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As the windows indicate, will show that Santa Claus has his headquarters here, gathering dolls, skates, drums, guns, sleighs, steam engines, mechanical toys, rocking horses, games, picture books and everything else that he can get into his bag, for boys and girls. And for the older folks, "Pandora" and "Famous" Stoves and Ranges to warm your house or roast your Christmas turkey. Nice steel and silver knives and forks, dinner and tea sets in best English Semi-Porcelain to the finest Haviland French China, price \$3.75 to \$30.00 per set.

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WM. SOMERVILLE.

GOOD RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT

Successful Annual Meeting of the Local Branch of the Children's Aid Society.

Excellent Report of the Various Officers—Dr. Bray's Good Work—Address by Rev. Mr. Ledyard.

The best meeting in the history of the Children's Aid Society was the one held in the Oddfellows' Auditorium last evening, celebrating the eighth anniversary of the organization of the Society. The work of the Society throughout the past year has been exceedingly commendable and a great deal of good to unfortunate children has resulted.

Although the attendance at the meeting was not as large as the officers would have liked to have seen, the meeting was an enthusiastic one as was possible. A splendid program was given.

Rev. F. E. Malott, pastor of Victoria avenue Methodist church,

The report of the Executive Officer, Dr. H. V. Brink, was read by chief very efficient officer of the Society. He had made 90 visits in the children's cause and had written 74 letters. The work of the local Society was hampered by there being no inter-communication between the different societies. The number of cases reported during the year requiring attention was 35, embracing in all 66 children, 41 of whom were from the city and the remainder scattered throughout the different townships of the County. Eight children taken before the magistrate were all males wards of the Society and placed in good homes, excepting one, who is undergoing treatment for a disease of the eye.

Thirteen applications for children were received by the Executive Officer, but the supply was limited, not only here, but throughout the province. There are several still open.

In closing, the officer heartily thanked the other members of the society who had so kindly aided him in his work, and hoped to see even greater results in 1904 than in 1903. President Patterson now introduced the speaker of the evening, Rev. Mr. Ledyard, of Owen Sound, one of the greatest workers in the province in the interests of the children. The speaker experienced great pleasure at being present in such an auspicious occasion in the children's work. He was greatly pleased to see such a wide-awake and progressive society as he had the pleasure of seeing to-night. All societies of the kind in the province were not that way. The idea of interesting the rural

THE QUEEN IN DANGER.

HER BEDROOM ON FIRE WHILE SHE WAS ASLEEP.

Wakened by Her Secretary, Miss Knollys—Great Excitement Among Guests at Sandringham.

London, Dec. 11.—A fire occurred yesterday at Sandringham, and Queen Alexandra and her Secretary, Miss Knollys, had a narrow escape. It broke out at 5 o'clock this morning in Miss Knollys' bedroom in the chimney-flue, where a beam is supposed to have been smouldering for some days, and spread to the bedroom of the Queen, who was asleep at the time. She was awakened by Miss Knollys, who raised an alarm. But the fire obtained a good hold of both rooms, and considerable damage was done before the flames were extinguished. The outbreak caused a great deal of excitement at Sandringham, where a number of guests are staying at present.

JAPANESE IRRITATED.

Ministers Impeached and People Getting Beyond Control.

London, Dec. 11.—The Times Tokyo correspondent says that the opening

Santa Claus Headquarters



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ERNEST CASTEL ESCAPES.

MURDERER BREAKS OUT OF CALGARY BARRACKS.

Holds Up His Guards With Revolvers and Bids Them Adieu—To be Hanged on Tuesday.

Winnipeg, Dec. 11.—Ernest Castel, who was under sentence of death to be hanged on Tuesday next for the murder of Rufus Bell, escaped from the police barracks at Calgary at 6.30 p.m. Constable Piper, who was on guard, ordered the prisoner out of the cell until he should make a search. On the outside were Constables Leslie and Phillips. Castel walked out on a bench in front of a window facing the street. Piper, after the search, ordered Castel back to the cell whereupon the prisoner suddenly flashed two shining revolvers in the face of his guards and ordered all three into the cell he had just vacated. He took their revolvers and locked them in, and then walked in his shackled feet to the place where the boys were kept unshackled. Castel, after taunting the guards, kissed his hand to them by way of adieu and left the barracks. Fifteen minutes later the night guard came in to find the three mounted police in Castel's cell. Castel is supposed to have started for the United States. He was 21 years old to-day.

ATLAS HEARING OVER.

Facts in Most Cases Agreed to—Argument at Toronto.

St. Thomas, Dec. 11.—When the hearing of appeals of the Atlas Loan contributories was resumed yesterday, a number of cases were rapidly disposed of through counsel agreeing as to the facts. They were as follows: Ald. Sperrin Chant, St. Thomas, holds 65 shares, \$1,000 unpaid, and had on deposit \$1,385.04; W. R. Jackson, 250 shares, \$300 unpaid, nothing paid to reserve fund, and no deposit; Mrs. C. A. Middaugh, 65 shares, on which \$500 is unpaid, and had on deposit \$4,174; C. Calcott, 50 shares, \$1,000 unpaid, no reserve fund payments and no deposit; Miss Hattie Robinson, ten shares, \$500 unpaid, \$200 on deposit, and gave a note of \$370 to reserve fund, which he unpaid; Mrs. Elizabeth Spence, 30 shares, \$50 unpaid, no reserve fund, and no deposit; Miss Lizzie Wyatt, eleven shares, \$500 unpaid, \$244 paid to reserve fund and nothing on deposit; W. Clark has admitted 51 shares, \$4,800, nothing paid to reserve fund, and no deposit; Wm. Gay, nine shares, \$300 unpaid, \$444 paid to reserve fund and \$275.00 on deposit; Mrs. Elizabeth McKay, 40 shares, \$1,500 unpaid on deposit \$266.64; Wm. Royal, 45 shares, \$3,700 unpaid, nothing paid to reserve fund and no deposit.

Mr. S. Price, solicitor for Rev. H. T. Crossley, evangelist, admitted that he held one hundred shares, and received dividends thereon. The amount unpaid was \$6,000. There had been paid to reserve \$2,000. He had on deposit for himself \$170.00, and a deposit in trust of \$544. Rev. Mr. Crossley in a letter, which was in the hands of the Master in Ordinary, said that he held certain property as "trustee for the Lord," a claim which Mr. Hunter said he was not prepared to admit.

