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TELEPHONE TRUST CONFORMS WITH NEW LEGISLATION

Reorganization Will Be Made Following Federal Authorities Recommendations.

CONSTANTLY ASSAILED

Financial Men Say That Task Undertaken Will Not Be Difficult.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Dec. 20. — The information from Washington that the American Telephone and Telegraph Company has agreed to give up its interests in the Western Union, and to effect a reorganization to conform with the recommendations of the federal authorities, was no surprise to financial men, though unexpected at this time.

The telegraph and telephone combination has been under almost continuous attack since it was effected in 1909 through the purchase of the large Gould, Sage and Morosini holdings of Western Union stock by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, in which the various Bell Telephone interests have been consolidated.

Constantly Assailed.

Ever since that time the telephone combination has been under investigation by the department of justice. It has been constantly assailed by Clarence MacKay, because of the disadvantage the Postal Telegraph Cable Company was placed in, through its alleged lack of the telephone facilities of its rival, the Western Union.

Independent telephone interests, finding it arduous to compete with local Bell companies, because the trunk lines of the combination were closed to them, complained bitterly. Members of Congress from time to time have proposed investigations, or urged the department of justice to act on general principles.

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MILD WEATHER CUTS INFANT DEATH RATE

Few Deaths Reported as Result of Existing Conditions—Immigrant Children Suffer.

The mild weather of the past few weeks has been favorable to babies. Comparatively few child deaths have been reported, and the death rate of older people has been proportionally small.

A physician made the statement to The Advertiser that the majority of child deaths are among the children of the immigrants. "I have noticed that the majority of deaths of children are among those of immigrant parents," he said. "I do not wish to insinuate that these children are not as rugged as the Canadian-born youngster, because that is not the case. In fact the child of the foreigner seems more rugged, and can endure more than the young child of the American continent.

"The cause of these deaths are the long sea voyage and other hardships that are trying on a grown person, and of course affect babies. The constant change and the cramped quarters that are experienced in many of the immigrant ships are not condusive to health. This will apply locally to almost the same extent as in a coast town," he concluded.

PAID $400,000 FOR PAINTING BY TITIAN

Art Treasure Bought in England by Rich Cincinnati Woman.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Dec. 20. — A Titian with a notable history, one of the finest of the master's paintings, has been purchased by Mrs. Thomas J. Emery, of Cincinnati, from Sir Hugh Lane, the famous British collector, and sent to Mrs. Emery's home in Cincinnati, it was learned last night. The price paid is given as $400,000.

The painting is a portrait of the young son of Charles V. of Spain, afterwards Philip II. Titian kept the original until his death. It was for a time in the Padua palace collection, and later found its way to Munich, and then to London, so that although it was painted in 1550 it has had only four owners. Negotiations for its sale were begun in London only two months ago, and it arrived here recently on the steamer France.

UNION MEN PLAN TO BOYCOTT BANK

[Canadian Press.]

Berlin, Dec. 20.—The labor unions of Germany decided today to withdraw their deposits amounting to $5,000,000 from a leading bank which had discharged one of its members.

The bank declined to reinstate the man at the request of the labor unions, and also refused to give acceptable guarantees that its employees should have the right of association.

The desired guarantees were obtained by the labor unions from other banks, thanks to the use of the effective weapon given them by the large funds they were able to deposit.

Court of Revision Upheld. — Judgment was handed down Friday afternoon by Judge Talot Maceth in the case of the McClary Manufacturing Company vs. the city, in which the company appealed against the court of revision decision confirming the assesment by the city assessment department of its property in Chelsea Green. Judgment was in favor of the city and the assessment stands, although it is probable that the decision will be appealed.

NO HOLIDAY

One Thousand Londoners Will Work on Christmas Day.

The Christmas season means rush and hurry for many wage-earners, though most of them get respite in the joys of Christmas Day at home. But in the big cities an increasing number of toilers never get a chance to enjoy this "once a year" holiday.

A rough estimate shows that in London this year nearly 1,000 people will toil on Christmas Day perhaps harder than usual. They are made up thus:

Street railway employees	150
Telegraph operators and messengers	30
Railway employees	400
Employees of theatres	125
Firemen	50
Policemen	30
Telephone girls and men	25
Postmen and helpers	35
Newspapers	15
Hotels	125
Restaurants	150

FRIENDS WOULD HAVE RILEY TRIAL HELD ELSEWHERE

Will Make an Effort To Secure Change of Venue When Case Comes Up.

FRIENDS SUBSCRIBING

Railroad Employees, Both Here and in Kansas, Giving Aid.

That an effort may be made to have the trial of Thomas Riley, now occupying a cell in the county jail on a charge of murder, held in some city or town other than London was the information given to The Advertiser this morning as authentic.

Local railwaymen, who are interested in the prisoner's behalf, have received a number of communications from the latter's former railroad brothers asking "if those in charge here thought public sentiment would play a part in the case if it would not be possible to have the trial in some city other than London."

A London employee of the Grand Trunk this week received a letter from a friend in Kansas City to the effect that a subscription would be taken up on all the roads in Missouri for Riley, and would be forwarded here before Jan. 1.

The subscription taken up in London, Sarnia, Toronto and Niagara Falls has been greatly enlarged during the past few days. No member of the brotherhood would state just how much money has been collected to date.

Extra Men Join Postoffice Staff

Fourteen Are Added to Handle the Christmas Rush.

The 1913 Christmas mail rush at the London postoffice is on now in real earnest every train and stage bringing in extra bags of mail to be sorted by the members of the local staff.

Fourteen extra men have been added to the permanent staff. These men will be retained from 11 to 14 days after Christmas if the quantity of mail matter sent through the office demands their employment.

Whether the total amount of mail matter that will go through the London office will be larger than that of 1912 local authorities state it would be impossible to say.

How the Pots Boil!

Reporter Says Concertina Plays Out of Tune When "V"s Are Dropped In.

"Keep the pot a-biling." This is the cheery greeting that half a dozen Army men and women stationed at the principal street corners with the time-honored Salvation Army pot hung on a tripod with a sprig of holly or mistletoe garnishing it, are extending to the passersby today.

If you peek into the pot when you drop your dime or two-bits or whatever you give through the hole in the glass cover, you will see pennies that the newsboys on the corner dropped in, a nickel that a poor woman, who will have but a meagre and very plain Christmas herself, contributed, quite at home beside the crisp greenback that the stout, good-natured gentleman with the fur coat and gauntlets donated along with an apologetic joke.

In some of the pots there may even be a fiver, but fivers are fortunately rare, for the good army folks get so excited when the fivers drop in that they play the concertina out of tune, with the imminent danger of driving the traffic officer into nervous prostration.

No you will find that the pennies, nickels, dimes, two-bits and four-bits are by far the most numerous, although the pots don't really feel respectable unless they have a greenback to properly flavor the stew.

Two hundred more Christmas dinners will be dispensed by the Salvation Army on Christmas morning, and while the pots are figuratively boiling on the street corner, the good sisters of the League of Mercy are boiling real puddings and making real Christmas cake and preparing other Christmas delicacies for the well-filled dinner baskets that will be given to poor families.

The army men with the concertinas or the cornets don't need to appeal very strongly. No real self-respecting individual has the courage to pass one of those pots without either dropping in his contribution or registering a resolve to put in something before Christmas Day.

ENRAGED COUNT KILLED HIS WIFE AND HER NEPHEW

Couple Had Only Been Reconciled Recently After a Long Separation.

ASKED NO EXPLANATION

Murderer Is a Polish Nobleman and Member of German Parliament.

[Canadian Press.]

Graetz, Germany, Dec. 20. — Count Mattheas Mielynski, a Polish nobleman and member of the German Imperial Parliament, shot and killed his wife and his nephew during latt night under tragic circumstances.

The count, who is residing near here at Castle Dakowymokrz, one of his many country homes, heard sounds in the night which he thought were caused by thieves who had entered the castle. He seized a rifle and made a search, during which he found his wife and her nephew together in her room.

Shot Both Dead.

Without a word of warning or asking for an explanation Count Mielzynski shot both of them dead.

A woman companion of the countess was the only witness of the affair, and she also was seriously wounded by one of the bullets.

This morning the count notified the public prosecutor of the tragedy.

The count, who is forty-four years old, was married on Sept. 15, 1896, to Countess Felicia Von Polck-Potocka, who was born in 1875. For some years the couple were separated, but became reconciled a short time ago.

Member of Parliament.

Count Mielzynski has been a member of the imperial parliament since 1903. He was one of the Polish aristocrats who dined with the Emperor during his visit here on Aug. 27, when his majesty came to dedicate the new city hall and the chapel in Posen Castle.

On that occasion the function was boycotted by the Polish population as a protest against the Prussion Government polity of Germanization of the Polish provinces. The count's carriage was stoned and its inmates drenched with water while they were on the way to the castle.

Sub-Postoffices Will Receive Mail

In an effort to prevent congestion of the heavy Christmas mails at the main branch of the postoffice, Dr. P. MacDonald, postmaster, announced today that all sub-postoffices, of which a number are situated throughout the city, will receive all classes of mail, including parcels, etc. These will be weighed and information pertaining to rates and routes will be furnished.

CITY CLERK PREPARES FOR "SUFFRAGETTES"

Will Fit Up Accommodation For Them—Many Inquiries From Women.

City Clerk Samuel Baker is making extensive preparations for the municipal nominations on Monday, and it is whispered around the city hall that, in view of the announced intentions of the local suffragettes to turn out in large numbers for the proceedings, Mr. Baker will have the council chamber fitted up with mirrors for the accommodation of the ladies.

The women voters, and many who are not voters, are taking a great interest in the coming contests, and Mr. Baker states that his office has been fairly deluged with inquiries from members of the so-called gentler sex thirsting for information as to whether or not their names are on the voters' list. "This year," said Mr. Baker to The Advertiser today, "we have had 40 inquiries from women on these matters to one in any previous year."

MAN ARRESTED HERE SENTENCED IN WIDSOR

Thos. King Gets Year in Central Prison for Theft.

Thomas King, alias E. W. Piker, was sentenced to nine months in the Central Prison at Windsor on Friday by Magistrate Leggatt. King was found guilty of having stolen silverware, valued at $75, from the home of a prominent citizen. He pawned the loot in Detroit, where he was apprehended

King was arrested in London on Oct. 24 last, by Detective Nickle on the charge of stealing a suitcase filled with clothes from the store of T. Fox, 383 Clarence street. He was found guilty, and was sentenced to one month in jail.

SARNIA REGIMENT BEING REORGANIZED

Regular Drills and Church Parades Will Be Held.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Sarnia, Dec. 20.—The local regiment, the Twenty-seventh, is being reorganized at the present time, and will have four companies here in Sarnia. Two of these will belong to Sarnia, one will be formed at Point Edward, and the other will be raised amongst the men at the Imperial refinery.

It is proposed that a class of instruction for officers will be started in the armories shortly after the new year. It is the intention of the new commanding officer, Col. Kelly, of Watford, to hold regular drills and church parades.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN DREW WERE WED 50 YEARS AGO

Former Londoners Were Guests at Big Celebration in the West.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—The golden anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. John Drew, of Snowflake, Man., was celebrated at the home of their son, J. F. Drew, Winnipeg, today. The guests of honor were presented with golden remembrances in commemoration of their golden wedding.

Mr. Drew was born in Devonshire, England, in 1842 and came to Canada with his parents in 1848. His parents died of cholera within 24 hours after reaching London, Ont., and the family of orphans was left to battle its way in this country among strangers.

Mr. Drew entered in as apprentice to a cabinet maker in 1860, at Exeter, Ont., and was in business as furniture dealer and undertaker on his own account in the same place from 1864 to 1882.

He moved to Manitoba in 1882, and has been in that business and farming in the vicinity of Snowflake ever since.

Mrs. Drew was born at London, Ont., March 30, 1842, and was raised at Exeter, Ont. John Drew and Miss Martha Ann Bissett were married in Exeter on Dec. 18, 1862.

Eleven children were born, but all died except two, J. F. Drew Winnipeg, and Mrs. J. M. Stewart, of Mayville, N. D.

Mr. and Mrs. John Drew are 72 and 71 years respectively, and are hale and hearty and enjoying life.

CUSTOM RETURNS SHOW AN INCREASE OF $63,[illegible]000

Agricultural Exports Ea[illegible] Led All Others for Month of November.

FISHERIES FLOURISHING

Aggregate Trade Totalled $777,424,000 for the Past Eight Mo[illegible]

[Canad[illegible]

Ottawa, Dec. 2[illegible] D. Reid, minister of customs, has issued the monthly trade statement for Canada, showing a substantial increase in the total trade. For November the total was $111,459,000, compared with $106,072,000 for the corresponding month. For the eight months of the present fiscal year ended Nov. 30 the aggregate trade was $777,424,000, as against $713,614,000 in the same months of 1912.

Domestic agricultural products exported in November last totalled $33,417,000 as against $24,175,000 for the corresponding month of 1912.

Exports Decrease.

Exports of domestic animals and their products for November last were $7,795,000; for the corresponding month of 1912 these exports were $4,939,000. The exports of manufactures for November also show a substantial and healthy increase. They were: Domestic manufactures, $4,801,000 as against $3,830,000 for November, 1912.

There is also a substantial increase in the exports of the products of the mines, fisheries and forests.

Agriculture Leads.

For the eight months of the present fiscal year, ending November last, the exports of agricultural produce easily take the lead. During this period domestic agricultural exports were $142,338,000; for the corresponding eight months of the last fiscal year domestic agricultural exports were $96,394,000.

During the eight months of the present fiscal year the exports of domestic animals and their produce were $38,824,000, compared with $33,949,000 for the corresponding period of 1912. The fisheries were never in a more flourishing condition. For the eight months of the present fiscal year we exported of domestic fish $13,556,000, as compared with $10,499,000 for the corresponding eight months of 1912.

Leading Imports.

Imports for November last exclusive of coin and bullion, were $50,202,000, made up as follows: Dutiable goods, $32,338,000; free goods $17,863,000. For the corresponding month of 1912 the imports were: Dutiable goods, $38,471,000; free goods, $20,846,000, making a total of $59,318,000.

The imports for the eight months ending Nov. 30 last were: Dutiable goods, [illegible]4,635,000; free goods $146,111,000, making a total of $440,746,000. For the corresponding eight months of 1912 the imports of dutiable goods were $293,319,999, and of free goods, $152,231,000, making a total of $445,550,000.

FAKE DETECTIVE WAS GIVEN NINE MONTHS

Used Badge and Collected Ten Dollars From Englishmen.

[Canadian Press.]

St. Catharines, Dec. 20. — John H. McIntyre, who posed as a private detective, using a fake badge, in an effort to get two Englishmen, Thomas and Fred Whitehead, into the United States, after they had been turned back at the border, was sentenced to nine months in the Central Prison. McIntyre got ten dollars from the men to pay car fare with and forgot to give them the change.

DIED ON STREET

Thomas Price Was Overcome While on Way to Work.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Hamilton, Dec. 20.—Thomas Price, aged 60, was found lying dead, by a couple of small children, on Euclid avenue early today. His watch and $25 was in his pockets. The body was found near the hospital.

An investigation surrounding the death of Price indicate that he was a victim of heart disease. He left his home to go to his work at the Canada Screw Company, and it is supposed that he was suddenly seized with illness and was trying to get to the city hospital.

RECTOR REGARDS THE SUNDAY CARS AS "BLESSING"

Rev. Robert W. Norwood Says They Will Increase Church Attendance.

CITY SHOULD HAVE THEM

Declares That if Other Cities Can, London Can—Diversity of Opinion,

Diversity of opinion exists among local clergymen as to the relative advantages and disadvantages of the proposed project to have Sunday street cars in this city. The Advertiser secured the following views this morning:

Rev. W. J. Knox, First Presbyterian Church—If the citizens decided that they want Sunday cars, all well and good, but a guarantee should be given by the street railway company that all workmen engaged on the Sabbath will have one day in every seven off. Such a privilege should not be left to the discretion of the employing company, it should be made compulsory.

Rev. Robert W. Norwood, Cronyn Memorial Church—I am very much in favor of Sunday street cars. I don't think it is fair that a wealthy man should use his motor car or carriage on Sunday and the poor man be forced to walk. I also think Sunday cars would increase Sabbath worship, as many churchgoers develop into absentees, if for no other reason, than that they live too far from their respective churches. When I was in Montreal I know our church would have gone behind, almost fatally, had it not been for the Sunday cars, which enabled the parishioners to attend. Opposition to the project has come from some quarters, and it was based on the fact that men would have to work on the Sabbath. In my opinion that is a very poor argument. Ministers have to work on the Sabbath, and I look upon Sunday cars as a blessing. If Montreal Toronto and Hamliton can have Sunday cars, London should too.

Canon George B. Sage, of St. George's Anglican Church—I have nothing to say on the matter at present.

Rev. J. G. Stuart, of Knox Church—I would rather not discuss the question just now.

REAL ESTATE OWNERS STRONGLY FOR RICHTER

Vote 27 to 3 to Support Him in Mayoralty Race.

At a meeting of the Real Estate Association on Friday night, a resolution was submitted by Hugh Douglass and George Churchill to indorse Ald. J. G. Richter for the 1914 mayoralty. There were 30 members present, and only three of this number opposed the indorsation, but after some discussion it was decided not to indorse candidates for any of the municipal offices, although the feeling was strong for Ald. Richter.

STRIKE IS OVER

Cleveland Waiters and Cooks Are All Back at Work.

[Canadian Press.]

Cleveland, Dec. 20.—The strike of waiters, cooks, bartenders, and other employees, which has prevailed in three local hotels since last Monday came to an end last night so far as two of the hotels, the Hollenden and Colonial, are concerned. Managers of these hotels conferred with representatives of the strikers last evening and effected a compromise agreement.

The strikers were granted better working conditions a working week of six days, and a raise of $2.50 a month. They had asked to be raised $5 above their pay of $30 per month.

Recognition of the union was waived.

Following announcement of the compromise, the strikers immediately returned to work.

KING BUYS YACHT

Duke of Bedford Sells "Sapphire" To Grecian Monarch.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Dec. 20. — A London cable to the Herald says:

The Duke of Bedford has sold the original steam yacht Sapphire, of 1,023 tons, built 20 years ago, by the Hendersons, of Glasgow, to the King of Greece.

She is outfitting at Southampton, prior to leaving for Athens.

THE WEATHER.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today: Highest, 29; lowest, 24.

The official temperatures for the 24 hours preceding 8 p.m. Friday were: Highest, 35; lowest, 15.

TOMORROW—COLDER, WITH SNOW.

Forecasts.

Toronto, Dec. 20—8 a.m.

Today—Rain or sleet toward evening or at night, turning to snow.

Sunday—Strong winds, mostly west and northwest; colder, with snow.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Victoria	44	36	Cloudy
Calgary	30	14	Clear
Winnipeg	14	— 2	Clear
Port Arthur	26	6	Cloudy
Parry Sound	38	34	Cloudy
Toronto	38	28	Cloudy
Ottawa	46	26	Cloudy
Montreal	24	24	Cloudy
Quebec	8	6	Cloudy
Father Point	26	10	Cloudy

Minus (—) means below zero.

Weather Notes.

Depressions are developing over Ontario and in the Mississippi Valley, while a moderate cold wave covers Manitoba.

Fair weather prevails generally over the Dominion at present, but the outlook is unsettled from Ontario eastward.

NATURAL GAS CASE WAS LAID OVER AT BRANTFORD

Company's Solicitor Will Try to Have Old Supply Turned On.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Brantford, Dec. 20.—An enlargement until Tuesday next was granted to the defendants in the charge laid in the police court here today by M. H. O. Dr. Pearson against the Brantford Gas Company for maintaining a nuisance endangering the public health, by having sulphureted hydrogen gas turned into the local mains.

E. Sweet, solicitor for the company, asked that the case be enlarged, which was done, on his promise to do all that he could to have the old supply turned on again.

Magistrate Livingston, in answer to Solicitor Sweet's plea that the gas was for coking only, stated that it was nonsensical on the part of the company to expect that the people were going to throw out their gas fixtures at a moment's notice and go with candles until they could get electric wiring put in the house.

LONDON SPENDS $4,500 FOR CANDY AT CHRISTMAS

Merchants Estimate Shows That City Has a Very Sweet Tooth.

TOYS REPRESENT $5,000

Average Fifty Cents Per Home For City's 10,000 Houses.

That London has a very sweet tooth is borne out in the fact, that for candies, nuts, etc., alone, it annually spends at Christmas time the sum of almost $4,500.

At first glance such figures appear staggering, but they were carefully compiled by various local dealers and wholesalers, who being familiar with the demand for such articles, claim the sum is not exaggerated.

Eight thousand pounds of raisins are purchased in this city on an average every year. Many families do without them, others buy three and five pounds. Figured at 20 cents per pound this article alone means an expenditure of $1,600.

Two thousand dozens of oranges at an average of 20 cents a dozen makes a sum of $400.

Five thousands pounds of candy at an average of 25 cents a pound comes to $1,250, while 7,000 pounds of nuts at an average of 15 cents a pound is $1,050.

A summary of the above figures is:

Raisins	$1,600
Oranges	400
Candy	1,250
Nuts	1,050
Total	$4,300

A conservative estimate of the amount of money spent for toys each Christmas is placed at $5,000. A well-known merchant who vouchsafed the figures, said there were 10 000 homes in this city, and that while a great many were minus of children, an average of 50 cents was spent by each household for toys for someone.

This same merchant predicted that this season's expenditures for toys, notwithstanding the alleged financial depression, would equal the sums similarly spent in former years.

USE WHOLE ARMY AGAINST REBELS

President Huerta Urges That United Action Be Taken.

[Canadian Press.]

Mexico City, Dec. 20. — Explaining the necessity of utilizing the entire army in its campaign against the rebels, President Huerta sent a circular yesterday to all the state governments instructing them to proceed immediately in the organization of a thousand men each. It is clearly stated that the expenses of the equipment and maintenance of these organizations must come from the merchants whose interests it is supposed they will protect. The governors are informed that the organization must be perfected before the end of the month.

Reports from the north to the war department say that a batle is in progress at Concepcion Deloro, a short distance southwest of Saltillo. No details have been received.

TEMPORARY INJUNCTION

Wrigley Company Secures One Restraining Local Company Using Similar Box.

An interim injunction restraining the Maple Leaf Gum Company of this city from selling its product in the cardboard boxes which they have formerly used until Jan. 12, was issued by Justice Kelly at a sitting of the high court this morning. The company will be allowed however, to sell gum in the accustomed wrapper, the injunction applying only to the boxes.

A permanent injunction against both box and wrappers is being sought by the Wrigley Gum Company at the January assizes, the plaintiffs alleging an infringements of its patent. It was represented in court this morning by George Gibbons, of Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons, and the defendants, Messrs. Percy and Short, Henry E. Short and Mrs. Susie Hueghan, were represented by T. W. Scandrett and P. H. Bartlett.

M. C. R. Officials Here. — Walter H. Flynn, of Detroit, superintendent of motive power and construction for the Michigan Central Railroad, was in London on Thursday. Mr. Flynn was engaged in one of his frequent inspection trips over the company's lines, and no particular significance was attached to his visit her.

SORE THROATS AND DIZZINESS ARE CAUSED BY UNPURIFIED GAS

London Lady in Paris Says City Would Be Mad To Adopt It at Present.

HAS TO KEEP ALL WINDOWS OPEN

Purified Article First Used in Paris Was Altogether Satisfactory.

ANOTHER OPINION FROM WALKERVILLE

Professional Man Would Not Use Natural If It Was Possible To Secure Artificial.

Letters received by citizens with relatives in Paris and Walkerville, where the natural gas from Tilbury is used, do not make out a good case for the fluid.

The daughter of a prominent Londoner writes from Paris as follows:

"You struck on a very sore subject when you asked about natural gas. Up until last Friday noon we had splendid gas for both lighting and heating. It had tremendous heat and I never used my oven with both burners turned full, and the light is a steady white light, and it also warms the room. It never blackened the silver or hurt plants, and I didn't find that it stained the ceiling any more than any other gas, but since Friday the company have turned on the new gas, which comes from Leamington or Tilbury, and is used in Walkerville and Chatham. It is horrible, unpurified stuff. The whole of Paris is up in arms about it. The smell makes you feel sick, hurts your throat, and causes dizziness, and already big blotches are coming on my sliver. I have the kitchen window open almost all the time I work there. I heard today two of the stores had to have their furnaces changed, the gas taken out, and people haven't used their grates since this gas was turned on.

Would Pay More.

"It is just a shame, so if the London gas is from the same well don't think of using it. It is much cheaper, 40 cents or 45 cents a thousand, and 5 cents cheaper when over 8,000 feet are used, but it is so strong-smelling I would rather pay more, and have artificial, any day."

Another letter from the same lady says:

"London would be doing a mad thing if it gets this gas. My throat is sore most of the time, and all the people here who can have it taken out are doing so. It really is awful."

The letter from Walkerville is written by a well-known professional man and is as follows:

"I will now endeavor to reply to your questions regarding natural gas as fully as I can.

"To begin with, the distance from Tilbury to London is not greater—if it is as great—as from Tilbury here. As you know, the same field has supplied Windsor and Walkerville for the last few years. Last year we had no trouble from breaks in the main, nor were we bothered with low pressure, and the winter before we were only bothered three times, twice due to breaks in the main and once on account of low pressure.

Life Will Be Shortened.

"As far as the field itself is concerned, it doubtless will be very much shortened if the gas is carried to London, St. Thomas and Woodstock, as, I understand, is contemplated. The actual time that the gas will hold out no one is able positively to say.

"Regarding house lighting it is possible to light the house with natural gas, provided purifiers are used. These the local company install at their own cost, but I understand the company in London intend to charge for them, which charge will be in the neighborhood of $10 to $12 apiece. There is a very bad odor from the gas, even with the smallest leak, and the chances are pretty good that there will be many leaks throughout the entire system in London, as the majority of pipes have been installed for such a long time. The pressure used with artificial gas is in the neighborhood of three ounces, while the pressure with natural gas is increased to eight ounces.

Must Change Stoves.

"The stove made for manufactured gas can be used with natural gas, but it has to be changed to a certain extent. This change will cost in the neighborhood of $6 a stove.

"Our rates here are 30 cents net for domestic use, while the manufacturers have a sliding scale of 12 to 15 cents, according to the amount of consumption.

"Personally we would never have installed natural gas in the house if we had been able to continue with artificial gas. The natural gas tarnishes silver very rapidly, and increases work in this respect all over the house. The people who favor natural gas are of the poorer class who cannot afford to pay for the artificial gas, and the manufacturers, who can secure natural gas at a very much cheaper rate than coal."

TRAFFIC IS BRISK

Officers at the Tunnel Are Being Kept Very Busy.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Sarnia, Dec. 20.—The Christmas traffic through the tunnel this year is much heavier than during the past seasons. The customs and immigration officers are working overtime in keeping things straight. Many of the passengers are booked through to England, where they will stay for the winter.

CORTESE ORCHESTRA TONIGHT. SMALLMAN & INGRAM LIMITED CHRISTMAS BELLS, 8 1-2c, 10c and 12 1-2c

Christmas Suggestions

Store Will Be Open Tonight Until 10 o'Clock

The fact that the Christmas season is the only time during the whole year that this store departs from the 6 o'clock closing rule (on Saturdays as well as other business days) makes these few evenings open before Christmas all the more appreciated by the citizens of London generally as well as our employees. We feel that the Christmas season is an exception and that we are justified in departing from the early closing rule for the convenience of many women who have certain gift buying to do, in the selection of which they desire the presence of their husbands to consult with, all of whom we cordially invite to take advantage of the opportunity to visit and inspect your store, even if you have no purchases to make. Take the elevator to the fourth floor and make a tour of inspection, finishing up at Toy-Town in the basement.

Will It Be an Umbrella?

Nothing would be more appropriate for him or her than one of these sterling silver or rolled gold trimmed Umbrellas with his or her initials engraved thereon.

Ladies' Or Gentlemen's

Fine silk and wool coverings, taped edges and paragon frames, neatly cased. Ladies' handles in mission, partridge wood and enameled, sterling silver and rolled gold trimmed. Gentlemen's in mission, boxwood and horn crooks with sterling silver and rolled gold caps. Prices..**$2.00, $2.50, $3.50**

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A Suitcase Umbrella, $3.00

For lady or gentleman, silk and wool covers, strong paragon frames; handles in mission and boxwood, rolled gold and sterling silver trimmed. Price.....**$3.00**

Dainty Corset Covers, 50c, 75c
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Just received in time for last-minute shoppers. All nicely boxed for Christmas trade, prettily trimmed with lace, insertion and beading, very pretty and attractive styles. Boxed singly and suitably lithographed in holly designs. See these, each .....**50¢** and **75¢**

At Stationery Counter

CHOICE CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Black Leather Photo Albums with detachable covers, at each .....**$1.00, $2.00** and **$2.50**
Brown Photo Albums .....**25¢**
Christmas Papeteries, good assortment, box.....**25¢**
Queen's Court Initialled Stationery, box.....**25¢**

Fountain Pens

The Premier Pens, each....**$1, $1.25, $1.50, $2, $3**
Moore's Non-Leakable Pens—
Ladies'...$2.25, $3.50, $4.50 Men's...$2.50, $2.85, $3.50
These are absolutely guaranteed non-leakable, and can be carried in your hand satchel or upside down in your pocket. All have 14k points.

These Gifts Second Floor

Steamer, Motor or Travelling Rugs....**$4.50** to **$11.50**
Honeycomb Wool Shawls in white, gray or black.....
.....**50¢, 75¢, 85¢, $1, $1.25, $1.50** to **$2**
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Scarfs and Fascinators.....**50¢, 75¢, $1** to **$1.75**
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White Cashmere Shawls .....**$3.75** and **$4.50**
One-Piece Wool Dresses.....**$6.50** to **$25.00**
One-Piece Silk Dresses.....**$7.75** to **$35.00**
Party Dresses .....**$10.00** to **$87.00**
Children's Waterproof Capes with hoods, 6 to 12 yrs.**$3.75**

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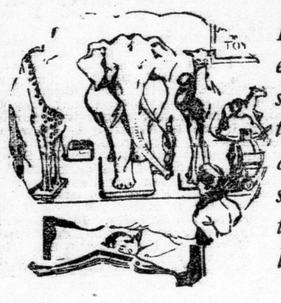
SANTA CLAUS SAYS



He wants all good children to go to bed real early every night from now until Christmas, as he has so much preliminary work to do in order that all the stockings may be filled on Christmas Eve, and as his plans are all carried out in the greatest secrecy you will assist him in his work by going to bed early, but you may get up as early as you like in the morning.

Toy-Town---From Now Until Christmas

School is out—no more lessons or sums this year. Nothing to think of but that joyous day, Christmas. Visit Toy-Town every day, take notes and report to your parents what you have discovered that interests you most.

GROWN-UPS—If you cannot bring the young folks of your own to see Toy-Town, bring the children of some friend or relative, or else come alone. The true Christmas spirit is concentrated here, and every face you will see will be a smiling one, so come today and bring the little tots with you if you can.

See the Toy-Town Dolls

"THE QUEEN MARY" Jointed 23-inch Doll. Special **$1.00**
Others dressed and undressed..... **25¢** to **$8.00**
Some of these can do almost anything but talk.
Character Baby Dolls ..... **50¢, 75¢** to **$3.00**
Dolls' Furniture, Cradles, Buggies, Beds, Dressers and Dolls' Houses.
Also perfect running Sewing Machines, four sizes .....
....**$1.25, $1.75, $2.50, $4.50**

Supper, 5 to 7:30 each evening, 35c

And Poor Old Dad, What For Him?

Just as tickled as a baby with a rattle with anything he receives—and he has been so good all through this Christmas siege, it has been a pleasure for everybody, and now we must look out for his comfort and joy.

A SUIT OF PYJAMAS? Nothing better, and here are fine suits made of soft American flannelette in very neat patterns, assorted stripes, in blue, pink, brown and mauve, all nicely boxed for sending away. A fine assortment..**$1.75, $2, $2.50**

A FINE WHITE SHIRT? White Shirts are very popular this season, and we are showing an extra fine range with pique fronts, nicely boxed for gifts. Sizes 14 to 16½..**$1.25**

A SILK SHIRT? Fancy Striped Silk Shirts, nicely boxed, make a most acceptable gift. Sizes 14 to 16½. Price..**$3.00**

MEN'S SWEATER COATS? A most acceptable Christmas gift for dad, son or brother. A great variety of pure wool coats, new shades in brown, maroon, Havana, navy, gray, white and combination colors. Prices .....**$2.75** to **$7.00**

Richmond Street Section.

Ladies' Handkerchiefs
Embroidered and Initialled, Nicely Boxed for Gifts

Handkerchiefs will be the popular choice now.

If you are puzzled about what to give, visit this counter and see the pretty suggestive styles in dainty initialled and embroidered Handkerchiefs.

BOXES, 50c, $1.00 AND $1.25.

Pure Linen Handkerchiefs with embroidered initial in wreath. Six in box for **$1.00.** Same quality, three in box.....**50¢**

Finer quality with embroidered design and initial. Three styles in box, 6 handkerchiefs. Box.....**$1.25**
Four in box, prettily embroidered designs. Special..**$1.00**

Three in box, prettily embroidered designs, hemstitched or lace edges. Box **$1.00**
Also finer quality, box **$1.25**

Children's Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, with embroidered initial, three in box.....**35¢**

Rear Main Aisle.

Black Dress Goods $1.00 Yard

Special assortment of fine blacks in plain and fancy weaves. All wool, silk and wool and resilda fabrics, stripes and brocades. See these, yard **$1.00**
Fine Silk and Wool Brocades...**$1.50, $1.75, $2.00**
New range Shepherd Checks....**50¢, 75¢, $1** to **$2**
All boxed suitably for gifts.

Many Are Buying Dress and Waist Lengths of Cream Goods

A large range to select from in all the new materials. Suitable gifts for infants' or ladies' dresses, waists or odd skirts. Put up in suitable boxes for Christmas.

Cream Nun's Veiling and Batiste, yard.....**40¢**
Cream French Cashmere, yard.....**50¢, 65¢, 75¢**
Cream Pure Wool Llama, yard .....**75¢**
Cream Pure Wool Serge, yard.....**50¢, 85¢, $1.00**
Cream Figured Batiste, yard .....**75¢**
Cream Whipcord Suiting, yard.....**$1.00** and **$1.25**
Cream Ratine and Homespun, yard.....**$1.25**
Creme Crepe de Chine and Marquisette, yard.....**$1.50**

Main Floor.

Men's Neckwear Tonight
In Christmas Boxes,
25c 50c 75c
$1.00

A special assortment of newest styles and colorings, singly boxed for gifts. Excellent styles. 25 dozen only at, each....**25¢**

Men's High-grade Neckties, Christmas styles, singly boxed, at.....**50¢. 75¢. $1.00**

SMALLMAN & INGRAM LIMITED

OPTIMISTIC OVER SCOUT MOVEMENT

Predicts Marked Development in Boy Scouts of Ontario.

Provincial Scout Commissioner H. J. Hammond, of Toronto, takes a most optimistic view of the future of the Boy Scout movement in Ontario. The coming year, he declared to The Advertiser on Friday, would see many marked developments along the lines laid down by General Baden Powell for the furthering of the work, and he looked for a bright future, especially in London and Western Ontario, where the movement was still practically in its infancy.

"Are you finding a ready response to your recent appeal for men to take charge of the many new troops that are being formed?" he was asked.

'Yes, the movement is finding better support all over the province," he replied. "The matter rests entirely with the scoutmasters and their officers themselves. If they can show that they are producing good citizenship, they will be sure of finding good support from the community. But they have got to deliver the goods—there's no question about that."

The commissioner laid emphasis on the non-military character of the movement. Military organization had much to commend it, and for that reason it was used to some extent in the Boy Scout movement, but the whole trend of the movement was away from militarism, and was directed solely towards producing good citizens from among the boys of the country.

TELEPHONE TRUST

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Government Ownership.

Finally, in the last few weeks began a movement for Government ownership of telephone and telegraph lines. Representative Lewis, of Maryland, who initiated the move, which was indorsed by Postmaster-General Burleson in his annual report just published, recognized the importance of the through lines, and proposed that they be acquired by the Government.

In the course of the fight carried on by the postal company and the independent telephone companies, there have been numerous lawsuits and complaints to public service commissions, the interstate commerce commission and the department of justice. A suit under the Sherman law charging discrimination against the independents on the Pacific coast is now in the federal courts, and hearings in connection with it have recently been held in this city.

Is Not Difficult.

Financial men said today that the separation of the company into its parts would not be a great difficulty because of their distinct organization. The difficulty would be, however, in devising a plan for distribution of the securities.

The department of justice no longer will permit a distribution of stock of the subsidiaries to the stockholders of the main company pro rata, as in the tobacco and Standard Oil cases. The supreme court in the Union Pacific dissolution went on record against this.

Ex-Attorney-General George W. Wickersham, when he heard the news, said:

"I can't say I am pleased, because I think it will be an economic mistake. I see no reason why telephone and telegraph companies should not be conducted as one concern.

"However, the action of the Wilson Administration in bringing about this voluntary dissolution is not a new policy. When I was attorney-general there were a number of such dissolutions brought about by the efforts of Mr. Taft and myself."

Many Complaints.

Mr. Wickersham said that as attorney-general complaints were made to him against the American Telephone and Telegraph, and he turned the case over to the interstate commerce commission for investigation.

"The result of the investigation, I daresay," he said, "have brought about the dissolution by consent."

Jacob M. Dickinson, counsel for the Government in the Steel Trust cases, said that the news interested him exceedingly, but that he could not give an opinion on account of his connection with the steel litigation.

George G. Ward, vice-president of the MacKay companies, when told the news said:

"This is exactly what the Postal Telegraph Company has been contending for four years. We have contended that there was discrimination against us on the part of the telephone company, and that this discrimination would continue as long as the interests remained united."

THOMAS MOORE WAS SHOT IN CALIFORNIA

Former Huron Township Farmer Was Killed, Says Telegram to Parents

[Special to he Advertiser.]

Lucknow, Dec. 20.—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Moore, of concession 4 of Huron Township, have received a telegram from authorities in California, stating that their son Thomas had been accidentally shot. Mr. Moore was 38 years' old, and until going to California, 13 years ago, was a farmer in Huron. Since going west he has been in the restaurant business. No details of the shooting have been received. The body is on the way home.

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is absolutely necessary to give the health that brings happiness, a good appetite, restful sleep, and makes you eager for life's duties. HOOD'S SARSAPARILLA makes pure blood and so creates this much-desired condition.

FIREMEN BADLY BURNED IN BLAZE AT MONTREAL

Six Families Are Homeless as a Result of Fire in Apartments.

[Canadian Press.]

Montreal, Dec. 20.—Damage to the extent of $75,000 was done, six families were rendered homeless, and several firemen were severely burned last night in a blaze which gutted a portion of the Bishop Court Apartments, Bishop street, forcing the eighteen families living in the building to make hasty exits from their apartments in scanty raiment.

Shortly after the building had been cleared of tenants a terrific explosion occurred on the third floor.

District Chief Marit and several firemen were in a corridor of the flat at the time, and were caught in a back draught, all being thrown from their feet and more or less severely burned. Lieut. Deschaips and Fireman John Sullivan, of the salvage, and Fireman W. H. McCabe were removed to the office of a nearby doctor, where they received preliminary treatment, after which they were removed in ambulances to the Western Hospital. They were all severely burned about the head and hands.

It is thought that the explosion occurred in an ammonia tank in the refrigerating plant.

---and the Worst Is Yet to Come

SEVEN KEYS TO BALDPATE

The New Sensational Comedy
With a Laugh in Every Line
By
Earl Derr Biggers

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"Yes, where is he?" repeated Mr. Cargan. "That's what everybody'd like to know. He hasn't showed up. Not a sign of breakfast, and me as hollow as a reformer's victory."

"He's backslid," cried Magee.

"The quitter," sneered Max. "It's only a quitter would live on the mountain in a shack, anyhow."

"You're rather hard on poor old Peters," remarked Magee, "but when I think that I have to get up and dress in a refrigerating plant—I can't say I blame you. If only the fire were lighted ——"

He smiled his most ingratiating smile on his companion.

"By the way, Mr. Cargan, you're up and dressed. I've read a lot of magazine articles about you, and they one and all agree that you are a good fellow. You'll find kindling and paper beside the hearth."

"What " The mayor's roar seemed to shake the windows. "Young man, with a nerve like yours, you could wheedle the price of a battleship from Carnegie. I—I——" He stood for a moment gazing almost in awe at Magee. Then he burst into a whole-souled laugh. "I am a good fellow," he said. "I'll show you."

He went into the other room, and despite the horrified protests of Lou Max, busied himself amid the ashes of the fireplace. When he had a blaze under way, Mr. Magee came shivering from the other room and held out his hand.

"Mr. Cargan," he laughed, "you're a prince." He noted with interest that the mayor's broad shoes were mighty near two hundred thousand dollars."

While Mr. Magee drew on his clothes, the mayor and Max sat thoughtfully before the fire, the former with his pudgy hands folded over the vast expanse where no breakfast reposed. Mr. Magee explained to them that the holder of the sixth key had arrived.

"A handsome young lady," he remarked, "Her name is Myra Thornhill."

"Old Henry Thornhill's daughter," reflected the mayor. "Well, I've sort of lost the habit of being surprised now. I tell you, Lou, we're breaking into the orchid division up here."

While Mr. Magee shaved—in ice-cold water—another black mark against the Hermit of Baldpate—he turned over in his mind the events of the night before. The vigil in the office, the pleading of the fair girl on the balcony, the battle by the steps, the sudden appearance of Miss Thornhill, the figure in his room, the conversation by the annex door—like a moving picture film the story of that weird night was not yet at an end. He had given himself the night to think. Soon he would stand before the girl of the station; soon he must answer her questions. What was he to do with the fortune that lay beneath the feet of the mayor of Reuton at this minute. He hardly knew.

He was ready to descend at last, and came into the parlor of his suite with greatcoat and hat. In reply to Mr. Cargan's unasked question, he said:

"I'm going up the mountain presently, to reason with our striking cook."

"You ain't going to leave this inn, Magee," said the mayor.

"Not even to bring back a cook. Come, Mr. Cargan, be reasonable. You may go with me, if you suspect my motives."

They went out into the hall, and Mr. Magee passed down the corridor to the farther end, where he rapped on the door of Miss Thornhill's room. She appeared almost immediately, buried beneath furs and wraps.

"You must be nearly frozen," remarked Mr. Magee, pityingly. "You and your maid must come down to the office. I want you to meet the other guests."

"I'll come," she replied. "Mr. Magee, I've a confession to make. I invented the maid. It seemed so horribly unconventional and shocking—I couldn't admit that I was alone. That was why I wouldn't let you build a fire for me."

"Don't worry," smiled Magee. "You'll find we have all the conveniences up here. I'll present you to a chaperone shortly—a Mrs. Norton, who is here with her daughter. Allow me to introduce Mr. Cargan and Mr. Max."

The girl bowed with a rather startled air and Mr. Cargan mumbled something that had "pleasure" in it. In the office they found Professor Bolton and Mr. Bland sitting gloomily before the fireplace.

"Got the news, Magee?" asked the haberdasher. "Peters has done a disappearing act."

It was evident to Magee that everybody looked upon Peters as his creature, and laid the hermit's sins at his door. He laughed.

"I'm going to head a search party shortly," he said. "Don't I detect the odor of coffee in the distance?"

"Mrs. Norton," remarked Professor Bolton dolefully, "has kindly consented to do what she can."

The girl of the station came through the dining-room door. It was evident she had no share in the general gloom that the hermit's absence cast over Baldpate. Her eyes were bright with the glories of morning on a mountain; in their depths there was no room for petty annoyances.

"Good morning," she said to Mr. Magee. "Isn't it bracing? Have you been outside? Oh, I——"

"Miss Norton—Miss Thornhill," explained Magee. "Miss Thornhill has the sixth key, you know. She came last night without any of us knowing."

With lukewarm smiles the two girls shook hands. Outwardly the glances they exchanged were nonchalant and casual, but somehow Mr. Magee felt that among the matters they established were social position, wit, cunning, guile and taste in dress.

"May I help with the coffee?" asked Miss Thornhill.

"Only to drink it," replied the girl of the station. "It's all made now, you see."

As if in proof of this, Mrs. Norton appeared in the dining-room door with a tray, and simultaneously opened an endless monologue:

"I don't know what you men will say to this, I'm sure—nothing in the house but some coffee and a few crackers—not even any canned soup, and I thought from the way things went yesterday he had ten thousand cans of it at the very least—but all men are alike—what name did you say? Oh, yes, Miss Thornhill, pleased to meet you, I'm sure—excuse my not shaking hands—as I was saying, men are all alike—Norton thought if he brought home a roast on Saturday night it ought to last the week out——"

She rattled on. Unheeding her flow of talk, the hermits of Baldpate swallowed the coffee she offered. When the rather unsatisfactory substitute for breakfast was consumed, Mr. Magee rose briskly.

"Now," he said, "I'm going to run up to the hermit's shack and reason with him as best I can. I shall paint in touching colors our sad plight. If the man has an atom of decency——"

"A walk on the mountain in the morning," said Miss Thornhill quickly. "Splendid. I——"

"Wonderful," put in Miss Norton. "I, for one, can't resist. Even though I haven't been invited I'm going along." She smiled sweetly. She had beaten the other girl by the breadth of a hair, and she knew it. New glories shone in her eyes.

"Good for you!" said Magee. The evil hour of explanations was at hand, surely. "Run up and get your things."

While Miss Norton was gone, Mr. Cargan and Lou Max engaged in earnest discourse near a window. After which Mr. Max pulled on his overcoat.

"I ain't been invited either," he said, "but I reckon I'll go along. I always wanted to see what a hermit lived like when he's really buckled down to the hermit business. And then a walk in the morning has always been my first rule for health. You don't mind, do you?"

"Who am I," asked Magee, "that I should stand between you and health? Come along, by all means."

With the blue corduroy suit again complete, and the saucy hat perched on her blonde head, Miss Norton ran down the stairs and received the news that Mr. Max also was enthralled by the possibilities of a walk up Baldpate. The three went through the front door, and found under the snow a hint of the path that led to the shack of the postcard merchant.

"Will you go ahead?" asked Magee of Max.

"Sorry," grinned Max, "but I guess I'll bring up the rear."

"Suspicion," said Mr. Magee, shaking his head, "has caused a lot of trouble in the world. Remember the cruelty practiced on Pueblo Sam."

"I do," replied Max, "and it nearly breaks my heart. But there's a little matter I forgot to mention last night. Suspicion is all right in its place."

"Where's that?" asked Mr. Magee.

Mr. Max tapped his narrow chest. "Here," he said. So the three began the climb, Mr. Magee and the girl ahead, Mr. Max leering at their heels.

The snow still fell, and the picture of the world was painted in grays and whites. At some points along the way to the hermit's abode it had drifted deep; at others the footpath was swept almost bare by the wind. For a time Mr. Max kept so close that the conversation of the two in the lead was necessarily of the commonplaces of the wind and sky and mountain.

Covertly Mr. Magee glanced at the girl striding along by his side. The red flamed in her cheeks; her long lashes were flecked with the white of the snow; her face was such a one as middle-aged men dream of while their fat wives read the evening paper's beauty hints at their side. Far beyond the ordinary woman was she desirable and pleasing. Mr. Magee told himself he had been a fool. For he who had fought so valiantly for her heart's desire at the foot of the steps had faltered when the time came to hand her the prize. Why? What place had caution in the wild scheme of the night before? None, surely. And yet he, dolt, idiot, coward, had in the moment of triumph turned cautious. Full confession, he decided, was the only way out.

Mr. Max was panting along quite ten feet behind. Over her shoulder the girl noted this; she turned her questioning eyes on Magee; he felt that his moment had come.

"I don't know how to begin," muttered the novelist whose puppets' speeches had always been so apt. "Last night you sent me on a sort of—quest for the golden fleece. I didn't know who had been fleeced, or what the idea was. But I fared forth, as they say. I got it for you——"

The eyes of the girl glowed happily. She was beaming.

"I'm so glad," she said. "But why—why didn't you give it to me last night? It would have meant so much if you had."

"That," replied Mr. Magee, "is what I'm coming to—very reluctantly. Did you note any spirit of caution in the fellow who set forth on your quest and dropped over the balcony rail? You did not. I waited on the porch and saw Max tap the safe. I saw him and Cargan come out. I waited for him. Just as I was about to jump on them, somebody—the man with the seventh key, I guess—did it for me. There was a scuffle. I joined it. I emerged with the package everybody seems so interested in."

"Yes," said the girl breathlessly. "And then——"

"I started to bring it to you," went on Magee, glancing over his shoulder at Max. "I was all aglow with romance and battle, and all that sort of thing. I pictured the thrill of handing you the thing you had asked. At the head of the stairs—I saw her."

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[Special to The Advertiser.]

Tillsonburg, Dec. 20.—At the regular meeting of Court Lisgar, C. O. F., the following officers were elected for the coming year: Milo Young, C. R.; Deloss Hicks, V. C. R.; R. D. Boughner, F. S.; A. B. Richardson, R. S.; H. Sponenburg, treasurer; Dr. Weston, physician; C. N. Sterling, auditor; Geo. Burke, chaplain; Chas. Russell, S. W.; George Williams, J. W.; B. Lowrie, S. B.; J. Darcy, J. B.

C. O. F. ELECTORS

S. Showler Is New Chief Ranger of Dorchester Lodge.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Dorchester, Dec. 19.—Court Dorchester, No. 1366, C. O. F., elected the following officers for the ensuing year last evening:

Past Chief Ranger—G. Robbins
Chief Ranger—S. Showler.
Vice-Chief Ranger—S. Harris.
Recording Secretary—R. Cave.
Financial Secretary—E. Smith.
Treasurer—G. Whitefield.
Chaplain—F. Greenslade.
S. W.—W. Lord.
J. W.—G. Harris.
S. B.—A. Gaskin.
J. B.—F. O'Neil.
Conductor—Chas. Shiels.

ODD FURNITURE

Tillsonburg Man Was Eighteen Years Making Unique Hall Suite.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Tillsonburg, Dec. 20.—Mr. H. McFarlane has just sold for a fancy price his hall suite, which is one of the most unique in the Dominion. Mr. McFarlane has been eighteen years in making the various pieces, which include two chairs, and a hall rack and settee combined. The frames are made entirely of horns, highly polished. Mr. J. A. Hawtin, of Newmarket, was the purchaser.

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The excellence of this make of linen goods is so well known that we have only to say "Old Bleach Linen" and the public knows the rest. But we would emphasize the fact that we have a very special line of this make of Linen Towels. They are hemstitched, good large size, and the price is only, pair .....50¢

Sideboard Scarfs and Dresser Covers

Included in our immense stock are hemstitched, embroidered, lace edged and Battenburg, at.....45¢, 50¢, $1.00 and $1.50

American Lady Corsets

The Corset that fits like a glove, and includes all the up-to-the-minute improvements. They have long hip, low bust, drawstring, four heavy suspenders and skirt hook, and are made of very good quality coutil and have aluminum unbreakable and unrustable steels. $1.39

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Never in our experience has the demand for this article been so great as has been the case during the past few weeks. And being in constant touch with the leading manufacturers, we are enabled to add all the latest creations. We have just received a fresh shipment of all the very latest designs, and can truly say we have not had this season a nicer, neater, nattier lot in stock. Come early, as they are sure to go quickly. Prices.....38¢, 45¢, 50¢

Linen Table Sets

Including one good large size all linen damask table cloth, and one dozen large table napkins to match. These would make a most useful and acceptable gift, at set.....$6.00

1791 Handkerchiefs

No two alike. Every one selling at about half their usual price. We took the whole of one firm's travellers' samples at a reduction of one-half off, and are giving the public of London the opportunity of purchasing these goods at about half their value. While they last.... ..... three for 25¢

Wrapperette Kimonos, Special, $1.98

All are satin trimmed, well made and finished, and come in navy, gray, cardinal, pink and mauve. Worth $2.50, for $1.98

Voile Waists

Here's a line that is bound to make our ready-to-wear section a busy spot. They come in high and low neck, embroidered fronts, beaded shoulder and sleeve, and are selling at the remarkably low price of.....$1.98

Shop Early and in Comfort. **R. J. YOUNG & CO.** Shop in the Morning and Avoid the Crush.

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CHRISTMAS PRESENTS USEFUL.

Local merchants are unanimous that the class of Christmas presents purchased so far this season, have all been of a useful nature. They stated that the purchasers were buying with a keener and saner selection of the gifts offered, and that none of the wanton extravagance exhibited in years gone by had been noticeable this season.

Articles of silverware have enjoyed a wide sale, and the mesh bags and dainty cabinets of table ware have been especially favored by the shoppers.

Gunmetal mesh bags have been purchased in large numbers, but in nearly every instance they were bought for women of mature years, as their sombre color made them unappropriate for younger ones.

Probably the most popular gift, and the one that is in vogue all over America this season, is the cameo bracelet, brooch or ring.

Many such beautiful stones, artistically mounted and superbly cut are shown in the city, and their prices are within the reach of the moderate purse.

Another present that many are giving is a yearly subscription of some popular magazine. This form of gift can be arranged through any local book dealer, and many have already selected it for their respective friends.

Books, which always make an acceptable gift, have been much sought, and of the inflated production from prominently. They are Mrs. Hodgins-Burnett's "T. Tembaron," and Mrs. Humphrey Ward's, "The Corsyton Family." The diary of the late Explorer Scott, while expensive, has been liberally sold, and dealers say, they know of no other work that would make a stronger appeal to those who enjoy the virility of sturdy and chivalrous manhood.

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TRAVELLERS' GUIDE

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

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Arrive from the East—*3:52 a.m., 10:56 a.m., *11:12 a.m., *11:28 a.m., *6:30 p.m., *7:55 p.m., 10:45 p.m.
Arrive from the West—*12:14 a.m., 8:42 a.m., *11:55 a.m., 1.10 p.m., *4:10 p.m., 6:25 p.m.
Depart for the East—*12:19 a.m., *8:48 a.m., 7:20 a.m., 9:00 a.m., *12:05 p.m., 2:05 p.m., *4:25 p.m., *6:53 p.m.
Depart for the West—*3:57 a.m., 7:40 a.m., *11:18 a.m., *11:35 a.m., 1:40 p.m., 8:20 p.m.

LONDON AND WINDSOR.

Arrive—11:30 a.m., 4:00 p.m., 6:50 p.m., 11:05 p.m.
Depart—6:35 a.m., *11:43 a.m., 2:05 p.m., *8:05 p.m.

STRATFORD BRANCH.

Arrive—11:15 a.m., 1:39 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 11:30 p.m.
Depart—6:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:45 p.m., 4:55 p.m.

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Arrive—10:00 a.m., 6:10 p.m.
Depart—8:30 a.m., 4:40 p.m.
Trains marked * run daily. Those not marked, daily, except Sunday.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Arrive from the East—*11:42 a.m., 6:55 p.m., *7:50 p.m., *11:15 p.m.
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Depart for the East—*4:38 a.m., 8:00 a.m. *12:40 p.m., *5:43 p.m.
Depart for the West—8:15 a.m., *11:50 a.m., 7:05 p.m., *8:00 p.m., *11:28 p.m.
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LONDON, SATURDAY, DEC. 20.

THE WESTERN UNIVERSITY.

