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**OXFORD INQUIRY  
GOES ON AGAIN****Mr. T. Buchanan Was Called  
But Failed to Appear.****PROTECT WITNESSES****The County Treasurer Was Called.  
But as His Statement Is Not  
Ready, He Was Not  
Put in the Box.**

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Woodstock, Dec. 28.—Notwithstanding stormy weather, a large number from the city and country were present to witness the resumption of the graft inquiry before Judge Snider here this morning. Owing to the lateness of the Toronto train, Judge Snider, E. F. B. Johnston and Hamilton witnesses did not arrive until almost noon. The renowned Robert Tait was again present, and sat among the spectators.

Mr. T. Buchanan was the first witness called, but he did not respond.

Mr. Johnston asked the judge to state to the witnesses their position in this inquiry. His honor told them that all who gave truthful evidence would be protected by the court from prosecution for what they said, and nothing adverse could be used against them later. When Buchanan could not be found Robert McIntosh, county treasurer, was called. His statement was not quite ready, he said, so he was not put in the box.

**MISS LAWRENCE WILL  
LEAVE THE CITY'S EMPLOY****Young Lady Is Known as One  
of the Most Competent of  
City Officials.**

Miss Maud Lawrence, who has been stenographer in City Engineer Graydon's office for some years, has tendered her resignation and will leave about the middle of January. She has secured another position.

During her connection with the office she has mastered, to a marked degree, all of the work, and her place will be very hard to fill. All the detail work fell to her lot, with the result that mistakes were few and far between in that department.

"Her resignation means a distinct loss to the city," declared the officials at the city hall.

"She knew more about the office than most of us," said Mr. Graydon. "It will be a difficult matter to fill her position. She understood the whole business. The city fathers do not realize how much they are losing."

Mr. Boyd de Wolfe, who has also been a clerk in the office for some time, is also leaving.

**POINTERS FOR VOTERS  
ON ELECTION DAY****Some Citizens Are in Error in  
Regard to Number of Can-  
didates To Be Voted For.**

There seems to be some confusion in the public mind as to the number of candidates to be elected to the various public offices on Monday next.

For instance, some of the candidates who are canvassing for the position of hospital trustee find many citizens are under the impression that two men are to be elected. This, of course, is not true. There is but one vacancy, and only one candidate can be elected. If you vote for two you spoil your ballot.

For the council there are 25 candidates, of whom 12 are to be elected. An elector may vote for twelve, or any number less than that, but for no more.

For the water commission there are three candidates, of whom two are to be elected. An elector may vote for two candidates, or only one, but he cannot vote for three. If he does his ballot will be spoiled.

For the hospital trustee there are three candidates, and only one is to be elected.

By keeping these facts in mind there should be no confusion in the mind of electors, and it should be a comparatively easy matter to pick out the candidates to be voted for.

**DYING MAN WALKED  
MILES TO HOSPITAL****Hard Case of Friendless Englishman  
Stricken With Typhoid Fever.**

North Bay, Ont., Dec. 27.—Henry Stokes, a young Englishman, was brought to North Bay Hospital from a lumber camp across Lake Nipissing, suffering from typhoid fever. The journey out was a hard one, with many miles of walking, and the sick man was immersed in water several times, breaking through the ice. His death resulted. He had no friends in this country, and he was buried at North Bay, under the auspices of the Sons of England.

**TRIED TO THIN NITRO.**

Washington, Pa., Dec. 27.—William C. Maloney was about to shoot an oil well in Cross Creek Township today, when he complained that the nitroglycerine was too thick. He placed the explosive in a barrel of hot water and was completing preparations for the shot when the charge exploded. Maloney was blown to pieces, and the derrick at the well wrecked. His horses, although knocked down, were not hurt. The charge contained 25 quarts of fluid.

**STEAMERS ARRIVED.**

Havre, Dec. 27.—La Gascogne, Naples—Indiana.  
Genoa—Relna degli Italia, Duca degli Genova.  
Trieste—Martha Washington.  
Sandy Hook—Germania (dock today).  
St. John, N. B.—McLeod.  
New York—Kronland.

**NO REQUISITION AS YET  
FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS****Flow of Oratory Is Very Likely  
To Be Restricted in This  
Campaign.**

No requisitions have as yet been issued for public meetings, to discuss municipal matters, and it does not look at all likely that there will be any. It is certain that there will be none in the East End tonight, and it is equally certain that no meeting will be held on Thursday night in the city hall, owing to the fact that a dog show is being held that evening.

That will leave Friday and Saturday as the only two evenings open for meetings, and as there is absolutely no demand for a meeting from the citizens, Mayor Beattie has refrained from issuing the proclamations.

Some of the candidates are of the opinion that meetings should be held, but the people generally do not share that sentiment, apparently.

**PRISONERS HANDLED  
TONS OF BEAUTIFUL****Inmates of Castle Carter Were  
Kept Busy With Gentle  
Exercise.**

While there is usually a shortage of "hard labor" at the county jail the weatherman did his best to improve matters today, and as a result some mathematicians have figured that the inmates of Castle Carter handled several tons of beautiful exercise.

A number of men were equipped with snow shovels as early as possible and the work commenced. The four sides of the block, bounded by Ridout, King, Dundas and Thames streets, were tackled, as well as the wide paths leading up to the court house and county buildings. The exercise roads on the inside will also be cleaned up before the end of the day.

**PEOPLE ARE ANGRY  
OVER SNOWPLOWS****Work Was Not Commenced Today  
Until Well on Toward Noon.**

Many complaints have been received today regarding the snowplows. They were not on the street until late, in fact, some of the walks had not been cleaned this afternoon at 1 o'clock. As a result, there was much inconvenience, and many complaints. None of the streets were touched until 10 o'clock, and by that time, they had become almost impassable. The snowplow should be out in time," said one irate citizen. "I think it an outrage to have the streets in such a condition. What is the matter with the city engineer's department? We can't blame A. O. Graydon for this."

**FAILED TO PAY THE  
STATUE LABOR TAX****Inspector McCallum Is Determined  
That All Shall Pay Their Just  
Share of Taxation.**

The names of a long list of delinquents appeared on the police court blotter this morning for neglecting to pay their statue labor tax. Nine of them came up today and passed over their silver dollars, plus 85 cents for costs, to the care of Police Clerk Moulton.

Most of the same number failed to appear in answer to their summons, and in some cases warrants will be issued to insure their presence at the next hearing of their adjourned cases. Several of the names are said to have left town and some little difficulty may be experienced in locating them. However, in the opinion of Magistrate Beattie, this is no reason why they should be excused from paying their share of the civic administration of this city, and as many as possible will be required to square up in the matter.

**NINE TONS OF EGGS SEIZED.**

New York, Dec. 27.—Nine tons of "liquid eggs" were seized today by federal officials in the cold storage plant of the Merchants' Refrigerator Company, Jersey City. The warrant described the eggs as "filthy, decomposed and putrid animal matter." The Jersey City board of health will be asked to destroy them.

**THE WEATHER****Tomorrow—Fair and Colder.****FORECASTS.****Toronto, Dec. 28.—3 a.m.****Today—Fresh to strong wind; snow or sleet.****Thursday—Light local snowfalls or snow flurries, but partly fair, with lower temperature.****TEMPERATURES.**

Stations.	Max.	Min.	Weather.
Victoria	44	40	Cloudy
Calgary	30	6	Fair
Port Arthur	28	14	Cloudy
Perry Sound	34	16	Cloudy
Toronto	38	28	Snow
Ottawa	38	28	Snow
Montreal	30	26	Foggy
Quebec	20	20	Snow
Father Point	22	20	Snow

**WINDY NOTES.**

A disturbance from the Southwest States is centred south of Michigan this morning, and its accompanying snowfall has extended well into Ontario.

Light snowfalls have occurred in the Western Provinces, and conditions there are wintry.

**YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.**

Mild weather prevailed yesterday from the lake region to the Maritime Provinces, while in Manitoba and Saskatchewan it was wintry.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 24—34; Prince Rupert, 22—40; Victoria, 24—34; Vancouver, 35—45; Edmonton, 20—30; Battleford, 2—24; Calgary, 2—20; Moosejaw, 4 below—8; Qu'Appelle, 10 below—14; Winnipeg, 2 below—6; Port Arthur, 3—24; Perry Sound, 2—24; Toronto, 28—38; Ottawa, 4—28; Montreal, 6—30; Quebec, 10—22; St. John, 16—38; Halifax, 16—38.

The East—Westerly winds, mostly fair; not much change in temperature.

Manitoba and Saskatchewan—Fair and cold; some light snowfalls or flurries.

Alberta—Lightly fair, but a few local snow flurries.

**A Peculiar Case**

[G. N. W. Dispatch.]

Montreal, Que., Dec. 27.—The Sellers-Gough Fur Store, by someone's blunder in a French paper, was placed in the position of offering a seal skin coat for \$2.95 instead of \$295. A. L. Demartigny demanded a coat at that price, which the store people declined to give, and as a result Mr. Demartigny today entered suit to secure the coat as advertised.

