

SHOT HIS FATHER TO SAVE HIS MOTHER.

Buffalo Man Was Choking His Wife, Son Sent Bullet Into His Brain. Mother Had Saved the Boy From Father.

Buffalo, Dec. 27.—While clutching his wife's throat in a vice-like grip, Charles Schreff, a saloonkeeper at 253 East Genesee street, was shot and instantly killed at 1.10 o'clock yesterday afternoon by his son Charles, 16 years old.

In his haste to save his mother from his father's fury, the youth reached over her shoulder to fire the fatal shot. A mocking curse of violence lingered on the father's lips as the bullet plowed through his brain.

The lifeless body dropped like a log to the floor, almost dragging Mrs. Schreff with it, so tight was the hold on her neck. When she realized the awfulness of the deed Mrs. Schreff shrieked and swooned away, with her face buried in her hands.

When the shot was fired Louise, a 12-year-old daughter, was speeding to the Sycamore street police station, a block away, to call the police.

"Father is getting crazy!" cried the slip of a girl as she ran breathlessly into the police station. She led the way back, and Detective Leary and Policeman Scott followed. When they arrived Schreff's body was lying in a pool of blood on the floor.

The youth whose heart was torn by love for his mother and fear of his father stood over the corpse. He was half dazed. The revolver still dangled from his right hand.

"You must come with me to the station," said Detective Leary, touching the youth on the shoulder behind the bar. "Without a word Charles handed the weapon to the officer and set out for the station. His composure surprised the police.

The boy's courage failed him as he walked into the police station. Tears glistened in his eyes and his lips quivered.

"Is he dead?" he asked in a whisper. The detective looked straight ahead and pretended not to hear. The young prisoner's knees gave way and he would have fallen to the floor but for the assistance of the police, who rushed to his side.

"I did it for mother. Father was choking her until her eyes bulged way out. He was awful when he drank." This declaration seemed to put new energy into the distressed youth. He shook himself together and did not again yield to his emotions. When he was being examined at police headquarters he talked calmly of the shooting. He was all the time stealing himself against collapse.

The revolver with which Charles killed his father was a 38-calibre weapon and was kept in a drawer behind the bar in the front of the building. When the trouble began Fred, a 14-year-old son, ran for the weapon. He returned just as Schreff grappled his wife. Charles impulsively snatched the revolver from his brother's hand and ordered his father to desist from ill-treating the mother.

"If you don't let her go I'll kill you," cried the son as he leveled the weapon. The father laughed ferociously and squeezed the harder. The muzzle of the revolver flashed fire and the father sank to his death. The bullet entered the left ear and ranged upward, coming out in the middle of the top of the forehead. Blood gushed from the two external wounds until the entire floor was besmeared. The blood flowed so freely that the features of the dead man quickly became so covered by the life flow that they could hardly be recognized.

The struggle which ended in the slaying of Schreff was the second that he had had with his wife within a half hour. During the first encounter he hurled her against the red-hot kitchen stove. For a time he stifled his rage, but it flared up again, with the fatal result.

The immediate cause of the father's attack on the mother was anger because she intervened when he attacked Charles. The boy made a statement of the shooting to the police and his account was practically corroborated by the individual statements of the other members of the family.

THREE KILLED IN COLLISION.

SMASH-UP ON ELEVATED TRACKS AT CAMDEN, N. J.

Express From Atlantic City and Pemberton Accommodation Collided in a Thick Fog—Wreckage Took Fire—About a Dozen People Hurt in Atlantic City Train.

Camden, N. J., Dec. 27.—Three persons were killed and more than a dozen others were injured in a rear end collision on the elevated tracks of the Pennsylvania Railroad to-day, a short distance from the station, in this city. The cars were so badly smashed that it will be several hours before the exact number of persons caught in the wreck will be known.

Fire added to the difficulties of the work of rescue. The trains involved were the express from Atlantic City and the Pemberton accommodation train. These trains are due in the Camden station at 8.31. There was a very thick fog when the accident occurred and it is believed that this condition is the primary cause of the collision.

So far as known no one was killed on the Atlantic City train, but about a half dozen persons were injured. The wreckage immediately took fire.

The fact that the collision occurred on the elevated structure made the work of rescue difficult.

The fire was extinguished before it reached any of the victims pinned under the wreckage. One of the dead was identified as T. L. Webster, of Merchantville, N. J.

FIVE PERSONS BURNED TO DEATH.

WHOLE FAMILY LOSE THEIR LIVES IN FIRE AT HOME.

Tragedy Took Place Near Boston—Father, Mother and Three Children the Victims—Cause of Fire Not Known—\$5,000 Loss.

Boston, Dec. 27.—Five persons were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the house of John Wark at Watertown, a suburb, early to-day. Every member of the family met death in the flames.

The dead are: John Wark, his wife and three children; John, aged 11; Philip, aged 9, and Doris, aged 2.

The cause of the fire will never be known as the flames had made great headway when first discovered by a neighbor shortly after 1 o'clock. The house was about two miles from the centre of the town and by the time the firemen reached the scene the house had been burned almost to the ground. The firemen were able to locate the bodies of the father and two boys, but the mother and little girl were not found until the ruins of the house had cooled sufficiently to permit a more thorough search.

Mr. Wark was a salesman in a seed store on Faneuil Square, Boston. The house was valued at about \$5,000.

COUSINS SHOOT.

One Killed and the Other Fatally Wounded in Georgia.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 27.—A special to the Constitution from Ellijay, Ga., says: In a shooting affray at John Southern's store in the eastern part of Gilmer county yesterday, R. J. Reece was shot and instantly killed by his cousin, Floyd Reece, who was also fatally wounded. After being shot six times, it is said, Robert shot and fatally wounded his cousin. No cause for the shooting is known.

For Saturday's Trade.

Fifty pairs of pigeons, select and standard oysters, haddie, string beans, new beets, celery, radishes, cucumbers, mushrooms, sweet potatoes, green peppers, squash, cream, Neufchatel cheese, Bartlett pears, grape fruit, Florida oranges, comb honey, pineapples, etc. Bain & Adams, 89, 91 King street east.

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WILL REPORT UPON THE RECENT PROSECUTIONS.

Citizens' League Executive Has Called a Meeting of the Members For This Evening.

At a special meeting of the Citizens' League, to be held this evening, the executive of the league will report to the members upon its action in connection with the recent prosecutions, and will also outline its plans for the future. The league is quite a large body, but its meetings are at rare intervals. Its executive has full power, and does all the business. It had the handling of the recent crusade against hotelmen and the keepers of supposed unlicensed places, and the failure of all the cases

except two against Chinese, and the methods pursued by the informers aroused so much criticism that it is not to be wondered at that the executive has decided to give the league an explanation. The officers this morning declined to say what their report to the members would be, or what they would recommend for the future. To-night's meeting will be held in the Board of Trade rooms, beginning at 8 o'clock, and will be open to all members of the league, but not to the general public.

DECLARED HIS INNOCENCE IN DYING STATEMENT.

Jake Sunfield Went to the Gallows This Morning Without a Tremor, Forgiving and Asking Forgiveness.

His Neck Was Broken In the Fall, And His Death Was Almost Instantaneous—Very Few Present.

Sunfield's Dying Statement Hamilton Jail, Dec. 26, 1907. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. I, Jacob Sunfield, about to be hanged on the charge of murdering Anthony Rozek, hereby solemnly declare, in the presence of that God by whom I am soon to be judged, that I am innocent of the crime. I did not kill Anthony Rozek. I protest, moreover, that I have not had a fair trial. I am done to death on the evidence of one man, and no heed has been given by the Minister of Justice to the voluntary sworn statements of six responsible citizens, who contradict my accuser. Although my death is a judicial murder, I pardon those who are guilty of it, and I hope that God will have mercy on them when their day of reckoning comes. I thank all those who have been kind to me while in jail; I ask pardon of all whom I have ever injured, and I pray God to have mercy on my soul. Jacob Sunfield.



JACOB TAMILLO, ALIAS JAKE SUNFIELD, Who this morning paid the penalty of death for the murder of Andrew Radeyk on July 12 last.

and Rev. Dean Mahoney, rector of St. Mary's Cathedral, Sunfield's spiritual adviser. The prisoner spent his last few minutes on earth in earnest prayer.

His Last Night on Earth. Sunfield yesterday bade his sister, Mrs. Binkler, who resides on Sherman avenue, an affectionate farewell. The parting was most pathetic, and the woman sobbed as though her heart would break as she kissed her brother good-bye and was led away.

"It was enough to touch a heart of stone," said Dr. Roberts, the jail physician. The condemned man spent a portion of the day with his spiritual adviser and last night chatted for a few minutes with his executioner before going to bed. After saying good night to the death watch, Sunfield retired at 11 o'clock, and slept peacefully throughout the night. One of the turnkeys awakened him shortly before 6 o'clock this morning, and took his order for breakfast. He quickly dressed and shortly after, with his spiritual adviser, made final preparations to meet his Maker. A big plate of ham and eggs, several slices of toast, a piece of mince pie and a cup of coffee were set before him on the ledge of the window in the corridor opposite his cell. He ate sparingly. He took a mouthful of toast, munched a piece of pie and drank the coffee. The rest of the food remained untouched.

Death Procession Begins. The jail officials were there early. Radecliff was one of the first to arrive. A squad of police were stationed in front of the jail yard, but there was no need for them, the small crowd showing no signs of a demonstration. In the lobby inside the main entrance a number of

police officers, the doctors and turnkeys waited. The scene in the corridor, where the prisoner was confined, was a sad one. Shortly after Sunfield arose his spiritual adviser arrived and remained with him to the end. About 7.30 Governor Ogilvie entered the ante room where Radecliff was chatting with the newspaper men, and fingered his watch rather nervously. "It is too early yet," said Radecliff. "We will have to have light. We can wait until 8.30 or 9 o'clock, if necessary."

Shortly after the executioner went down to the gallows and prepared the rope. Sheriff Middleton, who was ill, was unable to attend, and his deputy, Major Zealand, had charge of the arrangements. Shortly before 8 o'clock he appeared in the room where Radecliff was waiting, and, with Governor Ogilvie, immediately proceeded to the condemned man's cell. Sunfield heard the death warrant read without a murmur. He was smoking a cigar, which he seemed to enjoy much better than the food which was offered him earlier. His arms were quickly pinioned behind his back, and at a few minutes before 8 o'clock the death procession began.

Met Death Unflinchingly. Previous to this Governor Ogilvie directed the constables to see that all those who were to witness the execution were taken straight to the death house. "Remember, gentlemen, there is to be no sketching, or photographing," he warned the newspapermen. The pass which admitted each one was closely scrutinized. The spectators who gathered around (Continued on page 5.)

SCOTTISH RITE.

An At-home Will be Feature of Reunion.

Programmes for the twenty-eighth annual meeting of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in the valley of Hamilton have been sent to the members. The event will be held on January 28, 29 and 30. It is expected that a large number of candidates from all parts of the jurisdiction, and for whose convenience and benefit the reunion is primarily held, and a large number of distinguished visitors from all parts of Canada and the United States will be present. Owing to the death of the late Ill. Bro. Hugh Murray, 33 degrees, there will be no banquet this year, but in its place an at-home will be held, to which all Scottish Rite Masons, with their wives and daughters, will be invited. The tribute to the fraternal dead will be read in the lodge room.

PISTOL FIGHT.

Robber Shot Five Times and City Marshal A'iso Hit.

Smithboro, Ill., Dec. 27.—In a pistol battle following the robbery of the Vandallia passenger depot early here to-day one of the robbers was shot five times, and Emory Brown, city marshal, of Scranton, Ill., was wounded twice. Both men are in a serious condition. The companion of the wounded robber was arrested and locked up at Greenville, Ills., four miles away, where his comrade was also locked up after having been given medical treatment. Salt fish are best and quickest freshened by soaking in sour milk.

The Man In Overalls

The Sunfield scaffold throws a shadow over the lawless and the criminal.

More smallpox. Are you vaccinated? It is only the select few who can vote upon the money by-laws. But we all can talk about them.

It was a quiet holiday, but none the less a pleasant one.

My advice to the new policemen is: Be civil, and you will get along all right. I mean, civil to the citizens as well as to your superiors.

There are a dozen or so of the old Aldermen who might as well drop out for them, the small crowd showing no signs of a demonstration. In the lobby inside the main entrance a number of

Mr. Whitney, we are told, favors the ward system. So do most people.

The manufacturers seem to be all down upon the power by-law.

Then again we need some good men on the School Board.

Does the Tory Executive insist that none but Conservatives be appointed the school principals and teachers? If not, why not?

Have you got the new leaf ready to turn over?

TO OPEN GRAVE.

Druce's Grandson Will Not See Grave Opened.

London, Dec. 27.—The Consistory Court to-day granted permission for the opening of the grave of T. C. Druce to determine whether or not it contains a body or a roll of lead. The actual date of the exhumation is being kept secret in order to avoid attracting a crowd, but there is reason to believe that Monday or Tuesday of next week will see the mystery of the coffin cleared up.

The court has refused the application of George Hollambly Druce, grandson of T. C. Druce, who is bringing the purjury suit against Herbert Druce to substantiate his claim to the title and vast estates of the Duke of Portland, to be present at the opening of the grave on the ground that it is desirable to limit to the utmost the number of persons present at the exhumation. G. Hollambly Druce, however, will be officially represented.

FROM HIGHLANDERS.

Something Very Neat in the Season's Greetings.

The Ninety-First Highlanders' Christmas and New Year greetings are conveyed to the friends of the regiment by one of the daintiest cards of the year. It is a white folder, with a few words of greeting printed in dull silver, and surrounded by a thistle wreath, with the regimental crest embossed in the centre. On the inside is a full figure portrait of the regiment's pipe major, McGregor, in full Highland costume, with pipes, and the regimental banneret suspended from one of the drones. Underneath the portrait is an appropriate verse.

MANY TRANSFERS IN FIRE DEPARTMENT.

WAS AN EXPERT ALL RIGHT ENOUGH.

CHICAGO SCIENTIST DIED OF LOCK-JAW, AS HE PREDICTED.

He Was the Man Who Wanted the Doctors to Put Him Out of Pain—Consulted With the Physicians as to His Condition.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Dr. Joseph F. Peasen, a department superintendent employed by a Chicago packing firm, died last night of lockjaw, resulting from a fracture of the nose, which occurred a week ago. Dr. Peasen fell down a stairway in the laboratory of the packing plant. The skin over the nose was broken, and the wound became infested with tetanus germs.

On Christmas Eve the physician was suddenly stricken with lockjaw. He diagnosed his own case, and with the aid of pencil and paper directed his family to send him to a hospital. He then sent for a lawyer and made his will.

During his illness he constantly joined with the hospital physicians in their consultations and gave it as his opinion several days ago that he could not recover. The immediate cause of death was said to be heart failure following a convulsion.

WHITE VS. BLACK.

PIERCED RACE WAR THREATENED AT HENRIETTA, OKLA.

All Fighting Men Sworn In—A Hundred Armed Men Prepared for Attack—Thirty-five Heavily Armed Negroes Encamped Near the Town—Other Negro Bands.

Henrietta, Okla., Dec. 27.—With every available fighting man sworn in as a deputy and only 1,200 rounds of ammunition in the town, Henrietta is fearing a deadly race war as the result of the lynching of James Garden, a negro, on Dec. 24th.

The firing of a small negro shack owned by a white man near the "Frisco Station" yesterday caused a call to arms. Within five minutes after the fire alarm was given nearly 100 armed men were prepared for an attack. Three citizens' patrols have been established.

Thirty-five negroes, heavily armed, passed through Wild Cat yesterday, inciting the blacks to revolt. They are camped on the river within ten miles of Henrietta. More than thirty armed blacks have gone from Weleetka to Clearview, one of the thickest negro settlements in the coal fields.

About fifty stands of small arms were purchased by negroes in Weleetka before the hardware stores quit selling to the blacks.

CHECK ROOM

Arrangements Satisfactory to Merchants Made.

The trouble which arose over the refusal of the Terminal Station Co. to have a check or parcel room in the new station, has been practically settled to the satisfaction of most of the big storekeepers.

The Terminal parcel room, opened a few days ago, with the approval of the railway companies, will accept parcels delivered by storekeepers, supplied with their checks. When a country customer desires his purchase to be delivered at the station he or she will be given a check by the clerk. On presenting this check and the payment of a very nominal fee, the parcel will be given to the owner.

The reason that the company does not establish a check room in the station is that the class of articles that would be checked would be very different from those handled in the stations of steam railways. Baskets and bags would figure prominently, an official stated, judging by the goods that used to be left unguarded at the old Radial station and checked at the old H. G. & B. station.

GIBSON IN OTTAWA.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 27.—(Special)—Col. Gibson is in the city in connection with the Hamilton Radial Railway bill, which will shortly come before Parliament.

100 DEATHS A DAY.

Constantinople, Dec. 27.—The cholera is committing great ravages among the pilgrims to Mecca, the deaths at Mecca, Medina and Yembo averaging 100 a day.

ONE MORE UNFORTUNATE; WHO CAN THIS WOMAN BE?

She May Have Been Strangled or Poisoned and Her Body Thrown Into the Pond.

Newark, N. J., Dec. 27.—The identity of the young woman whose body was found in a pond in Harrison, a suburb to this city, yesterday, remains unknown. For nearly twenty-four hours the body has lain in the morgue, and the features have been viewed by hundreds of persons, but none of them ever saw the woman before. In view of further investigations which have been made, the police are inclined to believe that the woman was a visitor to Newark from some nearby city. That she may have been a resident of Brooklyn seems not unlikely, as the coat found near the body was purchased in that city. As yet, however, the officials here have

not been advised of any definite progress toward clearing the mystery by the police of Brooklyn.

An effort to learn the exact cause of the woman's death will be made to-day, when an autopsy will be performed. The present theory is that she was strangled and the body thrown into the pond. The marks on the throat, which led to this belief, are very indistinct, however, and there is another opinion that she may have been killed by a drug or even thrown into the pond while still alive. It is expected that the autopsy will definitely settle this point.

In the meantime, Albert Thompson and Frederick Workman, who lived on a small yacht near the point where the body was found, and who were detained by the police, are still under restraint. They deny all knowledge of the woman.