Mr. Price, for Rev. J. E. Hunter, evangelist, admitted holding sixty shares. The amount unpaid was \$4,000. Paid to reserve fund, \$350. Balance on deposit, \$700.08.

THE EMPIRE DANGER.

Manchester Courier Fears Trouble From Delay.

London, Dec. 11.—The Manchester Courier, dealing with the cry that the empire is in danger, says: "Why disguise from ourselves the fact that in every colony there is not only a free trade party, but a party of disruption, a party of independence, a cutting-the-painter party, that think England and the colonies would be better apart? The annexation party is dormant in Canada owing to the awakening of the Imperial spirit, but let the tariff question wait much longer and Canada will conclude special commercial treaties with the United States.

SHOT A TRESPASSER.

Victor Allar Receives a Charge in the Neck.

Windsor, Dec. 11.—Because he was trespassing on the game preserves of the Detroit Club in the Canard River district, below Sandwich, Victor Allar received a charge of birdshot in the neck from a shotgun in the hands of a man alleged to be Henry Meloche, the guardian of the grounds. The affair happened last week and was hushed up, no arrests being made.

All reading notices of local announcements must be received at this office not later than noon of the day on which it is desired that they appear in The Planet.

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Interesting group of men who figure officially in the recognition given to the new republic of the Isthmus, including many who have been instrumental in bringing about the decision which now gives the U. S. authorization to proceed with the construction of the Inter-Oceanic highway by means of the Panama route.

opened with a short prayer. The vocal solo given by Miss Gertrude Somerville was a splendid rendition of "When Sylvia Saunters By." Miss Somerville was in excellent voice and her solo was much appreciated.

C. H. Gunn, tenor, was the second soloist and his efforts drew considerable applause.

Miss Olive Richards, the possessor of a splendid soprano voice, rendered "All for You" in excellent style. "Love's Consolation" was the title of the pretty song admirably sung by Miss Edythe Dolson. The song was entirely suited to the singer's rich soprano voice and her stage appearance adds greatly to her winning power.

The recitations given by Miss Eva Barassin were well up to the high standard set by this popular and excellent elocutionist. The President of the Society, D. S. Patterson, opened the business part of the session with a short address on the work and aims of the Society. He then asked for the annual reports.

Mrs. W. D. Sheldon's report showed that 384 pieces of clothing had been received during the past year and 261 had been distributed where needed, leaving 123 pieces—principally summer clothing—on hand, all modeled by the Willing Workers of Holy Trinity church.

The Secretary, Mrs. Fraser, reported that the Sunday schools of the city had been asked for one Sunday's collection and a hearty response had been the result. The County school would be asked shortly for a collection. During the past year the Society had lost a valued member in the person of Mrs. Banning. It was the intention of the Society to ask for a special Christmas collection in the Sunday schools in town.

The report of Treasurer, Miss Somerville, was read and showed a balance in bank of \$21.87, due on legacies left to the Society, \$10.00, and a collection of \$10.00.

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teachers in the interests of the good cause was a splendid one and the local board was to be complimented on it. The Chatham society, too, was to be complimented on being rich, and the more spent in rural districts the better results will accrue.

Child life, continued the speaker, has become more valuable ever since our Lord Jesus Christ had put a new value on it, when He said, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." The value of children has been on the increase ever since that time.

The three great drawbacks in the rescue of the children are, first, and probably the least, "heredity"; second, "surroundings"; and third, the greatest of all, "parental laxity and carelessness."

Nothing can be done in the first instance; in the second the surroundings can be improved, but with the latter, what can be done?

To this laxity of many parents, add positive vices, and in many cases abject poverty, and what can you expect from the child? Something must be done to make the home life different.

The speaker urged that all cases which come under the eye of the society be put immediately in the hands of the agent.

The services of judges and magistrates should be elicited in this work. Many instances which Mr. Ledyard had gone through himself were narrated and proved very interesting.

Visiting the wards was a very important factor of the good work, to watch them until really able to take care of themselves.

In closing, the speaker complimented the Chatham executive officer on his efficient work.

On motion of Messrs. F. E. Malott and W. R. Baxter, the Rev. Mr. Ledyard was given a hearty vote of thanks for his excellent and instructive address.

An advisory board, consisting of 19 persons, was appointed, with power to increase its number, and to elect the officers of the society for 1904.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11.

DO YOUR SHOPPING EARLY.

This is our advice to Christmas shoppers. The merchants have for the most part laid in their Christmas stock of goods and with the customer it is a case of first come first served. Not only will he be served first, but will have a better choice than he will have later on. It is a huge mistake to postpone your Christmas shopping until the day before Christmas, as one has not the same range to choose from nor the same length of time to make one's choice as he would have by doing it now.

Besides, early shopping makes it easier for the overworked clerk, who should receive some consideration. The Planet this, as at other Christmas seasons, is at the front with helpful suggestions to shoppers. Read the advertisements that appear in our columns and you will be saved a great deal of trouble in running around. The enterprising Maple City merchant has gone over his stock of goods and the advertisements you see in The Planet are a complete inventory of what they have to sell. In conclusion, we would say, read the ads. in The Planet and do your shopping early.

The Liberal Association of East Kent has refused to pass a resolution expressing confidence in the Ross Government. That's a blow on the solar plexus.—Hamilton Spectator.

LOOKS LIKE IT.

Hamilton Spectator. Is that bad man Callaghan to be allowed to run at large till after the North Renfrew election?

THE MODUS OPERANDI.

Toronto Telegram. And the Globe is still busy trying to take the barnacles off the Ship of State with a whitewash brush.

THEATRE HAT QUESTION.

Daily Mirror. As a theatrical manager, I am inclined to see a good deal of merit in the American method of disposing of the difficulty of the feminine hat; the man of true fashion takes three seats—one for himself, one for the lady, and one for her hat. I confess the plan strikes me as at once eminently gallant and eminently profitable.

PAGANISM OF MODERN DAYS.

London Daily News. The spiritual element of faith appears to be dying out, especially among the higher classes of society. And if it passes away, what will emerge will not be the Greek pagan aspiration after bodily perfection and health, with intellectual clearness of perception and of beauty of art. It will be a wilderness of coarse animal pleasures and vulgar greed of gain.

A CHANCE YET.