**SEPARATE SCHOOL BOARD  
CHOSEN BY ACCLAMATION****Mr. W. P. Regan Is the Retiring  
Chairman—Successor Not  
Selected.**

The nominations for the separate school board were held at noon today in St. Peter's school, and the four candidates nominated were elected by acclamation.

The four trustees, who retired and were re-elected, are as follows: Ward 1—Dr. Claude Brown, Ward 2—R. M. Burns, Ward 3—Jeremiah Loughlin, Ward 4—William McPhillips.

The four representatives whose terms are unexpired are: Ward 1—W. G. Coles, Ward 2—B. C. McCann, Ward 3—William P. Regan, Ward 4—Frank Perreault.

Mr. Regan is the retiring chairman of the board. It has not been definitely settled who will be the new chairman. The organization meeting of the board will be held on Monday, Jan. 9.

Capt. T. J. Murphy acted as returning officer today.

**TUNNEL ST. LAWRENCE  
OPPOSITE MONTREAL****Thirty Million Dollar Company  
Would Build a Huge  
Terminal.**

Montreal, Dec. 28.—A proposition of considerable magnitude, involving the tunnelling of the River St. Lawrence and the establishment of a central terminus for all the railway lines converging at Montreal, was laid before the board of control this morning by Mr. C. L. Armstrong, C.E., and Mr. J. M. Shanley, representing the Montreal Terminal Company. This concern is capitalized at \$30,000,000, and it is endeavoring to secure the goodwill of the city in order to build a large central station where all lines meet. The proposition involves tunnelling the river just above Isle Ronde to give access to the south shore routes, including the New York Central and Delaware and Hudson, and the north shore route, the Canadian Northern Railway, and from the west the Grand Trunk. The Canadian Pacific has not yet announced the scheme. The terminal company has a site in view at present.

The plan also involves the abolition of all level crossings on the island of Montreal, approach to the station being by elevated or subway routes. The board of control heard of the scheme with much interest, and the Central Terminal Company was instructed to lay the proposition before the board in writing in the near future, with plans carefully drawn, showing full details. This will be done.

**STILL SEARCHING****Mysterious Message About the Miss-  
ing Aviator Grace.**

London, Dec. 27.—Unwilling to reject even the strangest suggestions, searchers for Cecil Grace, the aviator who disappeared on Saturday while attempting a return cross-channel flight from France, the authorities are making an expedition to Sweden, where an unknown person in Sweden, who presumably relying on spiritualistic aid, has been begging the Aero Club not to assume that Mr. Grace has fallen into the sea. After an exchange of messages the correspondent telegraphed.

"He fell on land, not into water. Search the east coast of England minutely."

The coast guards accordingly have been directed to make a careful search along about 10 miles of the coast line.

**AGED PEOPLE'S HOME  
INMATES MADE HAPPY****A Christmas Tree Was Held by Em-  
press Avenue Mission Band.**

The Empress Avenue Mission Band held a Christmas tree and entertainment at the aged people's home on Tuesday. A pleasing feature of the affair was the presentation to the old folks of gifts from the tree, which had been made by the members of the Mission Band. After a delightful programme of songs, recitations, choruses, duets and instrumentalists was given by the Empress avenue young folks.

Among those who took part were Misses Ruth and Ila Dewey, Miss Lena North, Miss Elsie Bowie, Miss Helen Green, Master Allan Forbes, and Master Norman Walker. The gifts and entertainment were much enjoyed by the inmates of the home.

**VICTORY FOR TURKS.**

Constantinople, Dec. 28.—Turkish troops sent against the Bedouins have driven the revolvers out of the Elkerak district in the village of Syria, near the Dead Sea, after a sanguinary engagement. Official advices received here today state that in the battle the Bedouins lost 450 killed and 150 prisoners. The Turkish losses were seven officers and 20 men.

**CANADIAN PACIFIC RY. PLANS  
WILL NOT BE INTERFERED WITH!****Improvements in East London Will Be Carried Out No Matter  
What Changes May Be Made in the Main  
Line Route.**

Much interest is being taken in the rumor that the C. P. R. intend making certain changes in their road in this vicinity.

It is certain that whatever is done will in no wise interfere with the plans the company have announced for the east end.

They have purchased a great deal of land there for yard room, and a new station and offices, but they will use it all, and perhaps more in the near future.

However, with the increasing traffic, grade separation has become a live topic with the company as it was with the G. T. R., and it will probably result in some large work being undertaken shortly.

Mayor Beattie has not been informed as to the project, nor does he know exactly what is in the wind.

"I know nothing more than was in the paper," said the Advertiser. "I have not been taken into the company's secrets, nor do I know what is intended to be done. It seems as if something important might come off."

However, I am in no position to discuss the question, as I know nothing of it whatever."

**REBELS IN MEXICO  
WILL HOLD POSITIONS****Are Preparing to Defend Moun-  
tain Strongholds Against  
Troops.**

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 28.—A special representative of the El Paso Herald, after investigating in the region called Big Bend, across the border from Texas, south of Marfa and Alpine, says the rebels hold that entire region and defend it against a large army, as it is protected by mountain passes.

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**NEW CHIEF ENGINEER  
FOR CANADIAN PACIFIC****Mr. E. C. Schwitzer, of Company's  
Western Lines, Has Been  
Appointed.**

Winnipeg, Dec. 28.—Mr. E. C. Schwitzer, at present assistant chief engineer of the C. P. R. western lines, has been selected to fill the newly-created position of chief engineer, with headquarters at Montreal, and though no appointment has been announced to fill the western vacancy, it is surmised that Mr. J. G. Sullivan, assistant engineer of the eastern line, will come west.

It is understood that the salary attached to the new post of chief engineer of the C. P. R. is \$25,000 per annum. Mr. Schwitzer has been called upon in addition to his duties with the C. P. R., to act as consulting engineer of subsidiary lines. He is president of the McGill alumni in engineering, and a member of the Society of Engineers, and the most enthusiastic student of his profession in the Dominion. He came from Kenora, where he was city engineer, and served in the army for 12 years ago.

**MABEE AT WASHINGTON****Discussing International Railway  
Questions With U. S. Government.**

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Judge Mabree, of the Dominion Railway Commission, is at present in Washington, consulting with the United States Government on all railway questions of an international nature, and it is expected that upon his return to the capital, he will be in a position to deal with the subject. Among the matters to be decided are the sleeping-car rates.

**GOTCH CHALLENGES WORLD.**

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Frank A. Gotch has issued a formal challenge to Hackenschmidt or any other wrestler for a match for the championship of the world. He posted \$500 as a forfeit to bind a match for a side bet of \$20,000.

**MANY WERE KILLED.**

Paso, Texas, Dec. 28.—Many are reported killed by an explosion at the El Paso smelter this morning. A big part of the plant was wrecked. The smelter, which belongs to the American Smelting and Refining Company, is said to be the second largest in the world.

**KILLED BY AMBULANCE.**

Philadelphia, Dec. 28.—Surrounded by members of his family, B. Windsor Johnson, head of the banking firm of Lawrence Johnson & Co., of this city, who was knocked down and injured by an automobile ambulance of the Women's Society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, last night, died in a hospital today.

**Wed in St. Thomas.**

There is great rejoicing among the Hebrews of St. Thomas today over the wedding celebration of Miss May Abrahamson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Abrahamson, of New York, and Mr. Harry Jackson, of London. The ceremony was performed this afternoon in the Masonic Hall by Rabbi Philip, of London. The bride was given away by Mr. and Mrs. Schott, of St. Thomas. After a honeymoon trip to New York, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson will take up their residence in London.

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It will be months before an effective effort can be made to check the spread of death. Despite the Government's efforts, the zone of human destruction is widening continuously.

Most Harrowing Suffering. While refugees from the death belt are barred from the cities, reports of the most harrowing suffering have been received from as far west as Nan Kin and as far north as Yellow River. Along the Grand Canal entire villages have been wiped out, and hundreds of men and women, insane from hunger, roam the country. No food can be taken into the heart of the plague death zone.

The entire grain and rice supply has been exhausted in the middle of the province and rioting is frequent in remote districts where stored-up food has been known to fight the death for a handful of rice. The gaunt, naked children have been seen gnawing things of leather to gather a little nourishment.

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While the date of Earl Grey's departure for Northern Canada has not yet been fixed, it will likely be early in July, as the governor-general will attend the coronation of King George in London on June 2. His excellency will be accompanied down the Mackenzie River by a detachment of the Northwest Mounted Regiment, and will be accompanied by a detachment of the Northwest Mounted Regiment, and will be accompanied by a detachment of the Northwest Mounted Regiment.