New Men On And General Shifting.

Magistrate Denies Local Paper's Story.

Mayor Stewart Does More Figuring.

With three men added to the strength of the Fire Department, Chief Ten Eyck and the officers have been doing some re-arranging, and a number of transfers were made this morning. William Aitchison and Harry Gillespie go to the John street station from Central; J. Craig from Central to the annex; E. Ladd from Central to Victoria; John Smith, from Central to Bay street; W. Wheaton, from Central to Sophia street; W. Linstead from King William to John street; J. Greenham from the annex to Central; H. Derry, from the annex to Bay street; J. Woods, from John street to Central; William Voelker, from John to Central; W. Seal, from John to King William street; J. Cole from Victoria avenue to Central; and Charley Harper from Sophia to Bay street.

Magistrate Jelfs said this morning that the story in a local paper last night which quoted him as saying that he condemned the gift of the Dominion Power Co., to the policemen and that hotelkeepers might soon get the habit also, was absolutely false. He denied that he said one word either way and stated that the story was a fake clear through. The matter will be discussed at the next meeting of the commissioners.

Chairman Baird, of the Sewers Committee, consulted City Engineer Barrow yesterday afternoon as to the advisability of continuing the work of the new annex sewer so as to provide work for a number of the unemployed. Mr. Barrow thinks that if the weather continues fine this might be arranged.

Mayor Stewart now has it figured out that the Cataract Power Co.'s offer regarding power for the pumps figures out at \$43,800. He arrives at this conclusion because, he says, the Cataract people did not want to take off the twenty per cent. for the peak load, which the Hydro offer allows.

Mayor Stewart announced to-day that after the nominations on Monday a number of meetings in the interest of the power by-law would be arranged. His idea is to have one in the north end, one in the west end, one in the east end and one at Association Hall.

Monday is nomination day and there is a good deal of contest in the municipal circles as to the number of candidates to be nominated, and who the new aspirants will be. Mayor Stewart says it looks to him like a straight party fight. There is an impression that at least thirteen members of this year's Council will be returned.

TRADE MARK.

Suit Against the T. Eaton Company of Toronto.

Toronto, Dec. 27.—The Dominion Suspender Company, of Niagara Falls, Ontario, has issued a writ against the T. Eaton Company, of Toronto, for damages for the alleged wrongful using of the trade mark of the company for selling goods of the plaintiffs' manufacture, when in reality they were not made by the plaintiffs, and for an inquiry as to profits.

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WANTED-A LAUNDRESS. APPLY TO the City Hospital.

WANTED-GIRL AND WOMAN TO wash dishes. Apply Waldorf Hotel.

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LOST AND FOUND FOUND-PAIR OF CHILD'S NEW STOCKINGS. 12 Kelly street.

LOST-ON ROBINSON STREET, SOUTH side, between Park and James, about 100 yds. Christmas Day, a lady's sable fur. Reward at Times office.

LOST-MALACCA WALKING STICK, with an ivory handle and embossed silver band with initials H. C. Finder reward on losing same at Times office.

LOST-WEDDING RING ON WALNUT, King street. Reward at Times office.

LOST-ON DEC. 22, A SMALL BUNCH of keys, on West street, between York and Cannon. Reward at 111 Cannon street west.

LOST-AT SMITHVILLE, A HAND RATCHET, containing two purses. Liberal reward at R. Murgatroyd, Smithville.

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FROM A SCIENTIST'S NOTEBOOK. The right ear is generally larger than the left. There are nearly 26,000,000 widows in India. In three fables out of five, the eyes are out of alignment. France now realizes \$80,000,000 from her tobacco crop. The annual profits of Monte Carlo amount to \$2,000,000. There is a uniform in the United States 20 per cent of the men are clean shaven. The bone frame of the average whale weighs about 45 tons. The rice paper upon which the Chinese do such charming drawing is a thin sheet of the pith of a tree. The largest toothpaste factory is in Paris. It was originally started as a manufactory of quill pens. A chain, two and a half miles long and weighing 25 tons, was recently made in England for use in a colliery. At one thousand fathoms below the surface of the ocean there is a uniform temperature just above freezing point. The foundation of the strong-room of the Bank of England is 66 feet below the level of the street. Four and a half is the average size of the English family. Australia is twenty-six times larger than the British Isles. The human eyes are rarely of equal power in the same person. One person in a thousand reaches the age of one hundred years. Spain is spending \$40,000,000 on new battleships and dockyard construction. In a favorable case a fox can scent a man at a distance of one-quarter of a mile. According to the observations of a New York barber, 56 per cent of the adult male population wear beards. The cat's dislike for water is explained by the fact that its fur is devoid of oil and when wet it does not dry quickly. The largest clock in the world is at St. Rombold's Cathedral, Mechlin, Belgium, if the size of the dial is the criterion. The first post office scheme was a private enterprise and was inaugurated about 1464. The world's sheep shearing record is 2394 animals in nine hours; it was made in Australia. The foreign trade of Japan in 1868 amounted to \$160,000,000, and in 1906 to \$4,215,300,000. It is stated that the nourishment in three baked bananas is equal to about 26 pounds of bread. A complete tour through all the rooms or apartments of the Royal Palace, near Madrid, involves a 120-mile trip, covering six days' time. A Swiss engineer has perfected a new fire escape. It consists of a series of folding iron ladders attached to the window frames. Each ladder reaches from one window to the next one below it. By turning a crank on any floor all the frames beneath are unfolded in less than a minute, and form a continuous means of descending to the ground. "Do you consider that you are in the best society?" asked the man. "Yes," replied the egotist, "when I am alone."

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MARKETS AND FINANCE

Toronto Farmers' Market. The receipts of grain to-day were small, being confined to one load of barley, which sold at 75c per bushel. Hay in moderate supply, there being sales of 20 loads at \$19 to \$21 a ton for timothy and of \$16 to \$17 for clover. Straw is nominal at \$16 to \$17 a ton.

Dressed hogs continue firm at \$7.75 to \$8 for light and at \$7.50 for heavy. Wheat, white, bush... \$0.97 \$0.00 Do, red, bush... 0.97 0.00 Do, spring, bush... 0.90 0.95 Do, goose, bush... 0.87 0.00 Oats, bush... 0.51 0.00 Barley, bush... 0.75 0.00 Rye, bush... 0.83 0.00 Peas, bush... 0.86 0.00 Hay, timothy, ton... 19.00 21.00 Do, clover, ton... 16.00 18.00 Straw, per ton... 17.00 0.30 Apples, per bush... 2.00 3.50 Seeds, Alsike, No. 1, bu... 7.50 8.00 Do, No. 2... 6.75 7.25 Do, red clover... 9.00 9.50 Dressed hogs... 7.50 0.00 Eggs new laid, dozen... 0.45 0.50 Butter, storage... 0.25 0.30 Do, creamery... 0.26 0.30 Do, creamery... 0.30 0.32 Geese, dressed, lb... 0.09 0.10 Chickens, per lb... 0.08 0.10 Ducks, dressed, lb... 0.08 0.11 Turkeys, per lb... 0.14 0.16 Do, medium, carcass... 2.00 3.50 Potatoes, per bag... 0.90 1.00 Cabbage, per dozen... 0.40 0.50 Onions, per bag... 1.00 1.25 Beef, hindquarters... 7.00 8.00 Do, forequarters... 4.00 5.00 Do, choice, carcass... 6.75 7.25 Do, medium, carcass... 5.50 6.00 Mutton, per cwt... 8.00 9.00 Veal, prime, per cwt... 7.50 10.00 Lamb, per cwt... 8.50 9.50

British Cattle Markets. London, London cables are firmer at 11c to 12 1/2c per lb, dressed weight; refrigerator beef is quoted at 9 1/2c per pound. Toronto Live Stock. Receipts of live stock at the City Market were light, only one carload of 32 butcher cows, which were bought by Geo. Rowntree, at \$2.40 per cwt. for the Harris Abattoir Company. Winnipeg Wheat Market. Following are the closing quotations on Winnipeg grain futures to-day: Wheat-Dec. \$1.05 3/4 bid, May \$1.15 bid. Oats-Dec. 44 1/4 bid, May 51 1/2 bid. Financial Notes. (Yesterday's N. Y. Herald.) Electrical development is only in its infancy. General Electric stock, a favorite security among men who look to the future, at 109, paying 8 per cent, returns 7.33 per cent on the investment. General Electric stock, paying 8 per cent, was popular with investors a year ago. It then sold at 184, at which it yielded 4.34 per cent. American Locomotive preferred was in demand by investors a year ago at 120 1/4, when it returned 5.82 per cent on the purchase price. American railways cannot survive without equipment to care for their tremendous volume of traffic. Investors realized this. American Locomotive preferred, a 7 per cent stock, at 87 returns 8.04 per cent on the investment. New York Central and Hudson River 4 per cent, debenture bonds sold a year ago at 99 and yielded about a 4.07 per cent income. New York Central and Hudson River 4 per cent, debenture bonds at 90 3/4 yield about 4.00 per cent income. Baltimore and Ohio 4 per cent, bonds, maturing in 1948, at 96 return 4.20 per cent, annually to a conservative investor. Baltimore and Ohio 4 per cent, bonds sold last year at 104 1/2, at which they yielded about 3.78 per cent, to investors. At the latest price of 92 for Central Pacific first mortgage bonds the income yielded is about 4.42 per cent. Central Pacific first mortgage 4 per cent, bonds sold a year ago at par and yielded, of course, a 4 per cent, income producer.

MINING SUIT. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 27.-The Niessing Mining Company has issued writs against A. J. Carswell and David Connolly, of Cobalt, to recover possession of mining locations R. L. 401 and 400.

Stocks and Bonds. New York, Dec. 27, noon. (Received by A. E. Carpenter from Ennis & Stoppani.) The market during the morning developed important strength under resumption of purchases by representatives of influential interests. This buying was noticeable in particular in N. P. and Pennsylvania, which has been taken down since recently, and in Reading, Union Pacific and Sugar. Some special offerings of Atchafalca and comotive affected these issues. Boston and the other bear interests appear to be covering shorts, being disappointed over the absence of heavy year-end liquidation. It is authoritatively denied that Union Pacific has sold any holdings of N. Y. C. stock. In 1895 and 1896 N. Y. C. was quoted at about the present range, being then a 4 per cent stock, and since that time it has extended its lines from Buffalo to Chicago; has nearly doubled its capital; much more than doubled gross earnings, and earnings upon its holding stock, 6 per cent, against 4 per cent, at that time. The Bank of England statement shows reserves considerably larger than last year at this time, and there are definite indications of easier money abroad. The measures which have been taken to relieve the financial situation here have been so ample that with the return of hoarded funds and decreased trade activity, there is every suggestion of an over supply of funds, with a consequent increase in local bank reserves during the next few months. Window dressing operations to be effective must be continued to next Tuesday. A favorable bank statement is anticipated. The amount of liquidation apparently in store prior to Jan. 1 is surprisingly limited. Ennis & Stoppani. The following quotations are reported by A. E. Carpenter, Stock Broker, 102 King street east: Open 1.15 p. m. A. T. & S. F. ... 70 70 Brooklyn Rapid Transit ... 80 81 1/2 Chic. Mil. & St. P. ... 101 1/2 102 3/4 Erie, 1st pref. ... 107 108 1/2 Erie, 2nd pref. ... 33 1/2 33 3/4 Illinois Central ... 122 122 1/2 Louisville & Nashville ... 90 1/2 91 Missouri Pacific ... 55 1/2 55 3/4 Missouri & T. E. pref. ... 45 46 New York Central ... 80 1/2 80 3/4 Out. & West. ... 32 1/2 32 3/4 Penna. ... 108 1/2 108 3/4 Reading ... 92 1/2 92 3/4 Southern Railway ... 72 1/2 72 3/4 Southern Railway pref. ... 123 1/2 123 3/4 Twin City ... 84 84 Union Pacific ... 116 115 1/2 Waush. ... 10 10 1/2 American Car & Foundry ... 20 1/2 20 3/4 American Cotton Oil ... 35 1/2 35 3/4 American Locomotive ... 97 98 1/2 American Sugar ... 137 137 1/2 Amalgamated Copper ... 47 1/2 47 Distillers' Securities ... 28 28 Inf. Paper ... 84 84 Pressed Steel Corp. ... 12 1/2 12 1/2 Rep. Iron & Steel ... 134 134 Baf. ... 63 1/2 63 1/2 Ry. Steel Spring ... 26 26 Sloss-Sheffield S. & I. ... 33 1/2 33 1/2 United States Steel ... 25 1/2 25 3/4 United States Steel pref. ... 80 1/2 80 3/4 Sales to amount, 249,300. Pittsburgh, Dec. 27.-Oil opened \$1.78. New York, Dec. 27.-Cotton futures opened steady. Dec. \$19.87; Jan. \$19.22; Feb. \$19.34 bid; March 19.45; April \$19.49 bid; May \$19.54; June \$19.51; August, \$19.34-35; Oct. offered 19.95. London, Dec. 27.-The rate of discount of the Bank of England remained unchanged today at 7%. Paris, Dec. 27.-The steamer Columbia, via Hamburg for N. Y., was 150 miles east at 10.30 p. m., 26th. She will probably dock about 8 a. m. Monday. Quebec, Dec. 26.-The Cunard ship steamer Lusitania, from N. Y., passed here 11 p. m. Owing to the heavy weather neither passengers nor mail were landed. They were carried on to Liverpool. Montreal, Dec. 27.-The steamer Michigan docked and landed passengers at West St. John, N. B. at 5 o'clock this morning.

THE BLACK CAT. A Weird Tale of Forfarshire in N. Y. Scottish American. According to tradition, the parish of Letnot, a remote pastoral glen near the Grampians, in Forfarshire, was at one time a favorite haunt of the Evil One, and several persons are credited with having the company of so undesirable a visitor thrust upon them. One of the farmers in the glen had long been at enmity with a neighbor, who had in some way offended him, and so bitter did the feud between them become that the farmer resolved to take the first opportunity of having revenge on the man who had incurred his displeasure. Learning that his neighbor would be returning home at a late hour on a certain evening he determined to waylay him. The farmer's wife, judging from the preparations being made by her husband, rightly assumed that mischief was brewing, and did her utmost to persuade him to remain at home. Her entreaties were unheeded; and as her husband was leaving the house his wife asked who was to be her companion during his absence. The infuriated husband angrily answered, as he swung the door behind him, "The devil, if he likes."

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BANDMASTERS.

Annual Meeting of the Ontario Association Held Here. The Ontario Bandmasters' Association is holding its annual meeting in this city this afternoon and evening, in the band room of the Drill Hall. The Association is composed of bandmasters throughout the province, and they meet for the purpose of exchanging ideas and discussing matters of general interest. This afternoon the election of officers will take place. Other important matters will be taken up after the election. The present officers of the Association are: Geo. W. Robinson, President. William Peel, Vice-President. John Slater, Secretary. John Waldron, Treasurer.

BOB TO RESCUE.

Fitzsimmons Picks Up Drunken Man on James Street. Lanky Bob Fitzsimmons, the ex-prize fighter, who is appearing at a local theatre this week, appeared in a new role on James street this afternoon. He was walking with his wife when he saw a man who had been overcome by Christmas cheer lying on the sidewalk. Bob left his wife and went to the man's aid, picking him up as gently as he would a little child. He stood him on his feet, and started him off. "You shouldn't drink to excess," Ruby Robert is reported to have said to him. The infuriated husband angrily answered, as he swung the door behind him, "The devil, if he likes."

Cut Down Prices in Womens' Coats on Saturday.

The women's coats are all lengths and up-to-date styles. We sold all of our 3/4 and short coats last season and have none left over as bargains. Best materials, perfect fitting, loose back, in sizes 32 to 48 bust. Colors are greens, blues, browns, dark colors; size 32 to 40. Tight-fitting, black, 32 to 42 bust. Special offerings from these on Saturday, \$15, \$18 and \$20 value; your choice for \$10. Fur-lined coats and capes, were from \$20 to \$40, for \$10. A nice selection of them on view in our window to-night. If you want a coat don't miss them. Many of our customers have told us the materials in our coats keep good too long. We have always been as particular in quality of materials as in style. Unless both are right up to our standard of excellence we have no place in our stock. Misses' coats, \$6 to \$9, for \$4.95. Children's coats, \$5.50 to \$5, clearing at \$1.95, \$2.75 and \$3.50. Neck furs at a full third less than regular value. Blouses in silk and cashmere at less than wholesale. A large summer line of black taffeta and satin undershirts at wholesale prices. -James Shea.

QUEBEC CENTENARY.

Quebec, Dec. 27.-At a meeting last evening of the executive committee appointed in connection with the first Centenary of the foundation of Quebec, the chairman stated that his excellency, the governor-general had requested Lieut.-Gov. Jette to appoint a committee of ten Quebecers who would attend specially to this National park scheme.

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FRIDAY, DEC. 27, 1907.

EXECUTION OF SUNFIELD.

As day dawned this morning Jacob Sunfield's soul was ushered into the presence of its Maker, he having paid the penalty exacted by his fellow-men for the crime of taking the life of a fellow-man. That his death was as expeditious and painless as it could be made, and that he had the consolation of religion in his dying hours, afford some satisfaction to his friends and to the community. The condemned man left a written statement to the effect that he was innocent of the crime, that he had not had a fair trial, and that he was convicted on the evidence of one man. We would fain hope that the statement was true, even though it should mean that an innocent man had been hanged. But the circumstances of the tragedy were such that humanly speaking there was little or no doubt as to who was the perpetrator of the crime. As to the statement that he was convicted on the evidence of one man, it may be mentioned that the Appeal Judges in Toronto declared that even though young Walsh's evidence had been left out, there was no reason to doubt the condemned man's guilt. The remainder of his statement bore evidence that the ministrations of his spiritual adviser had not been in vain, and that he had hopes of that mercy from the Infinite One which law had denied him there. His demeanor while on the fatal scaffold showed that he had nerved himself well for the awful ordeal. May it be a long time before Hamilton witnesses such another tragedy as the murder of Andrew Radzyk or the hanging of a criminal.

IF THE BY-LAWS CARRY.