Belleville Intelligencer. Now we have Callaghan, through his solicitor, Jas. A. Macdonald, issuing a writ against Edward Crossin and the Crossin Piano Company, Limited, for the sum of \$191, being the balance of commission on the sale of 69 shares of Gamey's stock in the Crossin factory, less \$199, the value of one piano received by him. He also claims damages for breach of contract to employ him. What a revelation it would be if all the rascality in connection with this whole transaction could be unearthed.

IN BEHALF OF THE BARNACLES.

Belleville Ontario. The Liberals throughout Ontario have cause for feelings of the deepest indignation and resentment at the gross betrayal of the party and the Government by the Toronto Globe, which has lately traded upon its dead-and-gone reputation as the mouthpiece of the Liberals in an endeavor to work an incalculable injury upon its own party. The course of the Globe is inexplicable unless we realize that it has passed from the control of conscientious and consistent Liberalism into the hands of hectic fanaticism. In the latter days of Willison the party was made to suffer from the political distemper which seized its editorial columns. The Reverend Stiggins Macdonald, his successor, has swallowed the same microbe, and the Globe's editorial utterances are often more like the mouthings of a weak mind and a perverted conscience. The paper is possessed of a devil.

To be always wanting what we haven't got is to be continually poor. To be entirely tolerant we must tolerate those who are intolerant. What even the timid actor dreads most is that the ghost won't walk.

MR. M'SHANE'S CONDUCT.

Mayor Cochran Moves His Suspension as Harbor Master.

Montreal, Dec. 10.—There was a lively meeting of the Harbor Commissioners over the new freight sheds to be erected on the wharf. The height of the sheds is the point most in dispute. At the close of the meeting Mayor Cochran gave notice of motion to have the harbormaster suspended.

DO NOT WEAR A LONG FACE

It is a Great Handicap in All Business and Social Relations.

The man who looks as if he had lost his last friend is in no danger of being crushed by the jam of new ones unless he "cheers up." People are not going out of their way nowadays to associate with the man of mournful and melancholy appearance. They are afraid he will tell them his troubles and they steer clear of him as they all have plenty of their own.

The most universal cause of the forlorn and hopeless appearance today is dyspepsia. It unfits a man for every duty of life and causes him to become despondent and gloomy and necessarily his looks do not belie his feelings. He appears cast down and dejected and becomes a burden to himself and humanity in general.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are the dyspeptic's certain relief. They do the work that his stomach is unable to do and by relieving that organ its health and strength and again become active and useful in its functions. They contain all the essential ingredients that enter into the digestive fluids and sections of the stomach and they actually take up the work and do it just as a healthy, sound stomach would.

By this means a man can go right ahead with his work and eat enough to keep him in proper working condition. His system is not deprived of its necessary nourishment as it is in the case of the "starvation cure" or the employment of some of the first class chicken foods now on the market. Starvation, even if it were a good thing, could not be continued long enough to effect a cure; for a disordered and worn-out stomach is not going to become strong and healthy in two or three days.

JEANNETTE'S CREEK.

Mr. Bussey held a very successful auction sale on Monday afternoon. Miss Dobbs spent from Saturday until Tuesday with relatives in Chatham. F. B. Stevens has stopped buying corn at the warehouse here. James Hamilton made a shipment of fish on Monday. J. Reneau, buyer for a New York fish company, is putting up an ice house.

THIN PEOPLE

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PIN-PRICK VICTIMS

Experience of Travellers From Winnipeg by Way of Chic.

ago via G. T. R.

Mr. A. C. Knight of the Sunlight Soap writes: I notice in your issue of this date, under the heading of "Victims of Pin Pricks," an unpleasant experience which happened to Mr. Bernhard whilst travelling to Detroit. I am glad you have made this matter public, and hope it will lead to the question being taken up by the proper authorities, so that such inconveniences may be avoided for the future. A similar incident happened to me when returning from Winnipeg, via Chicago, in May last. I had a return ticket via G. T. R. from Toronto to Winnipeg, and when the official boarded the train at Gretchen's beach, I noticed on my bag a White Star cabin label, and asked me if I had crossed the Atlantic within twelve months, and upon my replying in the affirmative he asked for my permit to enter the States. Of course I had no such permit, and knew nothing of the necessity of getting one, and he then told me that I could not enter the States without a permit from the immigration authorities either at Winnipeg or Montreal, and that I should get off the train at the next station and return to Winnipeg. As there was no train back to Winnipeg for twelve hours, it looked like having a pretty considerable delay, and I refused to leave the train and things were getting to a pretty warm pass when the same thought struck me as struck Mr. Bernhard, that no such difficulties had been raised when entering the port of New York, and pointing this out to the United States official, he withdrew his objection, and stated that, as I had passed a United States port within twelve months, it enabled him to pass me again, although I should have the necessary documents, but had I happened to land in a Canadian port, it would have been impossible to allow me to enter the States, in spite of the fact of my having a return ticket to Toronto, proving conclusively to him that I was not merely intending to stay in the States, but simply to pass through en route.

Incidents such as these are very annoying, and if it is a fact that travellers should provide themselves with these permits ought not the railway company to supply them, or to bring such things to the knowledge of travellers? Probably many other travellers have been inconvenienced in this way and said nothing about it, and if this publicity leads to their being raised, I for one should be glad. Certainly I should not venture to go to Winnipeg via G. T. R. and United States lines under the present conditions.

Howard Beard, a young English merchant who is in the country, read in yesterday's Globe of the experiences of Mr. D. Bernard with United States immigration officials at Detroit. Mr. Beard believes that his own troubles were considerably worse.

He has been in the Northwest, and a few days ago, having some business in Toronto, bought a ticket over the Canadian Northern, Chicago & Milwaukee and Grand Trunk Railways for this city. On the train he was approached by three U. S. immigration officers and ordered off. He refused and then then informed him that he would be put off when the train crossed the border. On this Beard left the train, and was escorted to the United States immigration offices in Winnipeg, weighed, measured and made to answer innumerable questions, and finally, on payment of \$2, was allowed to depart. His passport was taken up at the border, but he came through the States safely and reached Toronto yesterday.—Toronto Globe.

Story of Mrs. Booth.

