to-day at the trial of Miss Elizabeth Juliet Hero's breach of promise suit against Dr. Anibal Zelaya. The plaintiff, who was scheduled for her second appearance on the stand, said she had chosen these from the mass of glowing correspondence she received from young Zelaya when he wooed her during his attendance at Columbia University.

Zelaya says he is not the son of the Nicaraguan dictator, but his nephew. Whatever his relationship is, Miss Hero insists that he is wealthy, and that \$100,000 is none too high a price for her disappointed affections.

Zelaya's counsel claims that, far from being slighted by the discontinuance of his client's devotion, Miss Hero accepted the attentions of others after Zelaya ceased his courtship about two years ago. On the stand she admitted that she might have corresponded with other young men.

TRAIN DITCHED. Take Your Choice of Two Reports as to Casualties.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 15.—Train No. 7 on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway, westbound, went into the ditch near Bagley, Ia., at 5 o'clock to-day. Six cars are reported in the ditch, and Engineer Geo. Scoer is reported killed. All of the doctors at Perry have been rushed to the scene. The number of dead is reported to be large.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 15.—At the local offices of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul road it was stated that No. 7 westbound had been wrecked near Bagley, but that only one death had been reported, that of the engineer.

No. 7 is a local train and carries the Des Moines and Sioux City sleepers.

Later—At the local offices of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul road, it is now stated that no persons were killed, but that the entire train No. 7 was derailed, and 12 passengers slightly injured in the wreck two miles east of Bagley, Iowa.

"POOH, POOH." Reply of Steamship Lines to Criticism of Steerage Conditions.

New York, Dec. 14.—"Poo, poo," is the substance of the replies given to-day by half a dozen managers of the largest steamship lines here to the report of the special commission appointed by Congress to investigate conditions on board ship among immigrants brought to American ports.

"Based on fiction," was the answer given at the offices of the French Line.

"No British line treats or feeds its steerage passengers badly," said an officer of the Anchor Line.

"Not of the slightest interest to the Hamburg-American Line," said an employee of that company.

A woman must be an angel when we praise her to the skies.

ST. ANDREW'S.

Congregational Social to Celebrate Pastor's Anniversary.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church concluded the celebration of the fifth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. P. A. Wilson by holding a congregational tea on Monday evening. It was, to a day, the fifth anniversary of Mr. Wilson's ordination and induction, and the pastor received many congratulations.

Tea was served from 7 to 8 o'clock. Mr. W. R. Leckie presided at the platform meeting which followed. Addresses were given by Rev. F. B. Ketchen, Rev. Walter Quarrington, David Mitchell, and the various organizers of the church. Rev. F. B. Ketchen, Mr. J. Duff, N. G. Boggs, W. D. Connor, J. Jamieson and A. Decker. Songs were contributed by A. Dalrymple and C. Leckie, and a piano solo by Miss Gardner.

In the course of his remarks Rev. Mr. Wilson gave some interesting figures. During the five years of his pastorate he has had 4,700 visits; has conducted 132 funerals; officiated at 147 marriages; had 221 baptisms, including 189 infants and 32 adults, and received 722 new communicants, of which 372 were upon profession of faith and 350 by certificate.

S. S. RALLY. Baptists Will Have One on New Year Morning.

At the meeting of the Baptist ministers on Monday evening at the residence of Rev. H. Edgar Allen, Victoria avenue, Rev. C. E. Burrell was elected president and Rev. W. Quarrington secretary.

The advisability of having a mass meeting some time within the near future for the purpose of advancing the missionary work among the foreigners in the city was discussed. It was decided to have the meeting, at which the speakers would be Dr. Morton Toronto; Rev. Mr. Kolneshoff, foreign missionary in Toronto, and Count Rorison.

Final arrangements were made for the rally of the Sunday schools in James Street Baptist Church on New Year's.

NO HATS. Winnipeg Women Will Sit Bare-headed in Grace Church.

Winnipeg, Dec. 15.—The women of Grace Methodist Church have decided in future to remove their hats during service. A resolution to this effect has been passed by the women's organizations, but it is said many will refuse to comply.

THE BRITISH NAVY. Principal J. H. Collinson gave his interesting and instructive lecture on the British Navy in the large hall of Highfield School to the scholars last evening.

The lecture lasted an hour and a half, and was listened to with much interest by the boys and a number of their parents. Mr. Collinson is thoroughly conversant with his subject, and having been present at the Spithead naval review last summer, was able to give an interesting account of the memorable affair. The lecture was illustrated with views showing the different warships of the navy.

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HON. MR. FIELDING'S BUDGET SPEECH.

No Change in the Tariff—Surplus of Over \$16,000,000.

Navy to be Paid Out of Income—To Prevent Trade Combinations—Mr. Foster's Criticism.

The Budget Boiled Down.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—Hon. Mr. Fielding's budget speech has three divisions—past, present and future.

During the past year, 1908-9, the total revenue was \$85,500,000, a decline of nearly \$11,000,000; the surplus was \$1,029,171, and the addition to the public debt \$45,000,000.

For the eight months of the current year the revenue was \$64,656,509, an increase of \$9,541,282; and it is expected that the four months still to run will bring it up to at least \$97,500,000.

Last year the expenditures on the consolidated fund were \$84,000,000. For the current year the expenditures chargeable to income will not exceed \$81,000,000, a reduction of \$3,000,000.

There will thus be a surplus for the current year of \$16,500,000, capital expenditure will be reduced to the extent of \$16,486,393, and there will be added to the public debt \$17,750,000, or \$2,250,000 less than the appropriation for the Transcontinental Railway.

The outlook for the coming year is even brighter, the Finance Minister being confident that the receipts will pass the \$100,000,000 mark.

The bounties on iron and steel expire on Dec. 31, 1910, and those that remain will be charged against income, instead of as in the past to capital account. The expenditure on naval construction will also be met out of revenue.

The Liberal Government had spent \$212,500,000 during the past thirteen years on capital and special account, and had added and had provided \$147,000,000 out of revenue, or 69 per cent.

The Conservative Government during the last thirteen years they were in office spent \$167,166,252 on capital and special account, and provided only \$49,000,000 out of revenue, or 29 per cent.

The per capita debt on an estimated population of \$7,450,000 is \$45.85. In 1896 it was \$50.82.

For the current year the total trade of Canada is expected to exceed that of 1907, the record year, when it totalled \$650,000,000.

No tariff changes are announced, but a bill will be introduced making the combine clause in the tariff act more effective. Where there is a prima facie case made out that there is a combination unduly enhancing prices, the Government will pay the expenses of the inquiry.

A preference for Canada in the British West Indies is anticipated as the result of the present commission on trade relations with those islands. President Taft's address is regarded as an assurance that the friendly trade relations between Canada and the United States will be maintained.

FIELDING'S SPEECH.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—The wave of prosperity which has passed over Canada during the past year, coupled with a policy of wise administration, enabled Hon. Mr. Fielding to present to the House of Commons to-day one of the most gratifying budgets in the long and bright series which stand to his credit. To the line of successive budgets piled up during the thirteen years the Liberal Government have held the reins of power the Minister of Finance has added a surplus of \$16,500,000 for the fiscal year which ends in March next, and that after meeting all ordinary expenditures and after making provision for the Transcontinental Railway, of revenue. As Mr. Fielding phrased it, "Canada has come back once more to the old familiar story of general employment and prosperous trade, of increasing revenues, of liberal surpluses, and of generous appropriations for the public service."

Hon. Mr. Fielding recalled that at the last session of Parliament circumstances compelled him to submit a budget which was not in all respects a very cheerful one. Perhaps it was because Ministers of Finance are never down under happier conditions, and come back once more to the old familiar story of general employment and prosperous trade, increasing revenues, liberal surpluses, and generous appropriations for the public service. In the fiscal year 1908-9 there had been a financial depression, which was almost world-wide, and which, in the case of the Republic to the south became a financial panic. Canada felt its effects to a much less extent than did the United States, but when the last fiscal year closed on the 31st of March, 1909, it was found that the revenues had been seriously affected. While the revenue for the previous year, 1907, which was a record year, represented the great sum of \$96,054,005, that for 1908-9 was only \$85,093,404. There was thus a decline in the year's revenue of \$10,961,101, or a falling off of 11 1/2 per cent. The expenditure chargeable to income for the same year was \$84,064,232, leaving a surplus of \$1,029,171.

THE CURRENT YEAR.—Coming to the current fiscal year 1909-10, Mr. Fielding said he was glad to have a more cheerful story to tell. There were still three and a half months of the year to run, and the books of account would not close until some considerable time after the end of the fiscal year, so that it was difficult to make more than an approximate statement at the present stage. It was gratifying, however, to know that the unfavorable conditions of the previous year had passed away. There had been a very gratifying recovery of activity. They had been blessed with abundant harvest, and in almost every department of labor in which the people were engaged there had been increased activity. They had recovered the lost ground in revenue, and were now moving forward to even higher records. The revenue for 1909-10, the current year, to December 1, was \$64,656,509, which represented an increase over the revenue for the corresponding period of the previous year of \$9,541,282. In eight months there had been a gain of nine and a half million dollars of revenue, or an increase of about \$1,200,000 per month. The revenue for the last four months of the previous year amounted to \$29,978,177.

Transcontinental, they would add only seventeen and three-quarter millions to the net debt of the country. In other words, if they had not that large and exceptional work the Government would have been able this year to reduce the public debt by two and a quarter millions.

THE COMING YEAR.

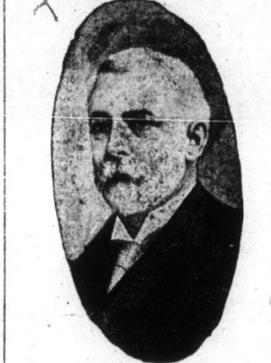
Turning to the coming year—1910-1911—Mr. Fielding said he was very hopeful that the Government would be able to repeat the policy of keeping down the increase of debt, and he looked forward to being able to provide out of revenue for ordinary expenditure and for that portion of the capital and special expenditure outside the Transcontinental.

Mr. Borden asked, What will have been spent on the Transcontinental by the end of the present fiscal year, March 31st, 1910? and Mr. Fielding replied that it would be roughly \$78,000,000.

HUDSON BAY RAILWAY.

Mr. Foster asked if it was intended to complete the Transcontinental by the end of 1911 or go slower, and also whether provision was to be made for the construction of the Hudson Bay Railway.