Mayor Stewart at Friday night's meeting pronounced in favor of carrying the by-laws, so that the city would have a club to hold over the head of the Cataract Power Company and compel it to give the city cheap power. Since then Col. Gibson has expressed the opinion that if the by-laws carry the money will be spent. There will be no club for the Cataract Power Company. The meaning of this, we take it, that the temptation to handle the \$300,000 or so will be so great that the aldermen will not be able to resist it, and the Colonel is not alone in his opinion. Just as soon as the citizens carry the by-laws, if they are to be carried, the control of the money passes from their hands, and he bargain good or bad, it will rest entirely with the City Council whether it closes with the Hydro-electric power offer or not. Let us see what this means. The citizens are asked to pass these by-laws giving the Council power to enter into a contract with the Hydro power people, and expend all that money, while they are almost entirely ignorant of what that contract will be. It is impossible for them to say at this stage that such a contract will be in the interests of the city. Had they definite offers instead of guess work estimates to deal with it would be different. The people would have some idea of what was required of them. As it is they are asked to pass by-laws leaving the disposal of this large amount of money to the City Council without knowing what they are to get in return. Now can the citizens afford to go it blindly in this matter—to trust the aldermen? Many people think not. No one can tell who will compose next year's Council. There may be men in it we would not trust alone with a ten dollar bill. What a God-send this \$300,000 would be to our conservative friends did the next year's Council happen to be under "Tory control." What opportunities for graft! How much of this large sum of money would be used for "oil for the machine"? How would the many contracts be disposed of? Would the Executive "insist" that none but Tories get them, as it would that none but Tories should get the appointments? Should the citizens defeat the \$275,000 by-law, as we believe they will, the city will be no worse off than it is at present. It can afford to wait. Our manufacturers are not complaining. The only complaint they make is that by voting for the by-law we would be helping other competitive centres to the more easily rival Hamilton in manufactures. If the Government scheme is a success, Hamilton can take advantage of it at any time. If it should fail, Hamilton will not lose anything by staying out of it.

\$2 A DAY.

The Canadian Manufacturers' Association repudiates all blame for overstocking the Canadian market with skilled labor, while at the same time it admits establishing a bureau in England for the purpose of bringing out such after the Liberal Government refused to carry out its request to import such people. But that is not the only thing it is busy with. At a recent meeting of the Montreal City Council, the following letter was read from the association, protesting against the increase of the wages of corporation employees to \$1.50 per day of nine hours or \$2 per day at ten hours: This increase in the wage of unskilled labor is unequalled for, and works out as a discouragement to those workmen seeking to better their positions by the acquirement of special technical training. The industrial interests of Canada are doing what they can to encourage skilled mechanics amongst our Canadian people, and this action of the City Council only tends to discourage men from learning a trade. We desire to have our Canadian factories supplied by Canadian workmen, and not be obliged to go abroad for skilled labor, which is the case if we cannot find men at home. We would also point out that the action of

the City Council is one calculated to deter new industries from locating in Montreal, for if the laborer on the street is paid higher wages here than elsewhere, Montreal will come to be looked upon with disfavor as a business or manufacturing centre on account of the higher wage scale, established by the City Council. Further, the action of the City Council at this juncture is in direct opposition to the general trend of business conditions, which are requiring a reduction of wages or the laying off of both skilled and unskilled labor. Considering the cost of everything the laborer has to buy, we do not think that \$2 a day is too much of a salary, especially if there be—as there no doubt is—broken time which cannot be made up. Possibly the Manufacturers' Association could get over the difficulty were it to raise the wages of the skilled laborers, so that \$2 a day would be no attraction to them. The style of living which the workman used to put up with has changed within the last ten or a dozen years, and changed for the better, and there is no good reason why they should be forced back to the old way. If Canadian wages were on a par with the wages paid in the United States there would be no scarcity of skilled labor in Canada. Let the manufacturers try the United States scale of pay for a while and see how it works.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Now is the season to plant the aldermanic ads. Christmas comes but once a year, and that is often enough. Some good scrutineers are wanted for the money by-laws. Only four more days to 1908. Get your resolutions ready. Don't believe all you hear about the Ottawa electric plant. Santa Claus was a visitor in our midst this week. Of course, the Coal Oil Inlet is not an issue in the coming civic elections. But the ward system is. Vote for it. There are only a few of us who can vote on the money by-laws, and there are fewer still who will vote for them. The great majority of the decent Hamilton Tories are opposed to the party interfering in the municipal elections. The Radial road is of great advantage to Hamilton. Is the Board of Trade to allow the bill to be opposed by the city without making protest? An anti-union bill is to be introduced into the Imperial Parliament next session, Mr. Herbert Samuel, M. P., Under Secretary for the Home Department, stated at a public gathering recently that so strongly was the feeling throughout the country on cigarette smoking that in the next session of Parliament a bill would be introduced to suppress—so far as it could be done by Act of Parliament—cigarette smoking among boys altogether. These are encouraging words for the W. C. T. U. ladies. Should such a bill pass, the British Parliament could count with all the more confidence make another appeal to Sir Wilfrid.

DEATH CAME TO THE FEAST.

Quarrel Over Christmas Dinner Leads to Fatal Shooting. Pottsville, Pa., Dec. 27.—Stanislaus Coteash, a boarding-house keeper, was shot and killed here on Christmas Day by Frank Cashmere, following a trivial quarrel at the dinner table. Cashmere, who was a boarder, complained because Coteash had not provided a turkey for the Christmas dinner. Coteash, according to a witness, arose from the table in a rage, rushed to the side of the room and seized a shot-gun, with which he shot at Cashmere. The charge of shot went wide and Cashmere fled up the stairs, where he got his own gun. As Coteash was mounting the stairs, Cashmere shot him dead.

BODY BURNED AFTER DEATH.

Authorities Hold Husband of Woman Found Dead Near Macon. Macon, Ga., Dec. 27.—Mrs. John Watts was found dead on the banks of the Ocmulgee River to-day. Her body was badly burned. She was the wife of John Watts, formerly impounding officer of Macon. The last seen of her alive was when she left the house of a friend yesterday afternoon. It is reported that there was trouble between Watts and his wife about another man. Watts was arrested. The coroner's jury decided that the body had been burned after the woman's death, and held Watts as an accessory to homicide.

DIES BEING SANTA CLAUS.

Trying to Hide Presents, Man Falls Down Stairs and Breaks Neck. Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 27.—Jackson Stille, fifty years old, a well-known resident of West Elizabeth, near here, while stealthily trying to escape the eyes of the younger members of the family and hide Christmas presents, fell down a flight of stairs last night and broke his neck.

Father is Killed by His Son.

Cordele, Ga., Dec. 27.—Duncan Sheffield, a very prosperous farmer, living at Winona, near here, was killed by his son last night. It is said Sheffield and his son became involved in a quarrel about a horse and buggy. The son has not been arrested.

HUCKLE ON STUMP.

Spoke Against Local Option at Clarkson's Last Night. Detective William Huckle, of this city, went to Clarkson's last night to take part in the local option campaign, in opposition to the by-law. The meeting was held under the auspices of the promoters of the by-law, who, however, allowed the opposition, as voiced by Mr. Huckle, to speak. Huckle said that his experience satisfied him that local option and prohibition alike were a failure, as he believed, they encouraged "blind pigs," drinking in excess on the sly and immorality. Rev. Mr. Cockburn propounded some questions which Mr. Huckle answered and then asked others, a lively time resulting. Mr. Cockburn expressed a desire for another meeting and Huckle issued a challenge to meet him at Port Credit.

STRIKE FOR MORE COURTESY.

Women Not Out for Higher Wages, But Better Treatment by Foreman. Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 27.—Tanya Leves, twenty-nine years old, is one of the most picturesque figures in the local labor circuit and as leader of the six weeks' strike of one hundred and fifty girls at the Biberan Brothers' wrapper factory she has become a potent factor. Miss Leves was a nurse in Russia, but fled to this country when her brother was killed in a massacre at Odessa. "The strike," she said to-day, "is the first that women have ever undertaken here. It is not a strike for higher wages, but for more courteous treatment at the hands of the foreman."

SPREES END IN MURDERS.

Two Men, on Way Home From Party, Attacked and Killed. Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Dec. 26.—Following Christmas celebrations in this city two men were murdered and one fatally wounded early this morning. Frank Smith and Adam Lashofsky, while going home from a Christmas party were attacked by five men. Smith was stabbed three times in the heart and killed instantly, and Lashofsky was stabbed nine times in the back and chest and is dying. About the same hour Frank Morrow and his brother-in-law, John Gallop, while going home after a celebration quarrelled and fought. Morrow being stabbed to death. Gallop was arrested and the police also have five men suspected of Smith's murder.

TWO ACCIDENTS.

Middlesex Man Injured by Falling Vat—Impaled on Hook. London, Ont., Dec. 26.—William McAdam, a farm laborer on the Fourth Concession of London Township, had a narrow escape from death by the falling of a huge syrup vat which had been placed on an insecure platform. His right leg was broken and he sustained internal injuries. Mr. Thomson Brooks, of McFarlane Side Road, was the victim of a peculiar accident yesterday. He was at work in the top of his barn and in descending, jumped, his arm catching on a sharp hook, which held him suspended by the tendon of his arm until his weight bent the hook and released him.

STOVE POLISH EXPLODED.

Picton Woman Seriously Burned and May Die. Picton, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Seymour Monek, while polishing her stove, applied a mixture of kerosene and turpentine, and an explosion immediately followed. She was terribly burned about the body and is in a critical condition.

Kaid Maclean's father, who is 95 years of age, resides at Kew. The venerable gentleman is greatly concerned in regard to the uncertainty of his son's condition and prospects in Morocco.

AWFUL HUROR WAS EATING AWAY FACES AND EARS—BODY MASS OF SORES—THREE DOCTORS TRIED TO HELP LITTLE SUFFERER BUT SHE GREW WORSE—AFTER SPENDING MANY DOLLARS ON DOCTORS AND MEDICINE

CUTICURA CURES IN TWO WEEKS AT COST OF 75c. "I feel it my duty to parents of other poor suffering babies to tell you what Cuticura has done for my little daughter. She broke out all over her body with a hummocky rash, which we used everything recommended, but without results. I called in three doctors, they all claimed they could help her, but they continued to recommend more medicine. Her body was a mass of sores, and her little face was being eaten away. Her ears looked as if they would drop off. Neighbors advised me to get Cuticura Soap and Ointment, and before I had used half of the cake of Cuticura Soap and Ointment, the sores had all healed, and my little one's face and body were as clear as a new-born babe. I would not be without it again if it cost five dollars, instead of seventy-five cents, which is all it cost us to cure our baby, after spending many dollars on doctors and medicines without any benefit whatever. Mrs. George J. Steese, 701 Colburn St., Akron, Ohio, Aug. 30, 1905."

ITCHING TORTURES Speedily Cured by Cuticura

A warm bath with Cuticura Soap and a single application of Cuticura Ointment, the great Skin Cure, will afford immediate relief, permit rest and sleep, and point to a speedy cure of the most distressing forms of torturing, hummocky, scabby, itching, burning, itching, and irritations of infants, children, and adults when all other remedies and even physicians fail. Consult your Druggist for treatment for Every Hummock of Itchiness, and Acute and Chronic Eruptions of the Skin, and Cuticura Ointment to Heal the Skin, and Cuticura Soap to Purify the Blood. Sold throughout the world. Foster Drug & Chemical Corp., Sole Importers, 25 West 4th St., New York, N. Y.

A Gigantic Sale On SATURDAY The balance of our Christmas Goods and many other lines of a seasonable character, suitable for New Year's Gifts, will make a combination that we intend to place on sale Saturday at prices interestingly low enough to make selling exceedingly active all day. It will be well worth your time to study every item in these columns as it means a substantial saving to you.

Extra Special \$30 Fabric Coats \$12.50 12 only Fabric Fur Coats, 3/4 length, loose and semi-fitting, lined throughout, value \$30.00, Saturday special \$12.50

Gloves and Hosiery Department \$2.50 Gloves \$1.49 12-button length Kid Gloves, all odd sizes, in black, tans, modes and greys, regular price \$2.50, to clear on Saturday for \$1.49 pair

Children's Gloves 25c for 15c A number of pairs of Gloves and Mitts, in children's sizes, regular 25c will be sold on Saturday for 15c pair

Saturday Specials in Silk Department \$3.75 Waist Lengths \$2.63 Waist lengths, containing 5 yards, of beautiful quality Tartan Silks, regular price \$3.75, to be cleared on Saturday at per length \$2.63

Other Silk Lengths Of various qualities and colors, also to be sold on Saturday at clearing prices. 75c Corduroy Velvet 50c A number of good shades of Corduroy Velvet in a quality that is value at 75c, now selling for only 50c yard

Our Big Linen Dept. Will offer values that will be worth coming a long way for; for instance: Ready-Made Pillow Slips 10c Each Some 25 dozen White Cotton Pillow Slips, 40 to 44 inches, will be placed on sale at 8.30 Saturday morning for only 10c each

1.25 Bedspreads 89c A quantity double bed size, colored, specials that are value at \$1.25, will be sold on Saturday for only 89c

Turkish Towels 30c for 20c Extra fine quality Turkish Towels, size 54x24, value at 30c, Saturday for 20c each

Housefurnishing Dept. 8.30 to 10.30 Specials Ends of Table Oilcloth, 19c yard

Beautiful Furs at Exactly Half the Regular Prices The opportunity you have been looking for in Furs has arrived. So do not overlook it. Stone Marten Ruffs and Stoles at Half Price Natural Stone Marten Ruffs and Stoles, trimmed with tails, regular value from \$16.50 up to \$48.50, on sale Saturday for exactly half price, in each instance.

\$40 Astrachan Coats \$20 Two only beautiful Marmot Fur good value at \$40, on sale Saturday \$20

\$50 Fur Coats \$25 Two only beautiful Marmot Fur good value at \$50, on sale Saturday \$25

Big Sale of Dress Goods on Saturday Tweeds Worth to \$1 for 49c 44 to 54 inch Tweeds in stripe and check patterns, also a number of pieces of plain materials in light and dark shades, will be sold on Saturday for only 49c yard (value to \$1.00)

Infants' Department Ready-to-Wear Dept. \$6 Silk Waists \$2.99 Ladies' Taffeta and China Silk Shirt Waists, nicely trimmed with tucks and Val, laeas, colors, cream, cardinal and green, value \$6.00, Saturday, \$2.99

Saturday Sale in Our Great Basement In order that those whom Santa Claus has overlooked may have an opportunity to secure something in the gift line, we will reduce a number of lines of Toys and China on Saturday.

CHINA DEPARTMENT \$7.50 Dinner Sets \$5 Three only 97-Piece English Semi-Porcelain Dinner Sets, in neat floral decorations, a special line at \$7.50, will be reduced on Saturday to \$5.00

Sale of Toys Box Games, such as Frog, Little Soldier, Curly Locks, Mistress Mary, Mother Hubbard, Fish Pond, etc., marked regular 15c and 25c, on sale for 10c

Oranges 5c Dozen 100 dozen Valencia Oranges will be sold at 8.30 sharp on Saturday morning for 5c dozen

THE T. H. PRATT CO. LIMITED

DECLARED HIS INNOCENCE.

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The gallows comprised half a dozen doctors, many policemen and half a dozen men summoned to act on the jury. Chief of Police Smith was present.

Sunfield was led from his cell to the east side of the jail. The position of the scaffold at the extreme north end of the yard made it necessary for him to walk the full length of the yard. It was a test of nerve and the condemned man did not fail.

A suppressed hush fell over the party of spectators as Sunfield entered the yard. He had grown a heavy beard since the death sentence was passed on him, and looked an entirely different man from when he appeared in court.

In a dark suit, wore a low collar, spottedly clean and a black tie. In the buttonhole of his coat he wore a red rose. With his spiritual adviser on his right side and Radcliffe on his left, Sunfield walked the full length of the jail yard with a firm step and not the slightest visible sign of weakness.

He was followed by Governor Ogilvie and some of the officers. Radcliffe walked in first. A man who it was stated was to have done the job if Radcliffe had not been available, was one of the party. As Sunfield stepped inside the door of the building in which the gallows is enclosed he stopped for an instant, probably under the impression that he was to enter the door leading to the pit beneath.

At the foot of the scaffold steps a turkey reached out to shake hands with him. Sunfield with the slightest show of a smile motioned with his head that his hands were pinioned. The turkey reached behind the prisoner's back and clasped his hand.

"Good-bye, sir," exclaimed the condemned man fervently as he mounted the stairs with a firm step, accompanied by Dean Mahoney. As soon as he had mounted the platform, he said in a firm voice:

"Good-bye, gentlemen, I have been warned to say nothing to you. He was standing on the trap directly beneath the neatly arranged noose. The work of pinioning his legs and adjusting the black cap, which rested on the scuffling above his head took less than a minute.

was to be done. It is a science and a study," he observed, philosophically. The last question which he officiated was that of the Chinese in the west. "He did not want to go," said Radcliffe, who explained that there was a lot of them like that, but it was useless.

Talking about the Birchall case, he said the condemned man had uttered a few words just before the drop fell. "What he said is known only to me and his Maker," said the hangman. Radcliffe had his breakfast at the jail. While talking he drank black coffee from a big tin cup, the same as the prisoners at the jail use.

Radcliffe is said to have originally been expected to enter the church. He then became a sailor and later entered the army, seeing service in India and China and visiting Japan, where he acquired the art of jiu jitsu.

Reason for Signed Statement. Rev. Dean Mahoney handed Sunfield's dying statement to the newspaper men shortly before Sunfield was marched to the gallows. He explained that the regulations did not permit the condemned man to make a statement on the scaffold.

Mentally Below Average. Sunfield's pulse beat strongly for eight minutes after the drop, and then gradually weakened until it stopped four minutes later. Dr. Roberts, who entered the enclosure immediately, said death was instantaneous and that the body did not move once. Experts who examined the brain declared that Sunfield, mentally, was much below the average.