**ELLIS—NEWTON****A Very Pretty Wedding of a Popular  
Couple.**

A very pretty wedding was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Newton, 10 Wyatt street, West London, when their first daughter, Miss Clara May, was united in marriage to Mr. Frank Ellis, of Detroit, formerly of London. The bride, who was given away by her father, was very charming in a cream silk gown, trimmed with lace and pearls, with a veil and wreath of lily of the valley. She carried a bouquet of bridal roses and was attended by her cousin, Miss Ann Robb, of Wyoming, who was daintily dressed in pink, and carried pink carnations. Miss Florence Newton, sister of the bride, was flower-girl.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Richard Whiting, B.A., pastor of the First Methodist Church, and the wedding march was played by Miss Grace Brock. After the ceremony several pleasing songs were rendered by Miss Maude Underwood, and instrumental selections were given by Miss Elsie Thompson.

The groom's gift to the bride was a pearl pendant to the bridesmaid, a pearl brooch to the groom's assistant, gold cuff links to the flower-girl, a pearl ring, and to the pianist and soloist, gold pins.

Some thirty guests were present, and after the wedding dinner Mr. and Mrs. Ellis left on a wedding tour to western points. Later they will reside in Detroit.

**A Peculiar Move.**

A West London car worked a peculiar trick at the corner of Dundas and Richmond streets at noon today, when running in an easterly direction. The motorman, seeing that the switch turning south on Richmond street was set to run straight through, opened his motor up, but the car took the wrong track. The car apparently noticed its error, for in a trice it jumped the rails and proceeded on the proper line, after running several feet on the snow. The crew did not even have to stop, as the jump got matters right.

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## JOINT INSTALLATION OF MASONIC OFFICERS

Those of Eight City Lodges Were Last Night Presented and Given Instructions.

The joint installation of the recently-elected officers of the Masonic Blue Lodges of the city was held last night in the Masonic Temple. Practically all the officers of the eight lodges were present, and were given their instructions in the work.

The ceremony of installation was conducted by Right Wor. Bro. J. W. Wallace, P. D. G. M., assisted by V. Wor. Bro. O. J. Bridle, Wor. Bros. A. Oettinger, G. G. Steele, J. H. Moran and Ben Noble.

The worshipful masters installed were: Wor. Bro. F. J. Darch, St. John's, No. 29; Wor. Bro. E. W. G. Quantz, St. George's, No. 28; Wor. Bro. Finley Marshall, Kilwinning, No. 64; Wor. Bro. W. H. Abbott, Tuscan, No. 195; Wor. Bro. Dr. A. E. Santo, St. John's, No. 294; Wor. Bro. W. A. Hunter, Corinthian, No. 329; Wor. Bro. Thomas Wedderburn, King Solomon, No. 378; and Wor. Bro. B. F. Brighton, Union Lodge, No. 380.

There were a number of visitors present. After the installation, an informal banquet was held.



"St. Elmo." A perennial favorite in this city, received another favorable presentation at the Grand Opera House last night, and as on the occasion of its last presentation here, there was a large and, on the whole, a very appreciative audience.

The play was enacted by Mr. Norman Hilyard and his most capable company. Mrs. Fannie Stephens, an actress of recognized merit, was the outstanding figure on the stage, and her work left little to be desired. The other members were capable and showed marked appreciation of their lines.

"Annie Laurie." There is an old saying that "all the world loves a lover," and in M. Douglas Flattery's new play "Annie Laurie" is told a pretty love story as has been heard in many a day. The production is in the hands of an unusually capable company headed by the young romantic actor, David Lithgow, as Robert Reid, a soldier of fortune. The play is historically correct and is costumed, in every detail

according to the period. At the Grand Friday and Saturday next. Special matinee Saturday at holiday prices.

**Wears Beautiful Gowns.** Miss Kate Uart, who is with the Anne Laurie Company, is considered one of the handsomest women on the stage today, and the gowns she wears in the production are marvels of the dressmaker's art. Miss Uart has been identified for several seasons with Mr. Frank Davis, also Pauline Hall, Lilian Russell, and with the productions of "Ermine" and "Miss Simplicity."

**Geo. Barr McCutcheon's "Beverly" New Year's Day.** Miss Justine Wayne, who plays Beverly Calhoun, the charming heroine of "Beverly," is perhaps the youngest leading lady in America in so far as years are concerned, who is playing a star part, but as she made her debut playing child parts with a prominent San Francisco stock company, she is a thoroughly experienced and convincing actress. Miss Wayne imparts to the role of "Beverly" the same girlish charm and ingenuousness so marked in her portrayal of the eldest Claudia with Cyril Scott, in the original New York production of "The Prince and the Pauper."

"Beverly" is to be presented at the Grand Monday, Jan. 2, matinee and evening. Mr. Martini, who plays General Marland, has been prominently identified with all of the famous dramatic stars for a number of years, including Mr. Mansfield, Mr. Mantell, Mr. Frederick Wardle, and for the past two seasons leading heavy with Mr. William Faversham. Miss Gertrude Fowler, who plays Princess Yvette, is a former leading lady of Ben Greer's Shakespearean players. Hazel Harroun, who plays Princess Candace, was formerly the heroine with Annie Russell and Mrs. Fiske. Sixteen other well-known artists constitute the cast. Seats Thursday.

## NEGRO IN VAULT FOR SAFE KEEPING

Locked in Airless Compartment When Mob Tried to Get Him.

[Associated Press.]

Weston, W. Va., Dec. 27. — A large mob is besieging the local railway station to prevent sheriffs from removing William Furby, colored, to the prison at Clarksburg. State troops are reported on their way from Clarksburg by special train to prevent a lynching.

At Furby's trial this afternoon, Flora Arglin, a farmer's daughter, declared she was the victim of three attacks at his hands.

The appearance of Mr. Anglin, an aged man with long grey whiskers, on the platform of the station, telling the crowd that the story of his daughter was as true as steel, set the mob wild with excitement.

Prosecuting Attorney Swint made continued attempts to appeal to the people on a truck on the depot platform, but the truck was drawn from

beneath him and the crowd yelled him down. The officials were wholly unable to cope with the situation.

At 7:15 the mob burst open the door of the express room where the sheriff and the prisoner had locked themselves in. All the window lights were broken and the mob demanded the negro's life. But the latter was pushed into the concealed vault of the express company for safe-keeping, where he had hardly a breath of air.

An appeal to Gov. Glasscock at Charleston for state troops was followed immediately by an order for the mobilization of the militia at Clarksburg, Frafton and Parkersburg, and their dispatch here by special train.

Until the arrival of the militia, it was necessary to confine the negro to the airless vault. Although that might mean death to him from suffocation, it was considered a greater peril to release him while the mob's frenzy was at such a height.

After the negro's trial he was held in the grand jury without bail to answer to the charge of assault and attempt to kill.

## FOR BETTER HEALTH

Chicago Bulletin Reveals Secret of Health For Festive Season.

Chicago, Dec. 27. — A Christmas bulletin of the city health department had this advice to offer:

If you eat too much, get out in the open air and walk.

If you indulge in plumbling is defective, avoid plum pudding.

Cheap candy—expensive funeral.

Why take chances?

Open windows will preserve your Christmas tree—they will also preserve your health.

Skates are better than dolls, and sleds are better than books. Why? Because they encourage outdoor play.

Speaking of the four months' pneumonia season just open, the bulletin says it is the heavy eaters, heavy drinkers, fat men and women who are prone to pneumonia. If all men and women weighing 140 pounds and over would reduce their food and beverages one-half for the next four months, many lives would be saved.

If you get a bad cold, do not neglect it. Quit eating, take a purgative, throw open the windows, get in bed and send for a doctor. Do not shut the windows and take hot drinks. That would be foolish.

## 32 CHILDREN AT DINNER.

Delmar, Del., Dec. 27. — John W. Guy, of Melfa, a town a few miles from here, ate his Christmas dinner in company with his thirty-two children and a large number of grandchildren. It took eight large turkeys to go round. The meal was served in up-to-date style, by Guy's young wife of twenty-five, and will be talked about in the neighborhood for years to come.

Guy has been married three times. Guy, who is now seventy-seven years old, is strong and hearty, and works daily on his large farm.

## WORTH OF A WIFE IN BRITISH EYES

Recent Opinions Concerning Divorce and the Ease With Which It Is Obtained.

London, Dec. 27. — Sir Edward Carson, K. C., who practiced in Ireland for many years before coming to England, and who was an expert witness before the divorce commission here last week, expressed the belief that even an obstacle should be thrown in the way of those who seek divorce, to make it difficult to obtain decrees. He said that it would be a fatal mistake to make the obtaining of divorce easier. He believed a judge should exhaust every effort to induce those seeking divorces to settle their difficulties out of court and to become reconciled.

When he was told that working people had not the facilities of the wealthier to obtain divorces, he invariably replied that he would equalize matters if he could by cutting down the facilities for the wealthy classes.

In his opinion the damages given in divorce cases were as a rule entirely inadequate. He thought it would be a salutary thing if the damages were much heavier. In the case of a man with £20,000 to £30,000 a year who coveted another man's wife and took her away from him the damages should not be £5,000 but £100,000. This certainly would increase the worth of a wife.

When asked if he would not be in favor of leaving the matter of damages to the judge, Sir Edward replied that he thought judges were inclined to be even more parsimonious in such cases than juries. In reply to a question by a member of the commission the lawyer said he would not put the sexes on terms of equality and advanced the startling theory that a woman should not be able to divorce her husband for infidelity because men, on account of the customs of the age, looked upon this matter in a different way from womankind.