Mr. Fielding said the estimates included a sum for the further survey of



FINANCE MINISTER FIELDING.

the Hudson Bay road. If it was determined that the project was advanced to a sufficient point to call for a vote for construction, that vote would have to come in the supplementary estimates. As to the completion of the Transcontinental Railway, he thought there was everything to gain by pushing it to completion, and for that reason a very liberal vote of twenty-seven million dollars was being taken for the coming fiscal year. With regard to revenue for the coming fiscal year, he had no hesitation in saying that if the hundred million mark was not reached during the current year it would certainly be reached during the coming year.

In the estimates for the coming year there had been transferred from capital account to income account several items which for a number of years had been charged to capital. One was for arms and ammunition, and another for Dominion lands. The appropriation for naval expenditure was also to be charged against income. As this expenditure would be distributed over several years, he thought it might properly be charged to income. The expenditure of the year would be charged to the revenue of the year, and it would not therefore be necessary to add anything to the public debt on this account.

THE BOUNTIES.

Mr. Foster asked if the Minister had come to any conclusion as to the bounties in a similar manner.

Mr. Fielding said that the bounties were on all fours with the payment of railway subsidies, which in the time of the Conservative Government, as well as during the present regime, had always been charged to capital. The chief bounties, said Mr. Fielding, were on iron and steel, namely pig iron, iron puddled, bars, and iron and steel ingots, and these would expire on December 31st, 1910. There was a bounty on lead, which was limited to a term of years, one on oil which was not so limited, and there was a provision in the act that the bounties for electric smelting might be extended for two years longer. As no action had been taken under that provision he took it that the bounties on iron and steel would all expire next year, and that after that the bounties would not be very large. Whether they should charge them to income or to capital would be a matter for consideration at that time.

BOUNTIES HELPED TRADE.

Dealing with the results which had followed the granting of bounties, Mr. Fielding claimed that it could be clearly shown that the Treasury of Canada had not lost a dollar by the payment of bounties. The iron and steel industries which had been established had undoubtedly a great effect in the development of the trade of Canada. The cities of Toronto, Montreal, Halifax and St. John would all testify that the merchants had sold great quantities of goods to the great steel-making ports, and he did not think it was too much to say that millions of dollars had been paid into the Dominion Treasury in duties on such goods as ports far removed from the steel centres themselves. The steel ports were Sault Ste. Marie, Sydney, North Sydney and Sydney Mines; Glace Bay, which supplied the coal to the Sydney works; New Glasgow and Hamilton. While the statement might be qualified as to Hamilton, he thought that in every one of these communities the increase in business was due directly to the increase in the iron and steel industry. The customs revenue at these six ports in ten years showed an increase of \$9,011,645 compared with the previous ten years, when the iron

and steel industry was in its infancy. So that every dollar paid out by way of bounty to the iron and steel business had been brought back directly to the public Treasury in increased custom duties, to the stimulation of business.

DEBT, TRADE AND POPULATION.

Dealing with the increase of debt, the present Government, Mr. Fielding said, during the past twelve and three-quarter years had spent on capital and special expenditure \$212,002,818, and had added to the debt of the country \$65,432,846. The Conservative Government, from 1878 to 1896 spent on capital account \$167,000,000, and added to the debt \$180,000,000. In pointing out that the net debt per capita at present was only \$45.85, compared with \$50.82 when the Conservative Government was out of office, Mr. Fielding stated, on the authority of the census officers, that the population of Canada would be 7,450,000 at the end of the fiscal year.

Referring to the growth of trade, the Minister of Finance said that if the same rate of progress shown during the past seven months was continued, the total trade of the current year would probably exceed that of the record year of 1907-8, when the figures were \$650,000,000.

He also alluded to the deposits in the chartered banks as showing the restoration of Canada's financial equilibrium. In regard to Canada's trade relations with other countries he made reference to the commission appointed to look into the trade between Canada and the West Indies, and in a preference being granted to Canada by the British West Indies. Germany, he said, was now disposed to enter into negotiations with Canada, as were also Italy and Belgium, and in due course negotiations would have to be entered upon with those countries with a view of arriving, possibly at some friendly understanding with them.

THE UNITED STATES TARIFF.

"There has been some anxiety," said Mr. Fielding, "perhaps some unnecessary alarm, in the minds of some of our Canadian people as to possible friction arising in consequence of the recent tariff legislation in the United States. But after reading the most admirable message of President Taft to Congress a few days ago I think we can all feel that the United States Government have a very correct appreciation of what is due to other countries, and to Canada particularly. I think the terms in which President Taft has addressed Congress that subject give us abundant assurance that the Government are desirous of continuing the close and friendly relations which prevail between the Republic and Canada, and assume that there is any cause for anxiety as to any friction arising between the two countries."

Coming to the financial aspect of the budget, Mr. Fielding stated that the time was approaching when it would be desirable to issue a gold coinage in Canada. That would necessitate some change in the currency act, and a measure dealing with that subject would be brought forward at an early date. An arrangement had been made with the banks by which they were to give a small commission to aid in the importation of American specie, and the profits of the Mint during the past eleven months amounted to \$405,565.

NO TARIFF CHANGES.

Mr. Fielding said that he had no tariff changes to announce, as the Government were of the opinion that it was not in the best interests of the business of the country that there should be frequent changes. The Government, however, would endeavor to meet the criticism that had been made upon the combine clause in the tariff act. It was said that the Government had not provided sufficiently for the payment of the expenses to encourage people to take advantage of the clause, that too much was left to the individual, and too little financial responsibility was put upon the Treasury. "We shall at an early date introduce a measure dealing with that subject. It will provide that the Government, not hastily or recklessly, because large interests are involved which must be considered, but after inquiry and a reasonable prima facie case has been made out, that there shall be a combination for unduly enhancing prices, shall pay all expenses for conducting the inquiry, including the fees of counsel."

Dealing with loans maturing, Mr. Fielding intimated that arrangements were being made to provide for them.

CANADA'S GROWING TIME.

Concluding, he said: "It must be a matter of gratification to every good citizen to see so many favorable signs in the outlook of our country. We have known all along that we needed but two things—population and capital. Both of these things are now coming to Canada. There never was a time when there was more interest in Canadian affairs throughout the world than there is to-day or a greater willingness on the part of capitalists to invest in Canada. This is due to the fact that we have had growth in population, growth in wealth, growth in national unity, growth in national status, in the eyes of the world, growth in our sense of responsibility as citizens of a great Empire. In all this growth we have reason to rejoice. But what is better than all, we feel that this is but the beginning of better things to come. To us as trustees of the Canadian people has been given the duty of moulding the destinies of the Dominion at a time when it has a formative character. Let us see to it in the midst of our party strife that at all times there rises above us the dominant note of a firm desire to do whatever is possible to promote the progress, prosperity and happiness of the Canadian people."

HON. GEO. E. FOSTER.

Mr. Foster began with his congenial task of demolishing surpluses and magnifying expenditures. The surplus of last year, he argued, was properly speaking, a deficit, for the expenditure of two and a half millions of subsidies should be charged to income rather than to capital account. The expenditure for the year was the highest on record, despite the fact that prudence should have called for the cutting down of expenditures, when all signs pointed to a period of falling revenues and general financial depression. The salvation of the situation during the current year had been not the policy of the Finance Minister, but the good crops and the work of the farmers of Canada. The prosperity of western Canada this year was what enabled the Finance Minister to make a more presentable statement than had been the case last March, and the Conservative party could take the credit for the first opening up of the west. Mr. Foster pointed a few of his arrows

at the silence of the Finance Minister on the old subject of free trade and the opening of new markets for Canadian products. The adverse balance of trade with the United States, which the Liberal leaders had promised to rectify, was still unchanged. Last year it had amounted to \$85,000,000. And with other countries, too, the adverse balance of trade was steadily going up, instead of diminishing, as should be the case under a wise fiscal policy.

In respect to the tariff situation in the United States, Mr. Foster agreed with Mr. Fielding that the message of President Taft to Congress had been conciliatory and reassuring in tone. But, though Canada could hope that the maximum schedule of the Payne tariff would not be invoked or even held up against this country as a menace, still the fact remained that the situation was a delicate one, and the United States was already penalizing Canada in respect to the tariff on pulpwood and paper. The American tariff, he added, did nothing to encourage Canadian trade or to extend a fair reciprocity.

In British politics he noted a significant and vitally important movement, which must be borne in mind in shaping Canada's fiscal policy. It was the maximum schedule of the Payne tariff would not be invoked or even held up against this country as a menace, still the fact remained that the situation was a delicate one, and the United States was already penalizing Canada in respect to the tariff on pulpwood and paper. The American tariff, he added, did nothing to encourage Canadian trade or to extend a fair reciprocity.

Coming to a more detailed discussion of the financial aspect of the budget, Mr. Foster criticized the Minister of Finance for not taking warning before last year from the signs of approaching financial depression and accordingly decreasing the expenditure for the last fiscal year. As a result of the enormous borrowing that has been necessary, the credit of the country has been endangered, and now the highest interest rates of many years were being paid on loans negotiated during the past year.

Resuming after recess, Mr. Foster reverted to the familiar arguments of his previous speech on the budget debate, claiming that the measure of preferential tariff treatment in return for our preference. Therefore it is wise for us not to unnecessarily tie our hands by entangling fiscal alliances with other countries.

Mr. H. H. MILLER. Mr. H. H. Miller, who followed the ex-Finance Minister, in reply to the latter's charge that the country was paying record rates of interest on loans, noted that the rate of interest was not a comparison of the rate of interest paid now by Canada with the rate paid by all other countries, and on this basis of comparison it was shown that Canada's credit was as high now as it ever was. As to charges of graft and wasteful expenditure made by Mr. Foster, he recalled the fact that every one of these charges had been thoroughly ventilated in the Public Accounts Committee, and had been unsubstantiated in fact. In respect to the iron and steel bounties, Mr. Miller said that when they expired at the end of next year he, for one, would strongly oppose their renewal.

Dr. Sproule moved the adjournment of the debate.

REVISION OF RULES. There was a brief discussion upon the motion of Sir Wilfrid Laurier to appoint a committee of nine members to examine the rules of the House with a view of simplifying and accelerating business.

Mr. Borden suggested that the time occupied in answering questions might be saved.

Mr. W. F. Maclean hoped nothing would be done to curtail the liberties of Parliament or restrict freedom of speech.