Story of the Crime. The crime for which Sunfield paid the extreme penalty of the law this morning was committed on Friday afternoon, July 12 of this year, and was a most cold-blooded murder undoubtedly committed without provocation. Shortly after 3 o'clock on the afternoon of the tragedy Mrs. Radzyk, with blood oozing from a wound in her breast and screaming with terror, ran to the International Harvester works and told men working there that her husband had shot her and her husband. Within half an hour the murderer was under arrest.

Sunfield boarded at the Radzyk home and worked at the International Harvester works. He had known the Radzyks in Chicago, and followed them to Hamilton shortly after they moved here. The evidence at the inquest and trial showed that the murdered man and Sunfield quarrelled, frequently, sometimes over the woman, and that Radzyk had ordered his slave on more than one occasion to leave his house. Witnesses swore that Sunfield refused to do this, and that he would go, but would kill Radzyk before he left.

His Arrest. Sunfield after firing the shots walked across the road to his sister's home, remained outside a minute, and then went back to the scene of the tragedy. Within ten feet of his victim he fell, with his life blood slowly ebbing away. The murderer sat at a table munching a pie. The police found him there with his head resting peacefully on his arms. Eddie Goodall and George Brandow, Harvester workmen, who rushed to the scene after hearing Mrs. Radzyk's story stood guard.

"I am your man; I am under arrest," he exclaimed without any show of excitement. Although submitting quietly to arrest, Sergt. Walsh and the officers who took him in custody declared he made a move to reach for his revolver, when they grabbed his hands. Sunfield rode as far as the City Hospital in the patrol with his dying victim at his feet without any show of emotion. Radzyk died on the operating table at the City Hospital the evening of the tragedy.

Sunfield exhibited the same supreme indifference to his fate being searched. He coolly asked the sergeant how much money they had taken out of his pockets. The dead man's purse was found in his possession. That night he boasted to the officers that if he had a bottle of carbolic acid or a pop he would come to the time he was hanged, "so help me God, I am innocent," he exclaimed with fervor.

SHEA'S SATURDAY, DEC. 28th, 1907

New Year's Gifts

Can Be Bought On SATURDAY Very Reasonably

No doubt you will find someone you have missed on your Christmas list, everybody does. The practical kind of a gift can be found here at less than you anticipated by a half. Come here Saturday, it will pay you.

Sweeping Reductions in Women's Coats

The best showing of Coats we have made this season. Majority of them not in the store 2 weeks, some less than that. New and stylish garments bought from manufacturers that were "loaded up" and passed on to you at about half you would have had to pay a month ago. No "left overs" or last season's coats in stock here. Others seem to have plenty of them.

- Women's Mantles at \$15. Navy, green, brown, black cloth Coats and some beautiful plaid tweeds; new sleeves with cuff, velvet trimmed; all sizes; Coats that are good value at \$17.50 and \$22.90, all go on sale Saturday for each \$10.00. Women's Mantles at \$7.50. Made of tweeds and plain cloths, either loose or fitted backs, lined, self strapped and lined, button trimmed; good \$12 and \$15 value, on sale Saturday for each \$7.50. Women's Suits \$15, Were \$25. Made of most excellent plain cloths in black and colors; skirts trimmed with folds and pleated; coats long, cutaway, close fitting styles; good \$25.00 value, on sale for each \$15.00. Women's Rain Coats, Samples. About 50 sample Rain Coats, in all the newest styles; all most beautifully made, (better than regular stock coats); on sale at a half to a third less than regular. \$5.95, \$7.50 and \$10.00. Infants' White Fur Coats. Splendidly made garments, warmly lined, for the little tots; all on sale at a third to a half less than regular. \$2.95, \$3.50 and \$4.50.

- Gloves for Misses and Women. Long Black Kid Gloves, 14 button length; regular \$2.75, on sale for \$2.25. Misses' Long Woollen Gloves and Mitts, with tulle and sash to match; regular \$1.50, Saturday for \$1.19. Women's and Children's Ringwood Gloves, in all wanted colors and sizes, \$19, 25, 35 and 50c. Children's Hose 25c. Children's all-wool Cashmere Hose, 2-1 and 1-1 rib; extra spliced heels, toes and soles; regular 35c value, on sale for per pair 25c. Boys' School Hose. Boys' Heavy Black Worsted Hose, double knees and soles, the best value in Canada, at per pair 35c and 50c. Big Bargains in Neckwear. Beautiful Stock Collars, made of silk, lace and chiffon; regular \$1 value, on sale for each 50c. Stock Collars, worth \$1.25, for 75c. Stock Collars, worth 50c, for 25c. Big Bargains in Belts. Tan and Colored Leather Belts, in new crush shapes; worth 90c and 75c, for 50c. Leather Belts in all colors and a variety of shapes, worth 60c and 50c, for 39c. Leather Belts, worth 50c, for 25c. Handsome Dresden Silk Belts, worth \$1.50 and \$2, for \$1.00. Comforters. Splendid Bed Comforters, full 72x72 size, filled with pure white batting, lined with silk-linings; worth \$2.25, on sale for each \$1.69. White Wool Blankets. Made of the finest Canadian fleece wool, thoroughly scoured, size 64x84, worth \$6, on sale for \$5.00. Men's House Coats. Not many left, sizes 34, 36 and 38 only, all good patterns and worth \$5; on sale to clear each \$3.00. Men's Underwear on Sale. Men's Pure Wool Double Thread Knit Shirt and Drawers, unshrinkable; worth \$1.75, on sale per garment for \$1.25. Men's Fleece-lined Shirts and Drawers; worth 59c, on sale for each 42c.

- Sample Underskirts on Sale. Made of sateen, Moreen silk and fine taffeta, made with all the new ideas of flouncings, pleatings and ruffles. 38 to 42 sizes; on sale, \$1.75 for \$1.00; \$2.50 for \$1.50; \$4 for \$2.50. 2 Good Wool Blankets. Women's Lace and Point D'Espir Blouses, in black, cream and white, made with silk slips, trimmed with tucks and applique insertions; regular \$6.50 and \$7.50, on sale for each \$5.00. Women's Black and Cream Jap Silk Waists, embroidered and lace trimmed, fronts tucked and open back, 3/4 sleeve; special at \$2.95. Best Values in Neck Furs Are Here. Beautiful Isabella Fox Stole, very long with broad front, entirely lined with fur, finished with tails, real value \$35, for \$25.00. Mink Marmot Stole, detached collar, can be used as a throw, long wide front, handsome as real mink; worth \$19, for \$13.50. Beautiful Pillow Muff to match \$9.00. Mink Marmot Throw, 72 inches long, fur all round, trimmed with tails; on sale for each \$5.95. Isabella Possum Muffs, worth \$7.50, on sale for \$5.95.

lasted up till the time of the shooting. He said the woman proposed a year before that they elope and he agreed to do this when he saved enough money. To the court he admitted he was only fooling her. On the morning of the crime he swore he was drinking with Mrs. Radzyk and she threatened to drown herself unless he eloped with her. That afternoon while out in the yard he declared he heard a shot fired and saw the woman come from the house with her hands over her breast. He went in and found Radzyk and asked him what was the matter. Sunfield said the dying man replied, "The ——" and then the prisoner says he became sick, left the room and remembered nothing after that. When asked by the Crown if he wished the court to believe that Mrs. Radzyk murdered her husband his reply was: "I am not saying she did it; I did not see her do it. I know I did not do it." Sunfield, just before the death sentence was passed upon him by Chief Justice Falconbridge, in reply to the question if he had anything to say, replied, "Only that I am not guilty and I am sorry to die. You will find out later I am not guilty." Sunfield held his fate without a tremor. "I told you so," was the philosophical view he took of it when shaking hands with his lawyer. Refused New Trial. One of the most important witnesses against Sunfield at his trial at the High Court was William Walsh, a son of Police Sergeant Walsh, who arrested the murderer. Walsh worked a short distance away from the house and was at the scene of the tragedy a few minutes after the shooting. He swore that when he asked the dying man what was the matter Radzyk said, "Me no out, Jake shoot." On the ground that he had next evidence to offer his lawyer, J. L. Counsell, appealed to the Minister of Justice for a new trial, six employees of the International Harvester Works making affidavits to the effect that they did not hear Radzyk say to Walsh that Jake had shot him. Hon. A. B. Aylesworth laid the matter before the Cabinet. On Monday afternoon the announcement was made that Sunfield would have to pay the extreme penalty. It was a great disappointment to the prisoner, who had hoped to secure a new trial. An Extensive Sale. Will be in evidence at the T. H. Pratt Co.'s store on Saturday. Dozens of special lines have been selected and reduced to make selling active all day. All fancy calendars at half price; 50c story books 35c; chiffon ties, \$1, for 50c; 30c line for 10c; handkerchiefs, regular six for 50c, for 39c; 25c box handkerchiefs 15c; soiled handkerchiefs, worth to 50c, for 10c each; pillow slips, each 10c; \$1.50 table napkins 90c dozen; 17 1/2c flannel-ette 10c; tambours, 75c, for 50c; boys' hose, 35c, for 10c; 25c mitts and gloves 15c; kid gloves, \$2.50, for \$1.49; fur coats, \$50, for \$25; fur stoles, at half price; tweed jackets at half price; boys' caps, 50c, for 25c; men's underwear, \$1, for 50c; ties two for 15c; mufflers, \$1, for 75c; trunks and valises at 10 per cent discount, and shoes at special reduced prices, besides numerous good values in their great basement. You will save money by making all your purchases at the T. H. Pratt Co. store tomorrow. Things Worth Knowing. Lemon Juice—Lemon juice is very beneficial to the system, and should be used in place of vinegar in foods requiring an acid. To Freshen Beef or Pork—When beef and pork are too salt, soak for several hours in one part milk and two parts water. Asbestos Table Mats—Very thin mats of this material may now be ordered at any up-to-date kitchen furnishing store, and they can be used between a soft lining and any elaborate dolly. No housekeeper who uses a polished dining table can always prevent the placing on the table of a dish so hot that it will injure the polish of the table if she serves her food hot enough to be palatable. Of course, these mats cannot be used under evelot work dishes or centrepieces, and if used with China trimmed articles the mat must not be larger than the linen centre. Sealds and Burns—An application of baking soda will relieve the pain from a seald or burn. Wet the surface with cold water and cover thickly with soda. To Freshen Old Carpets—Before sweeping sprinkle with pieces of newspaper wrung out of water. Sweep thoroughly, then wipe with a cloth wrung out of warm water in which is a small amount of ammonia. Milk Bottles—Milk bottles or tumblers which have contained milk should always be rinsed in cold water before they are washed. Acidulated Water—Many recipes call for acidulated water. This is water to which either lemon juice or vinegar has been added. Allow one tablespoonful of acid to one quart of water. Knife and Bullet. Missoula, Mont., Dec. 27.—Two men were killed last night at a railroad construction camp near Lothrop. Geo. Morris, an Austrian, killed one of his countrymen in a knife duel, the cause of the trouble being unknown. Morris then started to Lothrop and met Contractor Walter A. Arnold on the bridge, where he attacked Arnold with the knife, and Arnold drew a revolver and shot him dead.

STANLEY MILLS & CO., Limited FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27th, 1907

Clearing Sale of Winter Coats

At Prices That Will Greatly Interest You

To-morrow the Garment Department continues its great clearing sale of Women's Winter Coats. The stock is reduced now to less than one hundred and fifty, but our determination is that not one of these shall go into our annual stock-taking on Feb. 1st.

Never before have you been offered such genuine bargains on such really desirable coats as we are now showing. For easy selection we have divided our stock into three lots, as follows:

- \$10.00 to \$14.00 Coats for \$4.98. Winter Coats, 3/4 length, in medium and dark mixtures, made loose fitting, trimmed with self strappings, well tailored, including some of the most popular and salable styles of this season, worth regularly from \$10 to \$14, clearing to-morrow at \$4.98. \$15.00 to \$20.00 Coats for \$7.50. Women's 3/4 and 7/8 Length Winter Coats, in real neat, light, medium and dark mixtures and plaids, made in loose and semi-fitting styles, collared or with velvet collar and lapels, trimmed with plaits or self strappings, some lined to waist, regular price of every Coat in this lot \$15 to \$20, choice to-morrow \$7.50. \$18.00 to \$22.50 Coats for \$10.00. The third lot comprises a quantity of Women's Stylish Dark and Light Tweeds, in 3/4 length, semi or loose fitting, and trimmed with self strappings over the shoulder, Gibson effect. Some have velvet collars. Many of these are the very latest arrivals in the department, and are right up-to-the-minute in style, regular prices \$18 to \$22.50, to be cleared at \$10.00.

Shoes and House Slippers

At Sacrifice Prices

The prices for this after-Christmas clearing sale of Shoes and Slippers are exceedingly low, and anyone with a need to fill in this line will profit greatly by these Saturday specials.

- Misses' House Slippers, in fancy Velvet and Felt, thick felt soles, leather covered, misses' sizes, 11 to 2 to clear Saturday at 23c. Girls' sizes 7 to 10 to clear at 19c. Women's House Slippers, in plain felt and Oriental colors, thick felt soles, covered, sizes 3 to 7, to clear at 35c. Women's Felt Juliet House Slippers in black, green and red, fur trimmed, sizes 3 to 6, clearing at 98c pair. Men's Hockey Boots, in Pebble leather, MacPherson's lightning hitch, include ankle supports, sizes 6 to 10, clearing on Saturday at \$1.95 pair. Men's Box Calf Laced, and Blucher cut boots, with extension soles and full length back straps, sizes 6 to 11, worth regularly \$2, Saturday \$1.69. Misses' Box Calf Laced Boots, extension soles, low heels, college back straps, sizes 11 to 2, worth regularly \$1.35 pair, clearing at 98c pair.

Underwear and Hosiery Reduced

The greatest stocks of Women's and Children's Underwear and Hosiery to be found in this city, and coupled with this are undoubtedly the best values, in the most reliable makes. Extra specials for to-morrow.

- Children's Heavy Part Wool Drawers, ankle length, winter weight, neat fitting band around the waist, worth regularly 35c, clearing sale price Saturday 19c. Women's 25c Undervests 19c. Women's Heavy Union Undervests, right weight for those who cannot wear all wool, worth regularly 25c each, clearing sale price Saturday, 19c. Women's Cashmere Hose 25c Pair. One of the best offerings of the winter season. 100 dozen pairs of Women's Plain Black Cashmere Hose, seamless throughout, high spliced heels and toes, elastic welt tops, winter weights, on sale Saturday at all one price 25c pair. Boys' Worsted Hose 25c Pair. 25 dozen pairs of Boys' Heavy Ribbed Black Worsted School Hose, with double heels and toes, warm weight for winter wear, durable quality, all sizes, 5 1/2 to 10 1/2, on sale Saturday at all one price 25c pair.

STANLEY MILLS & CO., Limited

Anniversary Sale

It is nearly one year since we moved across the street, and we are pleased to state that with the assistance of the many thousands of the shopping friends of this new and bright store, that it has been a great success, and which we thank you heartily for. To keep the interest and business brisk we will hold an anniversary sale during January, commencing Saturday, December, 28th. Come and start to-morrow.

Anniversary Sale of Women's Tweed Coats

A special purchase of Women's Tweed Coats for this great sale. They are in stripe and overland tweeds in winter weights and colors, made with the new Gibson shoulders and Raglan sleeves, velvet trimmed collar or stole effects in the loose, semi or fitted back styles; some lined half and throughout with satin and sateen, so in all in the purchase, so choose Saturday at these great price savings:

- \$12 Tweed Coats \$5.59 \$15 Tweed Coats \$7.50 \$20 Tweed Coats at \$10. \$20.00 Black Broadcloth Coats \$12.00. \$18.00 Navy Broadcloth Coats \$10.59. Handsome Imported Women's Black Broadcloth Coats, braided trim, loose and tight fitting styles, Gibson shoulders, half and lined throughout, \$20.00, Anniversary Sale \$12.00. Special—Two only Handsome Silk Velvet Coats, silk applique trimmed collar and cuffs, also front and back of coat silk lined throughout, full ripple back with large full sleeves, regular \$50.00 each, Anniversary Sale \$32.50.

Reduced Prices in the Made-to-Order Departments

Anniversary Sale, special reduced prices during January for making women's dresses, separate skirts and waists in all our popular departments, commences Saturday, December 28th. Place your orders now, and read about the sale of Dress Goods. January sale commences Saturday, December 28th, for making women's flannellette gowns and men's night shirts to measure, regular prices 45 and 50c, Anniversary Sale Price 25c per garment.

FINCH BROS. 29 and 31 King Street West

GIBRALTAR'S CURRENTS. Mediterranean saltier than any other part of the ocean, except the Red Sea. In the eastern portion a similar phenomenon occurs, when the fresher waters of the Black Sea flow as a surface current through the Dardanelles, and the saltier water of the Mediterranean pours in below it. Parson (on a bicycling trip)—"Where is the other man who used to be here as keeper?" Park Gatekeeper—"He's dead, sir." Parson (with feeling)—"Dead! Poor fellow! joined the great majority, eh?" Park Gatekeeper—"Oh! I wouldn't like to say that, sir. He was a good enough man, so far as I know."

MURDER OF WM. CURRY.

The Old Man Shot Down by His Hired Man.

Life and Death Struggle Between Son and Murderer.

Detailed Account of the Awful Tragedy Near Brampton.

Brampton, Ont., Dec. 26.—Lying in a cell at the jail here, on the same mattress on which his victim passed away, is John Davis Terrace, and in the house where he was born and lived for nearly eighty years, ten miles southeast of Brampton, is the body of William Curry, who was shot by Terrace on Christmas night, in cold blood. Another has been added to the long list of crimes which have been recorded in Toronto Township, and the murder of last night was probably one of the most deliberate and premeditated of them all. Terrace carefully prepared to murder James Curry, son of the man who was murdered, but shot Curry's father instead, and in an attempt to murder the son, after he had shot the father, he was so roughly handled that he was unconscious for several hours, and for a time it was feared he would also die.

Terrence is a painter by trade, and his home is in Newcastle-on-Tyne, England. He arrived in Canada only a month ago, having sailed from Liverpool for St. John, N. B., on the steamer Lake Manitoba, but a few days later arrived in Toronto, and was later taken to the Immigration Department at the Union Station there when Mr. James Curry went in looking for a man, and was employed on trial for a month. Terrace has a wife and child in Newcastle-on-Tyne.