The Hon. Mr. Hanna, in his address at the medical students' banquet Friday night, made some pleasing references to the Western University and its importance to the people of this section of the province. Particularly complimentary was he to the School of Hygiene and the work that was being done by that institution. Especially in the matter of analysis, and making tests of diseased products and material, he thought it fully the equal of the Government's department in Toronto. We have no doubt he was correct, and that work of this kind can be done as well in London as anywhere in Canada. His statement that so many physicians in Western Ontario passed by the London institute, and sent their work to Toronto, shows, however, a regrettable state of affairs. There is no reason why this should be done, involving, as it must, greater delay in securing reports—a matter of considerable importance at times. We have been told that one reason for this is that higher fees are charged in London than in Toronto. If this is true, it should be remedied; and the Government can apply the remedy, by requiring uniformity in this matter. The question of fees deserves consideration. While it is proper that suitable charges should be made for work done for the benefit of private interests, and commercial enterprises, there is no reason why any fee should be charged a physician for an analysis that is to assist him in his work of treating disease. In the case of poor people who can scarcely afford extra expenses when there is sickness in the home, it may result in their being deprived of needed help. Public institutions are supported by the public money for the benefit of the public of all classes, rich and poor alike. And if there are fees that might hinder the work of the local institute in giving assistance in the treatment of disease they should be abolished.

Another matter referred to by the Provincial Secretary leaves us in some doubt as to his meaning. He thought there was a waste of money and energy caused by the different universities in the province overlapping in their work. He seemed to think that each university should specialize in some one department. To a certain extent that would be all right. It is the custom of many of the larger universities in other parts of the world. In England, for example, Oxford and Cambridge are distinguished by the special pre-eminence of one in its classical department and the other in the mathematical. To that extent Mr. Hanna would be correct.

But because a university becomes noted for one special line of study that does not mean that its other departments should be weakened. Such an institution is incomplete if it is only a classical or a mathematical school. If, for instance, Mr. Hanna meant to suggest that students might come to London for the benefits of the hygienic branch, and go to Toronto for a fuller arts course, and to Kingston for mineralogy, then so far as our own university is concerned we must take exception to the idea. We want the Western to be a fully-equipped educational centre in all branches. We want it to teach all courses with vigor and efficiency. We want private support and our share of the public money to make it a complete university. Not only in hygiene and physical research, but in arts as well. It has connected with it a good school of divinity, which the Anglican Church will take care of. It has a good medical school, which the profession of London has inaugurated, and brought into a high state of efficiency, and which the physicians in Southwestern Ontario will not allow to fail. But its arts department needs more help. There should be enough local patriotism to keep it in fair condition. But when there is a large amount of public money being expended each year by the Government for purposes of higher education, it is but right that the Western should not be neglected. Mr. Hanna was complimentary in his remarks last night. "We shall look to him to implement his kindly feeling by using his influence in the Government to aid the Western towards its full development. We are quite willing to have it become noted for practical sanitation; but we want it to be a complete, all-round centre for education in all the arts and sciences.

WOMEN IN CIVIC AFFAIRS.

Militancy out of the question, London is to be congratulated upon the active interest in municipal affairs promised by a number of women's organizations. For years the women entitled to vote on municipal affairs have failed to take advantage of their suffrages. This year the leaders of feminine thought in the city propose that none shall be negligent for want of prompting. The influence women may bring to bear upon the seating or non-seating of civic representatives is a very considerable one. Several thousand of the gentler sex are entitled to vote for candidates and on various questions, and they will be urged by systematic means to come to the polls.

It has been said that a woman whose ruling passion is not vanity, is superior to any man of equal capacity. In their natures exist meekness, gentleness, wit, patience, faith and a finesse lacking in the male make-up. Their serious entry into public life will be a generous education for all and a development of civic high-mindedness. A home without a woman is no home, and a city with women in its public affairs will be a better city.

OLD TIME AND COMING TIME.

To the middle or older generations there is a magic in phrases like "old-time Christmas," "old-time winter," "old-time religion." Things used to be better somehow, before they had skinned their shoulder at the world's rough wheel, before the family broke up, or broke down, before friends turned cold or departed.

And yet "the old-time Christmas" with its blazing log, strong, fat goose, and frozen water jug was not intrinsically better than these modern feasts of turkey and cranberry over furnace-heated floors. A motor or even street car ride is better than grumbling at the window because of not enough or too much snow for sleighing. No doubt the Christmas of a hundred years from now will be best of all. At any rate it will be different.

Santa Claus will have discarded his reindeer rig for a new model aeroplane. We shall all be putting on or off our wings like an overcoat or rubbers. Light and heat will be no privilege of the well-to-do, but a universal conquest over night and cold. Sun and moon may have become inessentials in our New Jerusalem. War and poverty will be forgotten in a bigger and better Christmas, and the day will not be enjoyable to any merely because of being the only full feed and gambol of the year.

After all it is the Christmas of the future that is more worth considering than the old-time joy, great as it was. "Ring out the old, ring in the new, the Christ that is to be." The present is better than the past, and we can begin this year to make the future all that we wish it to be.

UNITY AND SCHISM.

The making of a united Ireland seems to be so often deferred as to make the Hibernian heart sick. There are the Ulster Sanballets that hinder the building of the temple, the political harpies in the major island near by eager to take advantage from fomenting recrudescent discord.

One may compare in a way, the struggle of the vast majority of members of three Canadian churches to attain organic unity. There is just enough of dissidence within the ranks to move away the cup from the lip.

BEWARE, THE CROCODILE!

The advertising manager having given his consent we feel free to mention those crocodiles in a downtown florists' window. It is a very commendable thing from a natural history standpoint to exhibit these reptilian strangers. And yet when we know that scores of pretty girls buy mistletoe each day in the store, we fear there is an element of danger in having the armor-skinned amphibians about the place. Think of being kissed by a crocodile!

THE HATRED OF FEAR.

"How hard they hate the man they fear." This applies to the attitude of those whose knees are shaking at the thought of Ald. J. G. Richter becoming mayor of London.

The Christmas spirit in London is "too actual to be defined."

California boasts of its sun-kissed oranges and Canada of its son-kissed peaches.

Many a dove that coos to his face may prove to be a chattering parrot when he's not around.

A "futurist" orchestra has been organized in Paris. This opens a broad new field to the German band.

Before you start to carve the turkey next Thursday see that the baby is placed outside the danger zone.

The good ship Happyland, steered by a pilot who can avoid icebergs, will arrive in London on December 25.

A good cigar, just lit,
A P. A. Y. E. car,—
Ah, well! we guess we'll walk,
It isn't far!

Rachel Peace, militant suffragette, has been sentenced to eighteen months imprisonment. A case of the authorities keeping the peace.

A STREET RAILWAY TRUST.

Ottawa Free Press.]

"Is there a street railway trust? The franchises in Montreal, Toronto and Ottawa all expire about the same time, and there's a fuss in every city."

TIME TO GROW.

[Toledo Blade.]

We are advised to grow old beautifully, but it is not an easy thing to do while waiting for a street car.

THE POPE REMEMBERED.

[La Cri de Paris.]

In that distant time when he was only a humble priest at Tombolo, Pius X., then Giuseppe Sarto, dispensed in charity all the meagre emoluments of his office. It once happened that when his purse was empty he borrowed from his vicar some sums to meet a pressing need. Then Giuseppe Sarto, called suddenly to another charge, forgot to repay his vicar three lires that he owed him. Time passed, Giuseppe Sarto was named pope. He had forgotten his debt. Recently an old priest came to kneel at the feet of the holy father. It was the old vicar of Tombolo. The pope recognized his voice, and at the same moment he remembered the three lires so obligingly lent him. The Pope then caused to be given to the old man from his private purse 500 lires, and named him for an important curacy. Only sovereign pontiffs can pay such interest!

HOW TO BE HAPPY.

[London Citizen.]

Most married men are happier than they suppose.

MODERN CHURCH SERVICE.

[Life.]

A small body of women entirely surrounded by stained glass.

I HASTE NO MORE.

[Minot J. Savage.]

I haste no more.
At dawn or when the day is done,
The sun comes calmly to his place—
I've learned the lesson of the sun.

I haste no more.
In Spring and Autumn earth decrees
The leaves shall bud, the leaves shall fall—
I've learned the lesson of the trees.

I haste no more.
At flood or ebb, as it may be,
The ocean answers to the moon:
I've learned the lesson of the sea.

I haste no more.
Whate'er, whoe'er is mine—these must
On God's ways meet in God's time—
I've learned the lesson and I trust.

ACCURACY.

[Montreal Gazette.]

Mr. Stone, general manager of the U. S. Associated Press, one of the world's greatest news gathering organizations has been giving it as his view that the first duty of a newspaper is to give its readers accurate information, on which just opinions concerning current events can be based. This is sound, and one of the noted improvements in the standard of the newspaper press is the result of efforts of publishers to realize the ideal. The paper which people find they can trust is the one they prefer to read, and the one they are willing to pay for as much as a business investment.

THE WOMAN SENATOR.

[Senator Helen Ring Robinson.]

Many men in the Colorado Legislature make the mistake of talking too much.

MIND THE FURNITURE.

[Boston Transcript.]

Says the Atchison Globe: "A baby is about the only new thing a man can get in his house that will not make the rest of his furniture look shabby." It is very clear that the man who wrote this never had a good, healthy baby in his house.

A HYMN.

[Whittier.]

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
Forgive our feverish ways.
Reclothe us in our rightful mind;
In deeper reverence, praise.

Drop Thy still dews of quietness
Till all our strivings cease.
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
The beauty of Thy peace.

EGGS.

[Vancouver Province.]

Let us stamp on every egg—no, that would be disastrous—but let us in future see that every egg upon our table is branded "Canadian born."—N.B. Poached, scrambled, shirred, fried eggs are excepted. Housewives and others are requested to preserve all shells for inspection. Down with the American egg and up with the Canadian should be our motto. Hang it over the breakfast table, but please remember that a misunderstanding of the context would lead to horrible results.

THE ENLIGHTENED WEST.

[Regina Standard.]

The people of this province are thoroughly progressive. There are few real Conservatives, in the old meaning of that name. Even the Opposition in the Legislature is more thoroughly progressive than the Liberals, for most of the progressive measures passed by the government were the result of the Conservatives' initiation. Direct legislation was among the planks in the opposition platform. No politician, Liberal or Conservative, dares to declare reactionary principles in Saskatchewan, for the people will have none of it.

THE NEW DECORATION.

There was a little girl
And she had a little curl
Right in the middle of her forehead,
But the curls all have fled;
Now she decorates her head
With a humpback feather that is horrid!

HARD CASE.

[Chicago Public.]

Our hoss is gone dead, and our mule is gone lame,
And we lost our dog in a poker game;
Then a cyclone came 'long, t'other day,
An' blew the house where we lived away;
An earthquake followed when that was gone,
An' swallowed the spot where the house stood on.
Now, the durned tax-collector, he's come aroun',
And made us pay on a hole in the groun'.

HERE'S ADVERTISING ANYWAY

What the Outside Press Says On Proposal to Change London's Name.

But Why Wait on Precedent?

[Toronto Star.]

There is talk of changing the name of the city of London, Ont., to Tecumseh, because as the city grows in importance confusion arises between new and old London. Is there any instances wherein a city the size of London changed its name voluntarily?

Too Big for a Second-Hand Name.

[Ottawa Journal.]

In London, Ont., somebody proposes to change the name to Tecumseh. Postal and other confusion is alleged to arise between the lesser London and the Great Weil, Tecumseh would be a good name, and a fine memorial of a great Canadian Indian.

The City of Tecumseh, Ont.

[Hamilton Times.]

There is some talk up in London about changing the name of that place to "Tecumseh." By comparison, the name of London is somewhat ridiculous. But it has been there so long that people have stopped laughing at it or about it.

ABE MARTIN

Society is a great shock absorber. Next t' love ther hain't nothin' so essential to a well-ordered home as a rollin' pin.

ODD ONES
IN THE DAY'S NEWS

Married for Style.

New York. — "I guess I got married just to be in style," was the explanation of Mrs. Florence Squires, 17, who appeared before Justice Gelgerich, with a plea that her marriage to John Squires, be annulled. Mrs. Squires was but 15 when she was wedded.

Hired by Wireless.

Pittsburg. — When Eddie Sheetler, head waiter at Pittsburg Athletic Association, found he needed 50 waiters for New Year's Eve, he merely "wirelessed" the City of Athens, which will dock in New York on Monday, with 1,200 Greek veterans of the Balkan war. The waiters will be here.

Solons as Musicians.

Washington. — Members of the National Press Club today rounded up the "musical statesmen." Every senator and representative who knows the difference between "A sharp and B flat" was pressed into service to play or sing at the "music night" festival. "Swan" songs are barred.

New Kind of Hunger Strike.

Chicago. — Leading members of the Hoboes' Union emerging from "flop houses" today threatened to ask for Congressional investigation of an "alleged attack upon their constitutional liberties" when they learned that free lunch in Chicago saloons in all probability will be abolished.

Premium on Trouble.

Santa Ana, Cal.—A standing offer of $100 for triplets has been made to parents of Prange County by the board of supervisors.

He Loses to Win.

Chicago—To save his job, Detective Thomas J. Kelly reduced 38½ pounds in six weeks and now tips the scales at 197½ pounds.

Patriotism at $3 Per.

Washington.—Uncle Sam wants an expert needlewoman to men battle flags and will shortly hold an open competitive examination. The job pays $3 a day.

Light Arctic Winds.

Philadelphia.—The Arctic winds are to be harnessed to light the Episcopal Mission, Point Hope, Alaska, during the long Polar night. A windmill will operate an electric plant.

Canned Gunboats.

San Francisco.—Designed for service in the shallow waters of China and the Philippines, the "knock-down" gunboats Monocacy and Palos, are stowed away in the hold of the steamer Mongola, which sailed today for the Orient.

Could Afford To Be.

New York.—Charles E. Appleby, 90, is dead. He was unknown to New Yorkers, but owned $25,000,000 in Manhattan realty.

Next Time Yell: "I Scream."

Cleveland—Lee Hoffman, ice cream manufacturer, locked himself in his own refrigerator plant and before he could batter his way out, suffered two frozen ears and two frozen hands

Whipped, But Unsubdued.

Canton, O.—Guests in Goldberg's restaurant were panic-stricken when a jar of whipped cream exploded, bespattering everyone with froth.

Two Children.

Indiana, Pa.—"Boy; looks almost as young as I," was the message sent anxious friends by Charles Palmer, 72, happy father.

Two More!

Speermore, Okla. — Samuel Bealmer dropped dead when told that his wife had given birth to twins.

Learning From the Saloons.

Aurora, Ill. — Free lunch will be served at the First Methodist Church next Sunday to encourage attendance.

A Clue to Disguise.

Washington.—A robber who rolled a 500-pound safe across a store intent on chopping it open was frightened away by the sound of a rat gnawing wood.

Lodge Elections

Kilwinning, No. 64.

At a meeting of the members of Kilwinning Lodge, No. 64, A., F. and A. M., held Friday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:
Worshipful Master—B. W. Bennett.
Senior Warden—Charles R. Reed.
Junior Warden—W. Lancaster.
Secretary—R. W. Glover.
Treasurer—J. E. Keays.
Chaplain—Thomas Woolley.
Senior Deacon—Charles W. McGuire.
Junior Deacon—E. L. Guillemont.
Senior Steward—George W. Reed.
Junior Steward—Thomas Coleridge.
Inner Guard—M. P. Walsh.
Tyler—A. J. Heath.
Organist—W. S. Thompson.

THREE BELOW AT WINNIPEG.

[Canadian Press.]

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 20. — The first winter weather of the season was experienced here last night, when at midnight the thermometer dropped to 3 below zero.

THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Harriston Cigarette Bylaw.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

Dear Sir,—I noticed in yesterday's daily papers that the council of Harriston had passed a bylaw fixing the license fee for the sale of cigarettes at $75. The report concludes with this most important statement: "With the imposing of this fee it is doubtful if these seemingly harmless smokes can be purchased in this town." The plain inference is, that the council of Harriston has power to make it impossible to carry on the sale of cigarettes in the town. If this may be done in Harriston, why not have a similar law in any other town, or city, in this province? I believe the members of our council in London are just as ready to protect our boys as the men in similar positions in Harriston. Surely a deputation of influential men, such as waited upon the Harriston council, can be easily found in this splendid city of ours. There is no doubt of the growth of the cigarette habit among boys of tender years. Of late I have stopped more than a score of boys under 15 years of age on our streets and persuaded them to throw away the poisonous thing that somehow they had obtained, contrary to law.

Some time ago the leading medical men of our Dominion met in this city. They condemned, in terms the very strongest, the use of cigarettes by growing boys. It is not long since Sir Brampton Gurdon said in the British House of Commons that the evil effects of the growing habit among boys of smoking filthy cigarettes could scarcely be exaggerated. So impressed by the evils of this habit were the members of our own Dominion Parliament that in July, 1908, an act to restrain the use of tobacco by young persons was passed. Every new scientific test in this matter proves the habit to be injurious. Some months ago the popular Science Monthly gave figures showing that 70 per cent of the college boys of the United States, who took the highest standing were non-smokers, while 70 per cent of the lowest were smokers.

An eminent physician says: "The whole tendency of the cigarette nicotine poison in the youth is to arrest development. It is fatal to all normal functions. It blights and blasts both health and morals. It not only ruins the faculties, but it unbalances the mind as well. Many of the most pitiable cases of insanity in our asylums are cigarette fiends."

Testimony of this kind could be multiplied. But the case does not need to be argued. Everyone is ready to admit that something ought to be done to make it impossible for our boys to get this subtle form of poison, so deadly in its effects upon body, mind and morals.

At this season of the year, when the desire is uppermost in our mind to help those who need us, may I not confidently appeal to the men of our city to do what in them lies to protect the boys within our gates.

H. A. GRAHAM,
850 Dundas St., city.

KIND WORDS FROM OUR CONTEMPORARIES

Expressions of Good Will to The Morning Advertiser From Outside Press.

"ONE OF CANADA'S LEADING DAILIES."

[Ridgetown Plaindealer.]

Canada's list of morning papers is to be increased on New Year's Day by the birth of The Morning Advertiser, at London, Ont. The Evening Advertiser has long been recognized as one of Canada's leading dailies, and the establishing of rural mail routes has opened a splendid field in Western Ontario for the morning visitor which will reach its readers the same day it is issued. While Liberal in politics The Advertiser, like other Reform papers, fights for what it considers of best interest to the country, whether the measure be brought up by Liberal or Conservative. Its broad-minded ideas will make it a valuable paper to the public in general, and its well selected staff of editors should make the morning edition a winner from the start. The Advertiser is strong on markets, and this is just what the farmer desires. May the Morning edition prove the same power in its district that the Evening Edition has been.

"MORE POWER TO IT."

[Brussels Post.]

About the first of the new year The London Advertiser will add a morning edition to their output. Something good is promised and judging by their evening edition nothing will be left undone we feel assured. The Advertiser has behind it a splendid staff and the paper takes a fearless stand on all public and moral issues. More power to it.

READERS WILL WELCOME IT.

[Embro Courier.]

The London Advertiser will issue a morning edition after the first of the year. Its many readers in this district will welcome this change.

THE BROKEN TALE OF A DOG

Some Memories of "Mike" Hook and His Famous Canine Companion.

[Toronto Saturday Night.]

Commercial and other travellers of a decade ago must often recall, with mixed and vivid emotions, the personality of Michael Hook, once proprietor of the Tecumseh House, the leading hotel in London, Ont. Mr. Hook's idiosyncrasies, to use a mild word, were many and varied, and were provocative of mingled amusement, inconvenience and indignation on the part of his guests, as for example when he would summarily turn out the lights in the reading and writing rooms at 9 or 10 p.m. and inform the occupants that it was time they went to their beds. Many stories are told of Mr. Hook's indulgence in similar tactics, but on one occasion at least the tables were decisively turned. Mr. Hook went to an upstairs room to reprove a party of revellers who were disturbing the other guests. Fifteen minutes later a passing policemen heard loud cries and discerned a figure suspended from a second-story window. With visions of suicide in his mind, he gave the alarm and with the night clerk went to the room in question, where they were at once surprised and relieved to find Mr. Hook hanging out of the window at the end of the fire escape rope, which, however, encircled his capacious chest and not his neck. The unruly guests had overpowered the landlord, hanged him out of the window, piled all the furniture on the bed, and then decamped.

At some previous period in his rather diversified career, Mr. Hook had been on the stage, and at times he was wont to indulge in reminiscences of his histrionic triumphs. A theatrical company, headed by an actor named Ned Howard Fowler, was stranded in London about twelve years ago, and Fowler left with Mr. Hook, in partial satisfaction of his hotel bill, a nice little white dog. A few weeks later Fowler's troubles culminated in his suicide by poisoning in Cleveland. Seen through this mist of tragedy, the dog acquired a new interest in the eyes of Mr. Hook, and in certain frequent moods he would dilate lugubriously and sometimes tearfully upon his affection for "that dog that poor Ned Fowler gave me!" By a natural sequence of ideas, Mr. Hook would go on to speak of his own stage career, and particularly of a poem about a dog with which he had often thrilled vast audiences. But from an excess of grief or some other cause, Mr. Hook's memory failed to recall the poem in its entirety, and he therefore supplied each hiatus by interjecting, "And something," or, as he pronounced it, "An' sumpin'." Therefore his recitation would run somewhat as follows:

"The night was black, the storm winds raved,
An' sumpin', an' sumpin', the sea was wild;
Beside the lighthouse, an' sumpin', an' sumpin',
A mother calling for her child.

"But in that scene of wrack and ruin,
An' sumpin', an' sumpin', help was none!
The rockets' glare, the storm fiend's shrieks,
An' sumpin', 'Duty must be done!'

"'My God!' an' sumpin', the mother wails,
'Oh, who my darling child will save?
My little one, my Elihu,'
An' sumpin', 'from a wat'ry grave!'

"The lifeboat crew, an' sumpin', an' sumpin,'
No ship can live in such a sea;
An' sumpin', an' sumpin', with thund'rous shock,
The widow's son, oh where is he?

"See! see! brave Rover heeds her cry,
With one great bound, an' sumpin', an' sumpin',
He cleaves the waves, an' sumpin', an' sumpin',
An' sumpin', an' sumpin',—AND SAVES THE CHILD!"

C. O. F. ELECTIONS

Boyce Powell Is New Head of Bryanston Lodge.

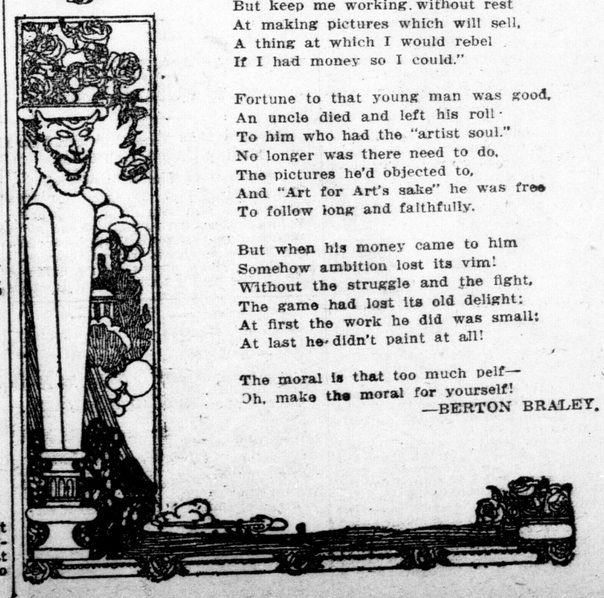
[Special to The Advertiser.]

Bryanston, Dec. 22. — At the annual election of officers for Court Bryanston, C. O. F., No. 282, the following were chosen.

P. C. R.—Bro Ernest MacRoberts.
C. R.—Bro. Boyce Powell.
V. C. R.—Bro. Wm. McGuffin.
Recording Secretary—Bro. Lorne Beattie.
Financial Secretary—Bro. John Bayliffe.
Chaplain—Bro. James McGuffin.
S. W.—Bro. Hanson McLurg.
J. B.—Bro. Alfred Connor.
S. B.—Bro. Alex. Grant.
J. B.—Bro. W. C. Gowan.

Bro. Boyce Powell and Wm. Morrow served the refreshments. Bros. Alex. Grant and W. C. Gowan gave fraternal addresses.

BRALEY'S POEM TO-DAY



THE DILLETANTE

"Alas," the struggling painter cried,
"My artist soul is sorely tried,
The crass commercial side of life,
The constant toil, the constant strife,
Give me no chance to do my best,
But keep me working without rest
At making pictures which will sell,
A thing at which I would rebel
If I had money so I could."

Fortune to that young man was good,
An uncle died and left his roll
To him who had the "artist soul."
No longer was there need to do,
The pictures he'd objected to,
And "Art for Art's sake" he was free
To follow long and faithfully.

But when his money came to him
Somehow ambition lost its vim!
Without the struggle and the fight,
The game had lost its old delight;
At first the work he did was small;
At last he didn't paint at all!

The moral is that too much pelf—
Oh, make the moral for yourself!
—BERTON BRALEY.

OLD BOYS MAKING PRELIMINARY PLANS

Meet Tuesday Night to Get Things Under Way for Diamond Jubilee.

At an enthusiastic meeting of the executive of the London Old Boys' Association, held in the city hall Friday night, preliminary arrangements were made for the triennial and diamond jubilee reunion to be held next August.

The president, Lieut.-Col. Dr. Harry R. Abbott, was in the chair, and James S. Bell, treasurer, acted in the capacity of secretary. The treasurer's statement showed a balance of $750, and before the meeting was over this amount was augmented by the addition of members' fees from all present.

Secretary Weldon Resigns.

The resignation of Secretary James O. Weldon was received, and a committee consisting of President Abbott, Treasurer Bell and Fire Chief John Aitken appointed to wait upon Mr. Weldon to ask him to remain in the position at least until after the general meeting to be held early in January, when all citizens, including members of the city council and board of trade will be asked to attend to discuss arrangements for the big homecoming.

An encouraging letter from A. S. Scott, secretary of the London Old Boys' Association of Winnipeg was read, and President Abbott stated that in February next he would visit the Winnipeg, Detroit, Chicago and St. Paul old boys and assist them in getting things started.

Treasurer Bell reported that an officer of the Chicago association had informed him that the delegation from the Windy City would be larger than ever next summer, while W. H. Abbott reported that the western old boys were coming strong.

"When I was in Winnipeg a few months ago," said Mr. Abbott, "I met more people I knew than I do on the streets of London."

Amusement Company's Offer.

The executive received a proposition from Victor D. Levitt, general agent for the Washburn Mighty Midway Shows, to put on a big week's attraction here, and Mr. Levitt's written proposal will be given to the general meeting which will be held the first Friday of the inaugural meeting of the city council in January.

Fire Chief Aitken reported that Manager Thomas Logan, of the Majestic Theatre, has offered to loan the films taken last summer of the Western Fair and Irishmen's picnic, and these will be sent to Winnipeg to give the old boys there an impression of the development.

Those present at Friday night's meeting were: President H. R. Abbott, Treasurer J. S. Bell, Fire Chief John Aitken, Ald. J. H. Saunders, Squire W. H. Chittick, Harry Tozer, W. H. Abbott, R. A Carrothers and F. G. Mitchell.

MAYOR DENIES BECK EVER "CALLED" HIM

Was Not Taken to Task For Indiscreet Remarks, He Declares.

Mayor C. M. R. Graham denies that Hon. Adam Beck took him to task after the "citizens'" banquet, tendered the Minister of Power some weeks ago, for some indiscreet remarks concerning the part that he, the mayor, had had in the making of Mr. Beck's successful career. The mayor says that Mr. Beck did not, as reported, call him an "unmitigated ass," and intimates that everyone at the Beck banquet, including the guest of the evening, was so happy as to make absurd the statement that Mr. Beck had "called" his worship in no uncertain terms.

"Will you be in the field for the 19— mayoralty?" Mayor Graham was asked by The Advertiser.

"It is hard to say," he replied, and added that nomination day was yet some time away. It is on Monday.

NEW RAILWAY TO RUN TO PT. BURWELL

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—A new road, to be known as the Norfolk and Elgin Railway, will apply for incorporation next session. It will commence at Simcoe, Ont., and will go to a point within three miles of the shore of Lake Erie and thence to Port Burwell, Ont. The company also seeks power to act as forwarders, fruit and vegetable packers, canners and manufacturers.

LEFT THREE WILLS

Mount Brydges Man Leaves Judge Macbeth Puzzling Case.

Three wills, each naming different beneficiaries were left by John Williamson, of Mount Brydges, who died about two months ago. Now it is up to the county judge, Talbot Macbeth, to decide which of the documents will stand. The first will was made in 1902, the second on June 11, 1913, and the third on June 16, 1913.

The beneficiaries in the first will are understood to be putting forward the claim that John Williamson was of unsound mind when he made the two later wills.

Judge Macbeth this morning ordered that all parties interested in the case be notiefid to prepare their claims, and as thirty days is allowed for the serving of these notices, the case will not come to trial until some time in February.

Your Liver is Clogged up

That's Why You're Tired—Out of Sorts—Have No Appetite.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS will put you right in a few days. They do their duty. Cure Constipation, Biliousness, Indigestion, and Sick Headache.

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GENUINE must bear signature.

Brent Good

Every Reader Will Find Cynthia Grey's Column An Interesting Miscellany

FOR THE WOMAN OF TODAY

Follow the Horoscope. Daily Pattern Service. Women at Work and Play

THE BUSIEST FELLOW IN THE LAND

JUST A THOUGHT FOR THE BUSY DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS

BY "THE NOMAD."

On Thursday next we celebrate the coming into the world amid the humblest surroundings of the little Child of Bethlehem. Almost two thousand years have passed since that wonderful night when the great star shining out of the calmness of the heavens guided alike wise men with their rich offerings, and awe-struck shepherds, to the manger "where the Child lay."

Almost two thousand years ago! Can we not pause for just five minutes in our busy day with all the bustle and cares that the preparation for a twentieth century Christmas entails—lay aside all the duties and perplexities, sit down in an easy chair, close our eyes, relax our bodies, and let a little of the calm light of that first Christmas morning steal down through the dim centuries into the recesses of our tired hearts?

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And what do we glimpse as we sit thus with our heavy eyelids shut, and our minds determinedly quiet? First, a lowly manger with a tiny Babe lying therein, wrapped in "swaddling clothes"—a woman bending over him, her sweet, drawn face radiant with the joy of Motherhood. "And she brought forth her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn."

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The scene changes. Out on the road that runs from Jerusalem to Bethlehem are three men mounted on swaying camels. All are gazing with intentness into the great vault of the Eastern sky, with its myriads of twinkling stars. Then suddenly one cries "I see the star!"—"and lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star they rejoiced with exceeding great joy."

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Once more the scene changes. "And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flocks by night." Simple, humble-minded shepherds they were—quite unaware of the great revelation about to be granted them, as they rested there amid the slumbering sheep. "And the angel said unto them: "Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people, for unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior who is Christ the Lord. . . . And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men."

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Our five minutes are passed, but before we resume the thronging duties that press, let us just scan a verse or two of Milton's immortal lines on "Christ's Nativity."

But peaceful was the night
Wherein the Prince of Light
His reign of peace upon the earth began;
The winds with wonder whist,
Smoothly the waters kiss'd,
Whispering new joys to the mild ocean,
Which now hath quite forgot to rave,
While birds of calm sit brooding on the charmed wave.

At last surrounds their sight
A globe of circular light,
That with long beams the shame-faced night array'd;
The helmed cherubim,
And sworded seraphim,
Are seen in glittering ranks with wings display'd,
Harping in loud and solemn choir,
With unexpressive notes to Heaven's new-born Heir.

But see! the Virgin blest
Hath laid her Babe to rest,
Time is our tedious song should here have ending:
Heaven's youngest-teemed star,
Hath fixed her polish'd car,
Her sleeping Lord with handmaid lamp attending;
And all about the courtly stable
Bright-harness'd angels sit in order serviceable.

Cynthia Grey's Mail-Box

[Correspondents are requested to make their inquiries as brief as possible, and to write on one side of the paper only. It is impossible to give replies within a stated time, as all letters have to be answered in turn. No letters can be answered privately.]

Bare or Carpeted Stairs.

Dear Miss Grey: What style is best, to have your stairs covered with a carpet or to leave them bare, and should they be the same color as the woodwork if not covered?

ROSE RED.

A.—The question of covering stairs is really one of individual preference, for one sees them both covered and uncovered in the very best of houses. A good housewife says she prefers a bare stairway because it is much more sanitary and easier to keep the hall and stairs clean and free from dust. Another equally good housekeeper has her hall and stairs covered, "as it is so much more quiet." Velour stair carpeting is much in favor and runners (oriental) are frequently used when the flights are short. Stairways are done to match the woodwork and in a strictly colonial house the steps or treads would be mahogany and the back of the steps would be white, the spindles white and the hand rail mahogany.

White Fruit Cake.

Mrs. R. C. sends us a recipe for white fruit cake which she writes is a great favorite in her family at this season. The recipe calls for seven egg-whites, but, here it is anyway, and thanks to Mrs. R. C. for sending it:

One cup butter, two cups sugar, creamed together, one cup sweet milk, two and one-half cups flour, two even teaspoons baking powder sifted together five times, the whites of seven eggs beaten to a stiff froth, one pound each seeded raisins, figs and blanched almonds, and one-quarter pound citron, all chopped fine. Mix all thoroughly before adding the fruit and one teaspoonful lemon extract. Sift a little flour over the fruit before stirring it in. Bake slowly two hours. Try with a splint to see when it is done. A cup of grated cocoanut is a nice addition to this cake.

Reception Etiquette.

Dear Miss Grey: Am wishing a little information in regard to reception etiquette. I received this invitation:

Mrs. Jacob Ball
at home
June 12
from 3 to 5.
To honor Mrs. Jacob Ball, Jr.

The receiving line consisted of four, the hostess, the new daughter, a sister of the bridegroom, and a guest in the house.

How many cards should I have left? Should I have removed my long gloves while being served in the dining-room? The bride locates in her own home immediately. Should I leave my card?

PERPLEXED.

A.—A card for the hostess and the one whose name appeared on the invitation as the honored guest was all you should have left; the other ladies were only assisting. The hand of long gloves may be turned back under the wrist when partaking of refreshments, if one does not wish to leave them on. Thus they are not taken off entirely, leaving the arm exposed. One card of yours and two of your husband's should be left when making a first call upon the bride in her new home.

Advertiser Patterns

No. 9779—A Comfortable Stylish Top Garment—Girls' Coat.

This design is easy to develop. It is fitted by shoulder and under-arm seams. The right front is shaped to cross over the left. The two-piece sleeve is finished with a deep cuff, and a neat collar completes the neck edge. Velvet, corduroy, plush, fur, cheviot, or broadcloth are all equally suitable for this model. The pattern is cut in four sizes 8, 10, 12 and 14 years. It requires 3 yards of 44-inch material for a 10-year size.

A pattern of this illustration mailed to any address on receipt of 10 cents in silver or stamps.

PATTERN DEPARTMENT OF THE ADVERTISER.

Please send above-mentioned pattern, as per directions given below, to

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Town .....

Province .....

Age (if child's or misses' patterns).....

Measurement—Bust..... Waist.....

CAUTION.—Be careful to inclose above illustration, and send size of pattern wanted. When the pattern is bust measure, you need only mark 32, 34, or whatever it may be. When in waist measure 22, 24, 26, or whatever it may be. If a skirt, give waist and length measure. When misses' or child's pattern, write only the figure representing the age. It is not necessary to write "inches" or "years." Patterns cannot reach you in less than one week from the date of order. The price of each pattern is 10 cents in cash or in postage stamps.

The time draws near the birth of Christ,
The moon is hid; the night is still;
The Christmas bells from hill to hill
Answer each other in the mist.

Four voices of four hamlets round,
From far and near, on mead and moor,
Swell out and fail, as if a door
Were shut between one and the sound.

Each voice gave changes on the wind,
That now dilate, and now decrease,
Peace and good will, good will and peace,
Peace and good will to all mankind.

—Tennyson.

OUR ASTROLOGER

HOROSCOPE

SATURDAY, DEC. 20, 1913.

With thy work well begun, Thou need'st not heed the sun.

Astrology finds Mars, Jupiter, and Neptune in benefic aspect today, but the sun is in a place which produces an adverse influence.

Whatever concerns medicine or surgery is under a most promising government. Extraordinary discoveries are predicted within the year. It is foretold that an astonishing advancement in conserving the public health will be made in 1914.

Mechanical and constructive work have lucky omens. Engineers, contractors, builders and hardware dealers should benefit from the astral influences.

Solicitors and canvassers should be fortunate. Resourcefulness is said to be increased under this configuration.

Jupiter is in a place believed to exercise a favorable sway over places of business. It should be a fortunate time to open shops or to start new enterprises.

Bankers, brokers, merchants and lawyers should benefit from today's position of the stars.

Sea voyages have a lucky omen. Journeys begun when Neptune is friendly should be successful as well as safe.

Increase in trade and commerce during the first three months of 1914 is probable. Shipwrecks and accidents at sea may cause heavy losses.

Severe snowstorms and extremely cold weather are predicted for Canada and the Northwest.

It is prophesied that there will be much mortality among women this winter. Nervous disorders will increase.

Earthquakes are foretold for certain of the Eastern States, as well as for Central America and Peru.

Churches are under a government of the stars presaging religious discussions and dissensions. Catholic prelates will have serious problems presented to them in the United States.

Persons whose birthdate it is should be exceedingly discreet in all their social relations. Those who are employees should be especially careful to attend to their work.

Children born on this day have a happy augury. They are likely to be industrious and successful. Boys probably will win positions of distinction. Girls have the possibility of brilliant attainment in the arts. These subjects of Sagittarius, the archer, also are likely to reveal the best traits of Capricorn people.

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"The stars incline, but do not compel."

With the Women's Clubs

Items Regarding the Activities of Local Women's Organizations.

ROYAL VICTORIAN ORDER.

The work of the Victorian Order of Nurses is rapidly increasing, and there is a growing demand for the district nurse.

Nurses Go Day and Night.

Last year 2,695 visits were made, and during the past two months 536 visits were recorded, the nurses responding to calls day and night to minister to the sick and suffering; not alone by nursing the sick, but taking clothing and comforts into hundreds of homes. The winter season is always a busy one for the nurses, and already the calls are more numerous and the demand for clothing and nourishment for the needy, sick and suffering is more apparent.

Friends in Need.

Sincere gratitude is due to those who are giving their time and money providing food and raiment for those in want. The Lord Elgin Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire has generously supplied infants' outfits, clothing for adults, and a check for $49.25 as a relief fund to be used by Miss Edwards (the senior nurse) specially for necessary nourishment and comforts when and where required. The Daughters of the Empire have always lent their aid and sympathy to the Victorian Order, and have aided materially in the growth of the work. Others who have most thoughtfully and generously contributed to the urgent needs are the Ladies' Aid of the First Presbyterian Church, the young ladies of the Bible class of the First Presbyterian Church, the mission circle of the First Presbyterian Church, the Helping Hand Guild, the Mothers' Union of Memorial Church, Miss Hamilton, Mrs. Vining, and many donations without names. All these have sent clothing, sheets and linen for dressings, while other good friends have had a nurse accompany them to buy Christmas cheer and comforts for needy children.

Truly, the citizens of London are generous, charitable and quick to hear the call for help. Did one but go with, or follow, the district nurse on her rounds of duty they would see the actual needs, the worthy cases relieved, and feel rewarded for all their helpful efforts.

Desire To Extend Work.

The Victorian Order is making appeals to extend this work and to meet the expenses in maintaining it. The suburbs which have become a part of the city proper now claim help in time of need, as do also the numbers of strangers who are becoming a part of our population. The cause is one of the worthiest charities of the city, and doubtless their appeal will meet with a ready and generous response.

WESTERN GIRLS BUSY.

The girls of the Western University "Y" have been busy dressing a number of dolls which they intend to donate to some of the poor children of the city.

VICTORIA MOTHERS' CLUB.

The closing meeting for this year of the Victoria Mother's Club was held on Tuesday evening of this week, and was very largely attended, some 120 being present. Mrs. H. B. White, the president, occupied the chair, and after routine business was disposed of, introduced Miss Newbury, who gave a most enlightening talk on the social service work being done in London by the W. C. T. U. A pleasant feature of the evening's program was the singing of Christmas songs by pupils of the sixth grade under the instruction of their teacher, Miss Wildern. As a special Christmas treat, candy was distributed to the children present, and refreshments were served by the members of the club to all who attended.

Y. W. C. T. U.

A very jolly time was held in the W. C. T. U. rooms, Park avenue, on Thursday night, when the girls who have been attending the evening classes for the past two months met, with members of the Y. W. C. T. U., and spent the evening in a social way, it being the last time of meeting together before the New Year. Games and music were indulged in, with dainty refreshments at the close. The entire evening was one of informal enjoyment.

APPIN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

The Appin Women's Institute held a very enjoyable meeting at the home of Mrs. James Dolan, sen., yesterday afternoon. Rev. C. W. Bristol gave an address on "The Topics of the Day," and Mrs. Webster gave a very thoughtful paper on "How to keep young."

LADIES SHOULD ATTEND.

All ladies desirous of attending the municipal nominations on Monday next are asked to meet with others at the W. C. T. U. rooms at 432 Park avenue, at 10 o'clock sharp. Nominations for controller, water commissioners and hospital trustees begin at 10 o'clock, and at noon for mayor, aldermen and board of education. It is expected that quite a number of local club-women will be present in order to signify their interest in the municipal elections.

The Red Stocking Club

It seems as though little remains to be said about The Advertiser Red Stockings. The wonderful display in the front windows of the business office speaks for itself. The success with which this plan of the Red Stockings has met, is beyond anything The Advertiser hoped for, and that we are grateful to our generous readers, goes without saying.

Without doubt, the most of the Stockings will be returned by Saturday night, and on Monday the big task of distribution commences. Oh, it's going to be a happy Christmas for many small kiddies in London this year, just because of the bigheartedness of The Advertiser readers!

Christmas in Many Lands

SCANDINAVIA.

Christmas is celebrated in Norway, Sweden and Denmark to an extent unknown in many other lands. The celebration is not over until Jan. 13. In Norway Christmas Day is devoted to exchanging calls and good wishes. In every house a table is set with good things to eat, and every caller is expected to partake. There is a pretty custom of putting on the roof of a barn or on a pole near the house, a large sheaf of wheat for a Christmas dinner to birds, for the birds are loved and protected in Norway. Not a peasant will sit down to a Christmas dinner within doors until he has first raised aloft a Christmas dinner for the birds in the cold snow without.

SPAIN.

In Spain the customs and ceremonies of Christmas are those of the Catholic countries, and are of deep religious significance. The children of Spain are not familiar with the gorgeous Christmas tree nor do they hang up their stockings for gifts on Christmas Eve. Their substitute for these pleasures is that of the Nacimiento—the hiding of shoes and slippers. None of the Spanish children have Christmas trees, neither do the poor, their only Christmas toy being the Child Jesus in the cradle with animals of the stable, and the wise men or angels, perhaps made of some painted clay.

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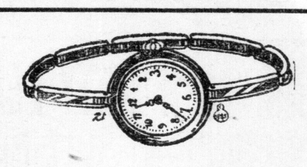

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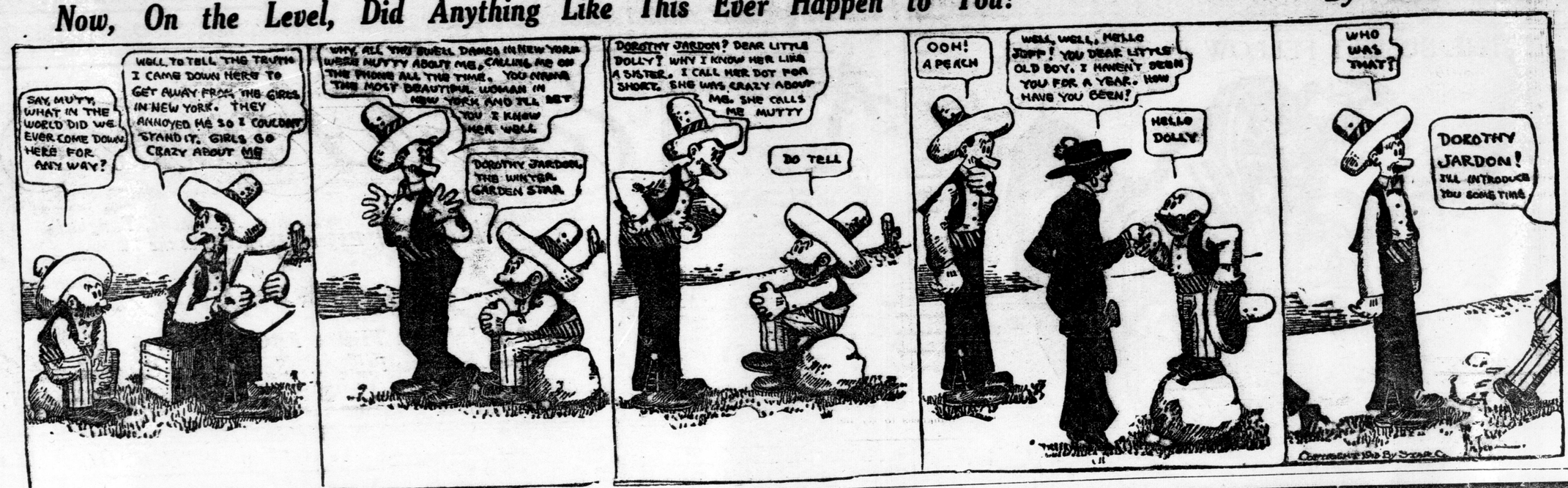

FIVE SARNIA MEN UNDER SUSPICION

Jimmy Grannary Is One of Them—Must Appear Before O.H.A. Committee.

WILL MEET NEXT WEEK

Charges Against Toronto Teams Will Be Probed Further—Two Waterloo Players Reinstated.

Toronto, Dec. 20.—At the special meeting of the O. H. A. sub-committee last night several matters of importance were dealt with. The meeting did not adjourn until an early hour this morning.

The matter of charges preferred by E. J. Livingstone against the Parkdale Canoe Club hockey team, in which Livingstone said that he could prove professionalism, was dealt with briefly. The sub-committee did not consider Livingstone's retraction of the charges sufficiently comprehensive. He was suspended and refused any connection with the O. H. A. in any capacity until such time as he can make good his charges against the Parkdale club or apologizes to that organization.

The investigation into the affairs of the Toronto Rowing Club was not concluded.

Two players of the Waterloo Junior team, Wesselch and Uffelmann, were reinstated. The entire team was suspended last season on account of some of their number being over age.

A player named J. L. Schultz, who is a railroadman and has no permanent residence, asked for a ruling as to where he should play this season. Permission was given him to play with the Goderich team and no other.

Prout, Farlow, Dorr, Imbleau and Grannary, of the Sarnia Intermediates, will be asked to attend the next meeting of the sub-committee before they will be given certificates.

Another meeting of the sub-committee will be held next week.

SARNIA WILL PLAY HERE CHRISTMAS NIGHT

Tunnel Town Team Will Also Play Kingston in Sarnia on Dec. 31.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Sarnia, Dec. 20.—Sarnia has completed the final arrangements for the first game of hockey that will be staged on the local rink this year. The long-distance telephone was the means of settling the matter with the Kingston Frontenacs, the fast team of that city. They will play here on the last day of the year.

Although this will be the first appearance here of the new local team, it will be their third game of the year, as it is likely they will play in London on Christmas night. For the past five weeks the local lads have been training hard, and a few days on the "slippery" will make them fit to cross sticks with any team in their class

VANCOUVER BEAT NEW WESTMINSTER BY 5 TO 4

Game Was One of the Most Strenuous Battles Ever Played in the West.

[Canadian Press.]

New Westminster, B. C., Dec. 20.—Defeating the New Westminster team on their own ice, the Vancouver All-Stars went into the lead in the Pacific coast hockey series, winning by a score of 5 to 4 in one of the most strenuous battles ever played in the west. Not until the final whistle blew was the issue decided, the Royals making one of their whirlwind finishes. Two minutes before the final whistle sounded the Royals were pressing hard, and shot after shot was rained on the Vancouver net.

CITY LEAGUE GIVES OUT CERTIFICATES

Different Managers Are Raking City for Best Hockey Material.

TERMS MADE WITH RINK

Lots of Good Players in Town and Four Strong Teams Should Compose League This Year.

A brief meeting of the City Hockey League was held in the A. M. C. rooms last evening, when the certificates were handed out to the managers of the different teams. The certificates this year are different than last year's owing to the fact that the league is affiliated with the Northern Hockey League, and they are printed in duplicate. All the teams must have their men signed up by Jan. 1 in order to be able to play them in the league games.

There is considerable competition among the teams for players, and four of the strongest teams ever gathered in a City League in London will likely result. There is lots of good material in the city, and the team that captures The Advertiser cup this year will have to be 50 per cent. faster than the winners of last year.

The league has reached an agreement with the Simcoe street rink management, and the games will be played there this winter.

The following representatives of each team are signing up players: George Little, Holeproofs; George Chantler, A. M. C.; Beattie Martin, Western University; Bert Perry, First Hussars.

JACK JOHNSON WINS AMID HISSES OF CROWD

Farcical Bout Staged in Paris Last Night, in Which Johnson Hurts His Arm.

London, Dec. 19. — Jack Johnson, colored heavyweight champion of the world, outpointed Jim Johnson, asecond-rater, tonight, in a ten-round bout. The contest was decidedly farcical throughout, and the spectators showed their disapproval by hooting and hissing the two fighters.

In the fifth round the champion claimed he had injured his right arm, but continued to fight. Jack looked to be hog fat and altogether in very poor condition. Neither man showed any speed or skill at any period. Jack, however, was undeniably superior in generalship and skill to his practically unknown opponent.

ED. STEIN IS APPOINTED OFFICIAL SCORER AGAIN

President Samuel Stevely, of the London Canadian League Club, yesterday announced to The Advertiser exclusively that Ald. Edward J. L. Stein will, for the season of 1914, be official scorer for the Canadian League games played in London.

The above announcement will receive the stamp of approval of every baseball fan in this city. Since the organization of the Canadian League, Alderman Edward has held down this position, and his work on the score book has never once been questioned. With the players London's official scorer is the most popular on the league circuit.

The shareholders of the London team will hold their annual year-end meeting next week, the date as yet not having been decided upon.

O.A.C. OF GUELPH HAS 35 O.H.A. MEN SIGNED

Aggies Break All Records for Signed-Up Players—Sarnia Applies for Certificates.

Among the O. H. A. certificates registered yesterday are 35 from the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph. In the list of players who are candidates for the college teams are men from as far east as Newfoundland and form as far west as British Columbia. Yesterday's list:

Toronto Rowing Club senior)—W. J. Hyland, Eugene J. Dopp, Eugene Sidley, John Burrell, R. H. Laird, A. N. Hunt, Lorne R. Bartlett.

Peterboro (junior)—Robert B. Lees, Harold J. S. Long, Leo Picard, Nagle E. Phelan, Edward V. Clancy, Cecil I. Richardson, Grant Latimer, Frank Barrie, Harold E. Knapman, Grover Halpin, Alex. Darling, Abraham R. Rose, Bruce Reagan, Max Swanston.

Brantford (junior)—I. R. Pearce, C. E. Beckett, C. T. Cleator.

Sarnia (intermediate)—J. E. Moore, Louis Imbleau, J. Grannary, Leo Dodds, H. G. Proutt, Gordon B. Storey, Harold W. Farlow, N. L. Le Sueur, W. D. McCart, G. McNaughton.

Guelph O. A. C. (intermediate)—C. E. Lackner, D. R. Irvine, W. M. Oswald, E. C. Foreman, B. E. Foyston, Ralph D. Donaldson, John Roy Wilson, Roy Crawford, Robert F. Thomson, G. W. Ferguson, Egan Agar, Clarence Lee, Arthur Frost, P. L. Johnston, J. Fred Hockey, George E. Edwards, Donald Osborne, D. B. Fraser, T. Stoddart, G. W. McCall, B. P. Gandler, J. Ruthven Wilson, Alan G. Dustan, W. M. Kedey, B. Langley, C. V. Hartley, E. E. Reilly, H. S. French, H. C. Bullman, H. Westra, E. R. Fairclough, H. C. Herder, Elliott Moses, George M. Vair, H. Curran.

Mitchell (junior)—H. R. Coppin, James Smith, Ira Hughey, Wm. Campbell, Henry Lewis Gormley, Fergus D. Buck, Wilfred C. Thorne, Ezra W. Morenz, Harry McManus, Fred Davis, Edwin Hingst, George Davidson, Leighton Sawyer, Harvey Hingst.

Maybe We'll Get It Now

Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—Winnipeg's curling season has arrived, and five out of eight local clubs had ice last night.

PETROLEA CURLERS ELECT.

At a recent meeting of the Petrolea Curling Club the following officers were elected:

President—F. D. McDonald.
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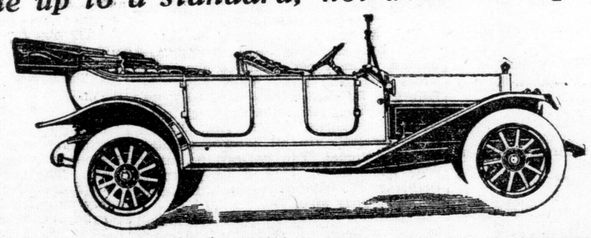

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Winnipeg, Nov. 18, 1913.
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Yours truly,
(NAME ON REQUEST.)

No. 11

Calgary, Nov. 25, 1913.
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Gentlemen—

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It is the seventh car I have had and needless to say, it is the best. Its finish and riding qualities are much admired by all who see and ride in it.

In my opinion the car is better than any other sold at the price.

Yours truly.
(NAME ON REQUEST.)

The Click of the Steel Shoe

Arthur Armstrong, who was with Peterboro seniors last year and formerly a member of the Trenton team, has gone into business in Seneca Falls, N. Y., and will be out of hockey this year.

The Brantford O. H. A. juniors have arranged a game with the Norfolks of Simcoe to be played on New Year's night. The Telephone City team will endeavor to arrange a couple of other exhibition games meanwhile.

Ingersoll and London have been cut out of the Kingston senior Frontenac itinerary owing to the inability of the players to remain away from home for an extended period. Games will be played on the trip as follows: Preston, Dec. 30; Sarnia, Dec. 31, and Detroit, Jan. 1 and 2.

Have you noticed the deathlike silence of Guelph, Galt, Brantford, Berlin and other Western Ontario [illegible] except the matter of professional hockey? They gave it several thorough trials, but their experience was both expensive and conclusive. Hockey of the O. H. A. kind puts the "fly-by-nighters" out of business.

The Hamilton club has had several request from O. H. A. teams for exhibition games, but has been forced to pass up the majority. Almost every team in Ontario with their intermediate or junior championship aspirations has sought the locals' scalps. The artificial ice is the attraction, there being no natural ice rinks ready for business.

Jack Gooch's decision to play with St. Michael's is the surprise of the O. H. A., senior season, but there will probably be others of a similar nature. Various Toronto clubs have been claiming the services of players who have not committed themselves. "You have never got them until they sign their certificate," said a senior manager at the Arena.

The Orillia hockey team will make a tour of American cities in the week beginning Jan. 12. On the 13th and 14th they will play at Cleveland, Ohio, and on the 15th and 16th at Detroit. Other dates are being arranged.

Gren Caldwell, the former Barrie hockey player and referee, is in Toronto after spending the summer in the west, with headquarters at Edmonton. Mr. Caldwell will be east until the end of January, and will referee some of the O. H. A. championship games.

That Newsy Lalonde will once more play with the Canadiens in the National Hockey Association, is now practically assured. It was stated last night on good authority that Lalonde, who had been one of the hold-outs of the flying Frenchmen, had come to terms with Manager George Kennedy, and will report to the club for practice.