Dr. Sproule asked whether it was intended to introduce the clause. Sir Wilfrid Laurier assured the House that there was no intention to curtail the privileges of the members. The committee appointed is composed of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Messrs. Brodeur, Pugsley, Mackenzie, Borden, Haggart, Carvell, Barker and Doherty. Mr. Burrell called attention to the expulsion of a Canadian student from Saxony, and suggested that the Government give the matter consideration.

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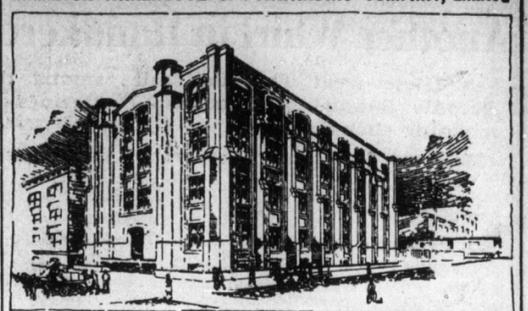
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TORY ADMITS TORY DEFEAT.

T. P. O'Connor Confident the Liberals Will Win.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's Cable in the Times is a Timely One.

Prince Henry Says Germany is Not Wanting War.

London, Dec. 14.—F. R. Brassey, speaking at a Conservative meeting at Bexhill, predicted the return of the Liberal Government.

HOME RULE.

Washington, Dec. 14.—T. P. O'Connor, the Irish member of the British House of Commons, was presented to Speaker Cannon by Thomas F. Walsh at the close of today's session of the House.

On leaving the Speaker, "Tay Pay" declared that he had the highest hopes for Irish home rule as a result of the popular vote on the Budget in Britain.

"When the election has been won by the Liberal party, and I have no idea that the result will be otherwise," he went on, "the leaders will refuse to take office in the Government unless the veto power of the House of Lords is made merely suspensory.

Mr. O'Connor will sail a week from today for England, where he says he will take an active part in the election campaign.

WILL SUPPORT LIBERALS. Dublin, Dec. 14.—The national directors of the United Irish League at a meeting today decided to support the Liberal party at the forthcoming general election.

PRINCE HENRY TALKS. London, Dec. 15.—A telegram appears in the London papers today from Prince Henry of Prussia, dealing with a series of articles written by the Socialist, Blatchford, which are being printed in London.

PRINCE HENRY'S NOTE. London, Dec. 14.—(Globe cable)—John Bull today is like a very deaf gentleman with whom two people are trying to talk.

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Wife Lived Long Enough to Accuse Husband of Crime. Savannah, Ga., Dec. 14.—To-day bloody clothes owned by J. C. Hunter, the husband of one of the three women murdered with an axe on Friday, have been found, and detectives claim the case against him is clear.

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News in Brief

The Executive of the Dominion Marine Association has decided to oppose certain provisions of the insurance bill.

Rev. N. McNaughton was ordained and inducted as pastor of Eastern Avenue Baptist Church, Toronto, on Tuesday.

The Victoria Colonist warns the Dominion Conservatives that British Columbia cannot spare Premier McBride to lead them.

Sir Lomer Gouin, Premier of Quebec, with Hon. L. A. Taschereau, Minister of Works, and Dr. John T. Finnie, M. P. P., are in Toronto.

William Garnett, caretaker in J. H. Ashdown's hardware store, Winnipeg, was instantly killed while repairing the elevator on Tuesday afternoon.

Maud Murphy, 23 years old, daughter of the late John Murphy, of St. John West, N. B., fell dead in her sister's arms as she was leaving her room.

The steamer Huronic, on her way down, passed the Soo at noon on Tuesday, and reports the Strathcona and Rosedale in shelter at Passage Island.

Elections held in fifteen Massachusetts cities on Tuesday showed a considerable reduction in the "dry" majority of a year ago. The city of Worcester went "wet."

Canada has 95,000,000 bushels of wheat for export, according to reports received by the Department of Trade and Commerce. The quality is good and exceedingly uniform.

H. Rooswodik, a Galician laborer employed on the C. P. R. bridge over the Souris River at Truesbank, Man., was killed by being crushed by a lump of earth in the excavation.

Mr. F. F. Pardee, M. P. for West Lambton and chief Liberal whip, was operated on at the St. Mary's Hospital for appendicitis. The operation was successful, and the patient is doing well.

The advisability of making an order against brakemen riding on top of freight cars will be discussed between representatives of the railways and the Railway Commission at the traffic sittings at Ottawa next month.

Under the "Closer Settlement" Bill for the purchase of land for emigrants now before the Victorian Parliament, a million pounds annually will be available to Australia. This is enough to settle a thousand families annually.

The Ontario Government has appointed Mr. W. J. Davies, a well-known and popular Toronto newspaperman, to a position in the Department of the Provincial Secretary. The appointment takes effect at once.

Late returns from the municipal elections, held throughout Spain on Tuesday, indicate that the Liberals generally were successful. There was considerable rioting at Bilbao, Barcelona and Malaga, and a number of casualties occurred.

At a luncheon in Dublin on Tuesday Sir Edward Shackleton amused the guests by reading a telegram purporting to be from Dr. Cook. It ran: "Have just discovered the South Pole. Kindly annex it to Ireland." (Signed) Cook.

A statue in life size of the late Prince Yio is to be erected in Seoul by the voluntary subscriptions of Koreans. A very large sum of money has already been subscribed, and poor people all over the country are contributing small amounts.

To promote the immigration of Japanese to the Argentine Republic is the mission of Dr. Tamamura, a Japanese, who arrived on Tuesday at Victoria, B. C., from Yokohama on the steamer Montague, and proceeded to Vancouver, en route to New York.

William McMillan, arrested three weeks ago on a charge of stealing a horse owned by Alfred Perrin, Keefe street, requested to be brought before Judge McDonald at Brockville. McMillan pleaded guilty. Sentence was deferred until next Saturday.

John T. Maunder, a Lindsay hotel-keeper, was arrested for perjury on Tuesday afternoon, the charge arising out of his evidence in connection with a case against a local hotel-keeper, in which a conviction was registered. He was committed for trial by Police Magistrate Dumble.

The charge of assaulting Edward Lowry, of St. David's, against Robert Orr, was dismissed at Niagara Falls by Magistrate Fraser, there being no evidence adduced to connect him with the assault.

Admiral Togo, on his retirement from the Japanese navy, is to be succeeded by Admiral Ijima. Admiral Tominaka has been appointed a member of the Military Council—a body analogous to the British Defence Committee.

Alberta & Great Waterways Railway officials state that they expect to have the line in operation to a point 150 miles to the north of Edmonton by the middle of next summer. The remaining 200 miles of the line to Fort McMurray is also expected to be completed by the fall of 1911.

Pinkerton detectives are now in the west looking for J. J. Oesch, a Chicago enabler, who is said to have got away with between one hundred and twenty-five and one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. He is now believed to be employed on a western Canadian ranch.

The Halifax City Council last night voted to make a grant of \$2,500 towards the erection of a tower to cost \$30,000 on a park given by Sir Sandford Fleming to the city of Halifax. The tower will commemorate the establishment of representative Parliamentary institutions in Nova Scotia, 150 years ago.

A fine of fifty dollars was imposed upon a Winnipeg dairyman convicted of watering milk. He had been convicted on a similar charge before and had been warned that would occur if caught again. He appeared in court with a cheque made out for fifty dollars and costs.

By a cave-in at the second level of a copper mine at Negaunee, Mich., four miners were buried in a living tomb without any possible hope of rescue. Comrades of the entombed men are working frantically in relays, but thousands of tons of rock and earth cut the victims off from light and air.

The Giornale d'Italia, of Rome, which is now a Government organ, announces that the main point contemplated by the new Italian Ministry is the reorganization of national steamship service. This will include legislative measures, which will enable Italian shipping companies to secure the transportation of emigrants.

A dramatic appeal to Chinese patriotism was made at Hankow on Nov. 20, at a meeting to oppose the flotation of foreign loans for building the Yoh Hon and Chun Han Railroad. The principal speaker cut off his little finger before the assemblage, creating a sensation as he waved the bleeding stub.

News was brought by the Montague, which arrived today from Japan, of a colliery tragedy at Onoura colliery, Fukushima prefecture, on Nov. 24, involving the loss of 282 lives. But 43 of the miners escaped after an explosion. The mine is one of the largest in southern Japan, employing 4,755 miners, with an output of 44,000 tons monthly.

A young man named Gravel, from Chateau Richer, is now in Quebec jail awaiting investigation into a charge of collecting money under false pretences and forgery. The accused was formerly employed as a clerk in a Chicoutimi bank. The charges are cashing a cheque for \$50 at the Quebec Bank and another for \$75 at the Imperial Bank, both made out on the Banque Nationale branch at Gaspé.

The Birmingham Post says the Admiralty is making arrangements for laying down before the end of the fiscal year two vessels which will establish a record in warship building. They will be of almost 27,500 gross tonnage. Their guns will number less than those on the latest Dreadnought, but the muzzle velocity and firing range will be very much greater. The ships will be of an entirely new composite class, combining features of battleships and cruisers.

KING MANUEL.

How the London Police Guarded Him While There.

Elaborated Preparations and Plans For His Safety.

London, Dec. 14.—King Manuel said farewell to London on Saturday last. At Victoria Station, which he left for Dover at 9.15, he was met by the Duke of Connaught, Sir Francis Villiers, British Minister at Lisbon, and Earl Granville, General Sir Leopold Swayne, Captain the Hon. Seymour Fortescue, the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayores, and others. Earl Granville and Captain Fortescue accompanied him to Dover, and the Marquis de Soveral went with him in the royal yacht to Calais.

Mr. Quinn, chief of the Special Service branch of the police, who was temporarily attached to His Majesty's suite, also travelled to Dover. In the circles of restless men resident in London whose aim is the subversion of some of the present Governments of European States little excitement was apparently caused by the visit of King Manuel. The Special Service branch of our police would the leaders of Anarchist societies in London disposed to regard the young King without malice. Nevertheless, though for the most part the guarding was done unostentatiously, the watch kept upon all suspicious looking foreigners was never for a moment relaxed during his Majesty's twelve-day's visit.

DETECTIVE'S REUSE.

On the night on which King Manuel witnessed the performance of "The Whip" at Drury Lane a man who occupied a stall was asked during one of the entr'actes to allow his place to be taken by someone who, he was informed, had an important duty to fulfill. His place was then taken, he says, by a broad-shouldered gentleman wearing evening dress, who, a few moments before the curtain fell, obstructed the passage of the man in the next seat, who was in an evident hurry to leave.