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## CORRESPONDENCE

Favors Fixed Assessments.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

There has been considerable discussion of late with reference to securing new industries for London and boosting generally.

The ratepayers are, I think, afforded a splendid opportunity on the 2nd of January, to give London the biggest boost it ever had by voting in favor of every fixed assessment. I say, let us support, encourage and boost the industries we have with us, and they will, in return, I am sure, boost London in many ways, and also by supporting the scheme for a new city hall. We have no city hall or any public building that we can point to with pride. Let us get on our feet and shake off this whining, whimpering, down-at-the-mouth knocking kind of a way, and put on the armor of practical boosting and progression, and let the outside municipalities see that London is not dead, but very much alive, and when a stranger comes along, inquiring as to what we have to offer by the way of industry, let us for new concerns, let us get down to business, and offer, if possible, better terms than any other city can do. Then our beautiful city, instead of going backward, would go forward and grow rapidly, and by supporting every fixed assessment, though the principle may be wrong, we have to do it, keep pace with other places, and the scheme for a new city hall, we make the first practical step on the road of progress. Yours very truly,

FREDERICK WATKINSON,  
Sec. East End Progressive Ass'n.  
London, Dec. 27.

## The Double Liability of Bank Shareholders.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

Your correspondent, "Don" (this day's issue), is apparently quite unaware of the immense significance of the fact to which he calls attention, explaining the reason for double liability.

It is certainly true that every thousand dollars invested in Canada bank stocks is converted at once into two thousand dollars for trading purposes, by the legal power conferred on our banks to manufacture and issue paper money equal to, and in addition to, the amount of their capital.

But what does that mean (1) to the stock and bond market? 2. What does it mean to "Demand"? 3. What does it mean to prices of commodities? 4. What does it mean to fixed incomes, whether termed wages, salaries, or dividends? And (5) what power does it give to banks?

Here is the positive result in practice (not at all a matter of theory), but quite easily demonstrated. Every \$1,000 invested in our currency has precisely the same purchasing power (conferred on its owner and issuer) as \$1,000 in gold. Eighty or one hundred millions of this kind of paper money can enter the market (and actually has so entered the market in Canada), and confer on its owners the power to purchase bonds and stocks by the legal power of the currency, equal to the power of the same volume of gold. That is a wholly inflated "Demand," and every dollar of such a power inflates prices, and as certainly every dollar of such a power does it would otherwise come to every wealth producer with a fixed income, by diverting that volume of purchasing power to paper money. Here is a clear case of "acres of diamonds" for Canadian statesmen, who would solve a world problem. We are the inheritors of a legacy of finance practice that can be traced historically to the Orient. It is in Europe a state secret—need we wonder at the permanence and universal recurrence of anti-Christian social manifestations? China had this thing done "bad" centuries before the year A. D. 1. Canada has her greatest opportunity in this field of monetary practice; it is the keystone to social, commercial, and political phenomena.

HENRY B. ASHULANT.  
London, Dec. 26.

## STRIKE IS SETTLED.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 27. — After being out 18 months, the striking machinists of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad system, reached an agreement with the company today, and will return to work. The terms of the settlement were not officially announced by either side, but it is understood that concessions were made by both parties.

The men originally demanded, among other things, a nine-hour working day, and that all men be employed on the hourly basis, at increased rates of wages.

If all the money in the world were equally divided among the people, every person would get \$20 as his share.

Smallman & Ingram, Limited WEATHER PROBS: FAIR AND COLD. Smallman & Ingram, Limited

## Correct Attire for Formal and Informal Dress Occasions

The fact that it is no longer necessary to pay extremely high prices in order to be correctly dressed makes it possible for every man to dress in correct form for every occasion. The rapid development of wholesale tailoring in Canada and the wonderful improvement which is so marked in the tailoring of the finest garments, would have been thought a few years ago to be impossible. A great revolution has taken place, even in the past year, in the tailoring of fine garments by modern, high-class clothes-making establishments, as many of the best designers and highest-salaried cutters in America are at the head of these shops—not factories, where all kinds of clothing is turned out in large quantities, but the wholesale shop, where the finest garments are hand-tailored (to your measure, if necessary).

**FULL DRESS**—For receptions, theatre and all formal events after 6 o'clock.



**Prince Albert and Silk Hat**

Correct dress for calls, receptions and all events before 6 o'clock.

**Silk Hats**  
Special qualities, \$5.00 and \$7.50.

**Quality Is Remembered Long After Price Is Forgotten**

The very best goods from the very best makers, with the Smallman & Ingram guarantee of satisfaction back of every dress suit we sell. Made to special measurements when necessary at no extra cost. See the Smallman & Ingram Dress Suits at \$24 and \$30.

**AMERICAN**  
The Christmas cards delivered in Detroit's mail were 25,000,000 or more. Mrs. Isabella J. Martin, charged with dynamiting in Oakland, Cal., was found guilty.

In New York, J. P. Morgan's office employees got a Christmas bonus of 100 per cent.

The mills of the Alabama Marble Company at Birmingham, Ala., burned with a loss of \$500,000.

Seventy-five convicts in the state penitentiary at Austin, Texas, were pardoned Christmas Day.

Western locomotive engineers accept roads' Christmas offer of \$4,000,000 raise, averting a big strike.

Steps are taken in New York to organize a union for the political protection of voters of foreign birth.

Two men and a boy were killed while delivering Christmas parcels in an automobile truck in Philadelphia.

At Blue Ridge, Ga., a "Moonshiner" attacked a clergyman during service, and was shot to death by the preacher.

A Christmas tree saved the life of Howard Hanlan, at Marietta, Pa., buying him up when he fell through ice.

Masquerading as a man, Mrs. Lawrence Hanlon, aged 24, worked four days in a chain gang at Muskogee, Ala.

Two boys were burned at a Christmas tree celebration at Albion, N. Y., schoolhouse, one so severely that he may die.

Chinese longs in New York fail to agree on peace terms and armed neutrality still exists in their section of the city.

Dimitri Capperano, a prosperous fruit dealer, of St. Louis, was shot and killed, probably by a member of the Black Hand.

The Ohio River ice gorge at Wheeling, West Va., let go with a roar, caused much damage and endangered several lives.

Thomas Benton Hord, of Central City, Neb., said to have been the largest cattle feeder in the world, died at Minneapolis.

John Matthews, a C. P. R. fireman, was run over and killed at St. John, N. B.

John Atkinson, of Shelton, was killed

when his shotgun was accidentally discharged.

It is expected that the Canadian reciprocity officials will reach Washington about Jan. 15.

The Trenton board of trade elected A. E. Bywater as its president and H. F. Whittier secretary.

Cesaire Guyart, who claimed to be 111 years and 9 months old, died at Bendley on Christmas Day.

Harry Oliver is in a critical condition at Barrie. He was wounded by the accidental discharge of a shotgun.

A fire in the basement of the Jail at Saute Ste. Marie caused a loss of \$150 and frightened the prisoners badly.

The body of a colored man named Willis was found in the ruins of the King's Hall at Montreal, which was burned on Oct. 12.

Max J. Finkelstein, the young Russian lawyer who defended Fedorenko, tendered his fee of \$1,500, which was accepted by the court.

Archbishop Beignin, of Quebec, has put the ban on the Montreal Grand Opera Company. The alleged immoral nature of some of the operas to be produced was the reason.

Fedorenko, the Russian refugee, was so ill with the grippe that he could not attend the great mass meeting held at Winnipeg in honor of his freedom.

His counsel has returned him his fee.

**OPENS GOLD FIELD**

Prospectors May Range Duval Estate in Scotland.

London, Dec. 27. — The Marquis of Stafford has publicly announced that his father, the Duke of Sutherland, will throw open to prospectors during the coming year the gold-bearing area in Sutherlandshire.

This announcement has been made in response to a recent public agitation about the lack of employment in the district.

The decision recalls the great gold rush of 1898-99, when hundreds of miners passed a winter on the field very inadequately provided with shelter and the means of subsistence.

They endured great hardships, and their efforts met with such a poor reward that during the ensuing summer the field was almost deserted.

Although there were at one time

more than 500 men at work, the total amount of gold obtained during the twelve months did not exceed £1,000 in value.

For the most part the diggers were crofters and fishermen, attracted from the surrounding district, but there were among them a few experienced gold miners, who prospected the area in more approved fashion, without, however, securing appreciably more remunerative results.

**THE MAN THAT KNEW HIS OWN MIND**

Hello, Charles, old man! How goes it?

Fine!

Still making lots of money?

Well, no, can't say that I'm making a great deal, but one thing sure, I am saving a little every week.

Where do you deposit now?

Same place. The Peoples Loan and Savings Corporation. Have been doing business with them for the past ten years, and could not think of changing. Nothing safer, and the interest is 4 per cent, compounded yearly, with your money ready for you when you want it.

Why don't you open a Savings Account?

