

WITNESSES SWEAR BUCHANAN GOT MONEY FOR SALE OF ROAD ROLLERS

Stirling Testimony Given at Oxford Graft Hearing—Agent Tells of Purchases—Says He Drew Up Fake Bill About An Automobile Deal.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Woodstock, Dec. 29.—That M. T. Buchanan got \$340 out of the J. L. Case Company in 1907 for his commission on some road rollers purchased from the firm by the county was sworn to at the resumption of the Oxford county graft inquiry this morning. J. L. Thayer, general agent for the county, said that B. Buchanan, one of the county councilors, had taken him and the local agent, Walter, to Buchanan's house in Ingersoll. It had been represented to him that the county wanted to buy two rollers and wagons, running up to \$5,000 in value.

Tells of Deals.
Thayer stayed in an hotel all night, and the next morning had discussed a commission on the sale. Buchanan, he said, "made it plain to me, that he must have a commission, or the deal would not go through."

"How much did he want?" asked Mr. Johnston.

"He wanted all he could get," said witness. Shortly after the Toronto Exhibition, witness said, he had received a phone message from the Oxford road superintendent saying that the rollers were broken. Witness went to Ingersoll and found bolts and nuts loose, and in a condition of dilapidation that strongly suggested that someone had been tampering with them.

NEW COMMISSION TO REGULATE RATES

The Representatives Mabee and Knapp Favor International Railway Board.

THE QUESTION DISCUSSED

In Conference at Washington, and Full Details of the Report Will Be Made Public Shortly.

[Associated Press.]

Washington, Dec. 28.—As a result of a long series of conferences between Judge Martin A. Knapp, chairman of the Interstate Commerce commission, and J. P. Mabee, chief of the railway commission of Canada, an agreement has been reached to recommend to the governments of the United States and Canada the creation of an international railroad commission, which shall have supervision over the railway rates in operation between the two countries.

Mr. Mabee arrived in Washington from Ottawa Tuesday night, in accordance with a previous arrangement with Mr. Knapp. He came to Washington to discuss the details of an agreement he had reached with Judge Knapp last August, and Wednesday the two officials, who were designated by their governments to consider the subject, were in conference. Their report will be filed by Mr. Knapp with the state department, and by Mr. Mabee with the foreign office of Canada.

Details of Report Not Learned.
No details of the report are available, beyond the fact that it recommends the establishment of the commission, on which shall be conferred certain defined regulatory powers.

For a considerable period it has been realized that the increasing traffic, both passenger and freight, between the States and Canada was likely to render control over rates in the future difficult, unless some international action were taken. The acquisition by American railroads of Canadian terminals and lines present increasing difficulties.

In the existing circumstances it is not possible to compel either railways or express companies to establish joint through routes and rates to and from points in the two countries. In other words, neither an American nor a Canadian carrier can be required to take a shipper a through bill of lading from any point in one country to any point in the other.

The reasonableness of the international rates, which ordinarily are a combination of the rates local to each country, can be determined only by a circuitous proceeding instituted before the commissions of both countries.

No Power Exists.
No power at present exists that can require carriers engaged in international transportation to establish what may be regarded officially as reasonable through joint rates, and to apportion these rates among the participating carriers in the event they cannot reach an agreement among themselves.

Out of this situation grew the idea of the creation of an international commission which should have supervisory control over the railroads and other common carriers doing an international transportation business.

It was the desire of Judge Knapp that the report of Mr. Mabee and himself should be completed and submitted before his retirement from the interstate commerce commission. The report is likely to be filed with the department of state Friday.

CROWN IS AFTER HARROW DESPERADO

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 29.—Instructions were yesterday issued by Crown Attorney Rodd, of this city, for the arrest of William Wright, the young Harrow man who successfully defied the village and its police for 48 hours last week.

The compromising of the case against Wright by his relatives without the official cognizance of the authorities has led investigation of the whole affair.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Mr. Buchanan then threatened witness that if the commission was not paid to the satisfaction of the boys, the machines would be hauled to the station and shipped back. Then it was that witness had agreed upon \$340, and there was no further trouble with the machines.

Threatened Suit.
On the strength of this document, the company threatened Buchanan with legal proceedings to recover the \$340, and the latter returned the money. This was Thayer's evidence. The same case was gone into by Judge Finkle two years ago. Other cases were touched on, and at the finish, E. F. Johnston told the court that in cases of trafficking in office records against N. E. Birch, the county clerk, R. McIntosh, treasurer, and Will Toule, caretaker, evidence at his disposal did not warrant him in proceeding with charges. Mr. Birch wanted all gone into in his charge, and offered to pay all costs if anyone would say he ever gave or promised one dollar.

For yesterday's evidence see Page Eight.

\$18,000 RECEIPTS FROM THE L. & P. S. R.

This Is the Sum That Will Be Handed Over to the City Treasurer.

BOARD WILL MEET FRIDAY

So Far as Known There Is No Business of Importance to Come Up at the Session.

[Associated Press.]

The final meeting of the London and Port Stanley Railway board will be held Friday at noon, when the business of the year will be closed. The financial statement will be submitted and the remaining accounts paid.

No important business is to be taken up. When the board organized in the spring, a committee was named to inquire into the cost of electrifying the road. Nothing was done, as the committee did not pursue the work to a satisfactory conclusion.

The present lease has three more years to run. What will be done with the road at the expiration of that time is not known definitely, but it is quite probable that the incoming board will arrive at some conclusion relative to the cost of electrifying the line.

There will be nothing done this year regarding that matter, declared Mayor Beattie. "We will simply finish the business of the year."

The receipts will be about the same as last year, when \$18,000, all told, was received from the city. The traffic this year has been about the same as last.

WM. HESLOP WILL COME UP FOR HEARING FRIDAY

Home in West London Has Been Broken Up.

Considerable interest centres in the trial of Wm. Heslop, the West London cigarmaker, who will be charged in tomorrow's police court with assaulting and wounding James B. Fowler, who is now in St. Joseph's Hospital, suffering from the injuries sustained in Saturday night's brawl.

Heslop's home has been entirely broken up, and his two little boys are now being cared for by his mother, who also lives in West London.

CRUELTY TO LAD

Montreal, Dec. 29.—Locking her stepson in a woodshed, whipping him when he cried from the cold, and only bringing him into the house to be fed, then sending him back into the woodshed again—these are details of the charge of "cruelty to a child" today against Mrs. Phileas St. Jean, of Chabot street.

"Horrible, horrible," exclaimed Judge Lancet. "This is simply barbaric."

His honor promptly ordered both father and stepmother to be locked up, without the option of bail, pending preliminary investigation into the case.

Reception to Minister.
A reception will be held at the Congregational Church this evening in honor of Rev. D. S. Hamilton, who is visiting in this city. Everybody is welcome and it is hoped all of his London friends will be present.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.
New York, Dec. 28.—Arrived Lincoln, La. Yokohama—Monteagle. St. John, Nfld.—Mongolian.

A BIG REDUCTION IN PULLMAN RATES

It Is Likely That Lower Berths Will Be Cheaper as Well as Upper.

A CONFERENCE SHORTLY

Matter Will Be Gone Into as Soon as Chairman Mabee Comes Back From Washington, Where He Is Consulting Officials.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—Within a comparatively short time Canadians will be able to occupy the upper berths of sleeping cars at substantially lower rates than are charged for lower berths, and it is probable that there will be some reductions in the rates charged for lower berths. The Canadian railway commission has not yet taken action in the matter, and will not do so until the interstate commerce commission of the United States has finally dealt with the matter.

In the United States the sleeping car companies have filed a scale of reduced rates, but the interstate commerce commission has not yet accepted them. However, it is known that there will be considerable reductions there. As the American organization took the matter up first, and as the business is largely of an international nature, the Canadian commission will await final action on the other side of the line before dealing with the Canadian side of it.

It is expected that the American decision will be largely followed. Chairman Mabee, of the Canadian commission, is now in Washington, consulting with Chairman Knapp, of the interstate commerce commission, on international railway questions, and the sleeping car matter is one of these. It is expected that the Canadian board will be able to deal with the matter soon after the return of Judge Mabee from Washington.

BANK SUSPENSION INVOLVES OTHERS

Government Has Now Taken Charge of Washington Institution.

[By Associated Press.]

New York, Dec. 29.—There was a further development in connection with the suspension of the Washington National City Bank and its branches on Tuesday, when the state banking department temporarily assumed charge of the Washington National City Bank, pending further investigation into its condition. J. G. Robin, whose operations caused the closing of the Northern Bank, is president of the savings institution.

Superintendent Finney made the following announcement: "The banking department has, for the present, assumed charge of the Washington National City Bank, pending a further examination into its condition. This step has seemed necessary by reason of the bank's relation to the Northern Bank."

It is expected that the depositors in the Washington National City Bank will be paid in full, but no definite statement as to the bank's condition is expected for a fortnight at least, pending completion of an examination of the bank's accounts.

It was learned this afternoon at the district attorney's office that the grand jury would hand down an indictment against Robin very soon, and that the formal director will be arrested or rendered as soon as the papers are filed.

FIRST AID WORK

Branches of Ambulance Society Will Be Organized in the West.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—Capt. Birdwhistle, general secretary of the St. John's Ambulance Association, is leaving for the west to organize provincial branches in that province. His first meeting will be in Winnipeg on Jan. 6, and this will be followed by a meeting in Edmonton on Jan. 10. British Columbia will be visited for a meeting in Victoria or Vancouver the following week, and the organization of Saskatchewan will be effected at Regina Jan. 27.

THE WEATHER

Tomorrow—Light Snowfalls.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Dec. 29—8 a.m. Today—Unsettled, with occasional falls of snow or rain.

Friday—Light snowfalls and a change to colder.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. Max. Min. Weather. Victoria. 46. 42. Cloudy. Calgary. 28. 10. Cloudy. Winnipeg. 6. 10. Fair. Port Arthur. 20. 12. Cloudy. Parry Sound. 22. 24. Cloudy. Toronto. 34. 28. Cloudy. Ottawa. 28. 22. Cloudy. Montreal. 30. 24. Rain. Quebec. 30. 20. Cloudy. Father Point. 20. 16. Cloudy.

WEATHER NOTES.

Cold, wintry weather prevails this morning throughout the Western Provinces, and temperatures there are generally well below zero.

Conditions are unsettled from the lake region to the Maritime Provinces, and snow and rain have fallen in most localities.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.
A moderate depression from the Southwest States moved yesterday to the lake region, accompanied by rain and snow in the Ontario peninsula, and by snow in the Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence Valley. There are indications of the development of another disturbance in Mississippi Valley, which may move to the West Provinces, attended by light snowfalls.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London. 29. 24. 40. Victoria. 46. 42. Vancouver. 36. 42. Kamloops. 12. 26. Edmonton. 6. 10. 14. Calgary. 28. 10. Moose Jaw. 15. 20. Regina. 8. 12. 12. Winnipeg. 6. 10. 14. Port Arthur. 20. 12. Parry Sound. 22. 24. Toronto. 34. 28. Ottawa. 28. 22. Montreal. 30. 24. Quebec. 30. 20. St. John. 28. 24. Halifax. 20. 16.