First a hat, then a stick and at last a coat dropped to the floor—the deliberation of the broad-shouldered newcomer in recovering his property causing the other a delay that he did not bear patiently. By the time the two arrived in the vestibule King Manuel had left the theatre, and with two plain-clothes men to see that his instructions were carried out the broad-shouldered gentleman informed the stranger, who turned out to be a Portuguese recently arrived in England from Brazil, that he would be seen off next morning by one of the continental trains.

At Eton, when King Manuel went there from Windsor Castle, a foreigner whose movements did not favorably impress the police was questioned and as a result crossed the Channel next day.

Last week, when the young King was nightly visiting the West End theatres, much greater care was taken by the police to regulate the traffic on the route from and to Buckingham Palace than is done when King Edward is driving at night to the theatre. All traffic from side streets was stopped from the moment the police on the route were warned that King Manuel had left the palace. The warning was given by route orders on bicycles, and on two evenings, when the warning came quite twenty-five minutes in advance of the King's carriage, some inconvenience was caused through the traffic being stopped.

LINES OF POLICEMEN.

Inside the theatre detectives act among the ordinary playgoers in every part of the auditorium. Twenty minutes before the curtain fell no cabs, carriages or motor cars were allowed near the theatre. The minutes later it looked as if the police had been sweeping the ground; hundreds of them lined the pathway on each side of the road. All traffic had ceased, ununiformed men came out of every side street, and pedestrians were not allowed to pass the doors.

The roadway on the nights King Manuel was in the drawing room was swept bare of people. In the brilliantly lighted street stood the four royal carriages, and as far as one could see in the direction of Piccadilly were the lines of helmeted men keeping back the crowds.

The signal that the King was about to leave was made by the drawing aside of the curtains of the royal awning on the pavement. A minute later the royal carriages passed away through an avenue between thousands of people, and then, as if by magic, the hundreds of policemen who had kept that wonderful, almost silent, and unbroken line, disappeared into groups they had padded into the side streets, and the young King was on his way to the palace.

FARM HANDS.

Winnipeg Immigration Offices Besieged With Men.

Winnipeg, Dec. 14.—The labor department of the Dominion immigration offices is besieged with applications from farmers for men, and the department is not able to fill one-quarter of them.

Farmers were asking for experienced men, and offer \$250 to \$350 a year, while inexperienced men can get work at \$10 to \$20 per month.

Starting in the cellar of White & Co.'s three-story brick fruit warehouse at Church and Front streets, Toronto, from an, as yet, undetermined cause, fire which broke out at 10 o'clock last night damaged those premises and the large stock of fruit and dairy products to the extent of about \$20,000, and kept the firemen busy for more than two hours. The flames were never allowed to reach even the ground floor.

Louise Suk, a young woman who lives at 75 Garden avenue, Toronto, was taken ill in Eaton's, and to revive herself grabbed a bottle of iodine, which she had in her handbag, and drank a quantity of it. She was taken to St. Michael's Hospital, and recovered.

Last night—eating big dinner is often the maker of a BAD TODAY. Why not? Over-eating means extra work for the stomach and bowels. You've got to suffer if you don't help nature unload with CASCARETS. "They work while you sleep"—you're O. K. in the A. M. Tonight's the night to take care of to-morrow.

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Hemstitched Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, 20c, 25c, 35c to 50c. Initialed Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, 25c, 35c to 50c.

Boxed Initialed Handkerchiefs—a fancy Xmas Handkerchief box containing three—\$1.00 and \$1.25. Fancy Bordered Handkerchiefs, in nice boxes at 50c, 75c, 85c and \$1.00.

Tape Edge and Hemstitched Irish Cambric Handkerchiefs, 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c and 25c.

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The Right House is supplied with a splendid assortment of this excellent line of Christmas gifts, and the values we are offering are remarkably exceptional. They come in fancy silk embroidered and all silk web, at 50, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50 Main Floor

ALL MEN'S GOODS PRETTILY BOXED

Get him something better than he would get himself—a smart New York tailored House Coat or Smoking Jacket, one that is in the smartest of style and that he cannot help liking on sight. We have them and also warm comfortable Dressing and Lounging Robes. The materials are camel's hair and tweed effects in solid colors and stripes; cheeks, plaids and floral patterns. These latter are made in the latest of the London styles. As we buy direct from the great English manufacturing tailors we can naturally offer extraordinary values.

House Coats, \$5, \$6.50, \$7.50, \$8.50, 10.00, \$13 and \$15.00. Lounging Robes, the long style, \$5.00, \$8.00, \$8.50, \$9.00, \$10.00, \$11.50, \$13 and \$15.00

MEN'S CHRISTMAS UMBRELLAS

Fine assortment of strong, handsome Men's Umbrellas, with wind resisting ribs and rods; silk and wool covers, tight rolling, wide variety of handles, curved and straight; some gold or silver mounted, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$2.00, \$2.50 on up to \$9.50 Main Floor

MEN'S CHRISTMAS MUFFLERS

Black and rich color effects in plain weaves or else in quiet effects, and designs. Our array is a superb one for the holidays, and already the call for knitted scarfs, silk squares, dress shirt protectors and mufflers of all sorts, including the famous Bradley Mufflers, exceeds that of last year, when it seemed as if we supplied all Ontario. The prices run from 50c to \$4.50

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LOVE AND WAR.

Illinois Girl Tried Twice to Enlist in Navy.

So as to be Able to Go Abroad With Her Toronto Sweetheart.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 14.—The second attempt of Miss Adelaide Portwood, of Decatur, Ill., to enlist in the United States navy in order to be with her sweetheart, who has been ordered to Central America, went awry today because of certain regulations governing the enlistment of recruits. Her sweetheart is Corp. James Dixon, of the Marine Corps, who recently inherited about \$100,000 from his father in Toronto, obtained his discharge and then re-enlisted because he could not curb his martial spirit.

Miss Portwood's family is said to be prominent in Decatur. Her first effort was made at 2 o'clock Monday morning, when she called Sergt. John A. Holman, of the Clark street recruiting station, at his home over the phone. When he demurred to coming to his office as such an hour, she declared in a deep contralto voice: "If I don't enlist at once may be I can't at all. There's going to be trouble in Central America and I want to be mixed up in it. I can't stay out of a fight if I know there is going to be one."

When Sergt. Holman and Capt. William Brackett, of the department of Illinois, and Dr. Wm. H. Daly, examining physician, whom he had summoned, reached the recruiting station, Miss Portwood, in complete boy's attire, was waiting, with an expectant smile.

"Just step into the next room and prepare for the physician's examination," directed Sergt. Holman. Miss Portwood stepped in. Fifteen minutes later, when Sergt. Holman investigated to ascertain the cause of the delayed reappearance, an open window told of an escape and a hair-pin and perfumed lace handkerchief on the floor told a story of their own.

This morning Miss Portwood went to the South Chicago station, and so completely had she disguised herself, that she misled Sergt. Arthur E. Seeley, in charge, into accepting her enlistment. He sent her to the Clark street station and there she was recognized by Sergt. Holman.

Then she told her story, saying that Corp. Dixon already was in Philadelphia on his way to Central America and that she could not endure the separation. So those present made up a purse sufficient to purchase for Miss Portwood a ticket to Philadelphia and she left on the next train.

LECTURE IN ST. PETER'S.

Rev. Mr. Archbold lectured to a large gathering in St. Peter's Church last night, taking as his subject "Church History." The lecture was an illustrated one, and Mr. Archbold described in an able way the views as they were thrown on the screen. His lecture covered from the sixth century until the time of St. Augustine. The history of the English Church was also described from the time of the Romans.

Thirsty Thimblebumb—When I was on the stage of best job I ever had was in one of our mutant dramas. Rollingstone Nomos—Wot was you, ye tank?

Wigwag—The Bible says man is made of dust. Guzzler—Is that so? No wonder I'm always so dry.

NEW BOOKS.

One Week's Additions to Shelves of Public Library.

Books received at Public Library during week ending Dec. 11, 1909: Lost Borders, Austin, L8757. Cricket Hepon, Bacheller, L8766. The Gateway, Begbie, L8762. The Involuntary Chaperon, Cameron, L8730. Bella Donna, Hiehens, L8733. Margarita's Soul, Lovell, L8761. In Search of El Dorado, Macdonald, L8759. I Will Sing a New Song, Meade, L8749. The Food of Love, Moore, L8754. Her Mother's Daughter, Tynan, L8753. The Castle by the Sea, Watson, L8778. The Girls of Fairmount, Baker, M2271. On the Old Kearsarge, Brady, M2270. The Wide-awake Girls in Winstead, Graves, M2272. The Irish Fairy-book, Ellis, M2274. Janet at Odds, Ray, M2273. Greece in Evolution, Abbott, 938A. The Boy Pioneers, Sons of Daniel Boone, Beard, 603B3. Greece, Browne, 9143B3. Mexico, the Wonderland of the South, Carson, 9173C2. Electric Power Conductors, Del Mar, 62134D. The Flowers and Gardens of Madeira, Du Cane, R914.6D. Byron, The Last Phase, Edgcombe, 928.2. Army Reform and Other Addresses, Haldane, 355H. Pre-historic Rhodasia, Hall, 916.6H. The Battle of the Plains, Harper, 971.413. Court Life in China, Headly, 934H6. Two in a Hat, Howe, 914.5H6. The Book of Christmas, Mabie, 390M. Life of Archbishop of Rupert's Land, Macbray, 922.5M. Fifty Years of New Japan, 2 vols., Okuma, 9520. The Approach to the Social Question, Peabody, 301P. A Brief History of German Literature, Priest, 839.9P. Romantic Corsica, Renwick, 914.59. The Heart of the Antarctic, Shackleton, R919.9S. The Autobiography of Sir Henry M. Stanley, 923.9. Education in the Far East, Thwing, 913.272. Spain of the Spanish, Wardell, 946W. Fifty Years in Constantinople, Washburn, 949.6W. Modern French Literature, Wells, 840.9W. The Life and Letters of Gen. Wolfe, Wilson, 923.5W.

