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VOL. XXXV., NO. 55. LONDON, CANADA, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1897. WHOLE NO. 10,717.

## Births, Marriages, Deaths

MARRIED.

STINSON-CLARK—Married at the parsonage, 484 Dundas street, on Thursday evening, Dec. 30, by the Rev. E. B. Lanceley, Mr. George Stinson, to Miss Rose, only daughter of Mr. Lewis Clark.

STEVENSON — M'DOUGALL — In Westminster township, on Tuesday, Dec. 28, 1897, by the Rev. E. H. Sawers, of Westminster, John L. Stevenson, of London, to Annie, daughter of Mrs. A. McDougall, of con. 6, Westminster township.

M'MASTER-WANLESS — At Aldersyde, Toronto, the residence of the bride's father, on Dec. 29, by Rev. William MacLaren, D.D., assisted by Rev. H. M. Parsons, D.D., and Rev. Mr. Wallace, Arthur Carson McMaster, of Osgoode Hall, barrister-at-law, to Isabel, youngest daughter of John Wanless, J.P., all of Toronto.

DIED.

FISHER—At Woodstock, on Dec. 25, 1897, Georgina Fyfe, aged 92 years, relict of Alexander Fisher, for over 30 years schoolmaster and inspector of poor, parish of New Castleton, Roxburgshire, Scotland.

BARTLETT—On Wednesday, Dec. 29, 1897, at the family residence, Weston street, South London, Selina (Tot) second daughter of Leonard Bartlett, age 28 years.

Funeral will take place from the above residence, on Saturday, Jan. 1, 1898; services 2:30; funeral at 3 p.m. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.

M'MILLAN—On Dec. 31, 1897, at her residence, 438 Ontario street, East London, Elizabeth McMillan, in her 86th year.

Funeral on Monday morning, at 9 o'clock, to Duncan McMillan's, her only son's residence, lot 10, con. 8, East Nissouri, the old family residence, where the services will be held, at 12:30, then to the family burying ground, Kintore. Friends will please accept this intimation. 17u

## Amusements and Lectures

Advertisements under this heading, two cents per word, or ten cents per line each insertion.

NEW YEAR'S DAY—MUSIC BY THE Harpers. Refreshments served by the Woman's Auxiliary. Open house at the Y.M.C.A. building, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. All welcome. Song service at Auditorium at 9:30 a.m. 17u

CENTRAL RINK — HARPERS NEW Year's afternoon and evening. Usual prices. Five inches of solid ice. 17u

DAISY RINK — CLARKE'S BRIDGE — Skating tonight. Band tomorrow afternoon and evening. Admission 5c and 10c. b

THE PRINCESS RINK CLOSED TODAY Open New Year's afternoon and evening. b

JUBILEE RINK—SKATING TONIGHT —Hockey Club carnival, Jan. 10; 18 cash prizes, $50 in gold; special harpers Monday night; band New Year's afternoon and evening. Admission 10c. 17u

THE NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS at Wolseley Barracks will be at home to their friends on New Year's eve and also New Year's day from 10 a.m. till 1 p.m. b

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING BY Mr. R. B. Millard, at his residence, 345 Princess avenue. Special attention given to teaching the waltz and two step. Lessons any hour.

UNITED STATES DRAFTS AND checks cashed, express orders sold payable everywhere, money transferred by telegraph. Bank of England notes bought and sold, at the Exchange. F. B. CLARKE, Richmond street, next Advertiser.

PALACE DANCING ACADEMY—NEW terms for beginners will commence following dates: Ladies, Tuesday evening, Jan. 4; ladies and children, Saturday afternoon, Jan. 8; gentlemen, Monday evening, Jan. 10. Circulars mailed on application. DAYTON & MCCORMICK.

## Meetings.

1c per word each insertion. No ad. less than ten words.

NOTICE—ANNUAL MEETING CHERRY Hill Cheese Manufacturing Company (Limited) will be held at the factory, Monday, Jan. 10 1898, 2 o'clock p.m., for purpose of receiving auditor's report, election of directors and for the transaction of any business properly coming before the meeting. HOPE WEBSTER, secretary. b

S. O. E.—CHELSEA LODGE MEETS THIS (Friday) evening; visiting brothers welcome. Geo Gregory, president. b

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS cost 1 Cent per word for first insertion and one-half cent per word for each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than 10 words.

## Domestics Wanted.

WANTED — AN EXPERIENCED dining-room girl. Apply at once, City Hotel. 14k

DINING-ROOM GIRL WANTED AT Ross House. 17c

KITCHEN GIRL AND SCRUB WOMAN wanted. MRS. JOHN B. JENNINGS, Western Hotel. 16c

WANTED — GOOD GENERAL SERVANT. Apply Mrs. JOHN GREEN, 326 Ridout street. 17u

WANTED—HOUSEKEEPER—IF SUITABLE, situation permanent. Middle aged lady preferred. Address R. H. HOLMES, Wyoming, Ont. 16u

EXPERIENCED HOUSEMAID WANTED at once; $9 per month to good girl. Apply at Osborne Intelligence Agency, 56 Dundas street. Phone 386.

HEADQUARTERS FOR RELIABLE help. We have them: Man and wife as cook and coachman, housekeepers, nurses, dining-room girls, kitchen girls to suit all. We want hotel cooks for out of city. DWYER'S Employment Agency, 531 Richmond street. Phone, 1,121.

## Female Help Wanted.

WANTED — GOOD MACHINE OPERATOR for cap factory. Apply 7 Dundas street west. 17u

## Male Help Wanted.

WANTED — AN EXPERIENCED INVOICE clerk. Apply A. M. SMITH & Co. 17u

## Agents Wanted.

WANTED — INDUSTRIOUS MEN OF character. The Linscott Company, Toronto. 11h

AGENTS—BOOK BUSINESS IS BETTER than for years past; also have better and faster selling books. Agents clearing from $10 to $40 weekly. A few leaders are: Queen Victoria; Life of Mr. Gladstone; My Mother's Bible Stories; Progressive Speaker; Klondike Gold Fields; Woman; Glimpses of the Unseen; Breakfast, Dinner and Supper. Books on time. Outfits free to canvassers. Bradley-Garretson Company, Limited, Toronto. 11h

WANTED — CANVASSERS — QUEEN Victoria, Her Life and Reign, has captured the British empire. Extraordinary testimonials from the great men; send for copy free. Marquis of Lorne says: "The best popular life of the Queen I have seen." Her Majesty sends a kind letter of appreciation. Selling by thousands; gives enthusiastic satisfaction. Canvassers making from $15 to $30 weekly. Bradley-Garretson Company, Limited, Toronto, 11h

## Wanted.

WANTED — SECOND-HAND, ONE-HORSE heavy bob sleigh and one-horse heavy wagon. Address D. C. D., this office. 16c

WANTED IMMEDIATELY — SMALL furnished house with conveniences or partly furnished. Address with full particulars X. Y. Z., Advertiser office. 16cwvt

WANTED — GOOD, SOUND YOUNG horse suitable for delivery wagon. Apply at 338 Elias street. 15c

WANTED—THREE HUNDRED GOOD second-hand overcoats. Highest price paid. A. P. SAINSBURY, 90 King street. Mail orders attended to.

## Religious Services.

AUDITORIUM — SUNDAY, JAN. 2 — Rev. A. J. Vining, of Winnipeg, will speak. Illustrated song service. All men welcome. 17u

## Articles For Sale.

SAUSAGE — SAUSAGE — SAUSAGE — Four pounds for 25 cents; two pounds for 14 cents; other meats as cheap. G. PARK, Market Lane. 14i

"TRIUMPH MEDICAL BATTERY" takes the lead. Price only $1. Equal to batteries for which $5 and $10 is asked. F. B. CLARKE, 418 Richmond street. 14tf

FRESH OYSTERS — EVERY DAY — wholesale and retail. Any orders received by mail given prompt attention. CATALANO & SANSONE, 306 Dundas street.

NEW YEAR CARDS AND CALENDARS UP-TO-DATE—CHEAP, CHEAP. R. V. S. SAUNDERS, 650 Dundas street, East London.

HORSE FOR SALE — 5-YEAR-OLD mare—Good driver single or double. Apply J. A. TANCOCK, V. S., 94 King street. 17u

PURE PORK SAUSAGE—4 POUNDS FOR 25c; 2 pounds for 14c; bacon, ham, lard, poultry, etc., at lowest prices. M. F. O'MARA, Market Square, third door east Market Lane. 16c wvz

MINING STOCK — Ruby Reef will be withdrawn from sale in a few days. At the present price it is the best thing in the market. Send your orders at once. J. F. SANGSTER, 402 Richmond street.

KLONDIKE — JUST ARRIVED — SALMON, 20c pound; smelts, 8c and 10c per pound; haddock, 7c; halibut, 15c; steak codfish, 7c; stripe bass, 10c; large mackerel, 15c; toin toin, 5c; eggs 15c and 20c per dozen. 15c

IRON AND LEAD PIPE, STEAM AND water fittings of all kinds. SMITH BROS., 265 Dundas street. v

ENGINE FOR SALE—A BARGAIN— Thirty horse power; can be run at 90 revolutions; is in capital order; can be had at a very low figure. Address Engine, care "Advertiser" Office. 50tf&62tf

FOR SALE — SKATES AND SKATE parts; bicycle enameling and general repairing at lowest prices. D. MCKENZIE & Co., 274 Richmond street.

THE DOLLAR ELECTRIC MOTOR—THE greatest novelty of the age. Just the thing for the boys. F. B. CLARKE, 418 Richmond street, sells them. 14tf

CUSTOMS PAPERS OF ALL KINDS always on hand at Advertiser Job Department. You can have them in large or small quantities.

TIMBERS, TRUSS RODS AND PLATES. PATTERSON & JOLLY. 12tf

STOVES AND SECOND-HAND FURNITURE for sale cheap at KEENE'S Furniture Store, Masonic Temple, Market Square.

## Lost and Found.

LOST—ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON —Cutter robe, between the Advertiser office and corner Bruce street and Wortley road. Finder rewarded by returning to GEORGE ELLIOTT, Advertiser office. 16c

## Miscellaneous.

JUST RETURNED FROM KLONDIKE Full information on country and outfits. Mail, $1; verbal, $1. HARRY A. FLETCHER, 203 Marion street, Seattle, Washington. 15n 71u

## Board and Lodging.

LARGE FRONT PARLOR AND BEDROOM to rent. Good board for $2.50. 462 Colborne. 17c vzy

GOOD BOARD AND PLEASANT ROOMS in private home. Apply Box 24, Advertiser, or 32 Hope street. 15n

## Houses, Etc., To Let.

TO LET—185 ST. JAMES STREET—NICE 2 story brick; 4 bedrooms, bath, grate; very convenient; choice location. Apply 410 Princess avenue. 3tf

## Educational.

THE WINTER TERM OF THE LONDON Business University and Academy of Shorthand and Typewriting will commence on Monday, Jan. 3, 1898. We guarantee a course unexcelled for comprehensiveness and completeness. Our College Annual mailed free. W. N. YEREX, B. C., principal. 2h yzxvzxv

## Hotel Cards.

TECUMSEH HOUSE LONDON, ONT. Largest and best hotel in Western Ontario. No charge for baggage or sample rooms. Rates $2 and $2 50 per day. C. W. DAVIS proprietor.

GRIGG HOUSE, LONDON, ONT.— Refurnished and renovated throughout. Large and light sample rooms for commercial men. Rates $1 50 and $2 per day. M. O'MEARA, proprietor.

O'NEIL HOUSE—CORNER TALBOT AND York street; new and convenient; stables. WM. COLLINS, proprietor.

CITY HOTEL, LONDON. BEST $1 DAY house in Canada; good stables in connection. J. MCMARTIN, proprietor.

THE ST. LAWRENCE HOTEL, MONTREAL—Centrally located and first-class in every respect. H. HOGAN, Proprietor.

THE RICHMOND — CORNER KING and Richmond streets. JAMES FALLAHE, new proprietor. A call solicited.

## Dental Cards.

WOOLVERTON & BENTLEY, DENTISTS over Caldecutt's Dundas street, next Edy Bros., phone 82.

R. H. KENNEDY, DENTIST, successor to Dr. Davis, specialty, preservation of natural teeth, 179 Dundas street.

R. W. S. WESTLAND, DENTIST — Honor graduate Toronto University, post-graduate in crown and bridge work Chicago. Electric anæsthesia for painless filling. Rooms Richmond street. Phone 960.

R. HARRY E. SILK, DENTIST— Honor graduate of Toronto University. Office over Gerd's gun store.

R. ELLIOTT HOLMES, L.D.S., ROOM 3, Masonic Block, Dundas and Clarence streets. Phone 867.

R. H. DAWSON, DENTIST, CORNER Dundas and Lyle streets, East London.

R. JEFFREY N. WOOD—DENTIST— Masonic Block, over 212 Dundas street.

R. MCDONALD, DENTIST, Office, 182½ Dundas street, London. Telephone 702.

R. J. H. SWANN—DENTIST—OFFICE 207½ Dundas street. Telephone 1,131.

THE CITIZENS' CANDIDATE

—FOR—

# MAYOR.

Ladies and Gentlemen—Kindly use your vote and influence for my election as mayor for 1898.

## John D. Wilson

14i

Your Vote and Influence Respectfully Solicited for

## William Jones

—AS—

WATER COMMISSIONER FOR 1898 15k

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for the election of

## John Bowman

AS HOSPITAL TRUSTEE. 15k

Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for

## P. McPhillips,

AS ALDERMAN FOR NO. 1 WARD FOR 1898. 14c ywv

Electors Ward No. 1.

Ladies and Gentlemen—Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for the re-election of

## F. G. Rumball,

AS ALDERMAN FOR 1898 13n

Ladies and Gentlemen.—Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for

CHAS. TAYLOR,

As Alderman for No. 1 Ward for 1898. 17u

WARD NO. 2.

Vote for the re-election of

## Stephen O'Meara

AS ALDERMAN FOR 1898. 14k

WARD NO. 2.

Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for the re-election of

## G. W. OLMSTED

AS ALDERMAN FOR 1898. 14k

Electors Ward No. 2.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for

JAMES H. FERGUSON

as school trustee for 1898. 14i

NO. 3 WARD.

Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for

## SAMUEL STEVELY,

AS ALDERMAN FOR 1898. 15k

WARD NO. 3.

Your vote and influence is solicited for

## R. Carrothers

For re-election as

ALDERMAN FOR 1898. 17u

# NOTICE.

To Neil Cooper, R. Lewis, R. Hannah and others.

Pursuant to your request a public meeting of the electors of No. 4 ward is hereby summoned for

FRIDAY EVENING, THE 31ST INST., at St. George's school house, on Waterloo street north, at the hour of 8 p.m. for the discussion of municipal affairs.

J. W. LITTLE, Mayor.

Mayor's Office, Dec. 30, 1897. b

## The DOMINION Savings & Investment So'y.

DIVIDEND NO. 51.

NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of 5 per cent per annum, upon the paid-up capital stock of this society, has been declared for the current half year, and that the same will be payable at the offices of the society, Masonic Temple Building, Richmond street, London, on and after Monday the 3rd day of January, 1898.

The transfer books will be closed from the 16th to the 31st of December, 1897, both days inclusive.

NATHANIEL MILLS, Manager.

London, Dec. 13, 1897. 2x 14,18,23,31

God alone can properly bind up a bleeding heart.

# No Ground for Alarm

### Britain Has a Sufficient Naval Force for Any Emergency.

### Her Interests in the Far East Are Not Endangered.

### Russia Pledged to Evacuate Chinese Waters at the End of Winter.

### Sir Henry Havelock Allan Either Dead or a Prisoner.

### Truce Between the Engineers and the Employers Ended.

### Pope Leo's Encyclical Has Not Been Received in England—Financial Crisis in Japan.

THE POPE'S ENCYCLICAL ON THE SCHOOL QUESTION.

London, Dec. 31.—Inquiry at the palace of Cardinal Vaughan elicits the statement that the papal encyclical upon the Manitoba schools has not yet been received in London. It was sent direct from Rome to Canada, with a view to its first complete publication there.

FINANCIAL CRISIS IN JAPAN.

London, Dec. 31.—Japan is confronted with a financial crisis and business panic due to the over-development of the country in the last year or two. Mail advices received here bring the news. Failures are numerous. The three principal banks of Osaka have failed, and a number of big firms in Tokio have also gone to the wall. Small failures are of daily occurrence. The ministerial crisis and the political situation in China have aggravated matters.

TABLEAUX AT BLENHEIM PALACE.

London, Dec. 31.—In aid of the restoration of St. Mary's Church, Woodstock, three performances, consisting of tableaux and theatricals, have been given at Blenheim Palace—Wednesday night by invitation to the tenants of the Duke of Marlborough on the estate; yesterday afternoon for the county families in the neighborhood, who paid half a guinea a seat; and in the evening for the gentry, who paid a crown. Special trains were run from Oxford, and the audiences were large.

CANADIAN INTERESTS.

London, Dec. 31.—A leading official of the war office says Canada's chances of securing long service medals are exceedingly slim.

The Canada Company, at its half-yearly meeting, declared a dividend of 12s 6d per share, making 25s for the year, which will absorb £5,200 of the £5,472 balance. The report was adopted.

The second deposit of $50,000, made by Messrs. Petersen, Tate & Co., with the Canadian government, has been made in securities.

SIR HENRY HAVELOCK-ALLAN MISSING.

Calcutta, Dec. 31.—Col. Sawyer, commanding the British forces at Fort Ali-Musjid, telegraphs: On learning that Sir Henry Havelock-Allan had left his escort, and had not been seen since, a search was organized, which resulted in finding the horse stripped and shot, with Sir Henry missing. It is feared that he is dead or is a prisoner in the hands of the Zakka-Kheis. Sir Henry Havelock-Allan is the commander of the Royal Irish Regiment, and left England recently to investigate charges of cowardice and insubordination during the campaign that has been brought against the regiment.

COST OF THE FAMINE IN INDIA.

Calcutta, Dec. 31.—It is officially announced that the recent famine cost the treasury $4,000,000, while loans to agriculturists and suspensions of taxes, mainly repayable, absorbed another $2,000,000, irrespective of charitable contributions, approaching $8,750,000.

The Indian National Congress at Bombay came to a conclusion yesterday amid much enthusiasm and cheers for the Queen-Empress. Resolutions were adopted, thanking the people of the United Kingdom, the British colonies, and the United States for generous aid during the famine. It was decided to erect, at the cost of a thousand pounds, a memorial of gratitude in London.

THE TRUCE ENDED.

London, Dec. 31.—A largely attended meeting of the members of the employers' federation at York, England, unanimously passed a resolution, indorsing the action of its representatives at the recent conference with the delegates of the striking engineers, reiterating the opinion that it is impossible to shorten the hours of labor, maintaining that the proposed arrangements for the management of the works in no way interfere with the proper functions of trades unionism, and acknowledging the receipt of the engineers' vote. The employers' committee will write to the engineers' committee that the "truce is, therefore, ended

CABLE NOTES.

Dr. Von Boetticher, the former German minister of the interior, has been gazetted governor of the Province of Saxony.

All the deputies and others who have been tried at Paris on the charge of participating in the Panama Canal intrigues have been acquitted.

The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Mail says Lieut.-Gen. Weyler's letter to the Queen Regent respecting President McKinley's message is a mild protest, signed by himself alone. He was unable to persuade other officers to sign it.

No Christmas and New Year's table should be without a bottle of DR. SIEGERT'S ANGOSTURA BITTERS, the world-renowned appetizer, of exquisite flavor. Beware of imitations.

## Situations Wanted.

EXPERIENCED COOKS, DINING-ROOM girls, general servants, housekeepers, ladies' companions, salesladies, etc., are waiting situations.

London Employment Bureau. 413 Richmond.

## The Eastern Situation

### British Interests in China Are Not Endangered.

Her Naval Force Sufficient Without Calling on the Reserve.

London, Dec. 31.—The Daily Graphic asserts "on authority" that the British squadron was definitely instructed to assemble off Chemuipo to support a strong British expostulation with Corea on the dismissal of Mr. McLeavy Brown, British superintendent of Corean customs, who, under the advice of the British consul, has twice returned the notice of dismissal served upon him. With regard to Port Arthur, the Daily Graphic asserts there is every reason to believe the Russians will adhere to their pledge to evacuate it at the end of the winter, and there is therefore no ground for complaint on the part of England. Neither does the government regard the occupation of Kiao Chau as calling for action, because British interests are not threatened. According to the Daily Graphic, both the foreign office and the admiralty are agreed upon this point.

New York, Dec. 31.—Regarding the rumors that the British government has decided to call into active service her naval reserve fleet, Mr. Bruce Ismay, agent of the White Star Line, said he had no official or other information on the subject. At the office of the British consul surprise was expressed at the report, inasmuch as Great Britain has a sufficient naval force to cope with any emergency that might arise in the east, without calling to her aid the services of the naval reserve. The British consul here has no official information on the subject. In addition to the 28,000 men of the naval reserve, Great Britain has a large reserve fleet, and a number of reserve merchant cruisers, including such vessels as the Campania, Lucania, Etruria, Umbria, Majestic, Teutonic, on the Atlantic, and Empress of China, Empress of Japan, and others, on the Pacific.