Their address is:

**THE PEOPLES LOAN AND SAVINGS CORPORATION,**  
428 Richmond St., London, Ont.

The following announcement appeared in the Berliner Tageblatt: "A young lady of a highly-esteemed and noble family, as beautiful as Helen, as thrifty as Penelope, as economical as the Electress Marianne of Brandenburg, as sprightly as Mme. de Sade, a singer like Mile. Broval, a dancer like La Cerdie, a pianist like Rosa Kaster, a violinist like Teresita Malinoff, a harpist like La Berland, a sculptor like Princess Marie d'Orleans, as austere as Lucrece, as devoted as Nightingale, having at command a large fortune, lacking masculine acquaintance, seeks a husband by the newspapers agency."

The National Council of Women in Germany recently discussed the subject of municipal suffrage for a whole day, and then voted unanimously to ask for it. They also urged that the proposal to give women the right to vote in the Reformed Church, as proposed by the Aisatian synod, be confirmed.

## SEVENTH DAY OF THE GREAT SHERLOCK-MANNING FACTORY TO PURCHASER SALE

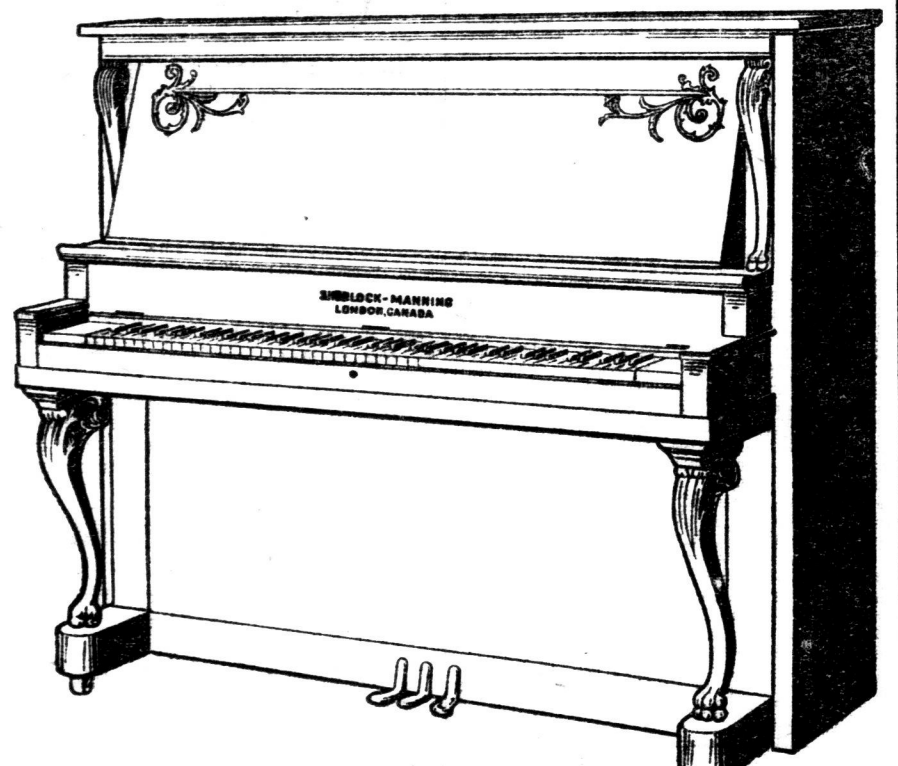
The handsome design of this piano appeals at once to the eye of the artist.

Regular price, \$475.

**Special Sale Price**  
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**\$325.35**

The lovely quality and wonderful volume of tone of modern piano immediately charms the ear of the musician.



Louis XV. Style \$0, Walnut or Mahogany.

THE GREATEST OFFER EVER MADE ON THE GREATEST PIANO THAT CAN BE BUILT.

Remember the entire stock of Pianos in this special sale are composed of especially selected instruments. They are not a job lot. On the contrary they are prepared with the object in view of advertising the name

**SHERLOCK-MANNING 20TH CENTURY.**

and you may purchase one of these special pianos with every assurance that nothing has been neglected—nothing forgotten—that goes to make a perfect musical instrument or that will add to the reputation of the manufacturer.

The Pianos in this special sale are IN POINT OF VENEER, FINISH, INTERIOR CONSTRUCTION, AND MECHANISM QUITE THE EQUAL OF AN EXHIBITION STOCK. In purchasing one of these beautiful pianos during the sale you secure not only a marvelous reduction in the purchase price, but in addition you obtain an EXHIBITION PIANO.

A purchaser during the sale takes absolutely no risk. We take the risk, and every piano will leave the factory accompanied by an ABSOLUTE GUARANTEE FOR TEN YEARS. A TEN YEARS TRIAL AT OUR RISK. NOT JUST ONE HEARING—NOT A THIRTY DAYS TRIAL, BUT TEN YEARS IN WHICH TO TRY OUT THE TRUTH OF OUR STATEMENTS REGARDING QUALITY.

Our policy is a fair, square and honest deal for all—a fair exchange, dollar for dollar. We aim to make friends, believing that more friends mean more business, and knowing the high quality of

we believe that every Sherlock-Manning Piano sold means another friend gained and another sale in prospect. THE OBJECT OF THIS GREAT FACTORY TO PURCHASER SALE IS TO GIVE THE PEOPLE OF QUALITY IN A SHERLOCK-MANNING PIANO.

WOULD WE ATTEMPT IT WITH AN INTERIOR GRADE OF PIANO? WOULD IT BE GOOD BUSINESS POLICY TO OFFER SUCH INDUCEMENTS TO PEOPLE TO BUY IF WE WERE TO FALL DOWN ON THE VERY FEATURE—QUALITY—THAT IS TO REPAY US FOR THE OUTLAY AND EFFORT? Your own judgment will be accepted. There must be quality in the instrument—there must be a finish equal in beauty to the finest money can buy—there must be an action of the latest model, equipped with the famous Pochmann wire strings—there must be stamped, and guaranteed Weickert felt hammers and there must be a tone of unrivaled sweetness. THESE FEATURES YOU WILL FIND IN A

**SHERLOCK-MANNING 20TH CENT 'RY PIANO.**

Don't take our word unsupported, doubt just enough to inspect, and thoroughly test one of the beautiful instruments offered this week.

**JUST THREE DAYS AFTER TODAY.**

A SNAP ALSO OFFERED IN A SLIGHTLY USED UPRIGHT PIANO—CIRASSIAN WALNUT—TAKEN IN PART PAYMENT ON A SHERLOCK-MANNING UPRIGHT PIANO PLACED IN LONDON LAST WEEK.

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An Oxford car, going south will land you within a few minutes of the factory. If a personal call is impossible, phone 1678, or drop a postal—no street address necessary—and we will gladly furnish any information and explain how easy it will be to take advantage of this wonderful offer.

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## THE BRITISH ELECTION AND AFTER.

The conclusion of the British elec-  
tions has diverted public interest to  
the immediate programme of the  
Government.

When Mr. Balfour sidetracked  
tariff reform, he made the constitu-  
tional question the all-dominating  
issue. The election was equivalent to  
a referendum on a single proposal—  
the abolition of the absolute veto  
power of the House of Lords. In the  
election of January this proposal was  
only one of the issues, the other two  
principal ones being the budget and  
tariff reform. The new House of  
Commons has an absolutely clear  
mandate to pass the anti-veto bill,  
and the House of Lords has no valid  
pretext for opposing it. "The ultimate  
authority in the English constitution,"  
says Hagebot, "is a newly elected  
House of Commons." Again, "The head  
of the executive can overcome the re-  
sistance of the Second Chamber by  
choosing new members of that cham-  
ber; if he does not find a majority he  
can make a majority." A British  
statesman who says that the Crown  
is involved in the present difficulty  
is merely trying to make difficulties  
for the Crown where none exist. The  
Manchester Guardian aptly quotes  
Sir William Anson, the most conserva-  
tive authority on the constitution, as  
saying, "It is the function of the sover-  
eign of England to give his minis-  
ters his full confidence and to ac-  
cept their advice when offered by them  
as a cabinet."

As a constitutional sovereign, the  
King will, of course, obey the counsel  
of his ministers, and create new peers  
if the step is necessary to force the  
bill through the upper chamber. But it  
is highly improbable that the Unionist  
peers will compel the King to perform  
so disagreeable a duty. They will in  
all likelihood allow the bill to pass its  
third reading under protest, and they  
will then resume the work of ob-  
structing other legislation. The home  
rule bill and the anti-plural voting bill  
will be held up, doubtless, for the two  
years in which the House of Lords is  
to be permitted to delay House of  
Commons measures.

## A CRISIS IN PERSIA.

The sharp brush between a British  
naval force and Arab gun-runners,  
which occurred on the southern coast  
of Persia on Monday, has focussed  
European attention on a very grave  
international problem in Persia. The  
action, combined with the recent de-  
struction of piratical dhows by the  
British, may raise serious difficulties,  
involving Great Britain, Russia, and  
Germany.