Books received at Branch Library, Barton street, during week ending Dec. 11, 1909: Lost Borders, Austin, L1442. The Gateway, Begbie, L1441. Involuntary Chaperon, Cameron, L1440. Bella Donna, Hiehens, L1446. Margarita's Soul, Lovell, L1438. In Search of El Dorado, Macdonald, L1443. I Will Sing a New Song, Meade, L1439. The Food of Love, Moore, L1444. Her Mother's Daughter, Tynan, L1445. The Girls of Fairmount, Baker, M329. The Irish Fairy Book, Graves, M331. The Lost Heir, Henty, M330.

JAP LABOR LAW.

It is Aimed at Protection of Women and Children.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 14.—According to advices brought by the steamer Montague today, factory owners of Japan, who employ 742,000 hands, of whom 392,000 are women and a big percentage of children, are excited over the factory law to be brought down this session of the diet.

The law will provide against the employment of children under 12 years, but those above ten now employed will be permitted to continue. Workers under sixteen and females may not be worked more than twelve hours a day, and must be given two days' rest each month. In days of ten hours, an hour's rest must be given.

Protests are being made by match and glass factory owners, whose employees number the most children, the Osaka glass factories having 1,250 children under twelve among 4,115 employees.

SCRAP BOOK POETRY

AT THE BARGAIN COUNTER. (Carols Well.) Ten Christmas shoppers, standing in a line; One got elbowed out, then there were nine.

Nine Christmas shoppers, shopping very late; One fell asleep, and then there were eight.

Eight Christmas shoppers, shopping till eleven; One fainted dead away and then there were seven.

Seven Christmas shoppers, cross as two sticks; One fainted home to bed then there were six.

Six Christmas shoppers, only just alive; One remembered baby, then there were five.

Five Christmas shoppers, pawing bargains over; The salesgirl snubbed one, then there were four.

Four Christmas shoppers, nervous as could be; One smelted smoke and then there were three.

Three Christmas shoppers, making great to-do; One had hysterics, then there were two.

Two Christmas shoppers with shopping not half done; One thought she saw a mouse; then there was one.

One Christmas shopper, who'd spent all her money; Her husband came for her then there was none.

LADY CHURCHILL.

Her Disappearance From Home is Still a Mystery.

London, Dec. 14.—The mystery surrounding the disappearance of Lady Churchill, wife of Viscount Churchill, who was last seen with her three children on the St. Pancras Railway station two weeks ago Sunday, has become deeper. Up to yesterday it had been generally understood that her husband was the author of the reward posted for information as to her whereabouts, but last night this was denied by the authority of Lord Churchill.

To-day the Earl of Londsdale, brother of Lady Churchill, circulated a telegram in which he said he was exceedingly surprised to read in the newspapers that neither Lord Churchill nor his solicitors had offered the reward of \$125 for information as to Lady Churchill's whereabouts. "For," says Lord Londsdale, "it was put up in the St. Pancras Railway station by the solicitors, and with Lord Churchill's consent."

In reply, the solicitors for Lord Churchill have issued a statement in which they say: "The notice to which the Earl of Londsdale refers was not put up by direction of Lord Churchill's solicitors, or with the sanction of Lord Churchill."

ITALIAN MISSION SOCIAL.

The Italian Mission held a most enjoyable social last night in their meeting place, the Orange Hall. The hall was well filled, many friends of the mission turning out. An interesting programme, both local and instrumental, was given. The special features were the Italian stringed quartette; Miss Tallman, Italian solo; the Caroline Mission choir; Mr. Kingham, violin selections, and the Italian male voiced choir. All came in for special notice. The catering part of the evening's entertainment was creditably carried out by the Misses Macnab, Mrs. and Miss Smith, Miss Quarry, Miss Taylor, Miss MacMillan and others. Mr. A. Grainger was director.

SPORTS BOXING BOWLING RACING ROLLER SKATING SOCCER ROWING YACHTING

HEAVY PUGILISTS ARE ABOUT EQUAL.

Jeffries is Bigger, But Johnson is Younger and Quicker—The White Man Must End Fight Soon.

New York, Dec. 15.—As a nation, enthusiasm of Americans is proverbial, but it is safe to say that never in our history has there been a sporting event which has aroused such widespread interest and produces so much in discussion in all classes as the coming fight for the championship of the world between James J. Jeffries and John Johnson.

From past records of the two men it would seem that Jeffries can take the harder blow, and if he is to win at all he must get his punch in early in the game or his younger and more lithe adversary will wear him down. But he will have to be almost aggressively quick to get to Johnson, as the latter's footwork and backward spring cannot be beaten.

Looking at the men superficially, Jeffries seems more symmetrical and more pleasing to the eye, because of Johnson's high shoulders, behind which the large muscles of the back are piled up and which raise him to that graceful poise which we see in so many of our athletes.

Furthermore Johnson will be able to withstand head blows the better. Johnson never deters; he eats anything that appeals to him up to the eve of the fight, and Jeffries is not much more careful. It is doubtful whether this is a good plan, as it has been proved in the case of tests with university crews that dieting has much to do with condition and lasting power.

Both are drinking men. Johnson never drinks whiskey, but trains on champagne and beer. Much will depend upon the necessary curtailment of alcohol in each.

We have here two representatives of different races, both superb specimens of manhood, who meet outside of the arena with most kindly feelings toward each other, but when the time comes that they shall see one another face to face, ready for the many fight of strength and skill, each will be filled with the laudable ambition to spare nothing, to leave no stone unturned, as far as the rules permit, to win.

And it will be a battle royal as there is no possible doubt that it will be honestly and squarely fought and to the bitter end, with necessary vigor to only win, but undoubted honor to both.

Univ. studies, John-son, 31 19; 255 195 133; 6 ft. 2 6 ft. 1-3 5 ft. 8; 17 17 1/2 13 1/2; 44 41 34 1/2; 37 1/2 34 28 1/2; 14 14 1/2 10; 50 49 1/2; 12 1/2 13 1/2 10 1/2; 24 24 1/2 20 1/2; 17 15 1/2 13 1/2; 16 14 10

COMMENT AND GOSSIP

Writers all over the country are speculating as to what result the exhibition game of Canadian Rugby given in New York by the Tigers and Rough Riders will have on American football, all are agreed that the American game will be modified along Canadian lines.

Just a year previous to the signing of the articles for his fight with Jack Johnson, Jim Jeffries emphatically declared that he would not re-enter the ring.

Ted Coy, the Yale captain, spoke in glowing terms of the punting. A great punter himself, it naturally appealed to him. "I think that the kicking is wonderful, especially owing to the fact that all the halfbacks are able to punt with great freedom, and know how to punt," he said.

Jockey Taplin has fallen out with his employer, H. G. Bedwell, and refuses to ride for him. The boy has appealed to the Pacific Coast Jockey Club for a release from his contract. Bedwell is racing in Mexico.

Trainer Fred Darling has been engaged to take the place vacated by Geo. Walker with the stable of Messrs. Von Weingberg in Germany. Darling has been training the horses of Lady de Bathe (Mrs. Langtry), which have now been turned over to Dr. MacLabe, formerly with Richard Croker.

The engagement of Corbett and McCoy to fight until spring has caused some doubt as to the ability of these former pugilists to be of real service. A year ago McCoy tried to "come back" in a local bout with Jim Steward, but he proved to be a back number, lacking speed, cleverness, strength and stamina.

Now that the football season has closed Hamilton will be off the athletic map until spring. It seems a pity that a city with the sporting pretensions of Hamilton should not be able to provide good hockey during the winter months. Perhaps the scarcity of ice is responsible.

For the critics evidently went to the game with their minds made up, while the ragged play of teams out of training afforded them excellent opportunity to "fill with faint praise" the game they never intended to adopt under any circumstances. It also gave them a chance to talk about the "brainwork" and clean talking which characterizes their game and is noticeably absent in the Canadian. All of which pleases them immensely, as it allows them to assume a superior tone and look to be earning the salaries they draw.

M. Mighty Robinson says he got that new suit on a bet. He must have lost.

Let us see? Didn't a bunch of Canucks run into a team of American cracks at Buffalo some years ago and didn't they hold the Yankees level at the American game and while the life out of them under Canadian rules? Some folks seem to have a recollection of something like that.

Trudell & Tobey are presenting a handsome suitcase to the man who plays the best game for the Westinghouse against the Thistles in Toronto next Saturday for the championship of Ontario. The suitcase was put on exhibition this morning.

There was likely more than mere idle talk in the suggestion of the international Rugby games next autumn. Toronto Varsity vs. Yale and some other Canadian team vs. Cornell. The Ithaca University comes out strongly against the American code that Camp and Stagg attempt to champion, but which they will soon assist in disseminating. Cornell announces the following resolution, adopted at an executive meeting of the faculty:

With a view to securing greater safety of life and limb and higher standards of honor and fair play, it is the insistent opinion of this faculty that the continuance of football as a game for undergraduates depends upon an effective revision and enforcement of the rules regulating the game. This opinion applies, further, to the selection of officials and to the conduct of players and coaches.

Prof. L. M. Dennis, of the intercollegiate committee, says that the resolution is meant to define Cornell's position on the question.

When the new code appears, it will likely be an easy matter to play international games.

In a Coal Pit Seventy Years.—Joseph Walton, of Darklands, Swadincote, Burton, who has just retired to spend the evening of life in a house next to that in which he was born, has achieved the remarkable record of working full time in a coal pit when close on 90 years of age. He has worked as a miner for about seventy years. He remembers the time when colliers worked twelve hours a day for half a crown, and he was one of the first to join the Miners' Association. Walton was one of a family of seven, and has two octogenarian brothers living. London Daily Times.

BOTH FACTIONS CLAIM VICTORY.

Body Politics May be Played by National League Men—R. W. Brown is Mentioned as a Compromise Candidate.

New York, Dec. 15.—Before the National League baseball men get to a vote to-day or Thursday some desperate, if not shady, politics may be played by the factions favoring John M. Ward and John A. Heydler, respectively. Both sides claimed the vote of the St. Louis Club yesterday, but neither was willing to stake much certainty on Magnate Robison's support.

Under the surface there was some wire-pulling, which, from all accounts, involved decidedly questionable methods. Sizing up the situation from the inside, a National League man said last night: "The election is the sixth order of business, and may be arrived at to-morrow, but it is not probable that a new president can be selected before Thursday, if then. It all depends on the way each faction plays the cards. Last night it looked like a sure thing that Ward had five votes, including that of Robison, but the Ward men are not so sure today. They have heard that Robison has been in conference with the other side, particularly with Garry Herrman, who is handing out the tip that it will be possible to elect either Ward or Heydler."