London, Dec. 31.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Shanghai, dated yesterday (Thursday) says: A British fleet of eight ships and four torpedo boats has arrived at Chemulpo (the port of Seoul). It is reported that there are two Japanese cruisers in the Yang-tse-Kiang River. Japan is working night and day preparing for war. It is believed that the British and Japanese fleets are in close touch.

The Daily Mail has received telegrams from Hong Kong and Tonquin denying the French occupation on the island of Hai-Nan, but it regards it as morally certain that Hai-Nan was occupied about a fortnight ago, when Port Arthur was occupied by the Russians, the coincidence forcing the suspicion that France and Russia were acting in concert.

A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Tokio says the Marquis Ito is forming a cabinet.

A letter from Kobe says: "Military maneuvers of great magnitude were executed in Japan last month for the first time since the war with China.

A dispatch from Pekin says the action of Sir Claude MacDonald, British minister to China, in asking the Chinese government to delay the arrangements of the proposed Russian guaranteed 4 per cent loan of 100,000,000 taels for a few days to enable him to consult with Lord Salisbury in the matter, was largely influenced by British opinion in China. British residents throughout China are earnestly urging the financial intervention of Great Britain in order to forestall Russia in coming to China's relief.

A special from Shangahi says that communications are constantly passing between the British and Japanese officers, and it is understood that the Japanese ministers are trying to effect a rapprochement with England on the basis of a joint guarantee of reform in Chinese administration.

London, Dec. 31.—During the British naval review, in June, the Turbina made a famous run on the Solent, when she attained the remarkable speed of 40 miles an hour. Since then she has been undergoing repairs at the iron works of her inventor, C. A. Parsons, at Newcastle-in-Tyne. Early in January she will make another trip when, her inventor asserts, she will make 60 miles an hour. Parsons believes he has overcome one disadvantage so conspicuous in June, when the boat could make only three knots an hour with engines reversed. Now, it is said she can make at least ten, as a special reversing turbine has been fitted into her since that time.

There are now three rotary turbines in the engine room instead of two, through which the steam passes in turn and goes through a cycle of complete expansion. The enormous rate at which the turbines revolve necessitates three propeller shafts, each fitted with three screws. These make 2,300 revolutions a minute.

### Severe Headache Cured.

Dear Sirs,—Being troubled with a severe headache I was advised by a friend to try Laxa-Liver Pills. I only used half a bottle, and have not since suffered from the complaint. They seem to be a perfect cure. Mrs. JOHN TOMLINSON, Hamilton, Ont.

An autograph letter of Emperor Francis Joseph is gazetted, ordering the session of the Reichsrath to be closed.

President McKinley has decapitated the revenue collector at New York for taking 24 drinks in 48 hours.

FAGGED OUT.—None but those who have become fagged out know what a depressed, miserable feeling it is. All strength has gone, and despondency has taken hold of the sufferers. They feel as though there was nothing to live for. There, however, is a cure—one box of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills will do wonders in restoring health and strength. Mandrake and Dandelion are two of the articles entering into the composition of Parmelee's Pills.

Running sores, indolent ulcers and similar troubles, even though of many years' standing, may be cured by using Trask's Magnetic Ointment. It soothes, strengthens and heals. It is the great pile cure. 25 cents. 48

## Decay of The Teeth

Arises from various causes, but principally it may be attributed to early neglect or the indiscriminate use of tooth powders and pastes which give a momentary whiteness to the teeth while they corrode the enamel. The timely use of that delicate, aromatic tooth wash—

## ODONTINE

(Cairncross & Lawrence.)

will speedily arrest the progress of decay, harden the gums and impart a delightful fragrance to the breath. The formula of Odontine includes only botanic ingredients, and it contains only the purest and most salutary of these. Price 25c

## No Neglect at the City Hospital.

### Unfounded Accusation Strongly Resented by the Staff.

Christmas Holidays Made as Joyful as Possible for the Patients.

Miss Tye, lady superintendent of the London General Hospital, called up The Advertiser this forenoon, and said that she and the staff felt much aggrieved because the Free Press of today editorially asserted that the patients had not been treated in the Christmas season by the trustees and others as are patients in hospitals in other places, and that no effort had been made to suitably entertain them. To this extraordinary accusation, the lady superintendent gave an emphatic denial. She said:

"On Christmas eve the public ward was profusely decorated, and those upon the beds of suffering looked forward to the morrow with great expectation. When Christmas morning broke each patient found on the stand by his bedside a handsome bouquet of flowers, candies, nuts, and biscuits of toothsome quality. The flowers had been supplied by the Episcopal Flower Mission. The children hung up their stockings, and Santa Claus left a copious supply of toys, books and booklets, oranges, nuts and candies.

"Most of the members of the hospital trust spent the day among the patients, and endeavored to make the Christmas as happy as in their own homes. A turkey and plum pudding dinner was provided for all those who could partake of substantial food, and those who could not had a repast of wholesome delicacies.

"During the day Dr. and Mrs. Eccles sent a bouquet for every patient and nurse in the hospital. The number of visitors to the institution that day was large, and the patients were made glad by the many little tokens given them.

"The children of St. George's public school did not forget the suffering little ones, and large collection of toys was provided by them.

"On Sunday the full choir of Christ Church was present at the hospital, and a fine programme of Christmas music was rendered under the able direction of Mr. James Dalton. Rev. Mr. Moorhouse preached the sermon, which was of a most eloquent character. Both Christmas day and last Sunday were two of the most joyful days in the history of the institution."

The reputation of the hospital may suffer in the eyes of those who have short memories, but the management should not take the Free Press too seriously. Our contemporary told an entirely different story last Monday. It only assails the hospital, the staff, the trustees and the general hospital today to help to elect Dr. Wilson.

### Your Weak Spot.

Perhaps it is your throat or your bronchial tubes. If you take cold easily, take Scott's Emulsion. It checks any tendency in your system to serious lung trouble.

The "Bicyclist's Best Friend" is a familiar name for Trask's Magnetic Ointment, always ready for emergencies. While a specific for Piles, it also instantly relieves and cures cuts, bruises, salt rheum, eczema and all affections of the skin. It never fails. 25 cents. 27

Feather and down cushions, 50 cents each. Large stock of goose feather pillows and mattresses. Fancy rockers, bedroom suites. Stoves bought and sold at the Feather Bed and Mattress Cleaning Factory. James F. Hunt & Sons, 593 Richmond street

Your money back if you want it.

## The Hardest Way Possible

to get along in the world is to buy "real cheap" things. As a rule the less you pay the more it costs in the long run. We don't boast too much of "cheap" prices, and still, quality considered, we sell at prices that ought to interest careful buyers.

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| Women's Extension Sole Kid Buttoned | $1.25 |
| Women's Extension Sole Laced, chocolate or black | $1.25 |
| Men's Boston Calf Laced, coin toe | $1.25 |

## J. P. COOK,

178 Dundas street.

Your money back if you want it.

# GALLEY'S SIMPLE CURES.

So All That Is Required of Them

## ACT MOST MARVELOUSLY

Are the Words Used by a Well-Known Toronto Contractor.

Read the following testimonial given by Mr. J. M. Faircloth, of 301 Yonge street, Toronto. Mr. Faircloth says: "I had a very severe attack of rheumatism. In fact, so severe was it that I found it almost impossible to move my arms and was utterly incapacitated by it. Hearing of Galley's Remedies, I secured a vial of his Rheumatic Cure, and must frankly confess that it acted on me most marvelously. The pain left me, the soreness and stiffness disappeared, and I have had no return of the disease since. (Signed)

"J. M. FAIRCLOTH."

Galley's Homeopathic Remedies for Sale by All Druggists.

The Galley Homeopathic Remedy Co., LIMITED.
TORONTO. - - - ONT.


## Must Meet Maher.

Fitz Says He Will Then Give Corbett a Chance.

Von Der Ahe Wants His Release From His Wife.

ATHLETICS.

FITZ'S ONLY TERMS.

New York, Dec. 31.—Tom O'Rourke has wired to the Associated Press from Fort Wayne, Ind., as follows: Julian and Fitzsimmons have named Joe Walcott at the middle-weight limit to meet McCoy, and Peter Maher to meet Corbett. If McCoy and Corbett win from Walcott and Maher, Fitzsimmons will meet both of them afterwards. These are the only conditions Fitzsimmons will make with McCoy and Corbett.

WHEEL.

MAGNETIC BICYCLE PEDALS.

Bicycle pedals are being fitted with magnetized plates to attract plates on the shoes of the rider and hold his feet in place, thus doing away with the toe clips, which are the cause of many accidents to racing men.

HOW CYCLE SPEED HAS INCREASED.

A statistician has arranged a table which shows at a glance how cycle speed has increased in a decade. In 1891, Robein held the record for 24 hours, which was 361 miles and 1,146 yards. Shortland held the record in 1892, 1893 and 1894, although the best that he could do was 460 miles and 1,296 yards in 1894. Fountaine, in 1895, rode 474 miles and 1,568 yards. In 1896 Goodwin was credited with 476 miles 1,702 yards. The biggest jump was made this year, when the German, Cordang, ran the record up to 616 miles and 340 yards.

L. A. W. MEMBERSHIP.

Secretary Bassett announces that 271 new members were enrolled in the L. A. W. during the past week. The number of newcomers and the standing of the leading divisions follow: New York 84, total 26,854; Pennsylvania 32, total 24,490; Massachusetts 26, total 12,431; New Jersey 5, total 6,831; Illinois 3, total 3,798; Ohio 8, total 3,076; Wisconsin 5, total, 2,625; Connecticut 2, total 2,010; Missouri 1, total 1,632; Michigan 2, total, 2,626; Maryland 3, total 1,915; North California 1, total 522; Rhode Island 1, total 1,662.

THE L. A. W. PRESIDENCY.

New York, Dec. 31.—A dispatch from Baltimore, under date Dec. 30, to the Press says: "It leaked out here today that at a secret meeting held in Philadelphia yesterday a combination was effected by which Isaac B. Potter will be re-elected president of the L. A. W.

THE TURF.

EXIT SIR WALTER.

Sir Walter, one of the gamest and honestest horses that ever earned brackets, has been retired to the stud after a campaign on the running turf which has few parallels. He will be an 8-year-old on Jan. 1, so that he leaves a racing record behind him extending over five years, and yet when he left Morris Park, New York, on Tuesday, he was without scar or blemish. He was shipped to Kentucky, and his destination is said to be the Elmendorf stock farm. This is now the property of J. B. Haggin, who bred Sir Walter, and who also owns his sire, Midlothian.

THIRTY-DAY MEETS.

The projectors of the American-Canadian racing circuit claim to be satisfied with the outlook. It has been arranged that thirty-day meetings shall be held at Nashville, Highland Park, Detroit, Hamilton, Montreal, Fort Erie, Buffalo and Windsor. There is abundant capital back of the scheme, and there seems to be no reason why the venture should not be a success. A circuit of this kind will give the thoroughbreds which are just below the purse-winning standards of the eastern tracks a chance to earn enough to pay their feed bills.

TIPS.

Uncas, the last surviving son of Lexington, the celebrated race horse, died suddenly near Crescent, Mo. His death was due to the rupture of a blood vessel. He was 22 years old.

HOCKEY.

GUELPH LOST.

Guelph, Dec. 31.—The hockey season opened here last evening with a game between the Seagram intermediate team of Waterloo and the Guelph Nationals. The game finished 5 to 2 in favor of Waterloo.

BASEBALL.

VON DER AHE AFTER HIS RELEASE.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 31.—Chris Von Der Ahe, the president of the St. Louis baseball club, filed suit for divorce today. This was his second matrimonial venture, and the petition avers that it was not a success.

FLYS.

Chris Von der Ahe now denies that he ever had any intention of selling his team.

The Philadelphia management has made no reply to the offer of the Pittsburg management to trade Donovan for Sam Thompson.

President Hart confirms the rumor that Anson will sever his relations with the Chicago club when the contract expires this week.

Washington will start next season with more pitchers than any other club in the National League.

The prospect is that should Guelph drop out of the International League, Grand Rapids will join. An eight-club league is confidently predicted for 1899.

The National League's committee on rules, consisting of Hanlon, Hart and Reach, are considering the advisability of abolishing or modifying the bunt hit rule, and also a proposition to move the pitcher five feet nearer the plate. Some of the magnates want to have the bunt hit totally wiped out. It is hardly probable that any change will be made.

Patsy Donovan, formerly of the Tecumseh baseball team, of this city, does not care to linger in Pittsburg now that a new boss has been hired.

## BEHIND THE TIMES.

London Financial Institutions Praised, While Those of Toronto Are Not.

A correspondent of the Globe, dealing with the question "What can be done to help Toronto," says: "It appears to the visiting business man that Toronto financial institutions and incorporated companies are, in many cases, 'behind the times.' They seem to have failed to progress, as far as initiative and enterprise are concerned, in a degre corresponding with private commercial undertakings. Their methods are largely those of twenty years ago. They do not appear to have lent that support nor extended that encouragement to legitimate business enterprises that might have been fairly expected and safely granted. In casting about for the causes of this state of things it has suggested itself that one of them may be the extreme old age of many of the directors at the boards of these companies. Bacon says the faults of old men in business are, 'they object too much, consult too long, adventure too little, repent too soon, seldom drive business home to the full period, but content themselves with a mediocrity of success.' This seems to precisely express the character of the management of too many of Toronto's financial institutions and business corporations. Some boards of directors I am aware of have hardly a single member under 60, while some have in prominent positions men physically and mentally useless from weight of years. Many of them have retired from active business for a long time, and are really—however little they would be disposed to admit it—out of touch with modern commercial conditions. As the proverb says, 'You can't teach an old dog new tricks,' to which Shakespeare adds: 'When the age is in the wit is out.' Very old men lose energy in and capacity for detail, and are a temptation, therefore, to errors, or worse, on the part of officials. The great imperial services enforce retirement after certain age limits are reached, and this is not the less necessary in commercial enterprises.

"One more point. I am not sure that the managers and active officials of Toronto companies are as courteous as they might be. There is a good deal of the 'grand seigneur' about many of them; often very ordinary people after all. I have had experience of such officials, both in the old world and in the United States, and I do not recall much hauteur and indifference displayed as in Toronto, save, perhaps, in France. Other Canadian cities are totally different in this regard, particularly Hamilton and London. It is regrettable, too, how this tone pervades the entire staff, down to the very porter. It certainly hurts business and should be mended or ended."

## GYMNASIUM CONTEST.

Sturdy Young Athletes Match Their Strength at Association Hall—Standing of the Contestants.

Another gymnasium contest took place Wednesday afternoon between the Y. M. C. A. juniors. The effect of the training is apparent, and many of the boys are remarkably well-developed young athletes. Following is the result of the contest:

Chinning the bar—1, P. Williams, 14 times; 2, G. Schaef, 13 times; 3, A. Treleaven, 10 times.

Potato race—1 G. Schaef, 2 W. Holt, 3 A. McMahen.

Rope climb, 16 feet—1, A. McMahen, 11½ seconds; 2, A. Treleaven, 16 seconds; 3, P. Willams, 16½ seconds.

Pole vault—1, A. Treleaven, 6 feet 9 inches; 2, A. McMahen, 6 feet 7 inches; 3, G. Schaef, 6 feet 5 inches.

Standing kick (number of inches over contestant's head to count)—1 W. Holt, 16 inches; 2, E. Marshall, 13 inches; 3, P. Williams, 10 inches.

Jump kick (number of inches over height to count)—1, P. Williams, 24 inches; 2, W. Holt, E. Marshall, G. Schaef, 23 inches; 3, A. Treleaven, 16 inches.

Hitch kick—1, G. Schaef, 76 inches; 2, E. Marshall, 64 inches; 3,P. Williams, 62 inches.

Standing jump—1, G. Schaef, 3 feet 10 inches; 2, A. McMahen, 3 feet 8 inches; 3, A. Treleaven, 3 feet 6 inches.

Running jump—1, A. Treleaven, 4 feet 3 inches; 2, G. Schaef, 4 feet 2 inches; 3, A. McMahen, 4 feet.

Springboard jump—1, G. Schaef, 5 feet 8 inches; 2, C. Williams, 5 feet 6 inches; 3, A. Treleaven, 5 feet 2 inches.

Fence vault—1, G. Schaef, 36 inches; 2, C. Williams, 33 inches; 3, A. Treleaven, 29 inches.

Tumbling—1, W. Holt.

Broad jump—1, G. Schaef, 8 feet 1 inch; 2, C. Williams, 7 feet 10 inches; 3, A. Treleaven, 7 feet 9 inches.

Quarter-mile run—1, C. Williams, 1 minute, 25 seconds; 2, W. Holt, 1 minute, 28 seconds; 3, G. Schaef, 1 minute, 29 seconds.

Standing of contestants to date—1, Gus Schaef; 2, Wm. Holt; 3, Charles Williams; 4 A. Treleaven and A. McMahen; 5, P. Williams; 6, E. Marshall; 7, G. Ward; 8, H. Marshall; 9, A. Fisher.

On Saturday morning the final swimming contest will be held. The boys have had a couple of sleigh rides together about town since the holidays began, and altogether are enjoying themselves immensely.


LIFE SAVED.—Mr. James Bryson Cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the lungs, and was given up by physicians. A neighbor advised me to try Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, stating that his wife had used it for a throat trouble with the best results. Acting on this advice, I procured the medicine, and less than half a bottle cured me; I certainly believed it saved my life. It was with reluctance that I consented to a trial, as I was reduced to such a state that I doubted the power of any remedy to do me any good."

Moments are useless if trifled away; and they are dangerously wasted if consumed by delay in cases where Ransom's Hive Syrup and Tolu would bring immediate relief. 25 cents. 26


## Allison's Execution

To Take Place in the Prison Yard.

He Isn't Breaking Down—Radcliffe Likely to Be the Executioner.

The execution of James Allison, the condemned murderer, provided Mr. Mills does not interfere, will take place about 8 o'clock on the morning of Feb. 4, in the jail yard. The yards used by the male and female prisoners are separate, and if there are no female prisoners incarcerated at the time, the execution may take place in the yard used by the females. This is about 15 by 30 feet in size, and surrounded by a high stone wall. If the awful affair takes place there it might be witnessed through the window in the jail kitchen.

If female prisoners are in the jail the scaffold will be built in the general jail yard. In either case Allison will not see the hideous contrivance until he walks up to it on the morning of his death. He will probably hear the hammering, however. Radcliffe, the hangman, who executed Birchall and many other murderers since, will in all probability receive the job of hanging Allison, who has but one month more to live.

Allison's demeanor has not changed in the least. He still has a good appetite. It is believed that the daily visits of the Rev. Mr. Atkinson, his spiritual adviser, are doing him good. He has learned to look forward to these calls.

The death watch never leaves him. At sundown the day watch goes and the night watch comes. Never is the condemned youth free from their watchful eyes.

He sometimes converses with them, sometimes reads, sometimes even whistles. If he feels his position he does not show it. The probabilities are that he will go to the gallows as stoically as he received his sentence.

More than ever does he manifest that he is wholly without feeling, and the fact that he never expresses a desire to see his parents bears out this supposition.

The petitions praying for executive clemency are not being freely signed. A reporter saw one this morning, and though it has been circulated three weeks, it has only received 48 signatures.

The photographers who took photos of Allison after his arrest have been forbidden by Mr. Blake, Allison's counsel, to sell them.

## REDUCING FREIGHT RATES.

Important Reductions by the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific.

Montreal, Dec. 31.—The Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific Railways announce some important reductions in freight rates, which will go into effect on the first of next year. The first section relates to wheat, oats, barley, rye and corn products, on which a reduction is made to 20 cents per 100 pounds, on the basis of the haul from Chicago to New York. It applies to freight for the Atlantic seaboard from western points in the United States. On Oct. 15 last the rate was raised to 22½ cents from 20 cents, so that it is now placed on its former standing. The second section refers to corn only, for domestic use, or for export, from western points in the United States to the seaboard, on which a reduction of 2½ cents per 100 pounds is also made, the former figure being 20 cents. It is thus reduced to 17½ cents per 100 pounds. Another change affecting more directly Canadian traffic will also go into effect on the first of the new year. From main line points in Canada, on both railways, the traffic will be reduced 2½ cents per 100 pounds on export traffic for the seaboard, or from 17½ cents to 15 cents.


GOOD REASONS FOR JOY.

The Wrought Iron Range Company have received the following two letters, which will be of interest to intending purchasers:

St. Mary's, Ont., Dec. 17.

Wrought Iron Range Company, Limited, Toronto, Ont.