TODAY'S PROBS.
The East—Moderate winds, with steel or rain.

Lake Superior—Mostly fair and becoming colder; some light snowfalls.

WOMAN BOUGHT \$12,000 BROOCH BY MISTAKE FOR SIX DOLLARS

Only Discovered What It Was Really Worth When She Took It Back to Have Some Stones Put In It.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Dec. 29.—The holiday season brought out an interesting little romance of the business world which has been practically suppressed by the principals. One day, last week, a Toronto woman entered a department store, and asked one of the clerks what the cost would be for replacing two pearls in the setting of a brooch.

"Fifteen hundred dollars," said the clerk. "No, I am not mistaken. However, I will call our expert," said the clerk.

The expert looked the brooch over and estimated that the missing pearls could not be replaced for less than \$2,000.

"That is strange," said the woman. "I purchased that brooch here last year, and it cost me only six dollars."

The clerk immediately called one of the members of the firm. He was told the story. He only took him an instant to look over the treasure.

"Madam," said he, "we had private detectives for several weeks endeavoring to trace this bit of jewelry. It was valued at \$12,000. We thought it had been stolen. We did not want the story to get to the newspapers at the time."

Then it was that the real truth dawned. Each year, student clerks would pass heretofore, but did not realize the value of the brooch. The brooch had been placed in a case of more moderate priced articles by mistake. Thence it had made its way across the counter.

The woman said she did not wish to pay a cent more for the brooch, and it was returned to her. On Christmas Day, however, she was the recipient of a present of silverware from the company's stock valued at \$1,000.

BLUEBLOODED DOGS HOLD SWAY

BIG SHOW IS ON IN CITY HALL

Colliers Suffered Severely During the Rabies Scare—Some Splendid Specimens Are To Be Seen in the Different Classes.

The annual dog show given by the London Canine Association is being held this afternoon and evening in the city hall.

In spite of the fact that the action of the Government regarding rabies has considerably reduced the number of dogs in the country, the entry list is larger than ever.

Practically all the local breeders are represented, while several outside places sent dogs. Petrolia, for instance, while Woodstock, Ingersoll and St. Thomas have many representatives.

Captain Walter Smith is in charge of the benching arrangements, and there is no cause for complaint.

The quality of the exhibit has improved a great deal since the association inaugurated these shows, and it can safely be said that no finer lot of dogs has ever been exhibited in this city.

The toy dogs are a very fine class.

350,000 PEOPLE CAME TO CANADA

It Is Expected That Next Year There Will Be Half a Million.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—The immigration authorities are now in a position to state that the immigration to Canada during the year which is just closing will reach the total of 350,000. The indications point to a heavy increase next year, which will carry the immigration arrivals in Canada to the half-million mark.

DYNAMITE WRECKS DETROIT COUNTRY

Owner Believes He Is Victim of Persecution by Enemies.

[By Associated Press.]

Detroit, Dec. 29.—A grocery store owned by Jim Mano, at 265 Clinton street, was wrecked by two dynamite explosions early today, and ten houses in the neighborhood were damaged. Ten men, a woman and a baby were sleeping on the second floor of the store but escaped unhurt. They were thrown from their beds. The explosions which followed each other in rapid succession, could be heard a great distance, and the residents in the vicinity were thrown into a state of excitement.

Several sticks of dynamite with half-burned fuses, were found nearby. Mano says he believes that Italian enemies of his talk with the police, and have had litigation in the courts of late, coming out victorious.

TALKS WITH RESCUERS

Man Who Has Been Buried in Ruins for Fifteen Hours.

El Paso, Dec. 29.—Efforts of the rescuers at the slag dump of the El Paso smelter early this morning were directed toward the release of Eusebio Aguilar, the only living man remaining in the dump. Aguilar has been pinned under a mass of slag for nearly fifteen hours, but is able to talk with his rescuers.

It is expected that Aguilar will be released this evening.

It is stated that six is the total of the death list in yesterday's explosion when the accidental discharge of nearly four thousand pounds of powder buried a score of workmen engaged in burrowing into the huge pile of slag to secure material for railroad ballast. Four bodies still remain in the dump.

A SERIOUS CHARGE

Montreal Youth Struck Another With a Stick, and He Died.

[G. N. W. Dispatch.]

Montreal, Dec. 29.—The police have captured Rosario Casavant, the 19-year-old youth, who in a quarrel over Marie Soucy, struck Ernest Bigras on the head with a stick, from which a nail protruded, from the result of which Bigras died yesterday afternoon. He was arraigned on a charge of murder today, and the case put over for hearing. The nail entered Bigras' head.

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MAYOR ORDERS PUBLIC MEETING

Municipal Issues Will Be Discussed in City Hall On Friday Night.

CANDIDATES WORKING

East End Is Being Combed for Votes—Each and Every Candidate Is Certain He Will Be Elected.

There will be one meeting during the present municipal campaign. It was thought that it would go through without an exhibition of oratory, but today a number of citizens and candidates sent in a petition for a meeting.

Mayor Beattie immediately issued a proclamation for one in the city hall on Friday.

It is expected that all the candidates, or nearly all of them, will be on hand to give their opinions on the various matters coming up for discussion.

It seems that many of them are coming up with inspiration, and they have at their command the panacea for all civic ills.

The candidates are busy, however. They are scouring the town for votes, and the elusive elector is being tracked to his lair, and made to promise that he will vote "right."

The average man promises to vote for everybody in sight, mentally reserving for himself the right to mark his ballot as he thinks fit.

All Are Certain.
So far as can be learned there will be 25 aldermen elected. Of course the total twelve seats, but no candidate interviewed will admit that he is going to be left with the unlucky thirteen.

Hope springs eternal in every human breast, and more so in the bosom of the candidate.

There is speculation everywhere as to the personnel of the incoming council. Seats are conceded to many of the present body, but it is taken for granted that several will be defeated. Who the latter will be is also quite a matter of speculation.

There is little excitement on the surface, but there are undercurrents, and it is probable that some surprises will be sprung by the electors.

The east end is the great battleground at the present time, and that section is being thoroughly combed for votes.

RAILWAYMAN DEAD.

Detroit, Dec. 29.—Thomas Grose, for more than thirty years an employee of the G. T. R., died very suddenly last night at noon. Mr. Grose was about 55 years of age. He leaves a widow, two sons in Detroit and a daughter, Mrs. Watson, of Montreal. Interment will be in Montreal.

JOHNSON WILL FIGHT.

Paris, Dec. 29.—It is announced that the Duke of Devonshire, formerly the Duke of Devonshire, has accepted the offer made some time ago of \$25,000 to come to Paris in April and fight the winner of the approaching match between Joe Jeane and Sam Langford.

LOCAL MINISTERS DOWN ON DIVORCE

Do Not Approve of Suggestion of a Court For Province of Ontario.

MAKE IT HARDER FOR RICH

But Do Not Increase the Evil by Making Divorce Easier for the Poor—Some Emphatic Statements.

London ministers are strongly opposed to any change in the present methods of obtaining divorce in Canada which would result in making divorce easier. And the idea of a divorce court for the poor, as recommended by the Ontario Bar Association, has so far not been favorably received by local clergymen.

"I am opposed to any change which will make divorce easy," said Rev. J. Gibson Innes, of the First Presbyterian Church. "If it is harder, as it has been claimed, for the poor to obtain divorce than for the rich, then make it harder for the rich, but no easier for the poor. The marriage relation is too sacred to be tampered with."

A Calamity.
Canon Hagarty of Memorial Church, expressed his opinion that it would be nothing short of a calamity to make divorce easier. The possibility of obtaining it should be reduced to a minimum.

"Let us make it harder, harder," he said. "Let us drive divorce out of the country altogether. We have no need for it in Canada. Let us make it harder for the poor to obtain it, and a hundred times harder for the rich. Divorce is practically unknown in the Dominion. Let us make it entirely impossible. The great mass of the people do not desire it. Let us do something that will tend to make it more common."

Lowering of Tone.
Rev. H. A. Graham also thought it would be a calamity to effect any legislation which would facilitate the means of obtaining divorce.

"There would be a general lowering of the tone of social morality in consequence," said Rev. Mr. Graham.

Rev. A. K. Birks, although not favoring the idea of a divorce court, was less pronounced and more moderate in his views.

"It is undesirable to make divorce easy," said Mr. Birks, "but that would largely depend on the power which would be invested in the new court. Under the present system, there may be some cases of injustice; but, after all, so far as society is concerned, it is better that a few should suffer than that the divorce evil and kindred evils should enter into our Canadian civilization. However, it should be just as easy for the poor man to obtain divorce as for the rich man. The enormous costs of divorce at present are unfair to the poor, and beyond remedying this injustice, I am opposed to any change."

The Catholic Church is, of course, absolutely against divorce.

LONDON PUBLISHER LIBELED KING GEORGE

Printed Old Story of Alleged Morganatic Marriage—Goes to Jail.

London, Dec. 29.—Edward Mylles, who was arrested on Monday at Shepherd's Bush, charged with being concerned in the publication of a paper called the Liberator, which contained a libel on King George V., was committed to prison today, charged with sedition.

Prior to the arrest of Mylles the police raided his lodgings in Courtney street, and there they found a number of copies of the paper. They also confiscated about 300 more which they found later.

The Liberator is published in Paris by the Duke of Devonshire, and its publisher is Edward Hilton Jones, said to be a wealthy American lawyer, now travelling in Portugal. He is a nephew of Henry James, the novelist. It is described as an international journal devoted to the extension of republican principles, and its contents are mainly virulent abuse of England, its Government, its ruler and the royal family. The police have been in the habit of raiding the office, and action was taken until the November issue appeared.

A colored leaflet was issued with the June number, setting forth in large type: "France and America salute thee, England—Long live Kier Hardie—Hall to the Revolution—Down with the Classes—Up with the Proletariat—Long live Egypt, India and Ireland—Hall to the People, and long may they reign."

A virulent attack on the consort of the late Queen Victoria, and statements concerning the alleged morganatic marriage of King George caused the raid.

PAINTER FOUND DEAD.

Ingersoll, Dec. 9.—A painter named Wm. Geddes was found dead in his bed in his boarding house, formerly the Hotel Normandie, opposite the town hall on King street west, yesterday evening. It is alleged that he had been drinking freely, and a severe cut was found on his forehead. It is not considered sufficient to have caused death.

Deceased had been painting in McCarty's new building on Thames street. Dr. Colquhoun was called, and he concluded that the man had been dead for several hours when found. It has not yet been decided whether an inquest will be held or not.

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80 TO 90 POUNDS AT THE HYDRANT

Horton Street Plant Is Doing Excellent Work For the Entire City.

BIG CHANGE IN PRESSURE

It Is Expected That the City Will Shortly Have From 90 to 100 Pounds Pressure at the Hydrant.