The intermediate team of the Orillia hockey club have been placed under the management of Herb Caswell. Those whose names are mentioned as possible players are Johnston, Gordon McDonald, Lovering, Jupp, George Ross, Stiles, Halward, George Whiting, Armston, Morley Carter, Howard Jebb, Perryman, Kay and Norman Harvie.

SABOTAGE DEFINED.

A book on sabotage, just issued, says: "Sabotage is any conscious and wilful act on the part of one or more workers to slacken and reduce the output of production in the industrial field, or to restrict trade and reduce the profits in the commercial field, in order to secure from their employers better conditions, or to enforce those promised or maintain those already prevailing, when no other way of redress is open."

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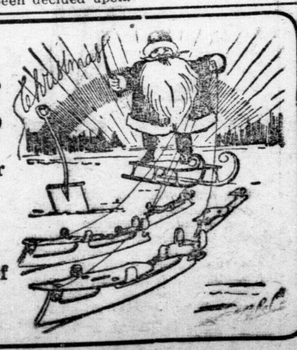

CARPETBALL

STANDING IN CITY LEAGUE.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Pts.
C. F., No. 290	7	5	2	5
S. O. E.	5	4	1	4
Maccabees	6	4	1	4
C. O. F.	6	3	3	3
W. O. W.	6	3	3	3
C. O. O. F.	5	3	2	3
Molders' Union	6	2	4	2
I. O. F.	6	0	6	0

McCLARY'S LEAGUE STANDING.

Teams.	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.
Famous	9	8	1	0	16
Gladona	9	6	3	0	12
Marina	8	5	2	1	11
Saskalta	9	5	3	1	11
Radium	9	5	4	1	10
Bell Oak	9	5	4	0	10
Kootenay	9	4	4	1	9
Ladies' Aid	9	4	4	1	9
Maryboro	9	4	4	1	9
Sunshine	8	4	3	1	9
Chef	8	4	3	1	8
Sunbeam	8	3	4	1	7
Pandora	9	3	5	1	7
Fairy Queen	9	2	5	2	6
Magnet	9	3	6	0	6
Champion	9	3	6	0	6
Kitchener	9	3	6	0	6
Regina	8	2	5	1	5

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TINKER MAY BE EXCHANGED FOR TWO BROOKLYN PLAYERS

Manager Herzog Is Trying To Make a Deal of This Kind.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 19.—Charles Herzog, newly-appointed manager of the Cincinnati Reds, today announced that negotiations were on for the exchange of ex-Manager Joe Tinker for two Brooklyn players. Herzog said he made this proposition to the directors of the Reds:

"If the $25,000 deal for Tinker can be cancelled without doing anyone an injustice, cancel it. Then let me trade Tinker for players, giving Brooklyn the first opportunity to bid."

Herzog said that he believed President Ebbets, of Brooklyn, would trade two Brooklyn players who would prove of far better value to Cincinnati than the cash which President Herrmann, of the Reds, agreed to accept. According to Herzog, the directors of the Cincinnati Club now form a big happy family, with no discord among them.

Will Not Be Slavish in Following McGraw Style.

Herzog said today that he is confident of success in his new position. The contract of the new Red leader is for one year only and the stipend is the same as that which was paid Joe Tinker for filling the same position. The new manager, in discussing the outlook today, made no claims as to finishing high in the race, but simply said he was thoroughly familiar with the local situation, knew pretty well the calibre of the regular players on the club, and felt sure that he could make good as the leader of the team, if given time to develop his ideas.

Hicks Can't Box and He Can't Punch, But He Makes More Money Fighting Than Many Near Champions.

FREDDY HICKS.

Without cleverness, without a punch, without manager, without press agent—without anything but willingness to "take a beating," Freddy Hicks, the Detroit middleweight, is making more money in the prize ring than George Chip, the closest approach to a champion the middle division boasts of.

Hicks is demonstrating there is plenty of cash for boys who will actually enter the ring and take punishment, even if they cannot administer it.

All Hicks says of himself is, "Well, if I can't knock them out you don't see anyone knocking me out, do you?"

And they never have. No fighter ever made Freddy take the canvas count; nor has he ever knocked out any fighter with a real reputation.

With nothing to gain fights for him but his willingness to take a chance, Hicks adds to his bank account by entering the ring and fighting, while others are hunting publicity and negotiating.

He doesn't get any big bouts, but those he does bring him a few hundreds and he fights as often as he can secure bookings. This winter he has met Tommy Teague, who was knocked out, Nov. 4; Young Leonard, who defeated him at Wilkesbarre, Nov. 14; Jim Borrell defeated him at Philadelphia, Dec. 1; and on Dec. 6 he defeated Jack Driscoll in New York. Four fights in about one month, while the press-agented, managed fighter, boxes about as often in a year.

Hicks proves a defeated fighter need not quit. In the face of defeats he goes right along booking bouts.

Between his fight with Driscoll and Jan. 1, Hicks is booked to meet George Ashe, Buck Crouse and Frank Klaus, all tough nuts. His earnings for November and December will total about $2,000, yet Hicks is a dub whose ability lies chiefly in the ability to take punishment.

TEMPTING OFFERS BEING MADE LOCAL HOCKEY STARS

Professional Teams Are Trying To Land a Couple More London O.H.A. Players and May Be Successful in One or Two Cases.

[BY JINX.]

The passing of Harry Lecky, the local O. H. A. star, to the professional ranks, may influence several other local hockey stars to make the jump. Considerable pressure is being brought to bear on a couple of London's fast intermediate players by Toronto N. H. A. teams, and flattering offers are being made daily to them.

Teams in the Maritime League are also after local stars. Harry Lecky received two offers from the New Glasgow club before he finally accepted Jimmy Murphy's offer, and since then the New Glasgow club has been endeavoring to get in touch with a couple of men who starred on last season's team.

Some Tempting Offers.

The Toronto pros. have been after Dot Reid ever since the summer faded, while Amby. McAvoy has also been approached. Even Cal. Wardrope, London's great little goal-tender, has received offers. One of them came from a Cobalt team, and Wardrope was offered a position at $25 per week and all expenses paid if he would accept. This offer came from what is supposed to be an amateur team playing in an amateur league.

Despite the fact that hard times are threatened there seems to be all kinds of hockey money floating around, and some of the offers made to local players are exceedingly attractive. It is a great temptation to an amateur player to make the jump when he is offered $700 or $800 for two or three months' work on the ice. It looks like pretty soft money and all the glory that is realized by playing on an O. H. A. team doesn't stand ace high beside it.

Players After Money Now.

The time is coming when professional hockey will invade every city and town in Ontario big enough to support a team, mainly because of the money in it for the player. Amateur hockey is just as big a drawing card and even bigger in some cases, but the players don't get the "graft." The money goes to the men behind the club, men, who, for the most part, have little interest in the development of the game aside from the money it puts in their pockets.

BATTERY FORMS INDOOR TEAM

Will Play Teams From Other Towns and Cities of Western Ontario.

OFFICERS WERE ELECTED

Harry Tozer Will Manage the Club and Walter Dutton Will Be the Captain of It.

At a meeting held in the sergeants' mess of the Sixth Battery last evening, the Sixth London Battery indoor baseball team was organized. The battery has decided not to put a team in the Armories League this season, but instead will have an independent team that will meet all comers. It is the intention of the club to play a number of games with teams in St. Thomas, Hamilton, Guelph, Sarnia and Brantford and to also play exhibition games with a number of local teams. The battery has a number of good players, and a strong team will be formed.

A practice game was played in the Armories last evening with the Seventh Regiment team of the Armories League, the battery winning by the score of 7 to 1. Other practice games will be played next week.

The Officers.

The following officers of the club were elected at last night's meeting:

Patrons—Major W. Leonard, Lieut. F. H. Greenlees, Lieut. H. Scandrett
President—Lieut. Blandford.
First vice-president—Sergt.-Major H J. Kerrys.
Second vice-president—Q. M. S. F. Brill
Third vice-president—Signal Sergt. F. P. McKay.
Secretary—Sergt. G. S. Martin.
Treasurer—Sergt. A. E. Ball.
Executive committee—Sergts. R. Harding, F. Barlow, C. Brill and O. Russell.
Manager—Sergt. H. R. Tozer.
Captain—Sergt. W. A. Dutton

CHARLEY WHITE WON FROM AD. WOLGAST

Chicago Lightweight Was Given Decision Over Former Champion at Milwaukee Last Night.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 19.—Charlie White, of Chicago, shaded Ad Wolgast, of Cadillac, Mich., in the opinion of a majority of the experts at the bout here tonight. The contest was close, and well fought all the way.

No decisions are given here, the awards going with the opinions of a majority of the recognized newspaper authorities.

CHARLES KINGSLEP'S PIPES.

[London Chronicle.]

Charles Kingsley was an enthusiastic devotee of the clay pipe, and he was in the habit of keeping a supply of pipes concealed in the most unlikely places. A. G. Benson recalls a characteristic story. "My father," he writes, "used to tell how once he was walking with Kingsley round about Aversley, when Kingsley suddenly stopped and said: 'It is no use; I know you detest tobacco, Benson, but I must have a smoke,' and he had accordingly gone to a big furze bush and put his arm in a hole, and after some groping about produced a big churchwarden pipe, which he filled and smoked with great satisfaction, afterwards putting it into a hollow tree, and telling my father, with a chuckle, that he had concealed pipes all over the parish, to meet the exigencies of a sudden desire to smoke."

SIXTEEN TEAMS IN CHURCH LEAGUE

Ten Churches Were Represented at Meeting Held Friday Evening in Y.M.C.A.

STILL NEED MORE TEAMS

Officials Would Like to Get Two Senior and Three Junior Teams to Add to Present List.

Sixteen teams, 9 junior and 7 senior, entered the Interdenominational League at the meeting held in the Y. M. C. A. Friday evening. Ten churches in all were represented and the meeting was an enthusiastic one, highly encouraging to the men who have brought about the organization of this league. The churches that will put in teams are as follows:

The Teams.

Colborne Street Methodist—One junior team.
New St. James' Presbyterian—One junior team.
Adelaide Street Baptist—One junior team.
King Street Presbyterian—One junior, one senior.
Askin Street Methodist—One junior, one senior.
Dundas Centre Methodist—One junior, one senior.
St. James' Anglican—One junior, one senior.
St. Andrew's Presbyterian—One junior, one senior.
Wellington St. Methodist—One junior.
Knox Presbyterian—One senior.
Talbot Street Baptist—One senior.

Need More Teams.

The officials of the league are anxious to get one more senior team and three more junior teams in order to complete the organization and arrange more suitable groupings. The teams now entered must hand in the names of the players they intend to use by Friday, Dec. 26, when the next meeting of the league will be held. These players will be registered at this meeting, and any player signed up after that will not be able to play until he has been registered at least three days.

Simcoe Rink May Be Leased.

The games will be played in the Simcoe rink, but the dates have not been decided upon. The schedules will not be drawn up until the next meeting. The league may lease the Simcoe rink outright, a proposition having been made to the management along this line. In that case, a man will be placed in charge of the rink, and will run it for the league.

LOAN ARRANGED

Group of Bankers Will Handle a Big Mexican Deal.

Paris, Dec. 20.—The underwriting by an international group of bankers of a loan to the Mexican Government sufficient to meet the bond interest payments falling due in January was arranged today through the Banque de Paris at Des Pays Bas. The group is composed of Paris London and New York bankers.

The Paris banks will not advance more than their proportionate share of the amount underwritten by the group. The negotiations were conducted here, but the amount of the loan and the terms on which it is to be advanced were not disclosed.

NOW HE KNOWS.

"Really," began Mrs. Nagg, "the inquisitiveness of those people next door has driven me crazy!"

"Oh," replied her husband, "is that what did it?"

WANDERERS GET ON ICE FOR FIRST TIME

Montreal Team Has a Number of Good Players to Pick From This Season.

[Canadian Press.]

Montreal, Dec. 20.—Holding their initial practice this season on the ice, eight of the regulars of the Wanderers worked out for nearly an hour at the Coliseum Rink last night. Sprague Cleghorn was the absentee from among those who have already signed their contracts, while Art Ross, one of the holdouts, watched the work from the side. The players showed remarkably good condition for the first turnout, and went at their work at a fast clip. Carl Kendall, who was secured by the club, made his first appearance on a Montreal team, and created a favorable impression with those in attendance.

Lahue, an amateur, who played last season with the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association, turned out with the professionals. Lahue played as good a game as any of the men in the inter-provincial a year ago, and if he decides to turn professional he should make good in the National Hockey Association. Boyes and Cicotte, who played with the team a year ago, took turns in defending the nets against a forward line, composed of Ernie Russell, Adie Cleghorn, and Gordie Roberts. The latter was also tried on the defence.

BOY SCOUTS HAVE CHRISTMAS RALLY

Hear Words of Advice From Provincial Secretary on Scouting.

H. G. Hammond, of Toronto, provincial secretary of the Boy Scout movement, addressed a large number of the Scouts of this city at a Christmas rally held in Cronyn Hall Friday evening. A splendid series of slides, illustrating the doings of Scouts in other cities in Ontario was shown, and was the means of arousing much enthusiasm among the boys.

Following the rally a business meeting of the local association was held, and Mr. Hammond addressed the scoutmasters on the necessity of training for scout officers if good results were to be obtained from the boys. The rector of the cathedral, Rev. Canon Tucker, also spoke a few words of help and encouragement.

TRAINED AVIATORS ARE BADLY NEEDED

[Canadian Press.]

New York, N. Y., Dec. 20. — That more must be accomplished on land with flying machines before an attempt is made to cross the sea, is the statement made by Orville Wright at the Aero Club of America last night, where a reception was tendered him on the tenth anniversary of the first power flight made by him and his late brother, Wilbur. He added that he would not venture to predict that the Atlantic would be crossed in a flying machine within the next few years.

"What is needed now are more experienced aviators," Mr. Wright said. "Fully 95 per cent of accidents occur because the aviator has not been sufficiently trained."

CHRISTMAS TRADE EQUALS LAST YEAR

Mercantile Agency After Canvass of Stores Finds Buying Fully as Good.

Mercantile conditions in London as reported by R. G. Dun & Co. are exceptionally good. Its weekly report has this to say:

A canvass of the principal retail stores shows that holiday goods have been sold fully as freely as last winter, but those lines known as seasonable winter wear have not moved off owing to the continued mild weather. The purchasing power of the people in this section, of which 25 per cent come in from the country, shows very little diminution; the complaint of poor retail trade seems directly attributable to the unseasonable weather, and is confined to clothing, fur and shoe firms principally. Manufacturers are operating on short time in some lines, but few hands have been laid off. Collections fairly good. One small failure this week.

London reports to Bradstreet's that business conditions are unchanged. People are buying early for Christmas needs, and sorting orders have been satisfactory at wholesale drygoods and grocery houses. Produce markets have been active and firm. London industries are in a healthy condition though not quite as active as might be desired.

MEDICAL STUDENTS HAVE HOCKEY LEAGUE

Each Year Has a Team and Schedule of Games Has Been Drawn Up.

The Western University Meds have formed a hockey league, each year being represented by a team. A schedule has been drawn up, and games will be played in the Simcoe street rink between 5 and 6 p.m.

The schedule is as follows:

Jan. 13—First vs. Second.
Jan. 15—Third vs. Fourth.
Jan 20—Second vs. Third.
Jan. 22—First vs. Fourth.
Jan. 27—Second vs. Fourth.
Jan. 29—First vs. Third.
Feb. 3—First vs. Second.
Feb. 5—Third vs. Fourth.
Feb. 10—Second vs. Third.
Feb. 12—First vs. Fourth.
Feb. 17—Second vs. Fourth.
Feb. 19—First vs. Third.

REDUCTION ORDERED ON BILLS OF LADING

Railway Commission Makes New Classification to Lighten Express Charges.

Ottawa, Dec. 20. — The railway commission today issued an order reducing express charges for the handling of freight bills of lading and collection of moneys thereunder.

At present the express companies forward bills of lading for freight shipments, they, however, charging for the collection and return of money under the bill of lading one per cent.

By the order signed today a change in the express classification has been made. Under this a new rule provides for the charge of one-eighth of one per cent, with a minimum of one per cent on $100 on one company's line, and one and one-half per cent when carried by more than one company.

In practice the present and the proposed rules will work out as follows: On $100—present, $3; proposed one line, $1; two lines, $1.50; on $300—present, $3; proposed, one line, $1; two lines, $1.50; on $500—present, $5; proposed one line, $1; two lines, $1.50. On $1,000 — present, $10; proposed one line, $1.25; two lines, $1.50, On $2,000—present, $20; proposed one line, $2.50; two lines, $2.50.

Lime was one of the earliest materials used to improve soil, being mentioned in the writings of Plato and Pliny.

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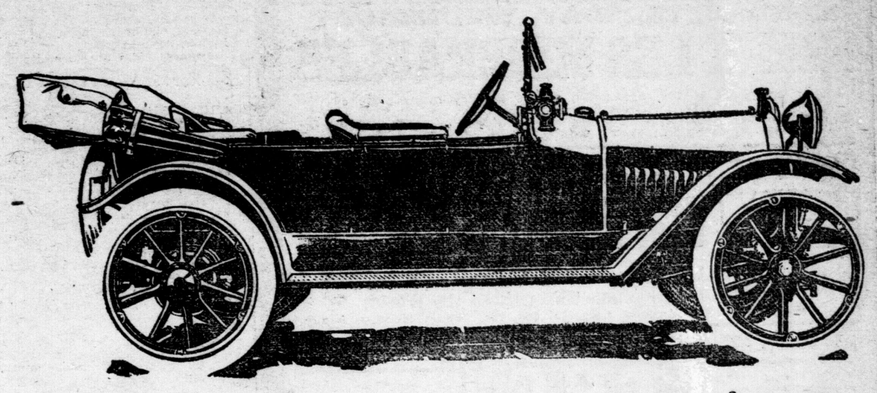

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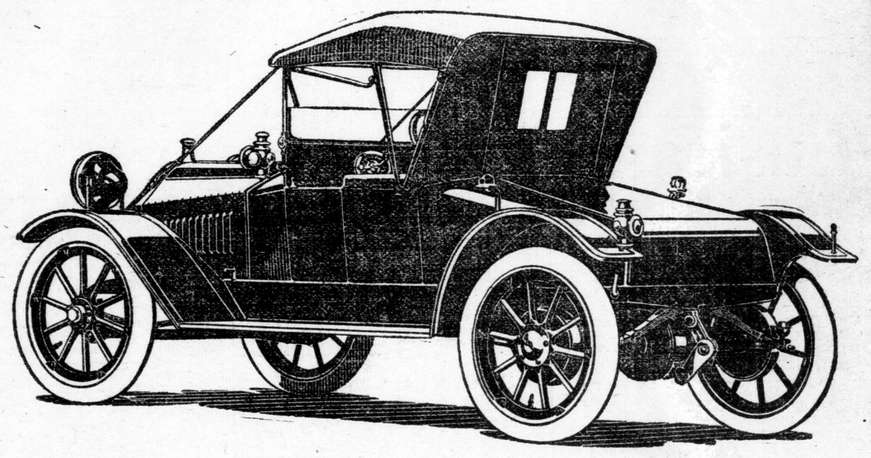

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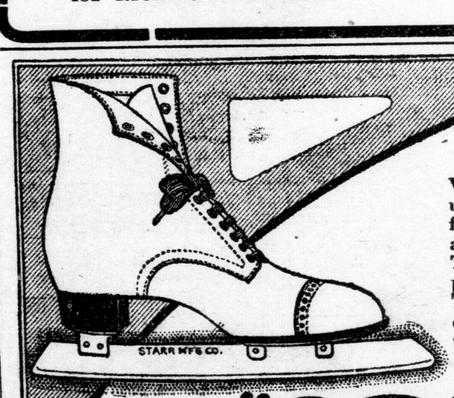

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LONDON COUNCIL, NO. 19, C. O. C. F.—Regular meeting postponed to Dec. 29. All members requested to attend. Business of importance and election of officers. Thomas Woolcock, C. C.; A. M. Legg, recorder. b

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DEATHS.

FISHER—At his late residence, 531 King street, on Thursday, Dec. 18, 1913, John Fisher, beloved husband of Annie Fisher, aged 57 years.

Funeral from above address on Monday at 2:30 p.m.; service at 2 p.m. Interment at Mount Pleasant Cemetery. 6u

PARKINSON—At Toronto, Ont., on Dec. 17, 1913, Robert J. Parkinson.

Funeral from the residence of his mother, Mrs. Sophia Parkinson, 6 Price street, East London, on Sunday, Dec. 21, at 2:30 o'clock; service at 2 p.m. Interment at the Gore Cemetery. b

RUDDLING—In this city, on Wednesday, Dec. 17, 1913, Elizabeth Sellers Ruddling, in her 80th year.

Interment on Saturday at Woodland Cemetery.

Niles, Mich., and St. Paul, Minn., please copy. b

In Memoriam.

ROOT—In loving memory of Russell Edward Root, who passed away on Dec. 21, 1912.

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21
"CHRISTMAS LESSON"
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CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER—HOLY Communion, 8:30 a.m.; Matins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 7 p.m. Rev. H. B. Ashby, pastor.

COLBORNE STREET METHODIST Church—Pastor, Rev. D. N. McCamus. Christmas services. The choir, under the leadership of H. G. Leslie Roberts, will sing "Unto Us a Child is Born" (Nichol), and at the evening service, excerpts from "The Messiah." Soloists, Miss Irene Straitch, Miss Dora Bradley, and Messrs. Chris Pink and Albert Riddle.

Cronyn Memorial Church

Matins, 11 a.m.; Holy Communion, 7 p.m. The rector,

Rev. R. W. Norwood

will preach at both services.

Dundas Centre Methodist Church

Rev. A. J. Johnston, B.A., Pastor.
11 a.m.—Subject, "A CHIME OF BELLS."
7 p.m.—Subject, "CHRISTMAS JOY."
Music.

Morning—Organ, "March of the Magi Kings" (Du Boise); anthem, "O Holy Night" (Adam), for tenor solo and chorus; organ, "Intermezzo" (from "Bethany," Rhys-Herbert); anthem, "A Christmas Song" (Cornelius), for bass solo and chorus; organ "Hosannah" (Du Bois).

Evening—Organ, "The Holy Night" (Dudley Buck); Anthem, "Glory to God" (Tertius Noble), for tenor solo and chorus; carol, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" (Sullivan); organ, "Chimes at Christmas" (Greenwold); contralto solo, "The Birthday of a King" (Neidlinger); anthem, "Christmas" (Shelley); organ, "Grand Chorus" (Guilmant).

2:45—Special Christmas service in Sunday School.

Parnell Morris, Organist and Choirmaster.

EGERTON STREET BAPTIST CHURCH —Rev. W. C. Riddiford, pastor. 11 a.m., "A Christmas Question: What is Christ to Me?" 3 p.m., Bible School; there is a class for you—come. 7 p.m., sermon IV., "Zaccheus Facing the Crucial Test." Special music by choir. Clifford Reid, choirmaster; Thomas Potts, organist. All seats free.

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FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH—Rev. H. D'Arcy Whitmore, minister. Service at 11 a.m.; subject, "The Question of the Wise Men." Bible School at 3 p.m. Evening service at 7 o'clock; Professor J. J. Lowe, of Philadelphia, will give an illustrated address, "The Childhood of Christ."

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST (SCIENTIST), corner Richmond street, Princess and Park avenues—Sunday services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Subject, "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" Sunday School at 11 a.m. Wednesday, testimonial meeting, 8 p.m. Free reading room, open every week-day, 2 to 4:30. Everybody welcome. Literature for sale and free distribution.

First Methodist Church

PASTOR.
Rev. Chas. R. Flanders, B.A., D.D.
CHRISTMAS SUNDAY, DEC. 21, 1913.
11 a.m.—Children's Christmas Service.
Organ Prelude—Grand Chorus..Du Bois
Anthem—Sing, O Heavens..Sir J. Barnby
Quartet—Miss Hunt, Miss Laymon, R. Habbeshaw, E. A. Webster.
Chorus—Sweet Christmas Bells..Wilson
The Sunday School.
Sermon—"THE OTHER WISE MAN."
Anthem—Unfold, Ye Portals Everlasting ("The Redemption").....Gounod
Postlude—March ..... Randeggar
The Sunday School will meet at 10:45 in Wesley Hall.
7 p.m.—Christmas Service.
Organ Prelude
Anthem—Blessed be the Lord God of Israel .....D. Williams
Soloists—Miss Hunt, Miss Laymon, Robert Habbeshaw.
Anthem—O Holy Night..Adolphe Adam
Solo—R. Habbeshaw.
Quintet—A Hymn of Peace.....
..... Whitney-Coombs
Miss Hunt, Miss Evans, Miss Laymon, R. Habbeshaw, E. A. Webster.
Sermon—"HIS NAME."
Hallelujah Chorus (from "Mount of Olives" ..... Beethoven
Organ Postlude.
Mrs. A. D. Jordan, Organist.

First Methodist Sunday School

CHRISTMAS SUNDAY, DEC. 21.

Morning, 10:45, school meets in Wesley Hall, to attend church in a body.
Afternoon, 2:45.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SERVICE.

Offering for "Inasmuch Society" Christmas tree.

The account of the birth of Christ will be illustrated by pictures and music.

Dr. Flanders will address the school. 6u

First Presbyterian Church

Rev. W. J. Knox, M.A., Minister.
11 a.m.—"The Church's Task."
7 p.m.—"A Universal Religion."
Special Christmas music at the evening service.

HAMILTON ROAD PRESBYTERIAN Church—Dr. D. L. McCrae, minister. Morning, Communion service; evening, special Christmas service.

Hyatt Ave Methodist Church

The Pastor,
REV. J. E. J. MILLYARD
will preach at both services.
A cordial welcome to all.

KNOX CHURCH, SOUTH LONDON—Rev. J. G. Stuart, minister. Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

KING STREET PRESBYTERIAN Church—Rev. W. R. McIntosh, B.D., pastor. Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

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Morning subject, "The Spirit of Christmas"; five minutes address to children. Evening subject, "A Glimpse into the Glory." All welcome.

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ST. JAMES, CHURCH, SOUTH LONDON —Rector, Rev. Dean Davis. Services as usual.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH—REV. T. H. Mitchell, of New St. James' Church, will preach in the morning. Rev. H. R. Horne, of the Sailors' Mission, will preach in the evening.

TALBOT STREET BAPTIST CHURCH. Rev. H. H. Bingham, B.A., Pastor.
11 a.m., Rev. R. R. McKay, B.A., field secretary Foreign Mission Board; 7 p.m., Rev. Hugh McFarlane, B.A., St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church; subject, "The Pharisee and Publican." All welcome.

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More than 300 students, graduates, and members of the faculty, medical men and others, from London and Western Ontario, attended the annual banquet of the Western Medical College in the new Masonic Hall on Friday evening.

Following the banquet, which was held in the basement of the temple, a symposium of brilliant speeches was heard in the assembly room above, which was decorated in the college colors. J. E. Masson, a member of the class of '14, and president of the banquet committee, proved himself a capable toastmaster. Hon. W. J. Hanna, provincial secretary, replied to the toast to "Canada"; Rev. W. J. Knox, of the First Presbyterian Church, proposed the toast to "The Learned Professions," which was responded to by Rev. Dr. Flanders, of the First Methodist Church, Mr. F. E. Perrin, and Dr. Mackay, of Ingersoll. Dr. H. A. McCallum, dean of the medical faculty, replied to the toast to the faculty, and Dr. Bell, of Sarnia, spoke for the graduates. Mr. Charles Cornish, '14, replied to the undergraduate toast; W. J. Jones, to the toast to the ladies, and Mr. Fred J. Campbell to the freshman toast.

During the evening several solos were sung by R. Habbeshaw, the tenor soloist, accompanied by W. A. Bluethner. Excellent music was furnished by the Tony Cortese Orchestra.

Mention should be made of the clever illustrations, contributed by Dr. Sam Jones, to the menu folders, which were well gotten up, both from the literary and artistic standpoint.

Change in Status.

J. E. Masson, introducing the toast list, referred to the change in the status of the Western Medical College, since it had recently become an integral part of the Western University, the addition to the faculty of several new full-time professors, and the affiliation of the Institute of Public Health. He also dwelt upon the excellence of the clinical department of the Western University afforded by the co-operation of Victoria Hospital, and declared that no medical college in America had a better clinical department than the Western.

Hon. Mr. Hanna dwelt upon the advantages offered to medical college graduates in Ontario by three-year appointments to provincial institutions. Dr. Fisher, one of the Western graduates, had held such an appointment, and was today along with other members of the Rockefeller Institute winning recognition by advanced research work. He referred to the growing interest in the subject of public health, and he expressed the opinion that the international committee on public health would bring in a report that would attract serious attention.

Western "Is" Needed.

The Western University was an institution of great importance to the people of Western Ontario. In its departments of arts, medicine, health and theology it had a splendid start. All its departments were needed by this part of the province. He did not favor giving public money to a number of institutions to teach the same branches of work that one centralized institution could teach better, but the departments of the Western University were each needed by the western section of the province. He referred to the Government appointment of seven inspectors of public health, who were absolute in their powers, and if necessary were empowered to take action in cases where municipal councils were afraid to move, lest they jeopardize their positions. There was no reason, he said, why the local Hygienic Institute should not do the laboratory work for this part of the province. This was his answer to a question often asked why such work should always be sent to Toronto.

Narrowly Escaped Medicine.

Rev. Mr. Knox said he narrowly escaped medicine as a profession. With it in view he had taken his M. A. degree on a scientific subject under Dr. A. B. McCallum, of Toronto. The medical profession, he said, was a high calling by virtue of its underlying motive, the relieving of the suffering that afflicts humanity. It was a profession characterized largely by self-sacrifice and generosity. He humorously referred to the funeral college colors of the Western University, black and purple, which, he said, were a significant combination for a medical college.

"We are getting away from the old idea," he said, "of restricting the term 'the learned profession' to law, medicine and theology." He referred to the achievements of the engineering and other scientific professions in modern years and said that men were coming to realize that the purpose of learning is to bring men into closer touch with their fellows.

The motto of the so-called learned professions might well be the old French phrase, "noblesse oblige." They were intrusted with a national stewardship. He wondered sometimes if the learned professions really believed in this "noblesse oblige."

Avenues of Service.

"Do we really look upon these avenues as avenues of service, not as avenue of parasitism?" he said. "There is a danger of burying our manhood in the narrowness of professional life. It was once said of someone that he was born a man but died a grocer. There is just as much danger of being born a man and dying a lawyer. We should look upon the professions as a stewardship, to be used for the betterment of human welfare."

Rev. Dr. C. R. Flanders expressed the opinion that clergymen were becoming better mixers, and delighted more in associating with their fellowmen who did not stand in so much awe of the sanctity of a clergyman as formerly. He did not see why clergymen should not mingle freely with other men in all things touching the betterment of humanity. No class of men, he said, stood higher in integrity that Canadian lawyers; and there was no higher ideal than that which every doctor consciously or unconsciously takes, the ideal of Him who came to bring life and health, and to go about doing good.

Old Eloquence Obsolete.

Mr. F. E. Perrin said that a lawyer like an engine-driver, needed sand and oil, but he should be careful not to put the sand in the gearing or the oil on the track. Eloquence today was largely confined to the pulpit, and lawyers were but businessmen when pleading cases. The old eloquence of the bar had become obsolete.

Dr. Mackay, of Ingersoll, was glad to know the provincial secretary was getting in touch with the wants of the medical men of the province. He paid a tribute to the ability of Dr. McCallum. With such a man at its head the medical department could not help progressing. He referred to the many graduates of the Western University who have attained distinction, among them Hon. Dr. Roche, of the Federal cabinet.

Tribute to Founders.

Dr. McCallum observed that just thirty years ago he had delivered his first speech at a Western Medical College banquet. On that occasion he had represented the freshmen. He wished to pay a tribute to the memory of the old school, and to the lion-hearted men who had so nobly worked in founding it. It had turned out good men. Dr. Rowntree, a graduate of the old school, he predicted would stand among the world's best medical men.

Western graduates should have more confidence in themselves, he declared. The men turned out were the equal of the graduates of any institution in America, Carnegie reports to the contrary notwithstanding. The lion-hearted men who established the old school had made London one of the three chief medical and surgical centres of the Dominion. He spoke of the enthusiasm and harmony prevailing among his co-workers since he had taken the head of the school. He thank the committee of the board of governors, particularly Mr. C. R. Somerville, for standing up to the last letter of the terms on which he had accepted the position. He gave to Hon. Mr. Hanna credit for giving signal service to the move that gave the Institute of Public Health to London. And he did not want to criticise his superiors, but one thing he wanted to see among the governors was mountains of enthusiasm and no depressing valleys of indifference.

Ability of Past Proofessors.

Dr. Bell, mayor of Sarnia, referred to the ability of the past professors, some of whom were not present. He himself had never regretted choosing the Western College as his alma mater, and he felt that he could say after the manner of St. Paul, "I am a graduate of no mean college." Western graduates were in East Africa, West Africa, China, Europe, Great Britain, almost every state in the American Union, and in every province and city of Canada. The names of Dr. Fisher and Dr. Rowntree, as distinguished graduates, had been mentioned. He would like to mention the names of Dr. McCallum himself, and Dr. Hadley Williams, who had obtained the rare degree of F. R. C. S.

Opposes Centralization.

He was opposed to centralization in education. Toronto University was too crowded. The individuality of the students was strengthened, developed and expressed most in the small college. The Government with succession duties had built up Toronto, but this did not necessarily make Toronto graduates better surgeons or doctors, although it helped the medical department of Toronto University. He pointed out that the graduates of no other college had higher percentages of successful students at the medical council examinations.

Dr. Bell said he was opposed to doctors entering the field of higher politics. It weakened their individuality and usefulness as medical men or surgeons, but it was well for the doctor to take an interest in the affairs of his own town or municipality.

Charles Cornish, speaking for the undergraduates, observed that the class of 1914 would be the last to graduate under the old regime. It was the connecting link between the old and the new.

W. J. Jones, replying to the toast to "The Ladies," made an eloquent and versatile speech.

Fred J. Campbell, speaking for the freshmen, said he had the honor of speaking for the first freshman class since the Medical School became an integral part of the University. He expressed the appreciation of the students for the generosity, individually and collectively, of the board of governors.

Committee in Charge.

The committee in charge of the banquet was composed of Honorary President Dr. H. A. McCallum, President J. E. Masson '14, Honorary Secretary R. Baines '14, Honorary Treasurer Thos. Guilfoyle '14.

Executive Committee—M. D. Young '16, F. Nelson '17, H. Wiley '18.

Reception Committee—D. E. Scott '14, A. McKay '17, George Renton '16,

The Guests.

P. Macdonald, Dr. Cl. T. Campbell, A. Hotson, Dr. N. C. James (president of the Western University), Rev. Chas. R. Flanders, C. R. Somerville, Dr. F. R. Eccles, J. E. Mason '14, Hon. W. J. Hanna, Dr. H. A. McCallum, Rev. W. J. Knox, Rev. G. B. Sage, Dr. J. S. Niven, Dr. F. P. Drake, E. L. Steele, S. J. P. Bear, W. A. Jones, U. E. Bateson, J. W. Crane, A. J. Slack, S. N. Best, T. W. Collister, J. C. Clarke, S. O. H. Jones, Edward Fidlar, John A. Macgregor, Charles E. Jarvis, H. W. Hill, Geo. D. McTaggart, R. H. Taylor, E. E. Phoenix, Paul G. McKibben, J. A. MacDonald, M. D. Campbell, J. W. Aikenhead, W. J. Stevenson, J. A. McArthur, C. C. Cornish, J. R. Macpherson, F. H. Saunders, D. R. Young, J. McS. Young, H. J. Scott, R. A. Walker, O. W. Mitton, Stanley J. Wilkins, J. McKay, Geo. W. Renton, H. J. Wiley, J. A. Orr, J. S. Hudson, I. D. Wilson, F. W. Luney, W. N. McCormick, Geo. W. A. Aitken, H. C. Allison, A. L. Pearson, T. W. Neely, Septimus Thompson, George McNeill, T. H. Heard, E. H. McKone, J. G. Seaton, James L. Stapleton, W. J. Weekes, H. Homer Black, Nelson George, John E. Hawkings, R. S. Murray, H. E. Schaef, W. T. Banting, A. W. McIntyre, P. C. Banghart, Roy Clark, W. H. James, A. J. Grant (Thedford), E. D. Gillis (Ridgetown), T. H. Purdom, F. E. Perrin, F. W. Hughes, C. E. Brown, Russell J. MacRobert, W. J. Robinson, W. M. English (Hamilton), J. Alex. Bell (Sarnia), D. C. McFarlane, Hadley Williams, N. H. Beal, R. W. Shaw, E. L. Hodgins, B. A. Hodgins, Clifford H. Reason, L. Seale Holmes, C. O. E. Smith, G. L. Clarke, A. S. Duncan, James Newell (Watford), R. G. Kelly (Watford), C. B. Edwards, William Waugh, R. Ferguson, A. S. Thompson (Strathroy), H. Meek, Dr. D. Smith (Fingal), J. Wishart, Fred Guest (St. Thomas), E. R. Guest (Fanshawe), J. R. Armstrong (Thorndale), W. F. Babb (Thamesford), A. Voaden (St. Thomas), Hugh McGougan (Thamesford).

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SCHOOL INSPECTOR DIES SUDDENLY IN HOSPITAL

John McLaughlin, of Manitoulin Passes Away Unexpectedly —Wife Cannot Get Here

John McLaughlin, a former Londoner, and public school inspector of Manitoulin Island, died suddenly in St. Joseph's Hospital on Friday after he had recovered from an operation successfully performed recently. Death resulted from hemorrhage of the brain.

He had been resting easily yesterday and only a few minutes before his death had been talking to several nurses of the institution. Without warning or sign of a struggle he expired.

He was born in Biddulph Township, where as a boy he attended school and helped his father on the farm. Later he entered the teaching profession and taught in the high schools of Stratford and Lucan, respectively. About ten years ago he was engaged in the insurance business in London.

A sad feature in connection with the death is that the wife may be unable to attend the funeral. At this season of the year the boats, which connect Manitoulin Island with the mainland are discontinued, and the inhabitants necessarily must wait for the formation of ice before they can cross the channel. A telegram was sent to his wife last evening and funeral arrangements will not be completed, pending a reply. One son survives.

A brother of Mr. McLaughlin died in this city last April, having come here for treatment.

BANKERS ARE READY TO ACCEPT CURRENCY BILL

Leading Financiers Are Now Making the Best of New Law.

New York, Dec. 20.—Passage of the currency bill in Washington finds the local banking community, which was none too kindly disposed toward the measure, in its incipient stages, more or less ready to accept the salient features of the bill.

Changes which the new law must inevitably bring have been taken note of recently, and it is not thought that any national bank of importance will carry out the threat so often heard a few weeks ago to relinquish its federal charter and operate under a state charter instead.

In fact, the president of a large Wall street bank said today that all of the thirty-six national banks of this city could be depended upon to enter the new banking system as soon as the new law took effect.

Are Satisfied.

As the currency bill in its lowest form has overcome many of the objections voiced by prominent financiers, it seemed to be the opinion in financial quarters today that the privileges the nationally chartered institutions would retain, together with the prestige considered to attach to national institutions, would outweigh with most of them any remaining objections they might have to the new law. Moreover, were national banks to yield their charters, they would have to return to the Government the reserve moneys now held by them, and retire their circulation against their holdings of Government bonds.

PREMIER WITHDREW BANISH THE BAR BILL

Blames Temperance People for Refusing to Accept Government's Proposal.

Regina, Dec. 19.—Blaming the attitude adopted by the temperance forces, Premier Scott today withdrew the bill to abolish bars in Saskatchewan, and also the bill providing for a plebiscite on the question of bringing the former into law.

The Premier made a long speech reviewing the recent agitation for a plesbiscite. The temperance leaders, he said, had refused to accept the proposal of the Government to make a fifty-thousand minimum vote a condition of the plebiscite. When the proposal to make the minimum vote forty thousand was made, their consent was so grudgingly given that he feared they would enter the fight with faint hearts, which would be an unnecessary handicap upon the plan.

The Government supporters agreed to the withdrawal of the bill without question, but E. C. Tate, Lumsden, an Opposition member, expressed strong disapproval of the Government's action. The Legislature prorogued this evening.

CARD OF THANKS.

The teachers of the Alexandra school wish to thank the parents and friends of the school for their generous donations and patronage, which helped to make the recent bazaar such a gratifying success. After paying all expenses the net profits amount to $104, which will be used in buying some fine pictures suitable for the various rooms.

SHIPPING MEN OPPOSE ATLANTIC RATE WAR

Situation in England Is Regarded With Much Alarm by Owners.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Dec. 20.—A London cable to the Herald says:

The feeling in shipping circles here is absolutely opposed to an Atlantic rate war. Inquiries show fears are entertained that this will be the result of the attitude of the two big German steamship companies, the Hamburg-American Line and the North German Lloyd.

All the steamship lines engaged in the transatlantic trade may be involved in a suicidal rate war early next year. A prominent official of one of the largest Liverpool lines in the Atlantic trade said yesterday that although the situation is undoubtedly serious, he is not without hope that the level-headed businessmen who are managers of the various transatlantic steamship companies will recognize the futility and foolishness of such a cut-throat procedure as a rate war.

The heads of the shipping companies declined to make a statement.

A conference between the companies concerned will be held in Paris next month, when it is hoped some way out of the difficulty may be found.

HARRISTON FAIR WAS A GREAT SUCCESS

Prize-Winners at Big Winter Show Announced by Judges.

Harriston, Dec. 20. — The Harriston Winter Fair closed last night. The directors are pleased with the result. Competition in horses was keen. Dr. W. Huck, of Mildmay, was judge of horses, and Mr. G. Robertson, of St. Catharines, of poultry, and R. M. Hazelwood, of Clifford, judge of grain.

The prize-winners were: Heavy draught team — 1 Donald Wilkinson, 2 G. D. Campbell. Brood mare—1 J. D. Campbell, 2 Richard Wilkin. Three-year-olds — 1 J. D. Campbell, 2 Wm. Darroh. Two-year-olds—1 T. Chalmers, 2 M. McGillicuddy. Agricultural class—team — 1 Pat Furlong, 2 Donald Wilkinson. Brood mare — 1 Donald Wilkinson, 2 Richard Wilkin. Three-year-olds — 1 Pat Furlong, 2 Richard Wilkin. Two-year-olds — 1 M. McGillicuddy, 2 A. Murray. General purpose team — 1 C. J. Wilkinson. Pair of roadsters — 1 C. J. Dickison, 2 Albert Fallis. Single roadster — 1 Donald Wilkinson, 2 W. E. Andrich. Pair carriage horses — 1 J. J. Wilkin. Single carriage horse — 1 Guthrie Russell.

ELECTED OFFICERS

Milo Young Is Chief Ranger of Tillsonburg Foresters.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Listowel, Dec. 20.—At the annual meeting of the Temperance and Moral Reform Association it was unanimously decided to conduct a campaign for local option in January, 1915. The temperance people are confident that Listowel will then be added to the list of "Dry's."

The officers for the year were elected as follows:

President—W. J. Dowd.
Vice-President—S. L. Adolph.
Secretary—E. G. Matthews.
Treasurer—T. L. Hamilton.

DIED ON VISIT

Thomas Kestle Was One of the Pioneers of Stephen Township.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Exeter, Dec. 20. — The funeral took place this afternoon to Exeter Cemetery of Thomas Kestle, one of the oldest residents of Stephen Township. He died at the home of his son Henry, in Exeter North. Mr. Kestle came to his son's last week suffering from an attack of la grippe, and pneumonia developed. He was in his 79th year, and came out from England with his parents 65 years ago, and settled on the second concession, where he had resided ever since.

GIVEN LONG TERM

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Windsor, Dec. 19.—Thomas King, alias E. W. Pike, alias Edwards, arrested in Detroit Dec. 11 with a quantity of silverware in his possession, which was later identified as the property stolen from the residence of A. T. Knepp, Ouellette avenue, Windsor, was today sentenced to nine months at hard labor in Central Prison, Toronto.

HELD FOR STEALING

Thomas King Was Arrested for Theft of Silverware.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Chatham, Dec. 19. — R. H. Morton, and David Grant, two employees of the Pere Marquette Railway, have been arrested, charged with the theft of a case of Gordon gin from a railway car some time ago. A search of their premises was made and a quantity of gin was found, which led to the arrests. They were remanded until the 24th of the month, when they will come up for trial.

NOTICE

The Hydro Electric power will be cut off on Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. owing to connections to be made at the stations for the new No. 3 high tension feeder.

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At 505 Ottaway avenue, Monday, Dec. 22, at 1:30. Parlor and odd dishes, bed-couch, Souvenir, extension table, sideboard and chairs, dressers and stands, iron and brass beds, stoves, kitchen table, tools, hens and coops, and so forth. Terms, cash.

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AUCTION SALE

At Ilderton on Dec. 22, of farm stock. Four new milch cows, 6 springers, 20 coming in March and April, 12 yearlings, 8 spring calves. The above are choice Durham cattle, and every animal must be sold. Robson & Carmichael, proprietors; James Stanley, auctioneer. b

Bylaw No.---

To provide for closing grocers' shops within certain hours.

Whereas a petition has been presented to the Council of the Corporation of the City of London praying that all grocery stores in the City of London be closed, and remain closed, on each day of the week during the hours of seven o'clock in the afternoon and five o'clock in the forenoon of the next following day;

And whereas the Council is satisfied that the said petition is signed by not less than three-fourths in number of the occupiers of grocers' shops within the City of London.

Be it therefore enacted by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London, as follows:

1.—That from and after the twenty-sixth day of December, A.D. 1913, all grocers' shops within the City of London shall be closed, and remain closed, on each and every day of each week throughout the year from the hour of seven o'clock in the afternoon of one day to the hour of five o'clock in the forenoon of the next lawful day, and no customer shall be admitted to be served between the said hours, and the owner, occupier or other person in charge of each such shop shall close, and keep such shops closed, within the hours hereinbefore provided for the same being closed, and remaining closed.

2.—This bylaw shall take effect on and after the twenty-sixth day of December, A.D. 1913.

3.—Any person convicted of a breech of any of the provisions of this bylaw shall forfeit and pay, at the discretion of the convicting magistrate a penalty not exceeding (exclusive of costs) the sum of fifty dollars for each offence, and in default of payment of the said penalty and costs forthwith, the said penalty and costs, or costs only, may be levied by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the offender, and in case of there being no distress found out of which such penalty can be levied, the convicting magistrate may commit the offender to the common jail of the County of Middlesex, with or without hard labor, for any period not exceeding six calendar months unless the said penalty and costs (if any), including the costs of the said distress and of the committal and conveyance of the offender to the said jail, are sooner paid.

Passed in open council this fifteenth day of December, A.D. 1913.

S. BAKER, Clerk. C. M. R. GRAHAM, Mayor.

Take Notice

That the foregoing is a true copy of a bylaw of the Corporation of the City of London, passed on the 15th day of December, A.D. 1913, to provide for the closing of grocers' shops each day of the week during the hours of seven o'clock in the afternoon and five o'clock in the forenoon of the next following day.

Dated this the seventeenth day of December, A.D. 1913.

S. BAKER, Clerk.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

POULTRY FEATURE OF LOCAL MARKET

Potatoes a Slow Offering—Egg Prices Firm—Hay Quiet.

The local market was a record-breaker today. Previous to nine o'clock this morning the greater part of the square was covered with wagons and trading was brisk. The offering in all lines is large, particularly in poultry.

Chickens are a large offering at 14 cents, ducks are 15 cents, turkey 19 to 22 cents, old fowl, 11 to 12 cents; geese, 13 to 14 cents. The demand for fowl is heavy, the low prices being mainly responsible.

Potatoes are a rather slow offering today, when compared with other fast-selling commodities. They are selling at 90 cents to $1 wholesale and $1.05 retail. Other vegetables are as listed.

Eggs are firmer this morning, at 40 to 42 cents. The demand is unusually heavy, and this fact has caused the prices to advance a little. It is expected that by noon with an increased offering the price wil drop to yesterday's mark of 38 to 40 cents.

Butter is firm, and an average offering. Offerings in all grades are good. Prices are as listed.

Oats are steady since the temporary easing of Wednesday. They are selling for $1 to $1.03. Wheat, as usual, is firm at 85c to 86 per bushel.

Apples are somewhat brisker this week than for some time past. They are selling for $1.75 to $3 per barrel.

No change has been recently felt in the price of dressed hogs. They are selling at $11.25 to $11.75, with an average offering and and a rather brisk demand. Other dressed meats as listed.

Live hogs have been quiet on the will likely result Monday, when there will likely result Saturday, when there may be an increase in activity. This week's price is $8.00.

Cranberries are selling at 12 to 15 cents by the quart. Walnuts are 20 cents; hickory nuts, 10 cents, and chestnuts 15 to 20 cents.

Christmas decorations are much in evidence. Trees are selling for 25 cents to $1.50. Holly is a large offering at 15 to 20 cents per pound.

Other prices are as listed:

Grain, Per Cwt.			
Wheat, per cwt.	$1 45	to	$1 45
Oats, per cwt.	1 00	to	1 03
Grain, Per Bushel.			
Wheat, per bu.	85	to	86
Vegetables.			
Potatoes, wholesale, bag	85	to	1 00
Potatoes, retail, bag	1 05	to	1 05
Beets, per bu.	40	to	40
Turnips, per bu.	30	to	35
Carrots, per bu.	30	to	40
Onions, per bu.	1 00	to	1 15
Parsnips, per bu.	40	to	50
Spinach, per bu.	40	to	50
Cabbage, per doz.	40	to	50
Cauliflower, per doz.	75	to	2 00
Lettice, per doz.	30	to	30
Celery, per doz.	30	to	50
Pumpkins, each	5	to	15
Fruits.			
Apples, per bu.	50	to	80
Apples, per bbl.	1 75	to	3 00
Pears, per bu.	75	to	75
Chestnuts, per bu.	4 00	to	4 50
Hickory nuts, bu.	1 50	to	1 60
Citrons, per doz.	75	to	1 50
Hay and Straw.			
Hay, per ton	12 00	to	14 50
Straw, per ton	6 00	to	8 50
Straw, per load	5 00	to	5 50
Dairy Produce.			
Butter, rolls, per lb.	28	to	28
Butter, fancy, retail, lb.	30	to	32
Butter, store lots, lb.	25	to	25
Butter, creamery, lb.	29	to	30
Butter, crocks, lb.	27	to	27
Eggs, crate, wholesale	42	to	45
Eggs, per basket	42	to	45
Honey, strained, 10 lbs.	1 25	to	1 25
Honey, sections, doz.	2 20	to	2 40
Live Stock.			
Hogs, per cwt.	8 00	to	8 00
Fat sows, per cwt.	7 00	to	7 00
Export cattle, cwt.	6 00	to	6 50
Milch cows, each	60 00	to	90 00
Small pigs, per pair	10 00	to	15 00
Poultry, Alive.			
Old fowl, per lb.	9	to	9½
Young chickens, lb.	10	to	11
Ducks, per lb.	10	to	11
Turkeys, per lb.	16	to	16
Poultry, Dressed.			
Old fowl, per lb.	12	to	12
Spring chickens, lb.	14	to	15
Ducks, per lb.	14	to	15
Turkeys, per lb.	19	to	22
Geese, per lb.	13	to	14
Butchers' Meats.			
Lamb, per lb.	13	to	14
Dressed hogs, choice	11 25	to	11 75
Veal, per cwt.	13 00	to	14 00
Beef, young, cwt.	10 50	to	11 50
Mutton, per cwt.	9 00	to	10 50
Beef cows, cwt.	8 00	to	9 00
Hides, Wool, etc.			
Cow hides, No. 1, lb.	11	to	11
Cow hides, No. 2, lb.	10	to	10
Cow hides, No. 3, lb.	9	to	9
Wool, unwashed, lb.	13	to	16

For Other Markets See Page 10

LIVE STOCK.

EAST BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Cattle—Receipts 1,300; slow and steady; prices unchanged. Veals—Receipts 25; active and steady; $6 to $12. Hogs—Receipts 4,800; active and steady to strong to 5c higher; heavy, mixed and Yorkers, $7 85 to $7 95; pigs, $7 85 to $7 90; roughs, $7 20 to $7 35; stags, $6 to $6 75; dairies, $7 75 to $7 90. Sheep and lambs—Receipts 3,200; slow; lambs 20c higher; others steady; lambs, $5 50 to $8 25; yearlings, $4 50 to $6 75; wethers, $4 75 to $5; ewes, $3 to $4 50; sheep, mixed, $4 50 to $4 75

PRODUCE.

CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE.

[Special to H. C. Becher.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
Dec.	$ 88¼	88⅜	88	88
May	91¼	91⅜	91	91⅛
July	87⅞	..	..	..
Corn—				
Dec.	70	70¼	69½	69½
May	69¾	70	69½	69½
July	68⅞	..	..	..
Oats—				
Dec.	39⅜	..	..	..
May	42	42⅛	41⅝	41¾
Pork—				
Jan.	20 60	20 60	20 47	20 50
Lard—				
Jan.	10 62	10 65	10 62	10 62
Ribs—				
Jan.	10 75	10 77	10 75	10 77

[Special to H. C. Becher.]

WINNIPEG, Dec. 20—Close.—Wheat—December, 82⅝c; May, 89⅛c; July, 90⅜c.

[Special to H. C. Becher.]

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 20—Close.—Wheat—December, 84c; May, 87⅜c.

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COTTON.

[Special to H. C. Becher.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Cotton—Futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
March	12.30	12.31	12.17	12.20
July	12.40	12.40	12.19	12.19

Cotton Report.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The seventh cotton ginning report of the census bureau for the season, issued today, announced that 12,923,606 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales, of the growth of 1913 had been ginned prior to Dec. 13, to which date during the past seven years the ginning averaged 89.5 per cent of the entire crop. Last year to Dec. 13 there had been ginned 12,439,036 bales, or 92.2 per cent of the entire crop. Included in the ginnings were 91,682 round bales, compared with 75,772 round bales last year. The number of sea island cotton bales included were 69,312, compared with 60,445 bales last year.

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

TORONTO, Dec. 20.

	Asked.	Bid.
Barcelona Traction	..	23
Brazilian T., L. and P.	$4	83¾
Bell Telephone	..	141½
Canada Bread, com.	18¾	18¼
Canada Cement, com.	28¾	28¼
Canadian General Electric	104	102
Canadian Pacific Railway	218¾	218½
City Dairy, pfd.	..	99
Confederation Life	..	380
Consumers' Gas	170	165
Dominion Canners, com.	64	..
Dominion Canners, pfd.	93¼	..
Dom. Steel Corporation	38¾	38½
Dominion Telegraph	100	95
Duluth-Superior Traction	62½	..
Electrical Dev., pfd.	80	..
Macdonald, com.	15	14½
Mackay, com.	78½	78
Mackay, pfd.	65	64½
Maple Leaf, com.	40	..
Maple Leaf, pfd.	92¾	92¼
Monarch, com.	60	..
N. S. Steel, com.	80	..
Pacific Burt, com.	..	27
Penmans, com.	51	49
Porto Rico Railway	..	59
Rogers, com.	142	..
Russell Motor Car, pfd.	25	..
Sawyer-Massey, pfd.	85	..
Shredded Wheat, com.	78½	..
Spanish River, com.	10	..
Steel of Canada, com.	..	18¼
Toronto Paper	71	..
Toronto Railway	134	..
Twin City Railway	105	104½
Winnipeg Railway	..	190
Hollinger	..	17.00
La Rose	2.01	1.98
Bank of Commerce	201	200
Dominion Bank	..	218
Bank of Hamilton	..	199¾
Imperial Bank	213	212¾
Metropolitan Bank	..	185½
Bank of Montreal	234	..
Bank of Nova Scotia	..	260
Royal Bank	..	221
Standard Bank	210	208¾
Bank of Toronto	204	..
Union Trust	143½	..
Canada Landed	156¾	..
Canada Permanent	187	..
Colonial Investment	..	81½
Dominion Savings	..	77
Hamilton Provident	..	137
Huron and Erie	..	210
Landed Banking and Loan	..	132
London and Canadian	..	120
Ontario Loan	..	170
Toronto General Trust	184½	182½
Toronto Mortgage	..	138½
Union Trust	180	..
Canada Bread, bonds	92	91
Electrical Dev., bonds	91	..
Porto Rico, bonds	..	81
Spanish River, bonds	77	..