One story told by Mrs. Booth-Tucker when a little girl of thirteen shows her to have been the true child of her parents. When walking along the shore at Portsmouth beside her governess, she saw a donkey cart being driven along furiously by a lad who was belabored the poor, beast savagely. Breaking away from her companion, she rushed after it, and pulled the boy from his seat. Catching up his stick, she showered blows upon the lad's head and shoulders, with the words, uttered amid tears, "There, now, how do you like it." Perhaps her pleading proved more powerful than the blows, but in a few moments the lad was kneeling before the donkey asking God's forgiveness for his cruelty. The climax came with the girl driving back triumphantly in the cart beside the boy, who promised henceforth to be kind and to treat his donkey well.—London Chronicle.

The Burden of the Tree.

Unfortunately a tree on a farm is often a convenient place for tying horses. Into it nails are mercilessly driven. In the crutches old hinges, horseshoes and old iron of various kinds are deposited. These are often grown over and are found later imbedded in the wood. The tree serves as a place to rest old rails against and to shelter old wagons and machinery. Trees are too often used to support wire fences instead of posts. Trees in this way are seriously injured and so riddled with iron that it is impossible to saw them into boards—in fact, they are unfit even for wood because of the axes and saws which will be injured in working them. Trees are too valuable to be used in this way. The life of a tree may be prolonged for years by giving it a little care. It is surprising the large number of trees which are thus thoughtlessly crippled or injured.—Dr. J. Gifford.

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Our Club Price, \$2.50.

The Art Interchange, 1 year, \$4.00.

Leslie's or Cosmopolitan, 1 year, \$1.00.

Woman's Home Companion or Harper's Bazar, 1 year, \$1.00.

Our Club Price, \$3.00.

Ladies' Home Journal, 1 year, \$1.00.

Saturday Evening Post, 1 year, \$2.00.

Our Club Price, \$2.25.

Review of Reviews, 1 year, \$2.50.

Success (no substitute) 1 year, \$1.00.

Leslie's or Cosmopolitan, 1 year, \$1.00.

Our Club Price, \$3.00.

Woman's Home Companion, 1 year, \$1.00.

Cosmopolitan or Leslie's, 1 year, \$1.00.

Our Club Price, \$1.50.

Cosmopolitan or Leslie's, 1 year, \$1.00.

Housekeeper or McCall's, 1 year, \$1.00.

Our Club Price, \$1.25.

The Art Interchange, 1 year, \$4.00.

Woman's Home Companion, 1 year, \$1.00.

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- DRESS GOODS—168 Waist Lengths in fine French Flannels, all wool Challis, Colored Lutetia, Cashmeres, Crepe de Chine, Fluid Cordis, etc. choice range of patterns in light and dark colorings, the best values we have offered this season, Saturday per waist length, 63c, 50c, \$1.10 and \$1.38. SKIRT LENGTHS—48 only Skirt lengths of fine all wool Cheviots, Homespun, Serges, Friezes, Coverts, Broadcloths and Tweeds, this season's most fashionable materials and choicest qualities, selling at but a fraction of regular prices, Saturday per skirt length 63, 85c, \$1.10, \$1.48, \$1.90, \$2.25, \$2.48, \$2.89 and \$3.25. \$2.50 and \$2.75 Linen Table Cloths at \$1.98. 43 only fine Pure Linen Double Damask Cloths, size 2 yds. by 2 1/2 yds, rich satin finish, choice range of patterns, reg. \$2.50 and \$2.75 each, special Saturday, \$1.98. PURE LINEN TABLES AT 43c YD.—4 pos fine heavy pure linen table damask, 64 to 66 inch wide, new designs, regular value 50c to 60c yard, special Saturday at 43c. 12 1/2c FLANNELLETTES AT 8 1/2c YD.—18 pos extra heavy quality shaker flannel, light and dark, plain and mixed colorings, full 31 in. wide, the best 12 1/2c quality, special Saturday 8 1/2c. CLOTH REMNANTS—Tweeds, Coverts, Friezes, Homespun, Beavers and Kersey Cloths, medium and heavy weights, 1 yd wide, in lengths of half a yard to 1 1/2 yds, many of the same quality, suitable for boys' clothing, etc., clearing Saturday at about a quarter of their regular value. 65c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25 SILKS AT 48c YD.—30 yds rich colored silks, in French Taffetas, Bengelines, Peau de Soies, Satin Mvrv., Liberty Silks, plaids, checks, stripes and plain colors, also fancy yardages, regular 65c to \$1.25 a yard, clearing Saturday 48c. \$1.00 YD. SATINS AT 48c.—200 yds rich heavy satin, 27 inch wide, in colors navy, cardinal, old gold, helle, peacock and purple, the best \$1.00 a yd satin in Canada, Saturday price 48c. GIRLS' WOOL AND CAMEL'S HAIR TAMS.—Fall shape, in range of colors, regular 50c and 65c each, clearing Saturday at 25c. 35c and 40c HOSE AT 25c PAIR.—65 doz ladies' fine pure wool cashmere rib hose and children's heavy Scotch worsted rib hose, in sizes 5 1/2 to 10 in, all seamless and double heels and toes, worth 35c and 40c a pair, special Saturday at 25c. WOOL BLANKETS.—25 pairs heavy wool blankets, pure white fleecy finish, large size, with fancy borders, clearing Saturday a pair 27c. FINE WOOL BLANKETS.—Best grade pure wool, fine fleecy finish, extra large and heavy, blankets that we can recommend and guarantee, special a pair \$3.25, \$3.85 and \$4.50. FLANNELLETTE BLANKETS—Largest size, heavy fleecy quality, colors grey or white with fancy borders, the best blanket value in the city, at a pair, \$1.00. 5 DOZEN CHILDREN'S WOOL TOQUES.—Extra fine quality in large range of plain and fancy colors, large tassels, reg. 60c. value, special at 40c.

The Northway Company, Ltd.

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PRINTER WANTED—At this office.

A YOUNG MAN with ambition, willing for an agency, with a chance of establishing himself in a permanent business of his own, will do well to send a P. C. to Cooper, Drawer 531 London.

WANTED—Men wanted to learn barber trade; only eight weeks required by our system of constant practice; tools furnished; diplomas given. Full tuition \$25. Call or write, Detroit Barber College, 246 Jefferson avenue, Detroit, Mich.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

HOUSE FOR SALE—On Grant street. For particulars, apply to Thomas Scullard, or at this office. tf

LOTS FOR SALE—One and one-half acres at the head of Victoria avenue. Apply to Mrs. Tinsman, room 5, Victoria Block. tf

TEACHERS WANTED.