The water pressure throughout the city today varies from 60 pounds to 90 pounds. The lower figures are shown on the dial at the city hall when the new pumping plant is not in operation. When it does work, however, the pressure jumps up 20 pounds, giving the firemen plenty of water, and abundantly enough to make all fires that may occur in the city.

This fact is the first and best argument in favor of the new artesian well plant.

This pressure is not the maximum. The machinery has not yet been run to capacity, nor anything near it. In the parlance of the sporting world, the machinery has been run "under wraps." There is much expectation to make it obtain perfection in operation, and as in the case of all new machinery, the first test is not always a true one, nor the best.

When the plant has attained smoothness, and when everything has been adjusted properly, there is no doubt that the pressure at the hydrant will be from 90 to 100 pounds.

Electric Pumps Operated.
The two electric pumps have been operated together. Each has a capacity of 2,500,000 gallons, and in cases of emergency five million gallons can be turned into the mains.

The gas engine has been tested, and it works admirably. It is expected to serve unit, and will be used in cases of emergency only.

Experts state that it is the best type of engine seen in Canada for some time. The wells are all pumping, and show good results. One of the latest, located just east of the pumping station, is considered the best. It is running easily 900,000 gallons a day.

The others are giving satisfaction. None have been made to yield their light. The eighteen wells would, it is claimed, show more water than the old ones. The quantity which they will be called upon to produce daily as soon as the machinery is better adjusted, hours each day. When the construction work is completed, in two weeks' time, they will be working the full 24 hours.

Mr. Dark Is Satisfied.
"We are well satisfied with the new machinery," declared Manager Dark. "The new pumping plant is doing better. The pressure down town is from 80 to 90 pounds now. That is a decided improvement as compared with what we have been

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to Attract Trade.

London, Dec. 28.—In London we have become quite accustomed to the idea of aristocratic shopkeepers, and while they are not all successes, their number increases every season. There are several peeresses conducting business with success in fashionable thoroughfares, and more than one daughter of a "beited earl" makes a tea-shop pay. In England those trading members of the aristocracy are not criticized for their efforts to make money, but are rather applauded for their "cleverness" and "pluck." But, then, did not Napoleon say that the English are a nation of shopkeepers? Samuel Johnson, who said so many wise things, remarked once that there were "few ways in which a man of woman could be more innocently employed than in the retail trade." Doubtless many a noble lord or his lady would be kept out of mischief if they had a shop to attend to.

Trading is a dignified and praiseworthy occupation, which is more than can be said of some of the pastimes of "smart" society folk, and their undignified conduct—betting, gambling, and talking slang—a fast losing game, and the respect that has for centuries been considered due to their rank.

One View of the Conditions.
A prominent public man in England gave it as his opinion lately that "when the upper classes made no effort to support their rank with dignity, they should not complain, if they were not treated with respect by those beneath them in the social scale." However, it is the position of the shopkeeping peer or peeress is incongruous, and it is unfair that those who "keep shop" should demand exceptional treatment from the class that they have joined but refused to identify themselves with.

In the early days of aristocratic shopkeeping in London the flower shop and the tea-shop were the favorite ventures, and some of them succeeded remarkably well. Then a more enterprising peeress remarked that "you were not likely to grow fat on flowers

or tea," and knowing the enormous prices paid for really chic millinery, she turned her attention to ministering to the wants of her wealthy sisters in this respect. She was the happy possessor of a "hand" for trimming a hat, and her deft fingers worked such magic with feathers and bows—just giving the "fit" and style that is supposed to be the exclusive birthright of French millinery—that in a few months' time her modes became famous, and her friends and customers were willing to pay enormous prices for her work.

When this grand dame had well established her reputation she was wont to give friendly advice to others of her class who aspired to such fame. "My dear," she would say, "situation is the first thing. If you are taken with any situation, make every effort to secure a shop there, even if the rent is extravagantly high. It will pay you to be busy and fashionable throughout life."

Not a Real Shop—Make-Believe.
"No, I don't mean a real shop, but a make-believe one, in appearance. Put a white curtain over the window, with your name in neat, copper-plate characters, and—there, you are started. Next, don't permit the prying street to regard your creations. Have a black-painted screen in the window, make the public walk in to see your wares."

Indeed, these amateur shops have a pose quite their own in furniture and style. On entering the uninitiated customer might think that she had by mistake stepped into a simply furnished drawing room in a private house. The society shopkeepers who make their business a success specialize, as a rule, in a particular line, and devote all their time and talent to designing and perfecting some item of feminine dress. The business is first profitable, owing to the endless variety of style that it lends itself to, and the scope that an inventive genius has in creating one. No one who has not visited an emporium selected the blouse can ever imagine the heights of perfection that this article of dress can soar to. From simplest flannel, untrimmed, but perfect in cut, to richest brocade, velvet and poplin, from simple tailor cut to great, soft, billowy effects of lace and chiffon; from pure white to rainbow combinations of colors, they are all equally alluring.

"They make you feel braced up to look at them, even if you can't buy," one lady was heard to say to another, when coming away from a private view at her friend's shop. The housewife, in a shirt, skirt, even the veil and necktie, have shops devoted to their special cult in London, and presided over by society women who make them pay well. The shops are never far from the inside of the shop, but repose in the drawers of great oak chests.

The aristocratic shopkeeper generally finds that her society friends support her, though she gives it as her opinion that their custom has its drawbacks. They want, she says, too many concessions, and are often unreasonable in their demands. It is very difficult, too, to refuse unprofitable transactions with friends than with strangers.

COL. W. M. GARTSHORE IS VICE-PRESIDENT

Provincial Association of St. John's Ambulance Corps Has Been Formed.

The Provincial Association of St. John's Ambulance Corps was organized in Toronto on Wednesday.

The first set of officers was elected. Col. W. M. Gartshore, of this city, was elected vice-president. He has always taken a deep interest in this work, and the association recognized this fact by giving him a most important office.

Mr. William Loveday, who has been secretary of the local association for some time, was selected as a member of the council board. He was prevented from attending owing to illness, but his consistent efforts on behalf of this work were recognized by the members of the association.

Let us buy a 50-cent bottle of Psychine (pronounced Si-keen) from your druggist and give it to you (free) to prove its great value.

Psychine is the greatest vitality builder of the age. For thirty years Psychine has been curing almost every ailment that is due to run-down vitality.

Hundreds of thousands have used Psychine with wonderful beneficial results.

We have received thousands of unsolicited testimonials from people whom Psychine has cured, of in many cases, hopeless ailments.

There are still thousands of people suffering from disease, however, whom Psychine can benefit.

There are still thousands who are trying to cure themselves by wrong methods, who are using dangerous and hurtful medicines.

There are still thousands who are gradually losing their vitality—from whose body the necessary resisting power to disease is slowly but surely slipping away.

There are still those who soon will fear the dread "call in the night" if they do not take prompt action.

To these we have the above message, viz.:

"Let us buy a 50-cent bottle of Psychine from your druggist and give it to you, free, to prove its great value."

That 50-cent bottle of Psychine will tell you more powerfully than mere words can how tremendously beneficial Psychine will be for you.

It will give you an unmistakable indication of its wonderful power to renew the bodily vitality, to strengthen the phagocytes (the white corpuscles), the policemen or scavengers of the body.

The Surgical Department of the Japanese Army, in the Japo-Russian war, first drew the attention of the scientific world to the function of the white corpuscles of the blood or phagocytes.

Foreign medical men were astounded to see Japanese soldiers with wounds that had not been cleansed or dressed for days, that were apparently dirty, ill-kept, and altogether unsanitary.

Yet these dirty wounds healed marvelously; no army the world had ever known had such a wonderful record

for the recovery of their wounded as the Japanese army.

And all because the Japanese knew how to let the white corpuscles cure.

There are two kinds of corpuscles in your blood, you know, red and white.

The red carry nutrition, the white are the policemen or scavengers of the body.

Whenever a disease germ enters the body, these white corpuscles attack and literally eat it.

A wound that attracts disease germs from the air is cleansed and healed by billions of phagocytes, or white corpuscles, devouring these unwelcome disease germs.

Any disease can be cured by these white corpuscles if they be in sufficient number or strong enough to attack and devour the germs that cause the disease.

If they are not in sufficient numbers or strength, then the disease germs eat them and disease claims the body.

That's the cause of every disease to which humanity is heir.

For centuries the cure of disease has been by means of herbs—nature's remedies.

It is only within recent times that we have come to know how these herbs act.

Now scientists tell us they increase the strength and numbers of the white corpuscles or phagocytes.

In Psychine we have some of the most healing and beneficial herbs in the world, herbs that increase and strengthen the white corpuscles.

From Arabia comes one herb, from South America another, China and Japan produce a third, while the jungle of India yields a fourth.

All these herbs are recognized by the medical profession as being the most beneficial to health that they know.

That's why Psychine, in the third of a century it has been made, has cured hundreds of thousands of people who suffered from the following diseases:

FOREST CITY L. O. L.

Report of Legislative Committee Presented by Bro. Essery.

At the annual meeting of Forest City, L. O. L. No. 762, held in Society Hall, East London, there was a large attendance of members and visitors, among the latter being R. W. Bro. E. T. Essery, past grand master of the grand lodge of Ontario West; Wor. Bro. John Sholdice, R. M., L. O. L. No. 805; Wor. Bro. E. J. W. Griffith, P. M., L. O. L. No. 2170; Wor. Bro. Charles Mullett, L. O. L. No. 298, and others. The report of the audit committee shows the lodge to be in a healthy and prosperous condition, both in numbers and finances. After routine work, the following were elected and installed as officers for 1911. R. W. Bro. E. T. Essery occupied the chair, and Wor. Bro. John Sholdice acted as grand director of ceremonies: Bro. Perry David, W. M.; Bro. H. A. Schafer, D. M.; Bro. P. H. Davies, chaplain; Wor. Bro. F. H. Wright, recording secretary; Wor. Bro. John Mulligan, financial secretary; Wor. Bro. Thomas Pitt, treasurer; Bro. Isaac Walton, D. of C.; Bro. R. Kerrigan, lecturer; Bro. J. H. Walton, first committeeman; Bro. H. E. Livermore, second committeeman; Bro. J. J. Markham, third committeeman; Bro. J. Hill, fourth committeeman; Bro. G. E. Morris, fifth committeeman.

R. W. Bro. Essery gave a very interesting and instructive report of the legislative committee of the grand lodge of Ontario East.

His work in connection with the bilingual and public school questions. A standing vote of thanks was tendered the right worthy brother for his very able address.

WILL SPRAY BALLOON ON TRANS-OCEAN TRIP

German Aeronaut Plans to Keep Gas Cool on Voyage.

[Associated Press.]

Berlin, Dec. 28.—Joseph Brucker, who will attempt in March or April to cross the Atlantic from the Cape Verde Islands to the Barbados or Trinidad, in the airship Suchard, will utilize a novel system to keep his gas cool and prevent loss from radiation.