TORONTO, Dec. 20.—Morning Sales: C. P. R., 15 at 217¼; C. P. R. rights, 353 at 4 3-16; Mackay, xd., 10 at 77½; Mackay, preferred, 20 at 65; Maple Leaf, preferred, 85 at 91¾ to 92½; Porto Rico, xd., 10 at 60; Brazilian, 245 at 83¾ to 84; Steel of Canada, 10 at 17; Macdonald, 10 at 15; Twin City, xd., 10 at 104¾; Dominion Bank, 2 at 218½; Bank of Toronto, 7 at 201 to 202; Bank of Commerce, 13 at 200½; La Rose, 300 at 1.95 to 2.00; Canada Bread bonds, $5,000 at 91 to 91½; Crown Reserve, xd., 100 at 1.70; Colonial Loan, 133 at 82; miscellaneous, 11 shares.

MONTREAL, Dec. 20.—Morning sales: Canadian Pacific, 534 at 217¼ to 218¾; Brazilian, 130 at 84; Detroit, 50 at 70; Ottawa Light, Heat and Power, 55c at 164½ to 166; Power, 445 at 216¼ to 217; Quebec Railway, 1,099 at 14½ ot 15¾; Richelieu and Ontario, 175 at 111⅝; Shawinigan, 25 at 130; Twin City, 25 at 104½; Dominion Bridge, 30 at 113¼ to 113½; Canada Cement, 27 at 28½; Dominion Textile, 75 at 82; Hillcrest, 25 at 42½; Macdonald, 25 at 15 to 15½; Ogilvie, 5 at 118; Nova Scotia, 15 at 75; Spanish River, 115 at 9½ to 10; Steel Corporation, 275 at 38⅛ to 38¾; Canada Cement, preferred, 5 at 91; Canadian Cotton, 20 at 75; Lake of the Woods, preferred, 50 at 118;; Sherwin-Williams, preferred, 1 at 99. Bonds—Dominion Iron, $7,000 at 87; Quebec Railway, $10,000 at 48 to 50. Banks—Commerce, 20 at 201; Hochelaga, 40 at 150; Nova Scotia, 15 at 260; Royal, 7 at 220½ to 221. Mines—Crown Reserve, 500 at 1.71 to 1.72; Hollinger, 20 at 17.50.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

[Special to H. C. Becher.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amer. Beet Sugar	23⅜	..	..	..
American Can.	28	29	28	28⅝
Amal. Copper	71¼	71¾	71	71½
American Sugar	104	107	104	106⅛
Amer. Locomotive	29¼	..	..	..
American Foundry	43⅞	44¼	43⅞	44
American Refining	62⅜	..	..	..
Anaconda Copper	34½	34⅞	34½	34¾
Atchison, com.	93½	94½	93½	94¼
Bethlehem Steel	30⅛	30¾	30½	30¼
Brooklyn Transit	87½	87⅝	87⅜	87⅝
Canadian Pacific	217½	218⅝	217¼	218½
Chesapeake & Ohio.	58½	..	..	..
Erie, com.	28½	28⅞	28½	28⅞
Erie, pfd.	44¾	..	..	..
Gt. Northern, pfd.	126½	126½	126¼	126¾
Gt. Northern Ore	33	..	..	..
Inter-Met., pfd.	59¾	59¾	58⅜	59½
Lehigh Valley	152¾	152⅞	152¼	152¾
Mexican Petroleum	44⅜	45	44⅜	45
Missouri Pacific	25⅞	25½	25¼	25¼
New York Central	94	94	92¾	93
Northern Pacific	108¼	109	108½	108⅝
Norfolk & Western	104¼	104¼	104	104
New Hampshire	70¼	71⅛	70¼	71
Pennsylvania	108½	109	108⅜	108¾
People's Gas	117½	118⅞	117½	118⅞
Reading Railway	164⅝	165¼	164⅝	164⅞
Republic Steel	20	..	..	..
Rock Island	14⅜	14⅜	14	14
Rock Island, pfd.	21⅜	21⅜	21½	21½
Southern Railway	22⅜	22⅜	22½	22½
Southern Pacific	87¼	88	87¼	87⅜
St. Paul	100	100¼	100	100
Union Pacific	154⅜	155¼	154⅜	154⅞
Central Leather	26⅜	26⅝	26½	26½
U. S. Rubber	55½	56	55½	56
U. S. Steel	58¼	58¾	58¼	58⅝
U. S. Steel, pfd.	105⅜	105⅝	105⅜	105¼
Western Union Tel.	61	61	57	57½
Westinghouse	63⅜	64½	63⅜	64½

London Stock Exchange.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—Stocks closed today as follows: Consols, for money, 71¼; do, for account, 71¼; Amalgamated Copper, 73¼; Atchison, 96¼; Baltimore and Ohio, 95¼; Canadian Pacific, 222⅝; Chesapeake and Ohio, 59⅜; Chicago Great Western, 11¼; Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, 102½; De Beers, 17⅜; Denver and Rio Grande, 18½; Erie, 28⅜; do, first preferred, 45¼; Grand Trunk, 21⅞; Illinois Central, 107; Louisville and Nashville, 137; Missouri, Kansas and Texas, 20⅜; New York Central, 96½; Norfolk and Western, 106½; Ontario and Western, 27; Pennsylvania, 55⅜; Rand Mines, 5⅜; Reading, 84¾; Southern Railway, 23¼; Southern Pacific, 90; Union Pacific, 159¼; United States Steel, 59⅜; Wabash, 3. Bar silver steady, 26 11-16d per ounce. Money, 4 to 4¼ per cent. Discount rates—Short bills, 5 per cent; three months' bills, 4 13-16 to 4⅞ per cent.

Wall Street, Noon.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The market closed strong. Force was added to yesterday's vigorous rally by overnight news of the passage by the Senate of the currency bill and announcement of the Telephone dissolution agreement. Sentiment was hopeful, and there was keen bidding for stocks, in which the shorts came into active competition with the real buyers. A slump of five points in Western Union and a setback in the telephone shares checked the upward movement toward the end, but there was little sympathetic recession, and the close was near the top. Bonds were strong.

Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The statement of the actual condition of clearing-house banks and trust companies for the week shows that they hold $17,439,350 reserve in excess of legal requirements.

This is an increase of $1,459,050 from last week. The statement follows:

Actual condition—Loans increased $4,651,000, specie increased $3,844,000, legal tenders increased $1,271,000, net deposits increased, $14,803,000, circulation increased $258,000; excess lawful reserve, $17,430,350; increase, $1,459,050.

Summary of state banks and trust companies in Greater New York not included in clearing-house statement—Loans decreased $4,123,600, specie decreased $495,400, legal tenders decreased $162,600, total deposits decreased $1,562,600.

Wall Street

[Special to H. C. Becher.]

New York, Dec. 20.—A renewal of bullish activity, engendered in great part by the more friendly attitude of the Administration, as evidenced by the decision to permit the American Telephone and Telegraph to divest itself of its holdings of Western Union, and to conform to the laws without recourse to legal action. We have felt for quite some time that any encouragement from Washington would be quickly reflected by a marked change for the better in sentiment, not only in financial circles, but also in commercial and industrial spheres. Shorts have covered rather freely, but the outstanding interest continues large, and signs are not lacking of a disposition on the part of investors to take hold of good securities. Of course, reactions will be witnessed from time to time, but we believe that the current has been definitely turned insofar as the stock market is concerned, and that a new order of things is in the process of being seen.

MEDALS FOR PUPILS OF SEPERATE SCHOOLS

Prize Winners at Entrance Examinations Receive Their Rewards.

Gold medals were presented to the successful pupils of the R. C. separate schools at St. Peter's Parish Hall last evening by His Lordship Bishop Fallon.

The names of the winners and donors are as follows:

Elsie Jenssen, gold medal, presented by Mr. T. J. Murphy, Miss Jenssen having received at the recent entrance examination 605 marks out of a maximum 650, was also presented by Right Rev. M. F. Fallon with a check for $100, this being the highest number of marks made by any pupil not only in this city but in the province.

John Broderick, second highest at entrance, gold medal, presented by Judge John O. Dromgole.

Charles Kilgallin 100 per cent in arithmetic gold medal presented by Martin O'Sullivan.

Kathleen Jenkins 100 per cent in arithmetic gold medal presented by Wm. McPhillips.

Rhoda Scanlon for grammar, gold medal presented by Dr. Claude Brown.

Pearson Dunlevy for literature, gold medal presented by Mr. R. M. Burns.

From the Separate schools of this city, at the recent entrance examinations, 42 were successful. Of this number, 37 passed with honor marks.

The following pupils from the Commercial School were awarded diplomas, viz., Gordon Donohue, Josephine Gleeson, Majorie Daly, James Insell, Hazel Dunley, Veronica Trsher, Margaret Waldman, Harry Nopper Gertrude Flynn, Bessie Webb and Carrie Edwards.

The first six pupils named were also granted diplomas from the United Typewriter Company, of Toronto, for a credential typewriting test.

Nine other pupils were warded diplomas for music.

MAY ENTER COUNCIL

T. G. Turnbull, of Komoka, Being Urged to Run for County Honors.

T. G. Turnbull, of Komoka, is likely to become a member of the county council for 1914. He is at present the county representative in the hospital trust, and was for several years a member of the council under the old system. His friends are exerting considerable pressure to have him run again this year, and it is probable that he will accede to their request.

Reeve John McGugan, of Lobo, has announced his intention to retire from municipal life at the end of this year. Deputy Reeve McDougall will be a candidate for the reeveship,and thus far no opposition has materialized. The vacant deputy reeveship will in all probability be contested by Councillors J. McNab and D. Campbell.

Personal Mention

George Ironside has returned from the School of Practical Science, Toronto, and will spend Christmas with his parents in London Township.

"Open House." — The Hermitage Club kept open house on Friday evening. Following an enjoyable dance in the ballroom of the Dominion Savings building, lunch was served in the club rooms, where there was a Christmas tree, with gifts for the members and their friends. Presentations were also made to two members of the club, Dr. Moore and Victor Smith.

Brauly—Bemley.—Rev. S. Anderson yesterday afternoon united in marriage at the Memorial Methodist parsonage, Arthur Lewis Brauly, of Stony Mountain, Manitoba, to Miss Ethel Winnifred Bemley, of London. The couple will make a short honeymoon to Toronto, and then proceed to Stony Mountain, where they will make their future home.

ONE LETTER PER PERSON.

Some faint idea of the amount of work involved in the operations of the London postoffice may be gained, when it is stated that on ordinary days between 50,000 and 60,000 letters and parcels are handled daily. Of this number, Postmaster Macdonald is of the opinion that slightly the greater number are represented by incoming mail. Letters make up, of course, the greatest proportion of both incoming and outgoing mail. On some ordinary days as many as 70,000 pieces of mail, not including periodicals, are handled, and at Christmas and other holiday times the amount is sometimes doubled or nearly trebled. On the average, however, it is estimated that slightly above one letter or parcel is received or sent out in the local postoffice for each man, woman or child, resident in the city.

LONDON WILL CLOSE RECORD BUILDING YEAR ON DEC. 31

Inspector Piper, in Statement Issued Today, Shows That Increase Over Last Year Is Already $643,512, and More Permits To Come In.

Building Inspector A. M. Piper issued a statement today showing that Dec. 31 will end a record year for the building trades in the history of London. Last year was the record year up to that time, but this year's business steps completely away. Up to today, 1,445 permits have been issued during the year, totalling $1,779,620, and there are yet a number of small permits to come in. The total in 1912 was $1,136,108, so that the net increase to date is $643,512. It is expected that by the end of the month permits will run very close to $1,800,000, which was the goal set at the beginning of the year.

This year's permits were issued as follows:

January	$	13,910
February		22,945
March		82,899
April		521,330
May		267,140
June		155,653
July		128,687
August		109,250
September		191,340
October		165,746
November		83,995
December, to date		33,735

The permits, in addition to a number of additions, barns, garages, and other small buildings were made up as follows:

Factories and warehouses, 9 permits	$	438,500
Stores and office buildings, 7 permits		121,780
Churches and Sunday schools, 3 permits		49,400
Public school, 4 permits		130,694
Hospital additions, 1 permit		13,000
Dwelling houses, 335 permits		733,091
Apartment houses, 2 permits		85,000

The principal buildings were as follows:

Factories and warehouses—	
McCormick Manufacturing Company	$300,000
Jones Sons, Limited	28,000
Battle Creek Toasted Corn Flake Company	25,000
London Cold Storage	30,000
Hydro-Electric storehouse	20,000
London Pure Milk Company	10,000
R. A. Y. Stinchcombe's warehouse	14,000
Public Buildings—	
Court House repairs	$35,000
Canada Trust Company	36,000
Metropolitan Hotel additions	14,500
Heughan & Co., stores	16,000
W. Burridge, stores	12,500
Churches and Hospitars:	
Centennial Methodist Sunday School	$23,000
Egerton Street Baptist Church	24,000
Victoria Hospital, additions	13,000
Public Schools	
Aberdeen	$70,000
St. Michael's (Separate)	18,000
Chesley Avenue, additions	32,690
Talbot street, additions	10,000
Apartment Houses:	
J. Hayman & Sons	$60,000
Dr. H. A. Kingsmill	25,000
Principal Dwellings:	
Dr. Eccles	$13,000
H. Pocock	11,000
G. Belton	10,000
M. E. Wright	7,000
E. E. Reid	9,000
J. E. Boomer	8,000
J. Hall	6,800
C. E. Keene	7,500
N. H. Keene	6,000
J. D. Keenleyside	7,000

Inspector Piper is highly pleased with the year's results.

Around the City Hall

City Engineer Honored.

City Engineer William N. Ashplant has been elected a member of the Institute of Municipal and County Engineers, of England, having received his notification this morning.

Inspector Sanders Recovering.

Inspector Joseph Sanders, of the Charities Organization, who has been ill for the past couple of weeks, is slowly improving, and it is anticipated that he will be able to resume his duties within a short time.

St. George's Leads.

The committee of judges appointed to examine the pupils of the four northern schools in physical training exercises for the Strathcona trust prices, at a meeting at the Travellers' Club on Friday evening, decided that St. George's school had won the championship of the district, with Talbot street school second. The awards were made on points. The committee consisted of Water Commissioner Dr. Hugh A. Stevenson (convener), John A. Carling and Sergt.-Instructor A. H. Burton.

Court of Revision.

hTe court of revision on Friday afternoon disposed of a number of local improvement appeals, and allowed a few remissions on the ground of vacant premises. Another and final session will be held to consider the appeals against the opening of Lorne avenue.

Will Consider Account.

A meeting of the special committee of the city council appointed to deal with the account of the township treasurer, Miss Mary Grant, clerk and treasurer of London Township, for services rendered re annexation, is to be called immediately by the chairman, Ald. J. G. Richter, to effect a settlement. The services rendered were in connection with the revising of the assessment rolls in the new district. A similar account, submitted by the Westminster Township clerk, has already been paid. In Westminster, 118 new names were added to the rolls, and in London Township 1,180 additions were made.

HELEN KELLER COMING

When Helen Keller made her debut as a public speaker, the press of the country announced the event as one of the greatest achievements of recent times. The girl whom Mark Twain had bracketed with Napoleon as "the other most interesting character of the nineteenth century"; whom Edwin Markham had hailed as "the most interesting being on the planet"; whom Edward Everett Hale, Dr. Alexander, Graham Bell, Richard Watson Gilder and Oliver Wendell Holmes had claimed as "the marvel of the day in which we live," suddenly added another to her list of accomplishments and appeared as a public lecturer. That she has been successful in her attempt has been proven by the advance demands for seats at every announced public hearing and by the return engagements made as soon as the first appearances have been recorded. Miss Keller's first appearance is announced for Jan. 10 in London, under the auspices of the London Froebel Society.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

Buried at Mount Pleasant.

The funeral of William J. Stone was held at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon from the family residence 889 Waterloo street, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Rev. Canon Craig conducted the services at 2 o'clock. The pallbearers were members of the Canadian Order of Foresters, No. 188.

Funeral on Sunday.

The body of Robert J. Parkinson, who died suddenly in Toronto, arrived in London Friday night on the 7:55 Grand Trunk express. The funeral will be held from the residence of his mother, Mrs. Sophia Parkinson, 6 Price street, East London, on Sunday at 3 o'clock. Services will be conducted at 2:30. Interment will be made at Gore Cemetery.

Mrs. Wilson Dies.

The death occurred Friday in this city of Mrs. Susannah Wilson. The remains were forwarded today on the 4:40 London, Huron and Bruce train for Goderich by George E. Logan. Interment will be made at Goderich.

Mrs. Ruddling Buried.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Ruddling, who died in this city on Wednesday, Dec. 17, was held at three o'clock this afternoon from Griffith & Willsie's undertaking rooms to Woodland Cemetery. Services were conducted at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. John E. Hawkings.

CARGO WAS SOLD

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Sarnia, Dec. 20.—The underwriters have measured the cargo of white pine that was on the schooner Sophie when she became water-logged in Georgian Bay on Nov. 9. This lumber is some of the best that has arrived at this port for a long time. The McGibbon Lumber Company is taking the lumber from the insurance people.

BOY SCOUTS MEET

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Sarnia, Dec. 20.—A meeting was held last evening of the first and second troops of the Boy Scouts in the rooms over the fire hall. The Scout organization in this town has made very rapid strides in efficiency during the past year. The boys are well trained in scout craft, and have a capable scoutmaster in Mr. Gardner.

RIVER IS DESERTED

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Sarnia, Dec. 20.—The season of navigation is over, and now the lakes and rivers are deserted for the next four months. At every port the boats are lying at wharfs or anchor, waiting until King Frost will allow them to again ply their way over the waters. During the summer months, one can see many freighters at a time on the river here, but now a ferryboat or the carboat is all that is at work.

Along the docks at Port Huron and Sarnia, the boats are moored in their winter quarters. These are boats of all types, big and small, wood and steel. In all there is about twenty-five large steam passenger and freight vessels lying up in the river here.

ILLEGAL ARREST

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Sarnia, Dec. 20.—As a result of a complaint that he had been illegally placed under arrest on Wednesday night by P. C. Coulter, Edward Doble, through his solicitor, D. S. McMillan, has asked the police committee of the town council to hold an investigation into the conduct of the officer. The officer is one of the best on the local force.

"Fake" Lace Makers.—At police headquarters today, the information was obtained that the fake "Irish and Scotch lace" workers were in the city, canvassing the workingmen's districts. The police wish to warn unsuspecting persons of the fraudulent methods practiced by the peddlers, who it is alleged, endeavor to dispose of tawdry lace for $1 and $2 a yard which in reality is approximately only worth a few cents.

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IN THE POLICE COURT

Stole Cattle Tails.

The roster at the police court this morning was a small one. Michael Burke, who was remanded one week ago on the charge of trespassing on the right of way of the G. T. R., was further charged with stealing two bags of cattle tails from a box car of that company. He pleaded not guilty, and was remanded for one week more.

Henry Stirling, whose name was placed on the Indian list on Tuesday last, got the worse of liquor on Friday night, and as a consequence was jailed. The magistrate said to the prisoner that it was only the fact that he had a wife and family dependant upon him that prevented him from sending him to jail. Stirling said he had sold all his furniture and had intended going to Chatham to make a fresh start. The magistrate considered this, and adjourned the case for one month. If Stirling behave well, the charge against him will be dropped.

James Murphy was charged with a breach of the city ordinances by Health Inspector James Lutman. The complainant said he was not keen to press the charge, and the case was adjourned indefinitely.

Goes Back to Home.

James Fitzgerald, a feeble old man, who wandered away from the Aged People's Home and got intoxicated, entreated the magistrate to give him his freedom, that he might go to friends at Stratford. The court opined that he was not capable of looking after himself, and arrangements were made to send him back to the home.

LATE LOCAL NEWS

Investigated Natural Gas.—Owing to the illness of Lieut.-Col. W. M. Gartshore, William Turnbull took his place on the special committee recently appointed by the executive of the board of trade to secure information and data on the natural gas problem. Mr. Turnbull and the other two members of the committee, Acting President E. C. Mitchell and R. C. Eckert, left Friday afternoon for Windsor, Wallaceburg and Chatham to investigate the situation in these places, all of which use natural gas, and will return tonight.

Literary Notes.

The January Smart Set

The editors of The Smart Set show their appreciation of the value of high-grade poetry by leading off the January number with a long poem, "New York," by Edwin Davies Schoonmaker—a striking ode to the western metropolis written in connection with New York's approaching bicentenary. The novelette that appears, complete, in this issue is by George Bronson-Howard and is entitled "The Parasite." It is a tale of Broadway plots and counter plots, and was suggested by some real incidents that gave even that sophisticated thoroughfare a rude shock a decade or so ago. This novelette is properly a continuation of "The Pages from the Book of Broadway," which has proved the most startling series of realistic magazine stories of the year.

Other features are "The Inner House," a psychological story by Edward Ashbrook Briggs: "Pertinent and Impertinent," a satirical fantasy of modern German music by Owen Hatteras; "The Green-Eyed Monster," a one-act play by Adolph Klauber; searching book and theatrical reviews by H. L. Mencken and George Jean Nathan, and poetry of a high order by Joyce Kilmer, Willard A. Wattles, Sara Teasdale, Witter Bynner, Louis Untermeyer, Skipwith Cannell, George Sterling, Donn Byrne and John Myers O'Hara.

Too Late To Classify

MIDDLE-AGED WOMAN AS HOUSE-KEEPER for small family. Apply Box 57, Advertiser. 7n

REV. S. E. McKEGNEY
On "Some Phases of the Irish Question," at

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DIVIDEND NO. 106

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A QUARTERLY DIVIDEND OF 2 PER CENT. for the three months ending Dec. 31, 1913, (being at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum), AND IN ADDITION THERETO A BONUS OF ½ OF 1 PER CENT., have been declared upon the paid-up capital stock of this company, and will be payable at the company's offices in this city on and after 2nd January next, to shareholders of record of 15th December.

By order of the Board,

A. M. SMART, Manager.

London, Canada, Dec. 1, 1913. 7u-t

New Currency Bill Passed by Senate

Second Great Item in President Wilson's Programme Was Put Through by a Big Majority—Republican Tribute to the Measure.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The second great item on President Wilson's heavy legislation program entered its final stage of enactment last night when the Senate passed the Owen-Glass currency bill by the overwhelming vote of 54 to 34. Though the bill, as finally put on its passage, carried a very radical amendment sponsored by Senator La Follette, of Wisconsin, every Democrat present voted for it, and six Republicans—both regular and progressive—and one Progressive party senator, joined them.

Had Big Majority.

Hope that there would be no conference between the Houses and that the House would simply accept the Senate amendment en bloc was dissipated when Mr. Owen moved, immediately following the final vote, that a conference be requested and that managers on the part of the Senate be appointed.

This means that the bill must go before a joint committee of the House and Senate, where each new amendment must be thrashed out and agreed upon.

While the final vote was a striking triumph for President Wilson, the real test of strength came a few hours earlier, when Mr. Hitchcock, of Nebraska, the one Democrat on the committee to stand out against the President's insistence for a substantially unamended House bill, offered as a substitute the measure he and the Republicans of the committee had drafted. The Hitchcock bill was defeated only by the narrow margin of 43 to 41.

A Great Triumph.

The triumph of the President was emphasized in a peculiar way by a statement from Mr. Weeks, of Massachusetts, the practical banker on the Republican side of the committee on banking and currency. Mr. Weeks and Mr. Perkins, of California, were the two regular Republicans to vote for the bill, while Mr. Sterling, of South Dakota; Mr. Jones, of Washton, and Mr. Morris, of Nebraska, were the Progressive Republicans, and Mr. Poindexter, the Progressive, who supported the bill.

"It is necessary for me," said Mr. Weeks, "to part company with many senators with whom I have been associated in the preparation of this bill, particularly to part with senators on this side of the chamber. But from the first I have contended that this bill should be taken up as a business measure totally devoid of any partisan flavor. I should not be deflected from that course because of pressure from the executive and the partisan course adopted by senators on the other side.

Not Open-Minded.

"If other Democratic senators had been as open-minded and as non-partisan as the senator from Nebraska we would now have had a better bill. There are half a dozen things in this bill that have made me hesitate to support it. But there is so much more of good in it than of bad—75 per cent. of good, I should say, to 25 per cent. of bad—that I am going to vote for it. We have made a distinct advance over the House bill, and I believe the good of this measure will show itself as soon as the law is put in operation."

A Dramatic Finale.

The final moments of the bill's consideration were more dramatic by the unexpected presentation of two radical amendments by Mr. La Follette. The fear that Mr. La Follette would monopolize the floor during the closing hours of debate made it impossible to fix any definite hour for a vote, and the limitation of speeches to fifteen minutes was thought to be particularly aimed at Mr. La Follette. He avoided the limitation, however, by offering two amendments at once, thereby gaining additional time for modifications proposed for his amendments. His proposal forbidding interlocking directorates either with banks or insurance companies was rejected by a non-partisan vote of 30 to 51.

Radical Amendment.

But what was considered an equally radical amendment was accepted without a roll call almost as soon as Mr. La Follette presented it. This forbade members of Congress from becoming members of the Federal reserve bank, directors of regional reserve banks, or officers or directors of member banks.

A complete reform of the vast and complicated machinery of finance, banking and currency will be accomplished by the bill. Its fundamentals provide:

The issue of currency, guaranteed by the Government, based upon notes and bills representing commercial transactions and backed by a gold reserve. The new currency is expected to contract and expand to meet the varied demands of trade.

Bank Reserves.

The concentration of the bank reserves of the country in regional institutions capitalized by the banks of the country and controlled by directors elected by the banks.

The creation of a market for negotiable commercial paper which forms the bulk of the assets of the banks, where, in times of stress, those assets may easily and without loss be transformed into cash.

The establishment of from eight to twelve great regional banks throughout the country, which will issue currency, rediscount paper and centralize and mobilize the reserves of the local banks.

The creation of a federal reserve board of seven members appointed by the President, with final powers of control and supervision over the entire system.

In the foregoing general principles the bill is practically the same that passed the House. But in phraseology and more or less important details hundreds of changes have been made by the Senate.

FORGOT ACTION IN POLICE COURT SO BOY WOULD SEE SANTA CLAUS

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Dec. 20.—The mere fact that they were principals in an action for separation did not hinder Mr. and Mrs. Louis Levene from going on a Christmas shopping trip yesterday with their 6-year-old son, Sydney. Mrs. Levene is suing her husband, an automobile salesman, in the supreme court for a separation on charges that he was cruel to her.

When recess was called Mrs. Levene left the court room with the boy. He met his father in the hall, and grasping his arm, childishly remarked: "Lots of boys are going to see Santa Claus, but I guess I won't."

The parents looked at each other, and after a moment of silence took the boy from the building. They found a toy shop and bought Sydney a train of cars and a big red ball, besides lots of other things dear to his boyish heart.

Then they went back to court, and the trial was resumed.

HIGH COST OF LIVING WILL BE INVESTIGATED

Two Important Cold Storage Propositions to Be Discussed.

[Canadian Press.]

Washington, D. C., Dec. 20. — The high cost of living will take a prominent place again in congressional discussion early next month, when hearings will begin on Representative McKellar's bill to regulate cold storage of food products. Two proposals have been advanced for the regulation of the business.

One would prohibit the interstate transportation of foodstuffs in cold storage more than a certain length of time, and the other would limit specifically the length of time which certain products may be stored.

Forces on both sides of the question are preparing their line-up for the hearings, which promise to be extensive and interesting.

Representative Covington is chairman of a sub-committee, which will take testimony and make reports on the McKellar bill and other cold storage measures.

AERIAL SQUADRON TO FLY ACROSS DESERT

[Canadian Press.]

Paris, Dec. 20.—A French aerial squadron will shortly attempt to fly across the Sahara desert, and the National Aerial League has published the following itinerary:

The airmen will start from Oran and follow the railway lines as far as Aiguig; afterwards they will cross the line of oases as far as Aoulef. Between Aoulef and Timbuctoo the line of flight will lie across a desert waste completely lacking in landmarks for the squadron's guidance. General Bailloud believes the flight to be an exceedingly dangerous one, and has suggested sending a caravan to erect stone pyramids at various points for the guidance of the airmen.

YEAR IN PRISON

Young Windsor Man Pleaded Guilty to Assaulting Constable.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Windsor, Dec. 19. — Henry Spink, aged 21, today pleaded guilty in police court to breaking jail at Belle River, and assaulting County Constable Renaud, who had him in charge, last week. Magistrate Leggatt sentenced him to one year in Central Prison, Toronto, on both charges, the sentences to run concurrently.

Barrister Urquhart, counsel for Spink, asked that he be shown leniency, because of his wife and baby, and aged parents. The mother was in court when sentence was passed. She told the court her son was subject to fits of hysteria, when he apparently lost his reason.

Spink is wanted in Michigan for al- City butcher hides, flat, 14c per lb. In- Constable Renaud for the Plymouth officers, and shortly after being taken to the town jail at Belle River, attacked the officer with a stove poker, inflicting painful injuries, and making his escape.

ALFONSO'S SON WILL GO TO ETON COLLEGE

Likes Healthy Life and Sports Played at English College.

[Canadian Press.]

Paris, Dec. 20.—According to information received here from England, King Alfonso of Spain has decided, in due time, to send his son and heir to Eton to receive the groundwork of his education. That this news will be denied goes without saying, but the English source is confident of its correctness.

The King was doubtless influenced as much by the healthy life the boys lead at Eton and the encouragement of sport there, as he was by the schooling his son will receive.

GROWING RAPIDLY

Highgate Lodge of C. O. O. F. Is in Splendid Shape.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Highgate, Dec. 20.—Loyal Kent Lodge, No. 184, of the Canadian Order of Oddfellows, Highgate, is growing rapidly. Twelve candidates have been initiated into the mysteries of Oddfellowship recently, and five more applications have been received. These will be initiated at the next meeting. Two degrees have been conferred on ten members.

A staff of capable and up-to-date officers have been nominated for the coming year. Geo. W. Oakes is largely responsible for the present increase in membership.

FREED AMERICANS

President Huerta Has Men Released From Mexican Jail.

Mexico City, Dec. 19.—By appealing directly to General Huerta today, Nelson O'Shaughnessy, American charge d'affaires, obtained from him almost immediately unequivocal consent to the release of three Americans now in jail, whose liberation has long been delayed by legal manoeuvring. The men ordered set free by General Huerta are H. J. Kidder, William Krause and John Parker.

With the closing today of the Monterey plant of the American Smelting and Refining Company, the operations of that concern in Mexico practically ceased. The plant was forced to suspend on account of the difficulty in procuring fuel and certain ores that are necessary in smelting operations. The total number of men thrown out of employment aggregates many thousands.

LIVE STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKETS

PRODUCE.

TORONTO, Dec. 20.—Trade here in grain is very quiet. Receipts of Ontario grain exceedingly light. Liverpool wheat a fraction easier, and corn a little firmer. Australian shipments of wheat were larger this week, while those from India were exceedingly small. Manitoba wheat is firmer. After early weakness, the Chicago markets became strong, closing at the highest prices. Flour—Ontario wheat flour, 90 per cent patents, are quoted at $3 50 to $3 55 at the seaboard, and at $3 50 at Toronto; Manitobas, first patents, in jute bags, $5 30; do, seconds, $4 80; strong bakers, $4 60. Manitoba wheat—No. 1 northern quoted at 93c, bay ports, and 1c more for storage at Goderich, and No. 2 at 91c, bay ports. Ontario wheat—No. 2 at 84c to 85c outside. Oats—No. 2 Ontario oats are quoted at 34½c to 35c outside, and at 38c to 38½c on track at Toronto; Western Canada old oats are quoted at 40c for No. 2, and 39c for No. 3, bay ports. Peas—Nominal, at $1 to $1 05 outside. Barley—Good malting barley is quoted at 55c to 56c outside. Corn—The market is dull; new No. 3 American is quoted at 74c, all-rail, Toronto. Rye—No. 2 quoted at 65c to 66c outside. Buckwheat—Prices are nominal, around 70c outside, with none offering. Millfeed—Manitoba bran in good demand at $21 to $21 50 per ton in bags, Toronto freight; shorts, $22 50, at Toronto.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 20—Close.—Wheat—Spot easier; No. 1 Manitoba, 7s ¾d; No. 2, 6s 11¼d; No. 3, 6s 10¼d; futures dull; March, 7s 2d; May, 7s 1⅜d. Corn—Spot quiet; American mixed, 6s 8d; futures, La Plata, steady; January, 5s ¼d. Flour—Winter patents, 29s. Hops (in London)—Pacific coast, £5 12s to £6 15s. Beef—Extra India mess, 122s 6d. Pork—Prime mess western, 110s. Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, 67s. Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, 68s; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, 71s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, 72s 6d; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, 71s; do, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, 70s; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, 67s 6d; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, 62s 6d. Lard—Prime western, in tierces, 55s 9d; American refined, in pails, 56s 3d. Cheese—Canadian finest white, 66s 6d; do, colored, 67s 6d. Tallow—Prime city, 33s 3d; Australian (in London), 34s 10½d. Turpentine spirits—31s 9d. Rosin—Common, 9s. Petroleum—Refined, 9¾d. Linseed oil—27s 6d. Cottonseed oil (Hull refined)—Spot, 30s 4½d.

DAIRY.

TORONTO, Dec. 20.—Butter—There is a fairly active trade here, with prices steady. Good grades in best demand. Choice dairy, 23c to 24c; inferior, 20c to 21c; farmers' separator prints, 24c to 26c; creamery prints, 30c to 31c; solids, 28c to 29c; storage prints, 27c to 28c; do., solids, 26c to 26½c.

Eggs—Offerings a little more liberal. Case lots of new-laid, 45c to 48c per dozen; selects, 37c to 38c, and storage, 32c to 35c per dozen.

Cheese—New cheese quoted at 14½c to 14¾c for large, and 15c for twins.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, quoted at 11c to 12c per lb. for No. 1; combs, $3 to $3.25 per dozen for No. 1 and $2.40 to $2.50 for No. 2.

POTATOES.

Potatoes—The market is quiet, with prices unchanged. Ontarios quoted at 80c to 85c per bag, on track, and Delawares at 90c.

HAY.

TORONTO, Dec. 20.—Baled hay—The market is unchanged. No. 1 is quoted at $14.50 to $15 a ton, on track, here; No. 2 quoted at $13 to $13.50, and mixed at $12 to $12.50.

Baled straw—Car lots, $8.50 to $8.75, on track, Toronto.

BEANS.

Beans—Hand-picked quoted at $2.20 to $2.25 per bushel: primes, $2 to $2.10.

HIDES.

TORONTO, Dec. 20. — Beefhides—City butcher hider, flat, 14c per lb. Inspected hides—No. 1, 13½c; No. 2, 12½c. Country hides—Flat, cured, 13½c to 14½c; part cured, 13c to 13 1-2c.

Calfskins—City skins, green, flat, 16½c. Country—Cured, 17½c to 19c; part cured, 17c, according to condition and take-off. Deacons or bob calf, $1 to $1.50.

Horsehides—City take-off, $3.50 to $4. Country take-off—No. 1 $3.50 to $4; No. 2 $2.50 to $3.50.

Sheepskins—City lambskins, 60c to 90c; country lambskins, 45c to 60c.

Wool—Trade is quiet. Washed combings, fleece (coarse), 25c to 25½c; washed clothing fleece (fine), 26½c to 27c; washed rejections (burry, chaffy, etc.), 19c to 19½c; unwashed fleece clothing, coarse, 16c to 16½c; unwashed fleece clothing, fine, 17¼c to 17¾.

Tallow—City rendered, solid, in barrels, 6c to 6¼c. Country stocks, solid, in barrels—No. 1, 6c to 6¼c; No. 2, 5c to 5½c. Cake—No. 1, 6¼c to 6½c; No. 2, 5½c to 6c.

Horsehair—Farmer peddler stock, 37c to 40c.

COTTON.

NEW YORK Dec. 19.—The range of prices of futures in New York today is as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
December	12.52	12.53	12.42	12.48
January	12.38	12.39	12.24	12.26
March	12.59	12.60	12.48	12.50
May	12.60	12.62	12.48	12.51
July	12.57	12.58	12.48	12.48
August	12.35	12.35	12.27	12.27

OILS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Refined oil—Spot, prime summer yellow, $6.65 to $6.90; good off oil, $6.60 to $6.80; off oil, $6.50 to $6.60; red off oil, $6.30 to $6.43; summer white, $7 to $8.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 19.—Turpentine firm, 42½c; sales, 277; receipts, 630; shipments, 750; stocks, 25,908. Rosin firm; sales, 2,720; receipts, 3,250; shipments, 2,070; stocks, 147,300.

SUGAR.

TORONTO, Dec. 19.—Sugars are quoted in Toronto, wholesale, as follows: Extra granulated, Redpath's, 100-lb bags, $4 40; do bbls, $4 45; do 20-lb bags, $4 50; St. Lawrence, 100-lb bags, $4 40; do bbls, $4 45; do 20-lb bags, $4 50; Acadia, 100-lb bags, $4 30; do bbls, $4 35; yellow, No. 1, bags, $4; do bbls, $4 05.

LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 400; market steady; beeves, $6 60 to $9 75; western steers, $6 60 to $7 60; stockers and feeders, $4 90 to $7 35; cows and heifers, $3 30 to $8 40; calves, $7 to $10 50. Hogs—Receipts, 15,000; market slow; light, $7 30 to $7 45; mixed, $7 40 to $7 75; heavy, $7 40 to $7 75; roughs, $7 40 to $7 50; pigs, $6 25 to $7 60; bulk of sales at $7 50 to $7 70. Sheep—Receipts, 2,000; market slow; natives, $4 25 to $5 50; yearlings, $5 40 to $6 50; lambs, natives, $6 25 to $7 70.

TORONTO, Dec. 20.—Union Stock Yards—The receipts for the week have [illegible] as follows: Cars, 504; cattle, 7,444; calves, 477; hogs, 10,243; sheep, 4,256; horses, 28.

Today's receipts were: Cars, 29; cattle, 276; calves, 15; hogs, 906; sheep, 143.

City Cattle Market—Cars, 43; cattle, 971; sheep, 440; hogs, 241; calves, 34; horses, 56.

WHOLESALE BURNED.

Watertown, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Fire early today destroyed the wholesale grocery warehouse of John J. Sullivan & Co., of this city, at a loss estimated at $100,000 on buildings and contents. The cause has not been determined.

FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL STATEMENT

of

The Royal Bank of Canada

LIABILITIES

TO THE PUBLIC:		
Notes of the Bank in circulation		$13,176,634.69
Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date	$101,900,790.87	
Deposits not bearing interest	36,276,871.60	
		138,177,662.47
Deposits by other Banks in Canada	$ 405,669.90	
Deposits by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada	1,649,466.73	
		2,055,136.63
Bills Payable		990,899.59
Acceptances under Letters of Credit		361,106.66
		$154,761,440.04
TO THE SHAREHOLDERS:		
Capital Stock Paid-up		11,560,000.00
Reserve Fund	$12,560,000.00	
Balance of Profits carried forward	1,015,119.58	
		13,575,119.58
Dividend No. 105 (at 12% per annum), payable Dec. 1st, 1913	$ 346,800.00	
Dividends Unclaimed	3,426.11	
		350,226.11
		$180,246,785.73

ASSETS

Current Gold and Silver Coin	$ 7,802,067.72	
Dominion Government Notes	11,664,142.00	
	$19,466,209.72	
Deposit in the Central Gold Reserves	2,000,000.00	
Deposit with Dominion Government for the purposes of the Circulation Fund	578,000.00	
Notes of other Banks	2,576,878.07	
Cheques on other Banks	6,566,249.32	
Due by other Banks in Canada	1,160.12	
Due by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada	3,603,452.05	
Dominion and Provincial Government Securities, not exceeding market value	1,127,312.91	
Canadian Municipal Securities and British, Foreign and Colonial Public Securities other than Canadian, not exceeding market value	2,081,533.53	
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks, not exceeding market value	14,565,306.32	
Call and Short Loans in Canada, on Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	9,002,193.01	
Call and Short Loans elsewhere than in Canada	10,817,496.66	
		72,385,791.71
Loans to Provincial Governments	$ 247,435.89	
Loans to Cities, Towns, Municipalities and School Districts	3,686,624.08	
Other Current Loans and Discounts (less rebate of interest)	98,606,925.14	
Overdue Debts (estimated loss provided for)	175,673.57	
		$102,716,658.68
Bank Premises, at not more than cost, less amounts written off		4,783,228.68
Liabilities of Customers under Letters of Credit, as per contra		361,106.66
		$180,246,785.73

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 30th November, 1912	$ 610,219.36	
Profits for the year, after deducting charges of management and all other expenses, accrued interest on deposits, full provision for all bad and doubtful debts and rebate of interest on unmatured bills	2,142,100.22	
		$2,752,319.58
APPROPRIATED AS FOLLOWS:		
Dividends Nos. 102, 103, 104 and 105, at 12 per cent. per annum	$1,387,200.00	
Transferred to Officers' Pension Fund	100,000.00	
Written Off Bank Premises Account	250,000.00	
Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward	1,015,119.58	
		$2,752,319.58

EDSON L. PEASE,
General Manager.

TORONTO POLICE RAIDED ALLEGED HANDBOOK GANG

Business Was Good According to Books Found in the Office—Traffic Was Mostly Conducted Over the Telephone—Two Girls Jailed Also.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Dec. 19.—What the local police regard as the final stroke in cleaning out the hand-book makers was made today, when the officers of the morality department surrounded St. James' Chambers and arrested Arthur J. Horton and Wm. Gallagher on charges of keeping a gaming house, and Mary Denning and Edith Doyle of being frequenters.

For several days officers of the morality department have been watching the place, and yesterday were in a position to swear out a warrant to make the raid.

That it will be a serious blow to the gamblers of the city was borne out by the fact that books found in the office showed that business amounting to between fifty and seventy-five thousand dollars had been done since the office was opened in August.

Business Was Good.

On Nov. 27 the business, according to figures examined by the police, reached a high-water mark, $3,100 in bets being taken. On Nov. 24, it would appear, agents of these men placed $2,700 with them. The poorest day on record was Nov. 29, when only $75 was sent in. Practically all business was transacted over the telephone.

These figures would appear to bear out the statements of the police that the men arrested were those for whom they have been searching for some time.

The office was fitted up as an ordinary business office might have been; and those in the office went about their affairs in such a manner that other tenants of the building did not become suspicious. While the women were apparently clerks, the police claim that they had a full knowledge of the nature of the business that was being transacted daily.

INGERSOLL REPORT WAS HIGHLY SATISFACTORY

Only Two Cases of Illness at School, Declares Inspector.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ingersoll, Dec. 20.—Some very interesting information is contained in the annual report of Chairman Sinclair, of the board of health, which has just been sent to the council. Referring to the recent inspection of the schools the fact is cited that out of a school population of 620 there were only two cases of illness reported, both of which were in the same family. Reference is also made to the high quality of the milk that is supplied the citizens of the town, as well as other factors important in the general health of the community.

Many Christmas Gifts.

The committee of the Children's Aid Society is busy with the details in connection with the Christmas gift-making to the deserving needy of the town. Part of Friday afternoon was devoted to rather extensive buying. Clothing, sweaters, etc., were purchased for the children, together with sufficient toys, candies and nuts, to meet the expectations of the children in this respect. The money derived by means of the Santa Claus fund is being judiciously expended, and the children who are deserving of support are certain to know Santa Claus as they probably never have known him in the past.

Pleasantly Surprised.

Principal Stalker of the public school was very pleasantly surprised Friday afternoon by the pupils of room No. 1. At an opportune time he was made the recipient of a silver-mounted umbrella, bearing his monogram, accompanying which were the well wishes of the donors.

FAMINE IN JAPAN

Thousands Are Starving as Result of Crop Failure.

[Canadian Press.]

Tokio, Dec. 20.—Widespread famine and distress exist in Northeastern Japan because of the failure of the rice crop and the fisheries. Thousands of persons are in a starving condition, subsisting only on nuts and roots.

Conditions are especially bad in Aomori and the Province of Hokkaido.

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ONLY NEEDED MONEY TO BE PHONE KING

Lee De Forest Tells of Struggle To Develop Wireless.

New York, Dec. 19.—Lee De Forest told on the witness-stand today of his early struggles to get money to develop his wireless telephone and of his meagre financial rewards after he finally found capital to back his invention. De Forest is one of the defendants in the Government's suit against promoters of the Radio Telephone Company, charged with misuse of the mails in selling stock.

"Had I had the money," said De Forest, "I would have been the pioneer in the wireless telephone field in this country."

After the American De Forest Company was formed and later absorbed by the United Wireless Company, De Forest said he retired, receiving only $250 for his stock. When the Radio Wireless Company was organized in 1907, the witness said, he stuck to his laboratory and left the business end to others.

WANT MAYOR CLIMIE AGAIN.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Listowel, Dec. 20. — There is a strong feeling among the ratepayers against allowing Mayor Climie to retire, as he plans to do at the expiration of his second term. A large number of citizens are endeavoring to get him to accept the office for a third term.

A Page About Plays, Players and Playgoers

FASCINATING GABY PLANS TO PLAY IN RELIGIOUS DRAMA

Hoots Expected When She Tells of the "Past" on New York Stage.

SINGERS MAR OPERA

[Special to The Advertiser.]

New York, Dec. 20. — Gaby Deslys is expected in New York soon, and she is threatening to treat us to a religious play. Naturally one would not expect Gaby to give it in a religious spirit; rather in what we may call the spirit of publicity.

Gaby has had more free advertising than any other woman on the stage, but the excitement over her affairs seems to have died out. So she must make some other claim on public attention. When she was in London recently she succeeded in having her act denounced as "vulgar" by some eminent clerical gentlemen. This was good advertising and altogether free. American ministers are too experienced to lend themselves innocently to such a game.

One result of the clerical campaign against Gaby was a conference with Rev. A. J. Waldron, vicar of Brixton, about the American rights of his play, "Should a Woman Tell?" described by the author as a domestic morality problem.

Play Given in London.

The play of the vicar is actually being given in London. It tells the story of the woman about to be married who is asked by her husband to tell him of her past. The vicar's argument is that her fiancee had no right to ask the question.

Imagine Gaby as the heroine, when her fiance demanded her story And picture the audience. It would probably hoot and howl and refuse to be silent, imploring Gaby to tell the story of her past.

Gaby says she will do the vicar's play on Sunday nights. But she probably will not. There is a law against Sunday night plays in New York. And it is usually enforced. Even stage societies are forbidden to give Sunday night performances.

It is hard to keep an actor out of the theatre. Every night the last rows of many New York theatres are filled with people of the profession. They can't keep out of the artificial world.

Singers Ill-Mannered.

It is their world, and it is in the world without that they feel out of place. Opera stars are the same way. At the first performance of "Rosenkavalier" I saw most of the big singers who were out of the cast sitting in the orchestra chairs.

The singers have just as bad manners as the actors. At "Lucia" the other night Pini-Corso, the buffo of the opera company, sat not far from me and kept up a steady conversation throughout the performance. He was discussing technical qualities in the singing. One of Hammerstein's tenors, Zenatello, spoiled a concert for me by talking continuously. I said, "H-sh," but that simply amused him.

The "h-sh" is a very potent aid to silence in the opera or at the theatre in New York. It attracts attention from people in the neighborhood and they all turn their heads and glare at the talkers. Few men or women can resist general disapproval so plainly expressed. New Yorkers who love music do not hesitate to shut up the talking nuisance in this way. He usually stays shut.

MILLER TAKES SLAM AT HIGHBROW HAMLET

Henry Miller, who is appearing in the Middle West in "The Rainbow," does not care a whoop about theatrical traditions. He isn't worried with an excess of veneration for the early dramatists, either. Here is his opinion, recently expressed, of the late William Shakespeare's "Hamlet":

"I learned a lot about 'Hamlet' when I played in it," he said. "I consider it Shakespeare's worst drama, not his best. When I found that the second and third acts of the play could be interchanged without detriment to the play, it did not strike me as well-constructed drama. Hamlet's absurdities were endless. When he went to England his actions were largely governed by the weather conditions. It blew him back into a graveyard. Having brought about much misery without rhyme or reason, he caused the death of a lot of inoffensive people who had in no way conspired against him, and incidentally he had the bad taste to break up a funeral party."

EDWON DUDLEY, as Von Tromp, and the well-beloved English Music Hall artiste, Miss Millie Butterfield, in an amusing comedy scene in that fascinating play, "The Inner Shrine," at Grand next Friday and Saturday.

Amusement Calendar

This Afternoon and Evening ..... "The Travelling Salesman" and "A Royal Prisoner."
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday.. Motion Picture, "Les Miserables."
Christmas Day, Matinee and Night ..... "Way Down East"
Friday, Saturday and Saturday Matinee .... "The Inner Shrine"
Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 29 and 30..... "The Glad Eye"

COMING PLAYS AT GRAND

Perry's Peerless Players.

At the Grand this afternoon at 2:30 Perry's Players will present the comedy success, "The Travelling Salesman." This play requires no introduction to London theatregoers, as it was presented here last season to a delighted audience. Tonight they close their engagement with that comedy drama, "A Royal Prisoner."

This company have been playing throughout Canada and the United States this season, and they certainly have pleased their audiences with the clever offerings they present. Funny Dan Malloy and dainty little Hazel Corinne will appear with the company in the leading roles, and they are supported by a very capable company of well-known players who put the plays on complete in every detail, and it is positively the first time these productions have been played anywhere at popular prices. New and novel vaudeville specialties will be presented between the acts by different members of the company.

"Les Miserables."

World's greatest picture for the Grand next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Possibly one of France's greatest writers was Victor Hugo, at the apex of his power when Napoleon was marching his vast armies up and down Europe, and disturbing the peace of the world. He was educated as a military engineer, and the genius that would have been turned to the destruction of his fellow-man was turned into peaceful paths and Victor Hugo's heart, welling with pity, wrote the chronicles of the poor and downtrodden. His "Les Miserables" will live so long as the world lasts, and the story of poor Jean Valjean, immortalized in "The Bishop's Candlesticks," in a lesser degree in "The Grip of Iron," and in other plays, will still bring tears to the eye, and grips to the heart. Hunted, in a vain endeavor to be kindly, and his first crime, that of stealing a loaf of bread to give to his starving benefactress, is the old world story, but, although we can read of it with pity thank God it is no more the story of the desperately poor.

It will be shown at the Grand on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next, and at matinees each day. The seat sale opened yesterday at special prices.

"Way Down East."

The ever-popular drama, "Way Down East," will be the attraction at the Grand Opera House Christmas Day, matinee and night.

"Way Down East" is a play of the homely, wholesome kind which appeals to the heart. It is a play with a story that touches the heart, but which is told in a charming manner.

The scenic effects will be beautiful and elaborate, while the farmyard scene will contain, as before, horses, cows, calves, sheep and chickens. The seat sale opens Monday at 9 a.m.

"The Inner Shrine."

It was a pleasure to read Basil King's fascinating story, "The Inner Shrine." It is a joy to see Channing Pollock's dramatization with all the splendid characters reproduced on the stage. If one has read this tale of love and intrigue, he will find its new setting even more delightful. Those who did not follow the adventures of the lovely Diane Eveleth in her search for happiness will want to peruse Basil King's pages after seeing this intensely interesting drama. "The Inner Shrine" has been attracting large and enthusiastic audiences everywhere.

"The Inner Shrine" is essentially a love story. The "old, old tale," and "the light that never was on land or sea," runs through it from end to end. But those unfamiliar with it must not delude themselves with the idea that it is "mushy." It is clean and wholesome, and if sometimes heroic, the spectator remembers that love like this has been mankind's absorbing theme since the world began.

Channing Pollock has made of this novel a play that will find a large following everywhere. The play is in four acts—the first act being laid in the house of the Eveleths in Paris; acts two and three in the home of Derek Pruyn in New York City, and the last act a marvelously beautiful set showing the porch of the Bay Tree Inn, in Lakeville, N. J. Those who appreciate a good, wholesome play, well-acted, cannot afford to miss "The Inner Shrine." Seat sale opens Tuesday at 9 a.m.

"The Glad Eye."

On Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 29 and 30, at the Grand we are to have a visit of the successful farce comedy, "The Glad Eye," direct from a nine months' run in Paris, and fifteen months at the Strand Theatre, London, England.

The story of "The Glad Eye" is formed on irresistible comedy lines, and concerns the doings of two young Parisian gentlemen, who live in the country near Paris. They cannot forget their rollicking student days of bachelorhood, and so, whenever they want a jaunt to their old haunts, they are supposed to go up in the balloon the Zebra. On the occasion with which the play deals, they overstep the mark, for the balloon is blown out of her course and not knowing of this, the two recreants return home, when they are supposed to be in the air. Happily the family is not at home at the moment, and they are thus able to hide until they can secure money (for they have spent all they had). Famished and miserable, they are just returning to Paris to await the descent when the family returns, and, being in the air, they cannot possibly be at home. They are cornered, and it is their efforts to get away that leads to the calling in of the police, and their near arrest. One of them is eventually wounded slightly in the subsequent scuffle. They do escape, however, and the denouement is as witty a piece of fooling ever invented by a French farceur. Seat sale opens Friday, Dec. 26.

ROMANCE OF THE "MOVIES!"

Once in a While There Is a REAL Love Scene Going on in "the Pictures," Miss Price, in California, Finds Out—How One "Leading Lady" Became "Wally's Leading Lady" for Life!

WALLY REID AND DOROTHY DAVENPORT.

By GERTRUDE M. PRICE.

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Dec. 19.—This is the story of a REAL western "movie" romance!

A year, or perhaps more, ago dainty Dorothy Davenport met Wallace Reid.

He was a leading man. She was an interpreter of pretty girl parts. And they were BOTH "movie" players!

"Wally," so the story goes, admired her, but merely as a possible star in the company which he hoped some day to direct.

As for beautiful Miss Dorothy, well, she hardly noticed HIM at all, for, you know, there are so many handsome men in the pictures nowadays.

But one day the player's wish to become a director was fulfilled. And he asked Dorothy to play leads. She agreed. They worked admirably together.

Gradually the director's admiration for the clever work of the actress turned into love for the fascinating girl herself.

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Scene From the Beautiful Play, "Way Down East," at Grand Christmas Day Matinee and Night.

CLINTON BOY IN BIG HIT ON THE VAUDEVILLE STAGE

Stewart G. Jackson, who has made a great hit with his musical skit, "The Heads," spent several of his pre-histrionic days in Toronto, and is a native of Clinton, Ont. He spent five years as a clerk in the Molsons Bank, in which time he acted as tenor soloist in the Parkdale Methodist Church.

Two successful amateur productions, "Iolanthe" and "The Westerners," in which Jackson took leading parts, were the entrance to the profession he now embraces. He has been three years in vaudeville. He left Toronto with a chum, Victor Stone, and the two young hopefuls invaded New York and for a short time lined up with the thousands of other theatrical aspirants in that city—before the doors of the theatrical employment offices. Jesse Lasky took them on as "fiends" in the "Piano fiends," and two years of touring ensued from coast to coast. Stone and Jackson separated recently to suit their advantage.

He is the son of Thomas Jackson, jun., of Clinton, a well-known manufacturer. All his boyhood was spent in amateur appearances as a singer, as he had a particularly fine boy's soprano voice.