By an Anglo-Russian agreement the  
northern part of Persia became a  
Russian sphere of influence, the south-  
ern section being allotted to Great  
Britain. This left a wide neutral  
zone, the object of British diplomacy  
being to keep the Indian and Russian  
frontiers as far apart as possible. The  
situation, however, became highly  
complicated when the revolution  
broke out last spring, at the Persian  
capital, Russia, on the pretence of  
protecting her interests, threw a  
strong body of troops into Teheran.  
They are still there, in spite of prom-  
ises to withdraw, and there is a grow-  
ing suspicion in the chancelleries of  
Europe that the move was the enter-  
ing wedge of a permanent occupation.  
Meanwhile, in the south, the insecurity  
of the overland trade routes is prov-  
ing disastrous to British commerce.

The evil has become so great that the  
British consul at Shiraz was attacked  
and several of his escort killed. De-  
spite repeated representations from  
London, however, the Shah's Govern-  
ment has failed to stop the wholesale  
brigandage, and now the British Gov-  
ernment threatens to use a portion of  
the Persian Gulf customs to provide  
guards under British officers. The  
Persian Government fears that this  
will result in permanent occupation  
and make Persia a second Egypt. As  
a result, relations between London and  
Teheran are strained. Germany, too,  
is watching the situation with a jealous  
eye. Because of her mercantile inter-  
ests in the near east, and the large  
sums put into the Bagdad railway  
project, she believes she is entitled to  
a foothold in Persia equal to that of  
any other power.

Altogether, the situation is a criti-  
cal one, and some delicate diplomacy  
may be necessary if a serious clash  
is to be avoided.

## THE CHRISTMAS READING.

The herald winds of Christmas sleep  
High o'er the snow-capped steep,  
The far stars only are a-thrill,  
With life; the night is cold and still.  
Come, gather round the log-fire,  
And from its shelf take down the book  
Whose pages the master's hand drew  
Those pictures old, but ever new,  
Whose "Christmas Carols" deathless  
rhyme

Beats down the envious touch of time.  
Here let the children sit, and draw  
Beneath the lamp's light page thy chair.  
Take thou the book, O golden voice,  
And read the pages of thy choice.  
Tell us of Scrooge and Marley's ghost,  
Of all our favorites old, but most  
Tell us with tenderness of Tiny Tim.  
We laugh and weep with Tiny Tim.  
Call thou the soul to every face  
About the hearth and by the place.  
We shall not be ashamed at all,  
For frank, sweet tears you cause to fall;  
But fervently, with eyelids dim,  
And hearts attuned to Tiny Tim,  
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the English-speaking Conservatives of  
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The daughter of Sam Slick has just  
died. Her father's name is not as  
well remembered by Canadians as it  
ought to be. He was the pioneer of  
the distinctively American humor of  
which Mark Twain was the greatest  
modern exponent. Those who have not  
read Sam Slick have missed a classic.

An American naval officer is in hot  
water because he made an indiscreetly  
pro-British speech at a banquet at  
the Guildhall. His country ought to  
look over the fault of his tongue, see-  
ing that his heart was in the right  
place. Allowance ought to be made,  
too, for the overwhelming hospitality  
for which the Guildhall is pre-eminent.  
It was the scene of Roosevelt's famous  
"break"—a distinguished precedent.

The ascendancy of Premier Brand  
shows how much more conservative  
France is today than in the latter  
part of the eighteenth century. Many  
good persons saw in the French revo-  
lution nothing but the dissolution of  
society and the reversion to barbar-  
ism. But the revolution gave France  
a conservative foundation through the  
break-up of the great estates and the  
distribution of the land. There is a  
lesson for other nations in this. Re-  
form will avert revolution.

In the Morning Post, the leading  
British tariff reform journal, a writer  
contrasts the three failures of Mr.  
Balfour with the records of other po-  
litical leaders since 1868 as follows:

Won. Lost.  
Mr. Gladstone ... 1868, 1880, 1874, 1886  
1885, 1892  
Mr. Disraeli ... 1874 ... 1868, 1880  
Lord Salisbury ... 1886, 1895, 1885, 1892  
1900

Lord Rosebery ... 1895  
Sir H. Campbell ... 1900  
Bannerman ... 1906  
Mr. Balfour ... 1906, 1910  
(Jan., 1910)  
Mr. Asquith ... 1910 (Jan.)  
1910 (Dec.)

Mr. Balfour is the only leader who  
has been defeated three times in suc-  
cession. There is a growing spirit of  
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being one of the mutineers.

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List of Those Who Will Try for Municipal Honors on Monday.

Ingersoll, Dec. 28.—Dorland Noxon, of Toronto, was the guest of his brother, Stephen and Freeman Noxon, over the holidays.

Robert Anderson, of Canterbury street, has returned from Cleburne, Texas, where he has been residing over a year.

Fred Smith, of Orillia, was home for the holiday.

C. W. Johnston, of the Noxon Company, left yesterday for the west in the interests of the firm.

The final meeting of the board of education for 1910 will be held to-night.

The congregational meeting of St. Paul's Church Missionary Society will be held in the church at 8 o'clock this evening.

Mr. David Sands, of Dereham, and Miss Elizabeth Brown, of Cluloden, were married by Rev. Mr. Neeley at the manse, Verschoyle, today. Mr. and Mrs. Daniels supported the contracting parties during the ceremony.

**Municipal Candidates.**  
After the wedding out process was completed last night the following candidates consented to allow their names to go on the ballot paper, and filed their qualifications with the clerk:

Councillors.—Alonzo Tuttle, H. D. McCarty, Wm. Parlo, W. E. Manzer, Angus Morrison, A. Gregory, C. A. O'Neill, J. A. Buchanan, S. M. Douglas, D. Knap.

School Trustees.—Ward 1.—F. A. Acker, and J. Moon. Ward 2.—J. F. Morrey, re-elected by acclamation.

For Mayor.—Dr. McKay and W. J. Elliott.

Reeve.—S. M. Fleet and S. King. Deputy Reeve.—E. G. Walley, by acclamation.

Light and Power Commissioners.—H. Richardson, W. Mills and George Sutherland.

Ward 3.—W. A. Edgar, R. Rogerson and D. A. Bonesteel, V. S. C. A.

Polling will take place at the usual booths in the six divisions, from 9 a. m. till 5 p. m., next Monday, Jan. 2, 1911.

STRATFORD HOCKEYIST  
HAS EYE REMOVED

Optic Smashed by Puck During Game of Hockey.

Stratford, Dec. 28.—At 9 o'clock last night the hour of expiration of the time allowed municipal candidates to qualify, the following had taken the necessary declarations:

For Mayor.—John Brown, F. J. Corrie and C. N. Greenwood.

For Light and Heat Commission.—J. J. Mason (re-elected by acclamation).

For Water Commission.—Mayor W. S. Dingman and C. E. McIlhenny.

For Aldermen.—T. G. Delamere, R. G. Frame, Jacob Keller, John Keyes, A. B. Maguire, John McGee, Henry Paul, J. H. Roberts, C. W. Robinson, John Stevenson, J. W. Allen, C. Carter, D. Enson, J. D. Hamilton, A. Knechtel, A. M. Lillow, W. McMillan, R. J. McInnes.

The public meeting was addressed by the majority candidates, J. J. Mason and Chairman George McLogan of the park board. On Friday night

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## ASSETS INSUFFICIENT

Will Not, It Is Stated, Nearly Meet the Liabilities of Insolvent Institution—Directors Discussed the Situation at Recent Meeting.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—A call amounting to the full double liability of the shareholders of the Farmers' Bank will be an inevitable feature of the future proceedings in the winding up of the bank.

No official announcement of a double liability call has been made so far, but it was stated today that in view of the position of the bank's affairs the call could hardly be avoided. This means that holders of Farmers' Bank stock must contribute, assuming that the call will be for the full hundred per cent, a sum of \$584,500, plus the difference between the subscribed and paid-up capital, amounting to \$17,921.

**Hard to Collect.**  
It is doubtful if the liquidator will be able to collect from some of the shareholders, as a considerable proportion of the stock is held in the United States. This would probably mean a greater burden for the shareholders who can be made to pay, but for the fact that the call is almost certain to be for the full hundred per cent all round.

That even with all the money gathered in that can be gathered in under the double liability provision, the Farmers' Bank is not likely to pay more than 25 cents on the dollar.

**Directors Know.**  
Sufficient information as to the state of the bank's affairs was placed before the directors at Saturday's meeting to convince them that the institution's insolvency. A complete financial statement will be prepared before the meetings of creditors and shareholders called for Jan. 17.

There is to begin with, the Keeley mine. The Farmers' Bank practically owns the mine, but the exact value of this asset is uncertain. If the mine should be sold at a good figure, say half a million, the bank would scarcely do more than wipe off one item of the liabilities. The bank's notes in circulation alone amount to \$153,355.

The last official statement of the Farmers' Bank as printed in the Canada Gazette, shows total liabilities amounting to \$1,997,041, while the list of assets is unpromising. That the amounts of railway debentures, current loans and short loans are not to be relied upon is the substance of the charge against W. R. Travers, vice-president and general manager of the bank.