This will be accomplished by sprinklers constructed at the base of the envelope, which will spray water over the surface of the balloon. The water supply will be hand-drawn from the ocean in torpedo-shaped cylinders offering minimum resistance to the waves, and after being taken on board will be pumped through a hose to the sprinklers.

Brucker proposes to carry a crew of six in his craft, which will be equipped with two motors, each of 100-horsepower. A non-sinkable lifeboat will be taken along. He hopes to arrive on the other side after four or five days and nights in the air, taking advantage of the trade winds as far as possible.

The first battalion of Italian Boy Scouts, who have been organized and trained by Sir Francis Vane at Lucca, Italy, has proved a great success, showing thorough smartness and discipline. Initiations are being organized in other towns. The boys are called "Piccoli Cavalieri"—"Little Knights."

To make room for extensions to the Imperial Hotel, two seventeen-story houses are to be pulled down in London, Eng. They are 65 and 66 Russell Square. The former was occupied for over sixty years by Sir Thomas Lawrence, the famous painter of the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries.

If you are suffering from biliousness, constipation, indigestion, headache, invest one cent in a postal card, send to Chamberlain Medicine Company, Des Moines, Iowa, with your name, and address plainly on the back, and they will forward you a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Sold by all dealers.

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JOINT INSTALLATION OF MASONIC OFFICERS

Notable Ceremony Was Held Last Night in the Temple—Those Installed.

The joint installation of the officers of the three Royal Arch Masonic Chapters was held last night in the Masonic Temple. The installing officer was Rt. Ex. Comp. John Graham, assisted by V. Ex. Comp. U. A. Buchner, Ex. Comp. W. Spittal, J. E. Johnson and A. L. Simmie. There was a good crowd of visitors present, and all were delighted with the manner in which the work was done.

The officers installed were: St. John's Chapter, No. 3—Z. Ex. Comp. T. G. Davis; I. P. Z. Ex. Comp. A. L. Simmie; H. Comp. W. R. Bishop; J. Comp. C. Gilbert; S. E. Rt. Ex. Comp. O. Billwood; S. N. Comp. A. M. Trick; P. S. Comp. E. Somerville; S. S. Comp. C. G. Carlton; J. S. Comp. P. Miners.

St. George's Chapter, No. 5—Z. Ex. Comp. J. A. Acheson; I. P. Z. Ex. Comp. T. P. Edgar; H. Comp. E. W. G. Quantz; J. Comp. Frank Miller; S. E. Ex. Comp. W. Spittal; S. N. Comp. Maurice D. Percival; P. S. Comp. Maurice Thompson; S. S. Comp. George Logan; J. S. Comp. J. McCutcheon; third veil, Comp. Ed Smith; second veil, Comp. W. Odell; first veil, Comp. F. Campbell.

London Chapter, No. 150—Z. Ex. Comp. George W. Read; I. P. Z. Ex. Comp. F. E. Harley; H. Comp. J. Heath; J. Comp. C. R. Read; S. E. Ex. Comp. C. C. Read; S. N. Comp. Whit Lancaster; P. S. Comp. C. R. Hoare.

After the installation short speeches were made by the principals and installing officers.

GAULD—CALHOUN

Popular Young Lady Quietly Wedded on Wednesday.

A quiet wedding was celebrated Wednesday afternoon at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. James Calhoun, 313 Grey street, when their daughter, Miss Edna, was united in marriage to Mr. Norman Gauld, 157 Waterloo street.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. A. Graham, pastor of the Wellington Street Methodist Church. The bride was attended by Miss Stella Gauld, the groom's sister, while Mr. Harry Calhoun, brother of the bride, performed the duties of groomsmen.

After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Gauld left for Toronto and points east. On their return, they will reside in London.

Mrs. Gauld was one of The Advertiser's guests on the "Trip to Europe." She was most popular with the other ladies, and the evening was a social success. She is a vocalist of more than usual ability, and is well known as a church soloist of much talent.

She received congratulations from a host of friends.



"Annie Laurie."

A sweet love story sweetly told, full of pathos with just a touch of comedy to relieve the intense situations, makes "Annie Laurie" a play once seen never to be forgotten. David Lithgow heads the company, and will be seen in the leading male role, supported by an excellent cast of well-known players. A complete scenic production for the four acts is carried with historically correct costumes of that period. The play was presented at the Grand tomorrow evening and Saturday, matinee and evening, at special holiday prices.

"Beverly."

George Barr McCutcheon's novels are known to almost every one, and their successful dramatization serves to present his beautiful heroines and dashing heroes in vivid living action, surrounded by all the accessories of picturesque scenes and handsome dressing. Add to these equivalents good-looking women and men, and energetic action, with plenty of comedy and the average theatregoer will about all he wants to afford a perfectly satisfactory evening's entertainment.

One of these conditions exist in "Beverly," which is to be presented in this city at the Grand Monday, matinee and night, at special holiday prices.

COURT FOREST QUEEN

Annual Election of Officers Held—Joint Installation Jan. 4.

Court Forest Queen, 6262, Ancient Order of Foresters, held their annual election of officers in their court room, Albion Block, Tuesday evening, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: C. E. Bro. Wm. Eveleigh; C. R. Bro. Franklin Wright; S. C. Bro. George Pring; treasurer, F. W. J. Ball; financial secretary, Bro. R. H. Brock; S. W. Bro. Ernest Brown; W. Bro. Sidney Ehlton; S. B. Bro. Harry Horning; J. B. Bro. Dr. N. E. Bateson; trustees, Bros. Dr. A. O. Jeffrey, George Mortimore, Thos. R. Howard; auditors, Bros. Wm. Brimblecombe, Bro. Lucas; medical officers, Bros. Dr. N. E. Bateson, Dr. Shaw; minute secretary, Bro. Wm. Brimblecombe; union committee, Bros. F. W. Ball, Wm. Sloman; juvenile committee, Bros. Wm. Sloman, R. H. Brock and Wm. Eveleigh; correspondent, Bro. R. Depotie; organist, Bro. R. Depotie; suspension committee, Bros. F. W. Ball, Wm. Sloman, Wm. Eveleigh.

There were a large number of members present, and it was decided to have a joint installation of officers on Jan. 4, 1911.

VOTE OF THANKS TO DR. WYCKOFF

Permanent Janitor For Empress Avenue School Named.

At the final meeting of No. 2 committee of the board of education held yesterday afternoon, a vote of thanks was tendered Dr. A. J. Wyckoff, the chairman for the manner in which he conducted the business of the committee during the year. The members all paid a tribute to the hard and conscientious work done by the chairman. Dr. Wyckoff responded briefly, and thanked the committee for their

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Blacks Are Extremely Fashionable

Delightful as the holiday shopping has been, yet glad you are it is over. And what a pleasant change it is to get back again to the everyday requirements, amongst the newest dress fabrics, and sit down and talk styles and fashions. Your ideas, also those of the dressmaker, will no doubt be freshened from the rest during the past few weeks, which you have spent, we might say, in fairyland. The next few weeks is particularly the season for black dress goods, and we are showing a most complete and comprehensive range. It is many seasons since blacks have been so popular, and if you contemplate a new dress, now is a most opportune time to have it made, for if there is such a thing as a quiet time with dressmakers and ladies' tailors it is at the beginning of the year. But this is always so quickly taken advantage of that before the first month is far advanced it is made a busy season.

We direct your attention this week to the finest stock of black dress goods ever shown at this store, including suitings, all-wool, silk and silk-and-wool dress fabrics, in sheer, medium and light weights, in plain and fancy effects, including Voiles, Poplins, Crepons, Poplin de Soie, Grenadines, etc. Now is the time for black dress goods, and January is the month to have your black dress made, before the spring rush begins. While others are waiting to have theirs made you will be wearing yours.

BLACK 'VOCL VOILES—This popular dress fabric will be as much in demand as ever during the coming spring and summer seasons, and our stock has been replenished in all lines by recent shipments of French and British goods. Priestley's being well represented in our stock. The popular weaves are the fine and medium size meshes, hard-twisted threads, rendering the voile non-crushable. Our dollar lines are extraordinary value. All are 44-inch widths. Prices, per yard **85c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50**

BLACK SILK-AND WOOL CREPONS—A few and fashionable soft draping fabric, which makes up very dressy, suitable for all seasons and most all occasions, showing a slight crinkle in the weave, in plain, spots and beautiful scroll and floral designs, which are the very newest from Paris; 44-inch widths. At, per yard, plain and spots, **\$1.00 and \$1.25**
Floral designs in dress patterns, exclusive, at, each **\$18.50**

BLACK POPLIN DE SOIE—A beautiful material for evening wear and summer dresses, sheer but not very transparent, mostly silk, and very bright in finish, smooth surface; one of the most dressy and the most serviceable of sheer fabrics; 44 inches. **\$1.00 and \$1.25**

Also along this order we show a range of silk poplins, coming in a little heavier weight and in more decided cords, 44 to 48 inch widths. At, per yard, **\$2, \$2.50 and \$3**

BLACK SILK-AND WOOL SAN-TOY—This is a handsome fabric, very rich, resembling the silk poplin but not so highly finished, which is preferred by many; a strictly high-grade dress goods, medium light weight, suitable for all seasons, very small, fine cord, the silk mixture giving it sufficient brightness and lustre to distinguish it from the all-wool; 44-inch widths. At, per yard **69c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50**
Black All-Wool San-Toy, or Fine French Poplin, 42 to 48 inches. At, per yard **65c, 85c and \$1.00**

BLACK RESILDA—This new dressgoods has quickly become very popular for dressy gowns, having proven to be one of the most serviceable as well as beautiful materials, woven in light to medium weights, and absolutely non-crushable, with the lustrous sheen of silk and the wear-resisting qualities of wool and mohair combined, being composed of these wools specially prepared, in plain Shantung finish and diagonal weaves; 44 inches. At, per yard **85c, \$1.00 and \$1.25**

BLACK ALL-WOOL AND SILK-AND WOOL HENRIETTAS, selected from the best makers in the world and imported direct. We show the best values obtainable. Our All-Wool Henriettas are the well-known German velour-finished goods, very rich and glossy, and good weighty cloth. Our Silk Wools are "Priestley's," the famous British maker, and for the new style dresses these are counted amongst the most popular materials. All-Wool at, per yard **50c, 75c, 85c, 95c, \$1.00 and \$1.50**
Silk-and-Wool at, per yard **\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00**

BLACK SUITINGS—A complete assortment in all lines suitable for ladies' tailoring—Broadcloths, Cheviots, Vicunas, Serges, Worsteds, Diagonals, etc., 48 to 52 inches. Prices ranging from per yard **75c, 85c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 to \$2.50**

Main Floor.

IMPORTANT—See Saturday's announcement re special prices next week on ladies' tailoring skirt and waist making.

AFTERNOON TEA, OR SPECIAL 15c, OR TWO FOR 25c, IN THE RESTAURANT

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OYSTERS IN EVERY STYLE IN THE RESTAURANT.

co-operation and support during the year.