William Curry, the murdered man, would have been eighty years old on New Year's Day, and except for a few years, when he lived in Brampton, resided on the farm and in the same house where he met his death. He was a magistrate, and had occupied positions in the County Council, having been reeve several times. James Curry, who was married, and 46 years old. He has been in the County Council, and is one of the best known farmers in the vicinity of Brampton.

Laughed at Hired Man. Not being accustomed to farm labor, Terrace was perhaps not as good a man as Mr. James Curry expected to obtain, and he was often criticized by Curry as to the way he performed his work. A few days ago, when the pump in the yard near the house was being repaired, James Curry laughed at Terrace and twisted him about the way he took hold of the handle of the pump. An argument followed, and Terrace was informed that his month's trial had shown that he was unfit for the work, and that he would have to leave at the end of the month. He became angry, and claimed to have been engaged for a year, but was again told that his time would expire at the end of the year.

Christmas Celebration. Yesterday morning James Curry and his father hitched up their team and drove to the residence of Mr. John Black, Wm. Curry's son-in-law, in order to celebrate Christmas. The home of Mr. Black is about a mile from the Curry homestead, and throughout the day the old man was in the best of spirits, and talked of having a celebration on New Year's Day in honor of his eightieth birthday. At eight o'clock, father and son left for home, arriving about half an hour later. Terrace, who had remained at the Curry homestead all day in order to write several letters, including one to his wife, opened the door to Wm. Curry to enter the house, and went to the stable to assist James Curry to unhitch and stable the horses for the night. By nine o'clock the horses had been attended to and James Curry and Terrace entered the house together. The kitchen at the homestead is not used during the winter, and the diningroom is utilized as a kitchen, dining and sitting room. On one side of the room, connected by a door, is the old man's bedroom, and as he was very tired he had gone to bed. Also employed on the farm is a boy named James Reid, 12 years old, who was sent out from the Banardo Home. After stabling the horses, the boy, James Curry and Terrace entered the diningroom and sat down to read, each being interested in a newspaper. The boy soon remarked that it was about bedtime, but neither Terrace nor Curry paid any attention to his remark. Suddenly Terrace rose from his chair and walked to the corner of the diningroom, where stood Mr. James Curry's shotgun. The boy had by that time entered Wm. Curry's room, and was paying no attention to Terrace. Grasping the gun in both hands, Terrace thrust it into his face. When the old man, pointing the gun at him, said, "You laugh at me the other day, and I've got the laugh on you now."

James Curry looked up from his paper to see the form of his own shotgun thrust almost into his face. When he left the house in the morning he knew that the gun was not loaded, and he again laughed at Terrace. This seemed to anger the hired man more than ever, and he again threatened to shoot his employer. Curry became anxious and attempted to argue with the hired man, entreating him to put down the gun. The noise of the argument, and the voices of the men, raised in anger, roused William Curry from his slumber, and he walked to the door of his bedroom. Standing on the threshold, he asked what the argument was all about, and Terrace immediately turned on the old man, and pointing the gun at him said, "Now you move one step and I'll shoot you."

Fatal Shot Fired. Whether he was so surprised that he moved, or whether he merely took a step to balance himself, is not known, but he did move, and at once there was a flash. Staggering to the wall, the old man shouted to his son, "He has shot me, Jim," and those were among the last words he uttered. The lad Reid was standing beside the old man when the shot was fired. He at once ran to the door of the kitchen, but James Curry,

hearing his father shout that he had been shot, after recovering from the start the discharge of the gun gave him, sprang at Terrace. Then commenced a struggle that was to decide which of the two was the better man. Curry is a well built man of 160 pounds, while Terrace is smaller in stature and lighter in weight, but very wiry. In the struggle the lamp was overturned and the oil ran over the table and floor. Terrace kept a firm hold on the shotgun, and in the struggle attempted to point it at James Curry's head, but his arm was struck and the shot which was intended for Curry entered the ceiling. So occupied in the struggle was Curry that he did not even know the gun had been fired the second time, but the small boy, who stood at the door, saw the flash in the dark. For several minutes the struggle continued, until, having failed to shoot Curry with the second cartridge in the gun, Terrace threw the weapon from him and took from his pocket a heavy stove shaker, which he had been carrying all day. He dealt Mr. Curry a severe blow on the head with the shaker, and in protecting himself from the rain of blows Curry's right arm and left hand were badly injured. Finally Curry's weight told on Terrace. The dim light from the stove enabled Curry to see that they were struggling near an old-fashioned lounge in the dining room, and with one superhuman effort he threw his assailant across the lounge. He then wrenched the stove shaker from Terrace's hands, and beat his assailant over the head with his own weapon until he was unconscious and fell to the floor. Curry was almost exhausted from the efforts of the life and death struggle, and for a moment lay panting on the sofa.

Staggered Back to Bed. He soon recovered, however, and hastily lit another lamp. He expected to find the body of his father lying on the floor, and looked there, but a huge pool of blood showed only where his father had stood. With the strength he had gained by his vigorous outdoor life on the farm, the aged man managed to stagger to his bed and fall across it. His left leg was almost completely torn away by the charge of number six shot, which had been fired from such a close distance. He died, however, without regaining consciousness.

Medical Aid Summoned. James Reid, the boy, was hastily despatched for Mr. Black, Mr. J. McKay, another neighbor, and Dr. M. H. Aikins, who lives at Burnhamthorpe, several miles from the scene of the murder. It was two hours before the doctor arrived, and a few minutes after his arrival old Mr. Curry breathed his last. Terrace, in the meantime, was being looked after. He was totally unconscious and for a time it was feared that he and skull had been fractured and that he would die. Dr. Aikins patched up the cuts on his head and face, and also attended to Mr. James Curry's injuries. At 4 o'clock this morning George Jackson, son of one of Curry's neighbors, went to the house and remained there all day. Wm. Baldoek, another neighbor, also remained at the house all day.

Investigation Opened. At 6.30 this morning Baldoek and Black drove into Brampton to inform Mr. W. H. McFadden, Crown Attorney, of the tragedy, and Mr. McFadden, accompanied by Coroner Dr. Heggie, left at once for the scene of the crime. Mr. George Broddy, High Constable of Peel County, also left for the scene, accompanied by County Constable Jackson. Upon their arrival Terrace, who was still unconscious, was placed under guard. About 10 o'clock Terrace regained consciousness, but lay with his eyes closed and refused to talk, except to ask for a drink.

After hearing the particulars of the case, the Attorney and Coroner empaneled a jury, which viewed the remains of the dead man and adjourned until Monday at 2.30 in the Town Hall of Elmhurst, a village about a mile from the scene of the murder. The following farmers comprise the jury: Walter Baldoek, Wm. H. Black, Robt. Beech, Sylvester, O'Connell, Robt. Whitehead, Walter Shain, Wm. McBride, Geo. Potter, Wm. Whitehead, Roy Hammetton, John Hanna, Robt. Spears, Ward Trueman, James Leech and Absalom Petherick.

Removed to Brampton. At 4 o'clock Terrace had recovered sufficiently to be removed to the Brampton jail, and as Dr. Aikins certified that it was safe to remove the prisoner, High Constable Broddy placed him on the mattress taken from the bed in which William Curry had died, and after wrapping Terrace up warmly to protect him from the cold, drove into Brampton, accompanied by Mr. Jackson. Terrace was perfectly conscious, and when placed on the floor in the corridor of the jail slyly opened the door and took in the surroundings. His left eye was so badly bruised by Mr. Curry's blows that he was unable to open it. He stolidly refused to speak when questioned.

The remains of Mr. Wm. Curry will be buried on Saturday at Dixie, and the funeral will be in charge of the Loyal Orange Lodge of the county of Peel, of which he had been Master several times.

A Terrific Struggle. A visit to the Curry homestead was made this afternoon, and the diningroom was in the utmost confusion, showing that the struggle between Mr. Curry and Terrace must have been a terrific one. A pool of blood on the floor showed where Mr. Wm. Curry had stood after being shot. Mr. James Curry, who was almost overcome with grief, could scarcely narrate the facts of the murder of his father and the desperate struggle he himself had had in order to save his own life. He was sitting on the lawn, and he said, "I was paying no attention to my hired man until he spoke, and when I looked over the top of my paper I saw the muzzle of my shot-gun pointed at me. When I left the house in the morning the gun was not loaded, but when we searched the house this morning we found that Terrace had stolen four shells out of my bureau drawer, two of which he placed in my gun, and two were found in the pocket of the coat he wore. When I knew that Terrace had shot my father I made a grab for him, and the struggle commenced. We knocked over the lamp, and I did not know until afterwards that Terrace had fired another shot, which struck the ceiling. If the fight had lasted a minute longer I could not have stood it, so fierce had it become. The wound inflicted in my father's side was something awful. The whole left side was blown away by the force of the shot, as Terrace was only about ten feet away when he fired, and all the ribs and the left lung were blown away. How the shot missed the heart I do not know. I got some shot in by hand during our struggle, but did not know it was there until afterwards." Mr. Curry stated that he was glad Terrace would recover, for he would sooner have the law take its course than have the man's blood on his hands.

Small Boy's Story. James Reid, the small boy who was in the house, could not give a very

A NEWARK MYSTERY

NUDE BODY OF UNKNOWN WOMAN FOUND IN POND.

Had Been Strangled to Death—Victim Seen by Watchman Going Toward Pond in Company With Man at an Early Hour.

Newark, N. J., Dec. 26.—A murder combining the elements of mystery and deliberate cruelty, that takes it out of the ordinary, was committed on the Hackensack Meadows, in the town of Harrison, early to-day, and the nude body of the victim, a comely woman of perhaps 30 years, was discovered nearly submerged in the icy waters of a little pond. Only the feet projected above the exposed portions were incriminated and dragged the body ashore this afternoon. The body had not been identified to-night, and it was pretty well established that it was not that of a resident of this city or Harrison.

Two men who occupied a yacht moored near where the body was found are detained by the police, but the most important clue obtained was furnished to-night by Peter Coogan, a watchman employed by the Marine Engine Company, who recognized the body as that of a woman whom he had seen crossing the meadows in company with a man about 2 o'clock this morning. Later he saw a man alone. He then carried a bundle in his arms. The man was short and stout.

Two girls returning to their home in Harrison long after midnight this morning heard a woman's cries floating over the marshland. They seemed to come from the direction of the pond, and to the startled girls sounded like "Spare me" and "Help." Nearer home the girls were approached by a well-dressed stranger, who accosted and followed them until a policeman was met with, when he turned and fled.

A sealskin muff, a fur neckpiece, a skirt and a woman's red coat trimmed with military braid were found along a cinder-path near the pond. The woman had been dead about twelve hours when the body was found. Death had been due to strangulation.

HARE-MORDEN.

Pretty Wedding in St. Thomas' Church on Christmas.

On Christmas Day the Church of St. Thomas was the scene of a pretty, yet quiet, wedding, when Florence, daughter of Mr. W. J. Morden and Mrs. Morden, became the bride of Mr. A. F. Hare, Toronto, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hare, Grafton. Carrying a white ivory bound prayer book, and dressed in a brown velvet travelling costume, with hat to match, the bride made a dainty appearance, the bridesmaid, Miss Maude McDonald, carrying the groom's gift, a beautiful ivory bound prayer book and hymn set, was becomingly attired in pale blue silkline and picture hat. The groom was assisted by his brother, Mr. F. C. Hare, of Grafton.

At the conclusion of the service a dinner was served at the bride's home, 32 Hess street south, where the time-honored Christmas turkey and the wedding feast made a dinner long to be remembered, as it was also the birthday of one of the parties.

Many and appropriate gifts assured the young people of the kind wishes of friends far and near. The groom's gift to the bride, being probably the most seasonable for a winter wedding. After a pleasant evening, the happy couple left, amid showers of confetti and the traditional old shoe blessings, for eastern ports.

ROCHETTE DEATH.

THE CORONER'S JURY'S VERDICT AGAINST THE HUSBAND.

Omer Rochette's Marriage Took Place Soon After He Buried His First Wife, and Quebec Police Are Now Looking for Him.

Quebec, Dec. 26.—"That deceased died from the effects of an arsenical substance, criminally administered by Omer Rochette, her husband, and that the said Omer Rochette should be held responsible for the death." This is the verdict rendered this afternoon by the Coroner's jury over the remains of the late Mrs. Omer Rochette, who died here on the 17th of November last, and who was buried on the 9th of that month. Ten days after his wife's death Rochette married a young girl named Marceau. The newly-married couple left immediately on a honeymoon trip to Montreal. Many rumors then commenced to circulate regarding Mrs. Rochette's death, and became so sensational and assumed such proportions that Omer Rochette had the body exhumed, and the stomach, lungs and bowels were analyzed by Rev. Mr. Filion, professor of Laval University, and Dr. Marois, who both testified to the fact that arsenic was found in considerable quantities in the stomach and intestines. A nephew of the deceased, who had been present during the two last days preceding his aunt's death at Rochette's house, and that any medicine given to the deceased was almost always given to her by the husband.

When last heard of, Rochette and his second wife were in Montreal, but he is supposed to have left that city on the 9th instant. Chief McCaskill has the matter in hand, and it is expected that Omer Rochette will soon be captured. Rochette was formerly proprietor of the Merchants' Club here.

SANTA AT SAN.

Presents and an Oyster Supper For All Patients.

A happy afternoon was spent at the Mountain Sanitarium on Friday, Dec. 20, at the Christmas tree, followed by an oyster supper, provided by St. Elizabeth's Chapter Daughters of the Empire, for the patients, staff and household.

A number of the members of the Chapter were present, and a short musical programme was given by Mrs. Heurner Mulien, and Miss Furnival, after which Santa Claus arrived, and distributed numerous gifts with a cheery word for each recipient, causing much merriment. After a hearty vote of thanks to the energetic Regent, Mrs. W. H. Davis, and the Christmas tree committee, a three cheers and a tiger for Santa Claus and many invitations to return next year, the National Anthem was sung and the visitors enjoyed a social cup of tea before returning to the city.

The committee desire to thank the following kind friends, who assisted by their contributions: Mesdames M. Eger, Hatch, Geo. S. Kerr, E. Lazier, G. W. Robinson, P. McCullough, Edward Martin, Henderson, Harry James, G. R. Lloyd, Walter Bruce, McKinley, Love, S. F. Lazier, T. H. Husband, Wm. Carey, Wm. Kerr, W. R. Duffield, Hunter, Mitchell, S. D. Biggar, S. A. Edie, Misses S. Magill, McLaren, and Messrs. C. W. Robinson and Andrew Cooke.

NOT THE REAL J. L. SULLIVAN.

Fighter's Namesake Murdered at Binghamton, N. Y.

Binghamton, N. Y., Dec. 26.—John L. Sullivan, a switchman employed on the Erie at Susquehanna, Penn., was murdered at noon to-day by an unknown strike-breaker. Sullivan was shot in the chest, the ball passed completely through the skull, and the injured man lived less than an hour. The man who did the shooting escaped.

Boy Read Edgewood Novels.

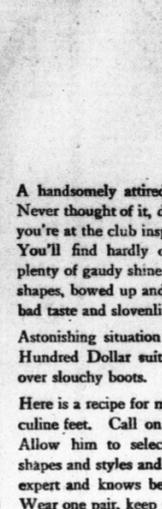
Winnipeg, Dec. 26.—Edward Smith, a 14-year-old boy, has been missing since Saturday and his parents believe he has committed suicide, as he had frequently threatened. Sensational literature of the dime novel class is held responsible.

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The Jewish World

The right of a hotel to exclude Jews was passed on recently in a decision handed down by Judge Wanhope, New York, in the case of Watson against Abbott. A peculiar feature of the case was that none of the persons directly interested in the case was a Jew, that all the lawyers who argued the matter were Christians with the exception of one, who was arrayed against the Jews and that the Judge, who decided it was un-American to exclude a man from a hotel because of his race or creed, was a Roman Catholic.

Mr. Paul Haupt, Semitic professor at the Johns Hopkins University, has for a long time past been engaged in an attempt to establish definitely the origin and date of the "Song of Solomon." They are of American manufacture and poorer quality. One is round and the other oblong, and both bear the initials N. B. L. engraved in the centre. On the back of one is scratched the private mark "M. M." and on the other "P. 554." There is absolutely no clue as to where the silver came from or how long it lay undiscovered, except that there was snow for only ten days before. The police are sure the silver was thieves' plunder and that the big tray was doubtless up so it could be put in a bag or under a coat.

Probably the thieves were carrying the stuff through on a train and, being anxious to be rid of it, threw it into the ravine from the bridge, not knowing there was a road below, and thinking they could recover it later. The stuff is believed to be worth more than three hundred dollars.

FAMINE IS THREATENING.

Turkish Villages are on the Verge of Starvation.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 26.—The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions has received advices from the interior of Turkey, showing unusually severe famine conditions. Bread is double its normal price, wheat and other cereals are considerably higher than last year, and prices for other necessities are four or five times higher than fifteen years ago.

Teachers in the village near Erzurum, whose salaries for the year average \$28.20 in American money, are obliged to pay \$52.80 for a year's supply of wheat. Mr. Herd, the British Consul at Bitlis, reports that several hundred persons in Mesopotamia and Bularik will probably starve to death before the winter closes unless relief reaches them soon.

REVOLUTION IN ECUADOR

Quelled by Arrest of General Toral and Twenty Followers.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The State Department to-day received a cablegram from its representative in Quito, the Ecuadorian capital, to the effect that an attempt at revolution there was quelled by the arrest of General Toral, formerly Ecuadorian Minister to Great Britain, and twenty of his adherents, who were charged with attempting to overthrow the Government. The initial step was to be the seizure of the barracks at the capital through the conversion to the revolutionary movement of the soldiers of the garrison.

Hogmanay in Galloway.

In Galloway for weeks previous to Hogmanay, youths are nightly on the prowl for barrels and tubs with which to make a grand bonfire on New Year's morning. It is the old story—"he takes who has the power, and he keeps who can." These gangs exhibit considerable courage and daring in their raids. On one occasion they knew where a good oak barrel lay, the property of a gardener. It was used for the family washstand, and stood close to the back door.

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Blood Poisoning Set in and Death Followed.