Gentlemen,—We purchased of your salesman five years ago one of your Home Comfort Ranges, and are pleased to say it gives us entire satisfaction. It is a splendid heater, lovely baker and saves half the fuel of any stove or range we ever used. I would not take $100 for it if I could not get another. Respectfully,

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Mr. Neil Stewart, of Denfield, Ont., says the same thing after using his Home Comfort for five years. What recent purchasers say: Wrought Iron Range Company (Limited), Toronto: Gentlemen, — We each purchased of your salesman, Mr. G. L. Smith, a "Home Comfort" range, and are pleased to say it gives entire satisfaction. It is a great heater and fine baker, and I am convinced it does not use half the wood my former stove did. Isaac Taylor, Granton, Ont.; George Patrick, Ilderton; James Hord, Ilderton. 14u yv

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Brick is made of furnace slag.

Miss Minnie Power, of Lockport, N. Y., is 8 feet in height, lacking 1 inch. She is the tallest woman in the United States. She is handsome in spite of her abnormal proportions.

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The Dollar Electric Motors have arrived at F. B. Clarke's, 418 Richmond street. No better means of instruction and amusement can be afforded the boys than this novelty. Any boy can run it, and it will furnish unlimited entertainment for the young. Call and get one. The price is only One Dollar. 14n

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## Wolseley Barracks' Officers' Ball.

Brilliant Scene at the Military School.

Elaborate Decorations—List of Invited Guests—The Social Event of the Season.

The annual ball given under the auspices of Lieut.-Col. Henry Smith and officers at Wolseley Barracks last evening was a brilliant affair. The greater portion of the officers' quarters was thrown open to guests, and the decorations throughout were as tasteful as they were profuse. British ensigns, Union Jacks, royal standards, etc., met the eye in every direction, while bunting in red, white and blue was interwoven and hung in graceful festoons and folds around the walls and ceilings. The decorations were in the hands of Capt. Sharman, Capt. Sutherland and Quartermaster-Sergt. Galloway, all of whom have been highly complimented on the success of their efforts. The tables were bountifully and elegantly spread, and the decorations of the supper room elaborate and beautiful. In the center of the middle table was a large silver stand, from which toward the four corners of the table streamed the regiment's colors, black, blue and yellow. One of the most conspicuous dishes was that containing a New Brunswick salmon, weighing 30 pounds, flanked with a copious supply of lobsters, which apparently crawled over it from all sides. The entire arrangement and preparation of the supper was in charge of Corp. Charman, and it did him credit.

The scene in the ball room was picturesque. The beautiful gowns of the ladies contrasted strikingly with the red and golden uniforms of the officers. Great consideration was shown in arranging the card rooms, and quiet nooks and corners in out of the way places, to which many of the guests found their way and were highly delighted. The following is a list of the invited guests, over 200 of whom were present:

A.—Mrs. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Ashworth, Mr. Norman Alexander, Miss Ashby, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Andras, Mr. Bertram Andras.

B.—Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Beddome, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Beddome, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Bullen, Messrs. Archie and Campbell Becher, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Betts, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. D. Brodrick, Mr., Mrs. and the Misses Bayly, Messrs. Bayly, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Brown, Mr. Adam Beck, Mr. Thos. Beattie, Miss Burwell, Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Bucke, the Misses Bucke, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Brown, Dr. F. Beemer, the Misses Belton, the Misses Blackburn, Dr., Mrs. and the Misses Buchan, the Misses and Mr. Day Baldwin, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Eustace Bucke, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Boucher, Rev. Prof., Mrs. and the Misses Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. Baker, Mr. Harry Blackburn, Mr. Thos. Blakeney, Dr. and Mrs. Balfour, Mr. H. K. Betty (Walkerville), Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Belton, Mr. and Mrs. Booker, Mr. and Mrs. Barron, Mr. and Mrs. Bremner, the Misses Brown.

C.—Mrs. and Miss Chisholm, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Chisholm, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Complin, the Misses Complin, Mr. and Mrs. T. Harry Carling, Mr. Beverley Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Hume Cronyn, Mr. W. Cronyn, officers of No. 2 company, Stanley Barracks, Toronto; Miss Conlin, Mr. and Mrs. A. Cleghorn, Major and Mrs. Cartwright (Stanley Barracks, Toronto), Mr. H. Cotton, Mr. Clark (Bank of Toronto), Sheriff and Mrs. Cameron, the Misses Cameron, Sir John, Lady and Miss Carling, Miss Cameron.

D.—Dr. F. P. Drake, Canon, Mrs. and Miss Dann, Mr. W. Dann, Major and Mrs. Denison (Toronto), Col., Mrs. and Miss Dawson, Mr. L. Dawson, Mr. D. B. and Mrs. Dewar, Mr. and Mrs. Dampier, Mr. Drummond (Bank of Montreal), Mr. and Mrs. E. De la Hooke, Ven. Archdeacon and Miss Davis.

E.—The Misses Elliot, Mr. Hume Elliot, Judge Edward Elliott, Mrs. and the Misses Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. English, Mr. Stuart English, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Edge.

F.—Mr. J. H., Mrs. and Miss Fraser, the Misses Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farncombe, the Misses Farncombe, Mr. E. Farncombe, Mrs. and the Misses Furness, Mr. and Mrs. Frier, Col. and Mrs. Fisher, Mr. Fred Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Fisher, Judge Finkle (Woodstock).

G.—Mr. and Mrs. George C. Gibbons, the Misses Gibbons, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Gates, Mr. and Mrs. W. Gunn, Mr. George Gunn, Mr. George Gillespie, Miss Graydon, Mr. Marshall Graydon, Mr. A. O. Graydon, Mr. N. P. Graydon, Mr. and Mrs. Ginge, Mr. Gordon (Bank of Commerce), Mr. B. L. Gower, Col., Mr. and the Misses Gartshore, Mr. D. J. S. Gordon, the Misses Gill, Miss Gordon, Mr. Griffin (Bank of Montreal, Sarnia), Mr. and Mrs. Glazebrooke.

H.—Mr. and Mrs. George Harris, Miss and Mr. Ronald Harris, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. and Miss Hyman, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hyman, Mr. and Miss Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. John Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hunt, the Misses Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs. Hellmuth, Major, Mrs. and Miss Hegler (Ingersoll), Dr. and the Misses Hogg, Mr. H. Henwood, Mr. Fred Henry, Mr. Fred Harper, Mr. L. Hammond, Mr. W. Hobbs, Mr. Helm, Dr. N. Henderson, Mr. Hudson, Major and Mrs. Hemming (Fredericton, N. B.), Dr. Hobbs, Mr. Thomas Hobbs, M.P.P., Mr. and Mrs. Hammond.

I.—Mr. and Mrs. Inglis, Col. Irwin (Strathroy), the Misses Imlach.

J.—Mr. Johnston (Bank of Toronto), Lady Johnston.

K.—The Misses Kibbe, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Kent, Mr. J. B. Kilgour, the Messrs. Kerrigan, Mr. C. A. Kinnear, Capt. Kingsmill.

L.—Mr. and Mrs. Labatt, Mr. and Mrs. F. Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leonard, Mr. James Little, the Messrs. Little, Mr. and Mrs. M. Lewis, Major Lessard, Mr. H. Lay, Mr. Sidney Layburn (Artillery Barracks, Kingston), Mr. John Labatt, jun.

M.—Mr., Mrs. and the Misses McDonough, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Macfie, Miss Macfie, Mr. Fred Macfie, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Magee, the Misses Magee, Mr. T. H. and Mrs. Meredith, Miss Murphy, Miss Macbeth, the Misses Macbeth, Mr. George Macbeth, Mr. Charles Macbeth, Miss A. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Mackintosh, the Misses McIntosh, Dr., Mrs. and Miss McLaren, Mr. George MacLaren, Dr., Mrs. and Miss Moore, Mr. W. Marshall, Mr. J. P. McLachlan, Mr. T. Martin, Mr., Mrs. and Miss McWhinney, Mr. and Mrs. J. McWhinney, Mr., Mrs. and the Misses Masuret, Mr. and Mrs. P. Mulkern, Lieut.-Col. McLaren (13th Batt., Hamilton), the Misses Mackenzie, Mr. Philip Mackenzie, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. McBride, Mr. and Mrs. Merritt, Mr. A. McIntosh, Capt. A. H. McDonald (Fredericton, N. B.), Mrs. and the Misses Moore, Mr. Mitchell (Glencoe), Mr. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Talbot Macbeth.

N.—Dr. and Mrs. Niven, Mr. Hugh Niven, the Messrs. Niles, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Nicholson.

O.—Col. and Mrs. Otter (Stanley Barracks, Toronto), Mr. R. Ostome.

P.—Mr., Mrs. and Miss Pennington, the Misses Parke, Mr. A., Mrs. and Miss Parfitt, Dr. Parfitt, A. B. Patterson, the Messrs. Pope, Mr. R. H. Poussette (Sarnia), Mr. and Mrs. R. Puddicombe, Miss Puddicombe, Mr. Harry and Miss Pavey, Mrs. Peterson, Mr. Jack Patterson.

R.—The Misses Richardson, Mr. Harold Richardson, Mr. W. B. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Reid, Mr. Frank Reid, Mr. Edward Reid, Mr. D. Ross, Dr. and Mrs. Roome, Capt. Sidney Robinson (Walkerville), Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds, Mr. Rawlinson, Mr. W. Robinson (Toronto), Capt. Ross (Embro).

S.—Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Smith, Miss Smith, Major A. M. Smith, Mr. Walter Smith, Mr. and Mrs. A. Smith, Mr. Geo. Sayers, Mr. E. Sayers, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Smallman, Mr. Jack Smallman, Mr. J. B. Smallman, Mr. and Mrs. C. Shanly, Mr. G. R. B. and Miss Sippi, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Somerville, Mr. Claude Stevens, Miss Skinner, Mr. M. S. Stevenson, Mr. Allan Stevenson, Major Duncan Stuart, Mr. Skey, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Sloane, Mr. and Mrs. Stirling, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sippi, Dr. and Mrs. Sippi, Lieut.-Col. Stacey (St. Thomas), Mr. W. and Miss Spry.

T.—Mr. L. and Miss Tilley, Mr. and Mrs. Turnbull, Dr. Tupper, Mr. G. Toller.

V.—Col. B. H. and Mrs. Vidal (St. John, N. B.).

W.—Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Widder, Dr. George and Miss Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Weld, Mr. White, Miss Weld, Mr. T. Wood, Dr. and Mrs. John Wilson, Dr. and Mrs. Waugh, Provost and Mrs. Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. Waterman, Col. and Mrs. White (St. Marys), Mr. C. Wood (Toronto).

Y.—Major and Mrs. Young (Stanley Barracks, Toronto), Mr. Yarker.

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## In the Dining-Room.

SATURDAY, JAN. 1.

BREAKFAST — Sliced bananas, with powdered sugar and cream. Hamburg steak. Stewed potatoes. Owendaw bread. Coffee.

LUNCHEON—Chinese eggs with tomato sauce. Graham bread and butter. Apple fritters. White cake. Chocolate blanc mange. Tea.

DINNER—Onion soup. Mock duck with brown gravy. Mashed potatoes. Lettuce with French dressing. Cup custards. Coffee.

Cut out these recipes and paste them in a scrap-book.

Owendaw Bread—Put one cupful of fine hominy in the double boiler and boil for 30 minutes. Beat two eggs light, add them to the hominy while it is hot, also one tablespoonful of butter, a half-pint of milk, a half-teaspoonful of salt, and lastly two tablespoons of cornmeal. Mix all well together. Bake for half an hour in a clay dish with a good deal of heat at the bottom of the oven and not so much at the top, so as to allow it to rise. It must be served in the dish in which it has been baked, and helped with a spoon. (This is a southern dish.)

Chinese Eggs, with Tomato Sauce—Boil six eggs for fifteen minutes; throw them into cold water and remove the shells. Take the whites carefully from the yolks, keeping the yolks in shape. Cut the whites into shreds (this is best done with a scissors). Have ready six round pieces of toast on a hot platter, arrange the shredded whites on the toast in the form of six nests, in the center of the nests place the yolks, one in each nest with a circle of finely chopped parsley around each yolk. Sprinkle lightly with pepper and salt. Pour the tomato sauce around the outside of the nests and serve. This is a pretty dish, having such a contrast of colors—red, white, green and yellow.

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## STOLE 12,000 CIGARS.

**Robbery at the Mountain View Hotel at Hamilton.**

Hamilton, Dec. 31.—When Mr. John Clark, of the Mountain View Hotel, awoke yesterday morning, he got an awful shock, discovering that his hotel had been broken into during the night and 12,000 cigars and two bottles of wine stolen. The robbers effected an entrance by breaking the glass in the front door leading to the bar. They evidently first bored holes in the woodwork of the door, but could not reach the bolts, so they smashed the glass. Wagon tracks were seen near the hotel and from the marks of the horse's feet in the snow, Detective Campbell thinks the thieves were in the place a considerable length of time.

About 3,000 of the stolen cigars were ten-centers, and the other 9,000 were just plain "fivers." The value of the goods stolen is over $300.

## MANY HOMELESS.

**Disastrous Fire and Earthquake Visits Port-au-Prince.**

Port-au-Prince, Hayti, Dec. 31.—At 11 o'clock Tuesday night a fire, which assumed considerable proportions on account of lack of water to supply the pumps, broke out and destroyed eight hundred houses, including a number of warehouses, a hotel, the Church of St. Joseph, and its parsonage. About 3,000 people were rendered homeless.

Yesterday morning at 6:40 o'clock there was an earthquake, the disturbances running from north to south, lasting half a minute and causing slight cracks in the earth. There were no accidents, but the population was greatly alarmed.

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In every New England town there are persons who are planning to go to the Klondike region next spring.

## Standing of The Dairymen.

**Medical Health Officer's Milk Inspection Report.**

**The Quality of Milk Supplied to Londoners—Satisfactory Condition of the Herds and Dairies.**

Dr. Hutchinson, city medical health officer, at the meeting of the board of health last night, presented a report of the inspection of herds and dairies, and of the quality of milk sold in the city during the last six months. The general condition of the herds, the report stated, was good—better than it has ever been before. No diseased cows were found. Of 157 samples of milk examined one was adulterated by the addition of water, and one had cream added. The average richness or percentage of butter-fat was a fraction over 4. The herds and dairies are classified in the order of merit—A, B and C. The milk in Nos. 1, 2 and 3 is graded as follows: That having a percentage of 4 and upwards is first class; that ranging from 4 to 3.5 is second class, and that from 3.5 to 3 is third class. In the month of October typhoid fever appeared in the family of a dairyman in London township. He was promptly stopped selling until all danger was past. The following list shows the result of the inspection:

James Warden, London township, A1.
W. J. Walker, Westminster township, A1.
Chas. McMurray, Westminster township, A1.
Geo. Riddle, Westminster township, A2.
Kanes Bros., Westminster township, A. Sell to A. Pack.
Hugh Mossop, Dorchester township, A. Supplies Hy. Mossop.
C. W. Hourd, Westminster township, B1.
John Rogers, Adelaide street, B1.
Jas. McLaren, London Gore, B. Supplies J. L. White.
Jas. Learn, Westminster township, B1.
Webb Bros., London township, B1.
Samuel Robb, London township, B1.
Chas. Dyer, London township, B1.
J. W. Wilkinson, London township, B1.
Wm. Stevenson, Nilestown, B. Supplies John O'Brien.
J. B. Ingamells, London township, B1.
J. L. Swartz, Dorchester township, B1. Supplies R. Markham.
A. Higg, London township, B1.
W. W. Wilkinson, London township, B1.
John Griffiths, Westminster township, B1.
Jas. Carroll, Westminster township, B1.
G. H. Summers, London township, B1.
A. Cattanach, Adelaide street, B1.
S. E. Edworthy, Pall Mall street, B1.
H. Kilbourne, South London, B1.
Jas. Maloch, city, B1.
Wm. Hunt, South London, B1.
Thos. Hill, Westminster township, B1.
D. Ferguson, Westminster township, B1.
Chas. Gorton, Westminster township, B. Supplies Jos. O'Brien.
R. H. Cullis, Wellington street, 1. Buys from D. Ferguson.
Thos. Davidson, London township, B1.
Grenere Bros., Westminster township, B1. Buys also from Jas. Griffiths.
Wm. Patten, London township, B1.
John Gilbank, East London, B1.
Job Cox, London township, B1.
Kernohan Bros., London township, B1.
Andrew Hogg, London township, B. Sells to John Clark.
John Clark, London township, B1.
Robt. McConkey, Crumlin, B. No sample.
Wm. Rogers, London township, B. Supplies H. Brownlie.
R. H. Reid, London township, B. Supplies R. McCullagh.
Miss Redding, city, B1.
John Lashbrook, city, B1. Cream added, B1.
John Bawden, Westminster township, B1.
Wm. Kettlewell, Westminster township, B. No sample.
A. Marshall, London township, B2. Protested, B1. Supplies city hospital.
Beattie Bros., London township, B1.
Geo. Blanshard, Komoka, B. Supplies Jas. Blanshard.
Jas. Blanshard, city, 1.
John Butson, Hyde Park, B1.
H. Brownlie, 1. Buys from Wm. Rogers.
Jos. McLeod, London township, 1. No herd at present.
Jos. O'Brien, London township, 1. Buys from Chas. Gorton.
Jas. Byers, London township, B. Supplies Wm. Phoenix.
Wm. Phoenix, city, 1.
S. S. Johnson, city, 1. Buys from Jas. Warden.
Alex. Windrim, 1. Buys from Kernohan Bros.
John Alda, Pottersburg, B. Supplies G. Tupholme.
G. Tupholme, 1.
A. Palmer, city, 1. Buys from Jas. Warden.
G. M. Janes, Westminster township, B. Sells to James Turnbull.
Jas. Turnbull, Westminster township, 1.
Mrs. Sheldon, Richmond street north, 1. Buys from H. Jackson.
Wm. Monday, 1. Buys from J. L. Wilkinson.
Reid Robson, Westminster township, B1.
Jas. Hill, Westminster township, B1.
J. L. Wilkinson, Huron street, B1.
John O'Brien, London township, B. Supplies Wm. O'Brien.
Wm. O'Brien, London township, 1.
Mrs. Creighton, Dorchester township, B. Supplies G. W. McMullin.
G. W. McMullin, South London, 1.
Geo. Constable, London township, 1. Purchases from Mrs. Creighton.
Miss Hanlon, Wellington street, 1. Purchases from John Butson.
Mrs. Rutherford, Wellington street, 1. Purchases from D. Ferguson.
R. Markham, Westminster, 1. Purchases from J. L. Swartz.
Johnson Bros., city, 1. Purchases from R. McCullough.
McArthur Bros., Westminster, B. Supplies J. W. Jarvis.
Mrs. Kennedy, city, 1. Buys from J. W. Jarvis.
Neil Larsen, city, 1. Buys from Jas. Warden.
J. H. Cunningham, East London, 1. Buys from James Warden.
Mrs. Garfatt, city, 1. Buys from And. Hogg.
W. Hayes, city, 1. Buys from Joseph McLeod.
F. A. Gaulds, city, 1.
Alfred Pack, Westminster, 1. Buys from Kanes Bros.
Dennis Sullivan, 1. Buys from W. A. Sage.
Thomas Rosser, 1.
Mrs. Reevely, East London, 1. Buys from G. Constable.
R. Willis, 1. Buys from Thos. Legg.
Mrs. Grey, East London, 1. Buys from Wm. Hill.
Walter Wilkins, Dundas street, 1. Buys from H. Brownlie.
W. S. Evans, Dundas street, 1. Buys from George Biddle.
Mrs. Hawley, Dundas street, 1. Buys from Wm. Bell.
J. W. Jarvis, Dundas street, 1. Buys from McArthur Bros.
R. J. Wood, Wellington street, 1. Buys from R. Markham.
F. T. C. Richardson, Richmond street, 1. Buys from Charles Dyer.
J. J. Grasse, 1. Buys from John Kay.
William Percival, 1.
D. O'Donnell, Richmond street, 1. Buys from Henry Webb.
Wm. Smith, 1. Buys from F. Spettigue.
F. Hammond, city, 1. Buys from Wm. O'Brien.
W. A. Sage, Nilestown, B2.
Homer Jackson, St. Johns, B2.
Wm. Hatch, St. Johns, B2.
Charles O'Hagan, London township, B2.
T. J. Neely, London township, B2.
Henry Horne, London township, B2.
Thomas Legg, London township, B2.
A. Dobbie, Westminster township, B2.
Henry Odell, Westminster township, B2. Supplies E. Polle.
Mrs. Freeman, North London, B2.
W. Noble, London township, B2.
R. H. Cullis, Wellington street, 1. Buys from D. Ferguson.
Mrs. Hackett, London township, B2.
Wm. Bell, London township, B. Sells to A. E. Hourd.
F. Irwin, Dorchester township, B. Sells to F. Parker.
James Yeo, Westminster township, B2.
Isaac Schlobotsky, London township, B2. Adulterated by addition of water.
J. L. White, 2. Purchases from Jas. McLaren.
W. C. Smith, 2. Purchases from T. J. Neely.
James Fitzgerald, city, 2.
C. W. Milligan, West London, 2. Purchases from Thomas Impette.
John Gilmore, Wellington street, 2. Purchases from D. Ferguson.
J. H. Sudden, city, 2.
Henry Mossop, Dorchester township, 2. Purchases from Hugh Mossop.
City Hospital, 2. Purchases from A. Marshall.
Peter Smith, 2. Purchases from H. Brownlie.
H. Brinsmead, East London, 2. Purchases from W. H. Noble.
S. F. Holland, 2. Purchases from G. Tupholme.
Mrs. McDonald, 2. Purchases from Beattie Bros.
C. H. Sumner, Westminster township, B2.
Jas. Mitcheltree, London township, B2.
Wm. Hill, London township, B2.
Mrs. G. Heard, Adelaide street, B2.
G. M. Janes, Westminster township, B. Sells to Jas. Turnbull.
C. E. Wilson, Westminster township, B2.
Jas. Griffith, Westminster township, B. Sells to Grenere Bros.
Wm. Trace, East London, B2.
J. E. Wilkins, Westminster township, B2.
John Dicey, Westminster township, B. No sample.
Henry Webb, city, B2.
F. Perkins, Westminster township, B. No sample.
G. H. Pearce, Lambeth, B. Sells to H. Odell.
John Curtis, Westminster township, B2.
John Kay, Westminster township, B. Supplies J. J. Grass.
Jos. Gilbert, London township, B2.
Clark Sutton, Westminster township, B2.
John Brandon, London township, B. Sells cream and skim milk only.
Foster Bros., London township, B. No sample.
Thos. Impette, London township, B. Sells to C. W. Milligan.
Jas. Boyne, 2.
F. L. Ross, Hamilton road, 2. Purchases from W. A. Sage.
Thos. Janes, Westminster township, 2. Purchases from Clark Sutton.
Walt. Chambers, 2. Purchases from E. Polle.
Jas. Shaw, 2.
E. Polle, Westminster township, 2. Purchases from H. Odell.
Miss Gyde, Horton street, 2.
E. W. McDonald, 2.
Jas. Johnson, 2. Purchases from W. D. Yeo.
R. McCullagh, 2. Purchases from R. H. Reid.
E. Tanton, London township, B3.
J. Walker, London North, B3.
Geo. Hunt, Westminster township, B3.
C. E. Wright, Westminster township, B3.
R. Windrim, 3.
R. Atkinson, 3.
W. D. Yeo, Westminster township, 3. Supplied by Jas. Yeo.
F. Spettigue, Westminster township, B3.
Mrs. Crow, East London, C1.
Geo. Hawkins, Westminster township, C1.
Colborne Griffiths, London township, C. Sells to Webb Bros.
John Sharpe, East London, C1.
Walter Thorburn, Westminster township, C1.
Thos. Plesence, East London, C3.
Richard Hart, Richmond street north, C3.
Thos. Roberts, Hamilton road, 1.
Wm. Murphy, London North, 1.