Mr. J. C. Palmer was recommended as the permanent janitor of Empress Avenue school. He has been filling the position on probation for some time, and his appointment was confirmed by the committee.

Some accounts were passed, and other routine business transacted. This is the last meeting of the year. The board will meet on Friday night at 7:30 o'clock to wind up the business of the year.

Those present were Dr. A. J. Wyckoff (chairman), Dr. Teasdale, J. E. Hunt, W. T. Strong, W. W. Gamble, and Secretary McElhenn.

Rev. Canon Tucker Will Conduct Services in St. Paul's Cathedral.

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If there was any other Emulsion as good as SCOTT'S, SCOTT'S would not be the only one imitated.

For thirty-five years it has been the standard remedy for Coughs, Colds, Loss of Flesh, Anemia, Bronchitis AND

CONSUMPTION

Be sure to get SCOTT'S; every bottle of it is guaranteed and backed by a world-wide reputation.

ALL DRUGISTS

the following day. The special music provided for Christmas will be repeated for the occasion.

Next week Canon Tucker and the members of his family will take up their residence in the rectory, which is now undergoing preparations for their arrival.

tion from 1900 to 1910 of 216,719, or 215 per cent. The population of Los Angeles is now 218,198 which is only 97,000 behind San Francisco, with a population of 416,912.

Last year California produced 52,000,000 barrels of oil.

PERFECTION SMOKELESS OIL HEATER

Absolutely smokeless and odorless

is invaluable in its capacity of quickly giving heat. It will burn nine hours with one filling. It is safe, smokeless and odorless; has a cool handle and a damper top.

An indicator shows the amount of oil in the font. The filler-cap is put in like a cork in a bottle, and is attached to the font by a chain. It has an automatic-looking flame spreader, which prevents the wick from being turned high enough to smoke, and is easy to remove and drop back so the wick can be quickly cleaned.

The burner body or gallery cannot become wedged, and can be unscrewed in an instant for reworking. Finished in japan or nickel, strong, durable, well-made, built for service, and yet light and ornamental.

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Meetings—Where no admission is charged, one cent per word each insertion.

Articles For Sale, To Let, Help Wanted, Situations Wanted, Board and Lodging, Lost and Found, Rooms and Lodging, similar condensed advertisements—First insertion, one cent a word; each subsequent insertion, one-half cent per word. No advertisement less than fifteen words.

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

MARRIAGES.

MILLS-KIERMAN—On Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1910, at the First Methodist Church, Hamilton, by Rev. E. B. Lancelotti, David McEwen Mills, of London, Ont., to Florence Lillian, only daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. Kierman.

The Star and other Toronto papers please copy.

DEATHS.

MORPHY—On Dec. 28, 1910, Andrew Morphy, aged 96 years.

Funeral private. Friends kindly omit flowers.

SMITH—In Detroit, suddenly, Edythe Mae, beloved wife of Mr. Arthur Smith, and youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Evans, of 43 St. James street.

Funeral from her father's residence, on Friday, Dec. 30, at 2 o'clock; service at 2:30. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

Toronto papers please copy.

AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES.

GRAND A. J. Small Sole Prop.

Tomorrow Night, Sat. Mat. and Night

ANNIE LAURIE

The Beautiful, Sober Drama, WITH DAVID LITHOGE.

Supported by a strong company. Matinee Prices—25c, 50c, 75c. Night Prices—50c, 75c, \$1.00.

SEATS SELLING.

New Year's Day, Jan. 2-Mat. and Night

Stirring Romance of Love and Adventure.

BEVERLY.

Dramatized by Robert M. Baker from the novel. Star cast of players.

SPECIAL HOLIDAY PRICES.

MATINEE, 25c, 50c, 75c. NIGHT, 50c, 75c, \$1.00.

SEATS SELLING.

Christmas Dog Show

LONDON CANINE ASSOCIATION.

TONIGHT

IN CITY HALL.

Admission, 10 cents.

HOLY LAND

PROGRAMME TODAY.

Talent provided by Methodist Churches.

Doors open, 1:30.

2:30 to 3:30—Strepentian lecture on "Palestine" by Rev. Herbert Ben-Oliel, of Cobourg.

3:30 to 4:30—Oriental entertainment. Life Miss Ben-Oliel.

Exhibition open 2:30 to 5:30. Auditorium and Y. M. C. A. building.

Prizes: Course tickets good for four persons or admissions, 15c; single admission, 5c; afternoon, 25c; children, 5c.

HOCKEY

Princess Ice Palace

London Intermediates vs. Preston Intermediates

Monday Evening Jan. 2

Exhibition open 7:30 to 9:30. Doors open 7:30. General admission, 25c; gallery, 15c; box seats, 50c. Plan at W. R. Vining's drug store.

SIMCOE ROLLER RINK—NEWLY SURFACED.

Rolling, with music, till 12 o'clock Saturday night. Admission, 35c.

TICKETS

by ocean ships. Inquiries point to a very large number leaving the Old Country for Canada during 1911. In the past year issued a large number of tickets to bring passengers from the Old Country, and those sending same found it very satisfactory.

ALL LINES

We are agents for the Allan, C. P. R., Canadian Northern, White Star, Dominion, Cunard, Anchor, American, Donaldson, Hamburg American and all other lines. Correct information any hour of the day.

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Ladies free Friday, Saturday and skating Saturday night until 12 o'clock. Admission, including skates, 35c. Open every afternoon.

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"exclusive" private academy in London. Private classes taught at public class rates. Rapid system. Lessons any hour. Phone 251. R. B. Millard, 345 Princess avenue.

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WASHING AND PLAIN IRONING.

Goods called for and delivered. 1083 Laura street.

STABLE MANURE WANTED—WILL

contract to draw all year. W. H. Monday, The Grove.

WANTED—TWO SECOND-HAND

baths. Address Box 34, this office.

LOGS WANTED—ELM, BASSWOOD

and hard maple. Highest prices paid. London and Petrolia Barrel Company.

MEETINGS.

CITY TEAMSTERS WILL HOLD MEETING

tonight, at 500 King street, to fix rates on sand and gravel at per load or cord.

FEMALE HELP WANTED.

WANTED—A HOUSE-PARLORMAID,

with references. Apply Mrs. George S. Gibbons, 586 Ridout street.

WANTED AT ONCE—FIRST-CLASS

laundress, to take family laundry home weekly. Apply, giving references, Box 35, Advertiser, or phone 2750.

WANTED—TEN EXPERIENCED

operators; our operators make from \$6 to \$10 per week. Apply Sainsbury & Co., 101 King street.

WANTED—EXPERIENCED GENERAL

servant, for family of two; references required. Apply Mrs. F. P. Drake, 571 Wellington street.

WANTED AT ONCE—STRONG KITCHEN

girl. Apply Steward's, Victoria Hospital.

WANTED—A GENERAL MAID, APPLY

Mrs. B. N. Campbell, 500 S. James street.

WANTED—YOUNG GIRL TO TAKE

care of child from 4 p.m. Apply 246 King street.

WANTED—GOOD, RELIABLE GIRL

for general housework; small family. Apply Mrs. P. J. Watt, Riverview avenue.

GIRL WANTED, APPLY AT

Dundas.

WANTED—GOOD SMART GIRLS FOR

mail order department. Apply D. B. Church & Hunter Seed Company, Limited. 75c

MIDDLE-AGED WOMAN WANTED

for general housework; family of three. Mrs. R. Dennis, 509 William street.

EXPERIENCED CAP OPERATORS

wanted. Apply Tip-Top Cap Company, Greene-Swift building.

MALE HELP WANTED.

BOY WANTED AT ONCE—GOOD

wages. Apply London Printing and Lithographing Company.

WANTED—ACTIVE MAN; STATE

age, occupation; wages, \$1.50 per day. Box 36, Advertiser.

WANTED—OFFICE BOY, ABOUT 14

years of age. Key & Dromole, Merchants' Bank building.

WANTED—TRAVELLER TO CALL ON

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NEW YEAR'S DANCE, PALACE ACADEMY,

Monday evening, Jan. 2, 9 o'clock. Special orchestra, choice programme. For extra invitations phone Dayton & McCormick.

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and earn \$30 a month. Easy to learn. Big demand for our graduates. Railroad trains and wires. Personal instruction. Day and evening courses. Start Jan. 3. Particulars free. College of Telegraphy, London.

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MEN, \$10 monthly, and broken into on railroads in London vicinity; experience unnecessary; no strike; positions guaranteed; competent men; promotion; railway employing headquarters, over 500 men sent to positions monthly; state age, send standing Railway Association, Dept. 18, 227 Monroe street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

WANTED—PRINTER, CYLINDER

press feeder; must be able to set up small jobs and make ready; good prospects for the right party. Apply P. O. Box 526, city.

CANVASSERS WANTED—WEEKLY

salary paid. Alfred Tyler, 255 Clarence street.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST AT O. T. R. STATION, TUES-

DAY night—a handbag. Reward at 570 Maitland street.

FOUND, IN THIS CITY, ON THURS-

DAY evening—Meat bag. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this advertisement, at 570 Maitland street.

WILL PARTY INTO WHOSE VEHICLE

a blanket and halter were placed by mistake in Columbia Hotel stableyard, week ago last Saturday, kindly return same for recompense? John M. Sloe-bottom, proprietor.

LOST, WEDNESDAY, THE 21st—

Scotch collie pup, three white legs; answers to the name "Paddy." Reward, 612 Colborne street.

LOST—GARNET BROOCH, REWARD.

George Jackson, 87 Wellington street.

TEACHERS WANTED.

WANTED—PROTESTANT MALE

teacher, first or second class, professional, for S. No. 11, Hartwick; salary, \$650 per annum; open until Feb. 1, 1911; duties to commence Jan. 3, if possible. Address H. Brackett, 5517

WANTED—TEACHER FOR S. S. NO.

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VARSITY TEAM WINS FROM Y. M. C. A. 38-10

Two London Men, Mel Brock and Duff Wood, Worked With Visitors.

THE LOCALS OUTCLASSED

Passing and Shooting of the Toronto Crew a Revelation—Simpson a Wonder With Ball.

The Toronto Varsity basketball team, champions of Toronto, outclassed the local Y. M. C. A. basketball team in a game at the Jubilee Rink last evening, winning by the score of 38 to 10.

The score is a fair indication of the playing. The locals, handicapped by the absence of two of their best players, were unable to hold the fast Varsity five. The passing and shooting of the Varsity team was wonderful. They seemed to be able to pass the ball from any position, and there was always a man waiting to receive it, while their checking was the feature of the game.

The local team seemed to be out of condition, and their lack of team work, together with poor checking and shooting in the second half, practically lost the game. In the first half the London team held the visitors pretty well, their checking was fairly good, but owing to poor passing and shooting they lost many good chances to score. In the second half, Stevens, of the locals, was replaced by Gough, who played a much better game. The Varsity team, however, displayed wonderful team work, and by their excellent following up and shooting, began to pile up the score.