Funny DAN MALLOY, with Perry Players at Grand Twice Today.

"JUST PLAIN MOLLY" IS A CHARMING PLAY

A pretty story is that of "Just Plain Molly," a Maude Adams success, put on at the Grand Friday evening by the Perry Players. The story of Roger de Coverley, the young and struggling artist, and the waif who drifted into his life and his love, is one of the most appealing of recent dramatic productions. When Molly first encounters the artist she is a janitor's assistant, who helps clean up the studios. Later she comes into riches and in after years De Coverley meets her again, with the positions somewhat reversed. This furnishes some of the most delightful passages of the play, sad and happy, though, of course, the finish is as it should be, in fact or fiction. Dan Malloy and Hazel Corinne once more demonstrated that they are players of high calibre, while the company throughout gave excellent support.

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Special Letter to The Advertiser From Broadway Theatres

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New York, Dec. 20.

The Tango-Rat is among us!

Born in South America, scientifically described as the "Curato," the Tango-rat is one of the most rare and entertaining of rodents. No photograph has ever been obtained of it, but it is said to have bristles like a hedgehog, bluish pink eyes, a long tail, and since it has arrived in New York, it has developed some vicious tendencies.

Unobserved by the customs house officials, it arrived hidden beneath the cloak of Miss Margery Maude, when she arrived with her father in Montreal. On the trip over on the steamship Virginian, it was kept hidden in Miss Maude's private cabin. Members of the Cyril Maude company occasionally heard of it, but none of them have seen it, hence the description of the Tango-rat has become somewhat varied. However, it arrived safely with Miss Maude in New York, and has been enjoying the freedom of her apartment at the Vanderbilt Hotel.

One morning the chambermaid of the floor on which the Maude apartment is, was informed that the Tango-rat had escaped. The news soon spread to the corridors of the fashionable hotel, and vigilant search was made for it.

"The Tango-rat was presented to me by Lady Beerbohm Tree," said Miss Maude, "and of course I prized it very highly. Lady Tree has six of them, and they are very beautiful. I don't know how I could describe it to you, and I am very sorry that anything has occurred to bring it into publicity. It was just a pet I was very fond of, and no one knew much about it but father and myself."

Told by Cyril Maude.

"After a recent performance I noted Mr. Lennox Pawle stroll into the box office of Wallack's and request an advance of a two-pun note. The treasurer said the safe was locked, but he had just paid off old Peter, the colored porter, and would borrow the amount from him. 'Aha,' said I, with a readiness that is part of me, 'robbing Peter to pay Pawle.' Eh, wot?"

"My stage director, Mr. John Harwood, was complaining that you have no nobility in this country, whereupon I said 'Really, old chap,' I said, 'Don't say that, you know,' I said, 'Because I rode down in the tram today with the Lord of Lord & Taylor,' I said. Haw!"

Olga Nethersole has been appointed a member of the English divorce reform committee by the British Government recently.

Homer Miles, who won vaudeville fame in his own little playlet, "On a Side Street," has found another vehicle in "From the Housetop."

"Broadway Jones" George M. Cohan's lates production is described as a play with a story of urban life without a single coarse joke in it.

Mme. Johanna Gadski the operatic prima donna is to head a German opera company of her own and her play includes a cycle of Wagner's works.

The Shuberts recently produced in Albany a new play called "A Modern Girl," with Olive Wyndham, Joseph Kilgour and Chares A. Stevenson in the leading roles.

In a Government suit now going on the president of one of the film companies testified that the motion picaure actors and actresses are paid as much as $500 to $1,000 a week.

Winthrop Ames and his associates will announce the winning play in the prize contest about Jan. 12. The name of the author, however, will be withheld until the play has been produced

"The Count of Luxembourg" is being withdrawn by its projectors, Klaw & Erlanger, because, they say, it is so costly, mainly by reason of high salaries, that they cannot make a profit even when the receipts are $10,000 a week.

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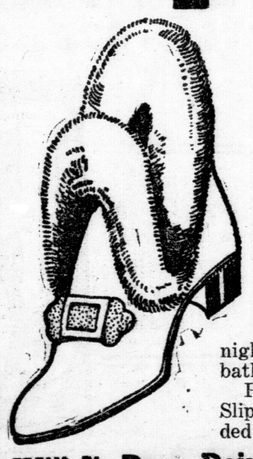

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PEACE AT LAST BETWEEN CITY AND TOWNSHIP

Settlement at Last Effected Over Difficulties From Annexation.

LONDON PAYS $1,265

Other Claims Met by Contra Accounts of the Two Municipalities.

Peace has at last been declared between the city and London Township in regard to the annexation of Pottersburg, Ealing and Knollwood Park. The treaty was ratified at a meeting of the finance committee of the city council and a special committee of the township council at a meeting in the county buildings Friday afternoon after five hours of strenuous contention. Nor was this the only meeting which has been called to deal with the question. On Dec. 11 the same committees met, and after a session of two hours, departed with no settlement, and with a strong possibility that arbitration would have to be resorted to, in order to straighten out the tangle.

The terms of the agreement reached Friday afternoon are as follows:

Will Pay $1,265.

The city is to pay the township $1,400 for the Ealing school, the city to assume the debenture debt, and $1,400.20 for the Pottersburg school under the same conditions. To offset this, the township is to pay to the city a proportion of the cash on hand at school section No. 23, amounting to $615.55, and a similar sum of $650.04 from Knollwood Park school, making a total of $1,265.39. This, deducted from the amount payable by the city, leaves a balance of $1,534.81, which the city will pay over to the county to square accounts. The other sums in dispute were found to very nearly offset each other, and were arranged as follows:

The city claims one-tenth of the assets of the annexed portion of the township over its liabilities, this proportion amounting to about $800. To offset this the township waives its claim to 40 per cent. of the amount paid from the general funds of the township for cement walks in the annexed district. The city will collect and retain balance of the 60 per cent. of the cost of the walks to be collected in three installments—one in five years, one in eight years, and one in ten years, the total amount being about $1,200.

Waives Statute Labor.

The city waives its claim to an amount of $1,175 collected for statute labor during the year 1912, and which would have been expended in the annexed district had it not been for annexation. The township agrees to assist the city to collect frontage taxes in the district, and the city agrees to help the township to collect arrears of taxes amounting to about $3,500.

With this amicable agreement, all the matters in dispute as a result of the annexation are finally set at rest.

Reeve Hodgins occupied the chair at the meeting, which was a long-drawn-out affair, lasting from 2:30 in the afternoon until 7:30 in the evening. The disputes were all matters of bookkeeping, and their subtle intricacies kept the two sides see-sawing, one moment almost on the verge of a settlement, and the next as widely separated as the two poles. All sorts and conditions of taxes assessments were discussed, but to reverse the scriptural quotation, "in the multitude of councillors there was confusion," and discussion only seemed to make confusion worse confounded.

Finally it came down to an actual audit of the accounts, and about an hour and a half spent in this occupation resulted in the settlement being arranged.

DORCHESTER CONCERT

Fine Program in Methodist Church Was Thoroughly Enjoyed.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Dorchester, Dec. 20. — The Sunday school entertainment of the Methodist Church was held last night, and the following program was given:

Opening chorus, by school; prayer, by pastor; "When We Went to School," Alma Boyes and Jimmie George; "The Kitten Family," junior class; "The Story of Peterkin Paul," Wes. Pinegar; "A Question," Jean Smuck; "Tommy Thumb," six children; "Crying Family," Mrs. Gills' class; "The New Cook," Gladys Rogers; "The Old-Time Sewing School," Mrs. Youngs and Miss Neely's class; "How We Waked Ike," Crosby Kirkpatrick; "How the Week Goes," Mr. S. Oliver's class; "Santa Claus and His Automobile," Ethel Pinegar; "The Fairies," Mrs. W. B. Lane's class; "Silver Threads Among the Gold," members of Sunday school; "Scene in Dentist Office," three young men; "A Kind Little Girl," Leta Richmond; "Dr. Cure All," adult class.

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Riley Will Not Be Overlooked During Holiday

Accused Murderer To Receive More Than Sympathy at Christmas.

From present indications it seems certain that Thomas Riley will receive something more than sympathy at the Christmas season. The man who is at present in the county jail awaiting trial on a charge of having murdered George Blackburn has made many friends during his imprisonment, who will see to it that he is not overlooked at this time of general goodwill.

Although the seriousness of the situation in which he is placed precludes his enjoyment of the Christmas season in the way of others more fortunately situated, Riley has adopted a most cheerful attitude, and his optimism is the subject of comment among the jail officials. Governor Carter states that he is a model prisoner, and gives absolutely no trouble.

He apears to be much more cheerful than when he was first imprisoned. He likes to see visitors, and frequently holds friendly chats with people who visit the county jail. The members of the county council and the grand jury all held a little friendly talk with him when looking through the jail during the eary part of this month.

Rev. H. H. Bingham, his spiritual adviser, visits him regularly, and frequently brings him books and periodicals, which Riley spends much of his time in reading.

The prisoner's cheerfulness under distressing circumstances, has won great sympathy for him throughout the city, and the hope is expressed by many that the charge against him may be reduced to one of manslaughter.

HAVE EVERY CONFIDENCE IN CAPTAIN BARTLETT

Leading Explorers Give Little Credence to Stories of Disaster,

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Dec. 20.—Men who know Captain Robert Bartlett feel certain in the face of reports that his party has met disaster, and that the Karluk has been crushed in the ice packs, that Captain Bartlett is equal to any emergency and will be heard from soon.

Rear-Admiral Peary, discoverer of the North Pole, said yesterday that he had every confidence in Captain Bartlett, and believed him master of any situation.

"It is impossible to tell what has happened to the ship," Rear-Admir-Peary said. "As long as a vessel is packed in the ice, she will not sink, and even if she should go down when the ice pack draws back, the crew would have ample time to prepare for their escape. And preparations have been made for just such contingencies."

The Explorers' Club met last night at its headquarters, and passed resolutions expressing entire confidence in Bartlett and Stefansson.

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA CLOSES A RECORD YEAR

Sta ement Shows Bank in Unusually High Position—Earnings at New High Level.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Montreal, Dec. 20.—The Royal Bank of Canada, which has forwarded to shareholders its annual statement for the year ending Nov. 19, 1913, has had a most satisfactory year. Of special interest to shareholders, in addition to the attractive profits that have been made, will be the strong financial position the bank has maintained itself in at a time when demands from its customers, under the conditions that have prevailed, have undoubtedly been unusually heavy.

Owing to the fact that it is the first full year the Royal Bank has completed since its absorption of the Traders' and that a number of changes are made in the form under the new bank act, comparisons with previous years are not possible, but what will attract particular attention is the steady growth which the bank has made in all departments.

The net profits for the year amounted to $2,142,100.22, equivalent to slightly over 18½ per cent. on the capital stock. At the end of the previous year there stood at the balance of profit and loss $610,219.36, and this added to the profits of the year, made an amount available for distribution of $2,752,319.58. Of this amount dividends at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum took $1,387,200; $100,000 was applied to pension fund; $250,000 written off bank premises, leaving an amount of $1,015,-119 to be carried forward to the balance of profit and loss account.

A part of the statement which is especially important is that which indicates the manner in which the bank has endeavored to maintain a very strong position by the large proportion of cash and liquid assets which it has available.

The general statement, which indicates the progress made during the year shows total assets of $180,246,-785.73.

BIRR CONCERT

Annual Christmas Entertainment in Methodist Church a Great Success.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Birr, Dec. 19. — The annual Sunday school concert and Christmas tree of the Methodist Church, held last evening, proved to be a decided success.

Mr. Wesley Haskett, superintendent of the school, occupied the chair and introduced a splendid program, which included readings, recitations, songs and dialogues, rendered by the scholars and which were greatly appreciated.

The Sunday school orchestra, under the direction of Miss F. Wilson, were in attendance, and favored with several numbers.

After the program Santa Claus made his appearance and presents for both young and old were discovered about the tree.

200 Entertained by Travellers' Annual Smoker

Knights of the Grip and Friends Hold Forth With Euchre and Vaudeville.

London knights of the grip and their friends to the number of 200 attended the club's annual smoker Friday night.

The first part of the evening was given over to euchre, the first prize being won by Charles E. Firth, one of the oldest members of the club. Mr. Firth was presented with a beautiful cut glass fern bowl. G. P. Hooper, one of the youngest travellers in this city, secured second prize, a magnificent cut glass water pitcher.

An excellent luncheon was served by the club's steward C. A. Shepherd, after which the travellers were delighted with a splendid vaudeville and musical program. Those who took part in the evening's entertainment were George Wardrope, Ed Crawford, D. Malloy, C. H. Perry, Stewart Thompson, S. Marrell, Bruce Smith, J. S. Ashplant, Ken. Murray, Sam Stevely, Hank Turner, E. Skinner and Thompson's Orchestra.

A vote of thanks was given by the members to Ken Murray and Harry Buttry for their untiring work to make the smoker the success of the year.

It was announced by Steward Shepherd that "Open House" would be held Christmas Day at the club, and the members wished it known that they wanted every strange traveller who visited London on Dec. 25 to make the clubhouse his headquarters.

A large number of out-of-town "knights" stayed over last night to attend the function.

After the smoker was over the committee in charge passed a vote of thanks for the excellent musical offerings given by Thompson's Orchestra, which is composed of young Londoners.

Progressives to Wage Vigorous Civic Campaign

Plan Publicity for Candidates and Platform in Municipal Elections.

At the meeting of the election committee of the Central Progressive Association on Friday night in the Dominion Savings building, plans were outlined for a vigorous progressive campaign in the coming municipal elections. The Progressives will spend in the neighborhood of $500 in advertising their platform, and will send out circular letters to the ratepayers, setting forth the aims and desires of the Progressive movement.

Each candidate indorsed by the Progressives has put up $25 for this educational work, and if there are any funds left over, the money will be returned to the candidates who may not be successful. The candidates attended the meeting of the election committee and gave their complete acceptance to the platform drawn up by the executive.

Another meeting will be held on Monday night to prepare a schedule of the meetings to be held in the various schools. The first gun will be fired in West London, with a meeting in Talbot street school probably on the same night. The Progressives are determined to leave no stone unturned in their desire for an enterprising, able and ambitious civic administration, and from the efforts that are being put forth it appears that the movement will be met with overwhelming success.

W. J. Cawrse, of South London, who was nominated for the city council on the Progressive ticket, has notified the election committee that owing to pressure of private affairs he will be unable to run, and an extra effort is now being made to secure a suitable man to take his place.

PRESBYTERIAN PUPILS PUT ON FINE CONCERT

Members of the Junior Classes Enjoyed Christmas Tree Also.

One of the most successful Christmas entertainments ever held in the King Street Presbyterian Church was given yesterday afternoon and evening by the pupils of the cradle roll and primary departments. Over 150 of the children and their mothers were present, and the program included choruses, drills, recitations and musical selections. All were excellently rendered and greatly enjoyed. The entire concert was given under the direction of Mrs. McDermid and Mrs. Wilson, who trained their pupils. They were warmly congratulated on their success.

Among the little ones taking part were Robert Osborne, Marjory and Dorothy Lee, Olive Bennett, Russell Doble, Bee Wegg, Grace Wilson, James McIntosh Ernest Kintrea, Marjorie Forsyth and Bert Black.

Following the program a Christmas tree was held, and each child received a handsome present. The children had provided a pleasant surprise for the pastor, Rev. W. R. McIntosh, and Mrs McIntosh, and on the tree for them were a handsome reading lamp and a potted plant.

NO NOTICE HERE

Pere Marquette Officials Have Received No Word of Rumored "Cut."

A report was current in London today to the effect that in the course of a few days the Pere Marquette will commence a weeding-out of its employees the system over, which will eventually mean a decrease of 20 per cent of the road's present working force. If the report becomes a reality about 40 men in London would be affected.

Stories from Detroit given out last night from a source high enough in the official circles to be regarded as authentic say that today the Pere Marquette will begin a reduction of its employees until the cut will amount to 20 per cent.

The reason given by one official of the road is that earnings have decreased to such an extent that the road must begin to fortify on the payroll. Earnings for November of this year were 10 per cent less than for the corresponding period of 1912 it is said.

The reduction will strike all departments, it is said.

London officials state that as yet they have received no notice of the intended cut.

BEFORE NOAH BUILT THE ARK

He spent years telling the people of impending doom, but they would not listen; surely one example should be enough. We warn you again that if you have backache in the region of the kidneys, puffy swelling under the eyes, feel tired out, dizzy, swollen feet, ankles, darting pains in your body and limbs, excessive and painful urination, you surely have kidney and bladder trouble. Sanol warns you again; take heed and be wise. Sanol will cure you. Sold at all druggists'. Manufactured by the Sanol Manufacturing Company, Limited, Winnipeg, Canada.

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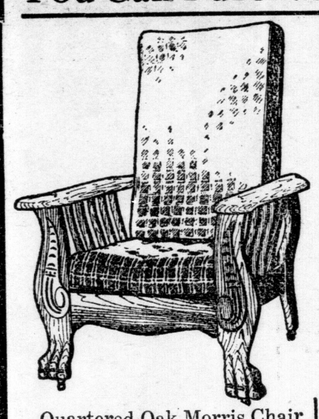

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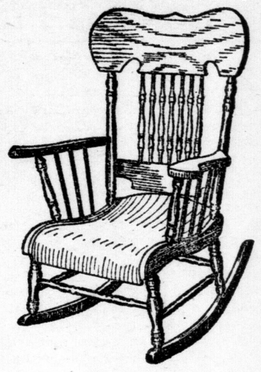

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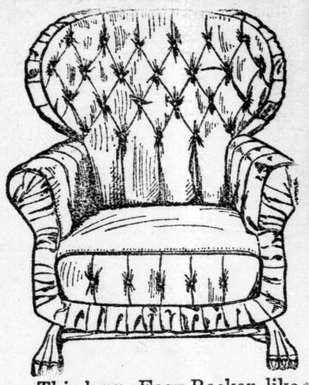

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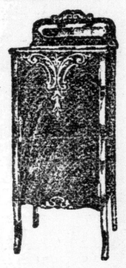

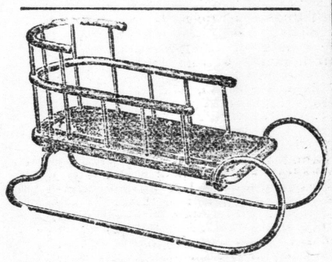

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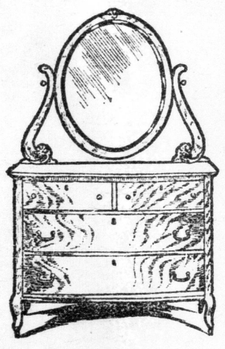

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DUTTON.

Dutton, Dec. 20.—The playette "Alice in Wonderland," given by the Anglican Church Thursday night in the town hall, was a great success. It was repeated last night, and was enjoyed by a large audience.

Miss Jessie McKillop of Faculty of Education, Toronto, and Mrs Archibald McKillop, of Queen's University, returned home for the Christmas holidays last evening.

STILL PLOWING

Farmers Around Birr Are Finishing Up Their Work.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Birr, Dec. 20. — Although the ground is somewhat tightened up by the frost a few of the farmers are taking advantage of the open weather to finish plowing their sod. It is customary around here to plow sod in the spring, but a large percentage of it has been turned over this month.

Practically all the plowing is done, both stubble and sod, and the majority of the farmers have their fall work all finished up.

A number of them have completed their teaming, over roads which even the oldest fail to recollect any better.

Barring a few miles they are as smooth as asphalt. Motor-busses are being operated on all stage routes.

CREW IS SAFE

Coast Steamer Jeanie Is Ashore at Calvert Island.

[Canadian Press.]

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 20.—The Alaska Coast Company's freight steamer Jeanie is ashore on Calvert Island, Queen Charlotte Sound, and in danger of becoming a total loss, according to a dispatch received last night. The steamer Estevan responded to her distress signals and took on board the Jeanie's crew, who had reached shore.

DISCOVER NEW COMET.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Dec. 20.—Advices received here from abroad state that the discovery of a comet of the eleventh magnitude by Delavan, the Argentine astronomer, has been verified by Professor Graff, of Hamburg University.

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London Organists Arrange Splendid Christmas Music Services for City Churches

Will Present Best Programs Ever Heard in Music-Loving City On Christmas Day and the Two Christmas Sundays That Will Mark Christ's Anniversary.

Probably at no previous Christmas have the church organists and choral directors of London arranged so excellent musical programs as London church-goers will be privileged to hear this Yuletide. Several of the Anglican churches are holding their special musical services on Christmas Day, Dec. 25. Several of the other churches will observe Dec. 28 as Christmas Sunday, but the majority of them will hold special Christmas services tomorrow.

Christmas decorations, wreaths of holly and mistletoe, crimson ruscus, Christmas vine, greeneries of cedar and other evergreens, lilies, palms and flowers will make fairylands of the auditorium of many of the churches. Augmented choirs, special musical numbers, including in some cases anthems and other choral numbers never before heard in London, will make the Christmas services especially attractive.

Thoughts of First Christmas.

It is a day in all the year when all the Christian world stops in its rush and turmoil and strife to think of the Christ child born so many Yuletides ago, but for whose coming the sway of the brute gods, Moloch, Mammon and the rest would be undisputed, and the softer, gentler note of altruism, of self-sacrifice, of kindly, generous feeling one to another, might never have been sounded in the western world. But the star of the east shone over the world that first Christmas night, more than nineteen centuries ago, with an especial message for the occident. Saviors and saviors there had been in the past but the Christ alone was destined to be the savior of continents; yet undiscovered and nations yet unborn.

Chords of Infinite Soul.

What heavenly music of the spheres, singing together is said to have been heard that night, human imagination today cannot fancy, cannot reconstruct, but minor chords, minor perhaps in the symphony of that historic night, but yet paeans of celestial harmony to human ears today, have been caught from the great Infinite soul of music by master composers of subsequent times, and many of the finest Christmas compositions of Mendelssohn, Bach, Saint-Saens, Handel, Schumann, Beethoven, and others have been selected by London organists and choirmasters for their Christmas services this year, and Londoners who are fortunate in living in a city widely noted for its church music will no doubt fully appreciate this advantage, and turn out en masse to the services on Christmas Day and the two Christmas Sundays.

St. Paul's Cathedral.

F. G. Killmaster, B. A., Mus. Bach., organist and choirmaster of St. Paul's Cathedral, has arranged a remarkably excellent program for Christmas Day, Dec. 25. It will be repeated on the Sunday following, Dec. 28, when in addition the choir will sing carols by Vincent, Barnby, Stainer and Goss. The order of the service for St. Paul's on Christmas Day is as follows:

Prelude—Meditation .... Bach-Gounod
For Violin, Harp and Organ.
Processional Hymn, 73—Hark, the Herald Angels Sing....Mendelssohn
Festal Responses .....Tallis
Venite—Cathedral Psalter, 326 .Crotch
Proper Psalms—XIX and XLV.
Cathedral Psalter, 327 and 327 ....
.....Monk and Ousely
Te Deum .....Westbury in A
Benedictus—Cathedral Psalter, 186
.....Barnby
Kyrie Eleison E.. .....Elvey in A
Credo .....King in C
Anthem—See Amid the Winter's Snow
.....West
During offertory—(a) Noel .....
.....Saint-Saens
For Harp and Violin.
(b) Two Carols—'Tis the Birthday of the Saviour and Good King Wenceslas —Vincent and Traditional
Hymn, 72—O Come, all ye Faithful
Tune .....Adeste Fideles
Sursum Corda .....Plain Song
Sanctus .....Maunder in F
Gloria in Excelsis .....Old Chant
Three-fold Amen .....Maunder
Recessional Hymn, 79—Angels from the Realms of Glory. Tune
.....Regent Square 601
Postlude—Pastoral Symphony from the Messiah .....Handel

Dundas Centre Methodist Church.

Parnell Morris, organist and choirmaster of Dundas Centre Methodist Church offers an especially attractive service for Sunday, Dec. 21. Four leading city soloists are members of Dundas Centre choir: Miss Annie Reid, soprano; Miss Gwen Ware, contralto; Herbert Dodgson, tenor; James C. Fowler, bass; and solo numbers will add to the attractiveness of the services. The musical program for morning and evening follows:

Morning.
Organ—March of the Magi Kings ..
.....Du Bois
Anthem—O Holy Night. Adolphe Adam
Soprano and Tenor Solos and Chorus.
Anthem—Christmas Song ..Cornelius
Bass Solo and Chorus.
Organ—Intermezzo (from Bethany)
.....Rhys Herbert
Organ—Hosanna .....Du Bois
Evening.
Organ—The Holy Night..Dudley Buck
Anthem—Glory to God .Tertius Noble
Tenor Solo and Chorus.
Carol—It Came Upon the Midnight Clear .....Sullivan
Solo (soprano)—The Christ Child .....5.....Vande Water
Organ—Chimes of Christmas .....
.....Smallman
Anthem—Christmas .....Shelley
Organ—Toccato .....Bartlett

Centennial Methodist Church.

A local church that musically is coming more and more to the front is Centennial Methodist Church. A very fine program arranged by Bert Weir (organist) will be presented Sunday, Dec. 21. Miss Gladys Shaw (soloist) will sing at both services.

Morning.
Anthem—The Angels are Singing
.....Lacey
Solo—The First Christmas Morn ..
.....Newton
Miss Gladys Reed.
Quartette—To Victory .... Neidlinger
Evening.
Anthem—there Were Shepherds .Miles
Sextette—Christmas .....Schelley
Solo—The Birthday of a King .....
.....Neidlinger
Miss Gladys Reed.
Anthem—Unto Us a Child is Born ..
..... Price
Ladies' Quartette—O Little Town of Bethlehem .... Conant

St. James' Church South London.

St. James' Anglican Church will observe Dec. 28 as Christmas Sunday. In the morning, the musical service under the direction of Mr. Charles E. Percy (organist) will include Cooley's "Te Deum," Simper's "Benedictus," and Adams' "The Anthem Celestial." In the evening will be heard Simper's evening service in F, and Turner's "God From on High Hath Heard." The soloists for the day will be Miss G. Quigley, Miss Rousom, Miss Parsons, Miss Hessel, Miss Davis and Mrs. Thornicroft. An organ recital including solos and anthems will follow the evening service.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will hold special Christmas services on Sunday, Dec. 28. Mr. Charles E. Wheeler (organist) is arranging a musical service of Christmas anthems and solos that will no doubt mean a fresh laurel added to the many laurels already won by this leading city choir. At the morning service the church choir will be augmented by a special choir of children's voices, and will include eighty voices in all.

First Methodist Church.

An exceptionally beautiful musical service for Dec. 21 has been arranged for the First Methodist Church by Mrs. A. D. Jordan (organist). It will include solo numbers by the well-known soloists of the First Church, Miss Beatrice Hunt, Miss Luta Laymon, Mr. R. Habbeshaw, and Mr. E. A. Webster. The morning service will include a special chorus by the Sunday School, which will meet at 10.45 previous to the service in Wesley Hall.

The order of the services follows:

Morning.
Organ Prelude—Grand Chorus. Du Bois
Anthem—Sing, O Heavens .....
..... Sir Joseph Barnby
Quartette (Miss Hunt, Miss Laymon, Mr. Habbeshaw and Mr. Webster).
Chorus—Sweet Christmas Bells ....
..... Wilson
The School.
Sermon—The Other Wise Man ....
Rev. Dr. Charles R. Flanders, pastor
Anthem—Unfold Ye Portals Everlasting (Redemption) .....Gounod
Postlude—March ..... Randeggar
Evening.
Organ Prelude— .....
Anthem—Blessed be the Lord God of Israel .....D. Williams
Soloists (Miss Hunt, Miss Laymon, Mr. Habbeshaw).
Anthem—O Holy Night .Adolphe Adam
Soloist (Mr. Habbeshaw).
Quartett—A Hymn of Peace .....
..... Whitney-Coombs
Miss Hunt, Miss Laymon, Mr. Habbeshaw, Mr. Webster.
Sermon—His Name .Rev. Dr. Flanders
Hallelujah Chorus From Mount of Olives ..... Beethoven
Organ Postlude— .....

Askin Street Methodist Church.

On Sunday, Dec. 21, at the evening service in Askin Street Methodist Church, Handel's "Sixth Chandos Anthem" will be rendered under the direction of E. W. Goethe Quantz, for the first time in London, and Schumann's cantata "The Advent Hymn" for the first time in Canada. At the evening service Miss Harriet Westman will assist with piano accompaniment. The cantata will include soprano solos, choruses, ladies' choruses and quartette numbers.

The order of services follows:

Morning.
Organ Prelude—Christmas Pastorale
..... Dinelli
Processional Hymn—While Shepherds Watched their Flocks .....
Hymn, 141—It Came Upon the Midnight Clear .....
Anthem—And the Glory of the Lord (Messiah) ..... Handel
Quartette—The First Christmas Morn ..... Newton
Hymn, 143—Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices .....
Sermon—Subject: The Message of Christmas .....
Offertory Anthem—Sweetly Through the Night ..... Shelley
Mrs May, Miss Vivian and Choir.
Hymn, 144—Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus .....
Organ Postlude—Hallelujah Chorus.
..... Handel
Evening.
Organ Prelude — Chirstmas Offertorium ..... Lemmens
Processional Hymn—Adeste Fideles
..... Vincent Novello
Hymn, 142—Hark! The Herald Angels Sing .....
Anthem—Sixth Chandos Anthem ...
..... Handel
Hymn, 133—Stupendous Height of Heavenly Love .....
Sermon—Subject: Noonday Splendor. .....
Offertory— .....
Cantata—The Advent Hymn .....
..... Robert Schumann
Hymn, 826—As With Gladness Men of Old .....
Organ Postlude—Christmas Sonata (a) Adagio. (b) Allegro non tanto .....Otto Dienel

King Street Presbyterian Church.

A special Christmas musical service for King Street Presbyterian Church has been arranged by Mr. Fred Fitzgerald (organist and choirmaster).

A well-trained junior choir, in charge of Miss K. Rutherford, will provide the following special music at the morning service:

Hail! Christmas Morn ..Ira B. Wilson
..... Ira B. Wilson
Unto Bethlehem Were Hastening ..
..... Irva B. Wilson
Afternoon.
The junior choir at the afternoon service will render the two numbers:
A Birthday Song ..... Ira B. Wilson
Rejoice! Be Glad .....Ira B. Wilson
Evening.
The church will provide the following music at the evening service:
Anthem—There were Shepherds ....
..... Vincent
Solo, Miss J. Mowat.
Solo—Night of Nights ..Van de Water
Miss N. Clarke.
Double Male Quartette—Savior, Comfort Me ..... Parks
Solo—The Star of Bethlehem .. Adams
Mr. Charles Foulkes.
Duet—The Morning Land ..... Phelps
Miss N. Clarke and Mr. Geo. Matthews.

First Church of Christ, Scientist.

At the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Miss Edna Smith (soloist), accompanied by Miss Bulman (organist), will sing at both morning and evening services, the solo "Christmas Morning."

First Presbyterian Church.

The First Presbyterian Christmas musical service arranged by Vivian Reeve (organist and choirmaster) for Sunday, Dec. 21, and including solos by Miss E. McBride, Miss F. Cullis and Mr. George White, follows:

Morning Service.
Organ Prelude— .....
Christmas Carol—Oh, Christmas Bells, Ring Far and Near . C. Simper
Praise—Hymn, 26 .....
Solo—There Were Shepherds .F. Lynes
Miss E. McBride.
Praise—Hymn, 519 .....
Praise—Hymn, 70 .....
Anthem—Christians, Awake! Salute the Happy Morn ..J. H. Maunder
Prayer (ending with the Lord's Prayer, congregation joining) .....
Sermon—The Church's Task .....
.....Rev. W. J. Knox, M. A.
Praise—Hymn, 435 .....
Organ Postlude .....
Evening Service.
Organ Prelude— .....
Praise—Hymn, 34 .....
Solo and Chorus—To Victory .....
.....W. H. Neidlinger
Miss F. Cullis and Choir.
Solo—Night of Nights .....
.....B. Van de Water
Mr. George White.
Anthem—There Were Shepherds ...
..... Charles Vincent
Praise—Hymn, 90 .....
Sermon—A Universal Religion ....
..... Rev. W. J. Knox, M. A.
Praise—Hymn, 440 .....
Stainer's Seven-fold Amen .....
Organ Postlude— .....

New St. James' Church.

At New St. James' Presbyterian Church, Sunday, Dec. 21, the morning service will include the "March of the Magi Kings" by Lu Bois, and the "Toccato" by the same composer, played by the organist, E. Linforth Willgoose. The choir will render a chorus by Nicholl "There Were Shepherds" with quartette sung by Miss McKenzie, Miss McCrimmon, Messrs. Scott and Sawyer. H. R. J. Sawyer will be the soloist at the morning service. At the evening service Vogt's setting of the Lord's Prayer will be given, followed by anthems by Price and Stainer, with solos by Mrs. Chapman. Among Mr. Willgoose's organ selections will be the "Jubilant March" by Stainer. Miss Gertrude Medlock will sing "O, Thou that Tellest" from the "Messiah."

Knox Presbyterian Church.

Knox Presbyterian Church, South London, musical services for Sunday, Dec. 21, arranged by Allen G. Jeffries (organist and choirmaster) are as follows:

Morning.
Anthem—Break Forth into Joy ....
..... Cuthbert Harris
Solo, Miss Pearl Campbell.
Quartet, Misses E. Macqueen, and R. Watson, Messrs. B. Martin and A. G. Jeffries.
Anthem—Cry Out and Shout ... Bliss
Voluntary—Grand Choeur in F ....
..... T. Salome
Evening.
Anthem—The Star That Now is Shining ..... King
Solos by Miss Pearl Campbell and Mr. B. Martin.
Anthem—The Hallowed Day .....
..... Sir J. Stainer
Voluntary—Hallelujah .....Handel

Memorial Methodist Church.

At the Memorial Methodist Church, Richmond street, north, on Sunday, Dec. 21, under the direction of Mrs. Thomas Cockerill (organist), the choir will render the choral numbers "Heaven's Reply" by Lorenz, "And There Were Shepherds" by Wilson, and "What Mean Those Holy Voices?" by Carrie B. Adams. A double quartette will assist, including Messrs. F. Shave, A. Parker, C. Sproul and Patterson, Mrs. S. Anderson, Miss Bernice Anderson, Mrs. L. Griffin, and Mrs. Cockerill.

In the afternoon an open session of the Sunday School will be held when Mrs. Anderson will tell the story of Christmas, and musical numbers will be rendered by the double quartette, and the young men's quartette, the members of which are Messrs. Clare Sproul, Arthur Dean, Carman Anderson and Roy Pearce. A special number will be "Wishes," given by five little girls.

Adelaide Street Baptist Church.

Under the direction of Frank Weaver (organist), the choir of Adelaide Street Baptist Church will render the following musical program on Sunday, Dec. 21

Morning.
Organ Prelude—The Manger .....
..... Gullmant
Solo—The First Christmas Morn ..
..... Newton
Mrs. Arthur Brown.
Anthem—Unto Us a Child is Born..
..... Nichol
Postlude—And the Glory .....Handel
Evening.
Organ Solo—Pastoral Symphony ..
.....Handel
Anthem—How Still the Night .Spence
Quartette—All this Night Bright
Angels Sing .....Williams
Mrs. Arthur Brown, Miss Elizabeth Kuntz, Mrs. Charles Maynard and Edward Wilmer.
Anthem—We Have Seen His Star ..
..... Semper
Postlude—Grand March ... Gullmant

St. John the Evangelist.

Special musical services will be rendered in the Church of St. John the Evangelist on Christmas Day, Dec. 25, under the direction of Mr. Clarence E. Gilmour, organist and choirmaster. There will be a choral communion at 8:30 a.m. and morning prayer and Holy Communion at 11 a.m. The order of music is:

8:30 a.m.—
Organ prelude—Christmas Pastorale
..... Guiseppe Dinelli
Processional hymn—O Come, All Ye Faithful .....
Kyrie Eleison .....J. H. Maunder
Gloria Tibi and Gratias.J. H. Maunder
Hymn—Christians, Awake! ..
Carol—Stars All Bright Are Gleaming ..... Chope
Sursum Corda ..... J. H. Maunder
Ter Sanctus ..... J. H. Maunder
Benedictus qui venit .....
.....J. H. Maunder
Agnus Dei ..... J. H. Maunder
Gloria in Excelsis ....Ancient Chants
Sevenfold Amen ..... Stainer
Recessional hymn—Hark, the Herald Angels Sing .....
Organ postlude on "Adeste Fideles."
11 a.m.—
Organ prelude—Pastorale ... .
....."Symphony" (Handel
Processional hymn—O, Come, All Ye Faithful ....
Venite Exultemus, Domino .. Crotch
Proper Psalms to Anglican Chants.
Te Deum Laudamus. H. H. Woodward
Benedictus ..... H. H. Woodward
Kyrie Eleison .. Sir Geo. C. Martin
Gloria Tibi and Gratias ..... Tallis
Hymn—Christians, Awake! ....
Carol—See, Amid the Winter's Snow ..... Goss
Recessional hymn—Hark, the Herald Angels Sing .....
Organ postlude—Festspiele ..Volikmar

Southern Congregational Church.

The Southern Congregational Church choral musical service, arranged by Miss Claris, organist, for Sunday, Dec. 21, is as follows:

Morning.
Anthem—"Brightest and Best"..F. Lyon
Solo and Chorus, by Miss Northey and and choir, "Calm on the Listening Ear of Night" .....F. Lyon
Anthem—"Thee We Adore".....Lorenz
Evening.
Anthem—"Behold, I Bring You Good Tidings" ..... Wilson
Solo, Miss L. Claris—"Night of Nights" .....Van de Water
Anthem—"The Shepherd's Vision" ..... Ashford

Cronyn Memorial Church.

Christmas Day services at Cronyn Memorial Church will be confined to a choral communion at 11 o'clock in the morning. Miss Katherine Moore, organist of the church, has arranged special music for this service. The Kyrie will be sung to a beautiful arrangement by Crary, and the Gloria Tibi by Tallis will also be rendered. An anthem by Nichol, "There Were Shepherds in the Field," will be the feature of the musical service.

Another splendid anthem, "Sing ye Heavens," by Bergh, has been prepared for Sunday.

St. George's Anglican Church.

At St. George's Church, West London, on Christmas Day and the Sunday following, the choir, under the direction of Miss L. Gregory, R. C. M., organist and choir leader, will render the anthem, "There Were Shepherds in the Field."

St. Mark's Church.

On Sunday evening, Dec. 21, Mr. Fred Rolfe will sing in St. Mark's Church, London Junction, "A Rest in the Lord" as offertory solo. At the Christmas Day service, 10:30 a.m., the choir will render the anthem, "There Were Shepherds," and Christmas carols, the solos being taken by Miss Gladys Lipsett.

Russian Class Reception.

The members of the Epworth League of the Hill Street Methodist Church entertained the young men and young women of the Russian class, who are receiving instructions in English in connection with the church, on Friday evening. The regular English class was held first, and the Leaguers, who were present, were much surprised to hear the young Russians read page after page of the Canadian "Primer" with fluency, showing the splendid progress they are making.

After the class an interesting program of solos, addresses, recitations, and duets was given. Then came refreshments, tasty and abundant. And before the meeting closed each member of the class was presented with a good-sized bag of Christmas comfits. In this practical fashion are the young people of Hill Street looking after their own "Santa Claus" work, and bringing cheer into the spirits of "The strangers within our gates." The class is growing in numbers, and the English lessons will be resumed early in January.

First Methodist Church.

Special Christmas services will be held in the First Methodist Church tomorrow. The morning service will gather specially about the children. Rev. Dr. Flanders will preach from "The Other Wise Man." The Sunday school will sing and the choir will render special numbers. The Sunday school will be called together at 10:45 a.m., and will proceed in a body to the church.

In the afternoon the Sunday school will have a Christmas session. Rev. Dr. Flanders will deliver an address. Special music will be given and Christmas pictures shown.

At night a general Christmas service will be held. "His Home" will be the theme of Rev. Dr. Flanders.

Choir Presents Chair.

An interesting event took place in Christ Church schoolroom Friday night, at the close of the choir practice, when Miss Muriel Dobbinson was presented wtih a handsome, upholstered Morris chair, as a token of the choir's regard for her. Mrs. James Percy read a short address and made the presentation, in which were expressions for her future happiness in her wedded life, which will commence on Christmas Day. Miss Dobbinson replied with a few suitable words. Refreshments were partaken of by the members of the choir.

Virgin Birth of Christ.

The services in Adelaide Street Baptist Church tomorrow will be suitable to the season of the year. The pastor, Rev. J. H. Boyd, will be in charge. In the morning his theme will be the "Virgin Birth of Christ," and in the evening "The True Purpose of the Incarnation." There will be Christmas hymns, solo, quartette and anthems.

FALKIRK CONCERT

Fine Christmas entertainment Was Enjoyed by Large Audience.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Falkirk, Dec. 20. — A very successful Christmas social was held in Carlisle Presbyterian Church under the auspices of the Y. P. G. on Thursday evening.

The basement was beautifully decorated for the occasion with evergreens and Christmas bells.

Mr. J. C. Shipley acted as chairman in the absence of the pastor and was warmly congratulated on the success of the evening.

The program was splendidly varied and included Christmas music rendered by the choir, Mrs. S. Thompson, of Denfield, assisting with the singing; a quartet, composed of Miss M. McDonald Miss E. A. Shipley Mr. Jas. Watson and Tom Shipley which sang several selections and Mrs. Westcott's reading "Rosie's Christmas Pudding." Charades were acted and words guessed by the audience. A game, "Passing the Clubs," afforded much amusement.

Lunch was then served by the young ladies, each one given a piece of Christmas cake, to add a happy month in the year 1914. During the lunch the gramaphone loaned by Mr. McDonald entertained the audience.

A liberal free-will offering was presented.

MASONIC ELECTION

Captain Langford Is New Worshipful Master of Port Elgin Lodge.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Port Elgin, Dec. 20. — At the regular meeting of the Masonic Lodge, officers were elected as follows: W. M., Capt. Langford; S. W., J. B. Cottrill; J. W., Cyril Currier; chaplain, E. Roy Sayles; secretary, J. W. Dougherty; treasurer, R. M. Lowry; trustees, Wm. George and Gus Smith; auditors, F. R. Barber, E. Roy Sayles; installing officer, August Miller. The deacons are appointed by the incoming master.

PETROSKEY BEATS BENZ.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 19.—"Sailor" Ed. Petroskey, of San Francisco, was awarded a decision last night over Leo Benz, of Butte, at the end of 12 rounds, which were Petroskey's all the way.

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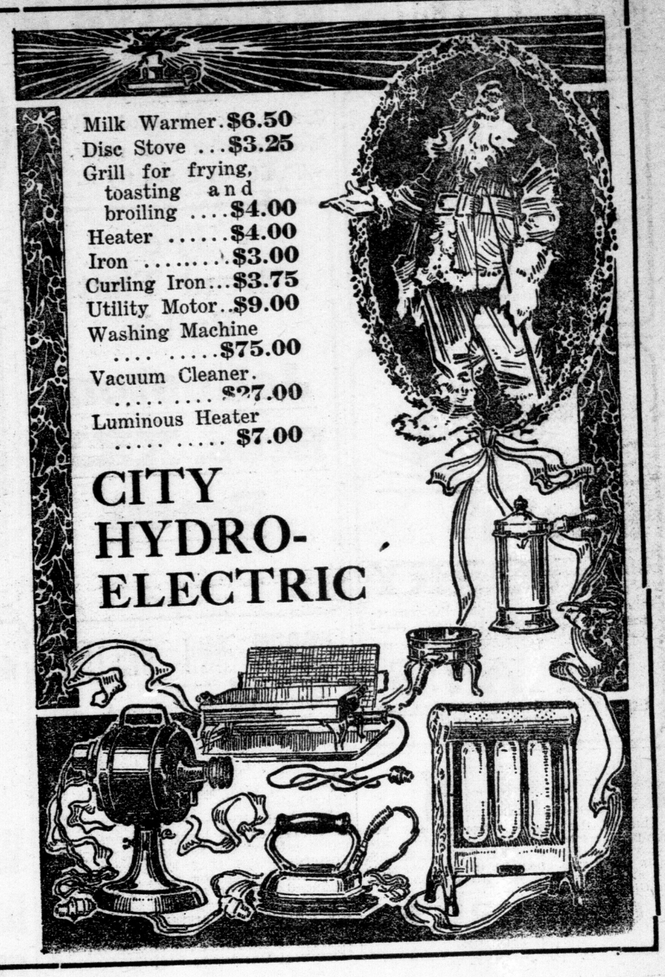

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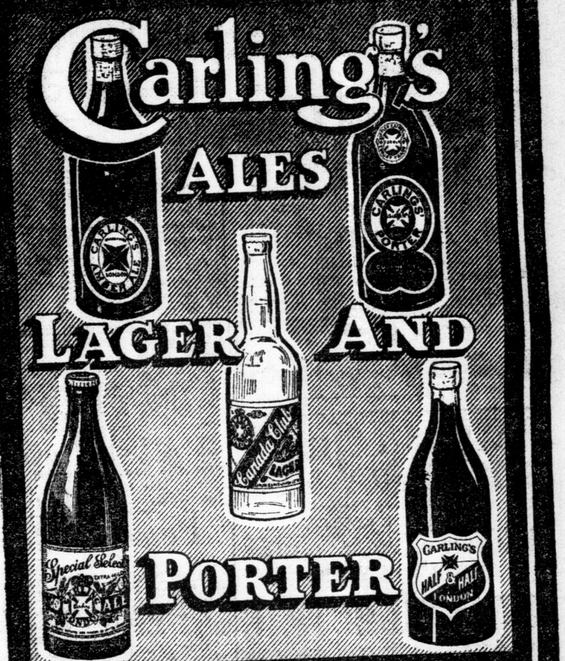

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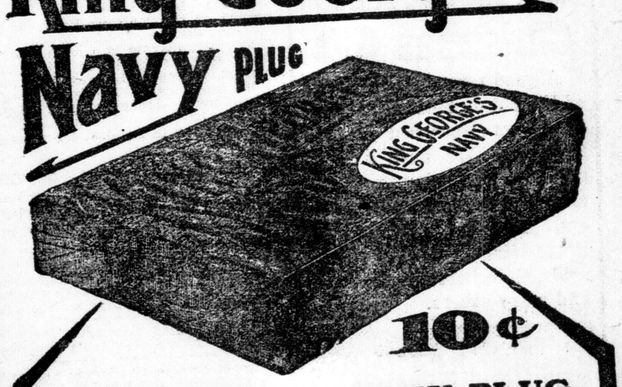

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NEW OFFICE HOURS
Under the new rules of the council, recommended by the procedure committee, is one requiring all city offices to be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., except on Saturdays, when, in the winter months, they will be open from 9 to 3, and in June, July and August from 9 to 1. The hours of the water and hydro offices are fixed by the water commissioners, and are from 9 to 5, and on Saturdays from 9 until 1.

London Loan and Savings Company of Canada
DIVIDEND NO. 79.
Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of 6 per cent per annum for the current quarter year has been declared upon the Paid-up Capital Stock of the Company, and is payable on and after the 2nd day of January, 1914, to shareholders of record on Dec. 15, 1913.
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LONDON AND DISTRICT

Building Permits Heavy.—A. Irwin has been granted a permit for the erection of a brick residence on Piccadilly street, to cost $2,300. Permits issued so far this month by Building Inspector A. M. Piper total $36,000. In December, 1912, they were $27,263 for the whole month.

Articipate Heavy Travel. — Officials in charge of the local passenger departments of the railroads announced yesterday that they look for a brisk business during the next few days. Reduced rates on all lines will go into effect on Monday and will extend over the holidays. At present the bulk of the outgoing travel in this city consists in trips to the West Indies and Europe. "Our real Christmas business, such as we have every year, will not begin until early next week, and I think it will be large," said a passenger agent.

PROVIDE CONVEYANCES FOR CHRISTMAS WAITS

Citizens Enable Carol Singers to Ride—"Show a Light."

For the convenience of the waits, who will sing on the streets of this city on Christmas Eve, Messrs. McNaughton, Arthur Little, R. J. Young, H. Struthers, Alex. Purdom and L. A. Boss have provided conveyances for the singers, enabling them to move from place to place faster, and so visit all parts of the city. W. A. Brock has provided 20 bags and poles with which the collections will be made from upstair windows.

Mrs. Harry Kingsmill, who is directing the waits, is making the request that citizens who intend making a donation to the waits as they sing their Christmas carols in aid of the city's poor children, will show a light as the carols are started. Otherwise the bands of waits may pass on before the citizens have made their donation.

Personal Mention

Miss Pauline Smith has returned to St. Thomas after spending ten days with friends in the city.

J. V. Flannigan, of London, was in Boston this week on business.

Hon. Thomas Wilson Crothers, minister of labor, and Mrs. Crothers, will spend the Christmas holidays in St. Thomas. Mr. Crothers is the member for West Elgin.

Hydro Will Be Off.—The street railway is to be supplied with hydro power on Wednesday next, and on Sunday the Niagara service will be cut off from 1 to 4 in the afternoon, in order to make connection with the third feed wire which is being installed to accommodate the heavy load.

Gerald Ingram, of the London branch of the Molsons Bank, is substituting in the Aylmer office of the bank. Mr. Ingram is a nephew of the Right Rev. Arthur Foley Winnington-Ingram, bishop of London, England.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Deyo (formerly Josephine E. Archer, of this city), of Sombra, Ont., will spend the Christmas vacation in London, the guests of relatives.

PREPARING CHRISTMAS CONCERT
[Special to The Advertiser.]
Sarnia, Dec. 20. — The Christmas entertainment of St. Paul's Church Sunday school will be held in that building on Monday evening next. The scholars have been practicing hard for the past few weeks and have prepared a fine program for the event.

Closed, heated carriages for every occasion. 'Phone Hueston's Liveries.

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WANTS LONGER DAY

Ald. Moore Would Move Summer Clock an Hour Ahead.

If Ald. J. Percy Moore is a member of the city council next year, there is a serious possibility that he will have a bylaw introduced to make next summer's daylight last longer each day. Ald. Moore has been considering the matter, and declares it is generally felt that it would be better to start the working day an hour earlier, thus allowing workers to go home an hour earlier in the evening, to enjoy an extra hour of coolness and ease.

The extra hour in the morning would be a cool one, and after work in the afternoon there would be a long evening when the masses could go to the lakeside or Springbank and forget the heat.

The idea has been tried out with success elsewhere, and there appears no reason why it should not go here, according to its sponsor. If it is found that the city council cannot legally pass a bylaw setting the clock one hour ahead, special legislation may be asked to permit of such action, or the people may be asked to vote on the question.

Card of Thanks.
Mr. and Mrs. A. Baker, 1074 Frances street, city, desire to thank their many friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy during their recent bereavement.

CHRISTMAS EXCURSIONS.
To accommodate the Christmas rush the Grand Trunk will run the afternoon London Huron and Bruce train London to Wingham in two sections, first section leaving London at 4:15 p.m., and the regular train at 4:40 p.m.; also the Eastern Flyer due to leave here for Toronto at 6:53 p.m. will be run in two sections London to Toronto. These extra sections will be run on Dec. 24 only. R. E. Ruse, C. P. and T. A. 7k

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ENFORCEMENT OF BYLAW CAUSES GROCERS WORRY

Just What Stores Come Under Provisions of Law Seems Doubtful.

250 SELL GROCERIES

Of This Number, However, Only 196 Are "Straight Line" Grocery Shops.

Just how the grocers' early closing bylaw, put through at the last meeting of the council, is to be enforced is a matter that is troubling a large number of grocers in the city. Under the bylaw, all grocery stores are required to close at 7 o'clock each evening, including Saturday, and not to reopen until 5 the next morning.

According to the city clerk, there are 196 grocery stores in the city, and the petition asking for the early closing bylaw was signed by slightly more than 75 per cent. of them, this percentage being necessary in order to require the council to pass the bylaw.

Council Rushed It Through.

Although Ald. J. G. Richter, Ald. S. Frank Glass and one or two others wished further information on the subject, and desired that some of the tangles of the proposal be unravelled, before final action was taken, the council put the measure through, with many features of the puzzle remaining unexplained.

Though there are but 196 stores in the city which may be correctly termed grocery stores, there are in the neighborhood of 250 shops which sell groceries. This latter figure includes regulation grocery stores, small general stores and confectionery shops, which sell certain lines of groceries, such as canned goods, tea, coffee and cocoa, spices, bread and other staple food articles.

Did Not Sign the Petition.

The proprietors of such stores as these did not, with the exception of a few cases, sign the petition for early closing, and were not taken into account in computing the percentage of grocery store proprietors whose names were on the document. Now the question arises, may not these stores continue to sell groceries at any hour at all, as they are not grocery stores in the true sense of the expression? If all these stores are grocery stores, then the petition was not sufficiently signed, and if they are not grocery stores, how may they be prevented from supplying the public needs after the hour fixed for the closing of grocery stores?

Hardship to Small Dealers.

"This bylaw is going to be a great hardship to a number of small dealers, that is providing it can be enforced," said Joseph Good, 457½ Talbot street, a groceryman, to The Advertiser, "for it will hit the little stores that now get some business after the big fellows have closed up. There's another side to the question also. If a man goes to a grocery store after hours or on Sunday and demands the necessaries of life, the grocer can be prosecuted if he refuses to serve him. So there you are; they can fine the grocer $50 for selling after hours, or they can fine him for refusing to sell necessary food to sustain life."

Buy your groceries early and help the popular movement of early closing. 6u

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Silk Hosiery, pr..50c to $3.00
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Collars, Fichus and Fancy Neckwear .... 25c to $3.00
Umbrellas .....75c to $6.00
Girdles and Belts.25c to $1.50
Handbags ....$1.00 to $7.00
Needle Cases ...15c to $1.50
Crochet Slippers..$1 to $1.75
Barettes, Combs, Bandeaux and Turban Pins..25c to $4
Handkerchiefs ..10c to $2.50
Sweater Coats.$1.00 to $5.00
Aprons ..... 25c to $1.00
Underskirts....$1.00 to $5.00
Silk Dress or waist length. Fancy Blouse. Table Linen, or Fancy Linens. Underwear. Ostrich Plumes or Boas. Scarfs, Blankets, Eiderdown, or Carpets and Rugs.

Give "Him"
Gloves, pair.....50c to $2.50
Ties.....25c to 75c
Socks .....25c to 50c
Silk Socks, special, pair..50c
Mufflers.....50c to $1.50
President Suspenders, pr.50c
Umbrellas .....$1 to $5
Travelling Rugs....$3 to $7
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Women's Silk Hose, Regular $1.00 Value On Sale . . 50c
Pure Silk Hose with open-worked pattern, black only. Also pure silk Ankle Hose, white, black or tan. At per pair ..... 50¢

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Eiderdown Comforter Special, . . $4.28
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Give Children
Kid Shoes or Slippers, pair..... 25c to 75c
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Sweaters, Caps and Knitted Toques.
Bonnets and Hats..50c to $5
Dresses .....$1.50 to $10
Beads 25c, 35c, 50c
Kiddies' Umbrellas.50c to $1
Midget Kid Gloves...75c, $1
Silk Socks and Stockings, per pair .....25c, 35c and 50c
Cashmere Stockings, black, white or colors, .15c to 60c
Handkerchiefs....8c to $1.00
Needle Cases ...15c to $1.50
A Silk Dress or a Wool Dress.

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LONDON, ONTARIO, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1913.

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51st Year.

Fierce Fight With Timber Wolves in the Forest of Middlesex County

BURLEIGH BURCH TELLS VIVID TALE OF HARDSHIPS OF THE PIONEERS; HAD WILD ADVENTURES IN WEST

A Pioneer of Middlesex

MR. BURLEIGH BURCH, who had exciting life in early days of Middlesex.