The herds of the last two dairymen are not placed in any class, by reason of the unclean and unsanitary condition of premises. They are unfit for dairy purposes, and the owners are to appear before the board of health and state why their licenses should not be canceled.



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Nevertheless, she was fined $10 for disorderly conduct by the recorder on Friday night. If the recorder's law is good law, every pretty girl is in danger, for Miss Marshall was disorderly in that she openly permitted young men to make love to her. An envious maiden, said to be a relative of Mayor-elect Van Wyck, saw Miss Marshall kiss a young man, and made a complaint. A warrant charging her with disorderly conduct was issued. Miss Van Wyck gave her testimony with unrelenting severity.

When she left the witness stand Miss Marshall's lawyer said the charge was so ridiculous that he would not put in a defense. His pretty client, confident of acquittal, smiled while the recorder summed up the case—smiled until his last words fell:

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London, Friday, Dec. 31, 1897.

## 1898 Promises Well for Canada.

The year 1897 ends with big hopes for brisk trade, remunerative business and steady employment in all Canadian industries during 1898. A big improvement has taken place in the conditions of life in Canada in the last year, and the outlook is decidedly reassuring. Farmers have had much better prices than for years past. The iron and wooden ware industries, two of the chief employing agencies outside of agriculture, are even now booming. According to the Toronto Mail and Empire, the iron works in that city are overwhelmed with big orders, and there is work a long way ahead. The manufacturers of iron in this city are all looking forward to the ensuing year with the highest of expectations. As for furniture manufacturing, it has in recent months become decidedly brisk. The furniture manufacturers of Ontario, at their annual meeting, discussed the new trade that has sprung up with Great Britain. Many of the manufacturers present stated that they already had more orders from the other side of the Atlantic than they could fill and retain their Canadian trade. One manufacturer reported having received an order from England recently for 12,000 extension tables. This, he said, he could not possibly fill without stopping the manufacture of all other kinds of furniture for the time being. The secretary said the outcome of it all would probably be that the committee would send a man over to England to make inquiries, and a large stock company would be organized which would operate three or four of the large factories for the export trade alone.

Our furniture operatives will be much rejoiced at this outlook. Canada ought to be the great furniture manufacturing country of the world, for here we have boundless supplies of raw material, plenty of power, and expert workmen.

Continuous export of Canadian furniture to Great Britain ought certainly to be possible under the new preferential tariff policy of this country. It is already apparent from official returns that this policy is destined to build up a great Anglo-Canadian trade. Under it we will buy many articles from the Motherland that we have hitherto obtained from the United States and other countries, and Great Britain will greatly augment her orders for Canadian products of all sorts.

With energy on the part of our farmers and manufacturers; with careful workmanship in manufactured goods, and cold storage for perishable and food products, the possibilities for profitably developing our great natural resources and sustaining a contented people are great.

A bright beginning to 1898 there certainly is.

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In Buffalo, Ald. Zoeller has moved to make the bureau of streets clear the snow off sidewalks and charge the expense to the general fund. The Express says this is a reform of the future. Taxpayers are not ready for it yet. In course of time they will revolt against the inconvenience of doing the work themselves. Ald. Zoeller is a forerunner of a more perfect civilization.

## Why Not Encourage the Aldermen?

If the theory is to be accepted that municipal experience as alderman does not count in a mayoralty candidate, it will be rather hard doctrine for a great many worthy men who give thankless days and nights to civic business. Other things being equal, the man who makes a good alderman ought to make a good mayor.

It is wise policy on the part of ratepayers to hold out to capable and hard-working aldermen the reasonable expectation that the faithful discharge of their duties in the lower yet important sphere shall give them fair claim to a still higher position in the future.

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The Simcoe Reformer has issued a very handsome illuminated calendar for the year 1898. Mr. Donly never does things by half

## St. John Ran Away.

Mr. St. John and his Opposition associates on the public accounts committee of the Ontario Legislature played the baby act in characteristic style yesterday. The order of calling the witnesses did not suit the member for West York, and he and his Opposition backers left the committee in high dudgeon. Apparently Mr. St. John knew what was to come, for no sooner had he gone than the most conclusive testimony was given by independent witnesses to show how unwarranted had been the attack of the Opposition on the piggery management. It was proved by sworn testimony that the Administration was in no sense responsible for the outbreak of hog cholera in the prison piggery; and the Dominion veterinary inspector swore that the proceedings which followed the outbreak were conducted in the usual way. The testimony of Witness Newton was also thoroughly discredited by more than one witness. No wonder the discomfited St. John ran away and refused to play any more in the Government backyard or even near the Humber swinarium, in which he formerly fairly revelled.

## Vote for the Right Man for Mayor.

London is getting to be something of a city, with its nearly 40,000 inhabitants; its Western Fair; its network of railways; its fine system of electric street travel; its car works; its splendid credit in the money markets of the world; its expanding future.

There are yet, however, some things to be looked after. The sewerage system must be carefully watched until it is completed. In this matter it may be well to remember the old saying about the wisdom of swapping horses while crossing a stream. Then the gratifying improvement observed by everybody in our city streets during the last few years needs to be continued. Then there is the Normal School. We must leave no stone unturned to make London a great educational center. Then hospital matters need to be handled from a practical and common-sense standpoint.

Every citizen of London—every man who owns a foot of land—should be properly apprehensive lest the marked and safe, yet progressive, movement of the last few years should be arrested and knocked into a cocked hat by placing the driving reins of the civic coach in inexperienced hands. Dr. Wilson is an amiable citizen, but rather visionary than practical. It would be no real kindness to himself, and a great risk to the city, to place him in so difficult a position as that of mayor at a time so important to citizens and ratepayers as the present.

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It is gratifying to the great majority of the electors to know that Mayor Little nas yielded to the requests that he should enter the field as water commissioner. His record as mayor is a splendid recommendation.

## Ontario General Elections.

The following candidates were chosen yesterday:

In North Norfolk—E. C. Carpenter, M.P.P., Liberal.

In North Bruce—Mr. McNaughton, Patron.

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It is reassuring to learn from the Interior Department at Ottawa that the reports of scarcity of food in the Klondike mining region have been grossly exaggerated. In fact, most of the news alleged to be sent from Dawson City is really the work of fakirs on the United States Pacific coast, interested in discrediting Canadian enterprise. For example, Inspector Constantine of the Northwest Mounted Police, informs us that the "reported shooting scrapes and daily murders" have not a word of truth in them. The inspector adds: "Not a man has been shot or even fired at, they tell me, and one man said, 'Why, the police will not even allow men to fight with their fists, much less with guns.'"

## Significant.

It is somewhat remarkable that Ald. Parnell's record as an alderman is not assailed in one iota by his opponent in the present campaign. It is the best testimony to the suitability of any candidate for public preferment which can be offered that he has a record in the service of the city without a flaw.

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Le Patrie (Quebec) has a letter from Gentilly stating that at the last bye-election in Nicolet a centenarian came up to the poll and after shouting "Hurrah for Laurier!" went in and voted for Mr. Leduc, the Liberal candidate. The old man was accompanied by his son, who is 72, and who got out of his bed, where he had been ill for three weeks, to cast a Liberal vote.

## Mistaken Tactics.

Ald. Parnell very fairly claims that whenever any movement for the advancement of London has been brought before the council he has supported it. For this the Free Press sneers at and belittles him. Do Londoners think that this is a fair way to encourage men to devote their time and energies to building up the city?

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Warden Jackson, of Lincoln county, adds his testimony to that of those who speak in favor of the new county councils act. He says that with 21 members ni 1896, Lincoln spent $1,248, while in 1897, with eight members, the sum spent was $612, or less than half. Wellington county saved $1,500. Middlesex county is also a good deal in pocket by the change.

### THE SILENT ARGUMENT.

[Chicago News.]

If you would only pause to think,
When mad enough to choke,
That the word that cuts the deepest
Is the word that's never spoke,
You'd let the other fellow talk
Till the storm had passed away;
Then he would get to thinking
The things you didn't say.

### NOT AFRAID OF YUKON.

[The Kootenaian.]

Kootenay was Kootenay
When Yukon was a pup;
And Kootenay will be Kootenay still
When Yukon's busted up.

### IT ALL DEPENDS.

[Chicago Record.]

"Are you going to turn over a new leaf Jan. 1?"
"If there are any more left."

### THE GREAT SWEAR DAY.

[Chicago News.]

Again the melancholy day
Is swiftly drawing near
When men will raise their hands and swear
Off for another year--
Will swear off for a twelvemonth more,
And then, as such men do,
Forgetting that they ever swore,
Backslide in a week or two.

## A Hundred of Them

### Wealthy Families Settling in Two Algoma Townships.

#### They Are at Present Residents of the United States.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—The Ontario government has set apart two townships in Rainy River district, Algoma, for the accommodation of one of the largest and wealthiest bands of settlers that has ever entered Canada. The influx is under the leadership of Rev. R. C. Burris, of Bowmanille, Ont.

There are over 100 families in the band. They are at present residents of the United States, and will immigrate to the Rainy River district as soon as navigation opens in the spring. The district they are to occupy is a very rich farming country. The settlers will require no aid from the government. Besides their household effects, stock, farming implements, they will bring into the district about $200,000 in cash, which they will expend in developing their farms, and in opening roads to the railroad line. Mr. Burris is at present making arrangements for steamboat and railroad transportation for the newcomers. This is a difficult matter, because the settlers are scattered over several States.

## WESTERN ONTARIO.

J. G. Stewart, clerk of Raleigh township, died Tuesday night, aged 64 years.

Wiarton town council have passed a motion to establish a free library in that town.

The Point Edward oil well has been pumped, and will average about five barrels a day.

The present staff of teachers in the Springfield public school has been retained for another year.

The marriage of Miss Maggie Wilson, of St. Thomas, took place Tuesday in Windsor to A. T. Davidson, of Hamilton.

Mrs. Swance, one of the honored and respected pioneers of Elgin county, died on Tuesday at the home of her son, John Swance, in South Norwich.

The ratepayers of Point Edward are petitioning the council to sink a gas well in the school yard for the purpose of getting gas to supply the school with fuel, and lights for the streets.

Messrs. Bake Bros., Fingal, claim to have had the best calf in the district on exhibition this Christmas. It was purchased from Mr. James Stevenson, and was 5 months old, dressing about 450 pounds.

At the residence of Mrs. Samuel S. Anderson, town line, Enniskillen, on Thursday afternoon, her daughter, Miss Jean L. Anderson, became the bride of Mr. Thos. Ewart, Plympton township. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Geo. Cuthbertson.

At the residence of Mr. John Thompson, in St. Thomas, Tuesday night, his daughter, Miss Fannie, and Mr. Jesse Marlatt, farmer, of Yarmouth, were united in marriage. Rev. W. F. Hinde performed the ceremony, Miss A. Wyllie attending the bride and Mr. A. Marlatt the groom.

A pleasant event took place at the home of Mr. Chas. Leute, merchant tailor, of Fingal, being the marriage of their daughter Theresa to Mr. Maitland Clay. The nuptial knot was tied by the bridegroom's uncle, Rev. David Burch, of Villa Nova, Ont., assisted by Rev. Thos. Jackson, the resident Methodist minister.

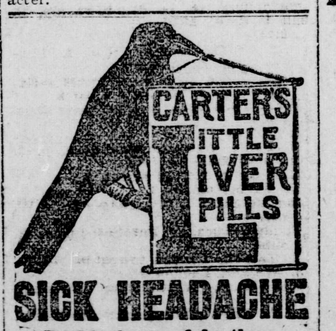
Albert Ouellette, of Belle River, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment for stealing an axe from Denis Dube. While in the cell awaiting his transfer to the Sandwich jail, he complained to the police that he was being suffocated. It was found that the wind had blown out the natural gas in the stove and the atmosphere was simply poisonous.

Meetings under the auspices of West Kent Farmers' Institute will be held in Chatham township hall, Eberts, on Thursday, Jan. 6, 1898, and in Romney township hall, Lake road, Wednesday, Jan. 12, 1898. Afternoon session, 1:30; evening session, 7:30. Major Jas. Sheppard, Queenstown, Ont., and Duncan Anderson, Rugby, Ont., delegates sent by superintendent of farmers' institutes, and a number of local gentlemen will address the meetings on topics of interest to farmers.

The residence of Mrs. W. H. Verity, Brantford, was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Christmas day. Miss Milicent Evelyn Verity, daughter of the late W. H. Verity and Prof. W. A. Brown, of Alma College, St. Thomas, were the contracting parties. Rev. George Brown, father of the groom, assisted by Rev. R. J. Treleaven, performed the ceremony. Miss Gertrude Verity, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Lucille Verity, daughter of Mr. R. H. Verity, was maid of honor. Mr. J. Lovell Murray, of Knox College, Toronto, acted as best man.

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WHY is the English pound called a pound sterling? Why is the word "sterling" stamped on silverware? A newspaper tells as follows: "Among the early minters of coin in northern Europe were the dwellers of eastern Germany. They were so skillful in their calling that numbers of them were invited to England to manufacture the metal money of the kingdom. These strangers were known as 'easterlings.' After a time the word became 'sterling,' and in this abbreviated form it has come to imply what is genuine in money, plate or character."



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32-inch Flannelettes, beautiful soft finish, light and dark patterns, fast colors, worth 10c, for 7½c.

27-inch Pure All-Wool Flannel, dark and light shades, plain and twill; worth 25c, for 20c.

White Wool Blankets, fast colored borders, worth $3 25, for $2 50.

White Wool Blankets, double bed size, bright, fast borders, worth $3 90, for $3.

White Crochet Quilts, 2x2¼ yards, worth 75c, for 55c.

White Crochet Quilts, 2¼x2½ yards, worth $1 25, for 85c.

Boots and Shoes.
As we are closing out this department, everything in the shoe line is going at ridiculous prices. The stock is large, and colors and styles the very latest. Don't miss this shoe sale.

Millinery, Mantles and Furs
At surprisingly low prices to clear before stock-taking. We carry nothing over, and will clear out the whole stock, no matter what the sacrifice.

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All-Wool Figured Satin Cloth, worth 50c, for 35c.
All-Wool Figured Satin Cloth, worth 75c, for 50c.
All-Wool Figured Satin Cloth, worth 90c, for 65c.
Priestley's black, plain and figured, worth $1, for 75c.
Plain All-Wool Serge, wide, worth 40c, for 25c.
Plain Satin Cloth, very fine, worth 75c, for 50c.

Basement.
3½ pounds Choice Clear Currants and 3½ pounds Selected Valencia Raisins for 50c.
3 pounds Rice and 3 pounds Tapioca for 25c.
1 pound Imperial Blend Tea, black or mixed, and 7 pounds Granulated Sugar for 50c.
One crate Wilkinson's Semi-Porcelain 7-inch Plates, 50c a dozen.
1 crate Tea Plates, 40c a dozen.
Cups and Saucers for New Year's gifts, at slaughter prices to clear.
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# Commercial.

### Local Market.

[Reported by A. M. Hamilton & Co.]

London, Friday, Dec. 31.

Wheat, white fall, per bu....83c to 84c
Wheat, read, fall, per bu.....83c to 84c
Wheat, spring, per bu .....83c to 84c
Wheat, spring, per bu....81½c to 82¾c
Oats, per bu.. .... .....25½c to 25¾c
Peas, per bu .....45c to 48c
Corn, per bu.....34c to 36c
Barley, per bu.....29c to 31c
Rye, per bu.....33½c to 35½c
Buckwheat, per bu .....34c to 36c
Beans, per bu .....40c to 55c

Receipts of grain much larger today than usual; demand steady. Wheat, oats and beans formed the bulk of the offerings, and prices of all lines were about the same. Wheat ranged from $1 39 to $1 40—$1 38 to $1 40 for good. Oats were a little stronger at 75c to 76c. Beans of fairly good quality brought 52c. Very little of any other kind of grain offered.

Butter and Eggs—Receipts were moderate; the former sold at 13c to 16c, according to quality. Eggs brought 20c for fresh laid, in basket lots; 14c to 15c for packed; single dozens of new laid eggs brought 22c to 25c.

A few turkeys and geese came forward, and sold at 8c to 9c a pound for the former and 6c to 7c for the latter.

Dressed hogs sold at $5 50 to $6.

The receipts of hay were very heavy, and at noon little had been sold, $6 to $7 was the general price asked. No trade was done in any other kind of produce.

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### The Oil Market.

PETROLIA, Dec. 31.—Oil opened and closed at $1 06

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Petroleum—Pennsylvania crude, no market; nominally at 85c.

### American Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat—No. 2 Dec., 94c; Jan., 92¾c; May, 92¾c to 92½c. Corn—No. 2 Dec., 27c; Jan., 27½c; May, 29¾c; July, 30½c. Oats—No. 2 Dec., 22¾c; May, 24¾c. Mess pork—Jan., $8 77½; May, $8 97½. Lard—Jan., $4 62½; May, $4 77½. Short ribs—Jan., $4 40; May, $4 55. Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, quiet; No. 2 spring wheat, 87½c; No. 3 spring wheat, 73c to 85c; No. 2 red, 93c to 94½c; No. 2 corn, 27c; No. 2 yellow corn, 27c; No. 2 oats, 23½c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 24½c to 25½c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 24c to 25c; No. 2 rye, 46½c; No. 2 barley, f. o. b., 27c to 36c; No. 1 flaxseed, $1 18½ to $1 21½; prime timothy seed, $2 67½; mess pork, $7 80 to $7 95; lard, $4 62½; short rib sides, $4 35 to $4 75; dry salted shoulders, 44c to 45c; short clear sides, $4 70 to $4 80; sugar, cut loaf, $6 15; granulated, $5 51; eggs, firm; fresh, 22c.