Hamilton Played Well. For the locals, Hamilton played a good game, although in the second half he showed a tendency to loaf. Morris was pretty closely checked and did not have a chance to do much. Shaw, Davidson and Stevens played a good game, although they lacked condition. Gough played a pretty good game, but was unable to find the baskets.

Every member of the Varsity team played a great game. Each man knew his position and played it, and close checking and splendid passing featured. Mel Brock and Duff Wood, two London boys playing on the visiting team, made a splendid showing. Brock's shooting being largely responsible for the big score. Probably the star of the Varsity team was Simpson. His wonderful handling of the ball, and his ability to pass it from every conceivable attitude, brought rounds of applause from the spectators. Dixon and Body also played a good game for the visitors. Body's shooting being particularly brilliant. He sprained his ankle the first half and was replaced by Davis.

Referee Wickett kept the players well in hand, and showed partiality to none. The teams lined up as follows:

Varsity. London.
Brock.....Forward.....Davidson
Body.....".....Stevens
Davis.....".....Gough
Simpson.....Centre.....Morris
Wood.....Defence.....Hamilton
Dixon.....".....Shaw
Referee—Wickett.

As a preliminary, two teams from the Y. M. C. A., one representing the intermediates and the other a picked five, played a good fast game, which ended in a victory for the intermediates by a score of 22 to 8. The teams:

Intermediates. Picked Team.
Jones.....Forward.....Maudsley
Gough.....".....McCrimmon
Eckert.....Centre.....Sage
Short.....Defence.....Scott
Walker.....".....Jepson

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CORCORAN JOINS TIGER'S ROSTER

President Navin Buys Former Eastern League Infielder From Cincinnati.

PAYS \$2,500 FOR "MICKEY"

Who Is Said To Be Handicapped by a Peculiar Disposition That Gets Him in Wrong.

Detroit, Dec. 29.—Infielder Mickey Corcoran is the latest ballplayer to join the Tigers' roster. Yesterday a deal was put through by which he became one of the jungle tribe, and he will report for the southern training trip with the rest of the squad. President Navin paid \$2,500 for Corcoran, the money going to the Cincinnati club, which owned him.

Corcoran was with the Buffalo and Montreal clubs, of the Eastern League, last season, and made an excellent showing both at bat and in the various infield positions where he was tried. He had a batting average of .272 for 128 games. He is a right-hand hitter and thrower, a good fielder, and can run the bases. In case the injury to Delehanty's leg prevents his being able to do himself justice next season, Corcoran will be a very valuable man to have on the squad. Second base is Mickey's natural position, and it is believed that he would be able to fill Del's shoes better than any other available man.

Handicap. The new player has the reputation of being handicapped by a peculiar disposition, which has caused him to get into trouble with a number of men. However, he ought to be amenable to the fact and judgment of Manager Jennings' employs in handling his men.

Cincinnati asked waivers on Corcoran some time ago, and all of the major league clubs except Detroit were willing to let him go. President Navin, believing that he could use the infielder, put in a claim to sell him, but the Reds refused his services. Then Mr. Navin raised his bid to \$2,500 and Cincinnati closed the deal. Corcoran, who has been watched very closely by the Eastern League very closely, gives him a strong recommendation as an all-around player.

SLATTERY OF TORONTO REAL LEADER IN EASTERN LEAGUE

Batted 310 in One Hundred Times to the Plate—Only Three Men Who Participated in 100 or More Games Attain Coveted Mark—Slattery, Osborn and Goode Are the Lucky Ones—Dubec, of Montreal, Has Excellent Average.

Real .300 hitters were a scarce article in the Eastern League last season, according to the official averages which have just been issued from the president's office.

But three players who participated in 100 or more games succeeded in breaking into the charmed circle, these being Slattery, of Toronto, who hit .310 for 100 games; Osborn, of Rochester, who attained .302 for 156 games; and Goode, of Baltimore, whose mark for 130 battles is an even .300.

Seven other men who took part in considerably fewer contests broke into the choice company. Bob Spade, the former St. Louis twirler, got into action 13 times and in 16 trips to the plate succeeded in landing out half a dozen safeties, making his average .375, which leads the league. Next in order is Morris Rath, another big leaguer-for-a-minute, who hit .346 for 23 games with Jack Dunn's Baltimore club.

Dubec, of Montreal, has a fine average, hitting .333 for 53 games, the most creditable performance, figured all the way around, for any slugger in the circuit, leading the league in the Eastern as a rule was not particularly strong. Toronto, while the championship Rochester team averaged .248, and is third on the list, with a total of 96 tallies on a batting average of .238. Jimmy Slagle, the former Cub outfielder, now with Baltimore, comes next with .219 around the circuit.

The official figures follow:

Clubs—	St. N.Y.	Balt.	Tor.	Mon.	Buf.	J.C.	Prov.	Won.	P.C.
Rochester	11	11	8	16	17	15	14	92	.601
Newark	10	13	13	12	12	12	12	88	.571
Baltimore	10	9	6	13	14	15	16	83	.544
Toronto	14	9	16	11	8	12	10	11	.526
Montreal	6	9	9	14	9	9	12	71	.470
Buffalo	5	10	8	8	11	9	15	69	.409
Jersey City	7	10	7	12	10	7	13	68	.429
Providence	8	8	6	11	9	9	9	61	.399
Lost	61	66	70	72	80	81	83	92	

Club Batting.

Clubs—	G.	A.B.	R.	H.	T.B.	2B.	3B.	H.R.	S.H.	S.B.	P.O.
Toronto	155	4975	569	1265	1620	163	59	28	191	12	26
Baltimore	156	5108	632	1286	1648	142	64	34	191	171	252
Rochester	159	5194	609	1221	1629	167	76	14	219	216	248
Buffalo	153	4892	596	1203	1459	137	49	7	194	197	246
Newark	156	5065	568	1213	1542	173	48	20	152	227	240
Jersey City	157	5105	545	1166	1570	138	50	36	197	254	228
Montreal	154	4920	487	1104	1414	150	50	10	130	122	224
Providence	156	5052	448	1134	1414	150	50	10	130	122	224

LITTLE ADOLPHUS HAS SOME IDEAS

"Michigan Wild Cat" Has Apparently Figured How Much Won't Be Offered.

THE CHAMPION CRITICISED

Hugh McIntosh Brought Burns Out of Hole, and Has Turned Attention to Wolgast.

The New York American says: Little Adolphus Wolgast has an excellent idea of the way a champion should behave, according to up-to-date standards set by Tommy Burns a few years back. When ever a purse is mentioned, he is large or small, the accidental lightweight champ says: "Yes, that amount sounds good, but I must have it all, win, lose or draw."

He is especially emphatic on what he considers his worth as a really formidable opponent is mentioned, just as Burns was while Jack Johnson hounded him across several continents. It will be remembered that Burns asked \$30,000 for his chances against the champion. The conditions under which Gotch will wrestle are as follows:

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The winner is to take the entire purse and the wrestler's share of the receipts. The bout can take place at any time, provided each man is given a reasonable amount of time in which to train.

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Intermediate O. H. A. Team Annexes Opening Battle of Group No. 9.

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The lineup: Strathroy—Jarvis, goal; McCoig, point; Heston, cover; Wilson, left; Lee, right; Strathroy—Dillon, goal; Strathroy, point; Forbes, cover; Verrier, rover; Eason, centre; Harvey, left; Eason, right. Referee, Kindel.

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OPENING CONTEST GOES TO STRATFORD

St. Marys Defeated 5 to 3 in O. H. A. Primaries.

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St. Marys—R. Lever, goal; Cunningham, point; Wilson, cover; Riddell, rover; Strucke, centre; Wilson, left; Lee, right; Stratford—Dillon, goal; Strathroy, point; Forbes, cover; Verrier, rover; Eason, centre; Harvey, left; Eason, right. Referee, Kindel.

FRONTENACS WIN

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Considerable rough work was done on both sides, much to the disgust of the spectators, who were rather sore at the accommodation afforded. If the local here, they will certainly have to provide cleaner and better quarters for their audiences. The ice was in very poor shape.

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GOTCH OFFERS TO WRESTLE "HACK"

Posts Forfeit and Names Steep Conditions Through Farmer Burns.

WANTS \$20,000 SIDE BET

Winner Take All Purse and Wrestler's Share of Receipts—Russian May Not Accept.

[Associated Press.] Chicago, Dec. 28.—Frank A. Gotch yesterday issued a formal challenge to Hackenschmidt, or any other wrestler for a match for the championship of the world. Farmer Burns, who for years has been the champion's right-hand man and trainer, made the formal announcement of the Iowa's desire to re-enter the wrestling game. Burns posted \$500 as a forfeit to blind a match for a side bet of \$20,000, putting the money up with an Omaha newspaper. He stated that he would put up the \$500 on Jan. 17, and the remainder whenever his opponent wishes.

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BERNHARDT COMES TO LONDON MONDAY

But Star Player of Last Year's Team Will Be On Preston Lineup.

CHANGES ON LOCAL TEAM

Lackey Will Play a Wing Position, and Other New Ones Will Enter.

Lackey will probably be out with London on one of the wings in the match with Preston here on New Year's night. There will be a general shaking up of the London lineup, in order that the fans may have an opportunity of seeing a little more of the material the local manager has under cover for the championship contests.

Bernhardt, who starred on the fast London Intermediate team last year, is creating quite a sensation in Preston, and will play against his former team-mates as rover on Monday night. The visiting team will be one of the finest on the ice this winter, and looks good for a position close to the top. The individual players are among the very best, and have a reputation for sensational work.

London has a lot of first-class material, and the exhibition matches are being taken advantage of by the management, which is adopting this method of getting the best possible men on the ice in the championship series. The locals go to Simcoe tomorrow night for the first contest in this group.

HARRY LEWIS MATCHED

French Victories Gives American Ring Prestige.

Harry Lewis, the American welterweight, who has already won one fight in Paris, having knocked out Jeff Thorne in one round, has two more matches arranged. His first will be with Blinn McCloskey, the Philadelphia fighter, for 15 rounds at the Wagram Club, of Paris, on Dec. 31, and his second with Bandman Rice, an English middleweight, for 20 rounds in London on Jan. 8. Lewis ought to stop both men without any trouble.

ENGLISH TENNIS PLAYER DEAD

London, Dec. 28.—Reginald P. Doherty, elder of the brothers of the noted English tennis player, died today. He had been in ill-health for some time.

MINOR LEAGUES TO QUIT MAJORS

Eastern and American Assns. to Withdraw Peacefully if Possible.

JOHNSON ADMITS IT

Says New Arrangement Has Been Asked for Re Better Classification.

[Associated Press.] Chicago, Dec. 29.—The subject of the rumored strife between the Eastern Baseball League and the American Association on one side and the two major leagues on the other, was under discussion around American League headquarters in the city yesterday.

It is said representatives of these two class A minor league circuits will make application before the National Commission at Cincinnati next week to withdraw from the National Association for the purpose of holding a separate organization of their own that will work in harmony with the majors and minors.