By Special Corerspondent.

I am a disciple of the impressionist school and have been since my early youth. To me the constant moral analysis of men and things possesses a fascination which the student will readily understand.

In my travels I have been exceedingly fortunate in meeting with men who have accomplished something worth while, and seen life in its many phases.

Middlesex abounds with such men, men who have helped to build up the grand old country and make it famous. Yet its heroes are for the most part unknown.

A few days ago I visited the home of Mr. Burleigh Burch, Lambeth, one of Middlesex's oldest settlers, who, I had learned from others, had many an exciting tale to tell of his progress through life.

Pioneer Tells Story.

I found the veteran farmer sunning himself on the back stoop, and after telling him The Advertiser readers would be interested to learn of the Middlesex of the dim past, and his experiences in the rush to the gold fields in California, in 1849 or thereabouts, we stepped inside the well-built frame house.

After a few comments upon the weather, the old pioneer donned his thinking cap, as it were, and commenced his narrative:

"I was born in Westminster Township in the year 1825, in an old log cabin just in front of this house. I am therefore in my 89th year. This part of the country was very different then. It was a vast, mighty forest, the home of the redman and the wild beasts. There was just a sprinkling of white settlers."

Home a Crude Affair.

Mr. Burch's favorite collie dog lay at his feet and would occasionally glance at his master as he raised his voice to bring out the strong parts of his story.

"The old cabin was a crude bit of workmanship—at least it would be called so now. The great logs were piled on top of each other, and the cracks filled in with mud. The flooring was made of split logs, and the roof of clapboards. We had no nails to fasten them down, and so young saplings were used. Glass was out of the question for windows. There were just holes covered with cloth and blankets were hung for doors. The climate was not as cold then as now. The great bush broke the force of the wind and kept the snow from drifting. But many a morning I awoke to find a fall of the beautiful on top of the blankets.

A Hard Life.

"The settlers had anything but an easy task to clear off the land. Giant trees were chopped down and burned. Then between the big stumps a little corn, wheat and potatoes were grown. The timber burned in those days would be worth a fortune now. But such is life. The wolves were a terror in those days, and showed an extra liking for chicken and sheep. The dogs were afraid to tackle these brutes, and would come flying under the blanket in the doorway into the house when chased. Bears, foxes and wildcats, too, were numerous, but were not so venturesome nor so destructive as the wolves.

Chased by Wolves.

"My two sisters and myself at one time had a narrow escape from being torn to pieces by the timber wolves. I was about 12 years old at the time, and my sister a little older. Father had tapped some maples some 100 rods distant from the house, and we were assisting him. It was late in the afternoon, when we suddenly missed him. Darkness crept on apace, yet he did not return. And there we stood by the fire, throwing on more wood to frighten the hungry beasts. That was an exciting and thrilling time, with our lives ever in danger. Again and again would come the howl of the wolves, while suddenly a pair of glaring eyes would strike terror into our souls. But the great leaping tongues of flame and the myriad sparks kept off the wolves, and in the morning my father rescued us, little the worse for our experience.

"It was only then I learned he had gone to the house the previous evening, thinking we were following him. It was not safe for my father to attempt to rescue us during the night, and there were no neighbors near at hand at that time to help in the task."

Indian Camps.

"And were there any Indians around in those days?" inquired the writer.

"Not at this particular time, but they would camp regularly every year for a few months on the farm. They were the Muncey tribe, which is still in Muncey. They were very friendly, and gave us no trouble. In fact, we liked them around. They would brighten up our lives a bit. The Indian made their clothes out of deer skins, and they were good tanners. Sometimes we would allow them to stay in the house overnight. They would sleep full length on the floor with their feet turned towards the fire. This was their custom.

The First Schoolhouse.

"Do I remember the first schoolhouse built? Yes, it was a stone's throw from here—at the corner of the next concession. It did-duty as a church as well. Many a fine time was spent there, and many an old-fashioned ball took place. A funny thing happened to me there when I was a babe. My parents had taken me to church. Somehow or other I got under the seat and must have dozed off. Anyway I could not have been making any noises, for after the service my father left the church without me. The excitement of shaking hands with friends from far and near was responsible for this. However, I was none the worse for the ordeal, when discovered some time later."

Old-Time Christmas.

"Was Christmas a season of festivity, then?" I inquired.

"Yes, and there was great joy in the old log cabin in the heart of the bush. Picture a great wide chimney with a six-foot hearth, and some big logs sizzling and spluttering, and sending up their tongues of yellow flames, and you have an idea of comfort. It was the custom to sit around the hearth on Christmas night, when memories of the past would be refreshed. We had no piano or organ then, but there was the fiddle, and the player would fill the room with stirring melodies. People were happier in those days. Life was more rational. There was no fuming and fretting of shopping early in pioneer days.

Off to Gold Fields.

"When I was about 27 a great change came into my life. The news of great gold fields that had been discovered in California had spread like wildfire through the land, and I determined to try my luck in that far-off country. I left the last day of February, 1852, and I will always remember that day. There was about three feet of snow on the ground, and the sky was cloudy and heavy as I gazed at the old home for the last time.

Across the Plains.

"There were 32 of us when we started—all buoyed up with the hope of striking it rich. We took the stage to Detroit, and the trip there was uneventful. Then by train and stage we got to St. Louis. Eventually we reached Kansas, and this was the trading post, where prospectors bought their horses and mules and provisions for the great journey of some 2,000 miles across the plains to Sacramento. I bought two horses and a mule, and packed them with provisions, such as

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Londoner Was In Hunger Strike as a Russian Political Prisoner

PANKHURST METHODS WON RIGHTS FROM CZAR

How Ways of Militants Were Successfully Used by Russian "Politicals" Long Before the Day of the Suffragettes.

STORY FROM INSIDE TOLD ADVERTISER BY ONE WHO WAS THERE

Mr. S. L. Davis, of this city, is probably as familiar with and well versed in the Russian revolutionary movement as any Canadian, having been connected with it since his childhood. He has spent nearly two years in Russian prisons because of his activities in the fight for freedom.

About eight years after effecting his escape from the last prison he was confined in Mr. Davis came first to the United States, and some four years later to Canada, since which he has resided in London for the last three years or more. One of the experiences which Mr. Davis has gone through was a hunger strike that lasted for six days. It is often erroneously supposed that the hunger strike originated with the militant English suffragettes, but in reality it was practiced many years earlier by Russian political prisoners.

Libraries in Prisons.

Some of the Russian prisons are fairly comfortable, and the prisoners are confined in fair-sized rooms, with libraries of good books to read, the chief hardship being the isolation from their fellows and the poor food which is supplied them. Usually their friends are allowed, however, to bring them food. The hunger strike which Mr. Davis went through was called because following the escape of a prisoner, the privileges hitherto allowed the prisoners were greatly restricted, and they were subjected to inconsiderate treatment by their warders. Before it ended by the restoration of the privileges which had been cancelled, several of the prisoners, totally exhausted by lack of food, had been taken to the hospital.

Won Their Fight.

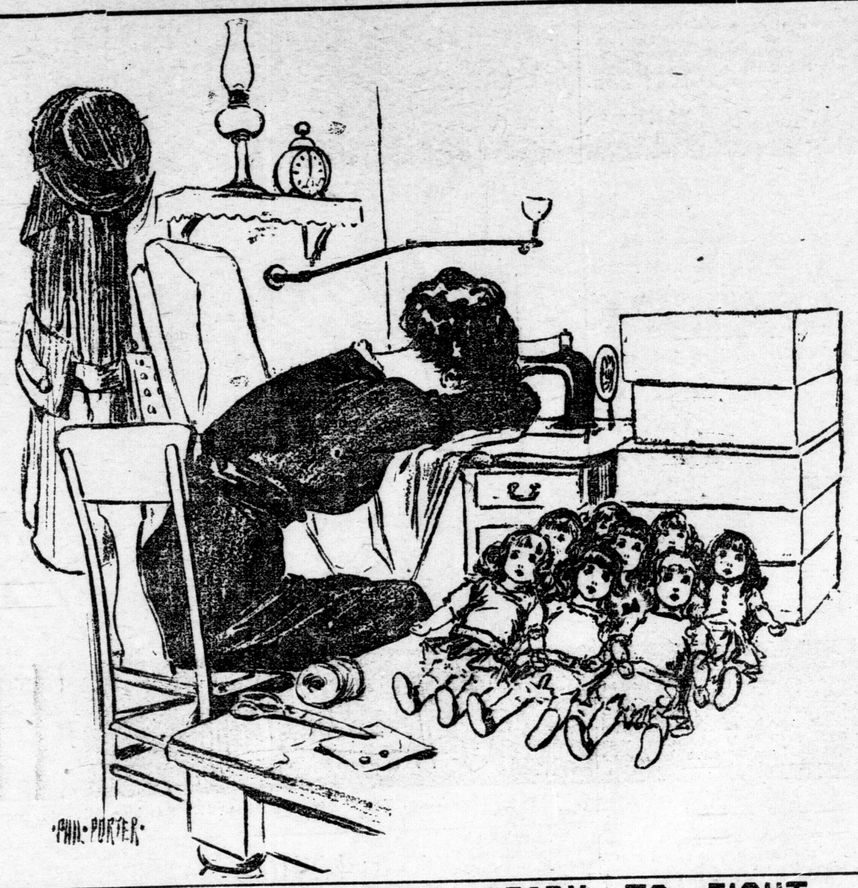
According to Mr. Davis it was a highly exciting moment when one of the chief prison officials came in and announced, "Well, gentlemen, I think we are going to meet all your demands." The strike was over, and the prisoners, almost too weak to speak, and scarcely able to stand on their feet a moment before, thrilled by the realization of victory, embraced each other, and laughed and danced, wept and shouted. Food was brought them in abundance, but realizing their condition they allowed themselves only tea and milk the first night, and from their numbers they appointed three, of whom Mr. Davis was one, to watch over the food that was piled on the table in the prisoners' room, all night.

"Had one of us been alone," says Mr. Davis, "he probably would have been unable to resist the maddening impulse to eat the food he was guarding, but not a man touched it all night." Some of the prisoners were nearly crazed by hunger, but they won and the knowledge of that thrilled and strengthened them.

In a series of graphically portrayed articles, descriptive of the actual conditions and experiences which he himself has been through, Mr. Davis, in future issues of The Advertiser Supplement, will explain the ideals, aims, and course of the revolutionary movement in Russia. The first article will be published next Saturday. Mr. Davis has travelled widely in Russia, Siberia and other parts of Europe, and the last eight years throughout Canada and the United States. His view of the revolutionary movement will be wide, unbiased and moderate, although keenly sympathetic, and his description of conditions will be accurate, comprehensive and from first-hand sources.

The manufacture of cement in the Philippines, whose supply now comes almost entirely from Hong Kong, will probably be commenced toward the end of 1913. The Rizal Cement Company, the Philippine corporation which has acquired large property and limestone and silica deposits in Binangonan, Rizal province, about 30 miles from Manila, is commencing the erection of its large factory.

THE REAL SANTA CLAUS



NINETY THOUSAND MEN READY TO FIGHT, DECLARES SIR EDWARD CARSON IN BITTER SPEECH AGAINST THE HOME RULE MEASURE

Sir Edward Carson, speaking at Manchester, made a red-hot attack on the Asquith Government.

Sir Edward Carson, who was received with enthusiasm, said: The reception which you have been good enough to give to me and my colleagues from Ulster shows me that, whatever any man may say, that old spirit which loves freedom and fights for it is not dead. (Hear, hear.) Lancashire likes pluck. Lancashire recognizes the pluck and the courage of men who have made up their minds at all sacrifices to reserve to themselves and those who come after them the fundamental principles of civil and religious liberty.

You do not welcome us here tonight as rebels—("No!")—and seditionmongers. You welcome us here because you know that no amount of rhetoric can get rid of the fact that we in the past have been loyal, devoted subjects, like yourselves (Cheers.) In all your past history we have stood by you, we have been proud of you, and we are glad to hold out the right hand of friendship through ill report and through good, and it is because we come here tonight claiming that you and we are the same citizens of the same kingdom, and determined to remain so and each together, that you give us a welcome which we heartily appreciate No abuse, no approbrium, no falsehood can beat back any cause which in its essence is just and righteous. Great attempts have been made to misrepresent our motives. They have all failed, and as day by day goes by, people, thank heaven for it, are beginning to recognize that we are out for no selfish objects—(hear, hear)—for nothing for ourselves, nothing for individuals, but for the prospecity of a great community and the great United Kingdom. (Cheers.) There have been many charges made against us. I don't say against me, because that is of no importance. They amuse me.

Ulstermen and the Constitution.

But people are hardy enough, may I say trying enough, to assert that we who are opposing home rule and who are going to fight to the end in opposition to it—(hear, hear)—are sapping the foundations of that constitutional government which Radicals hold so dear. (Laughter.) They try to terrify weak-kneed people, capitalists and others, by telling us that we are laying down a principle ruinous to the community—that a portion of the community has the right to say it can defy acts of p-rliament. Because have said we will never submit to home rule Mr. Lloyd George—(booing and a cry of "Bible puncher")—warns the aristocracy and all those whom it may concern that if they dare to countenance this terrible resolve of Ulster he will take care that he starts a kind of second French revolution, in which these people are to lose their heads. (Laughter.) Well, other people might lose their heads. In fact, I do not know there is any occasion on which Mr. Lloyd George does not lose his head. (Cheers.) I know he says that I am to the Tory party the wet dog in the drawing-room. (Laughter.) Well, I don't know that that is any worse than being the mad bull in the china shop. (Cheers, and "Rub it in.") I can assure you that neither I nor any of my colleagues nor any of those hard business men of Ulster who have made their province something to boast of—none of us has laid down any such foolish principle or claim. On the contrary, we have always asserted that, so long as you are in a community and are enjoying the laws, privileges and liberties of that community, it is your first duty to obey every law of it whether you like it or whether you do not; and we have never hesitated to obey your laws; we at all events have given you no trouble. (Cheers.)

The Government's Obligations.

But if we are in a community as good citizens ready to obey your laws, let me say this as a constitutional lawyer: There are reciprocal obligations upon the part of the Government towards loyal citizens who obey the laws. The first is that they protect them in their constitutional rights. The second is that they keep them in their community. The third is that they offer them no degraded position. And the fourth is that they will ever refuse to hand them over to their enemies. (Cheers.) If they don't wish to do that; if, having no charge against us or laying no crime to our doors, not suggesting that we have ever been disobedient to their laws, they say, "We will kick you out or sweep you out as if you were so much dirt," well then I say I owe them no allegiance in the future. (Cheers.)

SIR EDWARD CARSON.

Just let us test it for a few moments, this great Liberal-Radical coalition doctrine that you are to submit to any treatment and be thankful that you get it. Let us take an extreme case. Supposing it suited the present Government—and no one knows what will suit them any day, as nothing weighs with them except vote-catching—supposing they were to say tomorrow, "It suits us better to hand Ireland over to a foreign power"; are we to go over to the foreign power simply because the House of Commons by a coalition majority order us to do so? If I did it, I would never again appear before a Lancashire audience. (Cheers.) No one would argue it for a moment. Let me take another case. We live in a country where there is religious freedom for every sect and for every creed equally. Supposing tomorrow they were to try to put down any religion in this country. Would they tell us that that religion ought to submit without a struggle? I say if they did they would not be worthy of the manhood that was given to them. (Hear, hear.)

Take another case and a very simple one. Supposing a chance Government were foolish enough to say we will deprive a large class of the community of the franchise. Would that be within their rights? If such a thing happened you would have a revolution in England tomorrow, and rightly so.

What are they doing with us? It is not a question of the franchise; it is not a question of religion. They want to put us, lock, stock, and barrel, out of the community in which we were born, and to hand us over to those whom we loathe and detest. (Cheers.) Why do we loathe and detest them? Because they have refused to throw in their lot with you and, together with us——(the rest of the sentence was lost in cheering.) We lay down no new principle. It is the old fight for freedom and self-preservation which is the first law of nature. It is the same old fight, though under different circumstances, that won for you and for me the liberties which we now have, which you are going to have left to you and which we are going to maintain by force if necessary. (Cheers.) You may laugh at it, you may ridicule it—it has been laughed at and ridiculed often enough—but I tell you this from my conscience: We have made up our minds and we will have none of it, no matter what Parliament or anybody else may say. (Hear, hear.) We are ashamed of nothing we have done or are doing. And something more. We are afraid of nothing that anyone can do to us in trying to wrest from us the precious heritance that we have received—that precious heritance which makes you and me citizens of the same United Kingdom. We are not conspirators plotting against the King or the constitution. We are maintaining the King and the constitution. (Hear, hear.) We are doing nothing in the dark. We have no mean objects and we do not carry out our ideals by any mean methods. You won't find an Ulsterman shooting from behind the hedge. (Cheers.) You won't find him, for carrying out his political objects, cutting the tails of dumb animals or firing into the dwelling-houses of innocent people. We do not drive other people's cattle. When it comes to the proper moment we will drive men and not cattle. (Cheers.) No, we have started this fight with a high level. We have started it under the old flag, and when you fight it, if ever you do, we will still keep to the old flag. We have stood a great deal. For five and twenty years these people of the north of Ireland have been threatened and insulted and outraged for political purposes, and all they ask is that they may be allowed to go about their business without interference. Yes, they have suffered all that, and they are suffering it now, and they want to finish it. But I want to tell you with all that there is in their blood that call of loyalty which, no matter what may happen, will still make them to believe that there is no government worth living under except the King and the constitution of the United Kingdom—(cheers)—and all that that means for civil and religious liberty.

The Situation Growing Graver.

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ZANGWILL FIGHTS FOR THE SUFFRAGETTES COMPARES SELF-SACRIFICE TO HARI-KARI

The clamorings and violence of the British suffragettes have found an eloquent advocate in Israel Zangwill, the gifted romancer of the Ghetto. In the English Review he treats their imprisonments as martyrdom and compares their self-sacrifice to that of the Japanese patriot who commits harakiri, or the women who welcome the suttee as the shortest way to reunion with the object of their love. In Mr. Zangwill's eyes they are heroines, stoned and beaten, ducked in horse-ponds, obscenely maltreated, imprisoned with drunkards and pickpockets, sentenced to penal servitude, loathsomely fed by tubes and pumps — yet their woman's war remains unstained by blood other than their own. "Captain Scott perishing in the Antarctic snows for lack of food was less essentially heroic than they." Of one of the leaders of the cause this writer says:

"Miss Christabel Pankhurst has taken her motto from Blake:

If the sun and moon should doubt,
They'd immediately go out.

She combines the spiritual assurance and practical genius of a St. Catherine of Siena with the determination of a hustler and the logic of a bachelor of laws. There is, perhaps, something of Manchester in her machinelike rigidity. But it gives her the invaluable quality of decision. And never was this quality exhibited more finely than in her handling (from her Paris exile) of the problem of bringing out the Suffragette when printer after printer was warned off by the Government. Her refusal to let the Labor party print it was a master-stroke.

Christabel's Creed.

"Inferior to her mother as an orator, despite her vivacity and charm, and only occasionally touching the same high note of religious simplicity, she seems to have carried away the graver and greater figure by her cocksureness. It is the young generation kicking at the door. 'When should the Government give us the vote?' 'Today!' That is the note of Christabel. That the Government would risk an internal crisis that might overthrow the still unstable results of many sessions, that the Irish and Labor parties are only pursuing the same single-eyed system as herself, does not diminish her resentment at not being served first. There is nothing she despises so much as the M. P., she has told us, nor is Parliament a career she would ever contemplate. That sounds like a touch of masculine inconsequence, the one breach in the relentlessness of the female logic."

Of their contempt for suffering, their defiance of death, their daring and persistency, Mr. Zangwill says:

"Hari-kiri, the one resource of the suffragettes, turns out to be their strongest weapon. Englishmen are not so brutish that they can bear the sight of martyred innocence. The heroic suicide of a lady of wealth and station on the public doorstep of the Derby is worth a wilderness of fires, and the cross that was borne before her body at the great funeral was a more victorious symbol than the hammer. Militancy is only successful in so far as it brings suffering to the militants. If this were a real war, could one say the greater their casualties the nearer their triumph? In war you menace the enemy with death. Mrs. Pankhurst is menacing the enemy with her own death. Even allowing the Government merely the wisdom of knowing that the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church, the fact that she is not allowed to die, even though ministers are at their wits' ends to keep her and the law alive together, is a comforting reassurance of human progress.

Born of Despair.

"Four years ago, Mrs. Pankhurst said in the dock: 'Our words have always been—be patient, exercise self-restraint, show our so-called superiors that the criticism of women being hysterical is not true, use no violence, offer yourselves to the violence of others.' Militancy was born out of despair of constitutionalism: out of despair of militancy, Mrs. Pankhurst has come back to the teaching of Corinthians. Crime is now merely a cover for her hunger-strike. Her utter selflessness, the unbreakable energy of that frail body under the cat-and-mouse bill (aptly compared to the Iron Maiden of the Middle Ages, whose iron spikes slowly squeezed out the life of the vic-

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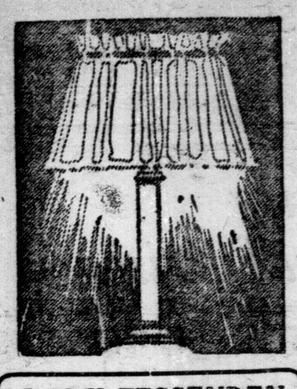
Lamplight Stories for Winter Saturday Nights



LADY FESSENDEN

The Game of Fighting the Commonplace Turns Romance Into Reality.

BY GELETT BURGESS

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As Myra stood, her hands behind her, her back to the long wall, awaiting the confusion of the rush hour, the sordidness of the restaurant struck her anew. This pause, after the butter pats were arranged, the pies quartered and the salt-cellars filled, while she waited for the hurried, fretful throng to pile her tray with orders, gave her plenty of chance for disgust.

So, as she waited, she took up her game and fought the Commonplace. It was a child's game, but through this last, slow year of poverty, she had developed it with so much detail and fancy that it had been something of a resource against despair. The fine-spun, fair brown mass of hair that tumbled about her low brow, the wondering gray eyes, the absurd little nose, the dewy, parted lips and triangular chin made up the wistful face of Myra Long, the quickest and deftest of all the black-gowned waitresses at Heppner's Quick Lunch, the only one whose whimsical droll face did not attract the flirtatious familiarity of the bolder customers. But it was not Myra Long who now stood with her back to the wall. She had gone off in a day-dream.

It was Lady Fessenden, instead, who, seeking diversion and sociological material, bored with her estates in Kent, her servants and her circle of society, had taken up the absurd whim which brought her into contact with the Lower Middle Classes. It was Lady Fessenden, also, who, after having taught school at North Summit, had come to New York to seek for a place on the stage, and who, sinking lower and lower in her ambitions, had at last found a position where she would not, at least, have to starve.

And so, in New York, in her little hall bedroom on West Twenty-fourth street, she still bravely kept up the game. There were many odd bits of pantomime that went on in front of her wobbly mirror that were impossible here in the restaurant. But even at Heppner's Lady Fessenden was not idle. She was watching for a champion to rescue Myra from the dragon of the prosaic. She had been captured by the Commonplace. It was time for a rescue, and so, as she waited, with her back to the long wall, she scanned the crowd for her errant knight.

That he did come, as she hoped, to her very table at Heppner's, and that she recognized him at a glance, proved Lady Fessenden to be of the blood-royal of Romance. He came in with an old man. He came in, to be plain, upon the front page of the Morning Dispatch in the form of a printed interview and a half-tone portrait of Hall Payson Prince, a South American explorer and archaeologist. The paper was left on the table, and Lady Fessenden pounced upon it and bore it into the pantry.

With his light, drooping mustache, his firm, straight mouth and his sun-wrinkled eyes, she felt as if she had known him for years. She read the interview avidly. In two minutes she had his story by heart, and his portrait in the bag at her waist.

She went on duty at 11 o'clock next day. At half-past ten she entered a public telephone booth and hesitatingly called for Mr. Prince's number. He answered himself—her beating heart told her that at his first word. Gasping for breath, trembling with sudden alarm at her impertinence, it was all she could do to speak aloud.

"Oh, Mr. Prince," she managed to say, "I do hope I'm not interrupting you—please tell me if I am. But I have something I'd like very much to say to you."

"Whom have I the pleasure of talking to?" he asked pleasantly.

"Well, if you must know, I'm Lady Fessenden," was her hesitating answer.

"Lady Fessenden? I'm afraid you have the advantage of me."

"You're quite right, Mr. Prince, but I intend to keep it. I'll have to quite throw myself on your mercy, really."

"What can I do for you, then?" There seemed to be a trace of amusement in his tone.

"It's a most extraord'n'ry proposal I have to make, Mr. Prince. Really, I don't know how I dare. It would be, of course, impossible at home, for a person of my position. But you Americans have the name of being so chivalrous and romantic, I'm really curious to see if it's so. Of course, it's a highly unconventional thing I'm doing, and all that sort of thing, but I'm depending upon your gentility not to misconstrue my motives. You see already what sort of an opinion I've formed of you. I do hope you won't disappoint me!"

"But I don't quite understand?" There was a ring of impatience in his voice.

"My dear Mr. Prince, just exactly what I want you to do is quite not to understand!" (Myra got that, almost verbatim from Henry James.) "I most beautifully don't understand myself—how I can permit myself ever in the world to do it! That's the charm of it, isn't it?"

"Oh, it's charming! I perfectly agree!" Mr. Prince had at last begun to play up.

Myra smiled in triumph. This was quite what he should say! Henry James was right. "Well, if it seems unconventional for you, an American, fancy what it must mean to me, an Englishwoman! You simply can't and mustn't on any possible account, ever in the world, meet me. That's the condition, the only one, on which I'm willing to talk to you."

"Talk to me! Can't I see you about—whatever you wish to say?"

"Am I quite, then, too barefaced about it? Am I an adventuress, do you think?"

"I'm sure I don't want to show any lack of gallantry," he replied. But, even yet, I don't quite get what you wish of me."

"Merely to talk to me. Is it too absurd?"

"Are you married, may I ask? The name implies—"

"Oh, Lord Fessenden has been dead two years. It's quite safe as to HIM!"

"I'm simply dying of curiosity already."

"I can easily imagine that, seeing how much I have myself."

"Then you really don't know me?"

"I have never even seen you. How could I do anything so atrocious, else?"

"Then just what, may I ask, IS to happen?"

"You're simply to talk to me whenever I ring you up."

"Oh, if you only WILL!"

"I shall, tomorrow. Good-by!"

The next morning Myra was again at the telephone booth. Mr. Prince had evidently awaited her coming with some curiosity. His "Is that you, Lady Fessenden?" delighted her, though to have the name put to her, audibly, seriously, almost frightened her. She assumed her English inflection and replied.

For fifteen minutes she was a lady—the lady of her dreams. Her audience inspired her with flights of fancy. She grew delicately jocose, she rallied him playfully, she even taunted him with her advantage. Oh, she had him on the hook, surely enough, now! The surety of it went to her head. It was perilously exciting to have him take her at her own valuation.

"But just exactly why can't I be permitted to know you?" he asked.

"My DEAR Mr. Prince," she answered, "it's simply not to be thought of—much less discussed. No matter how much of a gentleman you are, I can't intrust you with my secret. A woman of my position simply CAN'T take the risk. As long as you don't meet me, I'm safe. But fancy how it would compromise me if it should become known!"

"You might at least describe yourself!" he insisted.

"Well, I'm tall and willowy, a pronounced brunette. Oh, I suppose you'd admit I had a certain carriage and the grace of a woman of my station. Today I have a green velvet suit with military frogs of bronze and a picture hat. White gloves. An emerald necklace—but really not a bit gaudy."

"It's your eyes I want most to know about."

"Oh, they're indescribable, my eyes. Green, of course—we're all wearing green eyes, this season. But I must positively go to my hairdresser's. Good-by!"

Such was the beginning. Every day, after that, she rang him up and they had a half-hour's sprightly converse. Their talk soared to all heights of persiflage and fancy, and, as her confidence and her familiarity increased, she became more and more picturesque, holding his attention during entrancingly whimsical monologues.

She had been buoyed so long by her dream, the excitement of this secret life had been so stimulating, that she had not noticed how the enmity of her fellow waitresses had been aroused. She simply did not regard them, except as supernumeraries in a drama where she played the leading part. It was long since she had even spoken to them, except in the way of business. They had begun to resent it, and she was made the victom of all sorts of petty annoyances. A series of apparent accidents gave her the reputation, with Heppner, of being careless. This continued through the strategy of the other waitresses, till the proprietor, scenting mischief, and desiring to get out of it as easily as possible, summoned her to him and gave her her discharge. She walked out of the restaurant with seven dollars in her bag.

The next day Mr. Prince was more than usually eager. "See here!" he exclaimed. "Hasn't this thing gone far enough? You must have found out by this time that I'm a gentleman, and any experiment you have wanted to make must have been satisfied. I'm simply crazy to see you. Won't you, at least, come to lunch with me? You don't know how I admire you, and how much I want to see you, face to face. Surely I deserve it, after the heroic way I've behaved!"

Again came the fierce temptation to have him to herself, if only once. Then the thought of her snub nose, her shabby dress, and her homespun manners strengthened her resolution. But she sighed before she answered:

"You poor, SILLY boy! It's no use. I simply CAN'T do it! If any of my friends should see me! A woman in my station of life can't afford it, even once. And the fact is, I've got to say good-by, today I've been called back to England. The earl positively insists upon my being there to settle some matters concerning the estate.

"Oh! You're really not leaving New York!" he cried.

"And you!" she replied firmly.

"Not till I ask you one question!"

"As many as you like," she said unsuspectingly.

"Will you marry me?"

She gasped. Then a smile illumined her face, and she drew a deep breath. "Oh, don't joke," she said. "It's good-by forever, I'm afraid."

"But I MEAN it!" he wailed. "It's one way of forcing you to reveal yourself, but I'm in earnest—I'll write it to you, if you like."

"You don't really mean to say—" she brokenly began.

"Let me see you for ten minutes, and I'll convince you!" he exclaimed.

"Oh, I'm quite convinced that—that you're absurdly romantic."

"And I that you're charming, and adorable and sweet and—most possionately to be desired."

"And invisible!" she taunted. "Never mind the rest. Good-by!"

"Just wait one moment!—"

"Am I Quite, Then, Too Bareface d About It? Am I an Adventuress, Do You Think?"

"I don't dare!"

She hung up the receiver. Indeed, she did not dare to listen to more. She went wearily out of the booth, paid the operator, and set out upon her quest.

All that day she looked unsuccessfully for work. She went home to cry herself to sleep. The next day and the next she walked the streets without finding anything to do. Her money was reduced now so that she dared eat but little.

She was crossing Broadway one evening, chilled, hungry and despairing, when an automobile made directly for her. She looked up, frightened and bewildered, and caught sight of the chauffeur. A glance at the drooping mustache, the sun-wrinkled eyes, told her who it was. She stopped, involuntarily, and her eye stayed on him. He had made a detour to avoid her, thinking, probably, to cross behind her, but when she paused he had no time to change his course. The car swooped past in a quick curve, and the mud-guard caught her in the side, throwing her to the curb.

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She awoke some hours later in bed, in a still, fragrant, exquisite room. She was wearing the most charming of night robes—as lovely a one as any that Lady Fessenden had ever possessed. The room was luxuriously furnished; it rivaled the lavender guest chamber at Fessenden Court—it was even, she admitted, more elegant in its appointments. Beside her—to remind her of the liveried servants in the earl's household—was a pretty, sweet-faced trained nurse, in a blue linen uniform.

"Don't be disturbed," she said, "it's all right. You were run over by Mr. Prince's automobile—it was dreadful, and he's quite distracted about it—but there are no bones broken, luckily. You're just to stay here and keep absolutely quiet, and you'll be all right in a few days. Mr. Prince brought you here instead of to a hospital because he thought you'd be more comfortable."

Myra's eyes stared at her. "Mr. Prince?" she said faintly.

"Yes. Mr. Hall Payson Prince. He was in the car that struck you, you know. As soon as you're able, he wishes to see you and tell you how sorry he is. But first you must tell us who you are. We found your bag, but there was nothing in it to show what your name was, or where you lived."

Myra's brain whirled. She was too ill to think it all out and decide what to do, though the sudden sense of danger deprived her of what little strength was left to her. The nurse leaned over her and made her more comfortable, saying:

"Never mind, dear, if you don't feel like talking. See if you can't get to sleep!"

Sleep! Myra's brain was whirling. The thought of his seeing her was torture, now. What could he think of her forwardness, her deceit? The problem spun itself out into a hundred fantasies till the mental effort was too much for her strength, and, still protesting, she dozed off again. When she awakened, the nurse reached over and touched Myra's hot cheek, telling her not to worry and that it was all right. So two, three days went by—the happiest Myra had spent for many a long month.

She was sitting, half-dressed, in a chair by the open fire one morning when the nurse came up to her and said:

"Don't you feel well enough, yet, to see Mr. Prince? He's naturally very anxious to pay his respects to you."

"Oh, not yet—really, I don't feel quite equal to it!" Myra protested. It seemed ungracious, but she was desperate.

The nurse, after finishing the mendtionately. "Very well, dear, just as you say, of course. We don't want to tire you, and perhaps it may be an effort. But he is so kind and tactful I thought it might cheer you up to see him."

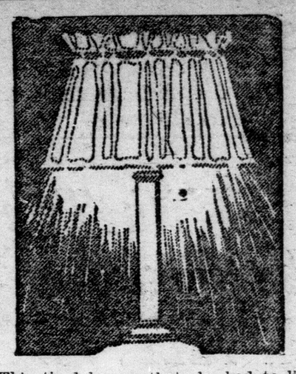
"Oh, I can't! Mayn't I get dressed first?" Then, at the mortifying thought of her clothes he would have to see her in brought the tears to her eyes.

"If you could get me a needle and thread, I think I might mend my skirt so that it would do," she said, lamely.

"Oh, I'll attend to that, of course. I only thought—"

The nurse, after finishing the mending, brought out the rest of Myra's shabby, soiled garments, brushed them neatly, and with as much care as if they had been priceless, hung them in the closet. Myra looked on, tortured with mortification. In that exquisite room, the parade of her poverty seemed atrocious. Then, saying that she would be gone only a few minutes, the nurse left the room to go downstairs and prepare the evening meal, closing the door with a strict injunction to Myra to rest.

But instead, in an instant, Myra was upon her feet. The exertion made her stagger with dizziness, and she had to cling to the bedstead for a few moments before her strength returned sufficiently for her to walk unsteadily to the closet, take down her things, and, stripping off her peignoir, put on the garments, one after the other.



This tired her so that she had to lie down on the bed to get her breath, but her fear of discovery stimulated her to a new effort, and she pinned her bedraggled hat to her head. She dared not look in the mirror for fear of losing courage. Then, grasping the backs of chairs to steady her progress, even to keep herself from actually falling, she made her way to the door, opened it, and looked out. There was no one in sight.

As she left the house, a big limousine car came tearing up the street and stopped at the curb. She turned, faintly, and saw Mr. Prince jump out and go up the steps of his house. She started to run, slipped on the ice and fell. It was some time before she could rise to her feet. Then she crept resolutely on. . . .

The next thing she knew, she felt two strong arms about her, lifting her up, holding her as lightly as one might hold a baby. She looked into a pair of sun-wrinkled eyes, knew them for Mr. Prince's, and then sank against his shoulder with a smile of ineffable peace. In that moment, with a queer, baffled smile, she gave up the fight. It was too delicious for further protest.

She awoke strong and sane next morning. The nurse looked at her color, felt her pulse, took her temperature, and smiled.

"It didn't do so much harm, after all. You're positively better than ever, today! I think your little runaway did you good, my dear! But don't try it again, please!"

In another minute Mr. Hall Payson Prince was beside her. His voice rang with the glee of triumph.

"Well, Lady Fessenden, I've got you at last! You are—in—my power!"

She looked up at him with an odd smile, and held out her hand. Then the smile faded into an expression of repentance.

"I'm not Lady Fessenden at all, really," she said demurely.

"Indeed, you ARE Lady Fessenden! Always," he exclaimed.

How she smiled, then; It went even to a chuckle of childlike joy as she exclaimed: "Really? You mean that YOU'LL play, too?"

"You see, I've captured you and put you in chains," he said. "You'll never get away from me again!"

"I never want to," she sighed with a content too deep for her to recall what a Henry James-lady would have said.

(THE END.)

Joseph Arch, The One-Time Idol of Rural England

The man who first stirred the agricultural laborers of England from their apathetic acquiescence in long hours of labor, at starvation wages, with "parish relief" as the only resource in sickness and age, was Joseph Arch, who recently celebrated his 87th birthday and prides himself on having laid one foundation of the Asquith Government's land policy when he formed the National Agricultural Union in 1872. He taught them that, scattered as they were, the principle of unionism could be adapted to their circumstances. The direct result of his labor was the securing of the franchise for the agricultural laborer, the indispensable prelude to the legislation for small-holdings, rural credit, and the rest.

Mr. Arch is the man who, in 1873 came to Canada as the accredited representative of the union which had been formed through his efforts, to inquire into the advantages offered to the immigrant. The Allan Line brought him out with a free first-class passage, and the White Star Line took him back to England.

An Ambitious Lad.

Joseph Arch was born at Barford, in Warwickshire, which is still his home, in November, 1826. His schooling began when he was six, and ended when he was nine, and therefore old enough to take a little job at crow-scaring for a wage of fourpence a day.

Presently he was promoted to be a plowboy at sixpence. Then his skill with horses got him a place as stable-boy at 8 shillings a week. The evenings were spent at hard study, for Joseph Arch was an ambitious lad, bent on making his way in the world. The way opened through the introduction of a new style of hedge-cutting. He won the title of champion hedgecutter of England at a rural competition, and armed with this title he travelled in the Midlands and South Wales, getting good jobs and earning high wages. At 22 he married, and as the years went on found himself with a family of seven children.

Meanwhile Arch had served his apprenticeship to public speaking, as so many other men have done, by becoming a Methodist local preacher. The bad years of 1871-72 brought the laborers to desperation. Their poverty had fallen to starvation point. On Feb. 7, 1872, the local men sent a deputation asking Arch to address a meeting and saying that they were preparing to form a union. On that night the union enrolled between two and three hundred men. Notices were served on the farmers asking for 16 shillings a week. This the farmers were not prepared to give, and the men showed no sign of giving in.

Awakened Rural England.

Then help came at last from the Daily News, which had sent down Archibald Forbes as special correspondent to the stricken field of Warwickshire. Money came into their coffers, and speakers came to their aid. Meanwhile the Warwickshire men had most of them come to an agreement with their employers, but the national fight was only just beginning, the the new union in three months had obtained 50,000 members.

Unfortunately Mr. Arch did not display quite equal gifts as an organizer to those he had proved in beginning the agitation. He insisted on an over-centralization of the union which in the end led to its undoing. The differences between him and his class were widened when he entered Parliament in 1885 as member for Northwest Norfolk. He was supported in Parliament by the union on a humble salary of £2 10s. a week. He did work in the House, and the fruits of the awakening of rural England were to be seen in legislation for small holdings and allotments, for parish councils, and for public health. But the union itself did not prosper, and in the early 'nineties it seemed to be moribund.

Mr. Arch himself fell on evil days, and was preserved from extreme poverty by the efforts of his political friends. He retired from Parliament in 1900.

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HOW THE JAYHAWKERS INITIATED RECRUIT

Robert Thorpe, one of the pioneer coach drivers of Missouri, who died recently in Texas, was ever fond of recounting incidents in his exciting career and of his experiences with the bandits on the road. Shortly before his death he told of the first time he encountered the James boys and the Anderson gang. This was during the civil war and the "jayhawker" times, and a short time before they had captured a train, killing fourteen Federal soldiers in charge of it, and in a fight with militiamen killed eighty-seven of them and buried them in one grave.

"They used little ceremony in holding up and robbing me," said Thorpe; as little as was used in burying the militiamen. They ambushed me and surrounded the stage. They called on me to throw up my hands. I did not hesitate. Both hands went up at the instant that one of the gang grabbed the bridle bits of the leaders of my team.

"They got all the money that was in the bag in the 'boot,' and after rifling the letters in the mail sacks, which they made me help them do, they let me go. I did not tarry either, nor did I look back."

The Colonel's Boots.

"I suppose during my career as a stage driver I was held up more than a dozen times, although I have never counted them.

"The James and Anderson boys held me up oftener than any other gang. I must say that no personal violence was ever done to me. This, I suppose, was because I was only a boy, and even after I was full grown and had attained my majority I had a very youthful appearance, which may have made the robbers think me younger than I really was. I was known all over the country as the youngest stage driver on my line.

"On one occasion when I was held up by Anderson and his gang, the leader looted the express bundle, which contained a fine pair of boots. Anderson pulled off his own boots and put on those he took from the bundle. They had been made for the colonel of one of the regiments in the service of the government.

There was another package containing a box of cigars, also being sent to the colonel. Anderson opened the box and filled all his pockets with them.

"He then said to me, 'I don't like to see no man go bare-footed, nor even a durned Yankee officer, so you can take my boots and tell him with proper cobblin' he can get a good deal of wear outen 'em. They'll last him several months, especially if he's a calvary colonel and stays on his horse.'

Knocked Down Leader.

"This same Anderson was a picturesque character. I remember another incident that occurred while he was robbing a stage I was driving. Among its passengers was a tall, lanky, raw-boned chap. When Anderson asked him for his valuables the chap replied:

"'I ain't got none.' Anderson then asked him where he was going. He frankly admitted he was going to look for the leaders of the Jayhawkers, a man by the name of Anderson. This seemed greatly to interest Anderson who immediately asked him what he was going to do with him. The lanky chap replied:

"'Jine him and his gang.'

"'Could you swim the Missouri River?' asked Anderson.

"'I guess so, if I had to.'

"'Could you kill a man?' was the next question. The reply was the same.

"Anderson then spat on the lanky chap's face. He had hardly done so before the latter had knocked him down and lit on top of him. Anderson's gang, which had been snickering at the simple-minded stranger, promptly pulled him off their leader, who immediately said:

"'I guess you'll do, and I'll take you.' The lanky one then said, 'Why who are you?'

"The Jayhawker leader answered, 'Me?' Why I'm only Anderson. I kinder command this gang. We are the Jayhawkers you are lookin' for, and you have jined.'

"When my stage went on, it went without the lanky stranger. I heard afterward he became the most daring of the gang."

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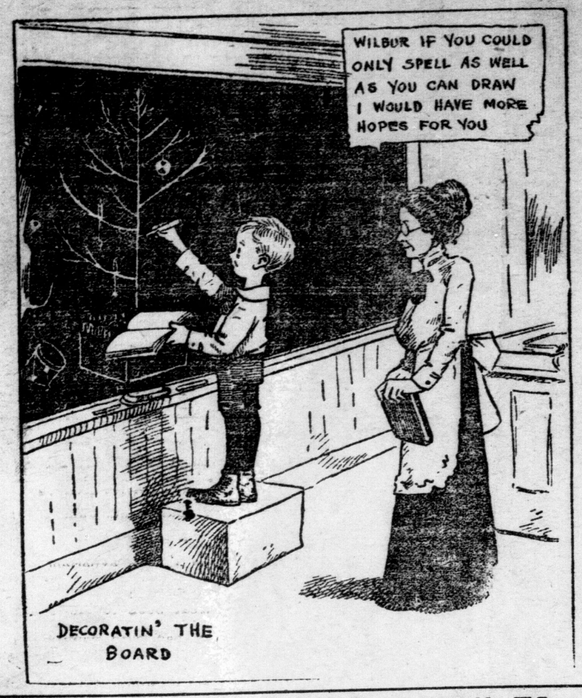

NINETY THOUSAND MEN READY TO FIGHT, DECLARES SIR EDWARD CARSON

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The situation grows graver day by day. I never get up in the morning that I do not reflect I am one day nearer the passing of this nefarious and hideous act. Yet I am not sure that I do not wish I could get rid of all the intervening time, because, heaven knows, the strain upon us in relation to this matter is almost more than man can bear The man who sees before him, at all events in some eventualities, that while he loathes civil commotion and fratricidal q rels, it may be his duty to say that even that must be faced and sacrificed to preserve the elementary rights which you and I enjoy at the present moment as citizens of the United Kingdom—(cheers)—and every day gives me more hope. Every day I make more friends. (Cheers.) Every day our cause is being better understood, and it is so simple; it is so without a sordid side, it is so absolutely in accord with the elementary principles of justice and freedom which you love, that until that act is put upon the statute book and enforced—as, once it is put there, it must be enforced—shall never believe that my fellow-countrymen (because I call you my fellow-countrymen)—that the country is so decadent that a new chapter has to be written in the history of England which will be headed by the word "Despair."

Government and the Drilling.

I desire this evening for a few moments to consider the position in which we stand. I read this passage last night in the Westminster Gazette: "The nation will not understand a do-nothing policy, which neither seeks a settlement nor takes measures against Ulster insurgents." I suppose I am an Ulster insurgent. (Laughter.) I don't object. I think that is a very sage remark. It is quite plain that the Westminster Gazette is in agreement with me on one point, and that is that whatever else you can understand no one can understand the action of the Government. For two years we have been fighting this question on the present bill, in the House of Commons we have been treated with contempt, and the more we have been treated with contempt the more we have been enjoying freedom for preparation and organization in Ulster. "The bluffers!" Yes! I have not yet come across bluffers in the working classes who have been ready and willing in their luncheon hour or after a hard day's work to devote their time and energies to drilling to make themselves effective. I have often met one bluffer or two bluffers, but I have never yet come across 90,000 bluffers drawn into line together. The Government have done nothing on the one side or the other. They have allowed us to go on with our preparations, and having allowed us to go on I don't think it would look well if they began after two years to try and stop it. Whether they think it looks well or not I see signals in some of the Radical papers of inspiration as to what the Government are likely to do.

The Westminster Gazette has been calling out for action, and I notice that one of your local papers, the Manchester Guardian—(laughter)—well, I will say this, the Manchester Guardian has been at times sufficiently offensive to myself, which I am able to bear, but I notice that for some time past they have seen the seriousness of the situation, and I give them credit for it. I notice that they say today that the Government are going to proclaim the importation of arms into Ulster. It is a good while since I drew attention to the fact that they have disarmed the Boy Scouts. (Laughter.) I don't know whether the pronouncement of the Manchester Guardian is correct. For all I know they may be inspired. Reading it with the Westminster Gazette I should think probably they are. That is a good wind-up to two years' statements of the bluffing of Ulster. (Hear, hear.) And, after all, what does it matter? Do they think they will carry the English people with them better if they shoot at unarmed men rather than at armed men? (Cheers.)

Ministers and Compromise.

We have heard a good deal recently about compromise—a sort of death-bed compromise which always calls in question the sanity of the individual. (Laughter.) You don't know how far he has gone—(laughter)—and you don't know whether this sort of death-bed repentance points to an impending dissolution or to a chance of recovery. (Laughter.) I believe the whole nation at the present moment, and certainly the Manchester Guardian, which is nearly the whole nation, are greatly mystified by the curious acrobatic performance of the various ministers who constitute His Majesty's government. The truth is, we never know where we are from day to day. As far as I can gather, the great delight and pleasure of ministers is that each minister should flatly contradict the minister who has spoken the day before. (Laughter.) And then we are told when the prime minister comes to cap the edifice that they are an absolutely united cabinet. I venture to think that, if we pressed our inquiry a little further, the only thing we should find on which they are really united was that they all agree that each of them was indispensable for the carrying on of the government of this country. (Laughter and cheers.)

The Leeds Speech.

Mr. Asquith made a speech at Leeds the other day. I thought I understood that speech. I do not know anybody who can make things clearer than Mr. Asquith, if he wishes. He is the best speaker, I think, in the House of Commons. There is nobody who can put a proposition more concisely or more definitely than he can. When he calls a spade a spade you need not imagine that if you are going to buy it you will be presented with a rake or anything of that kind. (Laughter.) I certainly understood, as a sort of innocent Irishman—(laughter)—that Mr. Asquith by his speech at Leeds meant to put an end altogether to this idea of compromise. I know my leader, Mr. Bonar Law—(cheers)—thought so, because I have only just returned with Mr. Bonar Law from Dublin, where we had one of the most magnificent demonstrations I have ever witnessed, and one which gave the lie once and for ever to the idea that there were only Unionists in what they pleased to call the northeast corner of Ireland. (Cheers.) Mr. Bonar Law spoke very plainly. He said he understood that the Ladybank speech was withdrawn. That was the speech upon which overtures were made which Mr. Bonar Law had accepted. Mr. Bonar Law said—and I entirely agree with him—that now they have been withdrawn, our course is far more clear and far more easy. We are going ahead. Yes, but something strange must have happened, because last night several great ministers spoke. The Lord Chancellor went to Birmingham, and round him, if not a galaxy of beauty, was a galaxy of intellect—Sir John Simon, the attorney-general, who is going to capture Northwest Manchester—("No")—Mr. Herbert Samuel, the postmaster-general, who might go occasionally and look after the telephone. (Laughter.) They were all at it. If only they had been musical talent I could understand the quartette that was sung—(laughter)—but the refrain was "Compromise, compromise." Mr. Haldane devoted a considerable part of his speech to taking to task Mr. Austen Chamberlain. (Cheers.) I ask you to mark what he blamed him for. Mr. Chamberlain had said a few nights before: "Conversations are useless if your principle is that Ulster is to be bound to accept a Dublin parliament." I entirely associate myself with that statement. (Cheers.) Therefore I also come in for he criticism of the Lord Chancellor. Now he went on and said: "What is the good of laying down a principle; if you do not come into the controversy or the compromise or the conversation, or whatever it is, with an open mind, what is the good of holding it at all?" That is what the Lord Chancellor said. And then I read further down in his speech, and he said this—and this is where I am in a difficulty, sitting in judgment on the Lord Chancellor, for once only. (Laughter.) He says: "The principle of an Irish parliament, with an executive reponsible to it, must be accepted. We must force this principle through." Then there were "loud cheers." I always notice that Radicals always cheer at force—if it is to be used against somebody else. (Laughter and cheers.)

A Half-Way House.

Surely the Lord Chancellor must see that this is trifling with us. He says the government must insist upon the principle of an Irish Parliament with an executive responsible to it. What have we got our 90,000 volunteers for? (Hear, hear.) No: if the Government are not prepared to give up any part of their principles, well, then, we tell them we are not prepared to give up any part of our principles. (Loud cheers.) If they have got a half-way house—which I do not believe they have—which will commend itself to all parties, let them not talk in this mystical language. Let them put it before us in black and white. (Hear, hear.) We are plain men in Ulster. We are asking for nothing but to be left alone. (Hear, hear.) And if you are going to interfere with us the least we may ask of you to do is to put down in black and white what is the minimum of interference which you are prepared to offer. And if they do not do that I would rather they would break off all this talk together and let us, if necessary, fight it out—fight to a finish. I daresay that with the army and the navy we may be beaten. (Laughter.) I think it is very likely. I have a better opinion of the army and navy than some people have. But if we are beaten it will not be without a struggle. (Hear, hear.) And what then? What have you solved? What has the Government solved? These people in Ulster hold fast to old memories. They do not forget the great days of their victories which secured them their liberties. Do you think they ever will forget the day of their defeat? (At this point an interruption led to cries of "Put him out," and to Sir Edward Carson exclaiming: "No. Let him alone. He will be converted."—Laughter.) Do you think that they will ever forget the day of their defeat—(cries of "No")—the day of their desolation, probably, of many homes? And do you think they will ever forget? Will you ever forget that they arose through the betrayal of a country to which they were loyal?

A Few Propositions.

I desire to state tonight, so far as I can make any contribution towards this settlement, if it is ever approached seriously. A few propositions. In the first place, there are three great parties you have to satisfy. You have first to bear in mind the United Kingdom—its greatness by reason of the fact that it is the United Kingdom. And you have to remember that the Unionist party, of which at all events the majority of you are members, has as its cardinal faith the maintenance of that union which they believe to be so essential to the greatness of the country. That is why Mr. Bonar Law has boldly declared that under existing circumstances and unless the people affirm this bill, the whole weight of the Unionist party—in whatever course we are driven to adopt — the whole weight and power and force of the party will be cast in with the scales of Ulster. (Cheers.) Then you have secondly to consider Ulster itself. I have said something about it already, but, at all events, you will admit this; I think that as far as past history goes Ulstermen have never shown themselves cowards. I leave the subject there. You have to consider the loyalists throughout the rest of Ireland. (Cheers.) Do not forget them. They are even in a more difficult position than the people of Ulster. While we can praise Ulster for what they have done, always remember that in great difficulties and through dangers, personal dangers and dangers to property, these men in the south and west have kept the old flag flying and have allowed no one to haul it down. Let me put this to them. In fixing up a constitution under which people are to live, I wish the government would remember that governments go, but a constitution has to remain for the happiness or the unhappiness of the people. I wish they would remember that the settlement of a constitution is not a political but a national action.

Preliminaries to a Settlement.

I would like to lay down from the Irish point of view these preliminaries to any settlement that is possible, and I don't think they will be considered unreasonable, at all events, by men who are not politicians. I lay down, first, that no settlement must humiliate or degrade us. (Hear, hear.) I lay down, secondly, that we must not get any treatment different and exceptional from the treatment offered to any other parts of the United Kingdom. We must have reserved to us what every other citizen has, neither more nor less. We must have the same protection of the Imperial parliament, and, above all, and it is here our loyalty to you comes in, we must have no bill or no act which establishes the foundation for the ultimate separation of your country from ours. (Cheers.)

I desire to say this: If there are grievances in Ireland, grievances with reference to administration or grievances with reference to legislation, I would be the very first to meet even my most bitter opponents to try and settle a proper solution of those grievances. (Hear, hear.)

The Army's Duty.

Now I want to make only one further statement. There have been gross misrepresentations of all our actions, but I think nothing more gross than the way they try to represent our dealings with the British army. They never will see that one of our greatest ambitions is to see the United Kingdom great and powerful against all foes. They tell us sometimes that we ary trying to tamper with the army. It is a foul lie. (Cheers.) It would indeed be poor pluck to say, "We are prepared to fight because we know the army will not act." No. I have said before and I say now—and in doing so I am merely associating myself with what fell from Lord Derby last evening or the evening before—I say this, that it would be a bad day for the country if the army under any circumstances were to refuse to obey the lawful orders of those who are put in command over them. (Cheers.) Of course they must. But it is for that very reason that statesmen and politicians ought to look ahead. It is for that very reason that statesmen and politicians ought to know to what their acts lead. No one will blame the army for shooting upon Ulstermen. But the country will hold the Government that puts forward the army as responsible. (Cheers.) You can control the Government.

Recollect, the army is not the army of the Government; it is yours. (Cheers.) I have no doubt— and this is the real point —that our cause is so just, so unanswerable, so plain to the humblest man, that the first time the Government goes by means of the army to enforce such a detestable act as the home rule bill, that moment the manhood of England and Scotland will arise and declare "You shall not do this terrible thing." (Loud cheers.) I say to the Government that after all the army are human beings. They ought to be careful that they do not try them too high. All this shows the perils we are in. Notwithstanding that, notwithstanding all I have had to say, I believe I am in a position here tonight to say this, that, so far from tampering with your army, if your country was in danger tomorrow there is not one man of the 90,000 volunteers who would not be willing to come across and stand shoulder to shoulder with you and to make use of his efficiency, which he has obtained for the purpose of resisting this act of Parliament, in aid of the nation that was trying to press this act upon him.

At all events our course is quite clear. We cannot go back; we will not and we don't want to. Beaten or victorious, we will resist this bill in the imposition of this Parliament and executive upon us. If we are beaten we would at all events have done our duty. And what we are here for tonight is to ask—Will you do yours? (Loud cheers.)