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During the week following Mr. O'Brien felt poorly when a consultation was called, but too late to save his life. Slowly the bruised part had become poisoned and it was all through his system before medical aid was summoned.

SILVER PLATE FOUND.

A Lot of Thieves' Booty Picked Up at Niagara Falls.

Niagara Falls, Dec. 26.—Detectives are working on a peculiar mystery here to-day and so far without result. On Tuesday evening William King, employed by the Ontario Power Company, when passing down Murray street ravine under the Michigan Central bridge saw an object protruding from the melting snow beside the roadway and uncovered two magnificent silver trays. One is nearly three feet long and two feet wide, and weighs fifteen pounds. The other is a foot in diameter. Both bear English hall marks, and are evidently solid silver of the finest quality. They are splendidly ornamented and mounted. The large one has been used, but the smaller one is new. The large one had been forcibly folded up, and is much damaged.

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Cock Fighting in St. Catharines.

St. Catharines, Dec. 26.—Ten lads, ranging in age from 10 to 18, were summoned to the police court to-day to answer a charge of running a cock fight on the streets of the city. Three of the lads did not appear, and warrants were issued for their arrest. The cocking main took place under an electric light on St. Paul street, on the way to the G. T. R. station on Sunday night last. The cases were adjourned until Monday.

Mr. James Blythe has given the Methodist Church of Raleigh Plains a free site for a church. Mr. Blythe is a Catholic.

Dr. Coleman Sellers, the engineer who first harnessed Niagara, is dangerously ill.

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THE OLD LAND.

Many Interesting Happenings Reported From Britain.

CHINESE TO STAY.

New employment has been found for a number of the Rand Chinese who will thus not all be repatriated at the conclusion of their agreements. That such a step was contemplated has been denied, but inquiries establish its accuracy.

Dr. Playfair, who was in almost immediate attendance, could only announce that death had taken place from heart failure. An impressive scene followed. The whole company solemnly knelt by the bedside of the deceased, while the Bishop of Glasgow and Bishop Dowden of Edinburgh offered up prayers.

Lord Curzon delivered a stirring address on "The True Imperialism" in the Birmingham Town Hall on Wednesday. He spoke as an "unconquerable Imperialist."

A SEVERE BLOW.

Milan, Dec. 26.—The Pope, on Christmas Eve, launched the severest blow he has yet dealt modernism, it being nothing less than the pronouncement of the greater excommunication against all concerned in the production of the monthly review, L'Innanzitutto, which is published here.

PRINCESS AND WORK-GIRLS.

A dozen work girls of Bermondsey spent a delightful hour with a princess yesterday. They sat around her in a comfortable circle and chatted with pleasure about themselves and their amusements.

SECRET OF JAPAN'S SUCCESS.

Sir T. Sutherland's statement contains no surprise to those who have followed recent shipping developments on the Eastern Asia coast. Since the Russian War Britain has been repeatedly warned that unless she takes some steps to preserve her connection, every regular British steamship service will be driven to the Northern Pacific within a generation.

CONFEDERATE BILLS.

Three Men Arrested at Quebec for Passing Them. Quebec, Dec. 26.—Detective Tom Walsh, on Tuesday evening last, effected the arrest of three Swedes, who gave their names as Mat. Hill, Hack Kullis, and Ed. Hill, on the charge of passing counterfeit \$10 bills.

BAD BILL'S CHRISTMAS.

Landed in Jail With Five Charges Against Him. Almonte, Ont., Dec. 26.—The redoubtable Farrell, who escaped from custody about two months ago, came back to town Christmas evening, and became decidedly disgruntled. He was arrested and put in the lock-up until this morning, when he was brought before Police Magistrate Smith.

DROWNED THROUGH THE ICE.

Three Perish in Pond in Nova Scotia During Parents' Absence. Halifax, N. S., Dec. 26.—A tragedy occurred at Lower Northfield, Lunenburg, yesterday. Three children of Ernest Veniot were drowned in a pond near their parents' house.

BISHOP DROPS DEAD.

Dr. Wilkinson, Bishop of St. Andrews and Primate of the Scottish Episcopal Church, died with tragic suddenness on Wednesday at Edinburgh.

PAINTS OF HAMILTON. The only way to start a Savings Account is to start it. Good intentions do not bear interest—neither does idle money.

PEACE RIVER FLOUR. Unique Christmas Souvenir Sent Out by the Winnipeg Free Press. It seems incredible now that a high scientific authority should have declared as recently as fifty years ago that wheat growing could never be made a success on this continent west of the state of Ohio.

A GOLDEN JUBILEE. The Part Canada Took in the Great Indian Mutiny. (Montreal Star.) The review of the veterans of the Indian mutiny by Lord Roberts in London yesterday commemorated one of the most glorious pages in the history of British arms.

MINTO STILL LIVES. Although He Was Thrown and His Neck Broken. Very few people know that the Earl of Minto, Viceroy of India, is the only man who ever survived a broken neck.

IDEAL CHILDREN'S COURT. J. J. Kelso Has Several Ideas on the Subject. At the weekly meeting of the Baptist Ministerial Association in Toronto, Mr. J. J. Kelso gave an address on the ideal children's court.

MIXED MARRIAGES. Appeal to Archbishop Bruchesi to Exemptions From Recent Order. Montreal, Dec. 26.—Archbishop Bruchesi, who recently issued an edict forbidding mixed marriages between Catholics and Protestants in the archdiocese of Montreal, is fairly besieged with applicants asking for dispensations or for exemptions to go into other dioceses to have the marriage ceremony performed.

CASTORIA. For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson.

SUITABLE XMAS GIFTS. Fountain pens, from \$1 to \$6; pocket knives, 25c to \$1.75; Honner mouth organs, 25c to \$1.50; perfumes, in cases, 25c to \$2; safety razors, \$1 to \$5; set books, 25c to \$5; mirrors, 25c to \$4; ebony brushes, 50c to \$3.75; shaving brushes, 25c to \$1.75, etc.

SKILLED LABOR. Canadian Manufacturers' Association and Immigration of Mechanics. To the Editor of the Times: Sir—My attention has been called to an editorial under the above heading in the Montreal Star of December 18th.

Local Option Fosters Crime. To-day, with Local Option, Owen Sound has SIXTY places where liquor is sold. Under license, there were only ELEVEN places. Yet, despite the best efforts of a capable license inspector, no one has been sent to jail in Owen Sound for selling since Local Option came into force.

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ROAD RACERS SUSPENDED.

Trouble for the Runners in the Burlington Race.

Meeting of Hockey Players at the Royal To-night May Result in the Formation of a Team for the O. H. A.—Jack Atkin Won the Handicap at New Orleans—Bare Knuckle Fight at Victoria.

Toronto, Dec. 27.—The road race at Burlington on Christmas was not sanctioned by the Canadian Amateur Athletic Union, and as a result the runners who competed are under the discipline of the union. Chairman Crow of the Registration Committee announced last night that all the competitors in that event who hold C. A. A. U. cards are suspended for a month from the date of the race. The management of the Martin road race at St. Catharines on New Year's which is held under C.A.A.U. sanction, have been notified of this action, and none of those who competed at Burlington will be eligible to run at St. Catharines.

MEETING TO-NIGHT.

Will a Hamilton Hockey Team be Formed?

A good attendance of hockey players and admirers of that winter game is looked for at the meeting called for this evening at the Royal Hotel by Dr. Carr. If a team of the O. H. A. is organized it will be under the management of Ralph C. Ripley, and it is likely that Gordon Southam will be the captain. It is not the intention to go outside for players, as there are enough good men in Hamilton to make up seven strong enough to win the district, providing they turn out and practice faithfully.

GOTCH WAS ROUGH.

He Handled Willoughby "Without Gloves" Last Night.

Buffalo, Dec. 27.—In one of the fiercest handicap wrestling matches ever seen in this city, which has been the scene of some vicious ones, Frank Gotch last night made good his offer to throw Walter Willoughby twice in half an hour or forfeit \$200. There was no holding in the way of the first bout after his man. He rushed Willoughby into the laps of spectators on the stage and against the curtain at the rear, slammed him to the unmatred floor and gruelled him from start to finish. The game local man put up a really wonderful defense in the first bout, which lasted 16½ minutes, and squirmed out of holds that seemed unbreakable. The champion wrestled with a ferocity he seldom shows against a smaller man, and Willoughby's showing was most complimentary. He took more punishment before finally succumbing than many a man receives in a finish bout of three times the length. The deadly toe hold was given him with all the strength Gotch could put into it and the viciousness with which it was used brought him from the audience. Willoughby released himself from this only to roll into a bar hold that pinned him. In the second bout Willoughby was very nearly all in, his weakened shoulder handicapping him. Gotch was after this fall in a hurry. He chased Willoughby off the mat and raised him bodily with a crotch and half-nelson and crashed him to the floor. Willoughby escaped, but a moment later was again in the air and was thrown with the full weight of the champion across his body. There was no dispute about the fall. The time was 4½ minutes. The Lafayette was packed to the doors to see the match. It was announced that Charley Conkle would tackle the champion to-night in a similar handicap.

M'CAFFREY TURNS.

Toronto President Says Hamilton Is Not Big Enough For Eastern.

Montreal, Dec. 27.—In a letter to a Montrealer, President McCaffrey of the Toronto Baseball Club says: "When in Chicago, I had a long talk with Mr. Frank Farrell, owner of the Montreal franchise, and personally one of the whitest men in the baseball game today. I told him that there was no reason why a city of 450,000 people, all lovers of sport, should not support a baseball team, and I offered to go down there with him for the purpose of having him meet some of the most prominent business men of the city and take hold of the franchise and make it a success. I know I would much rather see the franchise stay in Montreal than go elsewhere. At the invitation of some Hamilton men I looked over the field there, but on talking into consideration, I advised them that Hamilton, in my opinion, was not big enough yet to keep up a league club. "Montreal need not be discouraged at the present state of the club. Three years ago, when I took hold of the club, baseball was in a bad way in Toronto, having lost its hold on the public. The club was a failure in 1905. In 1906 we tried 43 players, lost over \$10,000, and ended tailenders. This year, with a manager big enough to take the full responsibility, and given a free hand, we landed the pennant and beat Columbus. That's the only way to play league base-

BASKETBALL.

Two Fast Games at Y. M. C. A. To-morrow Night.

To-morrow night the lovers of basketball will have an opportunity of witnessing two good games in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium. The old exhibition team will be on hand, in good form, to meet the junior champions of Canada. The Niagara Falls, N. Y., team will meet the first second team of the Boys' Club. They will line up as follows: Exhibition Team. Jun. Champions. Forwards. W. McPherson. H. Taylor. R. Beateo. G. McNeilly. Centre. S. McKenzie. L. Simpson. Defence. F. Murray. W. Finlay. T. Ross. A. Wilson. N. Falls Team. Boys' Club 2nd Team. Forwards. Allen. G. Evans. Boroman. G. Madgett. Centre. Tower. G. Warren. Defence. Miller. E. Hull. Pflsh. A. Swanwick. Subs. Butler. S. Job.

PLAYED OVER 'OME.

Scores in Yesterday's Football Game in England.

London, Dec. 27.—(Canadian A. P.)—Following are the results of yesterday's Association games: The League, Div. 1. Notts Forest 2, Aston Villa 2. Birmingham 0, Notts County 0. Preston North End 1, Blackburn Rovers 1. Manchester City 1, Bolton Wanderers 0. Everton 0, Bristol City 0. Chelsea 1, Middleborough 0. Newcastle United 2, Sheffield United 2. Sheffield Wednesday 2, Sunderland 3. Southern League. Portsmouth 4, Reading 3. Southampton 1, Tottenham Hotspur 1. Northampton 1, Swindon 0. Luton 0, Norwich City 0. Brighton Hove 0, Watford 1. Millwall 0, Bristol Rovers 1. Leyton 0, Bradford Park Avenue 3. West Ham 3, Queen's Park Rangers 0. New Brompton 2, Brentford 1.

ENGLISH RUGBY GAMES.

London, Dec. 27.—(Canadian Associated Press.)—Following are the results of

Some Snap Shots at Sport and Sportsmen

It is to be hoped that there will be a large turnout of hockey enthusiasts at the meeting at the Hotel Royal this evening to support Dr. Carr in his praiseworthy efforts to put a creditable team in the O. H. A. If a team is entered it will be grouped with Guelph and the new Toronto A. A. C. team.

The O. H. A. championship season of 1907-08 opens to-night with a game in the intermediate series between Penetang and Bracebridge teams, at Penetang. Roy Thomas, of Barrie, is slated to referee.

Bruno Soderstrom, the Swedish and English pole vaulting champion, will shortly make a trip to this country for the purpose of studying the American athletic methods, and incidentally to get a line on what America will have at the London Olympiad next July. Soderstrom, who defeated all in the pole vault at Athens, except Gonder of France, is one of the greatest vaulters in the world. He finds it no trouble at all to do twelve feet consistently.

Jack O'Brien, the Philadelphia fakir, having failed to spot another lemon of the Heverson type, has taken to buying up the few remaining flats in Philadelphia. O'Brien is said to be very close, and is very unpopular among the poorer classes in the Quaker town. However, he is getting "his" now from the fight fans, who refuse to turn out to see him battle, and from the managers, who are timid about booking him with a good boxer.

Speaking about the recent big spill in a jumping race at New Orleans, Sad

yesterday's Rugby Union games: Cardiff 11, Bartonians 5; Gloucester 22, Old Merchants' Tailors 5; Swansea 6, London Irish 0; Devonport Albion 8, Plymouth 0; Llanelli 18, London Welsh 5; Mountain Ash 8, Bath 5. Northern Union—Hunslet 11, New Zealanders 11.

BOWLING SCORES.

Following are the scores made in the Westinghouse Club's two-men tournament at the Brunswick alleys last night: Trembert... 110 107 117-334. Freeborn... 133 104 108-445.

Reid... 128 180 113-421. McKelvy... 157 134 106-437.

Peters... 113 112 149-374. Mellon... 130 107 175-412.

Blakely... 98 123 106-327. Mitchell... 151 135 190-476.

Feltz... 121 102 120-343. Thomson... 177 157 185-519.

Winters... 103 201 83-387. Peacock... 143 140 136-439.

ATHLETES' BATH

In England athletes, especially football players, recommend the addition of a tablespoonful of mustard in the hot bath. The beneficial results are many. The water becomes "soft," and the effect of the mustard is to impart a warming, soothing glow to the skin, and to eliminate the ill that exposure to cold is likely to bring.

H. G. C. SHOOT.

The Hamilton Gun Club will hold its regular target shoot to-morrow afternoon for the club's trophies and merchandise prizes. It is expected that a large number of shooters will be present in view of the fact that the annual winter tournament will be held next month.

FOUR TIMES PROFIT.

The Reason Some Clothiers Can Advocate "Great Bargains." "Exclusive Semi-ready tailoring stores are opened in the cities because the Semi-ready Company cannot get the regular merchants to handle the goods," said a rival.

He was right. The average tailor and clothier is selling cheap clothes at just double the original cost, asking \$18 for suits that cost \$8 and \$16 for suits that cost \$8. Semi-ready suits are sold at very small profits. A Lindsay merchant recently said that he would not sell Semi-ready clothes, as he could make 100 per cent. on other clothes, or four times the percentage of profit at which Semi-ready tailoring is sold.

"The Semi-ready idea is to sell good clothes, and to sell so many of them for cash that they eliminate selling costs and credit losses to the direct advantage of every individual buyer," said Mr. McClung.

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Sam said: "They all remind us there are pitfalls in every profession or calling."

It's a good bet that Ralph Rose will remain an "amateur" until after the Olympic games, anyway. The A. A. U. has never been known to suspend any athlete has any pretension to class, no matter how flagrant the acts of professionalism.—Toronto Star.

The surprising part of the Christmas Day road races is that any of the runners finished at all. What chance would you have had to run ten miles after dinner that day?

Tommy Burns has been writing a magazine article on boxing. The C. A. P. brings the news of the argument, which is that English boxers are very proficient for the little experience they get in the ring.

ROUND-THE-WORLD WALKING FAKES.

Tramps Who Are Doing the Stunt for Fabulous Bets—A Suspicious Man's View.

"This walking stunt of old Edward Payton Weston's will make it easy for another batch of those phoney hoovers, I s'pose," observed the man with the interrogative show-me eye, on the North River ferryboat, to a New York reporter. "I'm not trying to hand the old man a clout. He's all right. I'm talking about these bogus peddlars. "One of 'em, maybe you'll remember, flatwheeled into New York a while back and unwound a dream narrative to the effect that he was occupying himself by making a hoof journey around the world on a bet of 20,000 yen or 10,000 bucks. He said, besides a hull lot of other things, that he was in the second year of his little promenade, and that already he'd covered a little matter of 35,687 miles. His trudge, he said, 'd be over when he reached San Francisco, and he expected to make that town, still going on his toesies, in about five months. "After getting all of this and some more out of the system, he explained the why and which of it. He unreeled it that about two and a half years ago, a number of gentlemen at a club in San Francisco were talking among themselves about this walking-around-the-world thing, and that one of them ventured the observation that it couldn't be done—that the savage tribes somewhere or other 'd get the walkist, or that the long-distance ped's feet 'd give out or that he'd get sick of the job after going three or four thousand leagues, and chuck it at any rate, that it wasn't one of those things that could possibly come off. There—still according to the bet-nud narrative uncoiled by this walkist when he got into New York—another club gentleman in the party immediately got his gambling gear on, and offered to hazard the 20,000 yen or 10,000 bucks gold that it could be done, and that he knew the man who could and would do it.

"Then and there the bet was on. The fellow who told about it, and who'd already covered up the 35,687 miles, appeared in the story right at that juncture on the long trudge, the stipulation being that he shouldn't do any work on the trip, and that he should leave the starting point with only 26-cents and three or four cigarette papers tucked away in his s'pockets.