**Cash and Loans.**  
The cash on hand Nov. 30, amounted to some \$42,000, including the Government deposit. The current loans are entered at \$11,400, and a good deal of this money, it is said, went to the mine. So it looks like 25 cents on the dollar or thereabouts for the depositors and other creditors of the bank.

The Farmers' Bank shareholders will likely have to pay more in proportion than was paid, and is being paid, by holders of stock in the Ontario Bank. The Ontario Bank double liability payments up to Saturday totaled \$338,845.99, and there is more to come.

At the meantime the bills of the Farmers' Bank are worth money. Since the suspension of the bank these bills, under the bank act, have been bearing interest at 5 per cent. They will go on bearing interest until redeemed.

CANADA TO COAX  
MORE EASTERNERS

Offers Special Inducements to Settlers From Older States.

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—Much interest in Canadian immigration for the spring months of 1911 is being manifested. The principal activities of the immigration department have heretofore been restricted to the western states and the British Isles.

Now the attention of the department is turned to the eastern states, and arrangements have been made for a series of special trains beginning April 1, to run to Pennsylvania, New York and New Jersey to the province of Alberta, where accommodations have already been arranged for.

Ed and knows his department. This work is done under the direction of a bureau of the department of immigration and is paid for by the Dominion Government.

## WILL TAKE A CHANCE.

[Associated Press.]  
Bartlesville, Ok., Dec. 28.—Roy Timmons, of this city, is an electrician and accustomed to taking chances in handling high voltage currents. He married Adell Bovard, an Osage Indian woman, after she had refused him for Albert Miller, allowed the latter to get a marriage license and then quarreled with him at the door of the minister's home. She tore up the license, and started out to find another woman, and started out to find her former suitor.

"Do you still want to marry me?" she called out in true Indian spirit to the man when she found him in a pool hall.

"Well, I might take a chance," was the reply.

Arm in arm the pair walked to the probate court, where Timmons got a new license. They went to the same minister. This time the ceremony took place.

"Poor boy," was Miller's only comment when told of the wedding.

## DEATH OF THOMAS CREIGHTON.

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Lucan, Dec. 27.—The death of Mr. Thomas Creighton, of Elginfield, was held on Sunday afternoon from his late residence to St. Patrick's Church and was very largely attended. The services were conducted by Father Hanlon. Mr. Creighton died on Friday after an illness extending over two years. He was 65 years old, and had resided in Lucan for some time. He was survived by four sons and two daughters, Frank, C. N. R. station agent at Saskatoon; Thomas M., of Brighton; Stanley J., of Stratford; James, at home; Mrs. W. A. Johnstone, of Glan-

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worth, and Miss Ella, at home. James Creighton, of London, and John, of Lucan, are brothers, and Mrs. Garrett Barry, of King street city, is a sister.

IRELAND'S NEW ERA  
SHOWS VISTA BRIGHT

Much Progress Shown at Coming of Age of an Agricultural Society.

Dublin, Dec. 28.—The coming of age of the Irish Agricultural Organization Society was celebrated in Dublin at a meeting most remarkable in character and temper, and of great interest to Irish farmers—and, indeed, farmers' wives.

Interspersed among the farmers gathered from every quarter of Ireland were three special agricultural envoys from the department of agriculture, and a large number of representatives of the development grand fund. Lady Betty Balfour, whose enthusiasm helped much toward the formation of the Irish department of agriculture, and a large number of representatives of the development grand fund. Lady Betty Balfour, whose enthusiasm helped much toward the formation of the Irish department of agriculture, and a large number of representatives of the development grand fund.

On the platform Sir Horace Plunkett, as president, was in the chair. His inspiring speech was cheered to the echo. The most important resolution, a resolution of a kind almost unknown in Ireland, was proposed by Father Finlay, a Roman Catholic priest of strong Nationalist beliefs, who was seconded by the Rev. Mr. Campbell, a clergyman of the church of Ireland, and an ardent Orangeman. A most zealous Nationalist farmer, of fine presence and a flowing white beard, proposed a resolution that no candidate for parliament should receive farmers' votes unless he accepted the co-operative policy.

It is worth attention that this organization, which will soon have 100,000 members and already controls more than half the dairy output of Ireland, is able absolutely to make or mar Government bills. At this meeting an oppressive butter bill, proposed by Mr. Russell, was most completely marred by the hostile resolution passed and by farmers' criticism. Ireland, in fact, under the zeal and genius of Sir Horace Plunkett, is well on the way to become a Denmark.

But the really remarkable fact is that land purchase and this co-operative movement helping the new owners of land to farm, are putting an end to political agitation. Many farmers who were mad home rulers a few years ago now say that all they wanted now was to be left alone to enjoy the coming prosperity.

CHATHAM CANDIDATES  
ARE WORKING HARD

A Very Keen Fight Is Expected on Election Day.

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Chatham, Dec. 28.—The outlook is for a fast game of hockey tonight between Sarnia and Chatham—the first of the series to be played here. Both teams are said to be in good shape for the game. The Sarnia players will come down by special train, and will be accompanied by a large number of their supporters. The Sarnia crowd telegraphed yesterday afternoon for 150 reserved seats.

The funeral was held this afternoon at 2:30, of the late J. R. Gutteridge, of Chatham, Township, who died of Christmas night in the 50th year of his age. Deceased lived in the city for the greater part of his life, and was a member of the old fire department in the days of the steamers and hose carts.

The ice dealers are making ready to harvest the crop, which is a very close specimen this winter.

Miss Lillian Brady attended the dance given by the ladies of Wallaceburg last night.

Miss Mildred Turner, of Fort William, is spending the holidays with her parents, Richmond street.

Ed. Sacks, of the Bain Carriage Company, Hamilton, is spending the holidays with friends in the city.

There are a large number of aspirants for aldermanic honors, and they have quite a variety of platforms, so that every voter can find one at least that is in harmony with his views.

The list is as follows:  
For mayor—R. L. Brackin, John McCord.

For aldermen—Messrs. Dunn, Pritchard, Barter, Dr. McRitchie, Anderson, Lister, Winter, the 1910 council, and Ward, Stanworth, Blonde, Arnold, Sluder, Burrows and Wilson.

For board of education—Morley, Walker, Hicks, Duncan, McKeough, Pritchard, Smith, McFarlane, Draper, McArthur, Gundy.

There are to be nine elected for aldermen and five for board of education. Dr. Will King of the Davis Company, Brantford, has returned after being with his parents here over Christmas.

There was a short session of the city council last night when the accounts were passed and the estimates were cleaned up, but no business of importance was heard. This was practically the winding up of the present body under the leadership of Mayor Charles Austin. Seven of the present council seek reelection.

The cars on the C. W. and L. E. railway between this city and Wallaceburg were running late yesterday on account of snowdrifts, and the passengers suf-

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ferred a great deal from lack of heat on the cars.

## A KEEN FIGHT

Big Election Contest Is in Full Swing at St. Marys.

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
St. Marys, Dec. 28.—In the latest revised list of municipal candidates there will be contests in two wards for councillor and one ward contest for public school trustee, and contests for the election of two councillors in the "at large" councillors, and a contest for the election of one water and light commissioner. The following is the slate: Mayor, F. G. Sanderson, acclamation; councillors, north ward, James Spearin, acclamation; east ward, Wm. Pullyblank, acclamation; south ward, (contest), Geo. A. Hayes, Jas. Maxwell, west ward (contest), Hazel White, O. R. Burns; councillors at large, E. W. Graham, S. McDonald, E. L. Lancaster, R. T. Gilpin; water, light and heat commissioners (contest), Wm. Weir, Fred Richardson; public school trustees, north ward, Dr. J. R. Stanley, acclamation; east ward, T. B. Bennett, acclamation; south ward, Thos. Gordon, acclamation; west ward (contest), W. H. Tovey, W. J. Stafford.

Mr. Alfred Allen, of Detroit, Mich., is a holiday visitor with his cousin, Mrs. S. Humphreys, west ward.

Mrs. Geo. Richards, Toronto, spent Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. Albert Moore, east ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Luke Spearin, sen., Water street, north, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. J. Hocking, at Hamilton.

Mrs. E. Melville, of London, spent the holiday with friends in town.

Wm. Morris, of London, was a holiday visitor to his parents in the south ward.

## WALLACEBURG.

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Wallaceburg, Dec. 27.—Mr. and Mrs. E. Button are spending Christmas with Mrs. Anderson.

Mr. Arthur Frye and family are home from the west to spend a few months.

Mr. Chester McDougall and family are spending Christmas in Chatham.

Mr. C. E. Jackson and family arrived home after spending the holidays in Detroit.

Rev. Mr. Howson occupied the pulpit in the Presbyterian Church, and Mr. McEachern, of Dover Centre, preached in the Methodist Church on Sunday evening.

Mrs. Ernest Brunt met with a painful accident by falling on the pavement and hurting her knee.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley, of Kincardine, are spending the holidays with Mrs. Murdoch.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Parker spent Christmas in Chatham.