Sir John Lonsdale, one of the Ulster Unionist members, made a short speech, in which he said: "If they attempt to drive us out of the constitution in which we were born, they will inevitably bring upon Ireland the horrors of civil war." The Government, he also said, might pass the home rule bill twenty or thirty times, but it would never be law in Ulster.

Mr. G. B. Hertz, the prospective Conservative candidate for East Manchester, moved the following resolution:

"That this meeting of the Unionists of Lancashire and Cheshire, believing that the passing of the home rule bill would be a national disaster, no less dangerous to Great Britain than to Ireland, assures Sir Edward Carson and the Irish Unionists of its earnest hope that their heroic and self-sacrificing efforts may yet avert the gravest perils of that measure; and further assures them that they will be loyally supported in their efforts by their fellow Unionists in this portion of the United Kingdom."

Mr. J. G. D. Campbell, the prospective Conservative candidate for Eccles, seconded, and the resolution was carried with loud cheers.

Sir Edward Carson, in reply said: On behalf of my colleagues and myself I thank you. We are perfectly satisfied.

Responding to a vote of thanks to himself Lord Derby said: We mean to support Sir Edward Carson through thick and thin.

Kansas Men Searching For Morgan's Treasure

The great engineering work which is being consummated at Panama recalls to mind the days when that bold Britisher, Henry Morgan, ravaged the southern seas and captured Porto Bello, and Panama itself from the Spaniards. Even today Sir Henry's raids and hoards have not been forgotten, for just recently a party of Kansas City men set out on an expedition to Sabine Pass, Texas, where the bucaneer captain is said to have buried some gold a few centuries ago.

Henry Morgan did not like home and therefore ran away to sea, but he was sold into bondage in America by the ship's master. He soon escaped, however, from Barbadoes and went to Jamaica. It was there he started in the bucaneering business, and eventually demonstrated what W. S. Gilbert later announced that, "It is, it is a glorious thing to be a pirate king." After a trip or two on other men's ships and thriftily saving his share of the booty, Morgan went in with a number of other ambitious young pirates and bought a ship of his own. He was elected captain, and from that day on he continued to be captain of every expedition he attended.

Stormed Porto Bello.

His first big success came at Porto Bello. Porto Bello was a large Spanish town in Panama, whence the treasure ships sailed every year for Spain. It was strongly fortified by two castles, one on either side of the harbor mouth, and, had it been prepared, would have been almost impossible to capture. But Morgan took the place by surprise. When he left Jamaica, with a fleet of nine small ships, carrying 460 ruffians of assorted races, he did not tell even his captains where he was going. A secret wasn't a secret if more than one man knew it, the astute captain believed. Not until the coast of Central America was reached did he pass around the word that Porto Bello was to be taken.

The ships themselves were left in a harbor some miles from Porto Bello, and, under cover of dusk, the pirates moved stealthily upon the doomed town, in long boats and canoes. At midnight, when no human sound disturbed the chorus of the southern jungle, they reached Porto Bello. They seized a Spanish sentry—so swiftly and so effectually did they gag him that he had no chance to cry out or to fire his flintlock. Brandishing their long knives they made him describe to them all the defences of the city.

Then the pirates surrounded one of the castles which guarded the town and commanded the garrison to surrender, lest every one be put to death. The Spaniards replied with a volley and the fight began. In a short time Morgan's men had battered down the defenses and were swarming through the castle. All the Spanish officers and soldiers who were not slain at once were shut up in one great room and then the powder magazine was fired. Not a Spaniard escaped.

Governor Refused to Surrender.

But this was only one of many castles. The fighting continued from dawn to noon of the next day. The Spaniards defended themselves gallantly. When Morgan's men tried to set fire to the doors of their castles, they hurled down great stones and home-made bombs, earthen jars packed with powder. The governor of the town commanded the last castle that fell. Morgan tried time and again to take it; then he had great ladders built, so wide that three or four men could scale a ladder at once. These he forced the nuns and monks whom he had captured in Porto Bello to drag up and place against the wall.

"Then the pirates," runs an old account written by one of the pirates himself, "mounted in great number, and with not less valor, having fireballs in their hands and earthen pots full of powder; all which things, being now at the top of the walls, they kindled and cast in among the Spaniards.

"This effort of the pirates was very great, insomuch that the Spaniards could no longer resist nor defend the castle, which was now entered. Hereupon they all threw down their arms and craved quarter for their lives; only the governor of the city would crave no mercy, but killed many of the pirates with his own hands, and not a few of his own soldiers, because they did not stand to their arms.

And, though the pirates asked him if he would have quarter, yet he constantly answered, "By no means. I had rather die as a valiant soldier than be hanged as a coward.' They endeavored as much as they could to take him prisoner, but he defended himself so obstinately that they were forced to kill him, notwithstanding all the cries and tears of his own wife and daughter, who begged him on their knees to demand quarter and save his life."

The Attack on Panama.

The pirates occupied the town for several weeks, stripped it of every scrap of loot and made the citizens pay a ransom of 100,000 pieces of eight before they would leave. When the governor of Panama sent out a force of Spanish soldiers to drive Morgan and his men away the pirates, instead of fleeing to their ships, as everyone supposed they would, went out to meet the soldiers, defeated them, and drove them back to Panama. Morgan sent word to the governor of Panama that he would pay his town a visit within a year.

As a matter of fact, it was three years before he made good his boast. The capture of Panama was a far more remarkable achievement than that of Porto Bello. For Morgan and his men marched nine days through tropical jungles before they reached the city. Most of the time they had no food, for the Spaniards, who knew they were coming, drove every cow out of the country and burned or carried away every sack of grain. So reduced were Morgan's men that they ate strips of rawhide bags, softening the leather in between stones, then broiling it like bacon.

The Spaniards had plentiful warning of their coming, and made elaborate preparation for defence outside the city of Panama; Indians aided them and drove wild bulls against the English buccaneers, thinking to break their ranks Morgan's men laughed and killed the bulls, and were glad to have their meat for food.

Knighted Instead of Punished.

The pirates hacked out great chunks of meat and threw them into the camp fire they had kindled; then, when the meat was charred outside and still raw within, they fished it out and devoured it.

"Such was their hunger," writes John Esquemelling, a pirate, "as they more resembled cannibals than Europeans."

Thus nourished and encouraged they swept into Panama, and scattered far such of its defenders as they did not slay. They stayed there a month, and burned the city and carried away everything movable, and sent out ships to ravage the nearby towns on the Pacific coast.

Now, this attack had been made just after England had concluded peace with Spain, and as Morgan bore the title bestowed on him by the British governor of Jamaica, of "Commander-in-Chief of all the ships of war in Jamaica," Spain demanded that he be brought to punishment.

He was sent to England in 1672 aboard a British frigate, but he took along enough pirate gold to smooth his way at court, and instead of being punished he was knighted and returned to Jamaica as lieutenant-governor. That marked the end of Morgan's days of active piracy. He continued as a good servant of the British governor and was twice acting governor of Jamaica. Great were tht rewards of what now would be termed piracy in those thrilling days.

To Cure Catarrhal Deafness and Head Noises

Persons suffering from catarrhal deafness and head noises will be glad to know that this distressing affliction can be successfully treated at home by an internal medicine that in many instances has effected a complete cure after all else has failed. Sufferers who could scarcely hear a watch tick have had their hearing restored to such an extent that the tick of a watch was plainly audible seven or eight inches away from their ear.

Therefore, if you know someone who is troubled with head noises or catarrh, or catarrhal deafness, cut out this formula and hand it to them and you will have been the means of saving some poor sufferer perhaps from total deafness. The prescription can be prepared at home and is made as follows:

Secure from your druggist 1 oz. Parmint (Double Strength), about 75c worth. Take this home, and add to it ¼ pint of hot water, and 4 oz. of moist or granulated sugar; stir until dissolved. Take one tablespoonful four times a day.

The first dose promptly ends the most distressing head noises, dullness, cloudy thinking, etc., while the hearing rapidly returns as the system is invigorated. Loss of smell and mucus dropping in the back of the throat are other symptoms that show the presence of catarrhal poison, and which are quickly overcome by this efficacious treatment. Nearly ninety per cent. of all ear troubles are directly caused by catarrh; therefore, there are but few people whose hearing cannot be restored by this simple home treatment. Every person who is troubled with head noises, catarrhal deafness, or catarrh in any form should give this prescription a trial. There is nothing better.

Important. In ordering Parmint always specify that you want Double Strength; your druggist has it or he can get it for you; if not, send 75c to the International Laboratories, 74 St. Antoine Street, Montreal, P. Q., who make a specialty of it.—Advt. D13,20

ZANGWILL FIGHTS

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tim), the noble eloquence which moved the prosecuting attorney-general, Sir Rufus Isaacs, to tears—these are beginning to tell even on the clergy, always the last to recognize religion in its contemporary vesture. Even bishops have demanded the death of the cat-and-mouse bill, that bungle of benevolence and barbarism devised in a panic to save the forms of law, and carried finally through the House of Lords—whose function, according to Asquith, is to 'impose delay' — in sixty seconds. But the bill has been killed without prayers in aid."

Slap at Asquith.

Mr. Zangwill concludes with a slap at what he calls the shilly-shallying of the British Prime Minister:

"The errors of political novices adventuring in unmapped territory but offering their life for their cause will seem small to posterity in comparison with the Liberal leader's sin against Liberalism. That the protagonist of the people, the historic overthrower of the lords, should be the evil genius of the woman's movement, is a tragic paradox. Mr. Asquith is a statesman of grave and lofty conceptions and otherwise unblemished honesty, but his latest pose that there is little to be said on one side or the other is more amazing than his ancient antagonism. That was self-stultifying, but dignified; this is unpardonable frivolity. A recent cartoon in the Suffragette represents Justice as saying to him: 'Why not give them the vote, and release me from tasks that are an outrage on my name?' And Mr. Asquith replies: 'Now, enough of that, my woman. I've suspected all along you were on their side.' If he did not suspect it all along, he suspects it now. And the public at large suspects it, and is more ready to receive women's suffrage than many a project which politicians palm off upon it. That women's suffrage will pass over the body of Mr. Asquith is one of the few certainties of the near future."

BURLEY BURCH TELLS

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bacon, flour, dried peaches and apples. But five of the thirty-two of us that started had sufficient funds to purchase provisions, and so the others broke away to hunt for their supplies. We never saw them again, but heard they had a terrible time crossing the plains."

"That journey across the seemingly endless prairie will always be vivid in my memory. Only the strongest could stand the terrible ordeal. The cholera followed us clean across the plains, and hundreds fell victims to that terrible scourge. It was a sad sight to see the fresh mounds of earth everywhere. Some graves had a little wooden cross to mark the spot where someone fell in the struggle for the gold fields.

Saw a Mirage.

"That morning we saw a mirage. In the sky we could see a number of men. One was digging a hole. In a short time we saw a body being lowered into the pit and the soil shovelled in.

"We were bothered with prairie fires most of the time. As soon as we saw a flash in the distance we would burn the grass off where we stood, and the oncoming fire would sweep around.

A Buffalo Stampede.

"There were some great buffalo stampedes when these fires were raging, and we had to keep watch for the furious monsters, which heeded no obstacles. Many a night I kept watch over my companions, and each in turn would do duty. It is at such a time, in the midst of the plains, that one knows what real loneliness is. There, beneath the countless stars in the blue sky, with the moon's soft, silvery light shed upon the vast region, everything was still, save perhaps for the noise from the horses chewing the strength-giving grasses. Our fires were built of buffalo chips, and had it not been for these, we would have found it next to impossible to travel. So every day we would hunt the chips and carry them on to our next camping place.

"I reached old Hangtown on the 4th of July, and was glad to get there. The journey in all had taken nearly four months. Old Hangtown, or Placerville, as it is now called, was filled with people of all nations. You could even find the Eskimo and the native of New Zealand. Everyone had the gold fever, and their struggles to obtain the precious dust would make a volume of thrilling reading. Well, I tried my luck at prospecting and mining, many times, but didn't strike any luck. So I quit, as I couldn't stand working in water. Then I obtained work as a stage driver, and got big money. It was a risky job, however, for the place was infested with robbers—guerillas, we called them—and the stages were continually held up. The stages were handsome pieces of furniture, and cost a thousand dollars or more each. They would hold about ten passengers, but I often crowded in eighteen.

Held Up by Robbers.

"I had an exciting experience one evening while driving the stage along a country road. I had come to a mudhole and found a bunch of robbers waiting for me. I had to act quickly. They thought I would keep straight ahead. But there was a road to the left, and I swerved the stage quickly and went like fury. There was only one passenger in the stage, and he had a small fortune with him. The robbers fired as soon as they saw my move, and riddled the stage with bullets. Fortunately we got away unhurt. When I opened the stage door the man was partly hidden under a seat, where he had gone for safety. Somehow he got his head wedged in, and it took some time to free him. It was an amusing incident after the dangerous trip. Of course, had they been successful in holding up the stage, I could have done nothing but hand over any treasure. You can't do much with a dozen guns poking in your face.

"Another stage driver had a thrilling experience. He was driving from an Illinois town, and had to go over a mountain pass, 3,000 feet high in some places. It was just a narrow road—one stage at a time. He had reached the greatest height of the pass when one of the back wheels of the stage went over The driver jumped instantly to the road. He had four pairs of mules and had only freed one of the animals when the massive stage and the rest of the mules were hurled to destruction, 3,000 feet below upon the jagged rocks.

"I stayed in Placerville ten years. Then the thoughts of home possessed me, and I decided to return."

"And you were glad to get home?" inquirtd The Advertiser reporter.

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"No, I don't do any farm work now, but up to a year ago I worked steadily in the field. Now my pet collie dog and I pass away much of the time together."

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[St. Louis Republic.]

The construction of a tunnel under the English Channel, connecting England and France, has been practically decided on.

England will no longer be an island, and the terrors of the channel passage, which have caused more discomfort to passengers than any other body of water in the world, will cease to exist.

The importance of this undertaking to the whole world and the comparative ease with which it can be carried out, make it the most peculiar engineering project ever discussed. The difficulties of constructing the tunnel lie far more in personal and national peculiarities than in natural obstacles. In building the Panama Canal the engineers had only to consider expense and natural obstacles, while in planning the channel tunnel the engineers can regard expense and natural obstacles lightly, but it has been necessary to overcome the entire insular prejudices and sentiments of the British nation.

An Easy Job.

It is a singular accident of nature that an undertaking so important to the world can be carried out with so little difficulty. Everybody who has made the passage across the English Channel from Dover to Calais must have noticed the high white chalk cliffs that line the shores on both sides. Now this chalk continues under the sea all the way across the channel. Eight thousand borings have been made into the chalk, and it is certain that it goes all the way across to a depth of several hundred feet.

It is this chalk which offers such excellent material for boring the tunnel. It is easily pierced with a cutting tool, yet sufficiently hard and even to remain in position without support. This makes it much cheaper and easier to build a tunnel under the English Channel than a similar length of subway in New York.

The ease with which the tunnel can be built has been fully proved, for a section 2,000 yards in length had been constructed both from the French and English ends. This was done years ago, and then the British Government stopped the work.

The upper layer of the sea bed under the channel consists of white chalk. There is about a hundred feet of this. Beneath it there is a layer of gray chalk quite impenetrable by water and about 200 feet deep. Beneath this is a tremendous stratum of gault clay impenetrable by water.

In the lower part of the impervious gray chalk stratum the tunnel will be constructed. It will have 150 feet of impervous chalk above it.

Method of Boring.

The tunnel will be bored by a rotary steel cutter, constructed upon the principle of the familiar carpenter's bit. As the bit cuts into the chalk a rotary loader will pick up the fragments of chalk and drop them on the little railway trucks which will carry they back to the land.

According to the plans of the British engineer, Sir Francis Fox, the construction will consist of two single-track tunnels, each of eighteen feet internal diameter, and thus large enough to accommodate the French and English railroad trains when supplied with special electric locomotives.

The two tunnels will be placed thirty-six feet apart, measured from centre to centre, and connected at distance of 100 feet by cross galleries. It would be possible to leave the exposed chalk to form the walls of the tunnels, but no risk will be taken in such a matter. The tunnels will be lined with steel segments of ample strength. These will be covered on the inner and outer sides with a smooth coating of concrete, which will prevent leakage into the tunnel and preserve the plates from corrosion.

Through in Four Years.

It has been estimated that, working at the rate of three miles a year from each side of the channel, or at a total rate of six miles a year, the time required for the completion of the enterprise will be somewhat less than four years.

The tunnel will run from the Shakespeare Cliff, near Dover, England, to Sangatte, on the French coast, and its total length will be a little more than twenty-two miles. On each side it will enter the cliffs at a short distance from the shore and drop down on a grade of 1 in 80 for about two miles into the impervious gray chalk. From each of these low points the grade will rise at the rate of 1 in 1,000 to a summit under the middle of the strait. The plan of making a summit is to provide for drainage. At each of the low points near shore a collecting basin will be placed into which the drainage water will flow by gravity, and from which it can be removed by pumps.

Fresh Air Ducts.

The piston-like action of the trains will do much to ventilate the tunnel, but ducts will also be built to carry fresh air to the midway part.

Sidings, express stations and other details of construction have already been mapped out.

The passage of the tunnel will occupy about half an hour, while the present water passage takes about two hours and a half. A man will be able to leave London at 8 o'clock in the morning and be in Paris at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

The building of the tunnel will certainly be followed by a great increase of travel between England and the continent. At present only 1,500,000 persons a year cross the water from England to all the Channel ports, while between France and Germany, where there is no water to cross, the annual number of passengers is 3,000,000. Canadians and Americans visiting Europe will find their travelling made much pleasanter by the elimination of the channel passage.

It has been estimated that the work will cost about $80,000,000, and that it will yield a net revenue of $5,500,000 a year. It will therefore, be quite profitable considering its magnitude and permanence as an investment. Fully 65 per cent. of the passengers now crossing would use the tunnel, and this would give a gross revenue of $3,250,000. The number of passengers would increase year by year. Freight and other income would bring $4,000,000 more. Working expenses are calculated at $2,200,000 a year.

All these considerations have finally broken down the old British prejudice against the unquestionably useful and feasible Channel tunnel. It has been ascertained that the great majority of members of Parliament are in favor of the tunnel. The law has not yet been presented to them, but the promoters of the tunnel are justified in regarding its passage as certain.

No Danger of Invasion.

Even though the dangers of invasion by the tunnel have been lessened, there will be ample means provided for its defence. At the English end a section of the tunnel will consist of a concrete valve which can be turned by a hydraulic turn-table mechanism so as to block the passage. Then there will be a mechanism for flooding the tunnel. Each of these mechanisms will be in command of a separate military officer. In addition there will be batteries commanding the mouth of the tunnel.

With all these defences, it is considered certain that an enemy could not invade England by making an initial attack through the tunnel. The only possible method would be to make a surprise night attack by air and sea upon the English end of the tunnel. If the assailants succeeded in seizing the blocking mechanisms before they were put in operation, it would be possible to push 60,000 troops with field guns through the tunnel in six hours.

This force would hold the adjacent country against the English army, while any desired force with full supplies was transported through the tunnel. The possibility of such an attack is too remote to weigh against the advantages of the tunnel.

When we consider that this enterprise will put the 40,000,000 people of Great Britain into direct land communication with Europe and Asia, it seems astonishing that it has not been carried out before this.

As long ago as 1867 a company was formed for its construction. It was then supported by Queen Victoria's husband, the Prince Consort, by many Englishmen, and by the vast majority of Frenchmen and other foreigners who thought about it at all.

First Plan Vetoed.

The plan, however, was vetoed by the British Government for reasons connected with national defence. It was believed that in case of war the English end of the tunnel might be seized by a surprise landing party and the tunnel then used to carry the huge army of France into England, defended only by a small regular army.

Now conditions have changed completely. France, at the other end of the tunnel, is very friendly to England, and seems likely to remain so for self-protection. When the tunnel was first proposed, England depended chiefly on her navy for defence, and possessed a navy which was not approached by any other country.

Today Germany has a navy which rivals that of England, and threatens to surpass it. If England lost control of the sea in time of war, it would be a great advantage to have a tunnel by which the friendly army of France could be brought into the country and employed in its defence.

Furthermore, the invention of aeroplanes and dirigible balloons has done much to destroy the military isolation which the sea formerly gave to England. It is admitted that the power of attack by this arm will constantly increase.

The greatest advantage of the tunnel to England in case of war, however, would be its usefulness in bringing food supplies into the country. The British population depends for existence on food imported into the country from abroad. England does not contain more than sufficient food at ordinary times to support the population for more than two months.

In time of war, therefore, the British navy must concentrate all its force on preventing the enemy from cutting off the ocean commerce of England. But if the tunnel existed, food supplies could be brought in from a friendly country, and the navy could be employed for a distant attack instead of being tied up in the work of protecting the trade routes.

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Still Using a Fire Engine 123 Years Old

These days when we see motor fire-engines, motor hook and ladder trucks and hose wagon autos rushing through the streets of almost all cities, it is queer to note that Bothbury, a town in Northumberland, England, is still using a fire-engine 123 years old. The picture above shows the engine and the fireman who is the custodian of it.

The engine was presented to the town by Sir George Farquhar in 1788. It has been continually in use since then, standing most of the time on the porch of the parish church.

This ancient fire engine is today the town's only protection. It is capable of throwing a jet of water 60 feet high, which is more than is required to top the highest house in Bothbury.

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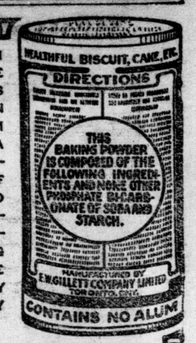

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"Marinetti is a purging fire," says Mr. Monro, "on his own admission mainly, a destructive force; what the actual future will hold of him is hard to foresee. The futurists themselves are the last to solicit, or even desire, the plaudits of posterity. "Following the great futurist hope," writes Marinetti, "all authority, every right, and all power, must be brutally torn from the dead and the dying and given to the young of from twenty to forty years.'

"Their work is chiefly to clear away ruins; they are futurists chiefly in that they will leave the ground clear for the future to build on. Each monument serves itself; the past shall rule us no longer; we are to walk, eyes forward; and a high courage is to govern all our deeds. We are vagabond men on a vagabond earth; strollers through space; children of destiny. We have brought Nature to our service; let us bring her to our feet. All the pathetic past is for sentimentalists. With factories roaring in our ears, and aeroplanes flying over our heads, we had better leave the dim old nations and gods—we had better consider, not what we have done, but what we have to do. 'The splendor of the earth has become enriched by a new beauty, the beauty of Speed. . . We will sing the great multitudes, furious with work, pleasure, or revolt; the many-colored and polyphonic assaults of revolution in modern capitals . . stations, those ravenous swallowers of fire-breathing serpents; factories, hung by their cords of smoke to the slouds.' . .

"Futurism is perhaps a frenzied Whitmanism," continues Mr. Monro; "it is the young world run wild for its new joys; it is not a solution, but an exultation; a first barbaric dance to the glory of some future solution. And Marinetti is wild Youth once again in the world—therefore let us honor him!"

Born in Egypt.

"No wonder Marinetti was born in Egypt," says Mr. Nevinson. "Out of Egypt other motive forces have been called. It is the tomb of the world, the graveyard of the human spirit, a fine opportunity of resurrection. And his parents were Italians. He, too, is a son of that weeping Niobe—a son who has survived and is quite willing to let the dead lie still. What a fate for the vital soul to be Italian! To live in a museum haunted by tourists and antiquaries; to be faced at every corner by an ancient master of poetry, of eloquence, of painting, sculpture, or architecture, whom you are taught to imitate and can never surpass. And his father was a lawyer. From a child he was surrounded by the law—the codification of custom, the dead hand of the obsolete, the fetter upon change, the executioner of the future's hope. And he was brought up in a Jesuit college.

"Egypt, Italy, the law, the Church—a tomb, a museum, a life of shackles—what surroundings of oppression and incentives to revolt! And these surroundings and incentives were combined to act upon a southern spirit, passionate, alert, as crammed with vitality as a shell with lyddite.

"He speaks well on the Futurist painting. Boccioni, Severini, Carra, and the rest are his friends, and he knows what they are seeking. But he himself is a writer and poet, and I think it is on the Futurist literature that he speaks best."

His Appearance in Italy.

"Marinetti is a patriot," says Mr. Monro. "Futurism is designed primarily for the reformation of Italy. Italy has appropriately responded with oranges, rotten eggs, and bricks. Unflinchingly the campaign has been rushed into hostile camps. The largest theatres in all the principal towns have been repeatedly hired and invaded by the Futurists as by a band of hilarious school boys. Crushed and excited audiences have been persuaded to fight for their opinions on the spot.

"The main part of the propaganda is carried on through poetry. 'The Book of the Futurist Poets,' a stout red volume of 422 pages, is in its thirty-fifth thousand. These poems are not to be carried sneakily into your study; they are not bedroom-slipper verses. They are composed to be cried aloud in the open, in large public places, to excited crowds. Their verse is free; it is full and unchiselled; it races bound for bound with the imagination of its poet."

THE RAPID LIFE OF TODAY

THE GREAT PROCESS THAT WILL GO ON TILL WE COME TO THE RIGHT WAY

"Life has become extremely sensational and 'rapid' on its outer surface; the women, who were the element of 'quietism' in the generation and generations which preceded ours, having acquired a greater restlessness and a keener appetite for show and improvement than the men," writes Mr. H. W. Massingham in the Daily News.

"Spiritual restlessness keeps pace with this physical instability. A cloud of new doctrines, expedients, remedies, enthusiasms, aspirations, and exhalations of the perturbed mind of the age fills the air. It is hard to keep men's minds on ends which they really desire; so confused is the intelligence, and so perturbed the conscience, of the directing or the enjoying multitude. A certain superficiality and light-heartedness characterize the philanthropies as well as the self-seeking of our times. Politics are becoming singularly bitter in their expression and highly organized in their form; but the dividing lines of party are not very wide. In a way, all men professedly desire the good of others; but do not exactly see, or do not want to see, how to attain it, and, on the whole, do not think it necessary to attain it by giving up anything themselves.

Mass of Serious Thought.

"Behind this hurry-scurry of the world lies, however, an increasing mass of serious thought and desire, which surveys the whole process with discontent, and will not be satisfied with mere seeming checks to it. And one thing these men and women see clearly—the world is at once too rich and too poor. Too poor in life, too rich in the means of living. Too poor in ethought and feeling, too rich in the aids of mechanical well-being.

"And why this stinting of the deeper sources of happiness and over-abundance of its superficial fountain? Because the shower of gifts which has fallen on man as the reward of his increasing conquest of natural powers (and this increase of force will be multiplied beyond our most daring conceptions) has fallen unequally; because there is, in a word, no true society. There are merely masters and servants. There are plenty of Fausts who can command long life, riches, health, beauty, variety, and all the merely pleasurable things, except happiness.

Why Not Happiness?

"And why not happiness? Because, in a word, man is not built that way; because, indeed, he always has some kind of religious conscience, which will not permit him to enjoy, save in a measure of commonalty. There lies the wormwood in our cup, the canker in the fruit of our pleasuring.

"And so, slowly and blunderingly, amid loud protests, ferocious opposition, and a general half-veiled sense that the thing is right and necessary, the great process of redistribution (even Mr. Law hints at its propriety) will go on.

"By material methods like old age pensions, insurance acts, land programs, the organization of unskilled labor, super-taxes and more super-taxes, the abolition of sweating rates; by spiritual scourges like the sickening tedium of living, the breaking of our nerves and spirits under its strain, the horror of being alone in the world, with only the sham sympathy that money can buy; by consoling and reintegrating thoughts, like the feeling that all this pagan hardness and weariness have been lived before, and that the world cannot afford another dose of it; that it is not such a bad thing for people to help and understand each other instead of using and oppressing each other; that all this rule by force in world-polity and industry comes to nothing but vanity, and the waste of the vast treasure-house whose doors are slowly opening upon us; by all the crucifixions and consolations that we experience until we come to the right way of living; the peoples of the modern world will begin to practice as well as to preach Christianity, or any other religion that happens to teach the same truths in some slightly different way.

"It will be a very painful process," adds Mr. Massingham. "A vast deal of money will be lost by it; a great deal of pretty and expensive crockery will be smashed; and a great many leading articles written deploring this waste. But, to come back to Wagner's phrase, the work of 'consecrating' the great stage that we call the world will have been taken in hand. Indeed, it has already begun."

A MAN OF VITALITY AND ENERGY

MARINETTI, THE APOSTLE OF FUTURISM, AND WHAT HE STANDS FOR—THE GOSPEL OF "TELL ME QUICK"

Who is this impersonation of energy—this disturber of settled ideas?

"He goes today," says one writer. "Within a week he has come and gone. Into our ancient precedents and perpetual repetition he burst like a shell. Antiquity was exploded. Tradition ceased to breathe."

He Overruns With Vitality.

His name is Marinetti, and here are two articles about him—one by Mr. H. W. Nevinson in the Manchester Guardian, called "Marinetti, the Apostle of Futurism"; the other by Mr. Harold Monro in the Daily Herald, called "Marinetti, Poet and Inconoclast."

"Those who have heard him in the last few days at the Cabaret, the Florence, the Poetry Shop, or among the futurist works now gathered in the Dore Gallery know what vitality means," says Mr. Nevinson. "He overruns with it. There is no stinting or sparing. He pours out life like ungrudging nature. Like all true-hearted fanatics he lives only for his cause, and never counts the cost. But for the weakness of English nature apparently he would have gone on all night, and always with the same energy, the same torrent of language, the same passionate absorption in his subject, utterly forgetful of self. Those who heard him know what speaking may be. When I think of our speeches and lectures, our cabinet ministers and university professors, and then of him, I see the difference between death and life.

"No wonder Marinetti burst like a bombshell upon our land. But there is a fine light in a bursting shell, and it makes a fine hole in the panoply of indifference."

His Immense Energy.

"In stature, Marinetti is small," says Mr. Monro; "in eloquence he is already large; but in energy he is positively immense. It is Marinetti's energy before all that is great. Yet it has the qualities rather of lightning than of a cyclone, and for about four years now he has flashed about Europe throwing his astounding manifestoes in the eyes of the stupid, or sleepy, with a fine strange perpetual impudence, and wherever he goes he leaves behind him blinks, and chattered exclamations—and curses.

"We were so comfortable in our red leather armchairs; it is odious to have this wild boy at all hours havocking in the sanctum, at the sacred hour of doze, tipping up the armchair—therefore we curse. It is abominable to be asked to revise our opinions."

A Movement of Revolt.

"In all futurism there is something of the savage, something violent. It is a movement of revolt, of strenuous rebellion against comfortable life and armchair contentment," says Mr. Nevinson. "It is a declaration of war against critics, professors, ruins, and mummies—all the plagues of Egypt, Italy, law, and the rest. It demands the simultaneous expression of modern life in all its complexity—speed, noise, terror, and brilliance. 'Tell me quick, quick!' it cries, 'Tell me quick in two words!' And by modern life it is by far from meaning an age of peace and tranquillity and fatness, broadening slowly down from precedent to precedent. It means a life hard, dangerous, full of sharp contrasts and adventures; a life of thin, sensitive men and virile women, equal in rights; a life that makes light of luxury and sentimental love, of

SUFFICIENT REASON.

"Once in my travels I came across a tribe of wild women who had no tongues."

"Goodness! How could they talk?"

"They couldn't. That's what made them wild."

HOW OLD DOBBIN WON THE ELECTION

"Dobbin, the local option horse" is worthy of a place in the gallery of famous animals, already occupied by such heroes as Black Beauty, Beautiful Joe, and the dogs of St. Bernard. Dobbin is an Ontario celebrity, a product of that romance which surrounds local option contests in this Province. The people of our big cities have no share in this romance; most of them do not even realize the peculiarly human and interesting nature of the local option battles, for up to the present at least this variety of elections has been confined to the rural districts, to the towns, and to an occasional small city.

When a local option contest is in progress, it affects not only the section of men naturally and constitutionally interested in politics, such as the soap box debaters in the general stores, but all the men, all the women, most of the children, and sometimes the very horses.

This Dobbin (he is still alive, and one of the show sights of the village) lives in a small municipality in Western Ontario. He is almost a year older than he was last January, but even then he was an aged horse. On the day of the local option vote, however, a horse wasn't asked his age; he was simply put between the shafts and told to draw voters to the polls. Dobbin might justly have been excused, but he wasn't. The "antis" had brought several automobiles into the village, and the temperance people, kind-hearted as they were, had to use every horse that could stand on even three legs. Dobbin occasionally could use all four.

As the end of the day approached, the workers felt that the voting had been very evenly balanced, and that the result was much in doubt. Almost every vote had been polled on both sides. The "antis," in fact, had brought in every single supporter, and now, at 4.45 p.m., were wishing that the time would go as fast as light and that five o'clock would come without any more temperance votes.

The "antis," however, were not reckoning on the despised "Dobbin." The woman who had driven him all day had decided that she had brought in every possible voter, and had turned Dobbin towards hime. Suddenly, however, she felt a weight on her heart, and a conviction arose within her that something had to be done to stave off inevitable defeat. At first, she was helpless in her perturbation, but a way out suddenly appeared. She had to bring old Michael to the polls; Michael was the oldest man in the village, and had been confined to his home for three years. The workers had thought of him all day, but they had decided against the risk of bringing him out of the house. Their fear was further increased by a violent storm of rain, which had rolled up about half-past three.

Dobbin's mistress, however, heeded neither the old man's confinement nor the rain. She drove the horse to Michael's house, and despite the rather feeble protests of his wife, bundled him up in a fur coat and a blanket, and carried him bodily to the buggy. Then she whipped Dobbin and urged him to use all four of his legs. The horse responded as well as he could, but the fourth leg would persist in not reaching the ground in harmony with the others.

Picked Up Mrs. Morton.

As they jogged along to the poll they passed a woman holding her umbrella down in front of her face to protect herself from the driving rain. After Dobbin's driver (let us call her Mrs. Petit), had driven half a block past the other woman, she reined up and thought to herself, "I believe that was Mrs. Morton, the school teacher. I wonder if she voted at noon or if she is just going to the booth now? Should I run the risk of losing Michael's vote by going back for Mrs. Morton, or should I make sure of Michael's alone?"

This line of thought took only an instant, and just as quickly was Mrs. Petit's mind made up. She turned back, drove up to Mrs. Morton, made sure that it was she, and then drew up the buggy along the curb. "You haven't a minute to lose," called out Mrs. Petit. "If you don't jump in here and quickly at that, we'll never get you to the voting place." Mrs. Morton clambered in, and then the jog actually became a race. Dobbin rose to the occasion, displayed remarkable intelligence, and for the first time in years, found how to use his fourth leg freely. The small boys on the street stopped their play in amazement as what was once lame Dobbin, but what now looked like a fire horse, flew past. True, there was a deal of heavy breathing, and much grunting and snorting, but the race was on!

Just In Time.

The scrutineers at the booth thought it was a runaway in the distance. The "anti" man, personally brave, ran into the street to stop the horse, but fell back in astonishment when he saw Dobbin and the occupants of the buggy. The temperance scrutineer fortunately did not lose his wits. With a "Why, it's five o'clock!" he dashed into the middle of the road, picked up Old Michael in his arms, and made for the door of the booth. Mrs. Petit in the meantime was literally shoving Mrs. Morton out. The latter also ran to the polling place. The watch of the "anti" man showed a fraction of a minute after five, and he protested against the recording of any more votes. The other man's watch was half a minute to five, and he claimed the right to poll the votes. A third watch, that of the returning officer's, was decisive. It said one minute to five. Both Michael and Mrs. Morton marked their ballots. When the total vote was tabulated, local option had won by exactly the three-fifths requirement. Even Michael's vote alone would not have saved the day for the temperance people. That one, however, plus the vote of Mrs. Morton, had pushed the ball over the line. And it was Dobbin who had made the pushing possible. An extra feed of oats and an order for a week's vacation were given to the heroic steed by the temperance committee.—Main Johnson, in Toronto Star.

TOOK SEVERE COLD.

Left A Terrible Hard Cough And A Nasty Tickling Sensation In The Throat.

A bad cough accompanied by that distressing, tickling sensation in the throat is most aggravating.

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup is rich in the lung healing virtues of the Norway pine tree, and for this reason it will stop that tickling in the throat which causes that dry hard cough that keeps you awake at night.

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See that you get "Dr. Wood's" when you ask for it. Do not accept any imitation. The genuine is put up in a yellow wrapper, three pine trees the trade mark, price, 25 and 50c., and manufactured only by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

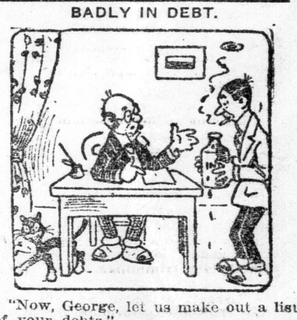
BILL'S LUCKY.

"Billie is a lucky feller to have a mouth that big!"

"Why lucky?"

"Can't you hear him? He can whistle a duet with it!"

BADLY IN DEBT.



"Now, George, let us make out a list of your debts."

"One moment, dear uncle, till I have filled up your inkpot!"

WEAKNESS AND PALPITATION OF THE HEART.

When the heart begins to beat irregularly, palpitates and throbs, skips beats, and sometimes seems to almost stop, it causes great anxiety and alarm.

Many people become weak, worn and miserable, and are unable to attend to either social, business or household duties.

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Social Happenings of the Week

The Family of the Duke of Connaught

Since the return of the vice-regal party to Ottawa, there have been many social events at the Capital, and the number increases with the approach of the opening of Parliament there. Princess Patricia, of course, is present at many functions. It is said that at a luncheon not long ago she was asked what she did in her spare time. The princess announced that she had spent the morning making a dress, after ripping a gown that she liked very much, and using it as a pattern. Princess Patricia also trims her own hats—and very smart hats they are, too. She is the youngest of the Governor-General's family, being twenty-seven years of age. Her sister, the Crown Princess of Sweden, is thirty-one years old, and the little prince, great grandson of Queen Victoria, will be king of Sweden some day, in the natural course of events. Prince Arthur of Connaught, whose picture is also shown above, is thirty. While there has been more or less talk about him as a possible successor to his father as Governor-General of Canada, it is very unlikely that such an appointment will be made at least for many years, or until such a time as he has "won his spurs" in a much less important portion of the empire.

RECEPTIONS.

Mrs. F. G. Jewell was the hostess at a large reception on Friday afternoon of last week, it being the first time of receiving in her new home. Mrs. T. P. Blackwell assisted Mrs. Jewell in the drawing-room, and Mrs. Will Westland ushered to the tea-room, where Mrs. A. E. Greer and Miss Webster presided over the tea-table, charmingly arranged with yellow 'mums and yellow-shaded candlesticks.

Mrs. Jewell received her guests in a handsome gown of brocaded satin, with lace trimmings.

Largely attended was the tea given on Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. J. C. Duffield at her beautiful home on Queen's avenue. Assisting in the drawing-room where Mrs. Duffield received, were Mrs. E. Masuret and Mrs. W. B. Richardson, and in the tearoom Mrs. R. Muir Burns, Mrs. Wishart and Mrs. H. S. Blackburn presided, assisted by a winsome bevy of girls, including Miss Dorothy Burns, Miss Robinson, Miss Barbara Brown, Miss Allen, Miss Merritt, Miss Jean Macfie, and Miss Nancy Niven. The drawing-room was effectively decorated with pink roses, and in the tearoom the table was prettily centred with Killarney roses.

Invitations have been issued for an at home to be held in the Engineers' Building, St. Thomas, on Friday evening, Dec. 26, in honor of the students and ex-students of the St. Thomas Collegiate Institute. The committee in charge consists of Jack Houston, Harley Ponsford, and Chester H. Smith. C. Dunsmore is the honorary secretary. The patrons and patronesses are: Mr. and Mrs. Edgar A. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Ponsford, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Ardagh Gilbert, Dr. and Mrs. Alexander Turner, Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. W. J. Green, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac W. McPherson, Mr. and Mrs. Colin St. Clair Leitch, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Harbour, and Mr. Albert F. Conley.

PERSONAL.

Miss Marjorie J. McKie, of Simcoe, Ont., having spent the year in Europe, is due at Halifax on Saturday on her return.

Miss Eula White will be a guest of Mrs. Charles Hoare, of Walkerville, for a few days, and will be present at the "coming-out" tea of Miss Dorothy Hoare.

A number of Londoners have received invitations for a debutante dance, given by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jenks, of St. Catharines, in honor of their daughter, Louise, on Dec. 29. Among those who expect to attend are Dr. and Mrs. H. T. Reason, Dr. Clifford Reason, Miss Lillian Johnston, and Mr. Fred Reid, of Chicago, who is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, here.

Quite a number of the Ridley College boys, including Messrs. Fred C. Betts, "Pat" McClary, Gates, Patison, Weld, Scatcherd and Roy Gunther, arrived home from St. Catharines last night. Their presence in the city will add to the holiday gayeties of the younger set. Other visitors in the city are Mr. Kenneth Somerville, of Toronto University, and Mr. Eric Reid, of McGill University.

Engagements Announced.

Dr. and Mrs. James Macarthur, of London, announce the engagement of their second daughter, Marion Richardson, to Arthur Roy Coghill, of Montreal, the marriage to take place early in January.

The engagement is announced of Miss Kitty Betts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Betts, and grand-daughter of Mr. V. Cronyn, to Mr. Leslie D. Lilly, accountant of the Canadian Bank of Commerce here, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Lilly, of Calgary.

Mrs. Hugh R. Skinner, of Toronto, announces the engagement of her youngest daughter, Agnes Valerie, to Karl F. Mickleborough, B. A. Sc., of Cornwall, Ont., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Mickleborough, of Vernon, B.C., the marriage to take place quietly this month.

Mr. and Mrs. William West, of 47 Craig street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Ruth, to Mr. Paul Doig, of this city, the marriage to take place quietly Christmas week.

Rev. and Mrs. S. Judson Kelly, of Thorold, Ont., announce the engagement of their elder daughter, Ora B., to Dr. Arthur B. Ritchie, of Edmonton, Alta. The marriage will take place New Year's Day.

WEDDINGS.

WAKEM—FRALICK.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Fralick announce the marriage of their daughter Marguerite Alma Lackie, and Mr. Wallace Seldon Wakem, on Monday, 17th of November, nineteen hundred and thirteen, at Detroit, Michigan.

Mrs. Wakem is a granddaughter of Mrs. John Lackie, of this city, and was a much feted guest during her visits with her aunt, Mrs. J. L. Johnson, of Princess avenue. She was one of the bridesmaids at the marriage of Mrs Harry T. Reason last June.

JOHNSTON—BLAIKIE.

A very pretty wedding was celebrated on Tuesday evening of this week at the home of Mr. H. B. Andrews, western manager Imperial Life Company, Winnipeg, Man., when Miss Mabel Blaikie, formerly of London, was united in marriage to Mr. Douglas John Johnston, of Winnipeg. Rev. Richard Whiting, formerly pastor of the First Methodist Church here, was the officiating cleryman.

BLIGHTON—POWELL.

A quiet wedding took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. Lawson Stilson, 516 Talbot street, on Wednesday evening, when Miss Alice Powell became the bride of Mr. John Nicholas Blighton, Rev. H. H. Bingham officiating.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. Stilson, looked very winsome in her wedding robe of white silk embroidered mull and carried a bouquet of pink and white carnations and maiden-hair fern.

She was assisted by Miss Maud Game, attired in a white gown with touches of blue, and carrying pink carnations.

Little Miss Katherine Beltz made a charming flower girl, and wore a frock of white embroidered muslin. Master Teddy Beltz acted as page. The groom was ably supported by Mr. Harry Moore.

After the ceremony and customary greetings, a dainty luncheon was served, and the remainder of the evening was pleasantly spent in music and games. The young couple were the recipients of many pretty and useful presents, and will be at home to their friends at 516 Talbot street after Jan. 1. The heartiest congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Blighton for their future happiness and prosperity.

DANCES, DINNERS, ETC.

Delightful Dance.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Kerrigan were delightful host and hostess at an informal dance at the Hunt Club on Thursday evening, the affair being in honor of Miss Marjorie Brown, of Edmonton. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smallman, Mr. and Mrs. Garvey, Dr. and Mrs. Alexander, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Belton; Captain and Mrs. Folger, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Sterling, Dr. Scott, Dr. Brown, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Rechnitzer, Mr. Wright and others.

THEATRE PARTIES

Perhaps never was there a more brilliant gathering of London society folk in a Grand Opera House audience than assembled on Wednesday evening to witness the performance of "The Marriage of Kitty," presented by the members of the London Dramatic Society. Seen in the boxes were several theatre parties, including Dr. Niven, Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Hunt, Miss Niven, Miss Barbara Brown, Mr. Owen Hodgins, guests of Col. A. M. Smith; Miss Carling, Mrs. Talbot Macbeth, Miss Glass, guests of Mrs. Glass; and Mrs. George Macbeth, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hills, Toronto, visitors with Rev. S. R. Heakes. Mr. Heakes also entertained the members of the cast at a supper in his rooms after the performance.

MUSICAL.

Mme. Yvonne de Treville, the famous prima donna, whose appearance in this city was postponed owing to the illness of Mr. Jordan, leader of the First Methodist Church choir, is a very personal friend of Miss Fitzgerald, of Wellington street, and recently spent a week-end with the latter before going on to Toronto, where she sang with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra in Massey Hall. It is quite probable that Mme. de Treville will appear here later in her famous costume recital in which she depicts three centuries of prima donna types—the fourteenth century court beauty, Jennie Lind, and the modern singer of fame. Mme. de Treville has appeared before several crowned heads of Europe, and wears a jewelled harp presented to her by King George and Qeeen Mary as a result of her singing before them.

Western University Play.

Those interested in university circles, and in fact many London theatregoers, are looking forward to the presentation of "The House Next Door" to be given in the Grand on Jan. 29, by members of the Western University Dramatic Society. For several weeks past the cast has been rehearsing most faithfully, and the entertainment promises to be one of unusual merit. Among those occupying roles in "The House Next Door" are: Misses Hazel Tanner, Kathleen Broderick, Pauline Stanley, Kathrine Wardrope, and Messrs. Reg. Charles, Bert Hannah, Bernard McDougall, W. F. D. Smith, Harold Payne, George Garret, Roy Kain and Roy Kingswood.

Mrs. Harry F. Kingsmill, through whose untiring efforts the Christmas carols and waits are given each year for the benefit of the poor of this city. This year it is hoped to raise a large sum, to be divided in January or February among the four children's institutions of London. It is expected that ten bands of singers will cover the city on Christmas Eve and sing before the homes of citizens. Mrs. Kingsmill herself, with a number of others, will sing at the corner of Dundas and Richmond streets, on Christmas Eve.

The Duchess of Marlborough, formerly Miss Consuelo Vanderbilt, of New York, is going in for English politics. She has given earnest study to political conditions, and is now starting a saloon for the purpose of furthering her political ambitions. The duchess is one of the prominent leaders of the American colony. She recently accepted the presidency of the Women's Municipal party, which was formed to further the candidacy of women for office in the various London municipalities. The duchess

Daughters of the Empire

A meeting of the Lord Roberts Chapter, Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, was held at the home of Mrs. Niven on Wednesday afternoon, when a large number of members were present.

For some months this chapter, which is a most flourishing one, has devoted its efforts towards raising funds to establish a drinking fountain in the city, and it was announced at Wednesday's meeting that one would be installed early in the New Year as a memorial to Queen Victoria. The keen interest taken by "Victoria the Good" in all matters pertaining to the welfare of dumb animals is widely known, and in working along this line, the members of the Lord Roberts Chapter feel that it is a labor of which she would have approved. The proposed fountain will be equipped for both man and beast.

At the close of the business session, Mrs. Niven served tea. The next meeting of the Lord Roberts Chapter will be held at the home of Mrs. Edge, on the fourth Wednesday in January.

MRS. BOOMER'S VOYAGE

An interesting letter from Mrs. H. A. Boomer, telling of her safe arrival in Plymouth, England, and events en route, has been received by a friend in this city. Mrs. Boomer's many friends in London will enjoy reading extracts from her communication, the first part being written when the steamer was three days out:

". . . I sent off some 'scraps' from Quebec and Father Point, amongst them thanks, through Mrs. Graham, for the beautiful roses and bunch of violets from my dear London comrades, and to the mayor for his telegram of "good wishes from himself and the citizens of London." . . At first myself and my flowers were placed at the purser's table, from whence we, i.e., roses and myself, were transferred to the captain's table, for no other purpose that I can conceive than that they wanted the big bowl there, and, of course, I had to be transplanted with them!"

Mrs. Boomer was, unfortunately enough, obliged to occupy a stateroom with two other women, but with the cheery optimism that is invariably a part of her, she endeavors to look on the bright side: "It might have been worse, for my fellow roomers are amiable enough. One especially, a nice English girl on her way home after a visit to Canada and the States; the other, a little French woman, who finds it hard to understand us—especially my French, or what has survived of it since I took my last lesson at Queen's College, 55 years ago. Miss Powell manages far better, but even she says that when madame starts to reply, she cannot make out much of what she says—patois, too, you know. . ."

The remainder of the letter is written after Mrs. Boomer's arrival at Plymouth: "This is a postscript to say that after a long and very tedious voyage we dropped anchor at Plymouth Dec. 2, our eleventh day out. Never was I so glad to get off a steamer as I was this time. . . . I found that Captain Harvey, of the Royal Artillery, stationed at Plymouth, had come off on the tender to take full charge of me—piloting me through the crowds, through the customs, and finally landed me here, where he had secured me good quarters, which he had had decorated with bowls of chrysanthemums and violets. . . ."

MODISH DANCING FROCKS.

There has been a fair demand for dancing frocks and crepe de chine dresses, according to the Drygoods Economist. Dressy models in velvet, velveteen, chiffon plush and corduroy are now receiving more attention than at any time since the fall season opened at retail.

There is more interest in colors than manufacturers anticipated. Black dominates largely, however. Green is particularly well liked, also the new shades of blue, varying in tone from navy to Copenhagen. Gowns in tobacco brown, mahogany, plum color and gold are taken in larger proportion in the recent orders than earlier in the season.

The waists of these gowns are extremely sheer, and are made in loose, unfitted style. In face, they blouse not only in the front and in the back, but under the arms as well. Samples with the kimono sleeve have proved the best sellers, particularly in the high-priced velvet and plush models.

The collars in demand favor the Medici styles and the soft, flat finish with V outline in front.

THREE USEFUL BAGS.

Three types of bag which the perfectly equipped woman positively must have are one for shopping, one for afternoons, and one for fancy work. The accepted shopping bag is the pannier, a slender, elegant affair in finest pelt—black or colored—kid lined, inset on one side with a tiny watch, and swinging from a rather broad loop handle of matching leather.

In afternoon or bridge bags there is a choice in flowered satin, printed silk, metallic thread and velvet brocade or embroidered peau de soie in oval shape. They are fitted with purses, mirrors and powder boxes, and they swing from cordage handles.

The workbag must be dainty enough for any drawing-room. Gold and silver brocade is none too good to contribute to its making, and indeed many stocking bags are wholly of that material. But the really smart workbag is of painted Japanese silk crepe attached to a flat Japanese basket.

AFTERMATH.

The wide, warm acres stretching lazily,
Roll out their russet silence to the sea,
Bared to the winds that whisper ceaselessly
Of homing time and landward-lying things.

Along the uplands, vagrant locusts whirr
Themselves through sunshine, and within the blur
Of purple distances, the faint, far stir
Of some lone haymaker that scythes and sings.

Across the marsh, reclaimed from seas that creep
Against the sheltering dykes, the droning sweep
Of sickles, where the long salt grasses sleep,
Hushed in the peace that near fulfilment brings.

—Pauline Johnston.

The average area administered by a ranger on the Federal forests of the United States is about 100,000 acres. In Germany the area administered by a man of equivalent rank is about 700 acres.

Business in the vicinity of Shanghai, China, was almost entirely suspended from November, 1911, to the of February, 1912, because of the revolution. Business is now normal again.

MINARD'S LINIMENT. CURES BURNS, ETC.

THE NEW PUBLIC HEALTH

The Advertiser Bureau of Public Health Information.
QUESTIONS. ANSWERS. COMMENTS.
Conducted by Institute of Public Health.
(The Public Health Faculty of Western University, London.)

Questions should be addressed "The New Public Health," care The Advertiser, London, Ont." Private questions accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope, will receive private answers. Medical diagnosis or treatment for individual cases cannot be prescribed.

Question.—Will water filtration prevent the spread of typhoid?—F. P. D.

Answer.—It depends entirely on two points: first, on whether or not the water which is being filtered is the water which was responsible for the particular typhoid cases under consideration, for if they were contracted from some other source than the water, filtering the water evidently could do nothing to stop them. The second point is, of course, whether or not the filtration performed is performed properly or not.

Artificial filtration can be performed so as to give practically perfect protection against typhoid fever. It is usually combined now with hypochlorite treatment however, since the best sand filters are subject to neglect or accidents. Household filters are usually absolutely useless as a protection against typhoid fever.

Question.—Is disinfection as ordinarily performed valueless? I have seen it so stated. If so, what is the proper method? STUPID.

Answer.—I do not see why you sign yourself Stupid, for this is certainly not a stupid question, although it is a pretty broad one. Perhaps I had better go into details.

In the first place we hear the words deodorant, disinfectant, antiseptic, sterilizer, and they are often used rather indiscriminately, although they are really quite different. To sterilize is to kill all forms of germ life without distinguishing between harmless or harmful germs. Anything which is sterilized is free from germs—at least free from living germs. But disinfection means killing harmful germs only. Many harmless germs are much tougher than the ordinary disease germs, and it often happens that we may disinfect, i. e., kill the harmful germs, without sterilizing, i. e., without killing the tough, harmless ones. I mean by harmful and harmless, here, merely those that produce disease and those that do not. Those that are harmless in this sense may, it is true, make very bad smells, or injure the material in which they are growing, making it unfit for use in some way, and to that extent they are not wholly harmless, but harmless in the sense that they do not produce disease. An antiseptic is properly speaking something which, although it cannot kill germs, makes the conditions so unfavorable that they cannot grow or multiply. A deodorant is something which is supposed to destroy the little chemical particles in the air which, reaching our noses, make a nasty impression on our brains; but most alleged deodorants simply substitute one smell for another, although some antiseptics and disinfectants and sterilizers will prevent further formations of odors by killing the germs or stopping their development.

To refer to your question, a great deal of so-called household disinfection is time and money wasted, and as a protection against disease it is valueless unless the disease germs are present; and as a protection against odors, clearing up the smelly stuff that originates them is much better, and prevents the trouble, instead of attempting to cure it.

In public health procedures also, a very great deal of the alleged disinfecting done to prevent disease is wasted time and effort, so far as that purpose is concerned, not because the methods are necessarily poor, although they often are, but chiefly and conclusively because disease is very little spread by or through the things which are usually disinfected. Thus disinfecting rooms after recovery from scarlet fever, diphtheria, etc., by filling the room with formaldehyde gas or other similar methods has been abandoned in certain large cities because it was found to give no reduction in the spread of these diseases, and because the money otherwise spent in this way could be used in other ways to accomplish an actual reduction in the total cases and deaths. Are not these a sufficiently good reason?

Question.—Please give the scientific explanation of the details of hypochlorite treatment of water.

Answer.—Hypochlorite is our old friend, chloride of lime, or chlorinated lime, or bleaching powder; at least, it is the principal active ingredient in it. Its chemical formula is Ca Cl2O2. It is practically slacked lime, CaO2H2, with chlorine in it instead of hydrogen. When this is exposed to the air or mixed with organic matter, especially in acid solution, the chlorine escapes, attacks something with oxygen in it, and sets free the oxygen in a form closely resembling, if not identical with, ozone. Thus ozone then kills the more delicate germs in the water, if it is weak, and the tough germs, too, if it is strong enough.