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"The portion of their narrative that looks to me to be the most on the fish is that part which has to do with the 'party of gentlemen' who got to betting themselves black in the face over the possibility or impossibility of the walk-around-the-world thing being pulled off. It's never shown in the dope given out by these walkists just who's going to get the coin and where they, the hoovers, are going to get off financially. "They never uncover the amount of the piece of change that they themselves are going to draw down and who's going to dig for it. The man of the 'party of gentlemen' who wins the bet has got to be paid, of course, the full amount of the wager, and where does that leave the walkist when his trudge is all over? The paper says it's going to do him; he doesn't get any of the ketchup for doing it, to show the 'party of clubmen' that he really can hike around the world on his feet, and when it comes to that, what good is it going to do the gentlemen, or the clubmen or whatever they are to find out that sure enough some whickered son of a gun really can make the hoof circle around the two hemispheres?

"I'm here to be shown about that and about some other ends of it, too. One of the other ends of it is this: How can the trudge really and truly move around the hull globe without doing a lick of work and without a tael in his pajamas to dig up for the eats along the route? "He never says that he does the hand-out request thing all over the earth, but that's the only possible interference open, and even when you take it that way it doesn't hang together. For there are parts of the earth, I'm told, where the best you get when you nudge up to the back door and ask for a hand-out is to have a camel or a caribou succeed on you.

"Moreover, there are, according to the most reliable information, plenty of large sections of the earth where the hoovers haven't got any handouts to give, even if they're disposed to be charitable and hand-out. Supposing one of these traispers were to lam into that part of China, for example, where, as we are told, nearly every day in the papers some 90,000,000 Chinamen are starving to death and dying off each other's persons in their desperation to keep from starving—where would the walkist bulge into the picture there for a handout? Supposing one of these hoovers were to land in one of those portions of India, where the millions of natives in each province mainly occupy themselves every year—according to the pictures in the weekly publication— in stretching themselves out on the ground and dying of starvation, while snapshots are taken of 'em in the act—would the walkist be strong for any kind of a feed, hand-out or sit down, if he naced people in that kind of a fix for fodder?

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WITH BARE KNUCKLES.

White Man Knocks Out Negro at Victoria.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 27.—A bare-knuckle fight to a finish, under London Prize Ring rules, between James Barnswell, a negro, whose usual occupation is sealing, and Oliver Fisher, a local bartender, was pulled off in a barn at Goldstream and Fisher was declared the winner, after about six minutes of furious fighting. Fisher scored a clean knockout. About 30 local sports were at the ringside and contributed to the purse for which the men battled.

The bout was the third between the pair and was a bloody battle. They went at each other viciously and mixed it up in great style to the intense delight of the spectators. Fisher fought rather carefully and covered up well, but at that received some punishment, which included a cut over one eye. Barnswell was over-anxious and kept rushing matters. Finally he tore in head down and Fisher, who was just waiting for the opening, cut loose an uppercut that landed the negro fully a foot from the ground. Barnswell fell to the ground unconscious and it took him fully five minutes to come round. When he did regain his senses the negro desired to shake hands with his conqueror, but the latter refused, whereupon the defeated man desired to fight over again, a request which was denied him.

The bout took place shortly after 8 o'clock and when the fighters and spectators were returning to the city about 9 o'clock they encountered Provincial Constable Conway, who had heard of the occurrence and was hurrying to the scene in an automobile in order to prevent the fight if possible. The officer was too late to be of any service whatever, and the crowd just gave him the horse-laugh. Whether he will have the satisfaction of laughing last, however, remains to be seen. The matter is now under the consideration of the provincial police department and it is possible that prosecutions will follow.

The two previous fights between Barnswell and Fisher resulted in a win for the negro in the first bout and a victory for Fisher in the second. They had a side bet of \$50 each on the last bout.

BURNS COMPLIMENTS ENGLISH.

London, Dec. 27.—(Canadian Associated Press.)—A stick by Tommy Burns on boxing in a sporting magazine says he thinks English boxers are very proficient for the little experience they have had.

NELSON'S NEW MANAGER.

Battling Nelson, the fighting Dane, is said to have secured a new manager. He is Jim May, the sporting man and mine owner of Reno, Nev., who was instrumental in pulling off the light heavyweight championship battle between Jack Root and Geo. Gardner at that place on July 4 many years ago. May is of opinion that Nelson can defeat Packed McFarland and has already paid \$500 with Jack Welch, the San Francisco referee, to bind a match between Nelson and McFarland at 131 pounds, weigh in at 6 p.m., for a side bet of \$3000 and the largest purse offered. They will probably fight at Reno, Nev., as May has already offered them a purse of \$10,000.



ACCOMPLISHED HIS WISH.

To be a big gun. Was what he desired. So first he got loaded. And then he got fired.

CUBAN CIGAR MAKERS.

While They Work Novels and Newspapers Are Read to Them.

A Cuban cigar factory of the best class is by no means a stupid place to work. Not only does every cigarmaker have plenty of light and air, a leather covered chair to sit on and the privilege of keeping on his hat while he works, but he is entertained meanwhile with novels and newspapers, song and discussion. The factory reader sits at the rear of the work room, enthroned upon an elevated stand. He is paid from the private funds of the cigarmakers, the cost to each man ranging from 10 to 15 cents a week.

This covers the cost of the books, novels and newspapers, as well as a salary of \$30 which is paid the president of the Reading Committee to make up for the time he is supposed to lose from his

work while engaged in counting votes or making the weekly collection.

According to the Cuba Review and Bulletin these readers earn from \$40 to \$60 a week, reading for a period of three or four hours a day. As a rule each factory has two readers and newspapers are taken up in the morning and books or novels in the afternoon.

The selection of the book or novel to be read is an interesting feature. It takes the character of a political election. Each man voting for the book he wants. The president of the Reading Committee counts the votes and announces the winning book, which is forthwith bought and placed in its turn to be read.

The cigarmaker is a very independent workman. He has no fixed hours, but can go and come as he pleases. If he remains away no more than a reasonable time he can have his old place back again.

All work is piece work, but wages are according to the size and the kind of cigar he can make. He is allowed to talk and smoke while working, but the reading keeps the men quiet and industrious.

Those who cannot read or write are yet kept informed on public questions and are able to discuss intelligently problems of national and municipal interest. They seem to be well posted on scientific discoveries and other matters. It is common that the newspapers have editorials or articles which arouse the patriotic feelings of the men. Then the reading is stopped, voices are heard commenting on the subject treated and their knives or shavers are struck violently on the flat surface of their working table.

This is their mode of applauding. Sometimes the national hymn and other popular airs are intoned, but singing is reserved for important occasions, such as the victory of a Cuban in a foreign country in some athletic contest, in a hard game wrung from some of the baseball teams which visit Havana each year.

The excitement, however, only lasts for a few minutes, work is at once resumed and the only voice heard in the big room is that of the reader.

The wages earned by the cigarmakers vary. Some make as much as \$50 a week, while others who are not experts in making the selected sizes draw a weekly salary of \$10 or \$13 a week. Some cigar operatives need only to make a small number of good cigars a day to draw big wages, because the cigar they make is an expensive one for which they get 15 or 25 cents.

THE JEWISH BADGE.

Distinguishing Mark That Was Required by European Countries.

To the Jews of to-day it is fairly well known that their ancestors in Europe were forced to put up with a great deal of humiliation. One of the most insulting methods was to require the wearing of a badge which would stamp the wearer as an "infidel Jew." The wearing of a badge was made a general order throughout Christendom in the year 1215, but it must have been required in isolated places before that date. The most usual form of badge was that of a ring of distinctive color, attached to the upper garment. Any one of French Jewish ancestry will know that his forebears wore a ring of this sort, varying in size and in color—now red, now yellow and white, according to the whims of municipalities and monarchs. It was generally worn upon the breast, and at one time it was ordered to be worn likewise upon the back, so that a Jew might be known "fore and aft." When a Jew was found without the badge he was fined. Evidence of the wearing of this badge was also late as 1592 in France. Some forebears probably the ring in France. English Jews should feel the distinction of having had a peculiar sort of badge forced upon their ancestors. It was first in the form of a band—first white and then yellow; and later Jews were required to wear a badge with the shape of the Tablets of the Law. In Germany yellow badges were worn, but here the hat was the chief means of identification. In Austria and in Poland there are few traces of the badge, but in Hungary Jews wore a badge on their left breast. It is interesting to know that in Crete at the present day some of the houses of Jews are marked with the "o"—American Hebrew.

Cost of Royal Visits to London.

The recent visit of continental royalty to London cost King Edward \$250,000. The late King Oscar stopped at the Swedish embassy in London and didn't cost King Edward a penny. England had to pay \$505,000 to have Czar Nicholas visit London in 1844. Of this \$500,000 was spent in redecorating Buckingham Palace. When Sultan Abdul Aziz of Turkey visited Queen Victoria in 1867 he took with him a personal suite of 1,000 persons, all of whom had to be accommodated by the English Government. The bill for putting up the Khedive of Egypt at Dudley House in 1867 was \$20,000, but it took \$10,000 to entertain Prince Nasrullah Khan of Afghanistan at Dorchester House in 1895.

In testing the temperature of a child's bath put in your elbow or the under-part of your arm. The hand is of no use.

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Union Label on Every Garment.

THE ART OF PUBLIC SPEAKING

Mr. Balfour appears to have told the students of the Philomatic Society at Edinburgh that the art of public speaking was but the art of public conversation raised to a higher level. This reminds us of Bright's saying that the best House of Commons speaking was "pointed an eloquent conversation." And so it is, for ordinary occasions, and for the transaction of business, says the Saturday Review. But this "public conversation" is not oratory; it is debating—a very different thing. Mr. Balfour naturally praises the conversational style, in which he excels all his contemporaries. Twenty years ago Mr. Balfour was the most hesitating and awkward speaker on either of the front benches in the House of Commons. By daily and nightly practice, at the expense of his audience, he has made himself the most dexterous debater of the age. We do not disparage the qualities required for the attainment of this art. Perfect command of temper, unsleeping vigilance, a sense of humor, the habit of remembering points advanced by an adversary and instantly framing a reply, however bad, these are the requisites of a debater; and though they are not mental qualities, they are the highest order, and they can only be acquired by courage, and they are indispensable to the leader of a popular assembly. Mr. Balfour has wisely never attempted oratory, which is to debating what a picture is to a cartoon, prose to a leading article, or poetry to vers de société. Indeed, the combination of the power of oratory and the power of debating is very rarely found in the same speaker. Burke and Bright, the greatest orators of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries respectively, were no debaters. Of Pitt, Fox and Sheridan we know too little to say; if we were to judge of them by the highest order of their speeches, they were neither orators nor debaters. Brougham possessed in a high degree the art of weaving extemporaneous replies to previous speakers into a carefully prepared speech, as did Disraeli. Only once or twice in the Corn Laws did Sir Robert Peel attempt the perilous flights of oratory, and then, according to his hostile but judicial critic, he was only partly successful. Lord Derby (the Prime Minister) was reckoned the first debater of his day as he was only partially successful. In the House of Commons, and in the House of Lords he once or twice delivered the power of impassioned rhetoric. But unquestionably the speaker who combined in the most superb manner the handling of details, the answering of opponents, and close ratiocination with appeals to the passions or the ethical imagination of his audience, was Gladstone. That is why he was equally successful in the House of Commons and on the platform—another very rare combination. Mr. Balfour expressed the hope that none of the students would try to learn gestures or tones of voice, as needless accessories in these artistic and impressive speeches. We remember once seeing his turn of mind in one of his Home Rule speeches, to warn his party that there was "danger in delay." He flung both his arms straight up in the air, and let his long, artistic hands droop, in the attitude of a denouncing prophet, or weird seer. Though it was mere rhetoric and was no danger, men held their breath. Gladstone emphatically the last of the orators. Randolph Churchill reserved his more elaborate rhetorical efforts for the platform; in the House of Commons he too made himself a debater at the expense of his audience. At public meetings Churchill delivered his speeches with marvellous memory and vivacity, thus effectually concealing the preparation. But his defective education caused him just to miss the true oratorical note, which has been defined as something between poetry and prose, and a better writer than either. There was a rigorous vulgarity about the Randolphian style which was anything but classical. The same remark applies to Mr. Chamberlain, who made speeches bearing obvious marks of preparation. Mr. Chamberlain's speeches are full of great apparent ease; and there is a pleasant piquancy about them, a general impression of "securig" all round, which excites admiration. But they are spoiled by bad quotations, by trite metaphors, and by hackneyed phrases. Commonplaceness of thought and expression removes them from the region of oratory. There was one speaker besides Gladstone who exhibited too rarely occasional flashes of oratory, Mr. David Plunket, now Lord Rathmore. He had a musical and flexible voice and a clear, deep laugh, or soothed at will, and when he employed a metaphor it was a poetical one. Unfortunately, he very seldom made a speech, and appeared content, as First Commissioner of Works, to supply dressing-rooms, where, as he said, with a stuffer, "politicians might be glad to change their coats." Mr. Joseph Coven, the member for Newcastle, had oratory in him, but his Northumbrian burr was so strong that he was almost unintelligible to the House of Commons.

What is the explanation of the vulgar prejudices against the preparation of speeches? For Mr. Balfour was merely expressing a popular notion when he said that the signs of preparation were fatal to effect. No one who has ever studied a fine passage in one of the speeches of Grattan, or Burke, or Bright (whose speeches were as polished like the face of a diamond, can imagine that the words welled up out of a well-filled mind, or that they were not carefully written out and committed to memory. Most men shrink from the drudgery of writing their speeches; many men are so afraid of their memory deserting them at a critical moment that they dare not attempt to remember the words, even if they have written their speech out. Lord Lyndhurst declared that he was not equal to the feat of following the thread of an argument on his legs, and at the same time of thinking out the words of a manuscript, though he admitted that Lord Brougham's method

of writing was the better one. Bright used to write his great speeches out three or four times, without comparing them, so that if the words of one edition failed him, he might trust to the recurrence of the words of one of the other copies. Yet from time immemorial preparation has been a gibe against orators:

"Pitt has no heart, men say, but I deny it; He has a heart, and gets his speeches by it."

The root of the prejudice against preparation is, we think, the old puritanical idea that the speaker is a preacher, a man of God, inspired to deliver the words that are put into his mouth. Ever since Antony's speech in the forum, the popular orator always begins by assuring his listeners that he has no written speech to deliver. "I am a plain, blunt man, who speaks right on," etc. The ethical fallacy is obvious, for there is no reason why that which is meditated should be less sincere, less the offspring of conviction, than that which is spoken on the spur of the moment—quite the contrary. But the vulgar has an idea that, given enough time to prepare, anybody can make a good speech. Give a fool a year, and he will only produce a foolish speech. We cannot agree with Mr. Balfour that the best speeches are not those which read best. That is Lord Chesterfield's doctrine, that the voice, the manner, the arrangement are more than the matter. But seeing that for one man who hears a speech a thousand read it, it is well worth while to make one's speech good reading, which can only be done by putting good matter into good words. The art of debating is not a matter of the highest order, and it can only be acquired by courage, and they are indispensable to the leader of a popular assembly. Mr. Balfour has wisely never attempted oratory, which is to debating what a picture is to a cartoon, prose to a leading article, or poetry to vers de société. Indeed, the combination of the power of oratory and the power of debating is very rarely found in the same speaker. Burke and Bright, the greatest orators of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries respectively, were no debaters. Of Pitt, Fox and Sheridan we know too little to say; if we were to judge of them by the highest order of their speeches, they were neither orators nor debaters. Brougham possessed in a high degree the art of weaving extemporaneous replies to previous speakers into a carefully prepared speech, as did Disraeli. Only once or twice in the Corn Laws did Sir Robert Peel attempt the perilous flights of oratory, and then, according to his hostile but judicial critic, he was only partly successful. Lord Derby (the Prime Minister) was reckoned the first debater of his day as he was only partially successful. In the House of Commons, and in the House of Lords he once or twice delivered the power of impassioned rhetoric. But unquestionably the speaker who combined in the most superb manner the handling of details, the answering of opponents, and close ratiocination with appeals to the passions or the ethical imagination of his audience, was Gladstone. That is why he was equally successful in the House of Commons and on the platform—another very rare combination. Mr. Balfour expressed the hope that none of the students would try to learn gestures or tones of voice, as needless accessories in these artistic and impressive speeches. We remember once seeing his turn of mind in one of his Home Rule speeches, to warn his party that there was "danger in delay." He flung both his arms straight up in the air, and let his long, artistic hands droop, in the attitude of a denouncing prophet, or weird seer. Though it was mere rhetoric and was no danger, men held their breath. Gladstone emphatically the last of the orators. Randolph Churchill reserved his more elaborate rhetorical efforts for the platform; in the House of Commons he too made himself a debater at the expense of his audience. At public meetings Churchill delivered his speeches with marvellous memory and vivacity, thus effectually concealing the preparation. But his defective education caused him just to miss the true oratorical note, which has been defined as something between poetry and prose, and a better writer than either. There was a rigorous vulgarity about the Randolphian style which was anything but classical. The same remark applies to Mr. Chamberlain, who made speeches bearing obvious marks of preparation. Mr. Chamberlain's speeches are full of great apparent ease; and there is a pleasant piquancy about them, a general impression of "securig" all round, which excites admiration. But they are spoiled by bad quotations, by trite metaphors, and by hackneyed phrases. Commonplaceness of thought and expression removes them from the region of oratory. There was one speaker besides Gladstone who exhibited too rarely occasional flashes of oratory, Mr. David Plunket, now Lord Rathmore. He had a musical and flexible voice and a clear, deep laugh, or soothed at will, and when he employed a metaphor it was a poetical one. Unfortunately, he very seldom made a speech, and appeared content, as First Commissioner of Works, to supply dressing-rooms, where, as he said, with a stuffer, "politicians might be glad to change their coats." Mr. Joseph Coven, the member for Newcastle, had oratory in him, but his Northumbrian burr was so strong that he was almost unintelligible to the House of Commons.

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providing he is doing his best, the while to become self-supporting again.

When leaving in Ottawa, If, at the end of seven days he has not found work, he must leave the Asyl, but may go straight to the workhouse, an institution organized to provide a refuge for the destitute who are able and willing to work but have failed to find work to do. All who present themselves there are admitted at once. If they have a settlement in the city, they are comfortably lodged, well fed, and kindly treated, and they are allowed to leave the workhouse one day every week to look for work. In return they are required to do a fixed amount of work every day. If they choose to do more than their appointed task, they are paid for their extra work, and can thus earn money wherewith to start life afresh; while, if they persist in doing less, they are turned out of the workhouse, and are left to fend for themselves.