President Thomas Clavin, of the American Association, has already been seen by the representatives of the plan, said President Johnson, of the American League, and President Barrow, of the Eastern League, was anxious to have a talk with me during the baseball meeting in New York, but I did not have time to confer with him.

In the event the matter is not taken up by the commission next week, it is said the American Association magnates will thoroughly discuss the topic during their annual session here Jan. 12.

BUFFALO CRACKS MAY COME HERE

West Endeavoring To Have Floss' Crew Work Out in London on Way South.

Joe West is endeavoring to bring Floss' Boat team, which will attend the American Bowling Congress at St. Louis in January, to this city on the trip to Missouri.

West will go with the Buffalo outfit as a member of the team, and it is possible that the Buffalo men will consent to stop off in London for a workout. In this can be arranged they will work in singles, doubles and five-men matches.

WORLD'S CHAMPIONS OFF FOR JAPAN

Bancroft, of Cincinnati, Figuring on Taking Athletics on Long Tour.

FRANK KNOWS THE GAME

Has Chaperoned Teams Into Strange Lands Many Times Before.

[Associated Press.] Cincinnati, Dec. 29.—Business Manager Frank Bancroft, of the Cincinnati Nationals, who has taken baseball clubs to foreign countries, expects to add another country to his list after the next world's series. Japan is the country Bancroft expects to storm and his army of invasion will consist, he says, of the Philadelphia Americans.

"The members of the Philadelphia team are anxious to take the trip to Japan next year," said Bancroft. "They have heard what crowds the American college teams have been drawing in that country, and are certain that they will prove a greater drawing card. The team will start for the far east immediately after the last game has been played, and the men will keep in shape by light practice on board ship."

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To John Marr, Esq. AND Wm. Wright, Esq.

Gentlemen—We, the undersigned citizens of the City of London, believing it would be in the best interest of the city, are desirous of being represented by you on the Board of Water Commissioners. We therefore respectfully ask that you will consent to accept nomination for that office. Hoping you will consider this petition favorably, we pledge you our hearty support.

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Gentlemen—In reply to, and in compliance with your very largely signed petition, comprising, as it assuredly does, an unusually large representation of our leading citizens—professional, business, mercantile and labor interests—we cannot but feel compelled on your assurance of support, should we accept nomination, which we hereby do, to the honorable office of Water Commissioners (Utilities Board), and in doing so can only say that should we be elected, we promise in the discharge of our official duties, to treat the office as a sacred public trust, and will apply ourselves to the very best of our abilities.

Respectfully soliciting the votes and influence of all, and with best wishes for a happy and prosperous new year, we remain, yours very truly,
JOHN MARR,
WM. WRIGHT.

VOTE FOR H.A. STEVENSON FOR Water Commissioner

YOUR VOTE AND INFLUENCE IS REQUESTED FOR

W. M. Gartshore HOSPITAL TRUSTEE

If elected I will give hospital affairs my sympathetic and careful attention.

W. T. Strong:

We, the undersigned ratepayers of the City of London, respectfully urge that you will offer yourself for re-election on the School Board, and we pledge you our support:

Geo. C. Gibbons, C. W. McGuire,
John M. Dillon, J. T. Green,
A. E. Somerville, E. P. Smith,
Geo. S. Gibbons, Fred Screamont,
Thomas Jones, Ed. Hannah,
E. Keyes, H. C. Reason,
D. H. McDermid, R. C. Eckert,
C. B. Chapman, W. J. F. Jarvis,
A. W. Hamilton, W. J. Metherall,
M. D. Fraser, Kenneth Murray,
Percy Moore, W. J. F. Jarvis,
W. H. Hamilton, C. E. Carruthers,
Frank Lawson, C. G. Jarvis,
B. A. Mitchell, H. E. Buttery,
Vivian Reeve, Geo. H. Murray,
R. F. Blandford, J. Blackburn,
J. Ferguson, J. E. Boomer,
Donald Ferguson, John Marr,
A. Screamont, H. C. McBride,
Nelson Weekes, W. M. Coates,
W. C. Carlton, H. Gorman,
Geo. G. McCormick, Wm. Gorman,
Frank Glass, J. K. Spry,
Malcolm Ferguson, H. E. Buttery,
H. Batty, Samuel Stevely,
D. H. Howden, Edwin Paul.

Gentlemen—Feeling that your requisition shows an appreciation of whatever efforts I may have put forth in the interest of education, I have decided to accept the nomination, and will continue to do my best, if elected.

H. Pocock FOR RE-ELECTION AS ALDERMAN FOR 1911.

**Your VOTE
AND
INFLUENCE
SOLICITED FOR
THE
RE-ELECTION
OF
Ald. R. C. ECKERT
AS ALDERMAN, 1911.**

Fixed Assessment AS A BUSINESS PROPOSITION.

London is in competition with other cities and towns of the Dominion of Canada to secure business, manufacturers and population.

Questions by prospective customer (manufacturer) to our city representative:

"What natural advantages can you offer for our company?"

"Well, we have a very nice city in a good agricultural district, and have excellent railroad facilities."

"Well, what can you offer our company in the way of inducements to locate in your city, as we are already established in Canada and are giving employment at the present time to about 1,000 hands? Our total pay roll is in the neighborhood of half a million. Should we decide to locate in London, we would probably employ the above number of hands, or more. Now, what can you offer us in the way of a site? Have you a central location with a railroad siding?"

"I hardly think so, unless you might get a location on the main line or near the city limits."

"Do you think that we could get a free site?"

"No."

"Can we get exemption from taxes?"

"No."

"Have you a high-pressure water service to protect our industry in case of fire?"

"No."

"So our insurance rates might be very high?"

"Possibly."

"Have you natural gas?"

"No."

"I understand you have Niagara power. What is the cost in this city?"

"About \$30 per horsepower."

"What is your tax rate?"

"Twenty-three and a half mills on the dollar."

"Do the manufacturers in the city pay that rate?"

"Yes."

"How can you compete with so many other cities and towns offering free sites, exemption from taxes or very low tax rates, cheaper power and natural gas, not to say anything of natural advantages, such as water front and more railroad sidings, etc.?"

"Well, there is a move on foot to give some of our manufacturing industries a fixed assessment. If it is carried by the people, perhaps we can offer you a better proposition."

Prospective Customer: "I am afraid your city is not in a position to give our company much encouragement, but would be glad to hear from you later."

The above will represent the position in which London is standing at the present time in competition with other cities and towns for manufacturing industries. Is it not time that this question received the serious consideration of our citizens?

Ladies and Gentlemen

Your vote is kindly solicited for

W.J. LASHBROOK
(Professional Horsehoer),
For Alderman, 1911
A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL.

VOTE FOR

W. J. STEVENSON

FOR RE-ELECTION
As Alderman for 1911

VOTE FOR

J. H. SAUNDERS

FOR RE-ELECTION
As Alderman for 1911

VOTE FOR

Chas. G. Moorhead

As Alderman For 1911

VOTE FOR

Wm. J. Underwood

(District Manager, Federal Life)
FOR RE-ELECTION AS ALDERMAN,
1911.

OUT OF DANGER

Four Injured in Dresden Fire Are All Recovering Nicely.

[G. N. W. Dispatch.]
Dresden, Dec. 29.—Walter Dynes, Dr. McDonald, Robert Aiken and Charles Aikin, injured by the explosion during Sunday morning's fire, are all pronounced out of danger.

Rev. George Long, who died of his injuries sustained in the explosion at 2 o'clock, D. V. Hick's funeral will take place Thursday. There is no definite information yet as to the cause of the explosion.

FLEET IS GATHERING.

Gravesend, Eng., Dec. 29.—The fourth division of the United States Atlantic fleet sailed today to join the other divisions at the entrance to the English Channel. The battleships exchanged salutes with the British warships as they passed.

MANAGER ADMITS COMMISSION BUCHANAN DEMANDED WAS PAID

General Sales Agent On Stand at Oxford Graft Inquiry Made
Very Frank Statements—Says Buchanan Claimed
He Was in Control of the Situation.

Woodstock, Dec. 28.—How commissions amounting to \$742 50 were paid by the Sawyer-Massey Company, of Hamilton, for the good offices of the Hamilton firm to the county of Oxford County council, in securing orders amounting to \$7,425 from the county, was related at the re-opening of the investigation into the graft charges at the court house here today.

The attention of the court was largely taken up with the relation of the sale of two lots of machinery by the Hamilton firm to the county in 1907, and some new and startling revelations were shed on this transaction, which has already occupied two sessions of the court. Today's evidence disclosed that Mr. M. T. Buchanan was not a member of the purchasing committee, he had gone to Mr. Crawford, manager of the Hamilton firm, and informed the latter that he controlled the situation, adding that providing the firm would guarantee him a ten per cent. take-off, he would on his part see that the order was placed with the Hamilton firm, and understanding the then peculiar situation in Oxford County, the manager had refused to entertain the proposal. Later, however, wanted by his agent, Edward Calder, a local man, that if they wanted to make a deal, Buchanan would have to be placated, he had given his consent to the latter being given a ten per cent. commission. How the deal was put through and how the money was paid to Buchanan was related by Agent Calder.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
When Mr. Crawford was called, Mr. Martin, counsel for the company, said he would like to speak with his honor's permission. He said that yesterday afternoon, the president of the company and Mr. Buchanan were in his office, and facts had come to light. Although all books, etc., asked for were produced on Saturday, certain facts were not brought out, and his clients regretted this. They were not all known at the time.

Commission Paid.
The company had paid a commission of 10 per cent. on the Oxford deal, and had been in the habit of paying this to anyone. One thing he wanted to make clear, was that the county was not charged extra, the bonus or commission coming out of the company's pocket.

Mr. Johnston said he understood that had this information been obtained by the firm on Saturday, it would have been given. He thanked them for supplying copies of all documents, asked for and for the very full account of the actual cost of the machinery to the company. He agreed that the county had not had to pay for the machinery, but had got it cheaply.

Mr. Crawford answered all questions relating to his statement regarding the cost of machinery to the company and to the county and the profit left to the company. In the \$4,600 sale, \$4,616 was the list price for some imported goods, and this was sold to the county for \$4,121. Two grandsons ought to be \$4,600, but the county got them for \$485. The net profit to the company on the transaction, after the \$460 bonus was paid was \$278.

Cross-Examination.
Questioned by Mr. Johnston, he said that Buchanan was in their Hamilton office two weeks before the first deal.

"What took place?"
"He called and stated that although he was not a member of the purchasing committee for Oxford roads, he controlled the situation, and if we sold any machinery, then it would have to be through him."

"Yes, 10 per cent. He said if any were sold 10 per cent. would have to go to him in some way or other."

Witness continued: "I told him I was not prepared to do anything, as Calder was agent, but I would consult Calder. I did this mainly to give Calder a chance to make the sale in some other way."

The interview was not long. When he told Buchanan that he would refer the question to Calder, Buchanan said that did not matter, as he controlled the situation.