In practice, the object of the hypochlorite treatment is to kill the actually dangerous germs; and fortunately they are so much more delicate than the other germs that a very small amount is necessary, an amount too small to affect the value of the water for drinking purposes. If enough hypochlorite were put into the water to kill all the germs, harmless as well as harmful, so much would be required that the water would yield disagreeable odors and tastes to the consumers.

The methods of introducing the hypochlorite into the water are various. They all depend, however, upon making a strong mixture of the powder with water, and then feeding this mixture into the water in the right proportions at some point in the system where a thorough mixture of the hypochlorite with the water can be achieved. Some automatic device to increase or diminish the feed as the water may flow faster or slower is usually needed.

In the case of wells or reservoirs, where a single infection has occurred and a single treatment only is needed a single dose can be given by calculating the necessary amount and mixing it thoroughly with the water by any convenient method; usually by PUBLIC HEALTH — TWO . . . . . introducing it at the intake of a reservoir; in a well, by pouring the solution in at the top, and then pumping until it is drawn down to the bottom. The amounts used vary with the particular water to be disinfected, the exact chemical salts present in the water, the amount and kind of organic matter, etc. Usually, if the bleaching powder contains, as it should, 30 per cent. available chlorine, one-eighth to one-quarter of a grain per gallon is about right.

—H. W. HILL.

Prize Contest Results.

The essays sent in were as a whole very good, and there was some difficulty in deciding the best, but by checking the essential statements of fact, and then taking into account mistakes made, the papers were arranged finally in the order showing the greatest number of correct statements and the smallest number of errors. Two second prizes were awarded, both papers being of high merit. The winners will receive their prizes by communicating with Dr. H. W. Hill, director, Institute of Public Health, London, Ont.:

First Prize—Waldo Bluethner, 13 years old, London, Ont., $3.

Second Prize—Ione McMonagle, 12 years old, Woodstock, Ont., $2.

Second Prize—Margaret Gemmell 13 years old, London, Ont., $2.

Third Prize—Mary Johnston, 13 years old, Bothwell, Ont., $1.

Honorable Mention—
John C. Wood, Owen Sound, Ont.
Irene Healey, London, Ont.
Evedna Roberts, London, Ont.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The arts department of Western University has thrown open to the public a course of 25 lectures on public health, held every Wednesday at the Western University Building, St. George street, 4:30 p.m. Registration fee, $1. No other charges.

Clubs, societies, associations, etc., are invited to form regular classes from their membership for systematic courses in public health—subjects and number of lectures to be arranged. Fees nominal. Such courses will be held in the Institute of Public Health.

Free single addresses on public health subjects may be arranged for by any club, society, etc., in Ontario, with the director. Subjects: School Hygiene, Flies, Sewage Disposal, Contagious Diseases, Tuberculosis, Typhoid Fever, Ice Water Supplies, Ventilation, Overcrowding and Housing, Infant Mortality, Sex Hygiene, Germs and Diseases, Vaccination, Food Poisoning, Patent and Other Drugs, Handling of Epidemics, Rural Hygiene, etc.

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Only Woman Good Road Builder

Mrs. Joe Asher, of Little Rock, Ark., who is the only accredited woman delegate to sit in the councils of the National Good Roads Association at Detroit. Mrs. Asher has gained her knowledge of road building by accompanying her husband on his rounds during the past six years, and is now considered an expert on road building.

DRINK FRY'S COCOA

There are 55 species of oak trees in the United States, about evenly divided between the East and West. The eastern species, and particularly white oaks, are the most valuable.

If the earth were to revolve 17 times faster than it does, bodies at the equator would lose their weight and remain stationary in the air without support.

FEAST OF HUMOR FOR A FESTIVE SEASON

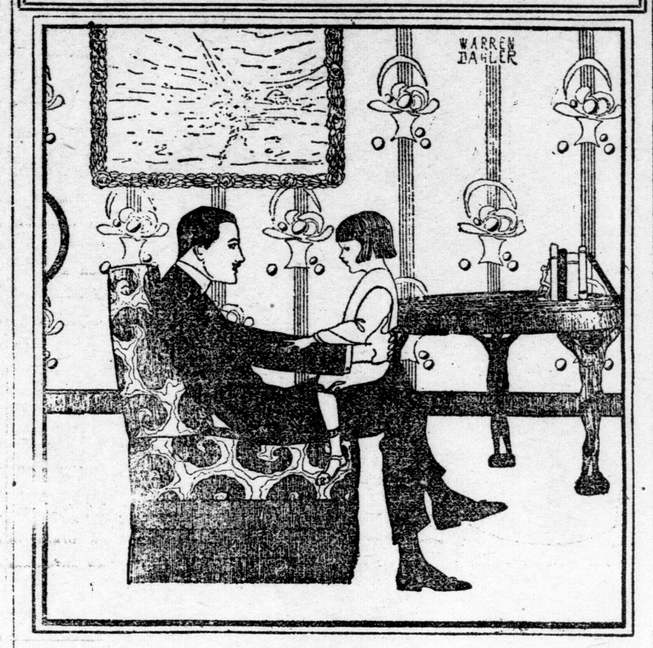
THE GLAD CHRISTMAS-TIME

HO, HO! glad Christmastime is nigh,
When highbrow clubs in session
That Santa Claus canard decry
As moral retrogression;
The same old, good old Christmastime,
When for the toyshop girlie
We're urged to loosen up our dime
And do our shopping early;
When folks for junk to load their shelves
Join helplessly in giving
The things away they'd keep themselves
To know the joy of living;
When household nooks are jammed with truck
That's spied by youthful friskers;
When fire departments curse their luck
And Santa Claus' whiskers;
When Edith draws a sapphire star
Upon her neck to dangle,
And Percival a touring car,
And Mae a topaz spangle;
And mother gets some Paris toques
That cost five hundred dollars,
And dad (see Adam's Book of Jokes)
One box of paper collars.
Glad Christmastime, when dames in want
Of manly adulation
The mistletoe are due to haunt,
In hopes of osculation;
When wives of men who use the weed
Set in the year's provisions
(For further information, read
The holiday editions);
When Sunday school is such a treat
No wise young man would miss it
(No bill on Christmas Eve complete
Without "Kris Kringle's Visit");
When bills pile up on New Year's Day
For fobs and rhinestone crescents,
And father works six months to pay
What mother spent for presents.

ANYTHING TO OBLIGE

MISTRESS (engaging new maid): "And have you any followers?"
Maid: "No, mum. But I could easily get some."

THE MODERN CHILD



UNCLE ED—"Why, Johnnie, you don't swear, do you?"
Johnnie—"No, I don't swear, but I know all the words."

THE CAUSE OF THE TRAGEDY

YOU want to know, my child, here in the midst of the sweet Christmas spirit of give and take, with the accent on the take, why your little friend's papa, who was a proofreader, is no more?

Then climb up on father's knee and he will tell you the story.

There was a society editor who was almost scholarly and was afraid this fact would not be discovered and exaggerated in the public mind.

This learned society editor was sent to write the story of an Irish Christmas party.

The house was decorated in shamrock, heather, and other things typical of the outer edges of the British Isles.

So the society editor anxious to show erudition spoke of all these things learnedly, saying:

"There was the very breath of the Gaelic about everything in the house."

That was the way she wrote it, my child. Sit close and let father hold you tight, for now comes the horrible part of the story.

The next morning eight pink-faced Hibernians came storming up the stairs, with blood in their several optics. They cried out with one husky voice, so that they might be heard for several blocks on a dark night:

"We want you to know that th' breath av th' garlic niver was about annything in that house! That wasn't no wop layout!"

Whereupon they beat the editor severely.

Now, little child, brace yourself.

And there was just enough left of that editor, when he came to, to crawl upstairs and run a lead pencil straight through the vitals of that proofreader who was the father of your little friend.

Now run and play.

SYSTEM IN THE HOUSE

OBEDIENT Youngster: Mother, may I speak?

Parent: You know that you must not talk at the table.

"May I not say just one thing?"

"No, my boy. When your father has read his paper you may speak."

Father reads through his paper and says kindly:

"Now, William, what is it?"

"I only wanted to say that the waterpipe in the bathroom had burst."

LOOKED THE SAME

THE PUP (gaily advancing to the attack): I'm a devil for cats!"

BETTER STILL

AN American and a Highlander were walking one day on the top of one of the Scotch mountains. The Scotchman, wishing to impress the visitor, produced a famous echo to be heard in that place. When the echo returned clearly after nearly four minutes the proud Scotchman, turning to the Yankee, exclaimed:

"There mon, ye canna' show anything like that in your country."

To which the other replied: "I guess we can better that. Why, in my camp in the Rockies when I go to bed I just lean out of the window and call out: 'Time to get up; wake up!', and eight hours afterwards the echo comes back and wakes me."

ABSOLUTELY SWANK

THE New Reporter (going to the telephone and ostentatiously starting the machinery): "Halloa! Central! Let me have 2745 C, please. (A pause.) You giddy little thing! No. I said twen-ty-seven. Twenty-sev—— Halloa! Is that 2745 C? Is Mr. Sawgertees Devoy in the office? Will you tell him that Mr. Jefferson M'Addister would like to speak with him? Yes, that's the name; M'Addister, journalist."

(The other reporters listen in awe-struck silence.)

The New Reporter: "Is this really Mr. Devoy? My name is—— Ah, you recognize my voice? You perhaps remember that I interviewed you yesterday. What's that? Best report? Oh, thank you! You're very kind. I tried to make it so. Has anything turned up in regard to that case since noon? Well, sorry to trouble you. Eh? Dinner? You're extremely kind. At Romano's? What? And a bottle? (Surging interest in the entire staff.) It's awfully kind of you. Well, say Tuesday, at eight. But, really, I——"

City Editor (in his everyday voice): "I have some work here, M'Addister, when you are quite through talking to yourself. That telephone has been disconnected all the morning."

DULY QUALIFIED

IT was quite an important case at the Petty Sessions, and Mr. Sixnate, the country lawyer, felt worried about the result. He was doubtful of his two witnesses.

So, when the morning came for them to appear in court, he himself called for them and together the three drove in a small wagonette to the neighboring town.

Conversation flagged, and the lawyer grew despondent. As they passed a field of turnips he pointed to a number of rooks.

"Can you see those rooks there?" he asked.

"Yes," answered witness No. 1.

"Now, what color do you think they are?"

"White!" answered he who was going to speak the whole truth.

The attorney gasped.

"Ah! and what do you think?" he asked of No. 2.

"Oh, they're white, without a doubt!" said he.

Then the lawyer heaved a deep sigh of relief.

"Good! Very good!" And then, musingly, "I think we shall win our case to-day."

DESCRIBING THE DOG

A MOUNTED Police officer in the Peace River country was endeavoring to ascertain the kind of a dog that had been stolen from an Indian.

The Indian said:

"Shenabaogama kewan degun. Ohgago delan debah navergah laoder? Da Shenaba, da shenogamah udla bajou, udda bazach—nuh, nuh, sagwa aga zzshumao cheo maghata bajou? Mahuta ataham ylzrna Editgo etama jabo? Opit eloanainalak ynaharb nosidam nisnocsiw enich trebor seilsel detartsulli ylkeew bajou."

"Your honor," the interpreter explained, "he says it's a yellow dog."

"I suppose," the officer retorted, "if it had been a black and tan, that it would have taken him two weeks to tell it."

NOT HIS FAULT

P.C. COPP (to tramp, hiding turkey under his jacket): "Now then, how do you account for this 'ere bird under your jacket?"
Tramp: "Blessed if I know, guv'nor, the beggar must 'ave run up the leg o' me trousers!"

IT DIDN'T SAVE HIM

AMONG the less-known writers of the nineteenth century was Samuel Rogers. He kept open house and frequently entertained Dickens, Macaulay, Carlyle, and other celebrities of the time. Rogers was a notable wit, but unfortunately his thrusts were not always tempered with kindness. Irving, in a letter, says:

"I dined tete-a-tete with him some time since and he served up his friends as he served up his fish, with a squeeze of lemon over each. It was very piquant, but it set my teeth on edge."

This same caustic flavor of his wit is shown in a story he was fond of telling to the discredit of French valor.

An Englishman and a Frenchman had got into a wordy squabble, which led to mutual insults and a challenge. Nothing could save the honor of either of them but a duel.

But duels were not fought to kill. Even serious wounds were unpleasant, and a mere scratch would answer the purpose much better. So that the antagonists might have a better chance of missing one another, they repaired to a dark room.

All was in readiness. The signal was given. The Englishman, no less eager to preserve his foe than himself, groped to the open fireplace. He pointed his pistol up the chimney and fired.

"And, by Jove," Rogers was wont to exclaim, "he brought down the Frenchman!"

SANTA CLAUS' DEPUTY

THE midnight hour, by all the clocks, was struck, and I arose, to fill the sleeping children's socks with toys and things like those. My wife, in tragic tones, exclaimed, "Now, get things rightly fixed! Last Christmas I was badly shamed, the way you got things mixed; for Ann got Freddie's rubber ball, which made them both complain, and Willie got the speaking doll that should have gone to Jane. I hope that you will use your head about these Christmas chores, and when you do come back to bed, please try to can the snores."

The house was cold and densely dark as I went on my way, with hobby horse and Noah's ark and treasures from Cathay. I knew just where the stockings lay, there in the sitting-room, and thought that I could find my way in any sort of gloom; but all the furniture had moved from its accustomed place—a rocker, richly carved and grooved, flew up and hit my face. A lounge that always hitherto had stood against the wall, showed all the wrestling tricks it knew and from me took a fall. I sat me down among the wreck of wooden toys and things and murmured huskily, "By heck!" and, furthermore, "By jings!"

"This stunt I once more will begin"; and then the stove came up in front and kicked me on the shin. At last I found the socks; in these I placed the broken toys and hoped the wreckage still might please my little girls and boys.

At morning, while in bed I lay, all mangled, bruised and torn, I heard my eldest, Willie, say, in tones of bitter scorn, "Oh, mother, don't let Santa Claus come to this house again! He is the worst that ever was—he's vulgar and profane! Last night I lay awake in bed and heard him as he toiled, and nearly everything he said was over-ripe and spoiled. But why does father not come here to see my railway train?" And mother shed a gleaming tear and started to explain.

"Your father heard that rude old jay who storms around and swears; he tried to drive the man away, and tumbled down the stairs."

QUITE RIGHT

DUSTY RHODES: "Mister, would you contribute a dollar to help beautify your thriving city?"
Citizen: "What's the idea?"
Dusty Rhodes: "Well, a dollar would buy me a ticket to the next town!"

A GENTLE REBUKE

FOR four entire hours had the lady remained in the shop. She had visited every department and worried the majority of the salesmen without spending a cent.

Toward the close of the afternoon one of the salesmen, feeling somewhat exasperated, ventured to make a mild protest.

"Madam," he asked sweetly, "are you shopping here?"

The lady looked surprised, but not by any means annoyed.

"Certainly," she replied. "But what else should I be doing?"

For a moment the salesman hesitated, then blurted out:

"Well, madam, I thought perhaps you might be taking an inventory."

Then the lady melted away among the shadows of the door.

:: A HERO ::

SHE: "What have you ever done for humanity?"
He: "Saved at least one man from a terrible fate."
She: "When was this?"
He: "When I married you!"

A MALE WRITER ON DRESS

ACKNOWLEDGING that her figure, with its excessive development of hip, its short legs, its long back, and its diminutive size, had no chance aesthetically with the lordly male, woman applied her brain to the task of covering up and transforming her nakedness. Cunningly she argued that if she succeeded in disguising herself, the male, in a few generations, would see her not as she was, but the gorgeous, if grotesque, being she had made of herself. Her short legs she concealed with a skirt; her height she added to by high heels, arguing that though her walk, as a result of this disturbance of the balance of her figure, became a waddle, the male in time would regard this waddle as her natural gait, and even find a beauty in it. At the other end of her body she built up her height by fluffing out her hair—that vegetable form of life that linked her with such lowly forms of life as the seaweed and the foliage of trees. And on top of her hair, or pad, she piled a hat, and on the top of the hat she grew some more vegetables. Thus in time the male accepted her as of practically his own height, and did not consider that by longitudinal measurement every female was resolved into this algebraical formula: 7 inches, vegetables and wire plus 2 inches pad plus 1 inch hair plus 4 foot, something, female plus 2 inches leather heel.—Sydney Bulletin.

COULDN'T EAT IT

AFTER waiting the usual five or ten minutes the new arrival was served with the first dinner course of soup. Hesitating a moment as he glanced at his plate, the guest said to the waiter:

"I can't eat this soup."

"I'll bring you another kind, sir," said the waiter, as he took it away.

"Neither can I eat this soup," said the guest, a trifle more emphatically, when the second plate was served.

The waiter, angrily but silently, for the third time brought a plate of soup.

"I simply can't eat this soup," once more said the guest in a low, emphatic tone.

By this time the waiter was furious and called the hotel proprietor, while the guests at the nearby-by tables looked over that way with curious glances.

"Really, sir, this is unusual. May I ask why you can't eat any of our soups?" demanded the proprietor.

"Because I have no spoon," replied the guest quietly.

GENEROSITY UNREWARDED

"WHAT was the trouble between Miranda and her young man that they gave up the idea of marrying?" asked the visitor.

"Well, Miranda was always touchy," said the young lady's aunt, with impersonal coolness, "and that was the trouble—that and her being so literal.

"They kept having hitches all along; but when her birthday was drawing near, James asked her right out what she would like for a present, and she said, 'You can give me enough chocolate to fill my slipper,' looking at him shy-like.

"Well, her feet aren't as small as some; but that wasn't his idea. 'Twas because he's generous and not literal. He sent her a 6-lb. box, poor critter, and she broke off the engagement."

GREEN FARMING

THE prosperous farmer from the agricultural West was talking.

"When I first went at it," he said, "I was green as a punkin. I hadn't any money to speak of, either, and as I thought the land close to the railroad was too expensive, I rented a place back in the country. Bully land it was, too; better than the railroad land and not a third the cost. I put in corn, wheat, and oats, and raised a hummer of a crop. I had the laugh on the chaps that raised a smaller crop on higher-priced land, and was feeling mighty good, though my money was all gone. But it didn't pan out. I had to give my wheat crop to a man for thrashing the oats, and another party got the oats for cutting and husking the corn, and, by heck! a teamster took all my corn for hauling it to the railroad. After that I quit and moved in closer to transportation facilities."

POLITENESS IN EXCESS

MRS. JORDAN had "ideas" on the way children should be reared. Her young hopeful, Tommy, caused her a little anxiety in this respect. Now and again, therefore, a serious "politeness" lecture was administered.

"Now, Tommy, dear," she started, "supposing you accidentally stepped upon a gentleman's foot, what would you say?"

"I would say: 'Beg your pardon!'"

"That's my own little son!" smiled the pleased mother. "And if the gentleman gave you a penny for your politeness what would you say?"

The innocent look passed from Tommy's eyes as he quickly answered:

"Why, I would stand on the other foot and say, 'Beg pardon!' again, of course."

THE SYMPTOMS

THE PROFESSOR: "Ah! My liver is out of order again. I can always tell it by these sharp, shooting pains in my head."

NOT FOR HIM

THE blacksmith, who was pretty good at his trade but ignorant of medical lore, sprained his wrist one afternoon and lost no time in hustling to the surgery of a doctor.

The doctor examined the wrist and then took a small bottle from a shelf, but found it empty.

"James," said he, turning to an assistant, "go upstairs and bring me down a couple of those phials."

"What's that?" exclaimed the patient, suddenly showing large signs of emotion.

"I was merely asking my assistant to bring me down a couple of phials from upstairs," answered the doctor.

"Files!" cried the blacksmith, with a lack of determination. "No, you don't. If that hand has got to come off you will use an axe or a saw!"

TOMPKINS' XMAS CIGARS

"EXCUSE me," began the visitor, who was more or less visibly embarrassed; "but—my name is Tompkins! Er—did—er—my wife—er—leave an order here for cigars, to be delivered to my home on—er—Christmas Eve?"

"Tompkins?" said the cigar man. "Just one minute! D. B. Tompkins? Yes, sir. One hundred flor de Hobokianos! Price, $2.50! Ordered banded in red and gold and a card inclosed, with the felicitations of Mrs. D. B. Tompkins!"

"Exactly! Well, I'm D. B. Tompkins. Now, I'll tell you what I'd like you to do. You take those red-and-gold-banded stinkarees my wife ordered and hand them to some fireworks man to be utilized as punk along about the 24th of May next. Use the box thus provided for a hundred good, clear Havanas at about $9.50. I'll pay the difference! Understand? And in the meantime—mum—'M-U-M'—is the word! Do you get me?"

"I'm wise in a second!" replied the cigar man. "What you want me to do is to take the present incumbents of the box ordered by Mrs. Tompkins out on the hillside somewhere and bury them deep down in the yawning sod. In their places you want a practical smoking cigar of the kind that is usually sold without an accident policy! And you stand ready to pay the difference!"

"Precisely!"

Tompkins handed over a greenback and received his change.

The cigar man smiled appreciatively.

On Christmas Day Tompkins opened the box and abstracted therefrom a good, big, black Havana.

"You seem to enjoy that cigar," suggested Mrs. Tompkins, as he blew rings of soft blue curling smoke at the chandelier.

"Enjoy them?" echoed Tompkins. "Why, they're simply delicious!"

Mrs. Tompkins purred her delight at this wholly unexpected tribute.

"And yet," said she musingly, "there are men who are mean enough to say that a woman doesn't know anything about buying cigars!"

THE WRONG MANNER

A DEAF man, just as the oysters came on at a dinner party, said to his host:

"What's that you say? Speak up louder, please. You know my infirmity."

The guests restrained a titter; and the host, smiling sheepishly, inclined his head and began afresh in a slightly louder voice.

But the deaf man frowned impatiently.

"Come, come," he said, "that won't do. Never talk down into your collar when you're addressing a deaf man."

Again the guests broke into restrained laughter. The host, as red as a lobster, began a third time, articulating very slowly and distinctly.

"I hear you now," the deaf man interrupted, "but I can't make out the words. Better give it up, old fellow."

"Hang you!" roared the host, his patience at last exhausted, "I'm trying to say grace, and if you interrupt me again I'll break your jaw, if I do two months for it."

Imperial Federation Scheme Not Popular in Dominions

London Nation Believes There Is Little Desire To Drop Any Part of Self-Government in Order To Enter a Closer Political or Commercial Union.

The London Nation says: Current events in South Africa and India furnish an interesting commentary upon the vision of a closely-federated British Empire with which Mr. Herbert Semuel, fresh from his semi-official tour through Canada, has just been entertaining the members of the National Liberal Club. Here is one of our self-governing dominions passing with our assent unjust and oppressive laws directed against a section of their fellow-British subjects, and administering these laws by methods which outrage public sentiment, and provoke a dangerous state of feeling among the largest of our subject populations. Yet so little unity of political structure or of common feeling exists inside the British Empire that even the informal communication between the viceroy and Gen. Botha was regarded as a matter of extreme delicacy. Anyone at all familiar with South African sentiment must be aware that the faintest endeavor either on the part of the Imperial Government or of the Indian Government to remonstrate against the treatment of Indians in Natal, will arouse bitter resentment. Though South Africa may find it impossible to refuse the explicit demand for an impartial committee of inquiry pressed upon it by our Government and that of India, even this measure of interference will arouse a strong feeling of antagonism in the breast alike of Boer and Briton. The indignant tone of Lord Hardinge's address, thoroughly justified as it is in our opinion, will not ease the situation in South Africa. For Gen. Botha has a very difficult part to play. Any concessions he may personally be disposed to make to Imperial pressure will be represented by the Hertzgoites as a betrayal of South African nationalism, and though the recent convention showed that the extremist wing was in a considerable minority he cannot afford to give to his enemies even an appearance of truckling to the Imperial Government.

Other Instances.

This instance of South Africa is particularly flagrant. But it does not stand alone. On the contrary, it is strictly representative of a sentiment and policy common to all our self-governing dominions. The regulations of the Canadian Government regarding immigration at the present time actually discriminate in favor of Japanese and Chinese as compared with Indian immigration. And this for the simple reason that special treaties exist with China and Japan, whereas India possesses no treaty-making power, and the Imperial Government wields no effective substitute. So it comes to pass that in a British state British subjects are treated worse than foreigners. How is it possible to speak of Imperial unity in face of the gulf which separates the peoples of our self-governing dominions from those of our subject empire? It is indeed sometimes suggested that could the dominions be saddled with a joint responsibility with us in the government of our Asiatic and African subjects, they would adopt a more liberal attitude. Mr. Sidney Low, for instance, in an interesting essay in a recently published volume of "Lectures on Colonial Problems" (Bell & Son), suggests that: "Perhaps when our colonists are helping to govern India, they may be more tolerant of Indian settlers; they may even consider that the peopling of such vast tropical or subtropical solitudes as the Australian Northern Territory with Asiatics who have been born under British jurisdiction may be the safest method of preserving them from Asiatics of Mongolian race and foreign allegiance." It sounds plausible enough, but nobody acquainted with the opposition prevalent in every section of the Liberal party, who desire to work towards Imperial Federation, ought at the outset of their endeavor clearly to face the question, "What is to be the place of India and the crown colonies under such a federation?"

The Other Side.

Hitherto the movement has virtually ignored this all-important problem. Our Imperial Federationists have been scheming by conferences, imperial secretariats, representation on the defence committee, and so forth, to lay the foundations of some future legislative and executive body which shall represent the union of self-governing states in the empire. They seem placidly content to hand over to such an Imperial Government, if it can be framed, the teeming millions of our Indian Empire, to be disposed of as its imperial wisdom may see fit. Now, it has always seemed to us extremely improbable that the democracies of our dominions would be willing to take upon themselves a task so onerous and so unprofitable. We frankly believe the suggestion that the people of Canada or of Australia are proud to be in some sense the possessors of India and of great slices of tropical Africa, and that they would be glad to associate themselves with us in the government of those countries. We do not believe that any widespread desire exists in any of our dominions to abandon any of the full powers of self-government which they at present possess, in order to enter into a closer political or commercial union. At the last conference, the resolution of the New Zealand representatives in favor of Imperial Federation met with nothing but stern repudiation from the representatives of the dominions, and the idea of stampeding them into a sudden reversal of their national evolution by scare appeals for imperial defence will, we are confident, prove as unavailing as the earlier endeavor to bring them into fiscal union.

India Must Have Voice.

But should we be mistaken in our forecast, and should the current of events set towards Imperial Federation, is India, with her large educated population, her civilized traditions, stretching far into the azure of her past, her great commercial interests, her enlarging powers of self-government, to have no voice in this Imperial Government? It has been a conspicuous defect in the so-called imperial conferences of the past that her representatives have not been summoned, and that her interests have only been indirectly taken into consideration. It would, indeed, be a pretty unity of empire which should intrust our anti-Asiatic colonies with a joint control of India, and instill into the Government of the country, wherein three-fourths of our subjects reside, the present temper of the Transvaal and Natal! A plain demand ought to be formulated to the effect that any enlargement of the factors of imperial government by representatives of the dominions, whether through conference, imperial defence committee, privy council, or some new organ of imperial government, should make provision for the direct and sufficient participation of the representatives of India, with a number and a standing proportionate to the great place she occupies in our political system.

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ARCHDUCHESS ISABELLA NOW RED CROSS NURSE IN VIENNA

Former Princess of Barvaia, Who Fled From Her Husband a Few Days After Wedding, Devotes Her Time to Hospital.

Should Austria ever become involved in a war—and she has been dangerously near it several times in the year just drawing to a close—there will be one nurse at the front in whose arms all good Austrians will deem it an honor to expire. She is Sister Irmengard, better known to the newspaper public as the Archduchess Isabella Maria, whose marriage in February, 1912, to Prince George of Bavaria turned out so unhappily.

It will be remembered that the Princess ran away from her husband a few days after the ceremony, returned to her parents here. Hers is said to be the unhappiest royal marriage on record. She blamed the incompatibility of her character with that of her husband, but mystery lurks somewhere.

Many attempts were made to take the Austrian archduchess back to her new home, but she refused absolu... Her husband, accompanied by his father, Prince Luitpold, brother of the now reigning king of Bavaria, even made a special visit to Vienna to see the archduchess's father, but having always had a will of her own she refused even to see her husband, and so the matter ended. There has always been much mystery regarding the real reason the archduchess so soon deserted her husband. The truth probably will never be known as the archduchess has turned to her new life with heart and soul devoted to her duties.

Marriage Annuiled by Pope.

The marriage was declared null and void by the pope on Jan. 17 of this year. It was formerly the custom for Catholic princesses under such circumstances to enter a convent. Archduchess Isabella, however, had made her plans to become a hospital nurse. Her parents pleaded with her to change her mind, but it was made up. Even the aged emperor himself could not change it. Accordingly, last May the archduchess presented herself to the lady superior of the Red Cross here, applying for admission as a probationer. She was adopted under the name of Sister Irmengard and passed her time of probation at the school to the satisfaction of the doctors. Then she was definitely accepted as a pupil.

According to the regulations of the Red Cross the princess, like ordinary pupils, then had to bind herself after one year's apprenticeship to serve two years as a nurse in the Rudolfinerhaus Hospital. In the future she must place herself at the disposal of the Red Cross, particularly in time of war.

This once haughty princess wears today the ordinary dress of a Red Cross nurse and occupies a cheap little room on the top floor of the hospital She spends the day like any other hospital nurse. In the morning she is employed in the ambulatorium, where hundreds of outdoor patients of the poorest classes are treated daily free of charge. In the afternoon, when it is her turn, she performs her duty in the surgical ward for men and assists at operations of all kinds.

Rarely Leaves the Hospital.

Archduchess Isabella, who is now 25 years of age, gives very little time to recreation. Because of her headstrong will which made her a nurse against the wishes of her family a slight estrangement has arisen between the archduchess and her family, and sometimes weeks go by without her leaving the hospital grounds to visit her father's palace.

The marriage of archduchess Isabella Maria on February 10, 1912, was attended with very peculiar circumstances. It was celebrated at Schoenrunn in the presence of the emperor, and prior to the marriage the archduchess renounced all rights to the throne of Austria. Prince George, the bridegroom, is a grandson of the aged emperor. It is the custom in the Austrian court to have all those not in direct line to the throne renounce formally all rights to the crown on the eve of marriage.

On the night before the marriage a fire started in the palace of Archduke Frederick, father of Isabella, who, by the way, is the richest of all Austrian archdukes. An alarm was sounded, and on investigation it was learned that the blaze had started in the room of the archduchess. Her wedding gown a creation of white satin trimmed with exquisite lace, had been destroyed. No one but the archduchess was in the room when the flames were discovered, and it was always believed that the archduchess started the fire herself in a vain hope of preventing the ceremony on the morrow. Her parents, however, sent for the court dressmaker, and she was ordered to make another wedding gown over night. The dressmaker set her entire staff to the work and they labored all night. The gown was finished at dawn and none but an expert eye could have told the difference between it and the original.

The wedding was duly celebrated and the royal couple, seemingly happy, started for Salzburg to pass their honeymoon. Archduke Frederick in the meanwhile had ordered a handsome mansion built at Munich for his daughter, and her triumphant state entry into the Bavarian capital was planned. The princess had all her gowns made in which to appear before the plain old Bavarian court, but she never used them as the state entry was never made. Instead the prince returned to his capital alone, after trying to forget his humiliation by an extended hunting trip in Africa.

Flight Caused Big Sensation.

The archduchess left Salzburg a few days after the wedding and with her suite fled to her parents. This caused a sensation at the Bavarian court, where storms are few and far between. Every effort was made to bring the young couple together again, but everything failed. The archduchess, who always had been interested in charitable work and who had taken an active part in organizing cottage industries in Austria, turned to the hospital to find solace for her blighted love.

The Archduchess Isabella, who has long been known as one of the best-looking women in Europe, was brought up as an outdoor girl on the vast estates of her father on the lower reaches of the Danube, in Hungary. Here the great hunting ground Karapanza is situated, which the Kaiser has visited on several occasions. Fifty years ago the Karapanza was a primeval forest and little has been done since in the way of cultivation. Among these wilds and at Presburg, Hungary, the archduchess and her sisters were educated.

Their mother brought them up on modern lines, but Isabella always cared more for the forest than the ballroom. One of the ladies-in-waiting to the youthful archduchess was the present Duchess of Hohenberg, wife of the heir to the Austrian throne, then a plain countess. It was in the palace of Archduke Frederick, Isabella's father, that Francis Ferdinand met his future wife. The Archduke Frederick and Isabella's mother looked with great favor on the frequent visits of the Austrian heir and only an ambitious mother can fully realize how disappointed this royal parent was when she learned that Francis Ferdinand had eyes for one of Isabella's ladies-in-waiting and not for Isabella herself.

Thus love has twice flirted with this youthful princess. Perhaps — who knows?—there is a romance of the battlefield yet to come.

SHAVING MUGS!

ONCE-A-YEAR MAIL FOR MISSION IN FAR OFF UNGAVA

The Lure of Life in the World's Loneliest Mission Station.

Natives Ate the Scented Soap Supplied to Promote Cleanliness.

Half of the staff of what is perhaps the loneliest mission station in the world is now spending brief furlough in England. That half-staff is the Rev. S. M. Stewart, of the Colonial and Continental Church Society, whose permanent address is anywhere in Ungava, the great ice-bound province between Labrador and Hudson's Bay—a thousand miles further from civilization that the scene of Grenfell's work in Labrador.

The extent of his remoteness from the ordinary twentieth century world may be gauged by the fact that letters are delivered in Ungava one a year.

When the Ship Comes In.

"The most anxious moment of the year," said Mr. Stewart, "is when the Hudson Bay Company's vessel from England is sighted, and we are waiting to know whether she brings us good news or ill. A few years ago my furlough was nearly due, and I was looking forward to getting back to see my old father in Ireland. Then the ship came, and I found he had died nine months before."

The equanimity with which Mr. Stewart could speak, within the very confines of Fleet street itself, of his banishment from the news of the world came as something of a shock to the interviewer.

"We get on quite well without news," the exile declared, "and I find I can pick up the threads of everything that matters within a week after I get home."

For the last eighteen months Mr. Stewart has had a colleague to share his solitude, but for twelve years before that he carried on his work single-handed. Over an area of perhaps 300 miles there are about a dozen white men and half-breeds, all of them trappers or fur traders. For the rest, society consists of Cree Indians and Eskimos, and Mr. Stewart spends most of his time on the move, living in a tent or a snow-hut, usually the latter.

"Medicine Soap."

The missionary's preaching includes the gospel of cleanliness, and he backs it up in a practical way with cakes of soap.

"Unfortunately," he remarked, "I gave them scented soap to start with, and they ate every cake they could get hold of. Now I have taken to carbolic, and they say they don't like 'medicine soap,' so they use it for the purpose it was meant for."

Polar bears and wolves and ice-quakes add variety to life in Ungava. An ice-quake is sufficiently explained by the fact that there is a spring tide rise and fall of 60 feet on parts of the coast, and floating ice-fields crack the break up under the changing pressure. The operation on one occasion opened a 30-foot crevasse under Mr. Stewart's feet and left him at the bottom of it, with the certainty that as the tide fell the sides would come together and crush him like a spider in a book. Somehow he forced himself up the cleft and got within hail of the natives before he collapsed from an injury to his knee that kept him laid up for a month.

Mr. Stewart is going back to the peace of Ungava as soon as he has found friends to defray the cost of a motor-boat that will rival his "twelve-dog-power Eski-motor" in keeping him in touch with his scattered companions. He is looking forward with lively anticipation both to the experience of sailing the boat up from Newfoundland and the reception it is likely to be accorded by his parishioners.

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We are indebted to one of the Paris fashion magazines for the news that American women of wealth spend a quarter of a million dollars a year on their clothes—and it requires many economies to pinch along even on that figure.

The "chic" women among the millionairesses, says the French editor, will need at least the following items, costing not less than the sums set down.

She may start with the morning tailor-mades, and she will want at least four of these, costing her altogether $640, for you can not get the kind of suit she will wear for less than $160 each.

Then she requires at least two riding habits and a hunting costume, which will cost her $800, with the fancy vests and other fittings.

Costumes For Sports.

A special costume for each sport is an absolute necessity, for who would go yachting in a tennis suit, or play tennis in a golf costume? Thus she spends at least a thousand dollars for the sporting costumes and rough wraps.

This has only covered the morning. In the afternoon she will require a number of fancy tailor-mades, in cloth or silk, gowns for teas, meetings or tango parties, and special costumes for the trip south in winter. The silk tailor-made will cost her $750, and she will need at least fifty afternoon gowns a year at an average cost of $240 each, or a total of $12,000 for these alone.

The evening gowns are still more delicate—and expensive. These very sheer folds of tulle, the rich brocades and embroideries are priceless. They are worn perhaps twice, never more than three times—but they cost anywhere from a thousand dollars to three thousand dollars, and there must be many of them.

The chapter of wraps is worst of all. A sable coat may cost $60,000. The fashionable woman wanted a coat of broad-tail last year; this year she must have one of ermine, which costs from six to twenty thousand dollars, according to quality. She may spend anywhere from $50,000 to $100,000 for the furs alone.

The House Dresses.

But she must not forget her house dresses and gowns, made of all kinds of silks and laces. One robe may cost $250 or $300. Her dressing gown of China silk costs only $100, but altogether she will spend at least $8,000 for these home dresses.

Dresses and furs have been provided, but she is not nearly through with her needs. She must have hats, and they are not cheap. The plainest of these for morning wear will cost thirty or forty dollars, and if she buys a hat with algrettes or paradise plumes it may cost her $500, or even $1,000. She will spend at least $80,000 for all the hats she will need during the four seasons and between seasons, to match each costume.

What now about the lingerie? It is so fine that it washes to bits very quickly, but that does not prevent her from spending $30 for a chemise, or a corset cover, and $40 for a nightgown. Her handkerchiefs are an item in themselves, and all these together will cost her at least $60,000 per annum.

Her corsets must be of all kinds and shapes for various uses. Who would wear the same corsets for a tailor-made and for yachting, or for a house gown? She must spend not less than $800 to $1,000 each year for corsets and brassieres.

And then come the stockings! Five dollars buys the poorest she will wear, and the embroidered and medallioned may run as high as $300 a pair.

Then come the gloves, changed with every dress, bought by the dozens, worn once and thrown away. She will spend thousands on jabots, scarfs and rouchings.

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Comes From India.

Mr. M. K. Gandhi comes from Western India. He is by race (or, to speak more precisely, by language), a Gujerati, by religion a Hindu, and by caste a Bania or merchant. He comes of an old Bania family connected for generations with Porbandar, a little native state in Kathiawar, north of Bombay, where for a quarter of a century his father was Dewan or chief minister. Though profoundly impressed by the religious character of his mother, an old-fashioned Hindu of the straitest way of life, this youth was not of the home-keeping kind. His ambition went out towards the west. With the greatest difficulty he obtained his mother's permission for the journey to Europe, and then only, it is said, after a Jain priest had, in solemn ceremony, administered a triple vow of chastity and abstinence from flesh food and alcohol. Mr. Gandhi was called to the bar at the Inner Temple, and on returning to India was admitted an advocate of the Bombay high court.

Served in Boer War.

Just twenty years ago a case in the Natal courts took him to South Africa, not in the first place with any idea of remaining there. The Law Society opposed his enrollment as an advocate, but the supreme court of Natal admitted his claim, and Mr. Gandhi, already aware of the outcast condition of the Indians in the colony, settled down in Durban to practice his profession and to organize his countrymen. He founded (in 1894), the Natal Indian Congress, which began its career with an agitation—an unsuccessful agitation—against the disfranchisement of Asiatic settlers. The two decades of almost unbroken conflict have been full enough of varied incident for Mr. Gandhi. Twice he has had experience of warfare—in the early stages of the Boer war, when he was at the head of the Indian Ambulance Corps which did good service on the Natal battlefields, and in 1906, when he organized a corps of Indian stretcher-bearers during the native rebellion in Natal.

Twice at least his life has been in danger—once when he was set upon in the streets of Durban on landing from India (the report having got about that he was introducing skilled Indian labor into the colony), and when he had, like more famous men in similar circumstances, to escape in policeman's garb; and another time when an infuriated Pathan tried to kill him under the impression that he was betraying the Indian cause to the Transvaal Government.

Expert Agitator.

He is an expert in scientific agitation. Never was there a popular leader more uncompromisingly hostile to militancy. There is no tolerance in him for anything even remotely resembling violence. Passive resistance—or, as he prefers to call it, soul force—is his single weapon, and he never sanctions its use until every conceivable means of negotiations and persuasion has failed. Ten years ago he founded a weekly paper, "Indian Opinion," as the organ of his movement (at first printed in four languages, now in two—English and Gujerati). To begin with, the paper was published in Durban, but after a few months Mr. Gandhi bought an estate of about 100 acres some twelve miles to the north, upon which was planted the Phoenix Settlement, whence "Indian Opinion" has continued to be issued. The settlement is peopled by Indians associated with the paper and others of Mr. Gandhi's helpers, the leaders among whom, in true Indian fashion, take a vow of poverty, binding themselves not to accept more than £3 a month for their services to the journal or to the educational schemes of the community.

Mr. Gandhi's quality as a leader was tested during the four years' struggle with the Transvaal Government (1906-10), when the Indians were fighting, passively, of course, against the finger-print ordinance and other measures for which General Smuts was in the main responsible. Victory, it was thought (such victory as is possible upon a basis of avowed compromise), had been achieved three years ago; but the undertaking made by General Smuts was not ratified, and, as we know, even Mr. Gokhale's mission of peace last autumn, so far as the essential point at issue is concerned—the securing of admitted rights of domicile—has been unfruitful. With the resumption of hostilities Mr. Gandhi has gone, as his way is, to prison; and it remains to be proved whether the Union Government can afford to keep him there. For his influence in the keeping of the peace is unrivalled. The South African Indians give him an unlimited allegiance. His character commands their reverence; they obey him like children; they believe in his wisdom. With Mr. Gandhi on the field, the struggle proceeds without bloodshed. Remove him, and the furies are abroad.

A Born Leader.

He has shown astonishing gifts of leadership and diplomacy, and an equally astonishing grasp of affairs and knowledge of men. But fundamentally M. K. Gandhi is a recluse, a devotee, a mystic. His speculative standpoint is unreservedly Tolstoyan. He is an alien in the modern world, an enemy of what we call western civilization. It is not, he will tell you, the British people, but western civilization, mechanical and material, that is governing India, and cities like Calcutta and Bombay are merely plague-centres. Increase of material wealth and of comfort is inimical to moral growth. East and west can never meet until the west has thrown over its civilization, and India's only way to salvation is to unlearn all that she has been learning under the tutelage of the west during the past half-century. To this uncompromising apostle of non-resistance even the organization of scientific aid for suffering humanity is essentially immoral. The hospitals (and this from a devotee of the Red Cross!) are but instruments of the devil, for if they did not exist mankind would stand a chance of freeing itself from the physical wages of sin. Our modern world is the Inferno, and the only right thing for man to do is to get out of it into silence, solitude, poverty, and peace. And yet with it, here is Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi, the spiritual Nihilist, sacrificing himself wholly in order to secure for his compatriots a little measure of civil rights in a dominion which will never willingly accept them as free citizens. You must admit that it is strange.—London Daily News.

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It was to me one of the curious indications of how one absorbing prepossession of the mind obliterates all other things—even the most obvious for the moment—that was not till within an hour or so of my leaving Dumfries—whither I had been brought on a mission with which this journal has nothing to say—that I realized that I was in the town so intimately associated with many of the chief pages in the life of Robert Burns. Even then I was not ready to visit the haunts of Burns, for there was an article that had to be written on that morning; and thus it was that it was only within the few sixty to eighty minutes that intervened before my departure for other scenes that I was able to follow the various footsteps of Burns in this town, crowded with so many gay and so many dark hours in his career. If my visit was hurried and my impression swift and uncertain, the reader must put it down to the hurry which swept me along from spot to spot.

I.

Burns at Dumfries.

First, perhaps, I should tell the southern reader—I need not tell it to my Scotch friends—that Burns lived in Dumfries from 1791, when he received his appointment as a gauger, till 1796—the year of his death. It is an important period of his life—not so much for its productiveness as for its final overthrow of his health and the gradual descent through ill-health, over-indulgence, flattery and neglect, in which he finally ended. In some respects it is the period of his life to which one looks with least pleasure and most regret. On the other hand, Burns, for the first time in his life had a settled income—it was only ninety pounds a year, and it was for the laborious and pretty thankless and very perilous office of gauger. Most of his wild passions had ceased to torment him; he was settled down with Jane Armour, who was the best of wives; and all his little flirtations, except one, were platonic. He was usually treated with the respect due to his genius, already recognized, though now and then some outburst, either of heretical opinion or of excessive conviviality, injured him. There is the well-known story of his being found standing in the streets looking up to the windows in the hotel where the county ball was taking place, and revealing his chagrin that he was not among the invited guests. I think it is Carlyle that makes the apt remark that the only thing remembered about that ball and about every one of the self-conceited gentlemen and prim ladies who looked down with scorn, if they saw it, on that forlorn and banished figure outside, is that Burns wasn't there.

II.

At the Hole in the Wall.

There are two hostels in Dumfries which are mainly associated with his name. The one bears the somewhat suggestive title of the Hole-in-the-Wall. You enter it through a narrow lane. It is a small house with some relics of Burns scattered around. The other inn, which produced a profound impression on me, and which dwelt more in my memory, is the historic Globe Inn. I found behind the counter an excellent and intelligent lady—the typical Scotch housewife—polite, refined, industrious, and well-educated; and she was an enlightened guide. She took me upstairs to the room in which men, not probably knowing their luck, had listened for hours to the intoxicating eloquence that came from the mobile lips and the teeming imagination of the child of genius. It was a typical middle-class drawing-room in appearance—Early Victorian it looked, with Early Victorian suggestions; though I dare say most of its furniture dated from an earlier period. Here was the chair in which he sat; there the bowl from which he had drunk many a merry glass of hot whiskey, and toasted either the men or the women whom he loved. One almost felt as if one were in the presence; and at the same time one felt what a world-drama of tragic ill-luck to an immortal figure, was played in these narrow and modest surroundings. Other things I saw, and then I went away; but as I reached the street, I suddenly remembered that I had not see that which most excited my curiosity. You who have read the story of Burns will not have forgotten that awful and disastrous night at the Globe Inn which gave the suffering and broken man his coup de grace. You will remember that Burns received a heavy blow towards the end of 1795 by the death of his daughter Elizabeth Riddell; and that soon after he became ill, and was laid up from October till the following January. He was just recovering from this illness when he was persuaded to go one night to the Globe to meet his cronies, long robbed of his presence and his wit. It must have been a right royal night; and possibly Burns was at his best. For when are men of his temperament so outwardly and so recklessly gay as when at the background of their minds there is the haunting spectre of black death? And the night's carouse is made the madder, the merrier, and the more reckless because this haunting thought throws its bleak shadow over all. Contrast in your mind's eye the loud and noisy environment and this stillness and sadness, and foreboding of the lonely soul of Burns, seeing it all as in a vision, leading on the more quickly to the black dark end. For I have relived this last night at the Globe Inn a thousand times since first I read the story. I have seen men, not with the genius of Burns, of course, but with brilliant abilities, strong and unconquered passions, and conscious also of coming disaster, go through such scenes; and have listened to their ghastly merriment and their apparent exultations, when behind it all, I knew that there was foreboding, and the distorted and appalling vision of coming doom. And I have also seen the sequel that follows such nights—specially to him whose genius has given color, glory, splendor, light to the dark sordid and vulgar scene. Also I have seen when men had been made merry and sentimental and loving underneath the false friendship of the bottle, how they turned to their homes and separated. And this is just what happened to Burns. When he left the Globe Inn, he was left to go home alone; perchance he would have resented any companionship as a reflection on his sobriety and his strength. Anyhow he did leave alone; and then a short distance from the inn, overcome by the cold of the bitter January night or by the effect of the fresh air on his brain bemused with the wild drinking of such a night, he sat down; and thus he caught the cold which developed into rheumatic fever and ultimately led to his death.

III.

I had been told that the spot where Burns had thus given himself the final blow was still marked by reverent and self-reproachful recollection. And I was going away without seeing it! Fortunately I remembered in time; I went back to the inn and the pleasant landlady took me to the spot. What a strange moment to me it was! I had pictured a cross or a tablet or something of the kind; what I saw were two or three brick steps, decayed, gaping, with the mortar half-worn away; just three brick steps; that and nothing more. It did not make the spot less tragic, less impressive because it stood thus in all its common nakedness; it was indeed far more impressive in its suggestion; that of utter simplicity and merest commonplaceness which so often are the narrow and squalid theatre on which the resounding and immortal tragedies of life are played. And all the surroundings were in harmony. The narrow lane, going its whole length as far as I saw, at the backs of houses, was the short cut through which Burns used to find his difficult way to his house on the hill beyond. And for a moment, the ghost of Burns thus painfully making his way home, was at my side!

IV.

Where Poet Lived.

I visited next the small, modest house in a back street in which Burns had lived; and in one room the intelligent and obliging woman, who is the curator, pointed me out the bed on which Jane Armour, the poet's faithful wife, was delivered of a child on the very day of her great husband's funeral. And here again the ordinary bed, without the curtains of more prosperous life, with the simple, cheap bedclothes, made the tragedy more poignant. It was the thought of his wife and of his children, including this one who was expected but did not come till its father was dead, that helped to darken the dying hours of Burns; and that and a bill for seven pounds, ten, due, of all things, for his uniform as a volunteer. I have given, I dare say, more than once, that terrible letter in which Burns abased himself in the dust to ask the loan of the money to pay this miserable little bill; and gave a glimpse into that Vision of Hell, more real than any that ever came before the eyes of Dante, which was in the mind of Burns as he thought of jail and coming death and the penniless wife and children. Seven pounds ten—not the hundredth part of what a book of Burns, in an early edition, could produce today!

V.

The mausoleum in the graveyard is under the charge of the husband of the excellent woman who is the custodian of the house, and she kindly directed me on the way. At the mausoleum I found the custodian, a typical Scotchman, intelligent, keen, deeply interested in the life of the illustrious countryman over whose tomb he keeps watch and ward. He pointed out to me that there was a mistake in the record on the tomb; Burns was put as a year younger than he was when he died. And then, quite casually, he gave me a piece of information which at once set me in a flutter. There were, he said, some descendants of Burns in Dumfries today. Yes, said the custodian, there are a granddaughter and a great granddaughter of Burns in the town, and the granddaughter is a real Burns. I had but ten to fifteen minutes before I had to catch my train. I asked him if he thought the two ladies would be willing to receive me. Of course, he said, they are visited by many people. So off I rushed; came to the smallish street, then went up the narrow passage into what the Scotch call a close, and ascending the first stair on the right I found myself outside one of those small flats in which so many Scotch people dwell. I knocked with some trepidation and some keen expectancy at the small and modest door; there was a long pause, and then the door was opened, and at once I forgot the narrow, close and the small staircase and the modest little flat at the top of the dark staircase. For there stood before me a woman whose beautiful, open, sweet infectious smile seemed to flood everything with her own sunshine. The custodian was right; here was a real Burns before me in the flesh. The short, round face, the short nose, the dark eyes, the laughing look, as it were the outward expression of that joyousness of life, which was part of Burns' temperament amid all its frequent gloom, all spoke of the descent and of the blood of Burns. He lived before me again.

VI.

Miss Burns.

Miss Burns Brown, for she it was who received me, is what the Scotch call a sonsy woman, with a fine full figure, great vitality of movement, an infectious laugh in her great black eyes and in her round almost chubby face. There is nothing about her of the forlorness which I had expected; she is vital in every movement and in every look. At once I felt that I had a hearty welcome; and soon I learned that I was known to the lady; for she and I had corresponded in some far-off day—doubtless in connection with some of my studies of Burns. Then I was shown into the small sitting-room, with its modest furniture and its look of early Victorian ideas, and all the other things which are so familiar to those who like myself have known so much of genteel poverty. After a while the old lady herself came again — a sweet, touching, pathetic figure; old, a little tremulous, very intelligent, very sad; for, as she told me, she had lost her husband within the last few years; and with him had evidently gone out the light of her life. We were alone for a few moments, and then I told her that I had heard her daughter was very like the poet. "They used to say that I was very like him, too," said the dear old lady in her soft, weak voice. And then she told me something about her father—the son of Burns, who had been employed in Somerset House; his portrait was on the wall. And presently the daughter with that joyous and hospitable smile of hers came in; and she asked her mother to sing me a song. But the dear old lady shook her head and declined. "Then I'll sing myself," said the girl; and down she sat at the little piano, and with energy and sweetness and fine expression, she sang to me "A man's a man for 'a' that." It was indeed a strange experience, to hear one of Burns' song sung by one of his blood and one retracing all his features and figure, nearly a hundred and twenty years after, in the small house not far away, Burns had gone the dusty road to death. I am afraid that there came something of a lump into my throat, and that it was with some difficulty I kept from making a fool of myself; for tears would have been a strange thing in presence of that laughing face and that vigorous and animated figure. Then there were a few more pleasant words—that accursed train was on my mind all the time, and kept torturing me by its incessant and clamorous call, while I was standing in the presence of Burns. And I went away.

T. P.

SETTLING.

"I must insist, sir," exclaimed the pompous person, "that the device is a fire-plug."

"And I am actually confident that it is a water-plug," retorted the mild individual.

"Now, my dear sir," puffed the pompous person, "this device was put here primarily as a plug on which to attach a hose in case of fire in the vicinity. Therefore, it is absolutely impossible that it can be anything but a fire-plug."

"You are entirely wrong," declared the other. "This plug was placed here to supply water. Consequently it is a water-plug. If it supplied fire—why, then, of course, it would be a fire-plug."

The pompous person stopped a passing pedestrian.

"Sir," he began, "I desire to appeal to your intelligence. This gentleman has become involved in an argument with me. He insists that this device is a water-plug, while I, with equal confidence, claim that it is a fire-plug. Will you kindly settle the question for us?"

"Certainly," replied the pedestrian. "You say this is a fire-plug, and your friend declares it is a water-plug. Just let me investigate."

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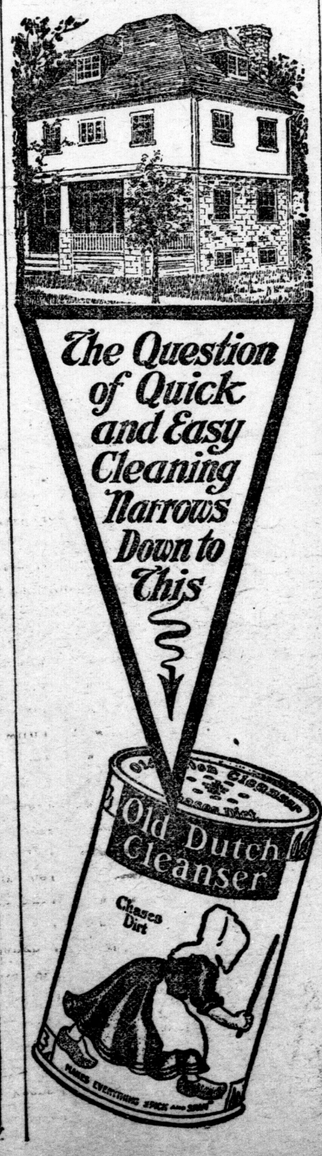

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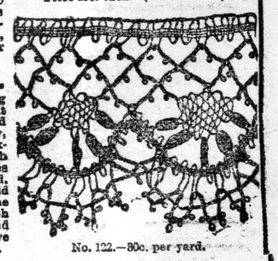

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