For those who in the workhouse will not work are regarded by the Vienna authorities as "lost souls," who must be punished, not helped. And punished they are as a rule speedily, for the police keep a sharp watch over all who have been expelled from the workhouse, and to Austria loafers whom one is destitute, is a crime. Whoever is convicted of wandering about without visible means of subsistence, of begging, or of allowing his wife or child to beg, may, unless he has some very good excuse to offer, be sent to a penal workhouse and detained there for three months, unless he can manage to change his ways.

To be sent to a penal workhouse is the very best thing that could happen, both for him and for the community. If he be a habitual loafer, for while there he is not only taught to work, but is forced to work, and to do so well, as he must earn his food every day before he eats it. Thus there is the chance, at least, that he may by the force of custom lose his old distaste of work, and develop into a decent, self-supporting member of society.



SORRY HE SPOKE.

Mr. Cissie said she thought it must be very pleasant to be married to a clever man.

"And what did you say, wife?"

"I told her that of course I didn't know—I had only been married once!"

A JOLT TO A JINGO.

The Toronto Saturday Night has the following incident:

Some of those present asked Mr. MacDonald a question which he found in a big hall which accommodated about 8000 people. The Toronto editor was in the programme for the second night.

One of the speakers on the first night was the Governor of one of the Carolinas—a big, fat, clean-shaven man, seeming to be the personification of the being the illustrated papers are fond of portraying as the politician of the beef trust type. Even though it was an international occasion, and many of the ambassadors of foreign powers had seats on the platform, he came in loud tones he dilated on the magnificent resources of the country and reminded them that the United States supplied the world with fifty per cent. of this, eighty per cent. of that and ninety per cent. of something else. Among other things he said the United States supplied the world with ninety-seven per cent. of peanuts.

Amused at this inopportune jingoism, some of those present asked Mr. MacDonald to say something in his speech on the following night to offset it. Others facetiously dared him to use the word peanuts. He did both. As he rose to speak he was encouraged by three Canadians, who occupied seats at the front of the hall, who rose and sang "The Maple Leaf." His subject was "The Call of the Nation," and he pointed out that the greatness of a nation did not consist alone in the magnificence of its resources or the length of its railways. Then he warmed up with his robust eloquence.

"It may be true," he said, "as we were so beautifully, originally and tender last night that you supply the world with ninety-seven per cent. of this peanuts, but it is also true that your mills are starving for the pulp from the forests of New Brunswick and Quebec. As the nations of the old world watch the growth and development of this North American continent, what a noble sight it will be to see on the northern half a nation built upon a pile of pulpwood and on the southern half a nation built on a pile of peanuts."

The point told, but the Americans took it as a personal insult and joined in the general cheer.

Earth's Treasures.

The total known production of coal throughout the world in 1906 is put at about 905,000,000 tons, the United Kingdom producing rather less than a third of the whole. In the United Kingdom, Germany, and the United States the production of coal in 1906 was greater than in any previous year. Despite the great increase in production last year the price of coal rose 4½ per cent. in the United Kingdom, 3½ in Germany, and 1½ in the United States. In 1905 there were 837,100 persons employed in coal mining, above and below ground, in the United Kingdom, average output per head 222 tons per annum. In U.S.A. there were 626,300 persons employed, average output 560 tons. Last year the United Kingdom exported 76,788,000 tons of coal, and Germany 25,807,000 tons. On the other hand, Germany imported 10,175,000 tons of which 7,500,000 tons were obtained from Great Britain. France and Italy are the other principal customers. Railway locomotives in the United Kingdom used 12,093,000 tons in the year, as compared with 11,543,000 tons in 1905, and 11,445,000 tons in 1904.

WANTED TO DIE.

SEEKS OFFICIAL PERMIT TO END HIS YOUNG LIFE.

Detectives Intercept Foreigner Who Has Scrupulous Notion About Being Within the Law on the Suicide Act.

Buffalo, Dec. 27.—While on his way to police headquarters to ask for a permit to commit suicide, Paolo Defanti, 21 years old, of No. 21 Blossom Alley, was intercepted by Detective Sergeant O'Grady and Higgins and taken to the Pearl street station, where he is being held for examination by Police Surgeon Fowler. He said he wanted to take his own life, but wanted to "be on the side of the law."

In his pocket was found a letter containing a \$1 bill, accompanied by a note requesting that a mass be said for the repose of his soul. Another envelope contained a ten-cent piece and a note written in Italian directed the disposition of the sum.

Before starting for police headquarters, Defanti had purchased a revolver for which he paid \$6.50. It was in his pocket when the officers brought him to the station.

After investigating the money, he consulted a friend, whose name the detectives withheld, and asked him the code of procedure for procuring a permit to end his life. The friend told him that the Superintendent of Police was the only person who would accommodate him, and that he would be required to see the chief, the friend notified O'Grady and Higgins of the incident.

Though he has no reason for wanting to take his life, Defanti seemed determined to do so yesterday. At police headquarters he waited three days before the permit could be issued, so that he may have a chance to change his mind in the meantime. He told the officers that he would wait at the station until the permit was issued, and would make no attempt on his life until he secured the necessary papers. The determination of the man, the officers handed him some rope, but he refused to use it. They asked him if he would take liquid to kill himself, and he said yes. When they wanted him to take a glass of beer to kill himself he offered to take the beer and then used it.

His father, Giuseppe Defanti, is said to live in this city, and he told the police that his mother was in an asylum for the insane in Italy.

WHY HE KILLED HIMSELF.

Toronto Furrier Could Not Stand Blackmail and Slander.

Toronto, Dec. 27.—"Can't stand the slander and blackmail and worry any longer. Have always dealt square and honest. Have been used mean and shabby by the press. What I have belonged to my brother, Alec Hobrecker."

This communication was found by the side of Gustave Hobrecker, who was found dead in his room at 5 Ann street last night. The thirty-two-calibre revolver with which he had shot himself in the right temple, was still clasped in his hand. The note, which was legibly written in pencil upon a bill bearing the dead man's business address as a dealer in and manufacturer of fine furs, at 49 King street west, was addressed to an intimate friend.

Mr. A. James McMill, the keeper of the rooming house at 5 Ann street, last saw Hobrecker on Christmas night. He was always a taciturn man, who never but of necessity during the whole fourteen months' stay at the house spoke to his fellow-lodgers or anyone. At half past 10 one of the lodgers thought he heard a noise, and went to see. Over a year ago Hobrecker failed in his business as a furrier, and he lived in retirement at Ann street. He was of Hebrew extraction, but had lived for years in Canada. He was about fifty years of age, and it is believed has no relatives in the city.

"THAW HER COT."

A Short Prayer in a Hamilton Presbyterian Church.

It was during my first visit to Canada, in the early nineties, that in company with a Scotch friend—then minister of a Baptist church in Ontario—I attended the mid-week prayer meeting of a well known Presbyterian Church not a hundred miles from the city of Hamilton. The minister had just returned from a visit to his native Scotland, and over three hundred of his congregation had come out to welcome him home. Among the speakers was the Mayor of the city, who told of having met a lady in Detroit who had formerly been a member of that church, and who had been about Detroit chilly religious atmosphere having frozen her completely up. A little later in the evening my friend and I were invited to address the gathering. He elected to pray, and those who heard his prayer will always remember it for its brevity, originality and practicality. Here it is in full: "O God, will ye no' thaw out that young lady that's got frozen up over in Detroit, an' send her home to her ain kirk whaur she'll be kept warm? Amen."—Stancraigs.

COLCHESTER ELECTION.

Liberals File a Petition Against Election of Mr. Stanfield.

Halifax, Dec. 26.—The method by which the Conservatives won the recent by-election in Colchester will be ventilated in the election courts. A petition against the return of Mr. John Stanfield was filed at the Prothonotary's office, Halifax, to-day, and will be served on Mr. Stanfield at Truro at once.

The petition makes the usual allegations of improper practices on the part of the Conservatives in the election.

Mr. R. L. Borden boasted in the House of Commons that the Conservatives conducted a clean election. They will be given the opportunity presently to prove that the leader of the Opposition rose by such authority when he claimed credit for the Colchester victory. The Liberals are determined to push the petition to a finish. The petitioner is Mr. A. B. Fletcher, a prominent temperance worker of Truro.

JOHN SUMMERS KILLED.

Remains of an Indian Found on the Railway Near St. Thomas.

St. Thomas, Dec. 26.—The body of an Indian found on the Michigan Central tracks, has been identified as that of John Summers, of Ononda. Summers' body was found terribly mangled and strewn along the track for nearly six hundred feet, he having been struck by a train while walking home on Christmas Day.

ARCHIBALD-PALMER.

Hamilton Man Takes a Bride in St. Thomas.

A quiet Christmas wedding was solemnized on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at St. Thomas, the contracting parties being Miss Maybell Palmer, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Palmer, Yarmouth Centre, and Walter Ashford of this city. Rev. Dr. Gundy, of Grace Church, St. Thomas, officiated. The only witnesses present were Miss Marguerite Palmer, eldest sister of the bride, and Gutherie Archibald, of Hamilton, youngest brother of the groom. A novel feature of the wedding was that it was held on the silver wedding anniversary of the bride's parents. The numerous beautiful and costly presents testified to the high esteem in which the young couple are held. The bride wore a travelling suit of navy blue vicuña with neat velvet pansy hat to match. The happy young couple left on the 2.15 p. m. G. R. train for their new home in Hamilton amid showers of rice and the best wishes of their host of friends, who join in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Archibald a long and happy wedded life.

ANCASTER WEDDING.

Happy Christmas Event at Home of Wm. Goodwin.

On Christmas Day the home of Mr. and Mrs. William David Goodwin, Ancaster, was the scene of a happy gathering to witness the marriage of their youngest daughter, Mary Knight, and Mr. Edward James Tyner, of this city. The bride was charmingly attired in lawn silk with white satin bodice and lace, and carried a shower bouquet of white carnations. She was attended by her cousin, Miss Katie McVittie, while Mr. George Whitfield Tyner, brother of the groom, was best man. Rev. James Bracken, of Ferguson avenue Baptist church, this city, officiated. The groom's gift to the bride was a beautiful ring, and to the bridesmaid, a gold stick pin. After the ceremony the wedding party partook of an elegant repast, and a toast to the bride and groom was honored.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyner will reside at 17 Case street, this city.

NO CONTRACTS.

Many Tomato Growers Will Refuse to Sign Them.

St. Catharines, Dec. 26.—A well known tomato grower, discussing the tomato situation around here, said: "The canning factory representatives will be around again pretty soon trying to make contracts with tomato growers for their next year's crop of tomatoes, but, judging from what I hear, they'll have a pretty hard job making any contracts with any of the growers. I don't think the growers will have to stand out very long for thirty cents a bushel for their tomatoes, for I'm pretty certain that, after this year's experience, twenty-five cent tomatoes are a thing of the past. For my part," remarked the grower, "I wouldn't make a contract again with any factory, and I guess there are a good many more like me." He went on to say that the factories do not act fairly with the growers. Some factories get tomato growers to sign contracts with them for tomatoes at twenty-five cents a bushel, though there is a verbal addition to the contract that the grower will get thirty cents. The printed contract is merely to show to other growers.

INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS.

The Department of Labor Report for November.

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—Industrial accidents occurring to 372 individual work people in Canada during the month of November were reported to the Department of Labor. Of these 142 were fatal and 230 resulted in serious injuries. In addition, three fatal accidents were reported as having taken place prior to the beginning of the month, information not having been received by the department before November. The number of fatal accidents reported in November, 1907, was two more than for the previous month, and 25 more than for November, 1906. Of 195 returns received during the month giving the age of the victims of three fatal accidents were reported as persons under 21 years of age, 44 to persons between 21 and 45, 12 to persons over 45; 116 persons were over 21 years of age, but their exact ages were not specified.

BELEAGUERED BY KURDS.

The Town of Urumiah in State of Siege.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 26.—A despatch from Urumiah, in Persian Armenia, which was brought out by a detachment of Russian troops, states that for the last eight days that town has been entirely surrounded and isolated by bands of Kurdish raiders, who have attacked caravans and driven hundreds of loaded camels to the mountains. A caravan escorted by the guards of the Russian Consulate at Urumiah, which was the first to get through, was attacked by fifty bandits. The robbers were repulsed, many of them being killed or wounded. Complete anarchy prevails at Urumiah.

The Russians are planning to strengthen the Consulate guard there, but it is declared in St. Petersburg that the time for actual intervention has not yet come.

TOWN TREASURER ROBBED.

Port Dalhousie, Dec. 26.—The wreckers working to-day at the sunken tug Escort have just returned from the lake. They raised the tug and towed her about a quarter of a mile closer to port. They had to leave her on account of the heavy sea that was beginning to roll. They will return again the next favorable day and will probably land her in the harbor the next trip.

Mrs. Orford, an immigrant of several months standing at Kingston, took 12 capsules of morphine yesterday in an effort to end her life. Medical aid was summoned quickly, and she may recover. She was deserted some time ago by her husband and five children, and was keeping house for a man on Victoria street.

Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at Toronto have decided to establish a temple at London, Ontario.

SMITHVILLE

An entertainment under the auspices of the Smithville Public School, of which any teacher might be proud, was given in Brant's Hall here on Thursday evening last. Every pupil endeavored to excel. The following was the programme: School Chorus, "Maple Land;" short address from the chairman, Robt. Murtagh; violin solo, Mr. Geo. Copeland; recitation, Fred. Murtagh; solo, "School Days," Miss E. Baker; recitation, Allan Collins; recitation, Roy Bartlett; solo, Edna Bruch; recitation, Frank Day; reading, Helen Davis; solo, Francis Town; recitation, "Christmas" by nine little girls; recitation, Eliza Fisher; Scotch duple, Miss Annie Moffat and Mr. E. Taylor; reading, Howard Walsh; wreath drill, by 10 school girls; negro selection, "Shame on You," by the choir; Messrs. Zimmerman and Snider; solo, Rev. F. D. Roxburgh; reading, Eric Baldwin; recitation, Stanley McPherson; trio, Miss Baker, Miss Brant and Miss Fox; recitation, Clayton Bartlett; selection by the orchestra; school chorus, "God Save the King." Proceeds, \$35, to purchase organ for the use of the school.

Mrs. Geo. W. Hart, of Hamilton, spent Xmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Shipman, here.

Miss Blanche Hutt, of Toronto, was home for the holiday.

Mr. H. B. Robertson, of the Union Bank, here, visited his home in Pakenham, for Christmas.

At the annual meeting of the Smithville public school held on Thursday, Mr. Roland Balfour was re-elected trustee for the next three years.

Mr. Palmer, Merritt, of Hamilton, spent his holiday with friends here.

Wedding bells will ring shortly here. Mr. Frank Page, of the Union Bank, Barrie, paid a visit to his home, and old friends, returning to his duties on Friday.

Camps School Literary Society met in the school house on Saturday evening. Mr. Nelson, of Fulton, occupied the chair, and Mr. Novils acted as critic. The debate was "Resolved: That Agents are Beneficial." The affirmative speakers were Mr. E. Hoffman, Mr. Rodgers and Mr. Milburn; the negative, Mr. Midwell, Mr. Friesen spoke twice. The decision was given in favor of the affirmative. The following programme was given: Speech, by the Chairman; recitation, Howard Walsh; recitation, Mr. Joslin; speech, Mr. Milburn; recitation, Samuel Sipek. The next meeting will be held on Friday evening next.

AN UNSATISFACTORY POST.

Expense and Ingratitude Conditions of the Lord Lieutenantcy of Ireland.

Accompanying the new lord lieutenant, we took part in the state entry into Dublin, which was conducted with the usual military display and viceregal etiquette. The duke in uniform rode with glittering staff out of the city. The rest of the family in civilian dress, with positions and outsiders, drove through the crowded streets to the black and grimy castle, which for centuries has witnessed these processions come and go. In view of the repeated attacks made in the last hundred years on the Irish viceregalty, it is strange that it still exists, and is apparently flourishing. But in the old days of slow travel and no telegraph, when it took a week to get to Dublin, things were very different, and one can understand the pomp and circumstance with which the representative of the sovereign necessarily surrounded himself.

In India, the viceregalty was so impressed with the glamor of royalty. In the distant colonies, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and others, government house can be offered for the Dublin court, which is within a few hours of London and in direct communication by telegraph and telephone with Downing street. The lord lieutenant, who is not in the cabinet, is but a figure-head, a purveyor of amusements for the Irish officials and the Dublin tradespeople, on whom he is obliged to lavish his hospitality and his money, with no return and no thanks. The wives of the viceroys labor in social work, each with a different branch of the other in charitable work. These philanthropic works could be carried on just as well if they did not emanate from the castle. The ingratitude of the people must be very disheartening to each successive viceregal. However popular the lord lieutenant and his wife may be, however successful the attempts to cajole, conciliate and entertain—though out of their private means they may have spent money like water—in a week all is forgotten. The new regime is paramount: Le roi est mort; vive le roi!

If the lord lieutenant carries out with tact and success the policy of the government, the credit is taken by the minister. If, on the other hand, the policy is a failure, he gets the blame, or, worse, still, is repudiated publicly and told that the lord lieutenant is of no account. I have seen a good many vice-regal courts, and it is a marvel to me that any one can be found to accept an ingratiate post.—From "The Reminiscences of Lady Randolph Churchill" in the January Century.

Railroads Across the Andes.

The prophets predict that ere many years have passed there will be at least three railroads across the Andes, one of them transcontinental, the others connecting the steamers on the Amazon or its tributaries.

The line which now runs from Valparaiso to Juncal is to be extended through a long tunnel which in five or ten years will be finished, and it will connect with Argentine road at Scheraga.

The remarkable Central Peruvian road, which rises 6,000 feet in fifty miles from its terminus and crosses the eastern range at an elevation of 15,665 feet, will in no great time be ready to carry passengers to the Ucayali River; hence there is an 800 mile river journey ere the traveller reaches the head of navigation for ocean going vessels. And that place is 2,000 miles from the Atlantic. Another line further to the north will greatly shorten the journey.

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