"Did you know of any other machinery being purchased at this time?"

"Yes, two rollers from the Case Company. Buchanan said the county needed two rollers. I said if we had none in stock we could soon get them and he told me I must act quick."

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Jas. S. Luney
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For Alderman, 1911

VOTE FOR

Chas. G. Moorhead

As Alderman For 1911

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trying to explain where his salary for the first six months of 1905 had gone to. He denied that his post as treasurer had been secured by a promise to hand over his first year's salary. His books held several items for which Mr. Johnston pressed for explanation, but they were not forthcoming.

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CRIPPLE LOST IN SNOW.
Cadillac, Mich., Dec. 28.—A posse of 50 men are searching the country between Lakes Cadillac and Mitchell for the body of Emerson Sanford, aged 41, who is mute and a cripple. Mr. Sanford was last seen struggling through the drifts of snow, which are many feet deep, and it is feared he dropped exhausted, and has frozen to death. The lakes are about three miles from this city. It is believed Mr. Sanford walked out into the country during temporary derangement.

The London Loan and Savings Company of Canada

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LONDON AND DISTRICT

A London Quartette. Quartette were greeted by a large audience, on Monday evening, when they, assisted by E. Arnold Webster, also of this city, rendered an excellent programme of duets, quartettes and solos in the Methodist Church at Arkona, Ont. Lindley-Cosgrove.

A quiet wedding was celebrated yesterday by Rev. Dr. Manning, at the Dundas Centre parsonage, when Mrs. Margaret Cosgrove, of Oshawa, Mich., a former resident of Oxford County, was united in marriage to Mr. George R. Lindley, of St. Thomas. They were unmarried, and will reside in St. Thomas, where Mr. Lindley is an engineer on the Wabash Railroad.

Transfer of License. The following applications for transfer of license have recently been received at the Provincial Secretary's office, Toronto: From Geo. E. Oliver, Sarnia, to Thos. H. Cunniff, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.; from Jos. E. Aldridge, Forest, to H. P. Leaning, London; from Wm. B. Strigley, 250 Queen street east, to Geo. J. Smith, Toronto; from W. C. Bunnell, Sandwich, to Jas. A. Hough, Detroit.

Many Happy Returns. On Christmas Day His Grace the Most Reverend Archbishop was the recipient of a flood of telegrams, telephones and other messages expressive of the joy of churchmen and laymen all over the country at the favorable turn in his sickness and wishing him many happy returns of the great Christmas festival. He was careful to see that everyone was thought of and answered kindly and lovingly, attending to even the minutest details himself. During the week, which was a decidedly favorable one for him, he dispatched a great deal of important business, and it was remarked by those about him that his capacity for work was never greater. May it please God to spare him to His needful church for many, many Christmases.

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**ANNUAL REPORT OF
CHELSEA GREEN SCHOOL**

Names of Pupils in the Order in Which They Stand.

The following is the report of Chelsea Green school for the term just closed:
Grade V.—Herbert Needham, Maggie Fleming, Adeline Chambers, Grades VIII and VII.—Gladys Cornelius, Violet Addison, Bert Haynes, Addie Haynes, Hannah Chambers, Willie Bourne, Ernest Chittick, Grade VI.—Elsie Bowden, Daniel Fleming, Norman Greenside, Stanley Young, Olive Robinson.
Grade V.—Wanda Weston, Lizzie Fleming, George Clayton, David Stewart, Mabel Clayton, Evelyn Clayton, Maurice Cox, Gordon Haynes, Frances Gibling, Florence Corby, Daisy Needham, Jack Clark.

Grade IV.—John Pierson, George Haynes, Herbert Long, Jack Millman, George Tye (absent), Alfie Bourne, Kathleen Clark, Carrie Pierson, Bertha Chittick, Rosie Bourne, May Needham, Willie Watson, Norman Stewart.
Grade III.—Bertha Greenside, Edna McBride, John Strain, Percy Clayton, Irene Steele, George Bourne, Roy Robinson, Elsie Haines.
Grade II.A.—Gertie Young, Walter Gibling, Mabel Cox, Clayton Story, Frank Fletcher, Fred Corby, Harold Chambers, Maggie Chittick, Vera Robinson, Graham Bruce, Roy Durdin, Velma Tye.
Grade II.B.—Ethel Clark, George Fleming, Alex. Clayton, Richard Welsh, Winnie Cornelius, Eddie Weston, Aldene Robinson, Jim Haynes.
Grade I.A.—Percy Durdin, Fred Tye, Alex. Strain, Walter Needham, Jack Corby, Winnie Cummings, Susie Clark, Rosie Reid, Ollie Greenside.
Grade I.B.—Frances Blough, Frank Welsh, Annie Clayton, Bert Clark, May Reid, Arnold Cox, Maisie Stewart, Isabel Clayton.

BRAKEMAN AVERTS WRECK
G. T. R. Employee Hurts Lantern Through Cab Window of Engine.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Oshawa, Mich., Dec. 29.—It was learned Wednesday that the presence of mind of a Grand Trunk Railroad brakeman probably averted a crash similar to the one which occurred at Durand Aug. 24, in which ten lives were lost. The same conditions obtained Christmas night as on the night of the wreck, even the engine of No. 14 suffering a breakdown near the same spot. The brakeman who was sent back placed his torpedo and then hurled his lantern through the cab window of No. 14, as it speeded by at a 50-mile-an-hour rate. The second section was soon brought under control.

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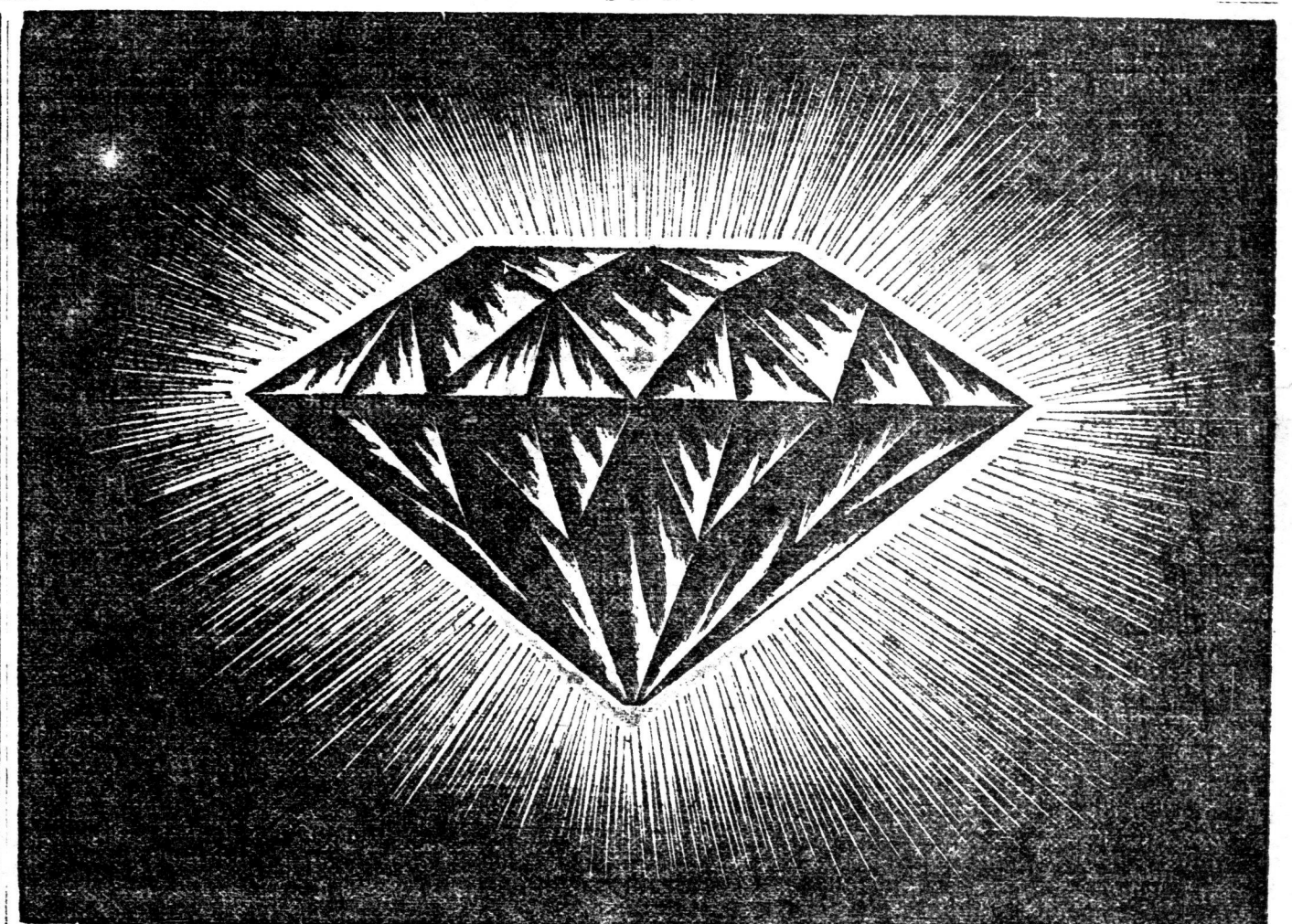
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POLITICAL TANGLE IN TILBURY WEST
Some of the Nominees May Be Disqualified Because of Mistake.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Windsor, Dec. 29.—Nominations for the municipal elections throughout Essex County have resulted in a curious political mix-up in the Township of Tilbury West, details of which became known yesterday when some of the township officials came to Windsor to seek legal advice on it.
The township election will be held at the usual time, next Monday, and the names of four candidates for reeve and nine for the township's council will appear on the ballot, but it is possible that every one of the candidates may be disqualified on the ground of improper nomination.
The statutes require that nominations be made in writing, with the signatures of the proposer and seconder for each candidate, but although this has been the law for years, it has never been observed in Tilbury West, the custom being to take verbal nominations instead. When nominations for the approaching elections closed the township clerk found that he had no seconder for Duncan McAlister, the present reeve of the township, and it was accordingly held that McAlister had not been properly nominated. McAlister and some of the other township officials came to Windsor yesterday for legal advice and were told that all the candidates were in the same position.
The statutes provide for every possible emergency except the one that has arisen, but it is considered probable that if any attempt at disqualification is made it will be necessary to hold a new election.

HEIR TO \$200,000.
Washington, Dec. 28.—Though Frank Healy, for 17 years an inmate of the Government hospital for the insane, is sole heir to an estate worth nearly \$200,000 left him by his brother, Jas. A. Healy, a druggist, who died Sunday, he may never be able to use any of it.
The probate court was advised today of Healy's incompetency to manage the estate and a committee of administrators was appointed. The court was informed that when the news of his brother's death was imparted to him he neither responded nor gave any sign of understanding what was being told him.
At the death of the present heir the estate will be given to the nearest relatives of the dead druggist, who are cousins.
Special attention paid to wedding orders. Hueston's Livery.