Receipts—

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|---|---|---|---|
| Flour | 17,000 | Wheat | 151,000 |
| Corn | 282,000 | Oats | 346,000 |
| Rye | 15,000 | Barley | 31,000 |

Shipments—

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|---|---|---|---|
| Flour | 23,000 | Wheat | 1,000 |
| Corn | 117,000 | Oats | 412,000 |
| Rye | 4,000 | Barley | 20,000 |

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Opening—Wheat, May, 93½c to 93¾c; Jan., 92½c; July, 83½c. Corn, May, 29½c to 29¾c; July, 30½c; Jan., 27½c. Oats, May 27½c to 27¼c. Pork, Jan., $8 85; May, $9 10 to $9 12½. Lard, May, $4 80; Jan., $4 65. Ribs, Jan., $4 42; May, $4 32.

### English Markets.

RULING PRICES FOR THE PAST FOUR DAYS.

The following table shows the quotations per cental at Liverpool for the three previous market days. In the case of wheat highest prices are given:

| | Dec. 28 | Dec. 28 | Dec. 29 | Dec. 30 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| WHEAT— | s. d. | s. d. | s. d. | s. d. |
| No. 1 nor. spring | 7 10 | 7 10½ | 7 10½ | 7 10½ |
| No. 1 Cal | 8 4½ | 8 9½ | 8 4 | 8 4 |
| Dec | 7 6 | 7 6⅜ | 7 6⅛ | 7 6⅛ |
| March | 7 5⅝ | 7 5½ | 7 5⅜ | 7 4⅞ |
| May | 7 4⅛ | 7 4⅝ | 7 4¼ | 7 3⅞ |
| CORN— | | | | |
| Spot | 3 2½ | 3 2⅜ | 3 2⅛ | 3 2⅛ |
| Dec | 3 2⅜ | 3 2⅜ | 3 2⅛ | 3 2⅛ |
| Jan | 3 2 | 3 2⅛ | 3 2⅛ | 3 2⅛ |
| Feb | 3 1⅞ | 3 2⅛ | 3 2⅛ | 3 2⅛ |
| March | 3 2 | 3 2⅛ | 3 2⅛ | 3 2⅛ |
| May | 3 2⅛ | 3 2⅜ | 3 3 | 3 3 |
| Flour | 25 6 | 25 6 | 25 6 | 25 6 |
| Pork | 4 9 | 4 9 | 4 9 | 4 9 |
| Bacon | 48 9 | 48 9 | 48 9 | 48 9 |
| Lard | 24 0 | 24 0 | 24 0 | 24 6 |
| Tallow | 18 6 | 18 6 | 18 6 | 18 6 |
| Bacon, light | 28 6 | 28 6 | 28 0 | 28 0 |
| Cheese, both | 42 0 | 42 6 | 42 6 | 42 6 |

Liverpool, Dec. 31, 12:20 p.m.

Wheat—Spot steady, demand poor; holders offer moderately; No. 1 California, no stocks; No. 1 red northern spring, 7s 9d to 7 10½d; No. 2 red western winter, no stock.

Corn—Spot quiet; demand moderate; American mixed, 3s 2½d; Dec., 3s 2½d; Jan. and Feb., 3s 2½d.

Peas—Canadian, 4s 9d.

Beef—Extra India mess, 65s 3d.

Pork—Prime mess, fine western, 48s 9d.

Bacon—Long clear heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, 28s; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs, 28s; long clear light, 25 to 35 lbs, 28s 6d.

Lard—Prime western, steady, 24s 6d.

Butter—Finest United States 12s; good, 69s.

Cheese—American finest white and colored, 42s 6d.

Tallow—Fine, American, city, 19s.

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### Live Stock Markets

EAST BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Cattle—Receipts, 2 cars; market ruled fairly steady, and the general outlook for good butchers' grades is considered fair at present prices. Hogs—Receipts, 40 cars of fresh sale stock and about 14 loads of hold-overs; market was steady for light grades and Yorkers, while the medium and heavy kind sold at a shade stronger values for good weights; good to choice Yorkers, $3 57 to $3 60; mixed packers' grades, $3 60; medium weights and heavy hogs, $3 60 to $3 65; roughs, $3 to $3 20; stags, $2 60 to $3; pigs, $3 25 to $3 57. Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 16 cars and 6 loads that held over; the market opened with a very moderate demand and prices were about steady for the good handy kind, but slow and very draggy for coarse and heavy lots; sheep were in light supply and sold at full steady former prices, and yearlings were strong and firm for good handy lots; lambs, yearlings, choice to prime, $4 90 to $5 10; fair to good, $4 60 to $4 80; culls to common yearlings, $4 25 to $4 50; native lambs, choice to extra, $5 90 to $6; fair to good, $5 40 to $5 80; culls to common, $4 25 to $5 25; native sheep, choice to selected wethers, $4 60 to $4 85; good to choice mixed sheep, $4 25 to $4 50; common to fair, $3 85 to $4 15; culls to common sheep, $2 50 to $3 75.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Cattle—Sales largely at $4 15 to $4 90; common steers, $2 30 to $4; Chicago prime shipping and export cattle, $5 to $5 40; stockers and feeders, $3 10 to $4 25. Calves—Choice lots, $6 30 to $6 40. Hogs—Largely at $3 40 to $3 50; prime butchers' weights up to $3 55; heavy packing lots, $3 30 to $3 45; pigs largely at $3 30 to $3 45. Sheep, $3 to $4 75 for inferior to prime lots, with sales mostly at $3 75 to $4 40; lambs, $3 75 to $3 90 for inferior to extra flocks, with most of the sales at $5 to $5 75; yearlings, $4 35 to $4 75. Receipts—Cattle, 7,500; hogs, 35,000; sheep, 13,000.

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—There were about 700 head of butchers' cattle, 25 calves and 50 sheep and lambs offered for sale at the east end abattoir today; it is probable that there never were so many common and lean stock offered on this market on one day during the last week in December as was the case today, and the prices of such cattle were exceedingly low, but good cattle were held at firm rates; prime beeves sold at about 4¼c per lb; pretty good stock at from 3¾c to nearly 4c per lb; common dry cows at from 2¼c to 3c, and the leaner beasts at from 1¾c to 2c; a large number of these cattle will not be sold today. Calves sold today at from $2 to $10 each; anything moderately good in the veal line brings high prices. Shippers are paying from 2¼c to 3½c per lb for good large sheep. Lambs were considerably lower in price today than they have been for a number of weeks past, selling at 3¾c to 4¼c per lb; a mixed lot of 130 sheep and lambs in about equal numbers, which were brought from the French parishes, were sold here today at 3½c per lb. Fat hogs sell at about 3c per lb for feed hogs; a bunch just off the cars were sold at $3 10 per 100 lbs.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Beeves—Receipts, 20; no sales. Exports, 520 beeves. Calves—Receipts, 68; veals, $5 to $8 50; grassers, $3 to $3 50; city dressed veals, steady, at 11c to 12½c. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 2,561; sheep steady; lambs weak; sheep, $3 to $4 75; lambs, $5 75 to $6 37½. Hogs—Receipts, 2,730; steady, at $3 to $4 15.

### Dairy Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Butter firm; creameries, 15c to 21c; dairies, 12c to 18c. Cheese quiet at 8c to 8½c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Butter firm; western creamery, 15c to 22c; do., factory, 12c to 15c; Elgins, 22c; imitation creamery, 13½c to 18c; state dairy, 13c to 20c; do., creamery, 15c to 21c. Cheese, firmer; large white, Sept., 8½c to 8¾c; small do., 9c to 9¼c; large colored, Sept., 8½c to 8¾c; small do., 9c to 9¼c; large, Oct., 8c to 8¼c; small Oct., 8½c to 8¾c; light skims, 6c to 6½c; part skims, 4½c to 5½c; full skims, 3c to 4c.

### The Hide Market.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—The receipts are not as large as they were a week ago, when the offerings of the hides from the city butchers incident to the slaughter for the Christmas trade were quite liberal. There is a good demand and the market is firm at 9c for No. 1 green. Cured quoted at 9½c.

Sheepskins—The receipts are not large. There is a good demand and the market is steady at $1 to $1 05 for fresh slaughtered skins.

Tallow—Market is dull and prices are weak. Local dealers are offering 2¾c to 3c, and asking 3c to 3½c.

## MIDDLESEX.

It is understood that Frank Boyes is to take charge of Burnside cheese factory, Nilestown, this coming season. He has been at Thames factory several years.

Rev. Alex. Wilson, of Newbury, was agreeably surprised recently when two members of his church in Wardsville drove up to his stable with about 40 or 50 bushels of oats, a gift from the farmer members of Wardsville Church.

The following resolution was adopted at the recent Glencoe nominations: "That this meeting pledges itself to vote for no candidate for reeve, councilor or school trustee who shall canvass the electors for support at this or any future election."

The people of the congregation of St. Patrick's Church, Biddulph, donated 70 bushels of oats as a Christmas gift to their clergyman, Rev. William Stout, Kirkton, last week, and a large company from the parish assembled at the parsonage on Christmas Eve to give him and family a cordial reception, when a few hours were spent very pleasantly in music and amusement appropriate to the season.

After a pleasant two months' visit among friends and relatives in Lincolnshire, England, Mr. Joseph Thomas, township of Caradoc, arrived home last week, looking as though his holiday agreed with him. Mr. Thomas visited his old home after an absence of 23 years, and, of course, found many changes. The return journey on the Carthaginian was very stormy.

A very pleasant event took place at Mr. George Till's, on the sixth concession, London township, it was the christening of their only son, George Edward, whose youngest sister is 17 years old. Among the guests present was the Rev. Mr. Phair, the officiating clergyman, Mrs. Phair and Mrs. Dr. McNeal, Arva; Mr. and Mrs. Westlake, Mr. and Mrs. Connors, Mr. and Mrs. Rews, Westminster; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Allenby, London; Mrs. C. V. McLean, Boston, Mass.; Mr. James Bartle, of Sheffield, England, and others. After enjoying an elegant repast, songs, recitations and games were the order. Mr. Plewes presided at the piano, and a very enjoyable time was spent. The gathering was one that will not be forgotten for many years.

### GRANTON.

Granton, Dec. 30.—The anniversary services in connection with the Methodist Sabbath school were held on Sunday, Dec. 26, and Tuesday, Dec. 28. The Sunday services were of special interest. In the morning Mrs. Harrison spoke to the children on "Fishers and Fishing." In the evening the pastor's theme was "Child-Training, in the Kingdom and for the Kingdom." The congregations were large, and the discourses were of more than ordinary interest and profit to all.

On Tuesday evening the annual entertainment was held. The night was exceptionally fine, and long before the time announced to begin the church was filled to overflowing. Every number on the programme was received with delight and enthusiasm. The numbers that received special applause were the "Candle drill," by eight little tots; the "Broom Drill," by sixteen girls, and the "Flag Drill," by sixteen young ladies, which, to satisfy the audience had to be repeated two or three times. Not the least pleasing feature of the evening was the report of the school, which showed a large increase in attendance and the largest amount taken up by collection in the history of the school. Proceeds of the evening, $40.

### WARDSVILLE.

Wardsville, Dec. 31.—Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Dufton spent Christmas with relatives in London.

Thomas Harold, jun., and wife are spending the holidays in London with friends on Horton street.

# The Legislature.

### Mr. St. John, of Pigg... Goes on Strik...

### Because He Cannot Hav... Way in Calling Wit...

### Strongly Independent Evi... neration of the Admin...

Toronto, Dec. 31.—The ... of the death of pigs by ... at the swinarium was res... day.

Mr. W. T. Harris, the ... who purchased the Humbe... had been killed, was the ... He said that the hogs w... condition. All were fit f... from none of them had ... cut. There had been ... made concerning them. ... chased the hogs at the ...

Mr. St. John began cr... tion by asking the dates ... chase of the animals. ... not give them, and the ... was postponed until he w... his books. He said fur... had no intimation, when ... the hogs that cholera h... where about.

Professor Sweetapple, ... expert, said that he h... examine... the hogs as ... into the Central Pris... found them all in perfe... Though a man might swe... hog was diseased, he w... his own evidence.

The government maintai... Smith, as Dominion inspe... sponsible for everything t... An argument on this sub... in the midst of Mr. Swee... dence. The statutes ... translated to mean that t... government had charge ... mals and contagion in the ... the provincial government ... care of dead meat.

This was followed up by ... rough and tumble jangle, ... nearly every member of t... tee took a hand.

"There must be dignity ... Mr. Garrow. "We are no... court."

"There is a bear garden ... Mr. St. John. "When I get ... point the government inter... tinually."

Mr. Garrow maintained t... ness should be allowed to g... length, and should not be a... terrupted by Mr. St. John.

After much wrangling, a d... arrived at. It was decided ... chairman alone should do ... rupting when necessary.

"I heard Mr. St. John say ... witness was attempting to ... answering a question," said ... court. "I object to that."

Mr. St. John denied having ... such a statement.

"Mr. St. John did make su... ment," said the chairman, ... buked him at the time."

"You were very good. I ... draw the statement," said ... John.

Prof. Sweetapple said th... might be suffering from ch... the diseased carcase give n... To be sure of such a thing ... also would have to be exa... official examination had ... of the entrails of the Hu... and an examination was ma... the dressed carcases.

Mr. Sweetapple had only ... one batch of hogs. They we... which had been killed on the ... He came again on the second ... no hogs could be found. He ... swear that he had examined ... 40 of the 97 hogs.

Then Mr. St. John underto... tate to the chairman wh... should be called next, and ... could not have his way he ... out of the room accompani... fellow opposition members, ... that unless he could have h... inquiry would be regarded ... burked.

The remaining members ... mittee proceeded with the ... tion of Mr. Hunter, the ... cattle dealer, who superin... killing of the cholera-inf... He said he had instructed ... butcher, to burn all the di... He had heard Warner give ... structions. He passed ba... forward several times to ... instructions were followed ... tradicted the witness New... respect. Mr. Hunter said ... were examined by Dr. ... but one load of four or fiv... were just as good as ... others.

Mr. Hunter said that ... objected to the pay he h... and wanted much more. ... cently come to him asking ... tion.

"What Newton said wa... untrue," said Mr. Hunter. ... shown before the inquiry ... Newton had a personal ob... in swearing as he has do...

The inquiry was then a... Wednesday next.

In the legislature, Mr. S... and complained that he h... fairly treated because he c... the calling of the witn... swinarium inquiry.

Premier Hardy pointed ... trying to have proceedings ... tee discussed in the house ... committee had concluded ... Mr. St. John was entirely ...

The speaker said the r... elementary one, and had to ... ed.

Various measures were the... a stage, good progress being ... the house adjourned till Tue...

### A ST. THOMAS CASE.

**The Entire Population Talk... ing of the Dodd's Kidney Pills Cu... ros.**

St. Thomas, Dec. 27.—The gr... eat wave has reached St. Thomas. T... he cures wrought by Dodd's Kidney ... Pills are numbered by hundreds here, ... and the entire population, almost, is ... alking of them.

Michael Holleran, a farme... r living near here, told our reporter ... "Dodd's Kidney Pills saved me from ... an un-timely grave." He was cured ... of Dia-betes, of an aggravated type by ... a few boxes, after his doctors had f... iled to even relieve him.

So it goes. Everyone who ha... s used Dodd's Kidney Pills has been ... cured. Bright's Disease, Diabetes, Pa... alysis, all diseases of the kidneys, ar... d the blood yield to their power. They ... never fail to cure these ailments.

A little boy was fishing, and, ... grawing in his line, found that the ba... t had been taken off without result, wh... ereon he burst into tears and said: "It's cheating!"

Eating is a necessity. To the he... althy, it is a pleasure; to the dyspeptic, ... a tor-ture. By the use of Ayer's Sarsap... arilla, the weakest and most disordered ... stom-ach is restored to its natural cond... ition, and food is once more partaken of ... with youthful relish and satisfaction.

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### A BAD "BIRD."

**Alleged Temperance Lecturer Convicted of Drunkenness—Fled to Detroit.**

Windsor, Dec. 31.—Wm. R. Bird, the temperance lecturer, was convicted of drunkenness and vagrancy yesterday morning, and fined $20 and $5 costs, or four months in jail at hard labor. The magistrate gave him an hour to collect the fine, and Bird utilized this delay in putting the Detroit River between him and Canadian justice. The magistrate was quite satisfied when he heard of it. "He is quite as effectually disposed of," he said, "and I did not want to burden our jail with the creature."

Capt. Dewson handed the magistrate a letter he had received from Bird, asking for money. It was addressed to Mr. and Mrs. Dewson and asked them to see Mrs. (Capt.) Jackson, and she would "co-operate with them" in raising the $8 he wanted. He signed himself, "Yours for Jesus. I want $8 in a hurry. Trusting to God and close to him. Allow for my ambition."

Rev. J. R. Gundy, of the Methodist Church, says that Bird used to attend prayer meeting, and the ladies thought he had reformed. He borrowed all the money he could from them, and one of them got him $5 out of a special fund belonging to the church for helping people in distress.

### THE SOUTHWOLD TRAGEDY.

**Dr. Lawrence Describes How Miss Etta Bole Lost Her Life.**

Southwold, Dec. 21.—Dr. Lawrence, who was summoned to the scene of the tragic occurrences at an early hour yesterday morning, gave the following particulars:

Mr. John Bole is a farmer living just at Southwold station. He with his wife, occupied a room downstairs off the kitchen. Their daughter, Miss Etta Bole, aged 22 years, the fire's victim, occupied a bedroom upstairs. No one knows just how the fatality occurred, but it is supposed to be as follows: The pipe of the kitchen stove runs through the parlor and up through Miss Bole's bedroom. It is supposed that the carpet caught fire and that the smoke accumulated and strangulated Miss Bole to such an extent as to cause her to awaken, and that in getting up out of bed, she fell forward into the fire. At this time, about 4 a.m., Mr. and Mrs. Bole were awakened and they ran up stairs. The room was full of smoke and the fire was only burning around the stove pipe hole. Mr. Bole managed to get hold of the bed to drag it towards the door, but it was not occupied. He then commenced to grope around the floor and found the body of his daughter, which he carried down stairs. She was then dead. Death was due to suffocation. Some furniture was saved, but $190 in money in the house was burned.

**Rev. Charles Fish, Methodist Minister Dunn Ave., Toronto, Cured of Eczema.**

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### CANADA'S TRADE BOOMING.

**Returns for Five Month Shows Heavy Increases Over the Same Period in 1896.**

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Canada's foreign trade for five months of the fiscal year, ending Nov. 30, show an increase of $23,000,000 over the same period last year. The duty collected on the imports reaches a high figure.

The following is a comparative statement:

| | 1896. | 1897. |
|---|---|---|
| Minerals | $ 4,048,604 | $ 6,248,428 |
| Fish | 6,260,593 | 6,208,233 |
| Forest | 17,400,271 | 17,793,291 |
| Animals and their produce | 21,595,491 | 25,874,997 |
| Agricultural products | 7,280,662 | 14,290,988 |
| Manufactures | 4,059,777 | 4,331,768 |
| Miscellaneous | 93,969 | 59,102 |
| Totals | $60,739,277 | $74,896,807 |
| Coin and bullion | 229,390 | 486,032 |
| Grand total | $60,968,667 | $75,382,839 |

In addition there was exported of goods not the produce of Canada, exclusive of coin and bullion, $5,028,266 in 1896, which had increased in 1897 to $8,199,564, showing an increase under this head of nearly $3,000,000. The foreign coin and bullion exported during the five months was, in 1896, $2,945,426, and in 1897, $55,890. The exports aggregate for the five months as follows: 1896, $68,942,359; 1897, $83,638,283; increase, $14,695,924.

The imports for the five months compared with 1896, exclusive of coin and bullion, were as follows:

| | 1896. | 1897. |
|---|---|---|
| Dutiable | $27,346,000 | $29,221,000 |
| Free | 18,970,000 | 22,376,000 |
| Total | $46,316,000 | $51,597,000 |

Increase for five months, 1897, $4,536,000. The import of coin and bullion for the two periods was $4,352,000 for 1896, and $2,678,000 for 1897. The duty collected on the dutiable imports amounted for the five months to $8,594,000, compared with $8,210,000 for 1896, or an increase for the five months of 1897 of $384,000.

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# Late Afternoon Markets.