"It is possible, for the sake of harmony, that the factions may get together and elect some man who is mutually acceptable. Such a man, as I understand it, is R. W. Brown, managing editor of a Louisville newspaper, who is highly recommended by Herrman. The Brush factory believes that Ward is the right man for the presidency, and the Herrman people can see nobody but Heydler. These candidates alone will be considered when the voting begins. Then, when a true line on Robison has been secured, it will be time enough to decide upon further proceedings. I understand that before the voting begins the Herrman faction will make a play that may put the Philadelphia Club in a hole, and may also break up the support at present accorded to Ward. The Philadelphia Club's ownership is an important question."

The National League will investigate it to-morrow. It requires six votes to admit the new owners, and if President Fogel can't disprove the charge that his backers are C. W. Murphy, of Chicago, and the latter's friend, C. P. Taft, Fogel may find it impossible to secure more than three votes."

Fogel yesterday declined to confirm the statement that he is backed by a theatrical syndicate, and the American League men were still a unit in their opposition to the selection of Ward.

The Board of Directors of the American League held an important meeting at the Hotel Waldorf in the afternoon, and proceeded to exonerate the New York Club of the charge that a signaling bureau was operated on the hill-top last season.

There was an unexpected incident at the Hotel Waldorf last night, when President Johnson was served with papers in the suit brought against Frank J. Farrell, of the New York Club, by Joseph Gordon, former president of the club, which is expected to come to trial in a few days.

Green insists that he is entitled to a portion of the club's stock, and at least half of the profits, if there have been any. President Johnson said later that he did not see upon what ground Gordon had brought action.

The National Commission held an important session at noon. The Torrey case, involving the claim of the Giants upon the services of a player that name, was not reopened. The commission took no action in the "umpire bribery scandal."

John M. Ward was at the Waldorf-Astoria last night for the first time since the magnates arrived here. When asked about Johnson's charge that he had no right to act as George Davis' attorney in the injunction proceedings brought in 1903 by the Chicago American League Club in the Federal courts, after he had helped to draw up the Chicago contract, Ward said: "Mr. Johnson is trading on dangerous ground. I was Davis' attorney at all times."

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TOM LONGBOAT AGAIN DEFEATS BILLY SHERRING

In Five Mile Race at London Last Night—Distance Was Covered in 29.12 1-5—Indian Held Lead During Practically Whole Race.

London, Dec. 15.—Tom Longboat won the five-mile exhibition race from Billy Sherring at the Simcoe street roller rink last night. His time for the five miles was 29.12 1-5.

Notwithstanding the many counter attractions of last night, there were many spectators at the race. From the crack of the pistol to the finish the race was at all times interesting, although there were no startling moments. Sherring took the lead at the start, but in the seventh lap was passed by Longboat. In the eleventh lap Longboat sprinted and gained about half a lap, but later dropped back a little. At nearly every corner the Indian would sprint, but would drop back in the stretch.

With Longboat almost a lap in the lead the race progressed, with very little change in the running. Sherring ran the same pace from the start till the finish, and not once did he sprint, even though Longboat was close upon passing him for a lap several times.

Longboat seemed to be the favorite, and several times when he made a short sprint was cheered. Though the Indian ran the best race of the two last night, his stride was by no respect the most graceful. In this respect the two runners are altogether different.

The last half of the race was run with Longboat backing only a few yards of having a lap on Sherring. Near the finish of the race Longboat slackened his pace, but ended with a sprint passing Sherring at the last turn of the last lap, thus winning out by a lap.

Sol. Mintz, Longboat's manager, was apparently well pleased with the manner in which the Indian pulled off the race, and several times found it necessary to hold him in.

The officials of the race were: Starter, Christie; judges, Thos. Shaw and Dr. A. J. Wyckoff; scorers, J. W. Smith and T. H. Haskett; timer, Dr. Wyckoff.

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"The position of the back is quite irregular, and to our eyes it appears more or less haphazard. From the fact that the quarter-back gives the signal each time the ball is down for a scrimmage, it undoubtedly is true that the back field assumes approximately definite positions, though it is much spread out and consequently less exact than in our own game."

"The position of the plays it seemed to me quite apparent what plays were going to be made. Very little deception was used in their plays. There was perhaps two or three criss-crosses and four or five fake plays, in which the quarter-back or one of the backs fakes to pass the ball to one man and either runs with it himself or passes it to another."

"The game was much more open than ours. The ball could be seen all the time. There was no close formation work, with the exception of a tandem formation, in which the first man in the tandem received the ball and was pushed by three other men. It was not a success because the other team knew what was coming."

"It seemed to me that they had not fully developed the possibilities of the present form of the game."

Stanley Ketchel a Parkdale Boy. Middleweight Champion's Real Name is Thompson.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—Toronto can claim one world's champion pugilist. Stanley Ketchel, the middleweight champion, is a Parkdale boy.

At the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium last night two fast games were played in the Commercial League. The first between the Mills Hardware Co. and the T. H. & B. was a walk-over for the former. The second game was between the Mills Hardware Co. and the T. H. & B. was a walk-over for the former.

He came back about four years ago and visited Jim Ward and Pete Allen, the first baseman of the Park Nine. He told them then that he was doing some fighting around Detroit, Port Huron and Sarnia.

"I am satisfied that this Thompson boy is the same boy, because his mother's maiden name was Ketchel, and all the photographs I have seen of Ketchel resemble greatly the Thompson boy," said Lynd to-day.

RED HOT! HOT!

THE DAILY TIMES' FIGHT STORIES

By JACK

Johnson and Jim Jeffries

Exclusive sporting page feature by world's leading pugilists.

The only paper in Hamilton to print these stories will be the Daily Times.

WATCH FOR THEM THEY'RE GREAT.

Stanley Cup Dates Were Definitely Fixed.

The Winnipeg Shamrocks Have Disbanded.

Renfrew and Cobalt Teams Are Now Complete.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—The Ottawa Hockey Club has finally announced its Stanley cup dates. Yesterday the trustees received word that unless they gave out the dates within twenty-four hours the Edmonton club would not come down to play for the cup at all, alleging that they had been discriminated against so that the Ottawa and Renfrew clubs might benefit.

Last night the Ottawas gave the following dates to the trustees, who wired them to the respective clubs: Dec. 20 and Jan. 1, Winnipeg Shamrocks; Jan. 4 and 6, Galt professionals; Jan. 18 and 20, Edmonton.

The delays were caused through the complications in the eastern hockey leagues.

Yesterday's Varsity says: "Much feeling has been aroused among the student body during the last few days over the action of certain managers of city teams, who have had the nerve to come right into the residences in their efforts to induce university men to play with their teams. These managers have made all kinds of statements, going so far as to say that no first year man, unless he has a strong pull with the management, will be given a chance on Varsity teams. They also have stated that Varsity players get the poorest kind of treatment from their management, and have promised all sorts of things to have the university men get out with their teams."

"College men should not tolerate such action on the part of these managers. There are too many senior teams in Toronto this year, so the rush for players is very keen. But university hockey players should bear in mind that if they once play with an outside team without permission from the athletic directorate, they are barred from the university athletics for the rest of their course. Varsity men are as well treated as players in any sport. Anyone who knows anything about university athletics knows that a man gets on a team only through merit. All this talk of graft is utter rot, and is never used by college men, but only by outsiders who are trying to make trouble. Freshmen will get the same treatment as everyone else, and if they make good will be given positions on any of the teams except that in the senior series of the Inter-Collegiate Union."

A Winnipeg despatch says: The Winnipeg Shamrocks will not be seen in the east this year in the Stanley cup search, as the disbanding of the team which they had in view has been discontinued in such a way as to practically mean the disruption of the team and the abandonment of professional hockey in Winnipeg.

Edgar Dey, last year utility man on the Ottawa team, has signed to play right wing with the Renfrew hockey team. Dey is an excellent player, but owing to friction with the Ottawa executive he was side-tracked this year. The signing of Dey about completes the Renfrew line-up, which will include Lester and Frank Patrick, Lindsay, Dey, Larry Gilmour, Rowe and Hogan.

Stratford Herald: The action of London, Woodstock and Ingersoll in dropping back into intermediate ranks and refusing to make possible a fine western senior group, has, of course, killed the move for such, and is therefore looks like junior and intermediate for Stratford.

For Women. Always dress well, but don't overdress or underdress. Learn a good trade when young and be independent of men. Don't marry too early if you want to be sure to get the right husband. Divorce is not the solution of unhappy marriages. Work is the best antidote for the "blues." No one can learn to love a "grouch." Love a man for his strength of character, not for the merry twinkle in his eye. Kindness and bright smiles win where other methods fail. The things to be had for the asking are seldom worth it.

THE SOVEREIGN FIRE

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NATIONALISTS JOIN LIBERALS.

Dublin Convention Pledges Party's Support to Government.

Cost of British Election—Features of Campaign.

List of Titled Owners of the Land of Britain.

Dublin, Dec. 15.—The Nationalist convention opened to-day with John Redmond presiding, unanimously endorsing a resolution adopted by the Party Committee yesterday, pledging support of the Liberals in the coming general election.

WHAT A BRITISH ELECTION COSTS.

Whatever else the general elections in Great Britain may do, it will put at least \$8,000,000 into circulation, and that will all be spent at home.

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POSTERS FEATURE OF CAMPAIGN.

Losing no time after the declaration of war, the Conservative headquarters in London, England, has begun its campaign by the issue of 100,000 tariff reform posters.

THE OWNERS OF BRITAIN.

The total area of the United Kingdom of Great Britain is about 77,000,000 acres. When the last Domesday Book was prepared it was found that the peers owned 16,411,986 acres, or more than one-fifth of the whole.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Wall street—Prices of stocks moved narrowly and with hesitation in the opening dealings.

OPENING OF LONG COURT.

(Continued from Page 1.)

dent occurred. He had a valuable horse he was training, and was being assisted by another man. The horse, Nimble Dick, ran across the King's Plate, and was of an excitable disposition, and, although ridden in saddle, had not been harnessed.

In answer to Mr. Kerr's questions, he said the horse was a very fiery one, and it was dangerous for any man to attempt to drive it, but his reason for allowing Foyster to do so was that he claimed he could do so much he wanted to see him demonstrate his ability.