WANTED—Teacher for S. S. No. 8, Raleigh, applicants to please state salary. Apply to George Bennett, Charing Cross, Ont. Box 13.

TEACHER WANTED—Male or female, for S. S. No. 7, Chatham Township, duties to commence Jan. 4th, 1904. Applications are to be sent to Henry Lanigan, Secretary, Darrel.

TEACHER WANTED—For Union S. S. No. 2, Chatham and Camden, one mile from the town of Dresden. Apply, stating salary, until Dec. 19, duties to commence January 2nd. Apply J. G. Brown, Dresden. J.

MONEY FOUND—In the fall of 1902, in Reaume's restaurant, market square, the owner can have the proving property and wages of this advertisement Relieves Nourish.

HORSES.

A few horses to winter. Good stable. Apply to R. PERRY DOLSON, River Road, Raleigh, CHATHAM P. O.

WEDDING STATIONERY—The latest in Wedding Stationery and Cake Boxes can be had at the PLANET Office.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids and separate tenders will be received at the office of the undersigned up till 7 p. m. Saturday, Dec. 14th, for all the various trades required to construct a pressed brick and cut shingle residence, to be heated with hot water, for Frank Mount, Esq., in the City of Chatham. The tenders to be addressed to the proprietor and marked "tender." The lowest or any of which not necessarily accepted. The plans, specifications, details, etc., can be seen at the office of the undersigned. FRANK MOUNT, ESQ., Proprietor, JAS. I. WILSON & SON, Architects, Chatham, Dec. 1, 1903. td

Pay Your Taxes

December 14th is the last day for paying taxes on property in this city before the penalty of two per cent. is added. WILLIAM RANNIE, Tax Collector.

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Press feeder wanted at The Planet Office.

Advertisement for W.N. Morley & Co. featuring illustrations of clothing and the text 'The Best the Mills Make'.

TO-NIGHT. St. Andrew's Church Y. P. Society, lecture hall, at 8.

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Untrimmed Hats worth \$1.25 selling for 55c. Ribbons worth from 90c. to \$1.25, selling for 65c.

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While every section of our stock overflows with prime values, we always like to have new special trade magnets every week.

700 Yards Waisting. Fine Victoria Fancy Wool Waistings and Printed Cashmeres, the new colors and the nicest goods of the season for waists or dressing jackets, 50c. value cut in two, 25c.

Ladies' Flare Skirts, Black and Grey Frieze. 8 rows of stitching, a special \$2.50 Dress Skirt, now is your time at \$1.72.

Ladies' Taffeta Silk Skirts, deep flounce, 3 frills and dust frill, at price of materials, \$5.98. Ribbons for holidays fancy work, wide double faced, 25c. quality, 14c. 15c. and 18c. quality and width, 8c.

Ladies' Fleece Back Wrappers, lined to the waist, trimmed with finishing braid and frills, flounced, the best values we ever offered—\$1.25 and \$1.75.

Ladies' Golf Coats of a fine knit fancy wool—\$1.35, \$1.75 and \$2.00.

You cannot afford to miss the Standard Fashion Designer for December, only 10 cents.

WILLIAM GORDON

CAPITAL CONCERT

The Carpenters' Union of the city gave a splendid evening's entertainment in their hall over Cowan's shoe store last night.

Addresses were also given by Alderman G. G. Martin, John Edmondson and A. B. McCoig.

After the program was completed, adjournment was made to Somerville's restaurant where a sumptuous supper was partaken of.

COMMERCIAL DEPT.

This week the commercial department of the Collegiate has been equipped with new desks made specially by Messrs. Piggott & Sons, this city.

BURNED TO DEATH

John McIntyre, a Lone Bachelor, Near Burford. Brantford, Dec. 11.—John McIntyre, bachelor, who lived alone about a mile from Burford, was burned to death last night.

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MAKES CHILD'S PLAY OF WASH DAY.

The Hot Wash Tub.

For a lady to stand and drudgery over a wash tub hot clothes this weather is both disagreeable and unhealthy. Call up phone 189, and we will call for your washing and deliver it back in as good order as we receive it, and cleaned as cheaply as you can do it yourself.

CHATHAM STEAM LAUNDRY

Money to Loan on Mortgages at 4 1/2 and 5 per Cent.

FOR SALE—FARM AND CITY PROPERTY.

Brick house, two stories, 7 rooms, lot 40 feet front by 208 feet deep, \$3100.00.
 Frame house, 5 rooms and summer kitchen, lot 60 ft. by 208 ft., good stable, \$1100.00.
 House and lot, 9 rooms, \$1050.00.
 House and lot, 5 rooms, \$400.00.
 Farm in Township of Raleigh, 60 acres. All cleared. Good house and barn, \$3100.00.
 Farm in Township of Harwich, 200 acres. Large house, barn and out-buildings, \$12,000.00.
 Farm in Township of Raleigh, 40 acres. Good house, new stable and granary, \$2250.00.
 Ten acres in suburbs of Chatham, \$1800.00.
 Valuable suburban residence, 11 rooms; with seven acres of land. Good stable, \$3000.00.
 Apply to
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Branches and agents at all principal points in Canada, U.S. and Great Britain. Drafts issued and notes discounted. Savings Bank Department deposits (which may be withdrawn without delay) received and interest allowed thereon at the highest current rates.
G. P. SCHOLFIELD,
 Manager Chatham Branch.

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 Capital (all paid up) \$18,370,248.
 Best security for loans \$1,000,000.
 Drafts bought and sold. Collections made on favorable terms. Interest allowed on deposits at current rates in Savings Bank department, or on deposit receipts.

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L. E. CURL,

OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN,
 SPECIALIST IN CHRONIC DISEASES.
 Examination Free. Office, Sixth street opposite Fire Hall. Hours—8 to 10 a.m. 1 to 5 p.m., 7 to 8 p.m.

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 Surgeon, Oculist and Specialist Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat.
 Will be at Chatham on SATURDAY, Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 28, Dec. 26. Glasses properly fitted.
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HIS

Young wife was almost distracted for he would not stay a night at home so she had his LAUNDRY done by us, and now he ceases any more to roam.

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Lime, Cement AND Cut Stone.