### Toronto Stock Market.

TORONTO, Dec. 31.

| | Ask. | Off. |
|---|---|---|
| Montreal | 229 | 224 |
| Ontario | 100½ | 99½ |
| Toronto | 235 | 234 |
| Merchants | .. | 177 |
| Commerce | 135½ | 134½ |
| Imperial | 190½ | 189½ |
| Dominion | 251 | 248½ |
| Standard | .. | 172 |
| Hamilton | 173 | 170 |
| British America | 126 | 125½ |
| Western Assurance, x-d | 164½ | 161½ |
| Consumers' Gas | .. | 210 |
| Montreal Gas | 191 | 190 |
| Dominion Telegraph | .. | 139 |
| Montreal Telegraph | .. | .. |
| Northwest Land Company, pref | 53½ | 51½ |
| Canada Pacific Railway Stock | 81½ | 81 |
| Commercial Cable Company | 178½ | 178½ |
| Com. Coupon Bonds | 105 | 104½ |
| Commercial Registered Bonds | 105 | 104½ |
| Postal Telegraph Company | .. | .. |
| Bell Telephone Company | 176 | 172 |
| Richelieu & Ontario | 109½ | 108½ |
| Montreal Street Railway | .. | .. |
| Toronto Street Railway | 87½ | 87 |
| Dominion Savings and Invest | 78 | 74 |
| Farmers' Loan and Savings | .. | .. |
| Farmers' L. and S. 20 per cent. | .. | .. |
| Huron and Erie L. and S. | .. | 164 |
| Huron and Erie, 20 per cent. | .. | .. |
| London and Canada, L. & A. | 78 | 70 |
| London Loan | .. | 162 |
| London and Ontario | 90 | .. |
| Ontario Loan and Debenture | .. | 120½ |

### Montreal Stock Market.

MONTREAL, Dec. 31.

| | Ask. | Off. |
|---|---|---|
| Canadian Pacific | 81½ | 81¼ |
| Duluth, common | 4 | 3½ |
| Duluth, preferred | 6½ | 6 |
| Commercial Cable, xd | 179 | 178 |
| Commercial Cable Coupon Bonds | 106 | 104 |
| Commercial Registered Bonds | 106 | 104 |
| Montreal Telegraph, xd | 180 | 177 |
| Richelieu and Ontario | 108½ | 108½ |
| Montreal Street Railway | 236 | 235½ |
| Montreal Street Railway, new | 234½ | 233½ |
| Toronto Railway, xd | 87½ | 87½ |
| Montreal Gas Company | 190½ | 190½ |
| Bell Telephone | 174 | 171 |
| Royal Electric, xd | 144 | 143½ |
| Bank of Montreal | 238 | 237 |
| Ontario Bank | 102½ | 99 |
| Molsons Bank | 210 | 204 |
| Bank of Toronto | 235 | 228 |
| Merchants Bank | .. | 176½ |
| Merchants Bank of Halifax | .. | 180 |
| Quebec Bank | .. | 120 |
| Union Bank | 101 | .. |
| Bank of Commerce | 135 | 134½ |
| Northwest Land pref | 56 | 50 |
| Montreal Cotton Company, xd | 140 | 137½ |
| Canada Colored Cotton | 75 | 67½ |
| Dominion Cotton | 97½ | 94½ |

SALES—Canadian Pacific, 50 at 81½, 100 at 81¼; Com. Cable, 10 at 179, 25 at 178½; Rich. & Ont., 75 at 108½, 50 at 108¾; Mont. St. Ry., 225 at 235½; Mont. St. new, 25 at 233½; Toronto Ry., 175 at 87½, 25 at 87¾, 200 at 87½; Mont. Gas Co., 175 at 191, 265 at 19 8, 110 at 191, 200 at 190½; Royal Electric, 15 at 144, 100 at 142, 50 at 142¼, 25 at 142¾, 10 at 142½, 170 at 143, 25 at 143½, 25 at 143½, 25 at 143½, 125 at 143¾, 50 at 143¾.

## COMMERCIAL.

### Toronto Produce Market.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—Wheat—The offerings not very large; sales rather slow; red, 82½c north and west; Manitoba wheat easier, at $1 04 for No. 1 hard, grinding in transit; $1 03 at North Bay, and 98c to 98½c at Sarnia and on the Midland. Flour—Steady, at $3 85 for cars of straight roller west; Manitoba, $5 40 for patents, and $4 90 for strong bakers. Buckwheat—Steady, at 32c east and 31c west. Rye—Steady, at 46c north and west. Corn—Steady, at 27c to 28c for Canada yellow west. Oats—Firmer, with sales of white at 25½c east and 24½c to 25c west. Peas—Firm, at 46c north and west. Eggs—Steady, at 18c to 19c for fresh-laid, 14c for held fresh and cold storage, and 13½c to 14c for limed. Butter—Large is firm; supply steady, at 14c to 14½c.

### American Markets.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Flour, dull; Spring wheat, No. 1 hard, $1 01½; No. 1 northern, 99½c. Winter wheat, No. 2 red, 96c; No. 1 white, 96c. Corn, No. 2 yellow, 33c; No. 3 yellow, 32 c; No. 4 yellow, 31½c; No. 3 corn, 31½c on track. Oats, No. 2 white, 28c; No. 3 white, 27c; No. 4 white 26c; No. 2 white, 29c in store.

DETROIT, Dec. 31.—Wheat, No. 1 white, cash, 91½c; No. 2 red cash, 91½c; Dec., 91½c; May, 92½c.

TOLEDO, Dec. 31.—Wheat, cash, 96c; May, 93½c. Corn—Cash, 28c; Dec., 28c, May, 30c. Oats—Cash, 23c; May, 24c.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 31.—Wheat, cash, 86½c; May, 91½c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31. — Flour — Receipts 33,563 bbls. sales, 3,000 packages; quiet, but firmly held. Rye flour—Quiet. Wheat—Receipts, 190 559 bu; sales, 740,000 bu; options stronger on firm cables and liberal clearances; May, 93 15-16c to 94½c; July, 88¼c to 88¾c; Dec., $1 to $1 00¾c. Rye—Steady; No. 2 western, 49½c c. i. f. Buffalo. Corn—Receipts, 18,425; sales, 40,000; options quiet but strong with wheat; May 34½c to 35c. Oats—Receipts, 150,000 options steady. Butter—Receipts, 3,421 packages; steady and unchanged. Cheese—Receipts, 3,337 packages; steady; large white, Sept., 8½c to 8¾c. Eggs, receipts, 4,643 packages; firm and unchanged. Sugar—Raw and refined, strong. Hops—Steady. Lead Firm; unchanged.

### Chicago Exchange.

Following are the fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade furnished by F. H. Butler Broker, Masonic Temple. 'Phone 1,278.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.

| | Open. | Hgh. | Low. | Close. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wheat—Dec | 94¾ | 95¼ | 94¼ | 95 |
| May | 92⅝ | 93½ | 92¼ | 92⅝ |
| July | 83¾ | 84½ | 83¾ | 84 |
| Corn—Dec. | 27 | 27¼ | 26½ | 26½ |
| May | 29¾ | 30 | 29¾ | 29½ |
| July | 30¾ | 31 | 30¾ | 30¾ |
| Oats—Dec | 22¾ | 23½ | 22¾ | 22⅝ |
| May | 23¾ | 23¾ | 23¼ | 23⅛ |
| Pork—Dec | 7 85 | 7 97 | 7 85 | 7 97 |
| Jan | 8 85 | 9 00 | 8 82 | 8 82 |
| May | 9 05 | 9 27 | 9 05 | 9 22 |
| Lard—Dec | 4 65 | 5 05 | 4 65 | 4 65 |
| Jan | 4 65 | 4 75 | 4 65 | 4 72 |
| May | 4 80 | 4 90 | 4 80 | 4 85 |
| Ribs—Dec | 4 52 | 4 52 | 4 52 | 4 52 |
| Jan | 4 42 | 4 52 | 4 42 | 4 52 |
| May | 4 60 | 4 70 | 4 60 | 4 67 |

Puts, 91½; calls, 94.

### English Markets.

Liverpool, Dec. 31—Closing.

Wheat — Spot, No. 2 red western winter, no stock; spot No. 1 red northern spring, quiet, 7s 9½d.

Corn—Spot American mixed, steady, 3s 2¾d; Futures steady; Dec., steady, 3s 2½d; Jan., steady, 3s 2½d; Feb., steady, 3s 2½d.

Flour—St Louis fancy winter steady, 10s.

Beef—Firm, extra india mess, 66s 3d; prime mess, firm, 56s 3d.

Pork — Prime mess, fine western, firm, 48s 9d; do, medium, western firm, 46s 3d.

Hams—Short cut 14 to 16 lbs, firm, 34s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 25 to 30 lbs, dull, 28s; short ribs, 20 to 24 lbs, easy, 31s; long clear middles, light, 35 to 38 lbs, dull, 29s; long clear middles, heavy 40 to 45 lbs, dull, 28s; short clear middles, heavy, 45 to 50 lbs, no stocks; clear bellies, 12 to 14 lbs, dull, 40s; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs, steady, 30s.

Shoulders—Square 11 to 13 lbs, firm, 28s 6d.

Lard—Prime western, steady, 24s.

Butter—Finest American, 92s; good, 60s.

Rosin—Common steady, 4s 1½d.

Cheese—American finest white, firm, 43s; colored, firm, 43s.

Tallow—Prime city, steady, 18s 6d.

Cotton-seed oil—Liverpool refined, dull; 14s 6d.

Turrentine spirits—Steady, 24s.

Rosin—At London (Pacific coast), firm, £4 18s to £5 5s.


Worms cause feverishness, moaning and restlessness during sleep. Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator is pleasant, sure and effectual. If your druggist has none in stock, get him to procure it for you.


# Another Refutation

## Of a Bogus Charge Against Mayor Little — He Had Nothing to Do With the Hospital Bylaw.

Among other accusations hurled at Mayor Little by Dr. Wilson and his friends is one to the effect that he "doctored" the hospital bylaw after it left No. 1 committee's hands and went to the solicitor to be clothed in legal form. This is on a par with Dr. Wilson's exploded charge about the mayor urging the purchase of Hellmuth College. As a matter of fact, the mayor never touched the bylaw before the solicitor prepared it. It was ordered by No. 1 committee (Ald. Winnett being among those present), and the solicitor was instructed to draw it up by the chairman of the committee, Ald. Bennet, who was merely following the committee's directions. The following letter from the city solicitor to the city clerk proves this:

"London, Canada, Dec. 6, 1897.

"C. A. Kingston, Esq., City Clerk:

"Sir,—As instructed by the chairman of No. 1 committee, I have prepared and now beg to enclose a bylaw for taking the votes of the electors as to issuing debentures to the extent of $75,000, to raise money for the purpose of altering and improving the present London General Hospital buildings, and erecting upon the site of the said London General Hospital additional buildings to provide further accommodation for the said hospital. Your obedient servant, (Signed)

"T. G. MEREDITH."

The sum was reduced from $75,000 to $70,000 in council.

# Big Frauds in a Year.

## First Annual Report of the Municipal Auditor.

### A Prompt Justification of His Appointment—Precautions to Prevent Defalcations in Future.

The first report of the municipal auditor of the province (Mr. J. B. Laing, formerly of this city), was laid on the tably of the house at the Legislature on Wednesday. It contains some very interesting information, the most important of which is that since last May the defalcations discovered amount to over $100,000, and perhaps to more than that.

The investigations which disclosed deficits were as follows: County of Simcoe, S. J. Sandford, treasurer, $62,857 02; county of Frontenac, W. I. Van Luven, treasurer, deficit, $31,380 89; town of Niagara Falls, J. R. Peckham, treasurer, deficit $3,000. The last inquiry was not considered to be fraud, but a case of bad bookkeeping, but the money was lost just the same.

Investigations were also held in the town of Niagara, the townships of Manvers, Roxborough, St. Joseph and Ridgetown Collegiate.

BOOKS TO PREVENT FRAUD.

"A great deal of my time," says the auditor, "has been taken up in the preparation of municipal cash books. These books are intended for villages, towns, townships, counties and cities under 15,000, and their use is compulsory.

"The bank account is fully displayed, and there is a column for each important class of receipts and disbursements. On the first of every month the balance should be struck and carried forward to the next, and if a monthly extract is insisted upon by the municipality, as should be done in every case, a fraudulent entry should be detected at once."

The auditor says that there are other subsidiary books which will be introduced when the treasurers become conversant with those already introduced. They will be delivered next month.

CHANGES IN THE LAW.

The auditor suggests some changes in the present law as follows:

(a) All municipalities should have the same privileges as towns and cities, that is, of appointing one skilled auditor;

(b) Auditors should be compelled to have a stamp, to be used when passing accounts. Owing to want of this precaution the same debentures have been used twice by defaulting treasurers,

(c) Auditors should be appointed in November or December.

### A Query Answered.

Anxious questioners ask: "Is there no sure cure for corns?" We are glad to be able to tell these sufferers that Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor will relieve them in a day, and extract corns without pain. It never fails.

John Hall, private banker at Holland, Man., has assigned, with liabilities said to total somewhere in the neighborhood of $32,000. The failure has greatly shaken some of the leading men of the town. Mr. Hall is now in the hospital.

The great lung healer is found in that excellent medicine sold as Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup. It soothes and diminishes the sensibility of the membranes of the throat and air passages, and is a sovereign remedy for all coughs, colds, hoarseness, pain, or soreness of the chest, bronchitis, etc. It has cured many when supposed to be far advanced in consumption.

"Prof." Ferris was married at Simcoe on Wednesday to Miss Helen Beaupre.


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### Self-Condemned.

The lady superintendent of the London General Hospital is amply justified in her protest against the unwarranted attack in the Free Press of today on that institution, its staff, the trustees, and the benevolent public of London. The reason for that attack is well understood. It is made with the object of promoting the candidature of Dr. Wilson for the mayoralty, and to arouse prejudices against the hospital, so that the pet schemes of the detractors of the hospital and its site may be carried out.

Apparently the Free Press trusts that its readers have short memories. On Monday last, in referring to the celebration of Christmas, its local columns truthfully said:

"Among the sick at the hospitals, the kind hand of benevolence was busy, lightening the burden of those called to spend the day of days and many other days upon beds of suffering."

That was true.

Today, in order to promote Dr. Wilson's candidature, the Free Press editorially attacks the hospital as follows:

"In former days, the Christmas observances at the hospital here were well marked. What was taking place in each well ordered home, was reflected in that institution, and Christmas was a bright and happy remembrance to the patients. It is not so now. The occasion is not observed at all or in the most perfunctory manner. The men of the trust are probably not devoid of kindly Christian feeling, yet they seem not to encourage the expression of public interest in the hospital, as is done in other cities, and was done under the former control."

Comment on such warfare is unnecessary. Can the cause be worthy that requires it?

# Saturday's Advertiser

Both editions of The Advertiser will be issued tomorrow (Saturday) in the early morning. Newsboys, agents, and others will please take notice. All advertisements should reach the office early tonight.

### LATEST WEATHER FORECAST.

Toronto, Dec. 31—11 a.m.—Probabilities for the lower lakes region for the next 24 hours: Increasing north to west winds; fair to cloudy with light local snow falls, turning decidedly colder by night. Fair and decidedly cold with strong northwest wind on Saturday.

### LOCAL MENTION.

ATTRACTIONS TONIGHT.

Skating—Jubilee Rink.
Skating—Central Avenue Rink.
Skating—Daisy Rink.

# Around the City

—The corporation pay sheet this week was $161 53.

—During 1897 the firemen had 130 runs, compared with 128 in 1896.

—During this year 324 marriages, 452 deaths and 569 births were registered in the city.

—Watch night service tonight in the First Methodist Church, commencing at 10:30 p.m.

—Hyatt Bros. have taken out a permit to erect two brick cottages on Oak street, to cost $750 each.

—The "non-coms" of Wolseley Barracks will be "at home" to their friends this evening, also all day tomorrow.

—Mr. Andrew Lamb, of Hamilton, has returned there, after spending the Christmas holidays at his home in this city.

—The Grand Trunk city ticket office, "Clock Corner," will be open this evening for the sale of New Year's excursion tickets.

—Mrs. E. A. Deans, sister of Rev. G. R. Northgreaves, editor of the London Catholic Record, died at her residence, 21 Goyeau street, Windsor, on Wednesday.

—The firemen had a run at 8 a.m. to Santo & Carrell's, 149 York street, where some hot ashes had ignited the floor. The blaze was quenched without much damage.

—Charles Moore, who pleaded guilty to setting fire to a vacant house on the Bostwick line, Westminster, was sentenced by Judge Edward Elliott this morning to one year in the Central Prison.

—The Jubilee Rink was the only covered rink open last night, and a large crowd delighted themselves upon its spacious sheet of ice. Special attractions are on for New Year's, and the Jubilee Hockey Club are putting up $50 in gold for prizes at their carnival on Jan. 10.

—On Friday evening next the four city Oddfellows' lodges will have a joint installation of officers at the Oddfellows' Hall. The district deputy grand master, R. J. Avery, of Strathroy, will attend with his staff from that town. Refreshments and a programme follow the business.

—Mr. Munroe, employed in the iron machine shop at the G. T. R. car works, met with a painful accident yesterday morning, while at work. He slipped and fell, striking his knee, so that the knee-cap was knocked out of joint. A hack was sent for and the young man taken to his home.

—The belt line car service was blocked for a short time at 10:30 this morning at the corner of Richmond and Dundas streets by a G. T. R. sleigh, heavily loaded with rolls of paper. The sleigh stuck on the tracks, and two teams were hitched to it, when the tongue of the sleigh broke. Another truck was sent for and the load removed. Only the belt line cars were affected.

—At a largely attended meeting of Forest City Lodge, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, the following officers were elected for the year 1898: Master, J. A. Johnston; P. M., A. Muir; V. M., T. White; secretary, Wm. Wallace (re-elected); financier, S. W. Priestly (re-elected); journal agent, C. McFadden; warden, C. Mason; chaplain, E. Dibb; conductor, R. Nicol; inner guard, J. Wheatcroft; outer guard, T. King.

CITY HOSPITAL PLANS.

Dr. English took advantage of his visit to Toronto yesterday to interview Dr. Bryce, secretary Provincial Board of Health, to get the latter's opinion of the plans of the hospital trustees, to be voted on by the hospital bylaw. Dr. Bryce pronounced his opinion as most complete and satisfactory. The internal arrangements from a sanitary point of view he considered admirable. Putting the kitchen, scullery, etc., on the second floor of the kitchen building, and the laundry on the third floor, struck him as a capital arrangement. Dr. Bryce's opinion should have some weight on a question of this nature.

POLICE PROCEEDINGS.

Magistrate Parke had a large collection of drunks and vags before him this morning. James Pearson and James Henry, arrested a week ago for begging, were allowed to go on promising to leave town. Thomas Murphy, the tramp, who had just completed twenty days in jail for begging on the streets and passing as a cripple with one arm, and was begging on the street last Friday night, was sent down for another month. George McGregor claims Montreal as his home, but came to London to beg. He was given a month. Robt. Wilson, an old man with silvery locks, belonging to Ryan's Corners, was found helplessly drunk and lying in the snow by the police last night and taken to the station. He was sent down for twenty days. Thos. McGraw, another old man, became so drunk that navigation was impossible. He fell down and cut his head, and it is believed he would have died had he not been arrested. He was sentenced to twenty days.

# Anonymous Stabbing.

### Another Slander Against Ald. Parnell Effectively Refuted.

The London Free Press permits an anonymous rib-stabber to state in its columns today that Ald. Parnell refused Mr. Robert Quick, Craig street, "work all summer," because he differed with him politically. The animus of the accusations is fully exposed in the following letter addressed to Ald. Parnell by the ward foreman of No. 6:

"E. Parnell, Esq.:

"In reply to your inquiry re the number of days that Robert Quick has worked on the corporation during 1897, I beg to reply as follows: That the following are the men who, with their teams, were employed during the year and the number of days, viz.: William Campbell, 17 days; George Hixson, 12½ days; James McAully, 9¾ days; Robt. Quick, 8 days. The reason that William Campbell worked more than the rest was that while in the employ of the city he was unfortunate enough to have a leg broken, and my instructions from the office were to help him as much as possible on that account; and I desire to say, further, that during my being foreman of No. 6 ward, that Ald. Parnell has in no way interfered with the employment of the labor required in the ward. I remain, your obedient servant.

"ROBT. HOWIE, Foreman."

# $275,000 Worth Of Building.

## The Estimate of the Amount Done in 1897.

### The More Expensive Class of Buildings Increasing—Brisk Business Predicted for the Spring.

There has been a marked increase in the number of modern two-story and story and a half brick residences erected in the city during the present year. Building permits for this class of property have been taken out at the city engineer's office to the amount of $79,650, and the actual value of the buildings erected is considerably greater. The statement given below of the permits granted during the year for buildings of various kinds totals considerably less than a similar statement for last year, the amount then being swelled by the building of a couple of large business blocks, the Y. M. C.A. and the work on several churches.

Following is the statement for 1897:

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|---|---|
| Cottages, brick | $13,050 |
| Other residences, brick | 79,650 |
| Stores, brick | 9,327 |
| Brick veneer buildings | 44,225 |
| Cottages, frame | 7,520 |
| Other residences, frame | 2,700 |
| Alterations and additions | 20,735 |

The miscellaneous permits include: Jubilee rink, $3,000; St. James' Church, $7,000; Colborne street school, $2,200; additions to city buildings, $2,000; matrons' home, $800; and St. John's Church, about $1,000.

It is estimated that the total would be nearly $275,000, if the value of all buildings erected were included, but considerable work is done without a permit being obtained.

Real estate dealers are confident that in the spring building will be more brisk than it has been for years. A great deal of interest is already manifested in the market, and the inquiry gives the strongest indications that the season will be a busy one.