Miss Jessie Stianer won the doll in the contest given by Harry Smith, druggist, here.

Mr. James McGrail, of Toronto, is spending a few days in town.

Mr. P. Kelly, of Toronto, spent Christmas with his father in town.

## KILLED A LITTLE GIRL.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Dec. 27.—Mrs. R. Seidle Treselet, wife of a well-known business man, today pleaded guilty to manslaughter for having run over with her automobile and killed Irene Cox, aged 9 years, Aug. 29 last.

Mrs. Treselet was sentenced to serve from two to twenty-one years in prison, but the sentence was suspended. She paid John A. Cox, father of the girl, \$5,000.

## MOUNT ETNA ANGRY.

Catania, Sicily, Dec. 27.—Mount Etna is showing considerable activity. There have been no earth tremors, but red hot material has been erupted, making a striking contrast with the snow-capped volcano. The villagers living near the crater are keeping a close watch on the volcano in fear of being overwhelmed.

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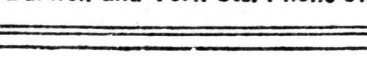
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**LONDON AND DISTRICT**

—The home of Miss Eva Winnett, teacher in the St. George's school, is a bower of flowers, the kind remembered by the pupils, teachers, relatives and friends in the city. Miss Winnett has been ill.

Mr. William Yeates, of Hamilton, a former Londoner, who has been seriously ill for some weeks, is showing a steady improvement, and he will recover. A sensational romance was aloft yesterday that he was in a dying condition, but information received from the family in Hamilton today is to the effect that he has shown improvement for some days and is now out of danger. Mr. Yeates is well known and highly esteemed here, having been the head of the London Machine Tool company and a school trustee for several terms.

At the parsonage of the Southern Congregational Church yesterday Miss Florence McColl, of Westminster Township, was united in marriage to Mr. F. G. Blake, of the Dominion meter works. Owing to a recent bereavement in the family of the bride, the immediate relatives of the young people were present. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. H. A. Claris, Mr. and Mrs. Blake will reside in London.

A Miss Flora McColl, 389 Burwell street, was pleasantly surprised by the Boys' Home Mission Club of Knox Church, South London, when the members of that organization called at her home and presented her with a beautiful pearl-handled silk umbrella, as an appreciation of her valued services and influence among the boys of the club during the past four years, in which she has been president. They also expressed their deep regret that, owing to her removal from the house of Knox Church, she found it necessary to resign from the presidency of the club. Miss McColl thanked the members of the club for their splendid gift and wished every success throughout the coming year.

**A HANDSOME CLOCK**

FOR MR. A. M. HUNT!

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Sunday School.

At the annual Christmas treat of the Askin Street Methodist Sunday school, held last night in the schoolroom, Mr. A. M. Hunt, of Askin Street, was presented with an illuminated address and a handsome clock by the officers, teachers and scholars of the school.

The presentation was made by Mr. Clarence Lewis, the secretary. He read the address also, owing to the unavoidable absence of Mr. T. J. Cahill, the treasurer, who was to have taken part in the presentation. Mr. Hunt made a suitable reply in acknowledging the gift.

A fine programme was rendered by the scholars of the school. In addition, Rev. Walter Moffat, of Chalmers Presbyterian Church, gave an illustrated lecture on "The Modern Babylon." Mr. J. Ward gave a cornet solo which was much appreciated. The children were treated to oranges by the officers of the school.

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Good Work.

On Tuesday, the 27th inst., in their new quarters, at 432 Park avenue, the Women's Christian Temperance Union held their last session for 1910. Mrs. William Heaman, vice-president, was in the chair. The chief business discussed was concerning the Rainy River district gifts.

A sad case is that of a 12-year-old boy at whom another lad of 16 pointed a supposedly unloaded gun, wounding him under the knee so seriously that it will be many months before he will be able to walk even on crutches. Meantime, to help him pass over these dreary winter months the union asks the sympathy of the more fortunate children of London—children's books, pictures, toys, plasticine, crayons, drawing and painting materials, an unlined scrapbook, such things as amuse and delight city children will be a gift to the sick boy, who has not even seen many of them through the shop windows.

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A more interesting picture than that presented at the Y. M. C. A. this week could scarcely be imagined. The Holy Land exhibit, given by Miss Ben-Oliel, is one that will be fondly remembered for many a day by those who were privileged to witness the opening last night. Of course, it will be here for eight days more, and those who failed last night to take advantage of seeing it have other opportunities for correcting that oversight.

It is rare indeed that the details of such a large exhibit are arranged with such care. Going back to the early days—2,000 years ago in the life of Egypt and Jerusalem, and presenting to the very life the atmosphere of the time, is rather a difficult feat, and when Miss Ben-Oliel is credited with succeeding to the very letter, it is indeed a very high compliment to her, and high praise for the exhibit itself.

The exhibit is appropriately styled "A wonderful, superb life-size Bible dictionary," and the party who coined this phrase expressed it to a nicety. There is nothing lacking anywhere.

There are 26 courts, in the building, each illustrating a feature of the life of those faraway times. The homes of the people, their dress, their food, their furniture, the carpenter shop, one similar to that in which the Nazarene served his apprenticeship, and a score of other things, illustrating various phases of their daily vocations, can be seen. Each is a liberal education in itself, and the whole makes for exact knowledge of this most interesting part of Bible history.

Miss Ben-Oliel, assisted by 150 people in costume. With but a few hours to drill them in the details of the work, she was badly handicapped, but they showed great aptitude, and soon mastered their dialogue. The material for the exhibit is worth a small fortune, while a carload of scenery is needed to properly display the stuff shown. It must be seen to be appreciated.

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HELD REUNION

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**A CLEVER TOAST LIST**

A Very Beautiful Menu Card Was

Issued for the Occasion—The

Speeches.

The upper school class of 1908-1909 held their second annual reunion and banquet in the London Collegiate Institute last night. A very pleasant evening was spent in progressive games, after which the young people repaired to the dining-hall, where a banquet was served that would have tempted the most exacting epicure. The toast list was long and varied, and was presided over in a remarkably clear-cut and straightforward way by Mr. F. A. Stuart, St. Michael's, who was to have replied to the toast, "The Country," sent his regrets at being unable to attend.

The Toast List.

Mr. G. L. McDonald, who was expected to reply to "The School and Staff," was also unavoidably absent. With these exceptions, the toast list was carried successfully through.

Mr. Cecil Holles, who replied briefly to "The Echoes of the Oracle," Mr. W. C. Ferguson, B.A., a former teacher of the London Collegiate Institute, but now on the staff of the University of Toronto, and Mr. J. H. Galt, who was to have replied to the toast, "The Country," sent his regrets at being unable to attend.

The programme was rendered by Santa Claus and his helpers, and at once commenced to distribute his gifts, first to the infants, and then to the others in their turn. Needless to say, the entertainment was a success, everyone going home feeling that not in years had the little ones so thoroughly enjoyed themselves. After the singing of God Save the King, every boy and girl was handed a bag of candy and an orange. The officers of the Sunday school class, "The Seasons," were so kindly placed on an envelope on the plate containing a five-dollar bill to ward the expense of the entertainment.

The Programme.

Opening hymn by the school; address by Cecil Carrothers, "Words of Welcome"; hymn by the infant class, "Do No Sinful Act"; doll dialogue by six girls of the infant class; dialogue by three boys of the infant class, "The Farmer"; songs and recitations by the infant class; dialogue by the girls in Woodward's class, "The Seasons"; recitation by Herbert Bates, "All About the Tongue"; lecture by Chester Parkinson, "Great Men"; boys' chorus, "Miss Kate Haydon's class, 'Ten Little Nigger Boys'; reading, by Miss May Parsons; instrumental, by Alfred McElhannon; solo, by Blossom Ross, "The Dawn"; dialogue by Miss Winnie Woodward, "Which is the Best"; dialogue by Fred Grant and Tom White, "Two Kinds of Fun"; recitation by Jessie Tuffield, "Johnny's Obedience"; dialogue by Miss L. G. Haydon, "In Quest of a Servant"; recitation by Miss Mabel Skelly, "The Minister to Tea"; dialogue, four celebrated characters; recitation by Willie Johnston, "Valedictory"; hymn by the school.

**QUEEN LIKED IT**

Little Galician Girl Sent Colored Picture to Alexandra.

Winnipeg, Dec. 27.—There is a proud little Galician girl at Jarama school, northeast of Saltcoats, Sask. She sent recently to the Queen-Mother a picture of the Queen, laboriously done in pencil and colored with crayon. Instead of investing the Queen with the British royal robes, she has clothed her in the national costume of Galicia. The drawing was seen by the inspector of schools for the district, A. H. Ball, who sent it to Hon. Sidney Grenville, together with a letter descriptive of the work and the Galician girl in sketching her portrait. Would you kindly express to her Queen Alexandra's thanks, and also her wish that she should continue to work in the way that she has already begun? I am sir, faithfully yours (Signed), Sidney Grenville.

**DEATH OF ACTOR**

STOPPED THE SHOW

Frank Worthing, Leading Man With