We keep this best in stock at right prices.

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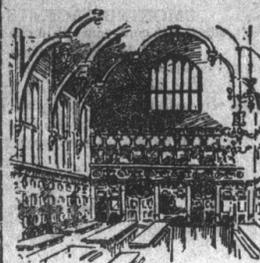
Keep Minard's Liniment in the House.

THE "GRAND NIGHT."

THE KING DINES AS A BENCHER OF THE MIDDLE TEMPLE.

First Occasion That Reigning Sovereign Has Dined in the Hall During His Four Centuries' Existence—Ceremonies Connected With the Function—Table Decorated With King's Plate, Some of It Dating Back to Reign of Charles II.

The grandest "grand night" in the history of the Middle Temple was that of Nov. 2, when the King dined in the hall as a Bencher of that ancient and honorable society. It is the first occasion, so far as is known that a reigning Sovereign has dined in the hall during its four centuries' existence. The King, wearing his silk gown, entered the hall with Sir Robert Finlay, the Temple's treasurer. They headed a procession of 40 Benchers, preceded by the chief porter (Mr. T. Dather) in his robes, bearing a long ebony staff and a mallet.



A CORNER OF THE MIDDLE TEMPLE HALL WHERE THE KING DINED.

The band of the Royal Artillery, placed behind the handsome oak screen erected in 1574 played the National anthem as the Benchers took their seats at a raised table with the King on the left of the Attorney-General. This table was decorated with the Inn's plate, some of which dates from the reign of Charles II. After dinner the Royal Bencher and his fellows adjourned to the Parliament Chamber for dessert and cigars. Usually these luxuries are reserved for the Benchers; the ordinary members do not get dessert; but under the unprecedented circumstances precedent was for once departed from.

THE SEYCHELLES.

King Approves Letters Patent Making Them a Separate Colony.

The King has just approved the letters patent changing the Seychelles Islands from a dependency of Mauritius into a separate colony. Mr. Ernest Bicknell Sweet-Escott, C.M.G., Administrator up to the present, has been appointed first Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the new colony.

The Seychelles Islands, together with various other groups, including the Rodrigues, St. Brandon, and all Islands, have been till now under the administration of the Governor of Mauritius, which is about 900 miles more south. The largest and most populous of these new insular colonies is Mahé, whose chief town, Victoria, has a safe and large harbor, and constitutes the headquarters of our East Africa squadron. The area of the Seychelles is 148 square miles, and its population about 20,300. The trade mostly consists in the export of coconuts, sperm, coffee, and the ordinary productions of tropical climates.

Mr. E. B. Sweet-Escott, the new Governor, who was born in Bath on Aug. 20, 1857, entered the Colonial Service in 1881 as Classical Professor at the Royal College, Mauritius, becoming first assistant (1886) and then Acting Colonial Secretary in the same Colony (1889). He was appointed Colonial Secretary to British Honduras (1894) and administered the Government of that Colony to 1897. In January of the year following he was appointed Acting Senior Clerk at the Colonial Office, retaining that position till 1899.

Yards of Diamonds.

Mrs. Bradley Martin has offended good form on the other side by wearing too many jewels. At her place in the highlands of Scotland she gave a ball recently, and society people of the neighborhood were abundantly in attendance. It is the almost invariable custom to dress plainly at country places of that sort, so most of the women wore simple muslins, but the hostess received in a blaze of brilliants. She wore all her magnificent pieces, and to quote the British paper, she had "yards of diamond chains." Criticism of the American hostess has been general because of what is called "a very vulgar display."

Wealth of Languages.

The English language—according to a German statistician who has made a study of the comparative wealth of languages—heads the list with the enormous vocabulary of 260,000 words. German comes next, with 80,000 words; then Italian, with 75,000; French, with 30,000; Turkish, with 22,500; and Spanish, with 20,000.

LADY LANSDOWNE.

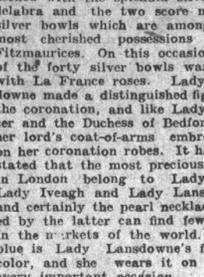
Occupies Commanding Position in Society—Lansdowne House Has Become Social Centre of London Past Few Years.

Lady Lansdowne, says Mr. A. P., occupies a commanding position in society, and, of late years, Lansdowne House has become a social centre of London. Its chateau has been responsible for a new and welcome departure in the matter of political receptions. Instead of limiting her invitations to members of the present Government and their supporters, she exchanged duty and diligence for brilliance and variety, with the result that her evening parties have become the most successful on record. Splendid entertainments were given at Lansdowne House during the coronation season and last summer witnessed a notable banquet, arranged in honor of the French Ministers who accompanied President Loubet to England. Dinner took place in the white and gold ballroom, and eighty guests were seated at one long table, which was decked with the splendid silver candleabra and the two score massive silver bowls which are among the most cherished possessions of the Fitzmaurice. On this occasion each of the forty silver bowls was filled with La France roses. Lady Lansdowne made a distinguished figure at the coronation, and like Lady Spencer and the Duchess of Bedford, had her lord's coat-of-arms embroidered on her coronation robes. It has been stated that the most precious pearls in London belong to Lady Cork, Lady Veagh and Lady Lansdowne; and certainly the pearl necklace owned by the latter can find few rivals in the markets of the world. Pale blue is Lady Lansdowne's favorite color, and she wears it on almost every important occasion.

A BULGARIAN HERO.

Sugaroff, Whose Name is Referred to All Bulgarians—The Reason Why.

A name that is revered by all Bulgarians in the present Balkan crisis is that of Sugaroff, and his memory is toasted silently wherever they assemble. Sugaroff was an officer in the Bulgarian service, but threw it up to join the Macedonian insurgents when the present movement commenced. He was one of a band in the earlier stage of the fighting hemmed in by a strong body of Turks in a cleft of the rocks. There was only one way out, and that a narrow one blocked by the Turkish troops. The ammunition of the insurgents



Portrait of a man, likely the Bulgarian hero mentioned in the text.

was giving out, and when that was gone they knew their fate was sealed. Sugaroff, who had been in the thick of the fight, lay being a rock badly wounded. He called to his comrades, "With these," he said, "I intend to leap among the Turks in the pass and blow a way through them for you. When you hear the explosion make your charge." Then he made his way down towards the Turks, who fired at him as he came, but without stopping him. He got to the top of the pass, and then crashed both bombs amongst them on the rocks. The explosion was terrible, strewing the ground with dead and wounded troops, and before the latter could recover the insurgents made a dash and cut their way to safety. Sugaroff was blown to fragments with his foes, but, say the Bulgarians, "He has left us his memory and example."