### THE HYAMESE TWINS.

The Hyams twins are passing the holiday season in London, England. The millionaire brother in New Orleans is buying the Christmas and New Year's boxes. After their acquittal in Toronto, the twins were sent to Buenos Ayres, where they remained for some time. A letter from Francis Wellman, the New York counsel who was employed in their defense at the trials in Toronto, states that they were recently removed to London, where they will probably remain. It is understood that they have been persuaded to refrain from going into business on their own account.

### Steamship Arrivals.

| Dec. 30. | At | From |
|---|---|---|
| Sarmatian | Portland | Glasgow |
| Ems | Naples | New York |
| Massachusetts | London | New York |
| Lucania | Queenstown | New York |
| Mongolian | Portland | Liverpool |
| Roumanian | Halifax | Liverpool |
| Beneroy | Havre | Halifax |
| **Dec. 31.** | **At** | **From** |
| Germanic | New York | Liverpool |


Why will you allow a cough to lacerate your throat or lungs and run the risk of filling a consumptive's grave, when, by the timely use of Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup the pain can be allayed, and the danger avoided? This syrup is pleasant to the taste, and unsurpassed for relieving, healing, and curing all affections of the throat and lungs, coughs, colds, bronchitis, etc., etc.

Those "Triumph" Medical Batteries are selling rapidly. No wonder; the price does it. Only one dollar each. They are, in effect, equal to the batteries for which $5 and $10 are asked. F. B. Clarke, 418 Richmond street, has them for sale. 14n

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# Desperate Tactics.

## A Manly Letter From Ald. Parnell to the Free Press.

### He Tells Dr. Wilson's Newspaper Advocate Some Plain Truths.

The following letter, which has been sent to the London Free Press, is self-explanatory:

"London, Dec. 31.

To the Editor of the Free Press:

In your issue of today I find a statement under the heading "Courtesy Resented," to the effect that at the meeting in No. 3 ward on Wednesday night I shouted to Dr. Wilson as he took his seat: "Who asked you to be shoving in your mouth?" I used no such language.

In your reporter's account of the meeting no such language is credited to me. The other city reporters prove that your statement is a falsehood. As a matter of fair play I ask you to take it back. I have treated my opponent and every other citizen with that courtesy which one gentleman should extend towards another. And Dr. Wilson will bear me out in this statement.

You surely do not hope to help to defeat me by this kind of warfare. Your misstatement being widely spread, I have sent copy of this letter to the other newspapers.

EDW. PARNELL.

### TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

John Brigham, of Killarney, Man., was suffocated by gas while working in a well. He leaves a widow and two children.

Fire at Dawson destroyed two houses containing food and outfits. The opera house and two saloons were also burned. Losses, $40,000.

Mr. J. A. McKenzie has withdrawn from the mayoralty contest in Woodstock, and Dr. Andrew Mackay is elected by acclamation.

John Stephenson, aged 40, an Icelander, employed by Blackwood Bros., of Winnipeg city, was knocked down by a train at Yorkton and killed.

The Peters children, who were so severely burned at Walkerville at the time their mother received fatal burns, are out of danger, and will recover.

Vice-President Shaughnessy denies the press dispatch that the British admiral has requisitioned three of the Empress steamers belonging to the C. P. R. for service.

Mr. Geo. Leatherdale, of Howard township, and Miss Mary Gillies, daughter of Mr. O. G. Gilles, New Glasgow, were married on Dec. 28 by Rev. T. L. Fowler.

Miss Susan Galbraith, a domestic, of Toronto, has entered a suit against David Smith, a young farmer of East Luther, Dufferin county, for $5,000 damages for breach of promise of marriage.

The Toronto bank clearings for the year amount to $369,824,869, as against $342,031,815 last year. This increase, with the addition of the daily average of $1,500,000 on Dec. 31, will make the increase over $29,000.

The residence of Mr. A. Murray, Aylmer, was on Tuesday evening the scene of a very pretty wedding, when his daughter, Miss Florence, was united in marriage to Mr. G. M. Standing, editor of the Aylmer Sun.

The Black Man mine, operated by the Lehigh Valley Coal Company near Wilkesbarre, Penn., suspended operations indefinitely, throwing 500 men out of work. Dullness in the coal trade is given as the reason.

One of the guards at St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary, while serving a meal to one of the refractory prisoners, opened the cell door and was struck by a brick. He is now in the hospital. The howling still continues.

The body of the suicide found in Rosedale on Wednesday evening was identified as that of James Dickson, a painter, who kept a shop on Yonge street near Wellesley. No motive for his suicide has been discovered.

Louis Benanger, of Montreal, 62 year old, married, and the father of a grown family, was on Thursday fined $50 or six months by Judge Lafontaine for an indecent assault upon two school girls, both under 14 years.

The mother and father of Theodore Durrant have brought suit for slander against ex-Juror Smyth, and demand $50,000 damages from him. The suit grew out of remarks made by Smyth about Durrant, whom he accused of being a moral monster.

Mrs. Snetsinger, wife of W. D. Sentsinger, Colborne, died very suddenly at her residence Wednesday night. This is the second death in the family within a month, a son having died in the prime of life. Mr. Snetsinger is a brother of the member of parliament for Cornwall.

The store belonging to John Cummings, of Alvinston, was set on fire Wednesday night and damaged to the extent of about $150. It is evidently the work of an incendiary. The loss is covered by insurance. Lyman Palmer, fireman, fell off the building and had his wrist broken.

At the court of general sessions in Toronto, Jos. Tighe, for stealing $75 from Herbert Whipple, of Hamilton, in the bar-room of the Kensington Hotel on Thanksgiving Day, was sentenced to five years in the Kingston Penitentiary. Silas Scholfield was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary for bigamy.

Jos. Turley, a Weston farm hand, was found dead under suspicious circumstances near the acqueduct, Toronto Junction, Thursday morning. He was seen Wednesday night under the influence of liquor, and it was evident he had fallen over the embankment into the subway. Turley was single and 40 years of age.

When the case against Dr. Hutchinson and Augustus Frizelle, charged with committing a criminal operation, was called at Ingersoll on Thursday, it was found that the girl in the case had married the defendant, Augustus Frizelle. She was put on the stand, but refused to answer any leading question, and the case was adjourned for a week.

The death of Mr. Wm. Clark, of Dunwich, in his 73rd year, is recorded. Deceased was born in Devonshire, England, and had lived in Canada 43 years. Besides his aged partner he leaves three sons and two daughters—John E., Dutton; W. H., West Lorne; Thomas, on the homestead; Mrs. Coglin Welch, Glencoe, and Mrs. Godfrey McGill, West Lorne.

Dr. Daniel Clark, superintendent of the Toronto asylum, and Dr. Leonard, jail surgeon, are to examine John F. Troy, now confined in the Napanee jail, under sentence of death, as to his mental condition.

### LEITER'S LAST.

#### Close of One of the Biggest Wheat Deals on Record.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—This was "settlement day" on the board of trade, and in a certain sense marked the close of what is considered the biggest deal in wheat, so far as the handling of the actual article is concerned, ever engineered. Up to last night probably 8,500,000 bushels of contract grade wheat had been delivered on December contracts to Joseph Leiter, who has been the leader in the deal, which is practically every bushel of high grade wheat in Chicago.

No "squeeze" was looked for, and the big December deal was expected to pass into history in a very quiet manner. Nevertheless, some time before the opening both galleries were filled. There was no indication of excitement on the curb before the opening on 'change. There was not a quotation for December wheat, which closed last night at 94¼ cents. When the big gong sounded on the board for the final session of 1897, May was quoted at 92⅝ to 92¾ cents, and for the first fifteen minutes' trading the price did not vary much more than ¼ cent from these figures. In that time not a single quotation had been made on December.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—The first sale of December wheat was at 94¾c, an advance of ½c, as compared with last night's figures, about equal to the advance in other options. The Allen-Grier Company, agents of the Leiter clique, attracted some attention by buying December and selling May at 2c premium for December. Trade, however, was on a comparatively small scale, with price changes merely fractional, and an hour after the opening the would-be spectators of a brilliant finish had about given up hope.

### EXIT SHERMAN!

#### Report That Col. Hays Will Be Made U. S. Secretary of State.

New York, Dec. 31.—A Washington special to the Journal says that it is probable that Secretary Sherman will retire early in the new year, in which event he will be succeeded by Ambassador Hay. Col. Hay's experience fits him for the this position, and he and the president are in correspondence in regard to the matter.

### MUST HAVE MOSS.

#### Dr. Nansen Talks of Klondike Relief Plans—Cannot Feed Reindeer.

Binghamton, N.Y., Dec. 31.—Dr. Nansen, the Arctic explorer, was today asked for his opinion concerning the feasibility of getting relief to Klondike miners by means of reindeer brought from Norway. He said that it would probably be possible to get the deer to Alaska in time, provided they are taken overland across this country, and if the deer reach Alaska they would undoubtedly greatly assist in the relief work. The principal difficulty, he said, would be to get them to Alaska.

Reindeer, according to the noted explorer, will eat little except the moss which they find in the polar regions, starving to death before they will eat hay, grain or any other food. It would be almost impossible to gather moss enough to be used to feed any number of reindeer in transporting them from Norway to Alaska.

### STOLE THOUSANDS!

New York, Dec. 31.—James A. Reilly, manager of the American Estates Association, has notified the police that his clerk, Joseph Lockley, has disappeared after securing thousands of dollars by means of raised checks on the association, besides stealing all the title deeds, books and papers belonging to the association, from the office safe. Joseph Lockley is about 23 years old. He has been in the employ of the association over seven years and his reputation was excellent. He obtained about $8,000 from the bank in which the association kept its account.

The great majority of the electors are glad that Mayor Little's abilities are not to be lost to the city, and that he has consented to stand as water commissioner for 1898.


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## HONORE'S FATE.

Yet, how was it, as Captain Hervey constantly questioned himself, that his wooing would not speed? Other girls valued his languid attentions, and met them so readily that he had none of this sense of fatigue and defeat which he constantly experienced with Honore. Other girls took the wit on credit when they listened graciously to the words which issued so correctly from under the silky mustache; other girls laughed when he wished them to laugh, and questioned in great interest when he waited for them to question; but Honore really did necessitate his exerting himself in a most unusual and uncharacteristic manner.

"And yet, for all your disregard, I am sure I shall never love anyone else as I love you, Honore," he would urge, "and as I have always loved you."

"'Since you were rich'—why do you not finish your sentence, Hervey?"

"It is too bad of you always to say that, Honore," he would urge, "for it is not true. Indeed, I used to love you just the same when I was——"

"'Telling you about my probable marriage with Theodora.' See, I have to finish all your sentences for you. Oh, when you used to lecture me on my gaucherie, you were most seriously in love with me, Hervey—were you not?"

"Yes," answered Hervey, the more fretfully because he knew how truly the girl had read him even then. "And you could have no husband — choose where you might—who would be more devoted to you, Honore; and we are connections, you know, and we have known each other all our lives; and I am not a bad-looking fellow, as other women say; and I should make you a good husband indeed."

"For a hot and idle summer mood," would Honore say, when forced to answer this weak proposal; "but for sad moods and heavy moods, you would not make me a good husband at all, Hervey."

"But try me in earnest, Honore; do not take it always as a joke."

"It is a joke," the girl would say, in gravity; "and, if I ever cease to take it as a joke, we could not be old friends, because, however earnestly I beg, you will not leave off these silly speeches."

No—Hervey was not to be rebuffed. As time went on he only made himself more and more ridiculous in his unmanly persistence; and, but for Honore's intense kindness to him as to one—and the only one near her—belonging to her old life, she would many times have been tempted to forbid him her house.

But the strongest reason for not doing this was a mixture of pity that her kindness, for there had stolen into her mind that his pursuits in town were not merely useless ones, such as they used to be when in graceful indolence, he awaited landed estates and a million of money. Now Captain Hervey's magnificent expectations had dissolved in air. He had all this time upon his hands; and the seven hundred a year, which had been a satisfactory income to trade upon before the arrival of old Myddelton's wealth, was a poor fortune for a man of idle habits and expensive tastes. Those acquaintances who, during the years of his great expectations, had gathered around Captain Trent preparatory to supporting and guiding the millionaire, had, after their brief relapse, gathered about him again now, to encourage him for his next move; and—making him dissolute and extravagant like themselves, though they could not make him either so crafty or so keen—they spurred him on in pursuit of Honore.

If he could win her and all her wealth, he would be one of the most important men in England, and certainly the lion of society—they had not studied Hervey's nature for their own purposes, without knowing its weak points—and how he could laugh at the defeat of richer and nobler men, if he could win the beauty for whom everybody strove.

And in his worship, Hervey was slowly sinking to the level of an habitual gambler when another London season began, and Honore, obeying an urgently expressed wish of Lady Lawrence's, opened in Kensington mansion, and once again entered into society, to be more sought after and flattered even than before, though so much more grave and quiet, and wearing still no colors.

Every one noticed the indefinable change in her, the deepening of that thoughtfulness which had ever lain below her dainty merriment; but everyone noticed, too, how there still clung to her the old power, which she had ever possessed, in an intense degree, of both giving and enjoying happiness.

Once, early in the season, Honore sat poring over a very unusual and rambling letter from Phoebe. It seemed both to pain and please her, for, though the tears were standing in her eyes, she folded the letter with a smile when she had read it.

"It is pitiful," she murmured, "and yet I am very glad."

Then her thoughts wandered to others belonging to her old home, and at last fixed themselves sadly upon Hervey.

Gradually, all through the winter, he had been growing more and more idle, and listless and extravagant. Gradually he seemed to be losing his self-respect; and, in the intervals of his suit, he would entreat her to interest herself for a "capital fellow" he knew, who said she could, by a word, get him a certain appointment for which he had a talent and a wish; because the men in office would be glad enough to have the opportunity of obliging her, and proud to do it, too. Then when—very firmly, though always kindly—she would refuse all help that was not for himself alone, he, rehearsing his lesson, would borrow for himself some sum, "just only for a few days, Honore." At another time he would tease her to allow him to introduce these friends of hers, until she would turn upon him with her old spirit, and tell him that their influence over him was quite enough to prove their worthlessness. But Hervey, impervious to hints, wearied her day after day with the old story; and still, in her good-natured scorn, she met it as a jest, because she wished to save him from what he might be tempted to seek.

She was thus thinking of him, with Phoebe's letter still in her hand, when he came into her presence in a state as nearly bordering on excitement as he could reach. Honore glanced up and smiled. He had not been near her for two days, and she fancied that he was at last trying to please her. But his first words dispelled this fancy.

"I have been away for two days, Honore," he said, "and I declare it seems a year. They sent for me to Deergrove to arrange about my taking a house for them. They are coming for a couple of months. It is a great bore; but that is not what I came to say. I find an invitation from Lady Somerson for tonight, and I want to know if you are going, Honore."

"Yes, she is my oldest friend, you know."

"I thought you would. How many dances will you promise me?"

"One, as usual."

"Then I cannot go. It is hateful to be laughed at for getting nipped whenever I ask you."

"Then why do you ask me?"

"Because I cannot help it when I am near you. But I suppose I can help it when I stay away, so I will go with the other fellows."

"Where?" asked Honore gravely.

"To—oh, you would not understand."

"I do understand," she said, and her voice was full of sadness. "I have seen this habit growing upon you, Hervey. I have seen it from the very first, and I tell you plainly now, as I have tried to make you understand before, that you must either give up that habit of play, or you must give up coming here."

"I cannot help it," said Hervey, moodily; "I am so miserable always now. You will not listen to me, and people always taunt me for following you everywhere, to no purpose, and you only laugh at me; and what can I do but amuse myself some other way?"

"Very well," said Honore, with a quiet scorn in her grave voice. "Go; only, in the leisure hours between your games, you do not come."

"I never go farther than a gentleman should, Honore," said Captain Trent, feebly grasping at her good opinion with what had always been his strong argument. "You do not care to see me, you know you do not," he added plaintively; "else I would do anything to win your good opinion."

"To win that," said Honore quietly, "you must leave off these—I will not say, as you do, ungentlemanly, but most unmanly—pursuits."

"And if I do?"

"If you do, we are friends still, and you shall come as you have been used to."

"But Theodora will be in town presently," said Hervey, with a sigh of recollection; "and I am always so terribly bored when I am not with you; besides——"

"Besides what?" asked Honore, looking up with sudden fear. "Will you let the old habit hold you still."

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**Annual Report of the Medical Health Officer—Attention of the Public Called to the Infectious Nature of Consumption.**

The final meeting of the board of health for the year was held last night, and the medical health officer, Dr. Hutchinson, submitted his annual report on the health of the city for the year ending Nov. 15. Although the death rate, 12.1, was one point higher than last year, London still enjoys the distinction of being the healthiest city on the continent.

The report was as follows:

The number of deaths during the year was 466. Two hundred and sixteen cases of infectious diseases were reported, of which 23 proved fatal. Classified, they were as follows: Diphtheria, 141, with 12 deaths; typhoid fever, 65, of which 12 died; scarlet fever, 22, with 1 death; measles, 6 cases and no deaths. The health act requires all infectious diseases to be promptly reported. This has not been done in the case of measles, a large number not being reported at all. It is a popular belief that this disease is of no consequence and that every child should have it. Of all cases mentioned 137 were treated at the general hospital and 20 at St. Joseph's.

The mortality from diphtheria was very low—12 deaths in 141 cases reported—which would seem to indicate that all these were not true diphtheria. It is very difficult where no bacteriological examination is made of the exudate in the throat, to say in all cases what is diphtheria and what is not. At the same time it is proper in the interest of the public health that all suspicious cases should be reported, in order that they may be isolated and every precaution taken until a certain diagnosis can be made. The increasing use by medical men of antitoxine no doubt has had much to do with reducing the number of deaths from this disease, and gives promise ere long of lowering the mortality still more.

Scarlet fever was of a mild type, only one death occurring in 22 cases. There were nine cases of typhoid fever less than last year, although the deaths exceeded last year by six. Cancer was the cause of 23 deaths, an increase of nine over last year. Notwithstanding more people come into the city every year to avail themselves of hospital facilities, there are strong grounds for believing that this disease is increasing in Ontario. Taken by sexes, more females were attacked by infectious diseases than males.

Consumption as usual carried off by far the largest number of people, in fact, the mortality of this disease is equal to five or six of the others put together. Much could be done to reduce the death rate from this cause if the public could be convinced of its infectious character, and so far as possible isolate all persons afflicted with the malady. People should know that there are two chief factors in spreading it. One is the expectorating of the tubercle containing the bacilli or germs, which if not immediately destroyed, dies, is then blown about by winds, and inhaled to start the disease afresh in healthy lungs. The other is the almost criminal folly of allowing tubercular persons to sleep with the healthy. It is in the power of every household to remove these two elements of danger.

A very satisfactory addition was made to the population during the year, which is now 36,224, an increase of 1,369 over last year. This does not include London West, which became part of the city on the 20th December. The population, therefore, is not far from 40,000.

The death rate for the year was again very low, being 12.1 for every 1,000 of the population.

Last year the city was authorized by a large majority of the ratepayers to borrow money and proceed with the construction of an enlarged system of sewerage, which was a sanitary measure of the first importance to London. The system upon which these sewers are being constructed is the separate one, and although the initial cost is more, it is considered by all sanitary engineers to be the best. The system is in no way an experiment. It has been successfully operated in other cities and towns in the United States and Canada. These sewers are being constructed from plans made by the best engineers in the two countries. Several of the sections are now completed, and it is expected the whole will be finished next year. No city in Canada will then have a better system of sewerage.

An effort was made again last year to have a bylaw passed so that an efficient plumbing inspector could be appointed by the city council and paid by fees, without putting the city to any additional expense. It was found, however, that the council had not the power to do this. Legislation is now being obtained for the purpose, when it is hoped a competent plumbing inspector will be appointed, whose duty it will be to see that no more wretched, go-as-you-please plumbing is put into dwellings.

Next to the need of an efficient system of plumbing is a public abattoir, where all animals designed for food of man could be properly inspected before being slaughtered. This is the only way, for meat unfit for food can be so nicely prepared for the market that it is almost impossible to detect it. Montreal and several other cities have public abattoirs, where qualified inspectors examine each animal before it is allowed to be slaughtered. The system is self-supporting, a small fee being charged, the only cost to the municipality being the erection of a suitable building just outside the city limits.

There are now 155 milk vendors, and 108 farms, making a total of 263 persons engaged in supplying the city with milk. Of the former 68 have no farms, but purchase what they retail from farms or country dairies. Upwards of 200 visits of inspection were made to the farms and dairies during the year, and 320 samples of milk offered for sale were examined. Of this number 2 were found adulterated by the addition of water, and 6 had cream added, the latter for purposes of publication. There is a steady improvement from year to year in the cleanliness and condition of the herds and dairies, but this has not been accomplished without a great deal of trouble and unpleasantness. Milk enters so largely into the sustenance of infants and young children that the importance of a pure and wholesome supply can hardly be overestimated, and the comparatively small number of deaths of infants and children in the city can be attributed to a purer supply of milk.