H. H. Bondar, inspector for the Dominion Guarantee Company, said Foyster had told him that he borrowed the horse to go for some washing. The reason he recommended the company not to pay the money was because he considered the man had been under the influence of liquor, and the policy was not good under such conditions.

Judgment was given for the plaintiff for \$90 and costs on the Division Court scale.

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William Smith said he had charge of the mechanics who were working on the job, but received his instructions from Mr. Copeman and was hired by him. In addition to himself three others were employed. The time occupied was 148 days and the work was done remarkably well for the walls. He (witness) sent to see the amount of plaster that had fallen down.

The Grand Jury brought in a true bill against Delby J. Smith, charged with obtaining goods worth \$227 from the Star Manufacturing Company, Toronto, by false pretense. The trial will be taken up to-morrow.

A Toronto despatch says:

A deadlock has arisen over the transfer of Principal W. A. Schofield, of Hamilton, to take charge of the commercial work in Ryerson School. Yesterday word was received that the Hamilton Board of Education had refused to liberate Mr. Schofield until his present contract expired in June, 1910.

The power line from Dundas to the Beach pumping house will probably be carried by the street to the Beach road. City Engineer MacCallum said to-day that he considered the scheme to carry the line across the Beach from Waterdown impracticable in view of the number of power lines on the sand-strip now. He favors using the north end of the city for the route.

The Pullman car porter is a pirate who should be given no quarter.

SUN FIRE

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MARKETS AND FINANCE

Toronto Markets

Trade as usual was good all round for all classes of live stock. Cattle were firm, hogs were firmer, as well as sheep, lambs and calves.

Butchers—George Rowntree bought for Harris Abattoir Co. on Monday and Tuesday 860 cattle, including 42 Christmas show cattle from Guelph, Mr. Rowntree reports prices paid as follows: Guelph show cattle, \$8 to \$10 per cwt.; Christmas butchers off the market, at \$5.50 to \$7.25; cows, \$1.75 to \$3.25; bulls, \$2.75 to \$5.25.

Stocks and Feeders—Harry Murby reports receipts of stockers and feeders as being light. Good, heavy feeders are in demand, as there were many farmers looking for such. Mr. Murby reports prices unchanged.

Milkers and Springers—Trade still continues to be good for choice milkers and springers as at firm prices as ever, ranging from \$35 to \$60. Extra heavy good quality cows bring more money. James Armstrong & Son paid \$80 for the best cow on the market. This cow weighed 1,475 lbs. and was a springer.

Veal Calves—Veal calves sold from \$3.50 to \$6.75, and an odd calf now and again at \$7 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs—Export ewes, \$4 to \$4.25; rams and ewes, \$2.50 to \$3; lambs, \$6 to \$6.75 per cwt. Hogs—Mr. Harris reports prices steady, at \$7.85 for select fed and watered, and \$7.60 f.o.b. cars at country points.

FARMERS' MARKET. The grain market was again very dull to-day, owing to the unfavorable weather. The only offerings were 100 bushels of oats, which sold at 41c per bushel. Hay quiet and unchanged, with sales of six loads at \$17 to \$21 a ton for timothy. Straw is nominal at \$17 a ton.

Dressed hogs are steady, with prices ruling at \$10.75 to \$11. Wheat, white, new, \$1 07 1/8 to \$1 08. Do, red, new, \$1 07 1/8 to \$1 08. Do, good, \$1 03 to \$1 04. Oats, bush, \$0 88 to \$0 89. Peas, bush, \$0 88 to \$0 89. Barley, bush, \$0 64 to \$0 65. Rye, bush, \$0 70 to \$0 72. Hay, timothy, ton, \$17 00 to \$21 00. Do, mixed, ton, \$10 00 to \$12 00. Straw, per ton, \$17 00 to \$18 00.

Alaska, fancy, bu., 6 50 6 75. Do, No. 1, 6 15 6 35. Do, No. 2, 5 90 6 15. Do, No. 3, 5 25 5 50. Red clover, No. 1, bu., 7 50 8 25. Timothy, 1 40 1 60. Dressed hogs, 10 75 11 00. Butter, dairy, 26 00 26 50. Do, inferior, 22 00 23 00. Eggs, new laid, dozen, 0 45 0 50. Do, fresh, 0 35 0 40. Chickens, lb., 0 13 0 15. Ducks, lb., 0 13 0 15. Turkeys, lb., 0 18 0 20. N. Y. C. P., 122 121.7. B. & O., 117.5. Co., 87.3. Erie, 33.7. Erie Firsts, 50.4. Ills., 147.6. M. K. T., 60.2. M. K. T., pref., 74. C. P. R., 180.1. N. P., 124.7. N. Y. C., 49.2. Penna., 134.6. R. D. G., 169.1. R. I., 43.7. So. Pac., 132.5. St. Paul, 157.2. U. P., 202.5. U. S. Q., 91.1. U. S. S., 125.4. Wab., pref., 57.3.

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SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and opening on Monday, December 20, 1909, for alterations and fittings Drill Hall, Toronto, will be received at this office until 5.00 p. m. on Monday, December 20, 1909, for the work mentioned.

Plans, specification and form of contract can be seen and forms of tender obtained at this department and on application to Mr. Thorpe, Acting, Clerk of Works, Customs Building, Toronto.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the actual figures equal and signed with their actual signatures, with their occupations and places of residence. In the case of firms, the actual signature, the nature of the occupation and place of residence of each member of the firm must be given.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works equal and signed with the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender is not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. By order, NAPOLEON TESSIER, Secretary.

Department of Public Works, Ottawa, November 30, 1909.

Newspapers will not be paid for this advertisement unless they are sent to the Department.

Department of Railways and Canals, Canada

QUEBEC BRIDGE

Tenders for Superstructure

NOTICE TO BRIDGE BUILDERS

CONTRACTORS for Bridge Superstructure are invited to visit the office of the Board of Engineers in the Canadian Express Building, Montreal, Quebec, on Monday, December 13, 1909, where information may be had to enable them to prepare bids for the superstructure of a 1,755 feet span Bridge 88 feet in width.

Bids will be received on the specification and for the design shown on the plans as prepared by the Board of Engineers. The contractor is invited to submit alternative designs which must conform to the specifications laid down in the specification.

By order, L. K. JONES, Secretary.

Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, 24th November, 1909.

Toronto Electric Light

120
Twin City 111 1/4
Canada Landed 153
Can. Permanent 162
Central Canada 12 1/2
Huron & Erie 190 1/2
Hamilton Provident 131
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COBALT STOCKS.

A fairly active market in Cobalt in Toronto yesterday with a firm undertone reflected the present condition of the silver market, and the prospects of an improvement in conditions at the camp. There was considerable business in City of Cobalt, which varied from 30 to 57 and closed at 52-1/2, over 25,000 shares being dealt in. Little January choice heavy, \$8.15 to \$8.30; good to choice heavy, \$8.30 to \$8.55; pigs, \$6.90 to \$7.85; bulk of sales, \$8.35 to \$8.45. Sheep, receipts, estimated at 20,000; market weak; natives, \$3.50 to \$5.50; western, \$3.75 to \$5.40.

New York, Dec. 15.—Cotton futures opened steady; December \$14.74, January \$14.86, February \$14.90 to \$14.50, March \$15.21, May \$15.52, June \$15.43, bid, July \$15.55, August \$15.25, September \$13.97, October \$13.33 bid.

St. Kitt's Hockey Team

Being Organized.

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 15.—(Special) The Niagara Central Hockey Club, the inter-district champions, met on Tuesday evening, and organized for the season. A team is in process of formation. The following officers were elected: President, D. J. McIntosh; Vice-President, Arthur F. McGill; Secretary-Treasurer, John House; Manager, John Ferry; Captain, Peter J. Allen.

Seven runners, all 17 years of age, have entered for the junior race that will precede the big New Year's day road race under the auspices of the Martin Amateur Athletic Club. The entries are: Robert Allan, Lincoln Lacrosse Club, St. Catharines; Wilfrid Stead, attached to Toronto; Garland O. Dundas, Junior Baseball Club, Thorold; Roy McLeod, Y. M. C. A., St. Catharines; Leonard Hawley, Y. M. C. A. Wanderers' basketball team, St. Catharines; P. I. Carter, Canadian Lyceum and Athletic Club, St. Catharines; Raymond J. Ansell, Y. M. C. A., St. Catharines.

88TH BIRTHDAY.

(Special Wire to the Times.)

St. Catharines, Dec. 15.—Mrs. William Pay, mother of City Clerk J. S. Pay, is to-day celebrating her 88th birthday. She remembers distinctly the first boat that passed through the old Welland Canal.

Many a young man has discovered that there is quite a difference between fast friends and close friends.

HYDRO CLIQUE IS MAKING TROUBLE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

art is the man who should run. Ex-Adm. Bailey is the next choice.

This is the last day for the filing of appeals from citizens desirous of having their names placed on the voters' list for the coming municipal elections. City Clerk Kent will make an appointment with Judge Snider to-day to hear the appeals. So far 105 appeals have been filed. This number is in excess of previous years. The appeals are well distributed over the wards of the city with the exception of ward 2. There is only one from there.

"Well, I guess I have drawn my last pay from the city," said Consulting Engineer Barrow this morning after he came down from the treasurer's office. Mr. Barrow served the city for nearly thirty years in the engineering department. Last May when City Engineer MacCallum was appointed to succeed him it was arranged that Mr. Barrow should be retained until the end of the year in the capacity of consulting engineer. Mr. Barrow will go in business for himself. He seems quite satisfied to be relieved of the worries and care of a civic office.

Complaints are still being made about the smoke nuisance. The railway companies explain that during the cold weather great difficulty is experienced keeping within the letter of the smoke nuisance regulation passed by the Dominion Railway Commission, as extra heavy fires are required to run the locomotives. The city is satisfied the companies are doing their best and no action will be taken.

In view of complaints made some time ago about infected meat being sold on the market, the local health authorities are interested in the conference in progress at Buffalo, where a commission of veterinarians and laymen, interested in the suppression of bovine tuberculosis, is meeting. Dr. J. G. Rutherford, of Ottawa, and heads of the veterinary bureau of the Canadian Government are delegates. The commission's object is to formulate a plan for the stamping out, if possible, of bovine tuberculosis, which will probably involve legislation in both the United States and Canada.

PULPIT WON.

Law Students Held Debate—Navy Question Next.