Occupations of Jews.

It is a common fancy to think that the well-to-do Jews are all bankers or merchants, the poor Jews all small traders and street hawkers. That very many do earn their livelihood in this manner is beyond cavil; the laws and usages of the Middle Ages made this the only means of existence for them, and modern legislation in Eastern European countries has tended to conserve inherited customs, says The World's Work. But this is only a part of the truth. Jewish under most adverse circumstances the Jews have gone into every walk of life and have engaged in every manner of work. In 1893 the number of Jewish artisans in Russia was 395,942. In Roumania the statistics of 1902 show that there were at least 1,016 Jewish artisans, making up with their families a round 100,000. In 1899 there were 4,682 artisans among the Jews of Algiers. Still more interesting is the fact that Jewish agriculturists are not as infrequently met with as supposed. In 1899 in Russia there were 278 Jewish agricultural colonies with a population of 63,223, and 11,983 working outside the colonies. In Palestine there are 4,450 and in the Argentine Republic 4,855 Jewish farmers.

Single and Married.

A native of Ireland landing at Greenock wanted to take the train to Glasgow. Never having been in a railway station before, he did not know how to get his ticket. Seeing a lady, however, going in, he thought he would follow her and he would soon know how to get aboard. The lady, going to the ticket box and putting down her money, said "Marshall, single." Her ticket was duly handed to her, and she walked off. Pat, thinking it all right, planked down his money and shouted, "Patrick Murphy, married."

Story of Late Sir Melville Parker.

A story told of the late Sir Melville affords good illustration of that quality of character which won the hearts of all with whom he came in contact. He held the office of magistrate at the time, and to him came a man who wished to have another arrested for having assaulted him, as he claimed. While in the midst of his tale the other man came in. He came likewise to complain of having been attacked and charged the firstcomer with being the aggressor. Sir Melville listened to both versions of the affair, and this was his judicial pronouncement: "Come out with me, both of you, into the back yard. You can fight it out. I'll be the umpire." The fight took place. It was a spirited contest, with the victory inclining decisively to one combatant.

Money to Lend.

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I WONDER WHY.

I wonder why the world's so bright,
 No matter what the gloom,
 So full of beauty and delight
 For us to share together;
 I wonder why the stars should be
 So deeply blue above you—
 Perhaps it's just because, you see,
 I love you.

I wonder why my heart should sing
 At every sound of gladness,
 Why every season should be spring,
 No thought of care or sadness;
 Why every night the stars should glow
 With meanings just above me—
 Perhaps it's just because I know
 You love me!

STORY OF SIR OLIVER MOWAT.

Carriage Question Asked of Him by Talk-ative Reporter.

A party of newspapermen, who have almost arrived at the verge of political reporters, were yam-spinning the other evening, when one of them told a story of Sir Oliver Mowat that was new to his hearers.

"It was about ten years ago," said the narrator, "when I was assigned by my news editor to accompany Sir Oliver, who was, of course, Premier, on a short campaigning trip in Eastern Ontario. Sir Oliver made a couple of speeches, after which he and his party took the steamer up the Rideau Lakes. At a village on the route the boat was boarded by a dozen or so of the prominent Liberals of the county, and Sir Oliver greeted them all cordially. They intended to accompany the party fifteen miles to the next stopping place, and then to return on the boat making the down journey. Sir Oliver held a sort of informal reception on the deck. One of the spirits of the little group was a tall, whiskered man, who was introduced as Mr. So-and-So, the vice-president of the local Liberal Association, and, according to report, a free contributor of the sines of a war. But the gentleman, although he had plenty of money, was absolutely incapable of taking part in conversation. He watched with some envy his friends talking to the Little Premier, and he made the desperate resolve that he would show them that he, too, had some idea of carrying a colloquy. He waited until there was a lull in the talk, and then he traders heard his amazing enquiry, pitched in a high, shrill voice: "Sir Oliver Mowat, do you know how to make dried-up chewing tobacco fresh again?"

The members of the group looked enquiringly at the Vice-President. The newspapermen grinned cheerfully, but Sir Oliver, although his eyes twinkled, never moved a muscle. Instead, he replied, as if the question had been an ordinary one: "I'm afraid that I don't know the process."

The Vice-President had struck off, he believed, "Why," said he triumphantly, "all you do is to take a new paper taken at meals makes the complexion like peach bloom, cheeks soon become rosy, eyes bright, you'll be the picture of health. Thousands of ladies keep up their youthful appearance with Ferrazone, why not you? Price 50c. at druggists."

"Oh, but remember the money you saved," returned the Vice-President, "which closed the conversation. Altogether it was probably the most absurd that Sir Oliver ever took part in. But it happened all right."

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Water Guard for Sultan.

Remarkable measures are being taken for the Turkish Sultan's safety, writes the New York World Constantinople correspondent. The night guards have been doubled, as it is believed that any attack on his life which may be contemplated will be attempted at night.

Another measure which the chief of the palace police has adopted is the submarine illumination of the Bosphorus in the neighborhood of the palace. An elaborate system of submarine lamps of great power have been ranged all along the landing stage in front of the palace, and both the surface and the bed of the Bosphorus are a blaze of light.

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DISTRICT DOINGS. BLENHEIM

Dec. 11.—Miss Edith Warner, who has accepted a position with George Boushall & Co., for the Christmas trade, is unable to attend to her duties this week through illness.

Robert Moore and Frank Knight have returned from visiting friends in Detroit.

Miss Charlotte Hoag, of Chatham, has been appointed senior teacher of S. S. No. 4, Harwich, at a salary of \$315.

H. L. Stratton has purchased a general store business at Mount Elgin, and will leave here about the first of the year.

Wm. Knight has moved from Peter Morrison's farm, Centre Line, Harwich, to his own farm on the Gravel road. Mr. Jones will move to the farm, vacated by him, some time in January.

On Monday evening "The Merchant of Venice" will be presented in the Opera House here, with Elmer Buffham as star.

Joseph Laird is spending this week in Guelph.