The provisions of the bylaw restricting the sale of ice for domestic use to that obtained from the north branch above Blackfriars bridge have been complied with, ice taken from the cove being allowed to be sold for cooling purposes only.

During the year an unusually large number of dogs in the city showed symptoms of rabies, or in other words, went mad, and several persons, mostly children, were bitten. Some of them were sent at the city's expense to the Pasteur Institute, in New York city, and some were not, those remaining at home doing apparently as well as those sent to New York. It is quite probable that the Ontario government will ere long establish in the province a Pasteur institute, for the treatment of these cases, at much less expense than sending them to a foreign country. In England all dogs allowed out are compelled to be muzzled, which would seem to be the only safe way to do here.

Your board has done wisely in adopting the new method of house disinfection, by means of formaldehyde gas, which is much more destructive to disease germs than many of the methods now in use. A suitable apparatus designed for general apartment disinfection can be purchased in Montreal for about $14.

Some discussion followed the reading of the report. Mr. Bowman was of the opinion that the contagious character of consumption was not generally known. He asked that the board in some way take precautions to prevent as much as possible the spread of the dread disease. He had known cases where members of a family in which one of the family had consumption were very careless about its infectious nature, and suggested that a placard be put on the room in which the patient was confined.

"It is a very important thing," said Mr. John Christie, "and something ought to be done." Dr. Hutchinson said the Provincial Board of Health had declared consumption a contagious disease, and so had some of the other health board. The question was left for the consideration of the new board.

In reply to a question from Mr. Bowman about the increase of cancer, Dr. Hutchinson said no cancer germ had been found, but there was no doubt it was increasing from year to year. Mr. Bowman thought climate had something to do with it.

Speaking of the climate reminded Mr. Christie that London was the healthiest city in Canada. "Yes," said Dr. Hutchinson; "it is the healthiest city in America for places having over 20,000 inhabitants, and has been for the past three years. There has been an increase in the death rate this year, however, it being 12.1."

Dr. Campbell also said London could safely be considered the healthiest city on the continent.

The board decided to allow anyone the use of the formaldahyde spraying apparatus for disinfecting houses. A small charge will be made to cover the cost of the material used. The apparatus will always be in charge of an officer of the board.

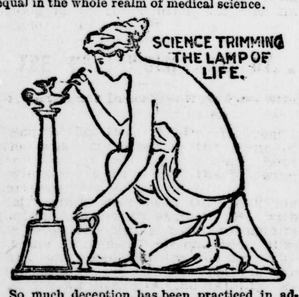
Some accounts were passed. The board has not exceeded its estimate for the year.

The chairman reported that the city solicitor had drafted a bill for the regulation of plumbing which would probably be introduced during the present session of the Legislature.

Before leaving the chair Dr. Campbell spoke of the termination of his duties as chairman, a position which he has occupied for three years, and thanked the members of the board for their hearty support and co-operation. Mr. Skinner highly complimented the chairman on his devotion to the city's interests, and said the board had reason to feel gratified that so great harmony had always existed. Mr. Bowman and Mr. Christie expressed much the same opinion.

The members present were: Dr. Cl. T. Campbell (chairman), Messrs. D. W. Blackwell, ex-Ald. Skinner, John Christie, Prof. James Bowman, ex-Ald. John Heaman, Medical Health Officer Dr. Hutchinson, Inspector Bell and Secretary Bell.

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If I were quarrelsome I should like to pretend that greyhound really means "badger-dog." At any rate, I should have sense of language on my side, for gray, grey, grate, or grel, are all names for the gray badger, and I would not be more absurd than the rest.

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If you have ever seen a little child in a paroxysm of Croup, or if you have been annoyed by a constant tickling in the throat, you can appreciate the value of Ransom's Hive Syrup and Tolu, which gives quick relief. 25 cents. 25

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## LIGHT SNOW—A LITTLE COLDER.

Toronto, Dec. 30—11 p.m.—The low area which was to the north of Lake Huron yesterday has passed eastward, and is now causing light snow in Quebec, and snow or rain in the Maritime Provinces. Higher pressure is spreading over the Northwest, accompanied by lower temperature. A depression is developing over the middle Mississippi Valley. Minimum and maximum temperatures—Esquimalt, 30—42; Calgary, 20—22; Qu'Appelle, 18—24; Winnipeg, zero—6; Port Arthur, 12—18; Parry Sound, 26—34; Toronto, 32—38; Ottawa, 12—36; Montreal, 12—36; Halifax, 12—38.

Probabilities—Toronto, Dec. 31—1 a.m.—Lower Lakes—Fair to cloudy weather; light local snow falls; a little lower temperature.

Local temperature—The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory yesterday were 35 and 30 above.


## For the New Year.

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## The Dying Year.

Ring solemn chimes, ye midnight bells,
As o'er the land your music swells;
Reminding man that his career
Shall end, just like the dying year.

Ring softly, life is but a dream,
Or, like an ever rolling stream
That hurries on its mighty way,
And time is impotent to stay.

Ring as a muffled bell doth peal,
The dying year sad memories seal—
Memories of sorrows, joys and peace—
And noble deeds and bad must cease.

Ring for thy tones prophetic are,
They bring glad tidings from afar;
The year may die midst grief and pain,
Yet from its womb is born again.

Time was, time is, and time shall be,
Till blended in eternity;
And years shall die and live again,
For nothing mortal can remain.

Then ring your softly solemn chimes,
Make men forget their hates and crimes;
And as your music fills the skies,
Let nobler aspirations rise.

—Geo. W. Armstrong
London, Ont.

## News About Town

—Ald. Hunt has been confined to the house by a severe cold.

—Mrs. (Dr.) O'Neil, of this city, is visiting her brother, W. R. Hodgins, at Hensall.

—Mr. B. T. Ferguson, of the Bank of Toronto, spent the holidays at his home in this city.

—Miss Eliza Muxlow, of the 4th line, Kerwood, is visiting at her sister's, Mrs. L. Bates, 14 Victor street.

—Mr. J. S. Armitage, druggist, Paris, Ont., and bride, are visiting at the residence of the groom's parents, 785 King street.

—Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Hutton, of Kincardine, are spending their honeymoon at the home of Mrs. John Hutton, West London.

—Miss Eliza White, of 14 Victor street, has returned home after paying a visit to the Misses Muxlow, of the 4th line, Kerwood.

—The executive board of the C. C. C. have much pleasure in acknowledging the receipt, from Mr. Thomas Kent, of $50, toward the colonization scheme of the order.

—Nellie O'Dell nurse graduate of the London hospital, and who has been to New York to add to her skill and proficiency, has returned to her home in Nilestown.

—F. L. Ilberknight, formerly of this city, has been committed to the Toronto asylum as a lunatic. He recently sent an insulting letter to the governor-general.

—The resignation of Mr. F. P. Riddell, of the Collegiate Institute, Sarnia, has been accepted by the school board there. Mr. Riddell joins the London staff this week.

—The employes of Messrs. John Ferguson & Sons each received a Christmas gift from the firm yesterday morning. Each of the men was given $1 and the boys 50 cents.

—Miss Eva Brodlique is the guest of Mrs. A. White, South London. She has returned from a trip to Europe, where she went to represent the Chicago Times-Herald at the Queen's jubilee.

—A Winnipeg dispatch says: John Gaynor, of Carberry, who sandbagged himself, and gave it out that he had been robbed, in order to defraud a London, Ont., tea firm, has been sentenced to one month's imprisonment and a fine of $50.

—Mr. Henry C. Hertel, of Rodney, died at the city hospital the other day after several months' illness with cancer of the stomach. He was a tailor by trade. Besides his wife he leaves five sons and two daughters, namely: John C., Albert E., Mrs. W. G. Urlin and Miss Laura, Dutton; William, Henry and Edgar, of Rodney.

—A board of arbitration is now sitting at the office of Mr. R. K. Cowan, local master, hearing evidence to settle a dispute between W. Fulton and the water commissioners, over the value of 4½ acres of land expropriated by the latter. Mr. E. Meredith is representing the city, Mr. Cousins representing Mr. Fulton, and Judge Edward Elliott is the third arbitrator. Mr. Fulton claims to own the property by right of possession, but a man named Cummings claims to be the registered owner, and is defending his rights. The commissioners made an offer of $600, which was accepted by Mr. Cummings, but rejected by Mr. Fulton.

—In regard to the alleged unexpected departure of Mr. John Lovell, butcher, referred to on Wednesday evening, several of the creditors say they are not at all uneasy about Mr. Lovell's absence, as they have every confidence that he will return and meet all his obligations. They are satisfied that he is merely taking the short vacation which he had spoken of and promised himself some time ago.

—Leamington Post: The marriage of W. L. Clark to Miss Maude Eakins, formerly of London, was solemnized on Tuesday by the Rev. Jos. Galloway. The bride, though only recently a resident of Leamington, has made many friends, who will wish her every prosperity in married life. Mr. and Mrs. Clark will reside at the beautiful residence recently erected by Mr. Clark, on the corner of the town line and con. 1.

—At the residence of the bride's mother, con. 6, Westminster, Annie, daughter of Mrs. A. McDougall, was married to Mr. John L. Stevenson, of London, on Tuesday. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Martha, and the groom by his brother David, of Chicago. The presents were useful and costly. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. E. H. Sawers, of Westminster, shortly after which the couple left for their home, Byron avenue, South London.

—Rev. A. J. Vining, superintendent of Baptist missions in Manitoba, the Northwest, British Columbia, and recently of Windsor, Ont., will speak in the Talbot Street Baptist Church on Sunday evening. Mr. Vining is a native of Middlesex, and has been a very successful pastor. He is recognized as an enthusiastic and vigorous worker, and eminently fitted for the position which he now holds. He is an ardent believer in the west, and prophesies for it a great future as regards population, wealth and a controlling place in Canadian national life.

—Dr. Wilson has made many mistakes in the mayoralty campaign. He made an unpardonable outbreak at the meeting in No. 3 ward when he spoke of our colored fellow-citizens as "niggers." He also brought discomfiture on himself when, in order to get out of a hole, he charged the reporters of the city press with garbling his speeches. But in one respect he has had more discretion than his organ, the Free Press. He has not dared to publicly indorse the slanderous statements against Ald. Parnell printed by our contemporary, and which are making votes for the chairman of the board of works daily.

—The Lord-Lieutenant of Exeter, England, recently issued an appeal on behalf of the medical institutions of the county. About £6,000 has been raised. The Western Morning News observes that "one of the most gratifying features of the list (which it prints) is the subscriptitons from Hong Kong, Pietermaritzburg, London (Ontario, Canada), and South Wales." The sum forwarded from London, Ont., was $58, collected by Mr. John Puddicombe, as follows: T. S. Hobbs, M.P.P., $25; W. R. Hobbs, $5; John Puddicombe, $15; R. W. Puddicombe, $5; J. Sargent, $1; Geon Blight, $1; F. Haycroft, $1; H. Ashplant, $1; Wm. Jones, $2 50; John Heaman, $2; Wm. Hayman, $1; B. J. Clampitt, $1; Wm. Clampitt, 50c; S. Friendship, $1; T. G. Davey, $2; George Heaman, 50c; Rev. Richard Hobbs, $2; Thomas Jones, $1; T. H. Luscombe, $1.

—The Christmas entertainment of the Centennial Methodist Sunday school drew a large audience last night. Mr. E. Liddicott, the superintendent, presided. The fine programme, furnished by the scholars, comprised choruses by the school, Miss Lewis' class, Miss A. Leathorne's class, the Bible class, and Mr. D. L. Hardey's class; recitations by Roy Cunningham, Ernie Watson, Laura Jacobs, Wm. Thompson, Nellie Burtch, Myrtle Terry, Gertie Taylor, Mabel Kings, Eddie McKone, Minnie Newell, Ida Tufts, Willie Smith, May Russell, Eadie Smith, Bert Simmons and Helen Tufts; vocal duets by Minnie and Martha Pearson, Stella Flinton and Pearson, two members of Mr. Golding's class, and Bessie Dealey and Jessie Watts; songs, Stella James and Ada Smith; instrumental duet by two members of Mrs. Ford's class; and instrumental by Mr. Melville McNab; dialogues by Mrs. James' class, Laura Jacobs and Lilly Bissett, and Miss Blackwell's class. At the conclusion candies and oranges were distributed among the children.

Mayor Little's brilliant record as mayor is a guarantee that he will give the city faithful service as water commissioner.—[


# Shoes FOR THE New Year Festivities

It looks a good deal like an old-fashioned Canadian winter. You cannot afford to be without comfortable footwear, no matter how well the furnace may work. Our shoe bargains do their own talking.



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—Dominion... last night and... coming year. ... tendance of m... cluding stran... city. The ini... new members... and the lodge... a highly satisf... tion resulted a... T. B. Parkins... Logan; record... ings; financia... treasurer, Joh... to hold a joint... cers of Domi... and Forest ... Jan. 7, when ... staff of officers...

A PIONEER'S BIRTHDAY.

A large numb... children o... township of ... home to cele... of a well-kno... McIntyre wa... in the count... 29, 1817. A... parents cam... while the cit... ing these lon... mentary wo... a foremost ... tive to the ... farmer and ... the honor o... Lobo to sta... the now Ho... tegrity and... deemed wort... ner, served ... modern culi... tertainment ... casion, was ... All the chi... were presen... side in Vir... upon his b... and persev... cess and g... cannot be ... an easy a...

PIPER—JOHNSON.

On Wed... and fashio... ed at Pea... Johnson, ... daughter, ... in marri... Leamingt... a native ... bride, on... ladies of... gowned i... and Bru... plaited ... veil, loo... and ca... of bridal ... Bernice ... shower ... prettily ... white ch... bridal pa... robed in... silk cus... altar for... the other... making ... away ... Holmes, ... performe... Piper, of... groom, a... present ... diamond ... while to ... pretty ring... gift of the... some piano... 100, severa... tant point... cago, Detr...

...Lodge, I. O. O. F. met ... elected officers for the ... There was a large at... embers and visitors, in... ers from outside the ... diation of a number of ... was first proceeded with ... work demonstrated in ... factory manner. The elec... s follows: Noble grand, ...on; vice-grand, Geo. E. ...ing secretary, T. Hast... l secretary, W. Mills; ... Ward. It was decided ... t installation of the offi... nion, Chorazin, Eureka ... City lodges on Friday, ... the D. D. G. M., with a ... s will be there.

...er of children and grand ... Hugh McIntyre, of the ... Lobo, assembled at his ...orate the 80th birthday ...wn pioneer of Lobo. Mr. ...s born of Scotch parents ...y of Glengarry on Dec. ... the age of 9 years his ...e to the London district ...y was yet a village. Dur... years of toil and rudi... k Mr. McIntyre has been ...eader in all matters rela... civic life—a well-known ...man of business. He had ...f being the first man in ...nd by in his beginnings ...m. G. W. Ross, whose in... ambition Mr. McIntyre ...hy of support. The din... with all the luxuries of ...nary, and followed by en... appropriate to the oc... in every way a success. ...ildren, with their familes, ..., save two sons who re... ...inia. Mr. McIntyre bears ...row the marks of energy ...erance that warrant suc... ...ive him a personality that ...picked up in the ways of ...d indulgent life.

...nesday last a very pretty ...nable wedding was celebrat... ...hurst, the home of Mayor ...f Leamington, when his only ... Maude Gertrude, was united ...ge to Dr. W. A. Piper, of ...on, formerly of this city, and ...of Westminster township. The ...e of the most popular young ... the town, was charmingly ... a white silk faille, trimmed ...sels lace, and accordion-... chiffon. She wore a bridal ...per with orange blossoms, ...ried a beautiful bouquet ... roses. The bridesmaid, Miss ... Hawkes, also carrying a ...bouquet of pink roses, was ...attired in pale blue silk, with ...ffon trimmings. Preceding the ...rty were seven little maidens, ... white, one carrying a white ...tion, which she placed at the ... the bride to kneel on, and ...e carrying white satin ribbon ...an aisle. The bride was given ...y her father. Rev. F. M. ... assisted by Rev. F. E. Malott, ...d the ceremony. Dr. D. H. ... Chicago, brother of the ...cted as best man. The groom's ...to the bride was a beautiful ... ring, with three settings, ...e bridesmaid he gave a very ..., with one opal setting. The ... bride's father was a hand... ... The guests numbered over ...l of whom came from dis... ...s, including Pittsburg, Chi... ...oit, London and Toronto.

## Should Take It Back.

**Dr. Wilson's Bogus Charge Against Mayor Little**

**Refuted by the Hospital Trust Minutes —The Truth in Black and White.**

On Wednesday night, at the Aberdeen school... Dr. Wilson resurrected and falsified... ancient history in order to get a fi... ng at Mayor Little. His weapon prov... ed a boomerang.

Dr. Wilson... (vide Free Press report) deliberately... charged Mayor Little with issuing a cir... cular advocating the purchase of Hellmuth College for general hospital pur... poses. Mayor Little did no such thi... short of mat... Dr. Wilson was so back as 189... erial that he went as far charge. The... to root up this bogus the minutes... following extracts from that year co... of the hospital trust in ...mpletely refute the accusation and clearly explain the matter to the electors:

March 22, 1895—The chairman (Col. Lewis) introduced the subject of purchasing the Hellmuth College property for a hospital. The matter was well discussed, and the members of the trust agreed to visit the Hellmuth grounds tomorrow at 3:30 from the chairman's office.

Special meeting on April 9, 1895—Mr. F. Henry submitted the plans for remodeling the Hellmuth College building; also an estimate of the cost of the same, as well as the cost of a new addition. At the outset it was understood that a number of medical men were opposed to the scheme, and to ascertain the opinion of the profession in the city, it was moved by Mayor Little and seconded by James Gilmour, that C. F. Complin, T. H. Purdom and the superintendent be a committee to draft a circular and send one to each medical man in the city, asking them to give the trust the benefit of their views on the subject. Carried.

April 26, 1895—The answers to the circular sent to the medical men of the city were read. Out of some 50 circulars sent, eighteen answers were received, and they were almost unanimously against purchasing Hellmuth Ladies' College for hospital purposes. Dr. Logie's reply was the only one which was at all favorable to the scheme proposed in the circular.

May 3, 1895—The question of buying Hellmuth College for hospital purposes was then discussed. Resolved, that owing to the tenor of the replies received from the medical men, the purchase of Hellmuth Ladies' College for hospital purposes be not entertained. Carried. Present: R. Lewis (chairman), Mayor Little, C. F. Complin, T. H. Purdom, and the superintendent, Dr. Balfour.


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Black or Colored Cashmere Socks, ribbed or plain, at 25c, 30c, 35c and 37½c pair.

Heavy Wool Socks, at 12½c, 15c, 17c, 18c, 23c pair.

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## WILL MAKE THEIR CHOICE.

**East Middlesex Conservative to Name Their Candidate Jan. 15—The New Officers.**

The Conservatives of the east riding of Middlesex met yesterday afternoon at the Conservative Club rooms and elected the following officers for 1898: President, Mr. Joseph H. Marshall, ex-M.P.; vice-president, Mr. John Geary; township presidents: London, Mr. R. A. Powell; Westminster, Mr. John Thornicroft; West Nissouri, Mr. Alex. McMartin; North Dorchester, Mr. John Robinson; West London, Mr. D.C. Macdonald; secretary-treasurer, Mr. W. C. Fitzgerald. The retiring president, Capt. T. E. Robson, presided.

It was decided to hold a convention on Jan. 15, when a candidate to represent the riding will be chosen from the following list: Messrs. Wm. Shore, M.P.P. (the present member), James Priddis, Donald McMillan, John Gerry, Peter Elson, J. H. Marshall, T. D. Hodgens, London township; J. B. Fram, Thomas Duffin, Nissouri; John Thornicroft, Robert McEwen, Westminster, and George Neely, Nissouri.

Some of these gentlemen may not allow their names to go before the convention, and other nominees may be added to the list.

**Mayor Little in the Field.**

Mayor Little is exceptionally qualified for the position of water commissioner, for which he is standing. He has been a brilliant civic administrator; he has already had three years' experience on the board; he has studied thoroughly the water question and as a resident down the river he has a deep and permanent interest in the waterworks property. The electors are to be congratulated on his candidature.—

Police Sergeant—Are you all ready for the raid on the gambling establishment. Roundsman—Yes, I notified the proprietor yesterday.


A DINNER PILL.—Many persons suffer excruciating agony after partaking of a hearty dinner. The food partaken of is like a ball of lead upon the stomach, and instead of being a healthy nutriment, it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are wonderful correctives of such troubles. They correct acidity, open the secretions, and convey the food partaken of into healthy nutriment. They are just the medicine to take if troubled with indigestion or dyspepsia.

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What Kept Him.—"What kept you in the south so long?" "I was trying to negotiate a raise." "What, money?" "No, quarantine."

**An Up-To-Date Catarrh Cure.**

Woodville, Ont., Feb. 23, 1897.

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