The regular literary meeting of the Hamilton Law Students' Association was held last evening in Judge Monck's Chambers at the Court House. A debate was held on the subject, "Resolved, that the pulpit is mightier than the press." The speakers were R. Hill and E. S. Chagnon for the affirmative and H. Morwick and H. Robinson for the negative. The judges were Messrs. Freeman Trevelyan, T. B. McQuesten and Oswald D. Peat. They, after long deliberation, decided that the affirmative had won by a narrow margin. Short addresses were also delivered by each of the judges.

The next meeting of the club will be held on Dec. 28, when the first issue of their official organ, "The Hammer," will be read by Editor-in-Chief Bremen. The question of whether or not Canada should build and maintain a navy of her own will be debated by some of the association's most able speakers.

The association will meet the Victoria Literary Society at the Victoria Avenue Baptist Church on Thursday evening next in the first scheduled debate of the Hamilton Debating League.

Love is the emblem of eternity, it confounds all notion of time, effaces all memory of a beginning, all fear of an end.—Madame de Staël

Air castles are all right if they have a solid foundation.—Manchester Union.

NEARLY 80.

James Jobson Died Suddenly While at Dinner.

Death came very suddenly to James Jobson, who for fifty years was a resident of this city. He was seated at his table eating his dinner, when he suddenly expired. Dr. McNicol was called, but medical aid proved to be of no avail. He was born in Ireland 79 years ago and had always enjoyed good health. Deceased was a single man and had been living retired with his sister and niece at 211 Caroline street south. He leaves three sisters, Mrs. Morrow, Mrs. John Hughes, Iowa, and Mrs. Wm. Evans, and a nephew and niece, J. A. C. Morrow and Miss Annie Morrow, both of this city. He was a member of the Church of Ascension and L. O. L. No. 71. The funeral will take place on Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, from his late residence to Hamilton Cemetery.

The death occurred last evening of Alexander McMichael, aged 72 years, at his residence, 53 Cannon street west. He was born in Waterford and had resided here for the past four years. He leaves one son, Harry, of this city; one daughter, Mrs. B. Woodley, of Waterford; two brothers, James, of Toronto, and Jonathan, of Kalamazoo, Michigan; and two sisters, Mrs. S. Fairchild, Brantford, and Mrs. A. McCurley, this city. He was a member of Court Nicholson, C. O. F. The remains will be sent on Friday at 9 a. m. to Waterford, where the interment will take place.

Rev. E. B. Lancelotti officiated at the funeral of Charles T. Milne, which took place at 2 p. m. to-day from his late residence, 7 Sheaffe street, to St. Mary's Cathedral, where mass was said by Vicar-General Mahoney. Rev. Father Hinchey officiated at the grave. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Keating, Arland, Burdett, Smith, Crane and Hayes.

The purist castigative profanity if it is grammatically correct.

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St. Louis.—The highest price recorded in this market was reached this week, when \$8.65 was paid.

St. Joseph, Mo.—Record price here was broken when \$8.50 was paid.

Louisville, Ky.—A car load of fine Kentucky hogs sold at the Bourbon Stock Yards at \$8.55, making the highest price ever paid here.

TEA TABLE GOSSIP.

Last year Hamilton subscribed \$283.75 to the funds of the Lord's Day Alliance. Rev. O. P. Cooke will preach at the special Advent service held in St. Mark's Church this evening.

The Times Christmas Paper

The Times Christmas number is always looked forward to with pleasure by Hamilton people as being one of the best of the holiday newspapers. It will be issued next Saturday, 18th Dec., and orders are now being received for copies, which can be had in wrappers ready for mailing.

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MARRIAGES.

GILLAN-BYERS.—At Calgary, on the 22nd Nov., by the Rev. G. W. Kerby, Charles Gillan of Charleholm, Alta., to Rosie May Byers, youngest daughter of Mrs. Richard Byers, of Hamilton.

FLYNN-NOLAN.—At Jersey City, on Thursday, December 9th, 1909, by the Rev. Father Kane, Miss Helen Margaret Flynn, of Van Wickie avenue, to Leo S. Flynn, of Hamilton.

DEATHS.

HARDIE.—At the City Hospital on Tuesday, 14th December, 1909, David Hardie, moulder, aged 51 years, at his late residence, 42 Caroline street north, Thursday at 3.30 p. m. Interment at Hamilton Cemetery.

JOHNSON.—Suddenly on December 14th, 1909, at his late residence, 211 Caroline street south, James Johnson, in his 80th year of age.

McMICHAEL.—At his son's residence, 53 Cannon street west, on Tuesday, 14th December, 1909, Alexander McMichael, late of Waterford, Ont., in his 73rd year.

McMAHON.—On December 14th, 1909, at her late residence, 76 Wellesley street, Toronto, Mary McPhie, beloved wife of J. S. McMahon, in her 79th year.

THE WEATHER.

FORECASTS.—Strong westerly winds, cloudy with snow flurries. Thursday westerly winds, cloudy, with a little lower temperature.

The following is issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries: Temperature.

Table with 2 columns: Location and Weather. Includes Victoria, Calgary, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, and Father Point.

WEATHER NOTES.

The disturbance which was over New England yesterday has moved northeastward across the Maritime Provinces accompanied by gales with rain and sleet and an easterly snow storm has occurred in the province of Quebec.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—(11 a. m.)—Forecasts for Thursday: Cloudy with a little lower temperature.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Eastern States and northern New York—Partly cloudy to night; local snows and colder in north and west portion; Thursday partly cloudy; moderate southwest to west winds.

Western New York—Local snows to night and probably Thursday; moderate west winds.

ACORN LODGE, S. O. E.

Acorn Lodge, No. 29, Sons of England Benefit Society, held its annual election of officers last night. President H. Wilkins was in the chair.

Decorations Day and Church Parade Committee, H. E. Thomas, H. Williams, J. Stedford.

Juvenile Committee, J. Stedford, F. Hayward.

Excursion Committee, H. Wilkins and Kimpton.

Trafalgar Day Committee—T. A. Easterby.

A vote of thanks was passed to the brothers who acted as scrutineers, Bro. Gillard, of Unity Lodge, Bro. Glover, of Unity Lodge, Bro. Booth, of Britannia Lodge.

KING IS DOOMED.

Paris, Dec. 15.—A special despatch to the Temps from Brussels says: "King Leopold is doomed. Before the operation was undertaken the physicians were in doubt whether he was suffering from simple intestinal obstruction, or from paralysis of the intestines, for which there was no remedy.

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SALE OF WHARF. Shelters for Passengers and Goods at Flag Station. (Special Wire to the Times.) Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 15.—Circumstances connected with the sale of a wharf at Richibucto, N. B., to the Government were investigated by the Public Accounts Committee to-day. Mr. Thos. O. Murray, Richibucto, manager of the Kent Northern Railway, examined by Mr. Crockett, stated that he purchased the wharf in May, 1908, from Richard O'Leary for \$700, and sold it to the Government in November of the same year for \$5,000.

Interesting Facts Concerning the Eskimo. "In all my experience I had never encountered a rougher, more difficult country in which to hunt than in Ellesmere Land. Ordinarily, I should have believed these mountain sides, with walls of smooth rock sheathed with a crust of hard ice and snow, quite unscalable. In places they were almost perpendicular. Rarely did they offer a crevice to serve as foot or hand hold, and jutting points and firm-set bowlders were too widely scattered to be of much help.

December 14.—California—At New York from Dunkirk. Purusini—At Mobile, from New York. Louisiana—At Liverpool, from New York. Philadelphia—At London, from Boston. Sardinia—At Gibraltar, from New York. Romanic—At Naples, from Boston. Alice—At Trieste, from New York. Caronia—At Fiume, from New York. Montague—At Vancouver, from Yokohama. Nordland—At New York, from Rotterdam. Finland—At New York, from Antwerp. Mesaba—At New York, from London. Numidia—At Halifax, from Glasgow. C. P. Tietgen—At Christiansand, from New York. K. Albert—At Naples, from New York. December 15.—Oceania—At New York, from Southampton.

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MEN'S MISSIONARY BANQUET.

On Monday last, at the invitation of the Missions Committee of the Herkimer Baptist Church, 37 men of the church and congregation assembled to partake of a banquet which had been daintily prepared by the ladies. After feasting on the good things provided, the pastor, Rev. H. McDiarmid, introduced the chief speakers of the evening, Dr. J. G. Brown, secretary of the Baptist foreign missions, and Dr. W. T. Stackhouse, general secretary of the Baptist Laymen's Missionary Union. Dr. Brown, at the first speaker, outlined the missionary movement 98 years ago, and also the commencement of the laymen's missionary movement two years ago. His address was helpful and instructive to all. Dr. Stackhouse spoke of the success of this movement throughout the whole of the Dominion where he has travelled, saying that it was also found that when foreign missionary givings were good the home missions were proportionately so. He pointed out that over twice as much was spent on chewing gum alone than was given to missions. His forceful and brilliant address was listened to with great attention. At the close a brief discussion took place on missions.

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MEN'S MISSIONARY BANQUET.

On Monday last, at the invitation of the Missions Committee of the Herkimer Baptist Church, 37 men of the church and congregation assembled to partake of a banquet which had been daintily prepared by the ladies. After feasting on the good things provided, the pastor, Rev. H. McDiarmid, introduced the chief speakers of the evening, Dr. J. G. Brown, secretary of the Baptist foreign missions, and Dr. W. T. Stackhouse, general secretary of the Baptist Laymen's Missionary Union. Dr. Brown, at the first speaker, outlined the missionary movement 98 years ago, and also the commencement of the laymen's missionary movement two years ago. His address was helpful and instructive to all. Dr. Stackhouse spoke of the success of this movement throughout the whole of the Dominion where he has travelled, saying that it was also found that when foreign missionary givings were good the home missions were proportionately so. He pointed out that over twice as much was spent on chewing gum alone than was given to missions. His forceful and brilliant address was listened to with great attention. At the close a brief discussion took place on missions.

Afternoon Teas and Dinners.

Ladies who are anxious that every detail in regard to their afternoon teas, luncheons, etc., be carried out satisfactorily should consult H. J. O'Neill, 100-102 King street west. Mr. O'Neill has facilities to accommodate thousands of people, and his employees are experienced in the service. He handles banquets, suppers and dinners with equal satisfaction and at reasonable prices. His store is well stocked with confections of all kinds, candies, bon-bons, chocolates, ice cream and cakes, and Christmas shoppers will find pleasure in dealing at O'Neill's. His telephone number is 141.

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