The Council decided, at a special meeting held Tuesday evening, to purchase a second dynamo for the power house.

Messrs. D. Teaford and H. Collar are attending the Ontario Poultry Show at Guelph, where they have a number on birds on exhibition. Mr. Lugden, of the Bank of Commerce, is another Blenheim exhibitor.

A number from Blenheim will attend the concert given by Madame Patti at Detroit on Monday next.

Oronhyatekta, Supreme Chief Ranger of the Independent Foresters, will be in Chatham on Thursday, Dec. 17, when a large number will be initiated.

After the initiation a banquet will be held. Many of the members of the I. O. F. in Blenheim will go to Chatham for the occasion, and a special train has been chartered to bring them home after the meeting is over.

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THAMESVILLE

Dec. 9.—Miss Helen Albertson was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Vincent, of Bothwell, visited friends in town on Tuesday.

Mr. D. McFarlane spent the day in Chatham.

Miss Galloway, of Bothwell, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Nels Cornwall.

Mr. Mat. Ruckle, of Winnipeg, paid a flying visit to Thamesville today.

The Florence Lodge, "Daughters of Rebekah," visited the Thamesville Lodge, No. 51, and exemplified the work in a very creditable manner.

Mrs. Vincent, Grand President of the Rebekah Assembly, was present and gave the degree team great praise.

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TILBURY

Dec. 11.—W. A. Clark leaves on Saturday to take a position in the Sovereign Bank at Belmont.

Ed. Lees, Jr., has taken a position in Stewart's bank.

Andrew Keith is leaving this week with his family for Walkersville.

Miss Margaret Benson, of Detroit, is visiting her father here, John

Beno, who is seriously ill. The junior hockey club re-organized this week and decided to enter the Essex and Kent league if it is organized.

The local hydrants were this week fertilized for the winter.

Mrs. (Dr.) Macdonald leaves after Christmas to rejoin her husband in St. Joseph, Mo.

W. C. Crawford is drawing sand for a large two-story brick building 25 x 200 feet, on Prospect street, between the Merchants' Bank and his cold storage building.

The floor will be used as a tinmith shop and the second floor for a hall for the use of societies.

Tilbury North and Tilbury West have finally been quarantined against hog cholera.

A number of the local Conservatives attended a political organization meeting on Wednesday night at Wheatley.

Billy Clark's Monarch Minstrel, billed for Anderson Hill here tomorrow afternoon and evening, are reported to have collapsed.

NEWMARKET EXPLOSION. Verdict of the Jury in the Agnew Inquest.

Newmarket, Dec. 11.—The adjourned inquest into the death of John Agnew, one of the firemen who met death at the United Factories, Limited, here on the 18th of November, was brought to a close yesterday.

The jury, after hearing the evidence of Mr. Harry Trivett, engineer, at his residence, returned to the council chamber, where the following conclusion was reached: "That the said John Agnew came to his death from severe scalding and inhalation of steam caused by the explosion of No. 3 in a section of hot boilers contained in the building owned and operated by the United Factories, Limited. The jury are unable from the evidence to arrive at a conclusion as to the cause of the explosion, and are of the opinion that the men in charge of the boilers and engine were fully competent, and the jury are further of the opinion that the company have always shown the utmost care in the management of the boilers in their factories at Newmarket. The jury can not attach any blame whatever to the management of said factories or any of their employees."

A LAWYER'S QUARREL. Hopkins Fined 20 Cents for Kicking Steers.

Lindsay, Dec. 11.—At the County Court and General Sessions before Judge Harding, Gerard H. Hopkins was charged with an assault upon William Steers, on October 30 last. The parties are barristers, and were engaged on opposite sides in a case before Police Magistrate Deacon.

During Mr. Hopkins' examination of a witness an altercation arose between the two lawyers, in consequence of some interruptions Mr. Steers was making. Mr. Steers came around close to Mr. Hopkins, and a few angry words passed. Mr. Steers then turned to go back, saying as he did so, that Hopkins was a pup and a cur, whereupon Mr. Hopkins kicked him.

In his evidence Mr. Steers stated that his intention was to irritate Mr. Hopkins and provoke an assault, if possible. Both parties subsequently apologized to Colonel Deacon for the breach of peace in his court. The jury found Mr. Hopkins guilty of assault. His Honor, while censuring both parties, commented with especial severity upon Mr. Steers' conduct and said the provocation was so great that a fine of twenty cents only would be imposed upon Mr. Hopkins.

ANOTHER GAS EXPLOSION. Revere House at Deloraine Wrecked—Porter Killed.

Deloraine, Man., Dec. 11.—A gas machine in the Revere Hotel here exploded about 6:20 yesterday. Robert McKinnon, the porter, was killed, and the building badly wrecked. Luckily the fire was got under control, and not much damage was done by that element.

...Christmas Ideas...

Have you got the Christmas idea yet? Pretty nearly time you had. The weather man certainly has it, for he is putting up Christmas weather of the good old kind. Other people have it, too. We don't remember a December when people were as early to begin their Christmas shopping as they are this year, and it's the very best thing that could happen, for the early shopper is bound to get best selection and best service, and the chances are will be altogether better pleased than those who leave it till the hurry and scurry of the last few days.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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ACID-THROWING CASE. Mrs. William Roy Acquitted at Owen Sound.

Owen Sound, Dec. 11.—The case of Mrs. William Roy, who was charged with throwing carbolic acid in the face of a woman named Emma Boyce in August last, occupied the time of the County Court, at which Judge Hutton is presiding. Very little that was new developed in the evidence, the defence setting up an alibi, members of the family declaring that their mother was home at the time the atrocity was committed.

MOTHER'S COMPLAINT

Judge Houston has received the following anonymous letter:—Dear Sir,—In the leading hotel of this city they have been running two slot machines under the very nose of the Commissioners and Inspector. My son has lost most of his earnings in this way, which I have complained of before. I cannot afford this loss, as it is almost our only support. The enclosed clipping shows that they are not allowed elsewhere, and if not suppressed I will look to higher authority. Trusting you will give this matter your immediate attention and oblige.

A MOTHER.

Judge Houston says that his duty is to try the offenders, and that complaint should be made either to the police or the Crown Attorney. Besides, he never pays any attention to anonymous letters. People must sign their names to have their letters considered. Matters which are not worthy the names of the writer cannot be considered by Judge Houston.

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